

Mrs. H. B. Taylor To Address League Of Women Voters Dec. 15

The next meeting of the Highland Park League of Women Voters will take place Wednesday, Dec. 15th, at 1:15 p.m. at the Y. W. C. A., when the distinguished speaker will be Mrs. Hazeline Byrd Taylor, professor of Social Service Administration at Northwestern University.

Dr. Taylor graduated from Tulane university, took her master's degree at Columbia and her Ph. D. at the University of Chicago, where the subject of her thesis was "Law of Guardian and Ward." Since then she has served as Social Worker for Municipal Court in Chicago, special worker at Training School for Girls at Geneva, Supervisor at Relief Station and was President of Professional Women's League. With her many other duties she is finding time to study law at the University of Chicago. Her subject will be "Whose Welfare Services?"

Everyone is welcome and the League hopes a capacity audience will be at the Y to do justice to this outstanding authority. The program is planned by the local department.

Concentrating its efforts now on educating members of the Illinois League of Women Voters on the question of child welfare services, the Department of Government and Child Welfare, through its chairman, Mrs. Hazeline Byrd Taylor, today issued a kit on Aid to Dependent Children.

"Among the child welfare services in which our support program is interested," says Mrs. Taylor, "probably none affects so large a number of children, nor would assist so large a number, as bringing the definition and administration of Mothers' Pensions in Illinois into conformity with the requirement for aid to dependent children under the Social Security Act."

Mrs. Taylor, in making this the item for particular emphasis in the department, states: "If you are troubled by the relief situation in Illinois, you will find this measure a step in its solution. If you are distressed because dependent children are sometimes sent to state institutions for delinquents because of inadequate county facilities for dependent children, you will find this measure a partial answer. If you are grieved for widowed mothers having to place their children in institutions because of inadequate resources for the maintenance of home, this measure will offer the greatest solution."

"Dependent children in your community should not be deprived of home care because of our lethargy in bringing to their aid the resources for which we are already being taxed to provide, nor because of vested interests in keeping the administration of Mothers' Pensions in one place or putting it in another. As a "LEAGUE" our con-

tribution can be made in obtaining sound administration and adequate support for needed child welfare services."

In tracing the history of Mothers' Aid in Illinois from 1911, Mrs. Taylor finds some shortcomings. Because the Illinois law is permissive and because the financial support and administration are dependent upon the decision of each county, the administration of this assistance has been "spotty." Some counties have appropriated insufficient funds to carry out the purpose of the law. When in 1929 the legislature appropriated \$500,000 for aiding counties in providing these pensions, the Department of Public Welfare aided first those counties best able to help themselves rather than the poorest counties. In 1931, this was in part remedied by providing three sub-funds. A few counties have never used this law. During the depression many counties stopped taking new applications.

One of the grants offered to the state by the Social Security Act is for aid to dependent children. Illinois cannot accept this offer until we amend our law making the granting of this aid mandatory on every county and transferring its administration to county departments of

Go Over the Top in Final Appeal of Community Chest

Once again the citizens of Highland Park have generously responded to the annual appeal of the Highland Park Community Chest and made it possible for Highland Park's welfare agencies to carry on through the coming year with adequate funds to finance their work.

Through the earnest and continued effort of some three hundred volunteer workers, the Third Annual Campaign of the Highland Park Community Chest was successfully concluded early this week.

Chest President Herbert Lautmann announced Wednesday that a total of \$45,633.75 in subscriptions had been secured by the volunteer increase of 144 over the number of subscribers to last year's campaign and of 351 over the first Chest campaign in the fall of 1935.

It is expected that further subscriptions which have been unavoidably delayed, will be received shortly and increase the campaign total materially.

"The Officers and Board of Directors of the Community Chest are gratified by the splendid result achieved by the campaign workers

Times, this newspaper stated that Barborough Hall was the scene of the Christmas festivities in which Irving participated but that Aston Hall was the type of family mansion he described in The Sketch-Book. This same newspaper article continued: "In a letter from Newstead Abbey, dated January 20th, 1832, to his sister, Mrs. Paris, Irving writes: 'Here, then, we passed a fortnight, during which the old hall was a complete scene of old English hospitality.' In another letter he described his host, Squire Rodes, as a man of great wealth, and greater eccentricity, who kept up the old usages, particularly at Christmas." In another article it said, "Being representative of the oldest family in the neighborhood, and a great part of the peasantry being his tenants, Squire Rodes was much looked-up to."

A letter written by the keeper of the Aston Hall branch of the city museum said that the name Bracebridge was that of a family that at one time owned Aston Hall. "Aston Hall was sold by the Bracebridge family and was eventually acquired by the city and opened to the public by Queen Victoria in 1858. It is now a branch of the Birmingham City Museum and Art Gallery."

ful season on October 16th—the latest closing in the history of the hotel. But, in spite of this late closing, many guests remained until the last day.

School Nurse Hurt in Fall on Ice

Miss Jennie Johnson, nurse at the Elm Place school, slipped on the icy pavement Tuesday afternoon, while entering her car on Hazel avenue, striking her head. She was taken to the Highland Park hospital where

it was reported that she had not suffered any serious injury. She will no doubt return to school duties in a few days.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. O. Weasing, 441 Glencoe avenue, Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p.m.

Net gain in membership of the W. C. T. U. during the year has been \$44,326.234 has been contributed during the year. We are looking for still greater gains during the coming year.

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Mr. Lautmann said. "The promptness with which the volunteers carried out the city wide canvass in the early part of the campaign and the earnest manner in which they have remained at the task until every possible prospect could be seen and given an opportunity to subscribe has been inspiring. The splendid cooperation and response from so many Highland Park citizens to this community effort to raise the support necessary to carry on the work of our twelve welfare agencies during the coming year is an example of community loyalty and unity of purpose of which Highland Park may feel justly proud. The Chest is deeply grateful to Jerome P. Bowes, Jr., General Chairman, Cloud Wampler, Chairman of the Special Gifts Committee, for the fine manner in which their committees were organized, and to each and every Highland Park citizen who worked on these committees."

Final standings of each of the District Committees and the Special Gifts Committee were announced by Chest officials as follows:

Table with columns: Dist., Chairman & Co-Chairman, Subs., Amt. Lists names and amounts for various districts.

GRAND TOTAL 2189 \$45,633.75 Campaign Headquarters Closed

Campaign Headquarters which have been maintained without cost at 390 1/2 Central avenue, through the courtesy of Baird & Warner, agents, were closed Tuesday. Campaign workers having any additional subscriptions to turn in, and any citizens who have not as yet turned in his subscription should bring or send it to the year-round headquarters maintained by the Chest in the old City Hall, 549 Central avenue.

Pupils' Interview Traces Origin Of "Bracebridge Hall"

Last week John Zeisler and I, members of the Eighth Grade Class giving "Christmases in Merrie England," went to interview Mrs. Chas. G. Mason, a former literature teacher at Elm Place school who directed the Christmas play many times.

Mrs. Mason and her husband, while visiting in England a year ago last summer, had a very unique experience. One day at Lincoln she met Mrs. Constance Domville, an English woman who was also visiting there. As Mrs. Mason was very much interested in the Christmas play, she told Mrs. Domville about it and asked her if there was such a place as Bracebridge Hall. The English woman was very much surprised that an American school should give a play so decidedly English. She knew of no such place but promised to make inquiry and later let Mrs. Mason know what she found out.

She, therefore, sent a notice to the London Times asking for information concerning Bracebridge Hall.

About two months later Mrs. Mason received a package from England. In it was some information about the two Halls, Barborough and Aston, from which Washington Irving was said to have taken his Bracebridge Hall.

In a letter written in response to Mrs. Domville's letter to the London

English festivity which he experienced at both halls which inspired Bracebridge Hall." Mrs. Domville writes, "For his book he evidently pooled his experience but apparently Aston Hall, which was at that time about two miles out of Birmingham and Barborough Hall in Yorkshire are the two that he described most closely."

We certainly appreciate the time Mrs. Mason spent with us and feel that as members of the cast, we will now enjoy and understand the play more thoroughly than we would have otherwise.

By Virginia Stoder, B.

Deerfield Merchants Conduct Christmas Treasure Hunt

The Deerfield Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a novel Christmas gift idea in cooperation with the Deerfield merchant. Each of the 21 stores participating is giving a gift which will be displayed in their windows. Every customer making a 50 cent purchase will be eligible to enter this prize contest.

On the evening of Dec. 23, the names of the prize winners will be posted in the windows of the participating stores. If the prize is not called for that day, a new name will appear the next day. The contest is to be known as a Christmas Treasure Hunt and every resident of Deerfield is eligible.

Vinoy Park Hotel Opens December 18th

Announcement has been made by Clement Kennedy, Managing Director, that the Vinoy Park Hotel in St. Petersburg, Florida, will open for the season on December 18th. Indications are that this will be a busy winter in Florida with thousands of travelers escaping from the cold north winds into the Florida sunshine.

The New Ocean House in Swampscott, of which Mr. Kennedy is President, closed a very successful season.

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The public is cordially invited to a FREE LECTURE on Christian Science Monday Evening, December 13, 1937, at 8 P. M. by MR. PAUL STARK SEELEY, C.S.B. of Portland, Oregon. Elm Place School Auditorium, Sheridan Road and Elm Place Highland Park, Illinois. Mr. Seeley is a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church—The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts. First Church of Christ, Scientist Highland Park, Illinois

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