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## Administration By ROBERT C. L. PRICE *Comments*

For the first time since the present council took office there was an open disagreement between two members of the City Council, at the regular council meeting on Monday. The weather man was the fall "guy." Mayor Ronan wanted to thank the weather man for the splendid rainfall, which fell in the afternoon, because it put out the Skokie bog fire. Commissioner Gourley, in making his report on Public Health and Safety, cursed the weatherman for the cloudburst for it caused the sewers to back up, causing no end of trouble for his department. (Also remember that Commissioner Gourley is the head of the water department, which is out to make a record for pumpage this year.)

There was but one communication for the clerk to read to the council. It was from Bobby Greenslade, who felt he is entitled to a refund on his dog license because his dog died in September. The council felt he was justified in his request and voted the refund.

The police report showed that there were twenty-eight auto accidents during the month of September, of which 19 were during the day and nine at night. It also showed that the dogs were active for there were 15 reported cases of dog bites. Three persons were injured in two auto accidents and there was one hit and run driver. The report showed one attempt at suicide during the month. Police total collection of fines on police Magistrate Henry Hansen reported matters in the amount of \$211.

Mr. Morris, of the building department, reported the issuance of building permits for the month of September in the total of \$54,880, of which five were for dwellings in the amount of \$47,600. The total for September 1938 was \$36,825 — less than half of this September. The 1939 building valuations to date shows an 18 per cent increase over a like period in 1938.

Commissioner Swanson announced that Clavey road and South Ridge road are now repaired and the "kids" can now ride their bikes in these places. He also suggested that the council look into the question of passing an ordinance providing that persons cutting branches and limbs from trees on their parkways be required to obtain a license and post a bond before doing this dangerous act, which might create a liability for the city if a passerby or automobile was damaged by a falling limb. He stated that both Evanston and Winnetka have such an ordinance. The matter was referred to the corporation counsel.

Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Cortesi, of Driscoll court, requested the council to complete the extension of the sewerage and water on their street. They alleged that the residents of the street had made the improvements part way, but felt that the city should complete the job. Both Mr. Gourley and Mr. Swanson expressed the opinion that it would be more economical for the property owners to complete the job, than to spread a special assessment. The matter was tabled for further discussion.

Three ordinances were approved — one providing for automatic retirement for policemen at age 46 — a second one making the same provision for firemen — and the third one, the amended zoning ordinance, which was read at the council meeting a week ago. The mayor stated that the council had gone over the ordinance with the zoning board and all members felt the ordinance was satisfactory. He called on Mr. George Carr, who is a member of the zoning board, who urged the passage of the ordinance. The ordinance was passed without further discussion.

The next scheduled council meeting is for Monday, October 16.

### All Time Record

A record was broken at the Highland Park hospital in August this year, when 31 babies were born, the highest number of infants to be delivered in a single month since the hospital was formed. For the year just ended, 236 babies were born of which 126 were boys and 110 girls, including two sets of twins. The obstetrical department of the Highland Park hospital is unusually well equipped, and the nursery, a pleasant room, situated on the second floor, entirely isolated from the surgical and medical departments, accommodates ten infants.

## Prof. Lew Sarett Wins National Award for Dahlia Display

Professor Lew Sarett, 1732 S. Green Bay road, has just concluded a sensational season in the growing and showing of dahlias. He exhibited his own seedling, Thunderbolt, in open competition with the commercial and professional growers of this country who exhibited in the five outstanding shows of the Middle West. In all the shows he defeated his competitors and won the highest national award in competition, the American Home Achievement Medal. He was awarded this most coveted national prize in the annual dahlia shows of the Wisconsin State Dahlia society, in Milwaukee, on September 9; of the Racine Dahlia Show, on September 2; of the Central States Dahlia Show in Garfield Park, Chicago, on September 16; of the Midwest association, in Cleveland, Ohio, on September 22. He was also awarded the Vaughan medal for the best seedling in the Lake Forest Dahlia Show. His seedling, Thunderbolt, was never defeated in any competition.

"Thunderbolt" is a huge flaming cactus variety. Its color is vivid scarlet. Its formation is beautiful. Its dimensions are one foot in diameter by a half foot in depth. It created a sensation wherever it was shown. It is the product of Mr. Sarett's gardens and of three years of cultivation. It will be featured in forthcoming issues of various horticultural magazines, among them, The Flower Grower, American Home Magazine, and others. It will be put on the commercial market in the coming season.

Professor Sarett also served as one of the judges of the dahlia shows in Milwaukee, Racine, Chicago, and Cleveland.

## "Goodbye Mr. Chips" Unusual Screen Fare at Alcyon Theatre

The outstanding toughies of screen history, James Cagney and George Raft, are teamed in "Each Dawn I Die," a picture which the Alcyon will present on Thursday and Friday of this week. Supporting the two stars are Jane Bryan, George Bancroft and Maxie Rosenbloom.

Men and women, brave and cowardly, but reckless adventurers all, live colorfully in "Frontier Marshal," the screen attraction for Saturday. Randolph Scott is magnificent in the role of Wyatt Earp, whose fabulous exploits tamed Tombstone, Arizona, the wildest city in the dangerous west of old, while Nancy Kelly gives her finest performance to date opposite him.

Robert Donat, who gave the screen one of its finest performances as the idealistic doctor of "The Citadel," once again reveals his consummate artistry and acting skill in "Goodbye Mr. Chips," filmization of the celebrated James Hilton novel. To the difficult role of "Chips" Donat brings a forthright and sincere acting talent which marks him as one of the outstanding actors on the screen today. Playing four different stages in the life of a genial schoolmaster, from youth to old age, Donat makes him at once a human, breathing man, eccentric at times, but always understandable and lovable, and a symbol of the great profession of teaching. To be presented at the Alcyon on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Select Nominating Committee at C. of C. Meeting Tuesday

Mr. P. A. Mertz, Director of Personnel for Sears Roebuck and Company, was guest speaker at Tuesday evening's meeting of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce. He gave an interesting discussion of the obligation of the retailer and merchant as public-minded citizens to the consumer and employee. This was an outstanding program which should have been heard by a large delegation of members.

The nominating committee of which Ed Menke is chairman, was elected and will select next year's officers and directors.

Six new members were accepted, namely: Sunset Grocery and Market, Van Guilders Motor, Inc., Seguin and Logan, Henry M. Bernard, Jr., Antea Sign Co., and Gay VII.

## Fall Rummage Sale at Trinity Parish House Tomorrow

The Fall Rummage Sale of Trinity Church Service League will be held Friday (tomorrow) in the Parish house. Doors will be open at 8:30 a.m. If rummage donations are to be called for, phone H. P. 985.

## To Address Woman's Club



Congressman Hamilton Fish

"Keep America Out of War"

to be subject of prominent representative, Tuesday.

## League of Nations Director to Speak Here, Wednesday

William E. Dietz, director of the Mid-west office of the League of Nations association will be the principal speaker at the opening meeting of the League of Women Voters next Wednesday, October 18 at the Y.W.C.A. at 1 p.m.

Mr. Dietz is an exceptionally well-informed speaker on world affairs and has had extensive experience as a writer, lecturer and teacher. He is a graduate of the University of Chicago, and had considerable business and editorial experience before concentrating on his special field of interest in international affairs. He will discuss "American Security," Mrs. William Spencer, vice chairman of the Cook county department of Government and Foreign Policy will speak briefly on the arms embargo and the substitution of the cash and carry policy which the National League of Women Voters officially supports. Both speakers will be introduced by Mrs. Philip Ringer, program chairman. The program was arranged with the cooperation of Mrs. Ferdinand Kramer, chairman of the local department on Government and Foreign Policy.

Elaborate and unique plans for a jury school which will take place Monday afternoon October 30 were discussed at a special committee meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Sigward Johnson, president, on Tuesday morning October 10. The jury school is a state-wide project to give women a chance to understand what their duties as jurors will be and to explain the various types of courts in which they may have to serve. It is planned to have a practicing judge and lawyer to make the jury school a realistic affair. Mrs. Philip Ringer is in charge of the (Continued on page 3)

## Mother-Daughter Banquet at High School Thursday

The annual Mother and Daughter banquet sponsored by the Girls' Club of Highland Park High school will be given Thursday evening, October 19, at 6:30 o'clock in the High school cafeteria.

This is the Girls' Club largest social event of the year, and this year holds the annual homecoming festivities. Other sisters, graduates of Highland Park High school, are invited to accompany their mothers and younger sisters. Tickets are being sold at the school.

## Congressman Hamilton Fish To Address Woman's Club

### Sir James Barrie's Work Selected As High School Play

"The Admirable Crichton" has been chosen for the annual fall play to be presented by the Highland Park High school, Saturday, November 4, in the high school auditorium.

The play is Sir James Barrie's commentary on the equality between master and servant in England. It depicts through a very strange turn of events what would happen if... but that is the play.

Miss Elise Rinckenberger has selected this play in preference to many more recent plays because, "his is much more fun."

There are twenty-two in the cast. The role which each member will play will be announced later. The following are included in the cast: Bill Mann, Bill Moore, Harold Schemmelpfing, Jim Kelcayne, Leonard Ruser, Dick O'Connor, Bill Hawes, Kip Nall, Walter Hiller, Joe Bein, Margaret Anderson, Rosemary Pease, Bette Hobbs, Monie Eyles, Joan Nash, Mary Wilbur, Jean Gatewood, Mary Caraway, Grace Herman, Betty Murray, Patsy Haynes, Charlotte Getz.

At the end of two and a half weeks of rehearsals, Miss Rinckenberger reports that all crews are working. The stage crew has one of the three sets in process of construction and another about to be built. The third set is being delayed awaiting receipt of the materials.

The cast is working very hard aside from the time taken out for laughs. The first act is already learned; the second almost finished. With four weeks more there will be ample time for "polishing."

## Organize Unit of Red Cross Here to Aid National Work

At the request of the National Red Cross, Highland Park is organizing a unit to make surgical dressings, refugee garments and knitting open to everyone who is interested.

Mr. H. F. Kelly, general chairman, Mrs. Malcolm Vail and Mrs. Charles W. Cregier, co-chairmen.

The chairmen in charge of her committees are: Sewing—Mrs. Geraldine Marsh; co-chairmen, Mrs. A. T. Sihler, Mrs. Ellsworth Mills.

Knitting—Miss Edith Fyffe, Mrs. O'Hara.

Surgical Dressings—Mrs. D. N. Gutman, Mrs. Harold D'Ancona.

Motors—Mrs. Richard Keblon. Packing—Mrs. C. A. Turner.

Publicity—Mrs. E. L. Gilroy, Mrs. Morton Raff.

The first meeting will be held at Trinity church Parish House on Laurel avenue on Friday, October 20, from 10 a.m. until 4:30. Every one who is interested is urged to come and help with this badly needed work.

## Dessert Bridge Is Planned for Oct. 20 by Lincoln P.T.A.

Lincoln School P.T.A. is giving the fathers of school children their chance to get acquainted at a Dessert Bridge scheduled for Friday evening, Oct. 20. Dessert will be served at 7:30 followed by bridge or any table game people may wish to play. Door and table prizes will be provided. Mrs. Jess Halsted is chairman and Mrs. Edwin Hadley Jr. co-chairman. Those working with them on the Card Party Committee include Mrs. Charles E. Bletsch, Mrs. William Pierce, Mrs. E. Arnold Sunstrom, Mrs. George Dana, Mrs. James Skidmore, Mrs. Bryan Perrault, and Mrs. Howard Detmer. Tickets are in charge of Mrs. Robert Spahr. Mrs. James MacMurchy, Mrs. Kenneth Smith, and Mrs. E. Lee Berendshear, Mrs. Mahlon Bradley and Mrs. William Armstrong are planning the decorations.

## Garden Class Will Meet Next Tuesday

The Garden Class of the Highland Park Woman's Club will have a meeting on Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 24, at 2 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. John Udell. Mrs. Mahlon Bradley, a very popular speaker with North Shore garden club, will give a talk on "Flower Arrangements." Mrs. William Densel, Mrs. A. V. McPhee and Mrs. Charles Sanborn will be co-hostesses with Mrs. Udell.

## Replaces Dr. Wiggam, Previously Scheduled For Opening

Mrs. David Saunders, program chairman of the Highland Park Woman's Club, has announced that Congressman Hamilton Fish has been secured to address the club members and their guests on Tuesday afternoon, October 17, at 1:35 o'clock. The Honorable Hamilton Fish is a descendant of a long line of patriots. His great-grandfather, Nicholas Fish, was a Colonel under George Washington in the American Army of the Revolution and was an intimate friend and executor for Alexander Hamilton. His grandfather, Hamilton Fish, was Governor of New York and United States Senator and served for eight years in President Grant's Cabinet. His father was a Speaker of the New York State Assembly and served in Congress. His first cousin, Sergeant Fish, was with Theodore Roosevelt's Rough Riders, and was the first American Army soldier killed in the Spanish-American war.

Hamilton Fish is a Harvard graduate. He completed his studies there cum laude in three years, was captain of the football team, and was selected by Walter Camp as an All American for two years.

From 1914 to 1916 he was a member of the New York State Assembly as a Progressive follower of Theodore Roosevelt, then served in the World War first as a Company Commander in the 369th Infantry, then as a Major in the 4th Division of the Army of Occupation. He was awarded the Croix de Guerre and the American Silver Star for gallantry in action.

Mr. Fish was elected to the 66th Congress in 1920 and has served continuously in the body ever since, and is at present ranking Republican member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. He has just returned from Europe so his topic of "Keep America Out of War" will be backed by the force of recent personal observations and have a timely appeal to club members and their guests.

As this is the opening meeting of the Woman's Club's new season they feel particularly fortunate to have Mr. Fish as their guest in place of Dr. Wiggam, who was unable to appear as scheduled. Mr. Fish will be introduced by Mrs. David Saunders. At the close of his address there will be tea served in the club's lounge. Mrs. Carleton Harkness, Mrs. Charles Mason, Mrs. E. T. R. Murfey and Mrs. Herbert Smith will pour.

## Bridge and Fashion Show Wednesday at H. P. Woman's Club

On Wednesday, October 25th, at 1:30 p.m. a dessert bridge and fashion show will be held at the Highland Park Woman's Club under the auspices of the Finance committee. Clothes for daytime and evening will be modeled, and there will be lovely prizes for each table of bridge. Mrs. Claburn E. Jones, chairman of the committee, has been assisted in her work for the party by Mrs. Ralph Archer, Mrs. Vallee Appel, Mrs. A. L. Berg, Mrs. Aaron Bauer, Mrs. Frank Blake, Mrs. John Brigham, Mrs. DeForest Colburn, Mrs. Anna Daniels, Mrs. C. Osborn Frisbie, Mrs. Robert Gohe, Mrs. C. B. Gwyn, Jr., Mrs. Charles G. Haynes, Mrs. S. Parker Johnston, Mrs. Armand V. McPhee, Mrs. Martin Murphy, Mrs. George Peterson, Mrs. Charles A. Sanborn, Mrs. Geo. O. Strecker, Mrs. Frank Sturtevant, and Mrs. Karl E. Wagner.

## Win Free Tickets

Five readers of the HIGHLAND PARK PRESS were winners of tickets to last Saturday's football game at Northwestern stadium, a portrait by Hecke-weller and Alcyon theatre tickets. The same number will again be awarded prizes in this week's football game contest.

Several contestants were disqualified in the last contest because they failed to observe the rules governing the contest. We do not want any one ruled out this week, so read the rules carefully before turning in your entry.

The first two winners of this week's contest will each receive tickets to the Northwestern-Wisconsin game to be played at Dyebe stadium on Saturday, October 21. The third prize will be a portrait by Hecke-weller and the latter two will receive Alcyon theatre tickets.