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No Accidents Are Recorded Here In Two Day Storm

Glassy pavements caused by rain and sleet which fell Tuesday evening and all day yesterday, caused motorists, as well as pedestrians, to exercise caution.

A gradual rain, falling all during the night and day, coated the sidewalks and streets with a clear sheet of ice which resembled a glass flooring. In all parts of the city, children donned their ice skates and

skated out, wakened with the greatest of care.

The street department was busy all during the storm, spreading cinders on the icy pavements in the business district and on street crossings, hills and viaducts.

The sidewalks in the business district were cleared of ice by the storekeepers, so that one could get around easily in that section of the city. All grocers reported an increased sale of salt. Householders took precaution by spreading ashes or sand on their walks.

Although there were many spills and tumbles, no serious accidents were recorded at the hospital.

The only serious accident recorded occurred on Waukegan road south of Deerfield when a car driven by a Chicago man crashed into a truck load of Christmas trees. The truck was headed south, when it suddenly skidded into the path of the north bound auto. Both men were badly cut and bruised and were brought to the Highland Park hospital for treatment.

Numerous minor accidents occurred when cars skidded into one another, but because of cautious driving, serious damage was averted.

Only 7 Shopping Days Before Christmas



White Gift Service Sunday P. M. At Presbyterian Church

The annual White Gift Service will be held at the Highland Park Presbyterian church on next Sunday, December 19th at 4 o'clock. This is always held a week before Christmas so the gifts for our neighborhood houses in Chicago may reach them in time for their Christmas planning for parties or Christmas cheer in the private homes.

There will be carol singing by the assembly, a chorus of mixed voices and the church school. Anna Daze Ivins will be at the organ. Then the Christmas spirit will be expressed in the little play entitled "The

Prologue: Bethlehem Carol Jones
Chorus: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" Bobby Berg
Betty Helen Sarett

SCENE II. Baker Hamilton
Mary Rosemary Russo
The shepherds—Fred Musser, Ray Johnson, James Block, Gustav Schwandt
The Kings (Julius Laegerler, Roy Millen, Ray Rogers)
Modern Woman Betty Speer
Modern Man Clark Wright
Dickie Donald Rosier

SCENE III.
Same characters as Scene I.
All the church school presenting gifts at the manger for Dickie and other little Dickies.

At the 11 o'clock Morning Worship there will be lovely Christmas music by our regular choir, augmented by members from the Kenosha Civic Choral society. Selections from the cantata by Alexander Matthews "The Story of Christmas." Dr. Sherwin will bring a Christmas message. A beautiful service that you should not miss.

Traditional Old English Play At Elm Place Tonight

"Christmasses In Merrie Eng-land", the familiar Christmas play, which has been a tradition for many years at the Elm Place School, is to be presented this evening (Thursday) in the Jesse Lowe Smith auditorium at 8 o'clock. Many of the parents of the children who are to appear in this production have played the parts portrayed in years past. In spite of the fact that this

is seen and the audience most appreciative.

In the Christmas play many of the customs of Merrie England over a hundred years ago are to be portrayed. When you hear Cedric call from the stage "Bring in the Yule Log," and hear the motley crew answer "Aye! Aye, Sir!" from the rear of the auditorium, remember that in the olden days the bringing in of the Yule Log was a part of the merriment. A great log, chosen for the festival, was dried weeks before Christmas. At Christmas time it was dragged by chains and ropes into the large hall amid cheering, and the revellers pulled it about, while everyone sat on it in turn and sang a carol. Frequently the "Fairest Layde" was enthroned on it. The log was lighted with a charred piece saved from the log of the year before. So you will hear us sing,

"With the last year's hand
Light the new block—"

A little later in the play we will sing,

"Good King Wenceslas looked out
On the feast of Stephen—"

Most of you do not know whether he was a real king or not. A thousand years ago King Wenceslas ruled the kingdom of Bohemia. He was a wise and kind ruler, and devoted his life to caring for and helping the poor and sick. He did not believe in capitol punishment, and hated war, but because of jealousy he was murdered by his brother. He is buried in a chapel in Prague, and his statue stands in the main street, named after him. He was made the patron saint of Czechoslovakia.

Those who are interested in stamps should know that there was
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Concert Attracts Large Audience To High School

An appreciative audience, one of the largest in many years of winter concerts, attended the eighth annual winter musical program presented last Sunday in the high school auditorium. The afternoon was divided into three parts, the orchestra, glee clubs, and band each having its turn in which to bring its music to parents and friends of the school.

If one were to select the most outstanding numbers of the many good ones presented, he would feel bound to include Miss Peggy Bingham's stellar performance of Goltermann's Concerto for Cello as well as the orchestra's fine accompaniment; the chorus singing of Tours "Sing, O Heavens," with its incidental solo by Jean Ball; the band's opening march, "His Honor," by Fillmore, and its splendid rendition of "Prince Igor Overture" in which the horn, oboe, trumpet, clarinet and basses were featured in clearly executed passages.

Mrs. Mannings, who directed the orchestra, and Mr. Finch and their young musicians are to be congratulated upon their performance in a most excellent program.

Erect Community Christmas Tree Here

A community tree will be erected today by the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce. The tree will be placed between the two railroads on the south side of Central avenue. It will be illuminated each evening during the holidays from December 16th to January 2nd.

The Chamber, together with the business men, are sharing the expense of the tree.

All communities along the north shore are decorating their business districts for the holidays, and it is this spirit of cooperation on the part of Highland Park merchants which makes it possible for this city to have a community tree.

Post Office to Be Open Evenings

In order to facilitate the handling of Christmas mail, the local post office will be open all Saturday afternoon (this week) until 6 in the evening. During the coming week the office will remain open every evening until Christmas until eight o'clock. Cooperation of the public is solicited, in mailing their packages and cards early, so that the postal employees may enjoy the Christmas holiday.

Percy Prior Will Head Chamber During Next Year

Because of the inclement weather, attendance at the regular dinner meeting of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce was unusually small Tuesday evening.

Mr. John Y. Beatty, editor of Rand McNally Bankers Monthly, gave an interesting talk on "Modern Day Merchandising." Mr. Beatty, who is an author, public speaker and editor, has held many important positions with various universities, newspapers and business organizations. He is author of more than a dozen books.

Officers for the ensuing year who were chosen at this meeting were: Percy H. Prior, president; Robert Anspach, vice president; Edward Menke, Leonard Neiter and Lloyd Sheahan, directors for two years. Holdover officers are Bruno Christiansen, Paul Olson and Mortimer Singer, directors, Ernest Belmont, secretary, and Albert Larson, treasurer.

Firemen Respond to Several Calls

About twenty passengers were routed from the last coach of a Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee electric train on the Skokie Valley route Monday morning at the Highmoor station. The blaze which is thought to have been caused by a defective trolley, damaged the roof of the car at an estimated \$100 loss. The Highland Park Fire department responded to a call to the Highmoor station.

Last Friday afternoon, a lighted cigarette left in a day bed damaged the T. C. Butz home at 317 Hazel avenue. The loss was about \$75.

A Studebaker sedan owned by F. J. Rapp caught fire Saturday morning when alcohol on a hot motor ignited. The loss was \$100.

Sunday the local department responded to a call at 419 Waukegan avenue, which is occupied by a tavern and apartment, where grease ignited on a hot stove. No serious damage was done.

Lions Club to Have Xmas Party

The Highland Park Lions club will hold their annual Christmas party this evening (Thursday) at 6:30 o'clock at the Green Tea Pot. A delightful entertainment and movies will feature the evening's activities. Members are urged to attend.

Nino Martini in Film at Alcyon

Romance, melody and laughter will be the order of the day at the Alcyon on Friday and Saturday when Nino Martini, the handsome singing star of radio, grand opera and films, will delight audiences in "The Gay Desperado." It's a skillful concoction of every ingredient of a perfect evening's entertainment—it's the answer to a movie fan's prayer. Leo Carillo, the screen's best-loved bad man, and Ida Lupino are co-starred with this famous singing star.

A hilarious, tunesweet jamboree, "Life Begins in College," starring the comedy-mad Ritz Brothers, contains all the essential elements for a gay and entertaining hit. With them is Joan Davis, pretty red-headed comedienne, Tony Martin, Gloria Stuart and Fred Stone. You will have the time of your life with those riotous Ritz Brothers who take the parts of pants pressers working their way through college. At the Alcyon on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday coming.

You can look forward to seeing dark-eyed Charles Boyer and blonde Jean Arthur, filmdom's newest and most exciting love team, romancing in the picture, "History Is Made at Night." This smart, fast-paced romance casts Boyer in a totally new type of role, while Miss Arthur is seen as a lovely mannequin. To be presented at the Alcyon on next Wednesday and Thursday with Leo Carrillo and Colin Clive in the supporting cast.

"The Feast of Lights" To Be Held Sunday In Trinity Church

The Trinity Church School Christmas Service, which is known as the Feast of Lights, will be held in the church this Sunday afternoon, December 19th, at 4:00 o'clock.

The Feast of Lights is a service symbolizing the hope and joy brought into the world through incarnation; and while the Rector tells the Christmas story, the four Evangelists—represented by four young men of the parish who have served as choir boys and acolytes—receive the light from the Altar and carry it throughout the church.

During the service the children place their Advent offering in the manger at the foot of the Altar, thus carrying their "light" into the world by spreading Christmas joy into the lives of the children in various institutions where the Christmas offering is sent.

The parents of the Church School children are especially invited, and so far as the seating capacity of the church allows, members of the community are also invited to attend this service.

Many Votes Are Still Coming In On Community House

A large mail vote on the question "Shall Highland Park Have a Community House?" indicates the strong interest citizens are showing in this important question.

Votes are still being received, and if you have not as yet sent in your vote you are urged to do so at once.

It is expected that the votes will be tabulated some time during the next week.

All citizens are asked to vote upon this question as this vote is their way of expressing opinions concerning a suggested Community House.

A. O. Fay Lodge to Install Tonight

The installation of officers of A. O. Fay lodge No. 676 A. F. and A. M. will take place this evening in Masonic Temple. The officers to be installed for the year 1938 are: Edward Strenger, worshipful master; Theodore Arnswald, senior warden; George Glaser, junior warden; Charles Grant, treasurer; E. C. Ohrmund, secretary; Walter E. Meierhoff, chaplain; Dan McLellan, senior deacon; George Marshall, junior deacon; Walter Reed, senior steward; Leonard Nieter, junior steward; Peter H. K. Grimson, marshal; Robert W. Schneider, organist, and E. D. Cribbs, tyler.

The installing officers will be Rt. Worshipful Brother John Hay; installing marshal, George Greene; installing chaplain, Albert Larson; installing secretary, William J. Brown; installing orator, Joseph W. Cox. All are past masters of the Masonic lodge.

Kelly Brothers to Appear at Chicago Theatre for a Week

Tommy, Jimmy and Bobby Kelly, talented sons of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kelly of Golf court, will be featured in Abbott's Kiddle Revue which will appear at the Chicago Theatre during the week of Dec. 24 to Dec. 31.

The three young men have appeared on numerous local programs in song and dance, and have attracted attention along the North Shore for their ability as entertainers. Tommy will appear in a solo number while the three youngsters will perform in a song and dance number.

Their father, Thomas Kelly, is professional at Sunset Valley Golf course.

James Gathercoal Architect, Opens Office in Wilmette

Mr. Gathercoal is a native of Wilmette, attended the public schools there and the University of Illinois and studied architecture in Europe before becoming established as a full-fledged architect.

For almost ten years he was engaged as a designer for outstanding residential architects in various parts of the country, and his own practice has included the designing of about one hundred homes on the north shore. In addition to this



James Gathercoal, Architect

work Mr. Gathercoal has engaged extensively in commercial architectural work in Chicago and vicinity and only recently supervised the completion of a large hotel in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. More recently he has been associated with R. B. Whitaker company as architect.

While most of his practice has been confined to more expensive types of homes, Mr. Gathercoal expects to devote himself to extensive work in commercial modernization and smaller home construction in the north shore area.

Press to Be Issued Earlier Next Week

Next week's issue of The Highland Park Press will be issued on Wednesday for the convenience of both merchants and patrons.

All advertising copy as well as news stories must reach the Press office no later than Tuesday afternoon in order to insure their publication.

"The Christ Child" To Be Gven At First U. E. Church

The choir of the First United Evangelical church will sing the Christmas cantata, "The Christ Child," by C. B. Hawley, next Sunday night, Dec. 19, at 8 p. m. The public is urged to hear this beautiful Christmas story, sung by trained voices, under the direction of Prof. G. J. Dinkele.

Highwood Bank Pays 20% Dividend

Dividend checks totalling \$32,121.34 were released early this week to depositors of the closed Highwood State Bank by Deputy Receiver S. T. Oliver, in the form of a 20 per cent payment. This is the sixth dividend paid depositors since the bank closed. The five previous payments totalled 58 per cent.

The payment was authorized by the state auditor on a report from the bank receiver that funds were available from the liquidation of assets and stockholders liability funds.

This dividend brings the total payment to depositors of the Highwood State bank, which was taken over by the state auditor on Sept. 3, 1932, to 78 per cent of the general claims amounting to \$161,763.30. Five previous payments, three of 10 per cent each, one of 15 per cent and another of 13 per cent, have been made. Of the total payments, including the present dividend, 64 per cent were from the liquidation of assets of the bank and the other 14 per cent from the stockholders liability fund.

Depositors of the North Shore Trust company are looking forward to dividend payments in the near future.

William H. Wilson Is Buried Today

Funeral services for William Henry Wilson, 275 Laurel avenue, who died Monday at the Hines Memorial hospital where he had gone for observation several weeks ago, will be held this afternoon at two o'clock from Trinity Episcopal church. Interment will be in North Shore Garden of Memories.

Mr. Wilson, a widely known advertising executive, was national advertising manager of the magazine Real Estate. Previously he had been manager of the Western Advertising Department of the Hearst morning newspapers.

He was born in Kenosha, Wis., and was a veteran of the Spanish American war. He had been a member of the Chicago Athletic club for over thirty years.

He is survived by his wife, Florence Brewer Wilson, and one daughter, Jane.