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## Weekly Review Of Candidates For Primaries April 12

With the primary elections barely three weeks away, much interest is being manifest by office seekers on both the Democratic and Republican tickets.

In presenting each week in the columns of the Highland Park Press a resume of the candidates who are seeking nomination to office at the coming election on April 12th, the Press is not endorsing any particular candidates. Through these biographies we are presenting non-partisan reviews for the interest and knowledge of the voting public.

Another series of articles is appearing this week.



Russ Alford

Russ Alford, the present County Clerk of Lake County, is seeking the nomination for a second term in the April Primaries. Democrats are unanimously supporting Alford in the Primaries, so that his nomination is assured.

Since his election in 1934 Alford has come to be one of the best known of the county office holders, due to certain of his activities in office. During his first campaign he promised the voters that he would abolish the obnoxious Lake County Marriage Mill and this he did immediately, regardless of the fact that by this act he deprived himself of a prolific source of personal revenue.

He has been working ardently in the interests of tax-payers ever since his induction into office. Lately he is receiving a great deal of tax publicity by reason of his action in releasing certain of the tax books to four small townships after Feb. 1. These townships were in dire financial straits and Alford maintained that he had a perfect legal right to relinquish the books to these collectors. On the face of the matter it was apparent that no partisanship was involved as the collectors of the townships concerned included Republicans as well as Democrats. But County Supervisors maintained that the law fixes the date of Feb. 1 as the deadline for the collection books to be turned over to the County Treasurer, so that the excess revenue from the taxes collected should be paid into the county treasury. Mr. Alford, on the other hand, points out the fact that all excess revenue eventually reverts to the county coffers in any case, no collector being allowed more than \$1,500 fee as provided by law.

Alford was born in Lake county in May 1893, of parents who came to the county in the 60's. He attends (Continued on page 7)

## Shore Theatre Group Presents Program at Woman's Club

One of the most interesting programs ever to be done in Highland Park will be presented by the Shore Theatre Group on Friday evening, April 1 at the H. P. Womens club. It ranges from music to drama to comedy to poetry—the four phases of the theatre.

John Loon Drev, a versatile young actor of the New York stage, displays to magnificent advantage his undeniable talent for acting. From the half-crazed middle aged farmer of the first one-act play, he takes over the characterization of the beautifully costumed, but long-nosed, Cyrano de Bergerac. From this comic recitation he goes into the role of a young boy, and from there into the hauntingly sad and cynical character of Mio from Maxwell Anderson's poetic "Winterset."

Miss Mary Heed, as the disillusioned farm-wife and fearful sister-in-law of the nearly insane New England farmer, gives a character portrayal that will rank with the finest ever seen along the North Shore. Miss Rosemary Russo, as a young girl, raised in a poverty stricken "big-city" family, contributes a wonderful piece of sympathetic acting. Miss Betty Murray, the oldest sister in a motherless family of three, carries the role of a girl "that took Maw's place" in a very convincing manner. Mr. Walter Gottschall as the man who complicates this tragic-comic one-act play, rounds out this group of original and talented people.

The people of Highland Park and their friends are urged to support this venture. When a group of young people are interested and ambitious enough to organize and present a show of such high calibre as "Theatre Night" is, they deserve it. There are only a few more days to secure your seats to "Theatre Night." Don't neglect this opportunity of seeing a group of your town's young people, each of them headed for certain stardom, in the initial production of the Shore Theatre Group. The program has been under the management and direction of James B. Kerr and William Bigley.

The tickets are now on sale and may be had from the members of the cast, at the door the night of the performance, or by telephoning Highland Park 1895 or 2427.

## St. Johns Church Closes Successful Membership Drive

For the past week St. Johns Evangelical church, located at the corner of N. Greenway road and Homewood avenue, has conducted a very successful membership campaign which will close with the reception of thirty-two new members at the morning worship service, on Sunday, March 27. The following are to be received as new members:

Mr. and Mrs. C. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Haenig, Mr. and Mrs. D. Duffy, Mr. and Mrs. H. Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Roberts and William Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schwennecker, Mr. and Mrs. A. Meyer, their son Karl and three daughters, Margaret, Norma and Ruth; Mrs. Charles Cole, Mr. John Jefferson, Mr. Robert Busch, Mrs. George Howe, Mr. Paul Reuter, Mr. George Parker, Mr. J. Barbers, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Webb, Mr. and Mrs. B. Jefferson and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gossweiler.

St. Johns' church is to be congratulated on this fine accession of new members and it certainly will mean a step forward in the progress of the church.

## Musical Revue And Style Show Planned For April 8

Much interest is being displayed in Styles and Stoges, a musical revue and style show which is scheduled for the evening of April 8th at the Elm Place School Auditorium.

The sponsors of this original and highly entertaining performance are a group of the specialty shops with the very best reputations.

The sponsors include Lucille Hillborne, Miss Ernst, Miss Borchardt, Neild's, The Alden Studio, who is doing the sets, Mrs. Ullman is furnishing the garden furniture, and Bahr's will bank the ramp with spring flowers.

The men in the cast will be clothed by Art Olson. Victor will show luxurious furs. The Knit Shop will show the newest in knit clothes for spring. Rasmussen is furnishing the cast with shoes.

The skit itself is designed to entertain men as well as the ladies and will include more than sixty actors and models. Music will be furnished by Bill Fischer's orchestra.

The price for the tickets will be fifty cents and the profit from the show will be given toward the furnishings of our new community house. This is in keeping with the spirit of the whole performance.

Highland Park talent. Highland Park merchandise combined and produced by members of the community. The play an original one by Mrs. Norman Meiners. The director, well-known Mr. Jack Sturtevant. Sally Murfey, Dorothy Lytle, Ralph Smith among the players.

A complete list of the cast will appear in next week's edition of this paper. Save the date, April 8, for Highland-Park's Styles and Stoges.

## Wallace Beery On Alcyon Program

On Friday and Saturday the Alcyon theatre is presenting "You're Only Young Once," in which Mickey Rooney, Lewis Stone, and Cecilia Parker are starred. Mickey, as usual, walks off with most of the honors in this film which abounds with laughs and tears. It's about a family of four who set off for a vacation in Catalina island-only to have the children each become involved in exciting love adventures. It's a film of the entirely "wholesome" variety.

The powerful "badman" portrayal of Wallace Beery, the uniformly fine work of such supporting players as Virginia Bruce, Lewis Stone, Guy Kibbee and Bruce Cabot combine to bring to the screen an absorbing drama in "The Bad Man of Brimstone," which will be at the Alcyon on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. The screen's most lovable villain, Berry, enacts a gruff, hard-shooting bandit, ruling the town of Brimstone with an iron hand. Filmed against the majestic wilderness of the Kanah National Forest in Utah, the picture is replete with startling natural scenic beauty and with fidelity to the exciting period when the west was a synonym for wilderness.

A Double Feature is in store for Alcyon fans on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. A prison story of unusual promise, "Penitentiary" has Walter Connolly, John Howard, Jean Parker and Robert Barrat in the leading roles. This is Martin Flavin's dramatic tale of a politically ambitious warden who finds that life inside a state penitentiary goes deeper than mere individual desires. The second feature attraction presents a new angle on love—and try to find a funnier one. "Change of Heart" is a mirthful matrimonial mix-up which features Gloria Stuart and Michael Whalen.

## Mary Lu Sanborn Elected President Of WAA At Madison

Mary Lu Sanborn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanborn, 817 Ridgewood drive, a graduate of Deerfield Shields High school in 1935, has been elected president of W.A.A. (Women's Athletic Association) of the University of Wisconsin.

She is also rushing chairman of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority. Miss Sanborn is in her Junior year at Madison. While a student at Deerfield Shields she served as president of Deerfield Girl Athletics.

## Local YWCA Will Hold Nation Wide Banquet March 29

The Highland Park YWCA is ready to open its doors in welcome on March 29 to all Highland Park, Lake Forest and Waukegan business women and their friends. This is for the annual Nation Wide Observance participated in by business women's clubs all over the world.

The program chairman, Alice W. Marks, is happy to announce that the speaker at this occasion will be Miss Minnie Buzard, principal of the Highland Park High school. The topic to be discussed is: A Business Woman's Share in Democracy. Miss Buzard is keenly interested in Democracy, business women's problems, and YWCA work.

The committee has been fortunate in obtaining local talent for special entertainment on the program. Mrs. Stephanie Febel, who is now president of the Pi Delta club of Highland Park, will give a piano solo. Miss Marguerite Moldaner, a young singer possessed of considerable talent, will sing: "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life" by Victor Herbert. Mrs. Peggy Esmiz Breakwell, who needs no introduction to the Highland Park "Y" audiences, has agreed to present something modern in violin interpretation.

The group singing is to be conducted by Mrs. Marguerite Pearson, a former YWCA secretary from Lake Forest. All who knew her will be happy to see her again.

Dinner will be served promptly at 7 o'clock, so everyone is urged to come to the YWCA Laurel avenue by 6:30. The price of the dinner is nominal, and reservations must be in early, preferably by Saturday, March 26. Call the "Y"—H. P. 675, to make your reservation, or stop in for a ticket.

The Highland Park Committee of Six, consisting of Grace Smith and Mae Hanson of the B.Y. club, Dorothy Glass and Charlotte Hickey of the Emanon league, and Emily Marks and Alice Marks of the Pi Delta club, extend a cordial invitation to all business women to join in this celebration.

General plans for this program were set up by a joint committee that met at Lake Forest about six weeks ago. Present at that time were: Mrs. Julia Roorbach, Miss Anna Mae McGovern and Miss Doris Curren, secretary of Lake Forest, Mrs. Elsie Colby and Miss Roxie Goshgarean of Waukegan, Miss Mae Hansen, Mrs. Grace Smith, Miss Dorothy Glass, Mrs. Alice Marks and Miss Mary Robe, secretary of Highland Park.

## NATION WIDE OBSERVANCE 1938

Highland Park - Lake Forest - Waukegan  
March 29th - 6:30 P.M.  
PROGRAM  
Prayer - Palm LXVII - Read in unison  
Dinner - Group Singing  
Chant of Welcome - Committee of Six  
Piano Solo - Stephanie Febel  
Vocal Selection - Marguerite Moldaner  
Violin Solo - Peggy Esmiz Breakwell  
Resume - "Beginning of the Nation Wide"  
Lake Forest  
Highlights of Messages from Foreign Fields - Waukegan  
Commitment - Read in unison  
Results of "Do You Think?" test.  
Speaker - Miss Minnie Buzard,  
Principal, Highland Park High School  
Nation Wide Observance Theme: A Business Woman's Share in Democracy.  
Closing Songs - Group Singing

## Two Fine Artists to Be Presented at Silver Tea March 27

The Treble Clef of the Presbyterian church invites you to hear two very fine artists at a Musicales and Silver Tea which will be held in the home of Mrs. J. H. Lambert, 2400 Deere Park drive, on Sunday, March 27th at 4:00 in the afternoon.

Mrs. Marion McCree, soprano, is a graduate of the conservatory of wrence college, and has done much church and oratorio singing. She has appeared with the Minneapolis Symphony, and also the Chicago Business Men's Symphony, in each case returning for a second engagement.

Miss June Whitworth, has a Bachelor degree in piano from the Northwestern university, is a member of Phi Beta, the honorary music society, and at present is studying under Kurt Wainieck.

The Treble Clef is proud to present these outstanding musicians.

## Sunset Valley Golf Club Opens Saturday

Weather permitting, Sunset Valley Golf club will officially open for play, Saturday, March 26th. The course and greens are in perfect condition, according to Tom Kelly, pro at the club. The entire course has been worked on during the past few weeks, and a large crowd of golf enthusiasts are expected to turn out for the opening this Saturday.

## Community Party in Ravinia Promises Gala Evening March 26

Final arrangements have been completed for the community party, "Spring Time in Vienna" to be given at the Ravinia Village House this Saturday evening, March 26. By the Ravinia Woman's club, and a demand for tickets this week has assured the committees in charge that a large crowd will attend.

Mrs. Arvid Tanner, general chairman of the affairs, reports that final arrangements have been completed and everything will be in readiness for an evening of entertainment and fun. John Laurie, chairman of the entertainment committee announces that some excellent amateur and professional entertainment has been obtained and an interesting floor show is promised.

A group of pretty young ladies will be present as waitresses, cigarette and flower girls, and dancers to brighten the scene in native costume. They are, Jeanette Bryant, Hilda Maryann Jones, Marjorie Kurtzon, Bein, Davida Clarke, Monie Eyley, Gretchen Fischer, Judith Greenberg, Susanne Greenberg, Rita Hart, Louise Haessler, Catherine M. Jones, Edge Mitchell, Patricia Reading, Rosemary Schiff, Julia Schmidt, Nancy Van Bergen and Frances Venning. Mildred Haessler is coaching the dancing peasant girls.

"Bartenders" and "Chefs" who will preside at the "Tavern" are: Messrs. F. P. Biggs, Chas. E. DeLeuw, C. E. Jones, J. M. Murphy, W. F. G. Ross, and R. R. Wibbe.

The hours of the party are from 9 to 12 p.m. and a good time is assured all who attend. It is hoped that many will come in costume although everyone is welcome in any attire they choose to wear.

Tickets sold before Saturday evening are priced lower than those sold at the door and may be obtained from Mrs. F. L. Venning-341 Woodland road, or Mrs. Theodore Fischer, 1832 Broadview avenue.

## Chicago Flower Show Opens April 2 At Navy Pier

With the advent of spring, thoughts of garden minded people turn to the annual Chicago Flower Show to be held this year at Navy Pier, April 2 to April 11. The theme said to be the most ambitious yet attempted will be Gardens from Maine to California. Tickets at advanced sale prices may be obtained from any member of the Ravinia Garden Club or by calling Mrs. Howard Will, H.P. 4146.

## Half Price Sale at Thrift Shop

In order to make room for new arrivals of all kinds, the Thrift Shop will have a half-price sale Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, March 24, 25 and 26. The canny buyers will surely find bargains to suit any taste, as everything in the shop will be marked at half price.

Remember the dates—March 24, 25 and 26. Get the Thrift Shop habit.

## Rummage Sale

A rummage sale for the benefit of the West Ridge School will be held Thursday, March 31, in the Alcyon Theater Building. The doors will be open at 9 p.m.

## LENTEEN MEDITATION

H. F. Siemsen

"And at mid-night Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them." Acts 16:25, also read Psalm 100.

Browning in "Pippa Passes" tells of a little girl who had to spend much of her time working hard in a silk mill. "She had a holiday and wanted to spend it as happy as possible. Early that morning she started down the road singing. It did not occur to her that any one was listening. Upon her return that night, little did she know that her songs had changed the lives of four people that day. Paul believed firmly that it is better to spread cheer than to spread gloom. The incident referred to in the words quoted gives to us a glimpse of Paul's spirit even in the midst of adversity and suffering. He had been beaten, thrown into a dungeon and was placed in the stocks, yet at mid-night he with Silas not only prayed but sang songs of cheer and praise. The rest of the prisoners could not understand it, but Paul gave them to understand that it was the inner strength that came to him through Christ, that made it possible to face all experiences in life cheerfully. Little did he realize, that he too, was helping to change the lives of those round about him. Frequently we think only of the things we should give up during Lent and of the denials we ought to make. It is true we should be sacrificially minded when we think of the suffering of our Saviour, but Lent should also be a time of receiving. A time during which we receive the abundant and rich blessings that Christ has to offer. Among the many things He offers, He offers hope, courage, fortitude and cheer. May we therefore, during this Lenten Season open our hearts to receive His glad good news, His cheer, so that we too may help lift some above their perplexing difficulties, and help them to see that life is good and that it is worth living.

### Fire Chief Hoskins Issues Warning

Grass fires have become so numerous during the past few days, that Fire Chief Hoskins, of the Highland Park Fire Department, issued the following order:

"To the Citizens of Highland Park:

"Because of the curtailed equipment and limited number of firemen, the Highland Park Fire Department will be unable to respond to all grass fire alarms unless a building is in danger.

"The local department is equipped with only two pumping engines and if both of these are called into action at the same time, in response to grass fires, a more serious conflagration may occur in the city limits, which may result in the loss of valuable property.

"Residents of Highland Park should not start grass fires in a high wind.

"Those who persist in this practice will have to look after them and extinguish them themselves or suffer a possible damage suit from a neighbor.

"We solicit your cooperation and assistance in avoiding a serious hazard.

CHIEF E. C. HOSKINS,  
Highland Park Fire Department.