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Compel Woman To Witness Cracking Of Mutual Safe

After compelling Muriel McEwen, daughter of the Thomas McEwen's of 448 Naida terrace to look on while they rifled the safe of the Mutual Coal company, 429 Vine avenue, early Thursday afternoon, the two robbers thoughtfully secured her name and telephone number, left the office and called Mr. McEwen to go to the North Shore Electric to meet his daughter. Passing the coal office in a short cut to the station McEwen found the police releasing his daughter, who had been bound to a chair in the office by the pair.

Joe Spano, 45 of 231 North avenue, Highwood, who peered through the Mutual window while seeking his lost cat, was seen by the pair as they were leaving. Spano attempted to make a get away, but was overtaken by the burglars who brought him back to the office after giving him a beating. The men then left warning the couple not to sound an alarm.

Spano who had feigned unconsciousness, disregarded the warning and ran to a nearby home where he notified the police.

Miss McEwen, who is employed in Lake Forest was returning to her home for Thanksgiving dinner about 1:30, and was taking a short cut through the coal company's yard when she was accosted by the burglars, who thought she had seen them. However, reflection caused by sun on the window made visibility impossible. They took the girl inside the office where she was held prisoner for two hours while they cracked the safe with a wrench which they had picked up in the coal yard. After removing \$4.85 from the safe, the young lady was bound to her chair.

The burglars treated Miss McEwen with the utmost respect, conversing with her while breaking into the safe. They also compensated her for the ice cream, which she had been bringing home for dinner, and which melted away during her imprisonment. She was given \$1 from the \$4.85 which was removed from the safe. Very considerate of her safety, the men advised their prisoner to roll off the chair onto the floor in case police should arrive, for they said, "There'll be plenty of shooting if the police come, and we don't want you to get hurt."

Miss McEwen, described two of the men to the police, but could not remember the third robber, who was driving the car. Of the two, one of these was about 40, swarthy, had a small black mustache, wore a suit, a hat and an overcoat, all brown, she said. The other was described as about 32, stocky, with blue eyes, and wearing a peajacket and grey trousers.

About ten years ago, this office was robbed, with practically the same amount of cash being secured. At that time entrance was gained to the office through an open window, and the combination was broken off the safe. Entrance Thursday was gained through the back door where glass was broken from the window, and the entire safe was wrecked.

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Firemen Again To Repair Toys For Needy Children

For many years, the firemen in both the Central ave., and Ravinia stations have repaired old toys to be distributed at Christmas to less fortunate children.

And again this year, these men are devoting their spare moments to the task of making a real Christmas, for some child, who might otherwise be overlooked.

There are many discarded toys in Highland Park, which may be thrown out, and these men are asking that all those citizens who have toys, which their children no longer have use for, turn them over to the firemen for rejuvenation.

The men have no means for gathering up the toys, and they would be most grateful if donations could be delivered to the station by individuals, or be sent by delivery companies. Donations of working materials, such as paint of any color, a paint spray, electric saw or drills would be most acceptable. Much of their work is done by hand and any tool which would speed up the work, would be appreciated.

Extensive Safety Campaign Planned for Highland Park

Recent fatalities from automobile accidents within our community has brought to light the problem of safety in Highland Park which has been recognized by the Highland Park Safety Commission since its inception. The Highland Park Safety Commission has been studying and is formulating a comprehensive safety program for Highland Park. Within a very short period, it will be ready in detail to be submitted to the citizens of Highland Park for their thoughtful consideration.

Law enforcement is a very vital part of any safety program especially where arrests should be made for fast driving or drivers under the influence of liquor. Frequently our citizens make comparisons between law enforcement in a nearby community with law enforcement in our own community. The nearby community frequently referred to has approximately seven square miles of territory with a police force of about 100. On the other hand, Highland Park has thirteen square miles of territory with a police force of fourteen. Under the able direction of Chief of Police Ed Moroney, our police department has performed marvelously well when you consider the large territory involved. In order that they might be better able to protect our schools and streets, each member of our police force is working voluntarily an extra hour each day. An adequate police force is necessary, and it will be a part of the safety program of the Highland Park Safety Commission.

Highland Park must realize that the recent accidents emphasize the fact that it needs a larger police force to enforce the ordinances of our city. From a physical standpoint of law enforcement our police department is greatly handicapped in making arrests because of its lack of men and proper equipment.

EDWIN L. GILROY,
Chairman.

Three Outstanding Pictures To Be At Alcyon Next Week

For sheer dramatic intensity "Stella Dallas," which the Alcyon theatre will present on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, has rarely been approached. And the artistry of Barbara Stanwyck's performance in the title role definitely places her on top. John Boles is splendid as the husband and Anne Shirley is perfectly cast as the daughter. "Stella Dallas" is one of the truly great pictures of the season and is a positive "must" on everyone's movie-going schedule.

"Dead End," the film production based on the Broadway stage hit and featuring Sylvia Sydney and Joel McCrea, is to be at the Alcyon on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday coming. This is a powerful drama of a day in the lives of a handful of humans who inhabit a "dead end" city street where fashionable apartments rub elbows with the squalid tenements of the waterfront.

Drama with a twinkle in its eye and a catch in its heart for every wife whose husband works with other women; for every husband whose wife wonders about his absence; for every girl whose boss is handsome, and married, is found in "Wife, Doctor and Nurse," which will be at the Alcyon next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Here is indeed a wise and witty picture starring Loretta Young, Warner Baxter and Virginia Bruce. The story moves along at a rapid pace with many tense situations, amusing moments and smart, sophisticated dialogue.

H. P. League Of Women Voters to Hear Mrs. Taylor

The Highland Park League of Women Voters wishes to remind members and interested friends that the next meeting will take place Wednesday, Dec. 15th at 1:15 p.m. at the Y.W.C.A. The speaker that day will be Mrs. Hazeline Byrd Taylor, and the subject will be "Whose Welfare?"

Mrs. W. V. Briddle, head of Department of Government and Child Welfare is in charge of the program. The treasurer asks that members remember dues for current year are needed. Also, heads of departments in charge of working projects for the year would appreciate more enthusiastic support and cooperation from members in general. The work is interesting and should prove to be very constructive and helpful to community and league.

Postmaster Cobb Asks Cooperation In Christmas Rush

In commenting on the usual Christmas rush at the local post office, Postmaster Daniel Cobb said, "All parcels should be mailed as early as possible." We will do all in our power to expedite the delivery of outgoing mail and speed the delivery of mail coming into Highland Park," he continued. "That's our job and we will try to do it to the best of our ability but the people of Highland Park can help us by mailing both packages and cards early." Ask at the local post office for circular containing information for Christmas mailing.

"There will be a delivery of packages on Christmas Day, so that if it is at all possible we will send out every package that comes into the Highland Park office in time for Christmas."

A list of the latest dates that mail will be sent to foreign countries to arrive by Christmas is shown below.

- Dec. 1—Persia.
- Dec. 4—Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China.
- Dec. 11—Bulgaria, Finland, Greece, Palestine, Portugal, Rumania, Spain, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Hawaii, Japan.
- Dec. 10—Bolivia, Peru.
- Dec. 13—Guatemala, Scotland.
- Dec. 15—Austria, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Hungary, Ireland (north), Irish Free State, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland.
- Dec. 16—Canal Zone, Haiti, Panama.
- Dec. 18—Barbados, Bermuda, Newfoundland, Puerto Rico.
- Dec. 19—Bahamas.
- Dec. 20—Cuba.

Paula Lecler Will Review World Tour At Woman's Club

An especially interesting program is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7th, at the Highland Park Woman's club, when Paula Lecler, a traveler and lecturer of note, will address the members on the results of her recent world tour, in a talk entitled, "Interviewing the World by Air in Ten Weeks." Miss Lecler has personality, verve, and a fascinating way of recounting her astounding adventures, which will delight everyone who hears her. A New Yorker, graduate of Columbia university, she is deeply interested in world movements and personalities of the leading figures in each country in which great changes are taking place. She was able to interview personally the key men of these nations in this recent tour, so her information should be timely as well as most enlightening and entertaining.

The very attractive art exhibit of sculptures and lithographs by Cerone Beatty, Ivy Steele, Rita Henkle and C. Warner Williams, which has been greatly enjoyed by the membership the past two weeks, will remain at the club house throughout the month of December.

State Regent To Be Guest of N. S. Chapter of D.A.R.

The North Shore Chapter of the D. A. R. is looking forward with much pleasure to their next meeting when the guest, and the speaker for the day will be the state regent, Mrs. Jacob F. Zimmerman. The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Frederick A. Watkins on Dale avenue and will convene at 2:30. Mrs. Zimmerman is an outstanding woman and an excellent speaker and it is hoped all members and many friends may be able to attend. The assisting hostesses for the day are Mesdames R. J. Beatty, Carleton Moseley, Kellogg Speed and Lester Williams.

Give Dance Dec. 4 For Xmas Benefit

With a view to raising funds with which to sponsor a Christmas party for the benefit of the children in the Community, members of Labor Union, Local 152, are sponsoring a dance to be held Saturday evening, Dec. 4, in the new Labor Temple, located on North avenue in Highland Park.

Music will be furnished by a popular North Shore orchestra and refreshments will be served.

Child Orphaned In Thanksgiving Day Auto Crash

At 8:10 p.m. Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Orsi, 1200 Deerfield road, were almost instantly killed in an automobile collision on Central avenue near Deerfield avenue, bringing a total of three fatalities to Highland Park in three days. Their two year old son, Roland, and Mrs. Orsi's brother, Angelo Orlandi, 22, of 2222 Ohio street, Chicago, who were riding with them, escaped serious injury.

Harry Moberg, 26 years old, 424 S. First street, Rockford, driver of the other car, also escaped injury in the crash. He was pronounced intoxicated by attending physicians at the Highland Park hospital, where the victims were taken following the accident. Mr. and Mrs. Orsi died about twenty minutes after they reached the hospital.

A coroner's jury was sworn in late Friday afternoon to delve into the double traffic deaths, and after inspecting the scene of the fatal accident, Coroner John L. Taylor continued the hearing until this morning (Thursday) at ten o'clock. Moberg being held by the Highland Park police on a charge of manslaughter, with bonds set at \$10,000 for each death.

Arthur Orsi, 27, and his wife, Lucille, 25, were driving east on Central avenue to take their brother to the train on his return trip to Chicago. All three had attended the funeral of their cousin, Ben Ori, in the morning. Ori was killed Monday afternoon in a car crash at the intersection of Clifton avenue and Harvard court, only a few blocks from the scene of the second accident.

Slightly west of Deerfield avenue, where it joins Central avenue, near the entrance to Sunset Terrace, a Chevrolet coupe, driven west on Central avenue by Harry Moberg of Rockford, swerved into the path of the Orsi car, sideswiping it. The old model Nash was completely wrecked. Orsi was driving, while his wife was sitting in the back seat on the left side of the car. Both were fatally hurt.

Moberg, according to the local police, had motored here from Rockford in the morning to visit an uncle, a Mr. Anderson on Berkeley road. He had rented a Chevrolet coupe from A. M. Cook, owner of a Rent a Car concern at 320 S. Wayman avenue, Rockford, to make the trip. He admitted having visited a Highwood tavern, where he had been drinking previous to the crash.

Moberg received a cut on his nose and two black eyes in the collision. Orlandi, a passenger in the death car, was treated for lacerations on his face and head, at the Highland Park hospital and later released. The two year old child, who is left an orphan, was shaken up and bruised badly.

The seriousness of the accident, according to police, was due to the fact that the Orsi vehicle was about ten years old. Splintered wood, glass and parts of the demolished car scattered over Central avenue, were removed by the street department, who were called to the scene shortly after the accident. The whole left side of the Chevrolet was badly crushed.

A double funeral service for Mr. and Mrs. Orsi was held Monday morning at the Immaculate Conception church. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery.

Dramatic Group To Appear At Y.W.C.A. Christmas Vespers

Thirty-eight children, younger members of YWCA dramatic classes, taught by Gertrude Williams Butler, will present a Christmas play as a special feature of the Community Vespers at the YWCA Sunday, December 12, at 4 o'clock. The play in which toys come to life and decide on a plan to promote the real spirit of Christmas among children was written by Mrs. Butler. The lyrics for her rhymes were composed by an N.B.C. artist, Highland Parkers will have the opportunity of seeing local children in this first production in the YWCA auditorium at 374 Laurel avenue.

The adult chorus directed by Mr. Pauls will contribute special numbers for this program. Other features of the program, including the cast of characters for the play, will be announced next week. Admission is free and children as well as adults may attend but must be accompanied by an older person.

8th Grades Present Traditional Xmas Play, December 16

By Patricia Moore
The eighth grade classes will present the glamorous Christmas play, "Christmas in Merrie Engaland" this year on Thursday evening, December 16, in the Jesse Lowe Smith Auditorium, Elm Place school.

This play, adapted from Washington Irving's "Sketch Book," takes place in Old England in the nineteenth century.

As the curtain rises the bellmen are calling the hour of midnight. The next scene is in Bracebridge Hall where Squire Bracebridge resides. Squire Bracebridge was one of the jolliest men in England at that time. He likes to keep the Old English custom of making merry on Christmas Eve, therefore he turns his home over to his servants for the night.

In comes the Lord of Misrule who is master of the ceremonies that night. Then follows the Keeper of the Rolls, who calls off the events as they occur. After this, much more merry making takes place: a motley crew runs in with the Yule log; the Christmas greens and candles are brought in; dancers enter; Coachy Billy arrives; the dragon and the Mummings add to the revelry. Finally comes the great event of the evening, the stately procession of the Boar's Head and the partaking of the Wassail Bowl. The play is ended by the singing of the "Wassail Song."

Keep the date in mind. Come to see the lovely scenery and costumes and enjoy the revelry.

Meeting Time Of Ravinia Woman's Club Is Changed

The Ravinia Women's club meets with the Lake County Federation of Women's clubs at the Village house on December 8th. A buffet luncheon will be served at 12 o'clock, which local club members may attend upon the payment of a reasonable fee. Reservations may be made by phoning Mrs. Arthur Raff, H. P. 1152, by Saturday, December 4th.

The meeting of the Federation will be followed by a program at 1:30, with Dr. Dudley Crafts Watson of Ravinia, speaking on "Venice—the Love of Life." Dr. Watson is an indefatigable traveller, having conducted tours all over the world. In addition he has lectured from coast to coast in this country. His Picture Symphonies, on which he has worked for the past twenty years, are especially fascinating.

The talk on Venice, a city he has visited at least fifteen times, will be illustrated with slides taken with the new color photography.

Dr. Watson is the official extension lecturer for the Chicago Art institute, and for a number of years has given a weekly lecture at Milwaukee as part of the University of Wisconsin Extension work.

Mrs. Spriggs Will Review Gordon Enders Book, Wednesday

Mrs. V. W. Spriggs will review "Nowhere Else in the World," Gordon Enders' book of his life and experiences in Tibet, before the newly organized study group of the Deerfield Woman's club, at the home of Mrs. C. E. Piper, chairman of the Art and Literature department at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 8th.

This study group is sponsored by the club's art and literature department, and is open to all members of the Deerfield Woman's club. Future plans of the group will be discussed after the book review, and tea will be served.

Club members interested in visiting and taking gifts to the County home in Libertyville on Tuesday, December 7, will call Mrs. Burton McRoy, chairman of the Social Service department of the Woman's club.

Highwood Man Is Fined For Leaving Scene of Crash

Justice of the Peace J. E. Baker in Lake Forest police court last night fined Lawrence E. Tomblin, 45, of 209 Sheridan ave., Highwood, \$25 and costs for leaving the scene of an accident.

Tomblin, the Lake Forest police charged, failed to stop on Nov. 22 after sideswiping a delivery truck on McKinley road belonging to a Lake Forest grocery firm.

Telephone Users To Benefit By Rate Adjustment, Jan. 1

Telephone users in Highland Park will benefit by the reduction in the rates of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company just ordered by the Illinois Commerce Commission to be effective after January 1st, it was stated today by Manager Knox.

While no changes are to be made in the basic local rates in Highland Park, users here will share in the savings made possible by the elimination of the monthly hand set charge and by the reductions in rates for extra directory listings, and certain wiring plans.

During its investigation the Commission examined the rates in all cities and towns operated by the Illinois Bell. The Commission's order indicated that some exchanges in the State provide a considerably lower rate of return than others, and some even showing no profit. The reductions ordered, therefore, were in those cities and towns where certain rates seemed to the Commission to be out of line.

"The company will cooperate fully with the Illinois Commerce Commission in giving the new rates a fair trial," said Manager Knox. "I cannot state our exact position in the matter more clearly than by quoting the statement made in Chicago by A. H. Mellinger, Vice President of our company, who said:

"In the hope that business will continue to improve, and in order to avoid the expense to the public and the company of contesting the Commission's order, the company has decided to introduce the new rates for a revision later, if the returns do not prove adequate.

"While the Commission's order will cause a greater loss of revenue than seems warranted by present conditions, it introduces some entirely new rate classifications which will definitely service improvements as well as savings to customers. In the long run it is hoped these will stimulate use of the telephone and help, in some degree at least, to offset the immediate revenue losses."

The new rate classifications referred to by Mr. Mellinger apply only to the Chicago metropolitan area, Mr. Knox explained.

Mrs. E. Malpelli Passes Away Dec. 26

Mrs. Mary Malpelli, 35 years old, 307 Waukegan avenue, died Friday evening at the Highland Park hospital as the result of bronchial pneumonia. Funeral services were held Monday morning from St. James church, Highwood, interment being in Memorial Park cemetery.

Mrs. Malpelli was the wife of Edward Malpelli, proprietor of the Quality Market in Highwood. Two days preceding her mother's death, a daughter Lillian was taken to the Evanston hospital, suffering from scarlet fever. She did not learn of her mother's death until early this week. The daughter is getting along nicely.

Besides the husband and daughter, there also survives the deceased, one son, Edward.

"The Heart of Spain" To Be Shown Dec. 5 In Deerfield Church

A sound moving picture entitled, "The Heart of Spain" sponsored by the Medical Bureau to Aid Spanish Democracy, will be shown at St. Paul's Evangelical church, Deerfield, Sunday, December 5th 8 p.m.

The picture will take you into war-torn Spain. You will see actual fighting between the Loyalists and Rebels,—the bombing of Madrid—the killing of innocent men, women and children. You will hear the wailing of mothers over the dead bodies of their children,—gruesome no doubt, but nevertheless educational. The public is most cordially invited. Free-will offering.

Mrs. Grace Coale's Father Passes On

Arthur Johnson 73 years old, who was an employe of the International Harvester company for forty-two years before retirement in 1925 died last Thursday at his home in Chicago. Mr. Johnson was the father of Mrs. Grace Coale of this city.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 2 o'clock from the family residence at 4649 N. Keystone ave., Chicago. Interment was in Forest home cemetery.