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Major Lee Bittinger To Address Legion Dist. Meeting Here

Friday evening, February 20, Dumaresq Spencer Post of the American Legion will be host to the Tenth District Council, comprising all Posts in Lake county. As guest of honor Lee A. Bittinger, Department Vice Commander of Illinois, will be the principal speaker. It is a pleasure to welcome to Highland Park Comrade Bittinger as he is a former resident and attended the Deerfield Shields High School before the war and was a close mate of Dumaresq Spencer and many other present members of the Post. All members of the Post are requested to attend.



L. N. BITTINGER
The American Legion
Department of Illinois

Major L. N. Bittinger, Senior Vice-Commander of the American Legion, Department of Illinois, resides in Onarga, Ill., where he is one of the heads of the Onarga Military School for Boys.

He is a member of the Onarga Post No. 51 of the American Legion, and has served as Post Chaplain continuously for a twenty year period beginning with 1919. He has served his Post at various times as adjutant, commander, finance officer and upon various important committees.

He has been particularly interested in Youth Activities, having served for three years with Boys State at Springfield, and as executive officer of the 1939 Boys State. Previously he had served as Liaison officer and chief counsellor during the year 1938.

He was chairman of the Illinois mission, in charge of this activity of the Legion during the Southern Illinois floods.

He served overseas with the 62nd Coast Artillery Corps, attending the Artillery School at Saumur, France, from which he graduated in December 1918.

He returned to the states with the 62nd Coast Artillery and immediately became a leader in the work of assisting ex-service men in the State of Illinois and has continued in this harness since that time.

Presbyterian Women to Hear Dr. De Carlo Monday Afternoon

An opportunity and special privilege will be afforded Presbyterian women next Monday, February 20, at 2 p.m. in the Parish House of the Highland Park Presbyterian church when they listen to Dr. Pasquale De Carlo from Garibaldi Institute of Chicago. He is the very interesting speaker who is doing such fine work as pastor of St. John Presbyterian Institutional church and also at Garibaldi Institute, among the Italians of Chicago. A short illustrated lecture will be given, actually showing some of his work. Interest in this thickly populated Italian section of our great city should be particularly keen now. A short musical program will be given by a delightful soloist, a resident of Highland Park, Mrs. Marian McCree, who is to be accompanied by Mrs. Selake.

Hospital dressings and sewing will be ready at 10 o'clock. A special devotional period will begin at 12:45, followed by luncheon at 1 o'clock. Reservations for luncheon are absolutely necessary and must be made through group chairman by Saturday, February 18.

Baked Ham Dinner
The Luther League of the Zion Lutheran church, Highwood, will give a baked ham dinner Wednesday evening, Feb. 22, in the church parlors.

Lake Forest City Clerk Dies; Funeral Is Held Tuesday

A. Duane Jackman, 56, city clerk of Lake Forest since May 1932, died suddenly Saturday night in his home at 312 East Greenbay road, after a two-day illness.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the First Presbyterian church of Lake Forest. Interment was in the Lake Forest cemetery.

Out of respect to Mr. Jackman, all city offices were closed Tuesday. Mr. Jackman, an alderman in Lake Forest from 1912 to 1922, served as city collector from 1922 until 1932 when he became city clerk succeeding James F. King, who retired.

Born in Livingstone county, New York, on April 18, 1882, he migrated to Illinois and was graduated from Lake Forest college in 1906. Post graduate work was done at the University of Chicago.

Following graduation, Mr. Jackman was employed at the State Bank and the First National bank, both in Lake Forest.

Survivors are his wife, Grace Taylor Jackman, and two daughters, Anna Louise of Lake Forest, and Mrs. Edmund D. Putnam of Chicago.

Butcher's Artistic Eye Makes Unique Window Display

When one passes the Community Service Grocery and Market, 393 Central avenue, this week they are astounded to find that the food display window has suddenly been converted into a florists display. Possibly not so profusely decorated as the local floral houses, but nevertheless, an added incentive to the food problem, has been achieved by a clever and very attractive showing of "vegetable posies."

This unique display, is the work of Henry Bauer, meat cutter for the local concern, and a Highland Park resident who lives at 656 Chicago avenue. Mr. Bauer has studied the anatomy of flowers and has practiced the art so thoroughly, that he can skillfully carve roses from beets and turnips and lilies from suet, as well as numerous other species of flowers that one can barely detect them from the real plant.

Mr. Bauer, makes his products with a knife which he himself made, which has a small sharp blade no longer than two inches. Although there are many other persons who are capable of developing many attractive displays similar to his, it is felt that his works are model specimens of the natural product.

Two years ago Mr. Bauer was complimented on his unique talent with the following article which appeared in a Chicago daily paper.

"Granted it takes skill to dissect a porterhouse from a loin of beef and one who values his thumb must be a good mechanic in the presence of a bacon slicing machine, the trade of cutting meat does have its limitations for a butcher who happens to have the instincts of an artist."

"Henry Bauer, Highland Park meat cutter, manages to earn a livelihood at a bloodstained block and practice an art by taking refuge in the vegetable kingdom, a realm which most right-thinking butchers regard as inhabited only by timid souls on diet. Henry is a sculptor in beets and carrots and turnips."

Highland Parkers who do not know Henry are likely to wonder who is crazy when a florists box arrives from the meat market. When they open the box and find a bouquet of flowers only their curiosity restrains them from an indignant trip to the telephone. Inspection reveals the roses and daisies and gardenias to be so much sculptured beet and carrot and turnip and safe inside the bouquet rests whatever was ordered for the evening meat course.

Mr. Bauer admits his first efforts were amateurish. He bought good artificial flowers — as Cezanne painted apples because as models they would keep and hold still and studied their anatomy. Now his flowers are botanically correct.

It may have occurred to utilitarian souls to boil the whole package from Henry's shop and have the labor of preparing a beef stew. Henry would not have cared. Like all true artists, he is quite indifferent as to what happens to his masterpieces once the joy of creation has passed."

British Author-Traveler To Speak At Woman's Club

The next speaker to interest the membership of the Highland Park Woman's club is one who will appeal to a large group, because of the subject involved and the charm and vigor of the speaker. On Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 2 o'clock, Lieut.-Col. Rhys Davies, D.S.O., a British author, lecturer and world traveler, who has served with conspicuous bravery in the British Intelligence Service, will talk on "Spies in Peace and War."

Colonel Davies, whose personal bravery is proved by the fact that he was thrice decorated with the British Distinguished Service medal during the late World war, for deeds of outstanding valor, and who has a vivid manner of relating the events he chronicles, will give the inside story of such internationally famous spies as the mysterious Mata-Hari, and the patriotic English nurse, Edith Cavell. He will unmask the machinery of espionage, explaining such wiles as codes, disguises, invisible ink and other secret means of obtaining and passing on governmental information. He will explain that the system is as active during peace times as in war and tell of the work of the Intelligence department in ferreting out these death-defying workers in international circles. In clear, forceful language, dramatic in style and content, Colonel Davies will hold his listeners enthralled with his recitals.

Wednesday morning, at 10 o'clock, the popular class in Parliamentary Law and Club Ethics conducted by Mrs. Gertrude C. Lieber will be held in the club lounge. On Saturday evening, at 9 o'clock, there will be another of the enjoyable dances of the "swing club" at the club house.

Wilmette Pianist to Appear As Soloist

David Geppert, Wilmette pianist, will appear as soloist on a festival program of American music at the federal music concert hall, 632 No. Dearborn St., Chicago, Wednesday evening (Feb. 22) at 8:15 o'clock. No admission will be charged and the public is invited to attend. Gifted son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Geppert, 725 Ninth St., Wilmette, the young musician is now majoring in composition and studying piano and theory at Northwestern University. His compositions for piano and string quartets have won honors in national scholastic competitions and he was a winner of the Society of American Musicians contest in 1935.

Wednesday evening's concert will feature Mr. Geppert as soloist in MacDowell's piano concerto in D minor, with the forty-piece American Concert Orchestra under the direction of Ralph Cisne. Twelve American composers will be represented on the program, part of which will be given by the popular Jubilee Singers conducted by James Mundy.

Hills Tea Room To Open Thursday February 23

Mr. and Mrs. Claud E. Hills announce the opening of Hill's Tea Room, 23 N. Sheridan road, on Thursday evening, February 23.

This is the former location of the Green Tea Pot, which was so successfully operated for many years under the capable direction of Mrs. Green.

The Hills, who are proprietors of a tea room in Evanston near the Varsity theatre, are well known for their excellent food served in an attractive atmosphere.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill are anxious to please the public and will offer delectable food with excellent service at all times.

Inquest Continued In Puddy Death Cause

An inquest into the death of William Puddy, greenskeeper at the Mission Hills Country club, who was found seriously wounded at the club from a gun shot wound, and was brought to the Highland Park hospital where he died several hours later, Sunday, was held at the Kelly Mortuary on Sheridan road, Monday. The inquest was continued indefinitely pending ballistic tests.

Puddy, who was 54 years old, had been a greenskeeper at the Mission Hills club, near Northbrook, for the last 15 years.

Stooges Stunts To Be Staged Saturday At High School

The cast for "Stooges Stunts", the variety show being staged by the Highland Park High School Parent Teachers Association, is putting on steam in a number of last rehearsals this week ready for a snappy production this Saturday night at the High School auditorium.

This is one of the few entertainments ever given in Highland Park in which parents and teachers from all over the district have taken part. It is a community affair to which everyone is invited and where parents, teachers and children can have a jolly good time at minimum cost. The original idea in having this program was to get our wide-flung district together for an informal evening that everyone could enjoy. It was not to be primarily a money-making project and therefore the tickets are all at one low price. The proceeds of the show and the candy sale, however, will go to a project important to the whole high school district, namely, the Scholarship Fund.

The program will start promptly at 8:15. There will be ten short, sparkling acts which won't keep the very young out too late and will be a perfect hors d'oeuvre for folks who make a night of it on Saturdays. Some seventy members of our district are taking part in the show. Maybe you will recognize them, maybe you won't. Others who will not appear on the stage have been working hard selling tickets, making candy, helping to train acts and will be working behind stage on Saturday night.

The program of stunts is as follows:

- 1—Bob Flat and Hal Sharp—Robert Bridges, Harold Pfister.
- 2—Muscling In—Mrs. Howard Cede, Mrs. Everett Bellei, Mrs. Robert Bryant, Mrs. Walter Durban, Miss Enada Grjswold, Mrs. Daniel Gutman, Mrs. Bert Green, Mrs. Roderick McPherson, Mrs. Carl Rompel, Mrs. Frank Selfridge, Mrs. Waldo Thorsen.
- 3—Fidgety Feet—Louis Dal Ponte.
- 4—Time Takes a Holiday—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. George Canright, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gilroy, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Markell, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Olendorf.

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Alcyon to Present "Young Dr. Kildare"

As two brothers, one, happy-go-lucky, irresponsible and amiably ne'er-do-well, the other, hard-working, serious and conscientious, Bing Crosby and Fred MacMurray turn in what are probably the outstanding performances of their careers in "Sing You Sinners," which is on the Alcyon screen Saturday of this week. The appeal of this picture picture lies in its good-natured and unsophisticated humor and its natural presentation of everyday characters who might live next door to any of us. The cast includes Elizabeth Patterson and Hollywood's two newest finds, Ellen Drew and Donald O'Connor.

"Young Dr. Kildare" is more than an ordinary movie. It marks a new triumph for Lew Ayres who has done some sensational work in his last two movies. With Ayres is that lovable old rascal, Lionel Barrymore, who is cast as the garrulous but gifted Dr. Gillespie. You'll love Lionel even more than ever in this film. And, matching the good fortune of Lew Ayres in the cast, is Lynne Carver, who gets the first feminine comedy, pathos and thrills, see this picture. At the Alcyon on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

On the double-feature program for next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday we will find Joe E. Brown, and seldom, if ever, has Joe been as generous with hilarity as in "Flirting with Fate," a side-splitting, rib-tickling comedy concoction which moves with pace and tempo and manages to leave the laughter with a goodly sprinkling of thrills. The second film on the program is called "Ride a Crooked Mile." Akim Tamiroff shares the spotlight with two young players whose performances show a depth of feeling and a sincerity not often topped on the screen. They are Leif Erikson and Frances Farmer. Thrill is piled on thrill as the picture tells its story.

Mid-Winter Value Days Successful; Only 3 Days Remain

The first half of Mid-Winter Value Days was received with much enthusiasm and success. The whole-hearted response of the community at large was more than overwhelming, in fact, the merchants reported that it exceeded all expectations.

This was the first time that a town-wide demonstration of values was ever attempted and it proved more than a success. Much interest has been shown in the Phantom Radio Control, the winner of which will be announced in next week's issue of THE PRESS.

The last three days of Mid-Winter Value Days will involve a pedigreed Scotty puppy which will be given away to some lucky youngster. Just sign the name of a child on a ticket when you make a purchase and drop it in the box in the store. This winner will also be announced in next week's paper.

There are three days remaining in which the public may take advantage of this mid-season event, and it will be your last opportunity to purchase articles at reduced prices.

Don't forget to secure your tickets for the Scotty puppy, for any child will be more than happy to receive this prize.

Highwood Council Passes Ordinance To Add 4th Ward

At a meeting of the Highwood City Council last Wednesday evening an ordinance was unanimously passed redistricting the existing three wards to provide for a fourth, effective immediately.

By this action, two more aldermen will be added to the present council of six members. Five aldermen, then, instead of three, will be elected in the April 5th city election.

Boundaries of the four wards in Highwood as established by ordinance (the fourth ward is the new one) follow:

First ward—All that part of the city which lies east of the center line of High street and said center line extended south to the south limits of the city, and south of the center line of Highwood avenue.

Third ward—All that part of the city which lies north of the center line of Highwood avenue, south of the center line of North avenue, and west of the center line of Railway avenue, also that part of the city which lies north of the center line of Railway avenue.

Fourth ward—All that part of the city which lies north of the center line of North avenue, and west of the center line of Railway avenue. Terms of three of the present, six aldermen elected in April, 1937, will expire this spring. They are Richard Shannon, first ward; Edward Williams, second; and Jesse Helton, third. It is believed that all three will probably be candidates again in the April election. Just who are likely to run from the new ward has not been revealed.

The period for filing nomination petitions in Highwood will extend from Feb. 17 to March-14.

Hilander Club to Hear Local Naturalist Next Tuesday Evening

Every meeting the Hilander's have had this year has been especially well attended. This can probably be explained by the group plan inaugurated by the present officers. With a membership of over a hundred couples a division was hit upon comprising six groups —making one group responsible for each meeting. This has elicited the enthusiastic support of the whole membership and made for keen rivalry between groups in providing interesting meetings.

Dr. Trangmar's group have been fortunate in securing for Tuesday, February 21st, Mr. Bert S. Leech, local naturalist and science teacher, to talk on "Getting Ready for Spring."

Mr. Leech will illustrate his talk with colored slides on bird, plant and flower life. Some Highland Parkers and many Boy Scouts have been on bird walks with Mr. Leech and know he has plumbed nature's secrets as only a lover of wild and plant life can.

Pot luck suppers, as usual, will be served at 6:45. The place—Presbyterian church.

Candidates Give Views On Local Garbage Problem

Fourteen out of the seventeen candidates for mayor and commissioner have expressed themselves on the garbage situation in response to the letter sent out by the garbage committee of the Highland Park League of Women Voters. Last week several letters were quoted in these columns. Following are excerpts from several others.

Major Frank J. Ronan, candidate for mayor says in part: "My candidacy has been prompted by the fact I feel that Highland Park has been sadly lacking in leadership and proper concern in our problems and conditions. Nothing perhaps so clearly indicates this as the garbage situation."

No doubt you know that Highland Park receives approximately \$15,000 annually from the county for the garbage fund; that approximately \$9,000 annually is spent, and the balance goes to a reserve amounting now to about \$27,000, available to apply to a program.

Notwithstanding this fact the availability of federal funds for a purpose like this and the possibility of otherwise securing funds, nothing has been done to even propose a plan of solution.

I am thoroughly convinced of the need and confident a plan can be accomplished that will provide a satisfactory solution with due regard for efficiency, service, cost and the interest of taxpayers.

Mr. Jerome P. Bowes, candidate for commissioner states:

"First I am opposed to the continuance of private collections of garbage on the basis that such operations are clearly a municipal function and generally recognized as such throughout the country."

Second the city collection can be accomplished on a more efficient, sanitary and economical basis, the result being lower costs and a more equitable distribution of same than now exists. The present charges vary from \$1 to \$3 a month depending on how good a negotiator one is. These discriminatory rates certainly add another indictment to our present system.

Third the city collection will result in generally improved health conditions as there would no longer exist reasons for private dumping. This would also result in a general clean-up of vacant property which has heretofore been used for such purposes and aid and maintain the beauty of our community.

My brief survey of our neighboring villages and others in the metropolitan Chicago area indicates that the cost of this service to their taxpayers varies, based on \$100 of assessed valuation from 125 to 20. It is true that most of these suburban communities referred to are more compact as to area, which of course would have a bearing on comparative costs, but there seems to be no doubt that even at the maximum of .002 on our assessed valuation the cost of properly servicing Highland Park would be well within that maximum figure.

It would be my recommendation, in the meantime, that a thorough survey be made of the entire situation relating to both the collection and disposal in order that we may install the most efficient and economical system and plant, which should develop the location of the latter in an area least offensive to our citizens.

Mr. Arthur Swanson, candidate for commissioner, says:

"I have always been in favor of city collection of garbage. We are paying for garbage collection now in our tax bills and do not get it but once a year when they have what they call "Clean-Up Week." The City of Highland Park maintains a garbage plant for private individuals to dump their garbage. Other cities along the North Shore have free garbage collection and there is no reason why Highland Park cannot have the same as our neighboring cities."

You will also note that I am enclosing a billhead of one of the garbage collectors in which it so reads that the majority of people believe

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An Appreciation

Highland Park city officials are to be commended for their expression of appreciation for so great a man as Pope Pius XI, who passed away early last Friday morning.

The City flag hung at half mast as a tribute to his Eminence, who had contributed so largely to world peace.