

CITY COUNCIL IN REGULAR SESSION

Routine Business Occupies the Meeting Monday Evening; Bills Approved

Routine business chiefly occupied the session of the city council Monday evening. Department reports were filed and approved, and bills aggregating \$56,401.04 were approved for payment for the period from Nov. 1 to Dec. 1, 1931.

Reports of the police and building departments were filed and approved, and also the report of Police Magistrate Herman Schwery, showing fines in the sum of \$353 collected to Dec. 1.

Commissioner Greenslade moved that the petition signed by 12 property owners living in the vicinity of West Park avenue requesting street lights to be installed on Park avenue from the Skokie Branch of the Chicago North Shore & Milwaukee railroad to Ridge road be referred to Commissioner Zimmer. The motion prevailed.

Commissioner Greenslade moved that the communication from William H. Barrett with reference to his bill of \$31.19 for backfilling a sewer on Clifton avenue be placed on file and that the bill be ordered paid in accordance with the job order submitted by the foreman of streets. The motion prevailed.

Commissioner Taylor moved that the communication from F. B. Wil-

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Don Robertson Conducts West Indies Cruise

Donald G. Robertson, well known in Evanston and the north shore for his travel talks on Russia and the Holy Land will conduct a West Indies cruise for the Canadian Pacific leaving New York Jan. 9 on the Duchess of Bedford.

His party will visit 13 ports with shore trips at each port. There are special trips planned to a sugar plantation and refinery in Porto Rico, to Mt. Pelee, the volcano in Martinique, the East Indian Hindu colony at Trinidad, Caracas the capital of Venezuela, the Panama Canal, Jamaica, Cuba and Bermuda. Minimum rate transportation has been arranged for all in his party.

Mr. Robertson has made two previous trips through the West Indies and has a complete knowledge of the historic places to visit that are reminiscent of buccaneer days. As usual he expects to take movies.

When he is not traveling Don Robertson is well known as the owner of the Ring-ting candy shops.

He will also be remembered as the composer of many Northwestern university songs and as an Army camp entertainer.

Many have already registered their home in the Outdoor Display Contest being sponsored by The Highland Park Press. Many valuable prizes are to be given away. Why not enter your home? An entry blank will be found on another page of this issue. Forward it today.

Deerfield-Shields Students Preparing Christmas Baskets

Students of Deerfield-Shields are doing their bit to help St. Nick this year, by filling Christmas baskets for the needy of Highland Park and surrounding communities.

The baskets are being filled with all sorts of edibles, including canned goods, fruits, vegetables, and sweets.

Also clothes are being brought by the students and faculty which they are no longer wearing but are in good condition.

Many members of the girls' club have volunteered to bring stockings, mittens, candy, and toys. Some are filling stockings for the young people of needy families. It is their aim to do what they can to spread the Christmas spirit.

Real Estate Board to Hold Annual Meeting, Shawnee Club, Dec. 21

The annual meeting and dinner of the North Shore Real Estate board will be held Monday evening, at the Shawnee club, Wilmette. The annual address of the president, Jules Dixon of Glenview will be a feature. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected. The nominating committee has recommended for these offices the following: For president, Arthur Lee; for vice-president, Clarence L. Drayer; for secretary-treasurer, Arthur R. Eddington; for director for three years, Jules Dixon.

Italian Drama Club Present Play Dec. 19 Oak Terrace School

The Dante Alighieri Drama and Musical club of Highwood, an Italian organization, will present its first program of the season Saturday, Dec. 19, at the Oak Terrace school auditorium.

The program will consist of concert numbers and several vaudeville acts. The entertainment will open at 7:30 p.m. and will be followed by dancing.

Maria Santi, will sing in her debut. Oswaldo Saielli, violinist, with Miss Alma Galassini at the piano. Enea Picchiotti, tenor.

Pio Duchetti, in Italian comedy sketches.

Dario Bonetti, Virginia Parenti, concert numbers.

Miss Lucille Marinelle in songs. Silvio Muzziarelli and Claudio Tony in songs and duets.

Miss Alma Galassini at the piano.

A cast including Eritrea Pasquesi, Maura Bartolotti, Pio Luchetti, Pietro Guerini, Modesto Balocchi will appear in a one-act-comedy, "Il Caporale e la Serva," will also take part in the program.

Aldo Biagi's orchestra will play during the intermission and for the dancing.

The formation of the above drama and musical society, with its memberships of Highland Park and Highwood residents, has for some time felt the necessity of such an organization for the purpose of entertainment, and to provide funds for the needy.

The Committee.

P. T. A. Stunt Night Draws Large Crowd

A very enjoyable evening was spent by some 250 people last Friday night when they attended the P.T.A. stunt night at the Green Bay Road school.

The first stunt was a children's orchestra in which several well-known mothers and fathers dressed up in clothes of their offspring, arranged their hair in "kid style" and played instruments designed for children. Their numbers were Schubert's "Marche Militaire," "La Czarina," "Rockaby Baby," and "School Days," and were all much appreciated by the audience.

This was followed by the teachers' stunts, a skit called "Hats," in which all the teachers were beautifully arrayed in old-fashioned costumes and did a very clever song-and-dance number. In fact, they took down the house and were liberally applauded.

The next stunt was a travelogue by W. E. Cunningham, which was very cleverly written and presented.

Then came the one-act comedy, "Old Lace," written by Mrs. A. J. Wurth, one of the parents in the school, and acted by Betty McCaffrey, Margaret Wolters, and Betty Wurth.

As a grand finale, the gentlemen of the orchestra played "Good Night Ladies" on bottles tuned to correct pitch and received a hilarious ovation for their comical interpretation of this old favorite. Everyone then repaired to the kindergarten where coffee, sandwiches and cakes were served.

The evening was voted a huge success and much credit is due all of those who participated, and also to Mrs. Wurth, who directed the performance, but was unable to be present on account of ill health.

Bids on Field House for H. S. Are Rejected General Conditions

All bids for the proposed Deerfield-Shields Township high school fieldhouse in Highland Park were rejected by the school board at a meeting December 9 at the school house. The reason for rejection was that all bids exceeded the amount as the limit for the cost of the structure. Before any further action is taken the bids will be analyzed and architects will attempt to eliminate some of the smaller details in the plans so that the fieldhouse can be erected for the stipulated amount.

Help A Little Child to Enjoy Christmas

Will you give a Christmas to a Little Child? Fill a stocking, marking whether for a boy or girl—giving age. Send before Dec. 21 to Mrs. Henry Vail, 225 Laurel avenue. For over 25 years these filled stockings have gone into homes in or about Highland Park.

The lists are furnished by the nurses from the city and of our public schools.

The stockings will be distributed under the supervision of the Social Service. There will be no possibility of duplication.

GRANT EASEMENT FOR FT. SHERIDAN ROAD

War Dept. Moves to Facilitate Improvement; Bids for Job are Rejected

Easement for the purpose of re-routing, widening and paving Sheridan road through Fort Sheridan was granted to the state department of highways this week by the war department at Washington, according to reports from the capital. However, work on the project will not be started until spring, it is expected, as all bids received some time ago for the contract have been rejected, and the plan now is to award the job at a letting scheduled to be held in Springfield, Dec. 21.

It is felt here and generally throughout the north shore, as well as by motorists who regularly use this route that something should be done this winter to keep the roadway through the fort in passable condition, as it is rapidly deteriorating, with large holes in the pavement that must eventually become a menace to autos unless something is done to at least temporarily repair the roadway for winter traffic and until the new road is constructed.

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D. A. R. Better Films Committee Review

It is a strange thing that the three important features for the coming week should be graded one, two, and three, by the D.A.R. National committee at Hollywood. The first one which we will speak of is "The Sin of Madelon Claudet" from the play "Lullaby." Helen Hayes, Lewis Stone, and Neil Hamilton present a powerful story of the sacrifices of mother-love. Seldom is a picture as perfect in its realistic portrayal of life, yet so delicately done. All phases are shown but devotion and sacrifice overshadow the sordid details. The artistry of Miss Hayes would carry a less vivid drama, but, as found here, will make older people weep and young people think. Adults and adolescents.

"Heartbreak is rated number two and brings us Charles Farrell, Hardy Albright and Madge Evans in a story of the World War when an American boy is plunged into tragedy when he shoots down the enemy plane of the brother of the girl he loves. A plot so familiar that the outcome is anticipated in many sequences, but so deftly handled as to command attention and touch the heart. Family picture.

"Wicked" brings us Elissa Landi and Victor McLaglen in a very well acted story with a rather weak plot. An employee robs the bank where he works and kills a guard. Then ensues his detection, and in a struggle his wife kills a detective. A former sweetheart comes to her rescue and helps to find her child. It gives the lovely Miss Landi considerable opportunity for fine acting, and while it will have more interest for adults cannot be said to be an adult only picture. There is a good Western with this and at the matinee the serial "Battling with Buffalo Bill" will unfold another epoch.

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