

## Wife of County Supt. of Schools Finds Her Ancestral Home in East

With an old picture as the only means of identifying the boyhood homestead of her father, Mrs. T. A. Simpson, wife of the county superintendent of schools, was able to locate his birthplace in Vermont and in addition had the opportunity of talking with the present occupant of the

place, it was learned today.

Her father, Byron Colby, who makes his home in Libertyville and here with the Simpsons, is 94 years old, and he left his birth place 85 years ago when he was nine years old.

When Mr. and Mrs. Simpson mapped out their vacation this year it was found that they would enter the state of Vermont. This gave them an opportunity to look for Mr. Colby's old home so the aged picture was taken along. The best informa-

tion that he could give was that the house was located in the vicinity of Topston, a very small hamlet.

On arriving in Topston inquiries were made and one man stated that he thought such a place could be found several miles from there. Eventually the home was located and there was no change from the picture of it, Mrs. Simpson discovered.

The present occupant has lived there years and is confident that the home, which is in an excellent state

of repair, is more than 100 years old and unchanged from the time it was built. The Simpsons were shown through all the home but were unable to walk over the farm as a driving rain had started to fall.

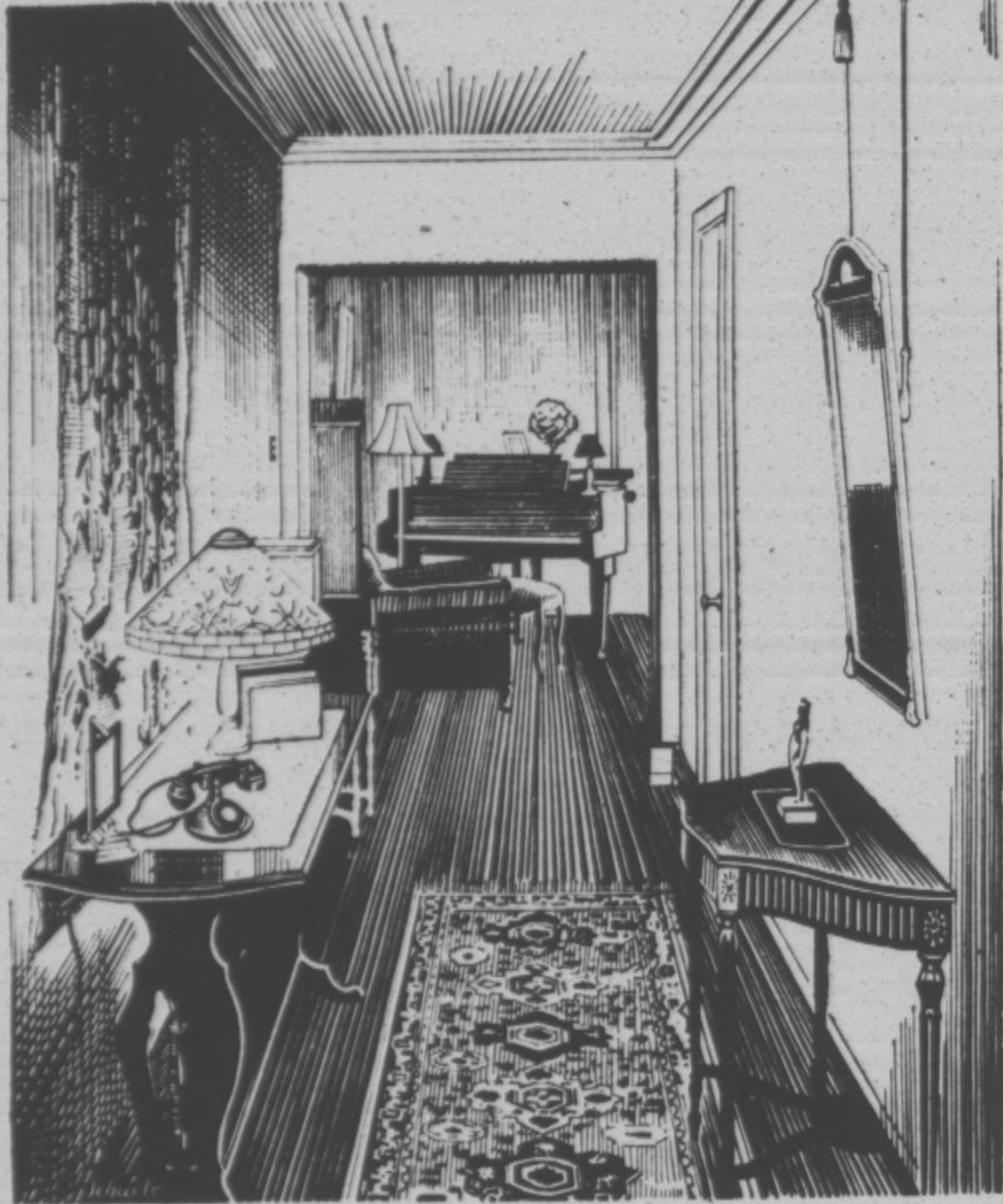
## Decatur's Famed Toast Sensibly Discussed by Cincinnati Enquirer

A great-nephew of Commodore Decatur, just deceased, has devised to the United States Naval academy a sword that was presented by the city of Philadelphia to the famous American naval officer.

The brave, romantic and genius-endowed Decatur remains one of the most attractively striking characters in the history of the nation. His sword very literally carved a new avenue for the onward march of Christian civilization, giving to the United States a sea prestige which struck terror to its foes and stirred the envy and anxious thought of England and other sea powers.

Decatur's famed toast: "My country, may she always be right; but, right or wrong, my country!" has stirred the soul of patriotism through all the years since his day. It has been criticized by moral controversialists, but its essence too deeply is implanted in the American heart ever to be dimmed to lesser luster, for it was born of a very passion of patriotic devotion — as though one had said: "My family, may it always be right; but, right or wrong, my family."

Far better and nobler is the spirit, and implied intent, incorporate in the great sea captain's immortal declaration than the saccharine silliness of many modern pacifist slogans, which would transmute it to mean something like: "My country, may I be permitted to serve and defend her, if Europe and the rest of the world be willing that I should do so!"—Cincinnati Enquirer.




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### NOTICE OF LETTING CONTRACT ASSESSMENT NO. 343

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids will be received for the construction of a storm outlet pipe extension with concrete man-holes and headwall in Clavey Road, in the City of Highland Park, County of Lake, and State of Illinois, as a whole in accordance with the ordinance therefor.

Said bids will be received by the Board of Local Improvements at its office in the City Hall, Highland Park, Illinois, until 7:45 p.m. on the 25th day of August, 1930, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read.

The specifications and blank proposals will be furnished at the office of the Board of Local Improvements in the City Hall of said City.

The contractor will be paid in bonds, which bonds will draw interest at the rate of six (6) per cent per annum.

The successful bidder for the construction of said improvement will be required to enter into bond in a sum equal to one-third of the amount of his or their bid with sureties to be approved by the President of the Board of Local Improvements when entering into the contract for the construction of said improvement.

All proposals or bids, must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the President of the Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highland Park for the sum of not less than ten (10) per cent of the aggregate of the proposal.

Said proposal must be delivered to the President of the Board of Local Improvements in open session of said Board at the time and place fixed herein for the opening of the same.

No proposal or bid will be considered unless accompanied by check herein provided.

The Board of Local Improvements reserves the right to reject any or all bids if they deem it best for the public good.

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