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Tragic Death Of Esther Ward Ball Shocks Community

Mrs. Benjamin H. Ball, 318 N. St. Johns avenue, was instantly killed and her daughter Elaine, was seriously injured Sunday in a head on collision on route 30 about five miles west of Dewitt, Ia. The accident occurred about seven o'clock in the evening.

Mrs. Ball had left Highland Park about noon to drive her daughter to Mount Vernon, Ia., where she was to begin her sophomore year at Cornell college. She was rounding a long graceful curve on route 30 when her car collided practically head-on with an east bound car containing three women from Davenport, Ia., one of whom was seriously injured, little hope for her recovery being held. As there were no witnesses to the accident it will be very difficult to determine responsibility for its occurrence. Mrs. Ball was killed instantly and her body was removed to an undertaking parlor in Dewitt, Ia. Both cars were total wrecks.

Elaine Ball, the daughter, was seriously injured and was taken to the Jane Lamb hospital, Clinton, Ia. The latest reports received indicate that she is making favorable progress. Her condition has been grave, but the physicians in charge give encouraging reports. Indications are, however that she will have to remain in the hospital for some time.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon, Thursday, at two-thirty o'clock at the Highland Park Presbyterian church. Dr. Louis W. Sherwin, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Memorial Park cemetery.

Esther Ward Ball was born April 19, 1888, at Brighton Park, Ill., and was married to Ben H. Ball on Aug. 20, 1917. Three children, Elaine, Jean and Enid were born to this union. Since 1919 the family has resided in Highland Park.

Mrs. Ball was an accomplished musician, and at the time of her death was president of the Highland Park Music club of which she had been an active member since 1930. She had held various offices in the Evanston Music club and was president of the Treble Clef, the music group in connection with the Woman's association of the Highland Park Presbyterian church. For the past four and a half years, she was organist of the Presbyterian church.

She was a graduate of Northwestern University musical school and was active in the musical sorority at the N. W. Musical college. She studied piano under Victor Heinze, former president of the Cosmopolitan School of Music in Chicago, both in America and Europe. While in Berlin, she made her debut in 1912, appearing in a piano recital.

Besides her husband and three daughters, Mrs. Ball is survived by one sister, Mrs. Mable Keffer of Hartford, Conn., and six brothers, Rev. Stanley Ward, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, Bradford, Ill., Sidney George Ward, Portland, Ore., Wallace Ward, San Fernando, Calif., Frank Josiah Ward, Seattle, Wash., Albert Henry Ward, Independence, Ia., and Ralph Leslie Ward, Evanston, Ill.

In Appreciation
Highland Park was stunned Monday when it learned of the sudden and tragic death of Esther Ward Ball, the wife of Mr. Ben H. Ball of the Highland Park high school.

It is not often that a community is as widely and deeply impressed as it is by the death of this woman who is so very well and favorably known in so many different circles. Her far reaching interest and influence in musical circles, her position as organist in the Highland Park Presbyterian church, her activity along almost every line of civic interest and her own sterling qualities all unite to impress so many of the people of Highland Park who knew her and who knew about her.

She was dynamic in the way in which she threw herself into all of her interests. A devoted wife and mother, she was faithful to the calls
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Recover Stolen Car in Chicago Saturday

The Dodge sedan belonging to Jane S. Kaufman which was taken from her home at 235 E. Park ave., last Friday, was found the next day on Wacker drive Chicago. The car was intact.

Morton Grove police reported the capture of the two thieves who admitted the larceny of the Highland Park car. The two men, Roy Hall and John Ishalt, both of Glen Ellyn are charged with the theft of several other cars around Chicago, and it is likely they will face prosecution in Lake county, it is said.

Dr. Strevey Will Conduct Current Affairs Course Here

The Executive committee of the Adult Education Council feels very fortunate in securing the services of Dr. Strevey, professor of American history at Northwestern university, as the speaker and leader of discussion in its course on current affairs.

Dr. Strevey's keen analysis and understanding of our present American problems are well known in Highland Park through his previous lectures here.

His series this year will be even more interesting because of the present strain in international relationships, the very vital labor problems and the present concern over the strength or weakness of the American Neutrality Act in view of the conditions in China and Spain.

The committee feels that Dr. Strevey will make this series the most informative and beneficial of any given on its educational program.

Half of the discussions will deal with our economic, social and political problems and the rest will deal with our international relationships.

The committee will announce the topics to be discussed each week at an early date and feels confident that the people of this community will take advantage of this opportunity to become well informed concerning the problems which affect the lives of all American Citizens.

Green Bay P.-T.A. Plan for Year's Activities, Friday

The Green Bay Road Parent-Teachers Association held its first meeting of the year on Friday to discuss plans for the year's activities.

The membership drive is already under way, and a successful season is looked forward to.

Officers and committee chairmen for the year are: Mrs. George Well, president; Mrs. Harry McClure, vice president; Mrs. Stuart Bankhardt, secretary; Mrs. Eleanor Roys, treasurer; Mrs. J. Sigurd Johnson, program chairman; Mrs. Milton Fell, social chairman; Mrs. Charles Cawley, membership chairman; Mrs. H. V. Renner, refreshment chairman; Mrs. Robert Thompson, publicity chairman; Mrs. E. B. Knudson and Mrs. R. Aynsley, reception committee, and Mrs. J. Hecketsweiler, Mrs. Peter Dewyer, Mrs. Lester Britton, Mrs. Frank Henning, Mrs. E. Fink, Mrs. Guy Roper, Mrs. John Orr, and Mrs. W. P. Richardson, room mothers.

Lee Burdick Dies Following Accident in Wisconsin, Sunday

Lee Burdick, 374 Bloom street, was fatally injured in an automobile accident Sunday at the intersection of Routes 55 and 74, east of Menominee Falls, Wis. Burdick and his wife and nine months old daughter, Sandra Lee, were returning from a trip to Wisconsin to visit friends, when the accident occurred.

All three members of the family were taken to St. Joseph's hospital in Milwaukee, where Burdick died from internal injuries two hours later. His wife suffered from shock and minor bruises, while the baby is still in a very critical condition.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Masonic Temple. The services will be in charge of the officers of A. O. Fay lodge No. 676, A. F. and A. M. of which he was a member. Burial will be in Memorial Park cemetery.

Besides his wife and baby, the only surviving relatives is a grandfather, Mr. Shepard, in Postville, Ia. Mr. Burdick was an employee of the Illinois Bell Telephone Co. in Highland Park.

Delinquent Tax List Is Published

In today's issue of the Highland Park Press appear the delinquent tax and special assessment list for the City of Highland Park and the East Park district.

The special assessment and tax warrants are for the years 1925 to 1937 inclusive. The publication calls for the sale of the delinquent property on Tuesday, Sept. 21.

Miss Ibsen Will Address Lions' Club

Miss Ibsen, superintendent of the Highland Park hospital will address the Lion's club at the noon day luncheon at the Green Tea Pot today (Thursday). Dr. S. P. Banfield is sponsoring the program.

Injured Couple Trapped In Car Saved From Death

Seriously injured and trapped in their wrecked automobile, Hugh Seyfarth of this city and his fiancée Miss Mary Grubbs of Barrington, narrowly escaped death Sunday evening, when the Seyfarth car was struck head on, by a car operated by Monty Hansen, 35 of 312 Lincoln ave., Libertyville. The accident occurred at the Soo line crossing on Highway 22, just a short time before a passenger express train was due.

Deputy Sheriffs Robert Webb and Edward Zersen, were cruising in their squad car when they received a flash that a drunken driver was forcing other cars off the road. They arrived at the scene of the accident just a few seconds after it had happened. Passing motorists stopped to aid in the removal of the wreckage, and were trying to extricate the injured from the car, when some one called attention to the fact that a fast rain was due in a few moments.

Ordering the motorists to work fast to try to remove the injured and the wreckage, the officers hurried up the track several hundred yards, when the train bore down on them. They waved their hands frantically, and succeeded in attracting the engineer's attention. The train was slowed down and brought to a stop just a short distance from the accident. After the removal of the wreckage the train proceeded on its way.

Hansen was taken to the County jail where he is being held on a warrant charging him with driving while drunk and causing an accident. Bail was set at \$2,000 pending a hearing on September 17 before Justice of the Peace Henry F. Walenwein.

Both Miss Grubbs and Mr. Seyfarth were taken to the Highland Park hospital. Miss Grubbs suffered a broken leg, cuts and bruises, and had several teeth knocked out. Mr. Seyfarth escaped serious injury, receiving only minor cuts and bruises.

Hugh is the son of Robert E. Seyfarth, 542 S. Sheridan road, well known Chicago architect. Miss Grubbs, whose family were former residents of Highland Park is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buckley of Barrington. The announcement of Miss Grubbs engagement to Mr. Seyfarth was recently made public.

Assistant Scout Executive Leaves for New Position

The many friends of George Bersch, assistant Scout executive of the North Shore Area council will be greatly surprised to hear that George has accepted the position as Scout executive of Kaskaskia Area council with headquarters at Belleville, Illinois. George will report for work in his new council, September 15th.

Mr. Bersch has been associated with the North Shore Area council since its organization a little over ten years ago. From a tenderfoot Scout he has come up through the ranks to the stage of Eagle Scout, field executive, assistant executive and camp director of Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. He has made a tremendous contribution to youth in our many North Shore towns. Of a magnetic personality, genial nature and helpful disposition, the many scouts and scout leaders who have come under his influence will be sorry to hear of his leaving, but they will be happy to know that this is a decided promotion for him.

The best wishes of every scout and scouter go with Mr. Bersch and his family as they take up their new work in southern Illinois.

A committee of the North Shore Area council are looking over applications to find a worthy successor to George Bersch as assistant executive. It is expected that an announcement naming Mr. Bersch's successor will be made within the next two weeks.

Invite Mothers to Reception Sept. 22 at Elm Place School

All the mothers of children in the Green Bay Road and Elm Place school are invited to a reception Sept. 22. It will be held in the Kindergarten room at Elm Place school at 3:30. This will be the first P.T.A. meeting of the year and a record-breaking attendance is hoped for. Refreshments will be served.

George A. Mason Stabbed By Crazy Client Yesterday

George Allen Mason, Sr., 180 Hazel avenue, prominent Chicago attorney, was the victim of a trouble crazed client yesterday (Wednesday) morning, who entered his office at 69 W. Washington street, and after attacking him with his fists, drew a knife and stabbed him twice in the abdomen. Miss Emily Norcross, daughter of Dr. E. P. Norcross, 515 Maple lane, who was employed in Mason's office, and another woman employee in the office, were also victims of the assailant, although their wounds were not dangerous.

The avenger, George L. Chicharevich, 56 years old, of 16 Hamlin av. a private detective until a year ago, then fled from the building and went to the office of Frederick W. Elliott former Municipal Judge, on the 13th floor of the Temple building at 77 W. Washington street, whom he shot and killed.

Chicharevich then went to the Des-Plaines street station and gave himself up. His explanation for the motive were confused and incoherent.

Mr. Mason was taken to St. Lukes hospital, where his condition is reported as very favorable. Miss Norcross returned to her home yesterday afternoon.

"Slave Ship" Proves Outstanding Film at Alcyon Theatre

The thrills and fun of Madison Square Garden rodeo; the atmosphere of the Old West brought up to date; fast-stepping comedy by a cast of screen and radio experts, and melody ranging from cowboy songs to swing music go into "Rhythm on the Range," the hit musical which the Alcyon is presenting on Friday and Saturday this week.

A spectacular drama that storms in epic sweep over half the world, "Slave Ship," which will show on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, stands head and shoulders above the general level of film fare to take its rightful rank as the mightiest of all sea sagas.

The uproarious antics of the absurd Marx brothers together with the admirable support of Maureen O'Sullivan and Allan Jones combine to make "A Day at the Races," showing on the Alcyon screen next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, one of the deliciously amusing photoplays of this year or any other year. Groucho in the role of a horse doctor, Chico as a jockey and Harpo as a race track tout, undoubtedly top any of their previous pictures for side-splitting situations, rib-tickling dialogue and howling characterizations.

Bethany Presents Fanfare Quintette Friday, Sept. 24th

The Laurel League of the Bethany Evangelical church will present the well known Petrie-Fanfare Quintette on Friday evening September 24 at 8 p.m. This concert will be given in the church parlors. The Petrie-Fanfare Quintette needs no introduction in Highland Park they appeared before the Deerfield-Shields assembly a few years ago and are now to make their third appearance at Bethany church. This quintette has just returned from a three months concert tour in Canada and are about ready to start their High School Assembly and Lyceum course activities for the fall and winter. They are booked for almost full time in 1937. They have signed up for thirty consecutive weeks of concert work in 1938 and are scheduled for about half time in 1939. This popular musical organization drew a capacity audience in their previous appearances at Bethany and it is believed they will do so again. A cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested in hearing this group.

of Women Voters League, Monday

The Highland Park League of Women Voters entertained at a luncheon Monday for their president, Mrs. Walter L. Ruebens, at the Northmoor Country club. The thirty guests including members of boards and department heads discussed plans for the coming year. The League has some very interesting plans for the year with some unusually fine speakers scheduled to appear on the program. Meetings will be held as usual every third Wednesday of the month at the Y.W.C.A.

Dumaresq Spencer Post Holds Patriotic Meeting Friday P. M.

In commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Constitution, Dumaresq Spencer Post of the American Legion, are inviting all patriotic citizens of Highland Park to attend a meeting at the City Hall Council Chambers, Friday evening, Sept. 17.

Rev. Christoph Keller, rector of Trinity church, will be the guest speaker, and Mayor William Dooley, will give the welcome address.

Tina Marie Dolce Opens Dental Office

Miss Tina Marie Dolce, D.D.S., is announcing the opening of an office at 2 North Sheridan road, Saturday, Sept. 18, in suite 221, where she will practice general dentistry. Miss Dolce will give special attention to children. Office hours 9 to 12, 1 to 5, and evenings by appointment.

Madeleine Carabo Brilliant Virtuoso in Concert Sept. 26

The opening event in the calendar of the Highland Park Woman's club is also to be an outstanding social occasion in that North Shore suburb. A concert will be given by Madeleine Carabo, an artist, who, in spite of her youth, has already been acclaimed a brilliant young virtuoso of the violin. This concert will be held Sunday afternoon, Sept. 26, at 3:30 o'clock, in the beautiful home of Mrs. L. Lewis Cohen, 266 Hazel avenue, under the auspices of the music committee of the club, of which Mrs. Clarence W. Schaaf is chairman. The majority of the club members will wish to be present, as will also many other Highland Park residents and those from the nearby suburbs who are interested in music. Tickets selling at a nominal price are in the hands of all the members of the music committee, as follows: Mesdames Irving Schur, Lewis Cohen, Alfred Burdick, John Brigham, Eugene Engelhard, J. V. Spachner, William Gartside, James Loeb, John Oliver (Ch. of the Fine Arts Dept.), Arthur Raff, Herbert Smith (president of the club), Annette Jones, George Jones and Carl Pfanstiel.

Miss Carabo, who has already appeared as soloist with the Chicago Symphony orchestra, is an artist pupil of Mischa Mischakoff, a protegee of Dr. Thorwald Otterstrom, and was recommended for the coveted Juillard Fellowship by Dr. Frederick Stock. In competition with sixty other young musicians, she and one other artist won the Fellowship. Nathan Milstein, the famous Russian violinist, has taken a keen interest in her progress. She is now studying in New York, under the personal sponsorship of Benno Rabinooff, and her recitals in New York, Philadelphia and Chicago have brought her enthusiastic praise from musicians and laymen. Such expressions as "exceptionally gifted," "brilliant and unerring in even the most trying technical complications," "her tone is large and brilliant, and her technique enviable. Miss Carabo amply deserves her great success," and "her playing in Carnegie hall was one of the brightest spots in the flood of spring recitals" show her to be one of the coming great violin virtuosos of the future. Highland Park is especially privileged to have Miss Carabo give this concert September 26, and those who attend will long remember the occasion as an artistic delight.

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Rev. F. S. Robinson Preaches First Sermon Here Sunday

Rev. F. S. Robinson, the new pastor at the United Evangelical church preached last Sunday to large audiences both morning and night.

Rev. Mr. Robinson and wife and Mrs. Robinson's niece, Miss Leona Bander, have lived in Columbus, Ohio for the past six years where he was a pastor. After the church conference the last of August at Dixon, Ill., Rev. Robinson motored to Easton, Maryland, to visit his mother before coming to Highland Park.

Mr. Robinson has had wide experience in the Evangelical field and in the pastoral work and feels he will enjoy his work here.

To Resume Winter Schedule Sunday at Presbyterian Church

Next Sunday, Sept. 19, the Highland Park Presbyterian church goes back on the regular winter schedule with church school at 9:45 for all departments and morning worship at 11. Dr. Louis W. Sherwin, pastor, will speak. The music at the 11:00 o'clock service will be a baritone solo and a tenor by Mr. Maurice G. Ivins and Mr. Lawrence R. Veit.

Sunday, Sept. 26, will be Rally Day in the church school.

The church extends a cordial invitation to everyone to attend its services and to share the fellowship of the church.

Gen. Drum Arrives at Fort Sheridan

Maj. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, commander of the 6th corps area, arrived Monday at Fort Sheridan where he will reside. He began his duties Tuesday.

The general was met at the main gate of the fort by a cavalry detail and was escorted to his home. Following military custom, he was given an eleven gun salute. Accompanying Gen. Drum were his wife, his daughter, Miss Anna C. Drum, and his sister-in-law, Miss Anna Reaume.

Gen. Drum, whose appointment to the 6th area command was announced last March, is a former inspector general of the army. He recently completed a tour of duty as commanding general of the Hawaiian department of the army. Maj. Gen. Charles D. Herron, whom Gen. Drum succeeds, has been appointed to the Hawaiian command.

D.A.R. Will Open Years Activities With Card Party

The North Shore Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution open the year's activities with their annual card party and tea, to be held at the Highland Park Woman's Club on Tuesday, September 28, at 2 p. m.

Mrs. Walter T. Rice, 140 Sunset road, chairman of the card party committee, with her group of enthusiastic workers, are planning a very pleasant, delightful afternoon for the members and their friends.

Some very attractive door prizes are to be given as well as table prizes.

The proceeds from this annual party are given to the D.A.R. mountain schools in the south, and to a loan fund which helps and encourages worthy students, who are without funds to carry on and finish their school year. It is also used to aid in the work carried on among the foreign born.

The chapter hopes for a fine response from the members and friends.

Tickets may be secured from Mrs. Warren E. Danley, 260 Linden Park Place, chairman of the ticket committee.

"Freshman Teas" at H. P. High School to Be Sept. 22 & 29

One of the most delightful and informal gatherings at which mothers of high school students meet the members of the faculty are the two "freshman teas" given annually by the school to the mothers of the members of the freshman class. With Miss Minnie Buzard, principal of the school and the faculty members, Mr. Sandwick, superintendent of the school district, Mrs. Frank Ronan, president of the P. T. A., and Mrs. Ernest Volwiler, chairman of the social committee and her committee members acting as hosts and hostesses, the mothers will have an opportunity for an informal meeting with the teachers who will play so vital a part in their children's lives throughout the year.

Held immediately after school, in the charming "English club room" of the school off the east corridor, there will be an atmosphere of warmth and hospitality which should draw the mother of every freshman enrolled in the school. There are two teas held consecutive Wednesdays, September 22 and 29, and each mother will receive an invitation naming the date on which she is expected to attend. This is a splendid chance to see the school, to meet the high school faculty and officers of the Parent-Teacher association and to talk over matters of importance.

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