

# Looking Backward

at progressive Highland Park through the files of The Press

## TWENTY YEARS AGO August 14, 1919

Mrs. Martin Hart, who for the past three years has been paying teller of the North Shore Trust company, has accepted a position with the H. P. Trust and Savings Bank in a like capacity . . . Robert Greenslade, who recently was discharged from the navy, will open an electric shop next Saturday at 886 Central avenue . . . "A Welcome Home" celebration will be held Saturday evening for the Highland Park men who served in the World War . . . Mrs. J. F. Gillen died Monday at Highland Park hospital after a brief illness . . . Miss Edna Bosold of Mokena visited Miss Ruth Lidgerwood of Deerfield over the week end . . . Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McNeil are being congratulated upon the birth of a daughter, born July 31 . . . A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Zahnler of Prairie avenue, August 4 . . . Little Mary Faulkner is at Highland Park hospital where she underwent an operation on her throat . . . Lake Forest laundry was robbed of \$1,500 Saturday night.

## TEN YEARS AGO August 15, 1929

The corner stone of Highland Park's new city hall building was laid last Saturday morning by Mayor Benjamin F. Lewis . . . Harry M. Prior died suddenly Tuesday morning at his summer home near New Auburn, Wis. . . Mrs. Raymond Flinn was elected a member of the high school board at a special election Saturday . . . The marriage of Miss Mona Bahr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Bahr, and Mr. Charles F. Grant of this city took place Sunday afternoon . . . Mr. and Mrs. William Kelly of Hazel avenue announce the birth of a son, Sunday, August 11 . . . Mrs. John Artis announces the approaching marriage of her daughter Margaret to Mr. Otto Hout of this city . . . John C. Willman of Deerfield passed away August 9 . . . The City of Highland has just installed "Welcome Signs" at the entrance of the city . . . Alan Sheahan has received notice that he has successfully passed the Illinois Bar Examinations.

## Meat Cutters Will Hold Picnic Sunday

The Meat Cutters, Local 262, of the North Shore towns, are to hold a picnic August 20 at the Siberian Monastery picnic grounds located on Route 63, between Milwaukee avenue and Route 20.

The entertainment committee has planned for games, baseball, races, rides for the children, bingo, ice cream, beverages, etc. Good music will be furnished for dancing. Lunch will be brought from home or bought at the stands on the grounds.

All food store employees, employers and friends are cordially invited to attend this affair.

## "Hedda Gabler" Next Production at Lake Zurich

Continuing its amazingly successful season, the Lake Zurich Playhouse will present Ibsen's famous tragedy "Hedda Gabler" beginning next Friday, August 18 and running through Sunday.

One of the most frequently revived plays of the twentieth century, "Hedda Gabler" has been a favorite role of many of the leading actresses of our times, including, especially, Duse, Nazimova, and Le Gallienne.

Mary Elizabeth Aurelius, co-director of the Playhouse, will play the name part. Miss Aurelius was last seen as Cecily in "Love from a Stranger" and regular patrons will remember the sincerity of her portrayal and will look forward to her interpretation of this famous Ibsen character.

An excellent cast will support Miss Aurelius in bringing to life the colorful characters of the great Scandinavian playwright. Allan Hancock will appear as Eihlert Lovberg, and Gene Swaim is cast opposite Miss Aurelius in the role of Tesman. Others in the cast will include June Stuart, Ralph Browne, Mary Anna Condit and Clarissa Pope.

This week's production is under the direction of William Stigall who will be remembered as the villain in "East Lynne"; Sir Anthony in "The Rivals" and the Clergyman in last week's "The Importance of Being Earnest." Settings will be by Henry Kurth and lighting by Joseph Carner.

Because of the growing demand for seats, patrons are advised to make reservations as early in the week as possible. As previously announced, the Playhouse will stay open an extra week, closing the season on August 27th with "She Stoops To Conquer."

## Fortnightly Classes to Be Directed by James W. Martine

The Highland Park Y.W.C.A. is fortunate in having secured James Weckler Martine, grandson of the famous early Chicago dancing master Edwin Martine, as teacher for the Fortnightly Dancing classes. The classes, held alternate Friday evenings, will be open to boys and girls of the 6th, 7th, 8th grades and first year high school.

Prices for the Fortnightly will be considerably lower than those charged formerly and Mr. Martine is co-operating with the Y.W.C.A. to make this possible. Enrollments are being taken now. For further information phone Miss Ruth Walbridge, general secretary of the Y.W.C.A., at Highland Park 675.

Mr. Martine will also give private and class instruction on exhibition ball room routines of the professional type on appointment.

Plans are under way for an evening dancing class for adults, which will be held if there is sufficient interest in the community.

Tap and ballet classes will be offered at a moderate cost. The Y.W.C.A. is in a position to provide fine instruction and personnel at moderate prices, in keeping with the Y.W.C.A. aim for broader community service.

## Nursery School to Be Opened at Y.W.C.A. This Fall

A nursery school for children from 2 to 5 years of age will be opened this fall at the Highland Park Y.W.C.A., 374 Laurel avenue, under the direction of a charming young woman with specialized training, according to Mrs. Eugene Pfister, education chairman of the Y. W. C. A.

This pre-school program will be planned to avoid duplication of kindergarten and first grade work and will include outdoor play, when weather permits, as well as group and individual activities indoors. The daily routine will include a bit of spiritual, non-sectarian influence and procedure, such as songs and religious pantomimes. Through supervised play the youngsters will learn to play with other children of their own ages. Classes will be held from 9 to 11:45 a.m. Mondays through Fridays.

Enrollment will be limited, and those parents interested should call Miss Ruth Walbridge, general secretary at the Y.W.C.A., at Highland Park 675 as soon as possible for further information about plans and prices.

## Daughter of Former Resident Passes on

Mrs. James Kennedy, daughter of Mr. Carl C. Wettstone, former resident of Highland Park, passed away Saturday in West Suburban hospital, Chicago, where she had undergone a major operation. Funeral services were held yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon in Chicago.

Besides her father Mrs. Kennedy is survived by a sister, Mrs. Betty Belyer and a brother Jack.

The Wettstones formerly resided on Ridgewood drive in this city. Mrs. Wettstone passed away a few years ago.

## Ahem . . .

Some drunks, attacked by claustrophobia, demolished the entrance to the Villa Moderna . . . and burglars visited the Sky Rocket . . . emptied some of the slot machines incidentally . . .

Once upon a time there was a Good street in Chicago . . . fancy that . . . and nearby was Better street . . . so Good street was changed to Cabrini street . . . windy city dwellers figured a saint's name was better than Best . . . but Better street is still Better street . . .

Remember your Latin . . . a cute ditty from a college paper goes like this . . . "Boyibus kissibus, sweeti parlorum, Kickibus boyibus, exibus doorum."

Or if you prefer the garden variety of the king's English . . . "I thawt to my self as I sued the soap by the beams of the bathroom lite, I bet it smells sweeter than wat it taists . . . So I taisted it and I was rite."

Did you know that the father of the former Marjorie Hillis, author of "Live Alone and Like It", wrote 25 religious books and filled the pulpit of Plymouth Congregational church in Brooklyn, made famous by the pastorates of Henry Ward Beecher and Lyman Abbott.

Something oughta be done about it . . . no lights, no nothing at Clavey road and Skokie boulevard . . . Child's cute saying of the week . . . "And then they put me on the ironing board" . . . meaning the operation table . . .

Shrubbery at hazardous corners in the exclusive sections of our city remain untouched, while in other sections the shrubbery has taken a terrible beating . . .

What, no lights at the corner of Park avenue and Sunset road or Clifton avenue and Harvard court? The latter corner was the scene of a very tragic accident less than two years ago . . .

Dr. Bruno Ugolini, dentist, collects pennies . . . his last batch, when cashed, totaled fifty some dollars . . . The road for trucks to reach the Highwood waterworks caved in . . . And then there was the man divorced on Saturday and had his second marriage license by Monday . . . fast worker . . .

The story of "Stanley and Livingstone" is a true one, but few persons seem to realize it . . . James Gordon Bennett of the New York Herald really did send the correspondent, Henry M. Stanley, to find Dr. Livingstone, who was "lost" in the heart of Africa . . . although it has nothing to do with the movie, the Herald reported the Civil war more fully than any other news-

paper . . . and by way of a little Lincoln lore, the Emancipator, who got the Herald to agree to a shift in policy, offered Bennett the job of minister to France . . . but Bennett refused . . .

The London Times, which also appears in this picture, took the utterances of the Herald as representative of the commercial interests of the country at this time . . . and acted accordingly . . . Ah, for the great era of "personal" journalism . . .

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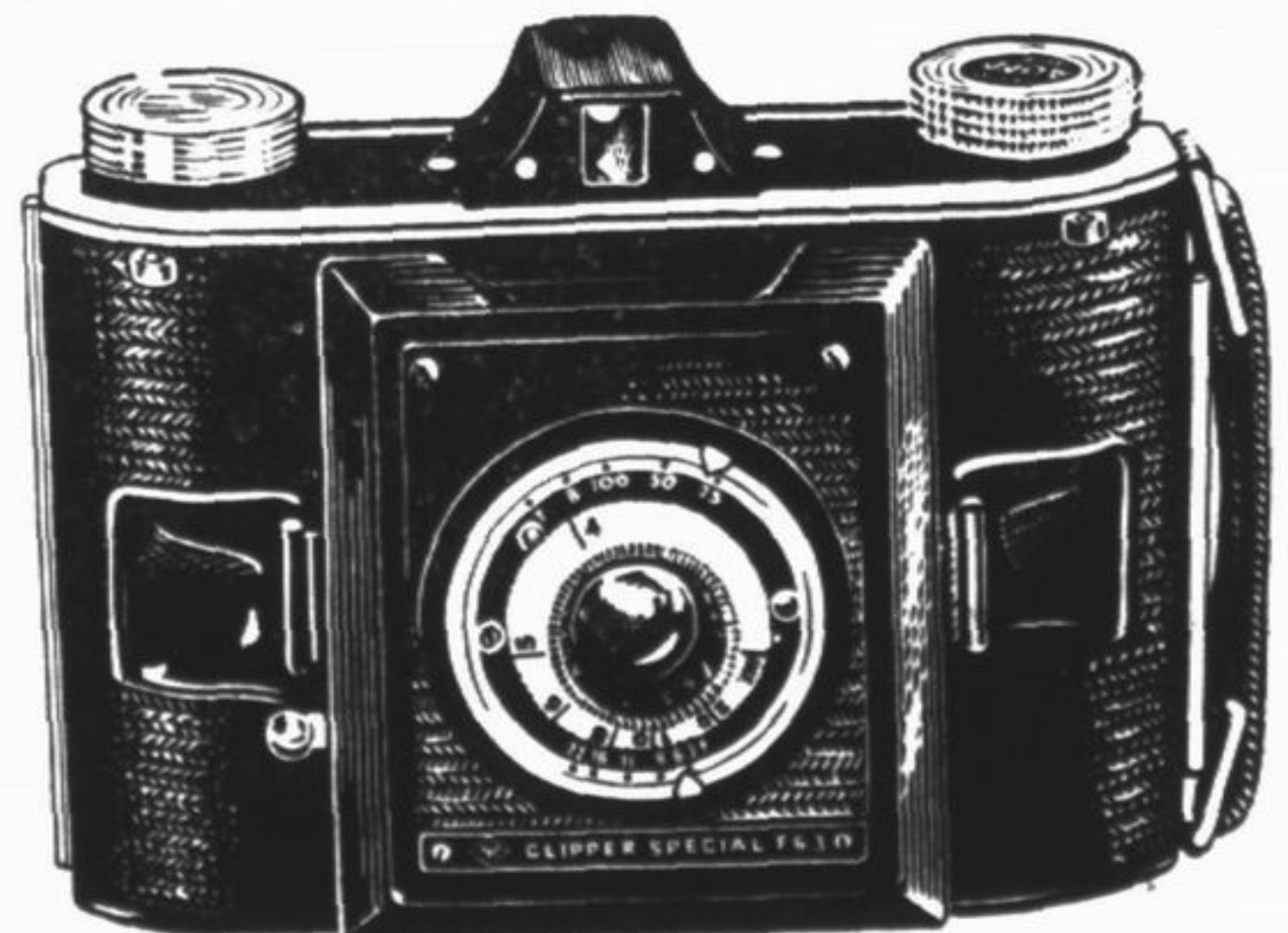


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