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## GOVERNOR SMALL PROMISES TO BUILD BRIDGES

### CITY PLANS THROUGH NORTH-SOUTH ROUTE

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED

**For Appointment of Committee To Investigate Feasibility of Project; Other Council Notes**

Initial steps looking to the establishing of a through north and south route through the city to give better traffic accommodation were taken at the regular meeting of the city council Monday evening, when a resolution authorizing the mayor to name a committee to investigate feasibility of the plan was adopted unanimously on motion of Commissioner W. M. Reay. The resolution follows:

**The Resolution**  
"Whereas, the Plan Commission of the city of Highland Park believe that one of the most important problems before the city, for the community benefit, is to provide a more direct and wider thoroughfare north and south through the city;

### SANTA CLAUS LAND IS ALCYON FEATURE

**Unique and Beautiful Stage Setting This Week for Christmas Festivities**

The mammoth stage at the Alcyon theater is the scene of a very pretty and unique stage setting this week. The setting which evidently cost hundreds of dollars represents an imaginary village in Mystic Santa Claus land where Santa Claus makes his headquarters. You see a school and courthouse and tiny homes and churches and a wishing well and dozens of brilliantly lighted shrubs and trees. Everything is done in gold.

### R. E. PATTISON KLINE IN LECTURE COURSE

Mr. R. E. Pattison Kline, a great favorite in Highland Park, is to give his usual course of Current History at the Woman's club, alternate Wednesday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30, beginning January 18. No one who has attended these courses ever fails to go again. For Mr. Kline is more than a current events lecturer. Possessing a broad, sane viewpoint he gives one in his lectures a clearer and better understanding of world affairs.

The following are the dates and subjects of the lectures:  
Jan. 18—Economic Conditions in Europe and Their Relation to the United States.  
Feb. 1—Changing Conceptions in American Life.  
Feb. 15—The Challenge of Fascism.  
Feb. 22—What is Coming in China.  
March 14—The Onward March of Science.

### THREE LOCAL PEOPLE TO BROADCAST PROGRAM

A Christmas eve program will be given over WEHS, wave length 215, Orrington hotel, Evanston, on Saturday evening from seven to eight o'clock by Elsie Thomas Plant, reader, and Virginia Bond Pardee, soprano, with Esther Pardee Topp, accompanist, Mr. J. Alfred Anderson, violinist, O Holy Night.

**Elsie Plant**  
The Christ Child—Whitney Coombs  
Virginia Pardee  
The Other Wise Man—Van Dyke  
Elsie Plant  
Beautiful Star—Fearie  
The Cradle Song—Brons  
Virginia Pardee

### HIGHLAND PARK TO HAVE CHRISTMAS TREE

A beautiful Community Christmas tree is being erected on the Chicago and Northwestern right-of-way which was leased recently by the Highland Park East Park district to be used for park purposes. The tree is sponsored by the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce and will be decorated by popular subscription. Mr. Charles Fiori is planting the tree.

### HELP SOMEONE ENJOY A CHRISTMAS DINNER

Anyone knowing of a family that would not otherwise have a Christmas dinner is asked to notify any one of the following members of the Social Welfare committee of Highland Park chapter No. 1362, E. P. O. E., Howard Moran, William Witten and Paul L. Udell. This is an opportunity to make some family happy on Christmas day, so if you know of anyone be sure to tell the committee.

### Mother and Son Die In Hospital Within Few Hours; Funeral

Mrs. Barbara Smith Corr, 81, an old Lake county resident, and her son, John Charles Corr, 42, well known farmer residing near Everett, both died Saturday morning in the Highland Park hospital, within a few hours of each other. Heart trouble was the cause of death on each instance. The son died at 12:45 a. m. and the mother at 10 a. m., Saturday.

Mrs. Corr had suffered a fracture of a hip in a fall last spring, and had been in poor health for several months. The infirmities of advanced age combined with the shock of the accident are believed to have contributed to her condition. Her son had been suffering from heart trouble for some time. Both were taken to the hospital early last week. Neither knew that the other was near death. Two daughters, Mrs. Susan Johnson and Mrs. Mary Carlson, survive.

A double funeral was held from the home of Mrs. Susan Johnson on Old Mill road, Tuesday morning, with services at St. Patrick's church, Everett, at 9 o'clock. Burial was in the cemetery at Everett.

Both Mrs. Corr and her son were widely known and highly esteemed in the community in which they lived and there are many expressions of sorrow at their deaths, mingled with sincere sympathy for the bereaved relatives.

### WANT FRUIT AND CANDY FOR DORCAS ORPHANS

**Firemen Ask Donations of Good Things to Eat to Accompany Toys in Readiness**

Here is an opportunity for some eleventh-hour Christmas giving. The Highland Park city fire department members have a large stock of toys, large and small, which they have obtained from general donors, and in the past few weeks the firemen have been busy repairing and painting them as gifts to the children at the Dorcas orphanage just west of the city. They have accumulated a fine lot of good toys of all descriptions and are all ready for Christmas.

But one thing is lacking; fruit and candy are needed to make the plan complete, and the firemen are wondering if some of their good friends in the city will contribute this part of the offering. Send the goodies to the fire station and they will be delivered with the toys. The time is short, and the firemen request that responses be prompt.

Another plan is under way for the orphans' holiday entertainment. The firemen and the city nurse, Mrs. Huhnke, are arranging to have the children taken to the Alcyon theater Saturday to see the Santa Claus and the Christmas program. The North Shore Line has been asked to furnish buses for the 37 children at the orphanage.

### MONDAY HOLIDAY IS TO BE OBSERVED HERE

**Most Business Houses to Close All or Part of Day; Drug Store Hours**

Monday will be observed generally as a holiday in Highland Park. The fact that Christmas comes on Sunday makes Monday a legal holiday and practically all business will be at a standstill in this city on that day, at least part of the time, and some business houses will be closed all day, it is understood.

Drug stores will be closed on Sunday from 1:30 to 4 p. m. and on Monday afternoon from 1 o'clock to 5 o'clock. Then at 7 o'clock in the evening they will close entirely for the rest of the evening. Patrons should govern themselves accordingly.

The other business houses will be closed all day Sunday and Monday. There will be one mail delivery on Monday and the post office will be open until 12 o'clock that day only. It will be closed all day Sunday.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT BETHANY CHURCH

A special Christmas morning service has been planned for eleven o'clock at the Bethany Evangelical church. Mrs. Charles Pardee and Mrs. Barrett will furnish delightful music for this service. Among their numbers they have chosen "The Christ Child" by Whitney Coombs and "He Shall Feed His Flocks." A special invitation is extended to all members and their friends to attend.

### TO GIVE CANTATA ON SUNDAY NIGHT

FIRST U. E. CHURCH CHOIR

**Christmas Program at Evening Service on Dec. 25; Special Features Noted; Complete Program**

"The Christ Child," a cantata by C. B. Hawley, will be given by the chorus choir of the First United Evangelical church, corner of Green Bay road and Laurel avenue, Sunday evening, Dec. 25, at 7:45 p. m., under the direction of G. J. Dinkeloo.

The soloists are Mrs. Henry Maechtle, Mildred Maechtle, Mrs. Frank Wichman, Mrs. Alvin Raedeke, Henry Maechtle, Joseph Redine, Herbert Moon, and Elmer Gieser.

Pianist, Frances Tillman; organist, Raymond Fidler.

An interesting feature of the program is a selection by the Highland Park Bell-Ringers.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Following is the program:

**The Program**  
PART I  
Piano and Organ Prelude  
Frances Tillman, Raymond Fidler  
Tenor Solo—The Voice that Cried  
Henry Maechtle  
Bass Recit.—The People that Walked in Darkness  
Elmer Gieser  
Chorus Arise, Shine  
Pass Solo—A King Shall Reize  
Elmer Gieser  
Ladies Trio—He Shall Feed His Flock  
Mrs. Alvin Raedeke  
Alto Recit.—The Angel Gabriel Was Sent  
Mrs. Alvin Raedeke  
Tenor Solo—Hail! Hail!  
Henry Maechtle  
Chorus—How Beautiful Upon the Mountains  
Soprano Solo—My Soul Both Magnify the Lord  
Mrs. Henry Maechtle  
Chorus—Sing, O Heavens  
Obligation Solo—Mrs. Frank Wichman  
Hyman—O Come All Ye Faithful  
Choir and Congregation

**PART II**  
Soprano Solo—The Plains of Bethlehem  
Alto Recit.—And Lo! the Angel  
Mrs. Maechtle  
Baritone Solo—Fear Not  
Joe Redine  
Chorus—Glory to God in the Highest  
Ladies Chorus—Peace on Earth  
Baritone Solo—It Came Upon the Midnight Clear  
Soprano Solo—Still Thro the Cloven Skies  
Mildred Maechtle  
Soprano Solo—And We Beneath Life's Crushing Load  
Mrs. Maechtle  
Chorus—For Lo! the Days are Hastening On  
Alto Solo—And It Came to Pass  
Mrs. Raedeke  
Male Chorus—Let Us Go to Bethlehem  
Chorus—Holy Night! Peaceful Night!  
Soprano Solo—And the Shepherds  
Mrs. F. Wichman  
Chorus—O Praise the Lord  
by the Pastor

Members of the Choir—Sopranos: Esther Dreiske, Mrs. Clinton Fritsch, Mrs. Elmer Gieser, Mrs. Edward Hinz, Mrs. Henry Maechtle, Mildred Maechtle, Mrs. Frank Wichman; altos: Isabel Fobender, Hedwig Gieser, Kathleen Paine, Mrs. Alvin Raedeke, Mrs. Arthur Tillman; tenors: Kenneth Geiser, Henry Maechtle, Herbert Moon, Joseph Redine; basses: Conrad Dreiske, Daniel Dreiske, Leslie Dreiske, Walter Fidler, Roy Tenor, Elmer Gieser, Edward Hinz, Jasper Rihnehart, Frank Wichman; pianist, Frances Tillman; organist, Raymond Fidler; director, Gerard Dinkeloo.

### CRITICISES SAFETY ISLAND AS MENACE

**George A. Rogers Says Simple Red-Lighted Mushroom Is Better**

Geo. A. Rogers of the Watson Advertising agency, People Gas building, Chicago, sends the Press the following letter which is self-explanatory:

December 15, 1927.  
Editor, Highland Park Press, Highland Park, Ill.  
Dear Sir:

In my course of business I pass through many towns in an automobile. I note, therefore, methods of rendering traffic safe and expeditious. Passing through your city, on several occasions, I note that you still keep that archaic concrete obstruction at the intersection of Central avenue with St. Johns. It is directly in front of the Highland Park State bank. It carries red lights and must be a danger post. However, it defeats its own purpose as it is so large that it obstructs vision and keeps a driver from making an easy turn.

A simple red light, sunk in the concrete, would answer the purpose. I have talked to many friends of mine in Highland Park and they are unanimous in the opinion that this antiquated device be speedily removed as a progressive step.

I will appreciate your running this letter to help focus attention on this matter.

Very truly yours,  
George A. Rogers.

### MYSTIC WORKERS TO GIVE ANNUAL PARTY

The Mystic Workers are giving their annual Christmas party on Friday evening, Dec. 23, at eight o'clock at Masonic hall. All members are invited to bring their children and there will be entertainment for both young and old. Refreshments will be served and a good time is promised for all.

### Two Fires in Last Week Damage Store And One Residence

Fire, believed to have been caused by an over-heated stove, caused close to a thousand dollars worth of damage late Saturday night in the fruit and vegetable store operated by Lowy & Valentino on South St. Johns avenue, in a building belonging to the Thompson estate and under original lease of George Siockis.

The fire was discovered about 11:30 Saturday night and when the fire department arrived the interior of the place was filled with flames and smoke. By hard work the fire was confined to the building, which was not so badly damaged as was at first feared, the loss on it being in the neighborhood of two or three hundred dollars, according to the estimate of Fire Chief Hoskin. The damage to the stock was extensive and is estimated by the chief at five or six hundred dollars. The loss is covered by insurance, it was stated.

According to investigations made by the fire chief the indications were that the fire was caused by the overheating of a stove in the rear part of the shop, which was still red hot and filled with fuel when the firemen arrived. It is supposed that some of the boxes or other wooden articles near the stove caught fire.

A second fire in the last few days occurred about 11:15 Tuesday morning at the residence of George Parker, on Vine avenue, and a portion of the roof was burned off and a partition in the attic damaged. The fire chief estimated the loss at two or three hundred dollars. The fire is believed to have been caused by sparks on the roof.

The firemen have answered about fifteen calls during the present month, but no serious damage was reported from any except these last two.

The firemen were called to the home of Mrs. A. D. West, on North avenue, Wednesday forenoon, where they report a couple of baskets of clothing in the basement had caught fire, probably from children playing with matches, they believe. The house was filled with smoke, but damage was confined to the laundry.

### DEERFIELD LEGION TO STAGE GOOD FIGHT CARD

**Seven Bouts on Program Dec. 29, at Masonic Temple in That Village**

Under the auspices of the Deerfield American Legion post, No. 738, another good fight card will be presented Thursday evening, Dec. 29, in the Masonic temple at Deerfield. Seven good bouts are scheduled for the program that evening, and a good exhibition is promised all who attend. The good program given by the Legion post a few weeks ago was enjoyed by all who were present, and it is promised that the card on December 29 will be still better. For the convenience of Highland Park fight fans tickets may be obtained of Mr. Blaine, at Purnell & Wilson's Ford sales rooms.

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM IN DEERFIELD DEC. 26

**Chamber of Commerce Sponsor Celebration to Be Held at Masonic Temple**

A Community Christmas celebration, fostered by the Deerfield Chamber of Commerce, will be held Monday evening, Dec. 26 at five o'clock at the Masonic temple. Music will be furnished by members of the Deerfield Municipal band.

The following program will be given:  
Song—"Joy to the World."  
Invocation—Rev. A. P. Johnson.  
Song—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."  
Address—Rev. M. J. Andrews.  
Song—"Silent Night."  
Benediction—Rev. F. G. Piepenbrok.  
Gifts to the children.

### MORAINES CHEF DIES SUDDENLY TUESDAY

Lucien Chamagne, chef at the Moraine hotel for the past fifteen years, dropped dead at the hotel Tuesday afternoon about five o'clock. He was one of the best chefs in this part of the country and well liked, and a great favorite among the guests of the Moraine, who have known him for years. The guests are contributing liberally for flowers.

His sister, Marie, has been employed by the Moraine as vegetable cook for the past ten years and is his sole relative in this country. Funeral services will be held from St. James church, Highwood, Friday morning at ten o'clock and burial will be at All Saints cemetery.

### TWO ON SHERIDAN ROAD TO BE STARTED NEXT SPRING

### HIGHLAND PARK OFFICIALS GET ASSURANCE

**Conference With Gov. Small Wednesday Results Satisfactorily; Engineers to Begin Work on Plans at Once; Is Fine Christmas Gift for This City; Credit Due Officials**

Santa Claus in the person of Governor Len Small Wednesday morning put a valuable Christmas gift in Highland Park's collective stocking when he promised a local committee in an interview at Springfield that the state would build the two much-needed new bridges on North Sheridan road in this city, at a total estimated cost of \$120,000.

The governor instructed engineers of the state department of public works and buildings to begin work on the plans for these bridges at once, so that preliminary steps may be completed in readiness for beginning of actual operations next spring. The plan does not include the building of a new roadway by the state.

**How It Was Announced**

Arrangements for the conference with the governor were originally made by Supervisor William J. Obee for a committee of the board of supervisors of Lake county and later it was decided to have the Highland Park delegation appear at the same time. In connection with the meeting of the supervisors committee with the governor, the following telegram, dated December 12, at Springfield, was received by Frank T. Stanton of the county board, and signed by W. J. Stratton, head of the state department of conservation, whose home is at Ingleside in Lake county:

Springfield, Dec. 12, 1927.

Frank T. Stanton,  
Board of Supervisors  
of Lake County.

The governor will meet Obee's committee at 10:00 a. m., December 21.

W. J. Stratton.

**Include City Delegation**

Supervisor Obee, who has always taken a deep interest in securing state aid for rebuilding the Sheridan road bridges, suggested that it might be well if it could be arranged to have the Highland Park city officials meet the governor at the same time, and City Clerk V. C. Musser later telephoned Col. C. R. Miller, head of the state department of public works and buildings regarding such a plan. Miller stated that it would be feasible, and immediately arrangements were made by city officials for the trip.

The Highland Park delegation included Mayor B. F. Lewis, who acted as spokesman; City Clerk V. C. Musser, Commissioners William M. Reay, Wm. J. Brown, and Julius Zimmer, representing the City of Highland Park, and Paul L. Udell, as a representative of the chamber of commerce and the Highland Park Press. They left Highland Park on Tuesday evening for Springfield.

President J. M. Appel of the Highland Park State bank and also president of the Illinois Bankers association, was in Springfield in conference with Governor Small on matters pertaining to his organization, and he presented the Highland Park delegation to the governor, making a brief talk explaining the nature of their requirements and the necessity of the improvement asked.

**Mayor Is Spokesman**  
Mayor Lewis in his talk ably presented the city's position in the premises, explaining that Sheridan road is a through state route from Chicago to Milwaukee, that three-fourths of the traffic on this road in Highland Park is by people from outside this city and pointing out that since the bridges have been closed this direct route has been obstructed, necessitating a detour.

Governor Small expressed his gratification in being able to accede to the request of the Highland Park delegation, stating that he was familiar with the conditions on Sheridan road and referring to the beauty of this route between Chicago and Milwaukee, which, he said, he had on several occasions remarked, in passing over it. He promised that the bridges would be erected by the state at an estimated cost of \$120,000, and that the engineers of the state department of public works and buildings would begin work on the plans at once, so as to have everything ready for active construction operations early next spring.

**State Not to Pave Roads**

Mayor Lewis in his talk also endeavored to interest the governor in the building of an 18-foot roadway on North Sheridan road, but the state

officials pointed out that the appropriations made for such emergency work as the building of these bridges was only \$500,000, and as the cost of the bridges would be nearly one-fourth of this amount, the additional cost of about \$7,000 for the 18-foot roadway would be too great a drain on the appropriation for any single community. The mayor and Mr. Appel explained that the present roadway could be used for some time with such minor repairs as might be needed from time to time. They expressed the thanks of the delegation and the city of Highland Park for the generous response by the governor to their request for the construction of the bridges and returned to Highland Park last night much gratified at the success of the conference.

**Credit Due Officials**

Much of the credit for the securing of this much-needed improvement for Highland Park at the expense of the state is due to the late Representative William F. Weiss, Supervisor William J. Obee, County Highway Superintendent R. M. Lobdell and W. J. Stratton, by whose efforts the bill for the emergency appropriation of \$500,000 was kept alive during the last session of the legislature and finally passed providing this fund for such supplementary work as bridges, etc., needed along state routes in incorporated communities like Highland Park. Supervisor Obee has kept in touch with both state and city officials in connection with the matter and has spared no effort to bring the plan to culmination for the benefit of his home city. The mayor and commissioners have done everything in their power to advance the project with the state department, and the final conference with the governor Wednesday was the successful climax.

The two bridges on North Sheridan road have been closed over a year, ever since they were declared unsafe by Engineer Fyfe, following a personal examination. Effort was made by the previous city administration to secure approval of the voters of the city to a bond issue to finance erection of new bridges, but this was defeated in the summer of 1926. After that it was decided to take the matter up with the state, and initial steps in this direction were taken under Mayor Hastings administration.

### NOTED LECTURE AT HIGH SCHOOL JAN. 5

**UNDER P. T. A. AUSPICES**

**President Morgan of Antioch College, in Ohio, Will Tell of New Educational Experiments**

Marked interest is being manifested in the lecture to be given in the Deerfield-Shields high school auditorium on the evening of Thursday, Jan. 5, at 8:15 o'clock, under the auspices of the High School P. T. A. association. The lecturer will be President Arthur E. Morgan of Antioch college, Ohio, whose remarkable achievements in combination of cultural and actual vocational work in the courses of study at that institution have attracted the attention of the educational world.

President Morgan's address promises to be highly interesting and instructive. His subject is "What Should College Do for Life?" In the course of his lecture he relates a number of actual experiences of students who have followed the courses at Antioch college, where they work at real jobs in connection with their school courses.

**Tells of Visit**

"I have just spent five days at Yellow Springs, Ohio," says Robert W. Bruere, "exhilarating and mind-stretching days. My industrial studies had led me to believe that cultures are largely determined by the tools men use in getting a living and the special groupings and activities induced by their tools. I was curious

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