

MAYOR PROPOSES MEMORIAL GIFTS

Suggests Donations for This Purpose for New City Hall Building

(Editor's Note—The following letter was addressed to Mr. Udell personally and was not opened until his return from the Ottawa convention, which was too late for last week's issue of the Press).

September 19, 1929

Mr. Paul Udell,
Care of Highland Park Press,
Highland Park, Ill.
Dear Mr. Udell:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which was sent to all former city officials of the city of Highland Park whose addresses we could locate. I have not as yet received any favorable replies, and I thought perhaps you might help us in extending the same invitation to everyone in Highland Park.

It was my idea to extend the first opportunity to former city officials, and now that this opportunity has been given them, it should be extended to everyone. In extending this, it should be clearly stated that the present administration does not hope for any glory in obtaining these memorials, as naturally any installed will be useful to the city long after the present administration has been forgotten.

I know you can present this in a forceful way to your readers and one that will bring results.

Very truly yours,
B. F. LEWIS

Copy of Letter
September 5, 1929

"With the completion of the new city hall now under construction, we will have a building which will be substantial and lasting, and it is my great hope that every effort will be put forth to make it beautiful.

"It would be quite fitting if the city placed memorials in this building."
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To Teach French at DeForest School

The classes in French in the De Forest school are under the leadership of Miss Jean Gunther this year. Miss Gunther had her educational training at the Francis W. Parker school, Chicago, as well as in France. She is doing graduate work at Northwestern university for her Master's Degree, majoring in French. Her foreign life has not only been spent in France, but foreign affairs form a large part of her daily background, as her brother is the French correspondent for the Chicago Daily News.

The children in the first, second, third and fourth grades in the De Forest school have French with her three times a week.

Damage Suit Is Filed in Child's Death Here

Suit for \$10,000 damages was filed Wednesday in circuit court by the administrator in the estate of Mildred Louise Hulsey, of Highland Park, who was killed in an automobile accident May 3, 1929. George Biavati and Peter Theodos, of the North Shore Restaurant company of Highland Park, were named defendants.

Ravinia Woman's Club Opens Season Oct. 9th; Neighborhood Luncheon

On Wednesday, October 9, at 1:00 o'clock, the Ravinia Woman's club will open its year's program with a Neighborhood luncheon, at the Village house.

Following the luncheon, a beautiful afternoon of music has been promised by the program committee, who have engaged Mr. Laurence Salerno, baritone, and his accompanist, Mrs. Jessie Wood Sincere.

It is hoped that a great many old, new, and prospective members will meet at this time to renew old acquaintances and to make new ones. The luncheon will be a cosy, friendly affair, with two hostesses at each table of eight. With this plan, and by using place cards, the committee in charge hopes to bring neighbors together and help them to know each other.

The spirit of friendliness, simple living, and good neighborliness which always has been a vital part of Ravinia, and which, in too many communities, is becoming a thing of the past, is cherished by those who have known it here. The Ravinia Woman's club has taken upon itself the business of keeping alive this spirit in its own community.

Reservations for the luncheon for which a small cover charge will be made, may be telephoned to Mrs. Lee Supple H. P. 1941, or to Mrs. Frank Gault, H. P. 1934.

Issue Invitations For Dance Series

The social committee of the Ravinia Woman's club has just issued invitations for the 1929-30 series of dances to be given by the club, at the Village House, Ravinia.

The program of dances, is an exceptionally interesting one this year, featuring four dances. There will be good music and special entertainments for each party.

The series opens December 7, 1929, with a Cabaret dinner and dance. The Village House will be turned into a "Night Club" for that evening with all the fun that goes with it. Cabaret entertainers both professional and amateur will be engaged for the evening.

The second dance of the season will be a "Hard Times" party to be held January 25, 1930. This will be a costume party, with prizes for the funniest costumes.

A "Formal" will be given March 22, 1930, with a special supper served at midnight. The regular informal "Spring Frolic" will be given May 3, 1930. There will be interesting surprises and favors at this party.

The social committee is sparing no time nor effort to make these dances a success and a large response is expected.

N. S. Wellesley Circle Opens

The North Shore Wellesley circle opens its fall and winter season Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 15, with a meeting at the home of its chairman, Mrs. George E. Bliss, 522 North Linden avenue, Highland Park. The program will concern itself with reunion and commencement at Wellesley, with informal talks given by alumnae who went on to college last June.

Edith Mason to Sing at Benefit Concert for Hospital Oct. 14

One of the notable musical events of the season will be the appearance here October 14 of Edith Mason, noted opera singer, in a benefit concert for the Highland Park hospital, to be given in the Deerfield-Shields high school auditorium.

This talented artist needs no introduction to Highland Park audiences, as she has appeared frequently in splendid roles at Ravinia Park opera and has many friends here who will delight in hearing her again. It is considered a rare privilege to hear this celebrated singer at a nominal price, and undoubtedly the attendance will be large.

The ticket sale is in charge of Mrs. Sellar Bullard and Mrs. Rolland Hastings, and tickets may be obtained of them at the Thrift Shop or the Highland Park hospital.

Organize New Bank Plan to Open Jan. 1

Plans are being made for the organization of a new downtown bank which probably will begin business about January 1, with a paid up capital and surplus in excess of \$5,000,000. An option has been taken on the entire banking floor and the vaults at the southeast corner of

Dearborn and Madison streets — the quarters for many years occupied by the Union Trust company, now merged with the First National bank. Two of the members of the organization committee are: J. O. A. Preuss, 319 N. Sheridan road, Highland Park, and Roy O. Nereim, 247 Central avenue, Highland Park.

The name tentatively selected for the new institution is the Chicago Bank of Commerce. It will have a board of directors of fifteen or more members, eight of whom already have been selected and have accepted. The personnel of the board of directors will be announced within a few days.

It is contemplated that the stock will be issued at \$170 a share. Two Chicago business men, each a leader in his field, have subscribed for \$500,000 of the stock. One stipulated that he desired an option for his associates of another half million dollars. Both these men have a large business following who, it is believed will add strength to the institution. As yet there has been no offering of the stock but about half the amount available has been applied for.

It was announced by members of the organization committee that Henry S. Henschen, president of the Congress Trust and Savings bank would be offered the presidency of the new institution.

Making Good Progress on S. Green Bay Paving

E. E. Farmer, head of the Highways Construction company, reports that the drainage is all installed for the big South Green Bay road paving improvement. Excellent progress is being made in this contract. Pouring of cement slab was started last Monday, Mr. Farmer reports, and it is expected that this part of the work will be completed in about three weeks.

URGES PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE LOSS

Chief Hoskin Emphasizes Meaning of Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 6-12

In connection with the annual observance of Fire Prevention week, October 6 to 12, Fire Chief E. C. Hoskin points out in the following statement some of the dangers to be avoided and suggests methods by which added protection against fire may be obtained by property owners and residents generally:

Chief's Statement

Too often the attitude of people toward activity practicing fire prevention in their own homes or places of business is, "I haven't time to be bothered with it," or in other words "Lef Bill do it," and then, when some thoughtless act permits fire to start, perhaps bringing ruin to them they are startled out of their complacency too late. Often they express the thought "Why should I worry; the insurance company will pay the bill." True, the insurance company pays the loss, but who pays for insurance? Actually, you control the cost of insurance in your own locality. For what other basis is there for the cost of service than the average burning rate in the territory?

Many Lives Lost

There are two other things to think of in connection with fire losses. If anyone questions the urgent need of fire prevention, let him consider the loss of life. Every year, on the average, more than 10,000 people in

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Lake Forest to Add to Municipal Course

A second attempt to pass a bond issue to add nine more holes to the municipal golf links and to build a park on the present dumping grounds was successful yesterday in a bond issue election at Lake Forest. Bonds of \$75,000 were approved by a vote of 537 to 193 whereas the issue lost a year ago by 40 votes. The links are known as the Deerpath golf course.

Boy on Bicycle Is Hurt Slightly in Collision

Howard Early, 14, of 503 S. St. Johns avenue, suffered minor bruises and scratches Tuesday, when he drove his bicycle in front of an auto driven by Gus Leffert, on St. Johns avenue, about 3:30. The lad came out of a driveway, according to the report. Leffert tried to avoid a collision by driving against the curb. The bicycle was damaged.

Good Boxing Card at Pearl Theatre Oct. 8

An attractive boxing card, comprising seven big bouts is scheduled to be shown at the Pearl theatre, Highland Park, Tuesday evening, October 8, beginning at 8:15 o'clock. The card is sponsored by the Majestic A. C. and is sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic association of America, according to the announcement.