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## H. P. WOMAN'S CLUB FUTURE ACTIVITIES

### President Entertains Board and Reports are Presented; Plan for Coming Year

Mrs. Carleton A. Harkness, the president of the Highland Park Woman's club entertained the members of the board of managers at luncheon at her home, 352 Prospect avenue on Monday, May 11. The affair was most delightful and it afforded the members a pleasant opportunity for getting together before the routine of the afternoon meeting.

The reports of the officers, committee chairmen and directors gave promise of a busy club year. Many plans were reported and many suggestions as well as many hopes, for future accomplishments were brought forth. Most of the committees were filled and it was gratifying to learn that many of the new members are to serve on working committees for the first time.

Mrs. Raymond W. Stevens who is serving as treasurer for the second year reported the club finances to be in splendid condition.

### Plan Rummage Sales

Mrs. William Aitkin, chairman of the finance committee, reported that the finance committee hopes to hold two rummage sales during the coming year—one in October and one in April. The committee is also sponsoring a series of card parties. The first of the series will be held on June 5 at the home of Mrs. William M. Reay, 334 Hazel avenue at eight o'clock in the evening. Members and

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## Uncle of W. J. Obee Dies in Alhambra, California

Relatives here have received word of the death of Henry Obee, formerly for many years a resident of Green Bay road and Walnut street, Highland Park, which occurred January 31, at his home in Alhambra, Calif. He was until his death the only living charter member of A. O. Fay Masonic lodge of this city. He was 87 years of age. He went to California in 1889.

Three daughters and four grandchildren survive, all in California. Mr. Obee was an uncle of William J., and Fred Obee and Mrs. Amy Scott of Highland Park. The funeral was held in California.

### Highland Park Social Service

378 Central Avenue  
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Work is still in great need; don't you need someone to work in your garden, wash windows, get dinner, mow lawns, beat rugs, etc.

## Ascension Day Service Of Knights Templar in Highland Park, May 17

This year the Evanston, Illinois and Waukegan Commanderies of Knights Templar are having their Ascension day services in Trinity Episcopal church, Highland Park, on the Sunday after the Ascension, May 17, at 3 o'clock.

The Knights Templar reaching back into the days of the crusades has a long and brilliant record of achievement and service, and as the Ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ is always observed, the Sir Knights according to ancient custom gather and march in procession to some public place of worship each year.

Thus in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred thirty one, the Knights Templar of these three Commanderies gather to bear witness to their allegiance to the risen Lord, Who through His ascension relates life and duties here to the Kingdom of God on High.

This special service is held in Highland Park for the first time in 19 years. The Illinois Commandery band and the Evanston and Waukegan Commanderies will attend in a body. They will assemble at the Masonic temple in Highland Park at 2 o'clock to march to the church. Many Highland Park and Lake Forest members will attend.

The Commanderies meet twice a year in special session, once at Easter and Ascension day to attend church somewhere.

## Annual Picnic May 27 at Waukegan Flats

The annual picnic of the Community Garden class will be held at the Waukegan "flats" on Wednesday, May 27.

The club will be escorted by Mr. Jesse Smith who will describe the flowers and interesting geographical features of that region.

Please be at the Woman's club at 12 noon and bring your own basket lunch.

This is one week later than the regular meeting, but will be a more suitable time for seeing the spring flowers at the "flats."

## Hit in Eye By Ball While Watching Game

Richard Roche of Pleasant street, Highwood, who was hit in the left eye by a fly ball Sunday, May 3, while watching the Highland Park Crescents and St. James baseball game at Sunset field, will not lose the sight of his eye, although an operation will be necessary before full sight can be restored.

Roche was standing near first base when the ball struck him. He was taken to the Highland Park hospital, but returned to his home early this week.

## Alex Rafferty Named Street Superintendent By New Administration

The appointment of Alex Rafferty as superintendent of streets was ratified Monday night at the first meeting of the new Highland Park city council. John Hart, who preceded Rafferty died recently before the end of his term. No other appointments were approved at the same time, the list being handed over to the newly seated council for their consideration and ratification.

Highland Park's building total for March and April came to \$221,258, a remarkable figure considering the slump in the building trades evident throughout the state. The percentage of buildings going up in comparison to the population, is far greater than Evanston, where building has been reported as picking up again.

The increase is due to a number of homes being built this spring. The residences are of all types, some necessitating a great expenditure.

## Annual Meeting of P.T.A. Next Wednesday

The Annual P. T. A. meeting of the Elm Place-Green Bay Road schools will be held Wednesday, May 20 at 3 o'clock in the kindergarten room at Elm Place school.

The annual reports will be read and the officers for the coming year elected. Mrs. Carl Pfanstiehl will report items of interest from the board of education and Mr. Richardson will speak on the subject "Elm Place graduates and the problem of Freshman placement."

The Social committee will serve tea and all parents in this district are urged to attend.

## Highland Park Leads County in Building

An April spurt in construction work placed Highland Park back in the lead in Lake County building with a total of \$112,963 as against \$104,087 for Lake Forest, the next largest total for the county, Waukegan is third, with a total of \$49,632.

For the first quarter of 1931, Lake Forest is easily the county leader in building volume with a total of \$371,764. Highland Park takes second place with \$222,498 while Waukegan again places third with a volume of \$191,912.

## John O'Keefe Goes to Texas; Business Trip

Mr. John O'Keefe, superintendent and manager of the Railroad Men's Home, left Sunday for Houston, Texas on business connected with the home. He will be gone about 10 days.

The spring meeting of the North Shore Wellesley society will be held Tuesday, May 19, at the home of Mrs. S. P. Johnston, 505 Waverly road, with Mrs. George E. Bliss and Mrs. Howell W. Murray as co-hostesses.

## VOCATIONAL HOUSE STUDENT WORKERS

### Those Engaged in Building Operations; Also Better Homes Week Groups

Deerfield-Shields high school is about to bring to completion an undertaking which will probably set it out from all other similar institutions. It will then have accomplished successfully what very few high schools attempt to do.

Education, in order to serve its intended purpose, must undergo constant changes. What we do today is very different from what was done a few short years ago, and equally as true, a decade or so from this time our present methods and procedures will be superseded by others much better.

### Annual Project

For the past five years the vocational group of students has completed a project annually; first, two houses, then an automechanics shop for the department, then two more houses. Each project in turn was a distinct step in advance, and this year's effort is no exception. In fact, this latest undertaking, the sixth in the series, is of a scope wider in range than any previously attempted. Not only the vocational, but also the art, home economics, and industrial arts classes are involved. In addition, the "Better Homes" committee is taking an exceedingly active part, serving chiefly in the capacity of an advisory group. And this is as it should be. Too frequently the work of the school is of little or no concern to those who furnish its support. Very seldom is the work brought definitely before the community.

### Unites Various Interests

Schooling often is of too narrow a type, too restrictive, too exclusive, (Continued on page 42)

## Ravinia Garden Club Guest Day Program at Village House May 15

At 8 o'clock tomorrow evening (Friday, May 15) at the Ravinia Village house, the Ravinia Garden club will hold its annual guest day program, to which members of the neighboring garden clubs and their friends have been invited. An invitation is also extended by the club to anyone interested in gardening.

Mr. Leo Nack will be the speaker of the evening, giving an illustrated lecture on "Laying out the garden." Preceding Mr. Nack's talk, the A. Cappella choir from Northwestern university, under the direction of Dean Lutkin will sing. After the lecture the guests will mingle informally and light refreshments will be served by Mrs. J. B. Deibler and her committee: Mrs. R. A. Bryant, Mrs. V. Fabian, Mrs. R. R. Harrington, Mrs. Frank Gault, Mrs. Lee W. Frank, Mrs. E. E. Leonard and Mrs. Frank Wicks.