

Deerfield Locals

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A shower was given for Mrs. Carl Scheer one day last week by girls of the bank in Chicago where she is employed. The shower was to replace many things which had been lost in the fire at the Scheer home several weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. West (Retta Ree Hipsley) of County Line road, announce the birth of a son, Ernest Vern, on Friday, Dec. 1, at the Highland Park hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Stryker were hosts at dinner on Saturday evening. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schell of Winnetka, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lunsman of Glencoe and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hawkins. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Robert Page, parents of Mrs. Stryker and Mrs. Hawkins, entertained 22 guests at a farewell dinner for the Hawkins, who are leaving the middle of December for Long Island, N. Y., to make their future home.

Vita Intranovo, the six year old daughter of Mrs. Maria Intranovo, has been home from school for several weeks because of a skin infection.

A called meeting of the congregation of the Deerfield Presbyterian church will be held at the close of the public worship service on Sunday, Dec. 10, to fill a vacancy on the board of trustees.

Dr. W. F. Weir will conduct the communion services at the Presbyterian college in Chicago on Thursday evening (tonight). Dr. and Mrs. Weir will attend the annual dinner of the Chicago Alumni Association of the College of Wooster (Ohio) in Chicago tomorrow evening.

Miss Mildred Scheer and her mother, Mrs. William Neubert of Chicago, visited Mrs. Bertha Scheer on Sunday. Miss Gladys Trigg and her mother, Mrs. Minnie Trigg, and Joseph Jaworski, of Chicago, were also Sunday guests at the Carl Scheer home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Malinus of Lake Forest were guests at the Charles Dattilo home on Somerset avenue on Sunday. Mr. Dattilo is still ill at his home.

Mrs. Carl Scheer attended the wedding of Miss Stephanie Musical and Mr. Leopold Hopfgartner on Saturday evening at St. Francis de Sales church in Chicago.

Sgt. and Mrs. Robert House will be hosts to the Fireside Club of the Bethlehem Evangelical church on Thursday evening, Dec. 14, at their home in Fort Sheridan. They are former local residents.

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Following is a continuation of the round robin letters sent to friends by Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Patton, on their 25,000 mile trailer trip to Alaska.

General Delivery
Fairbanks, Alaska
Oct. 2, 1938

Dear Gang:

Well here we are settled in A-1 shape just like honest to goodness sourdoughs. It has been a long time since my last episode, but it hasn't been because we haven't thought of you folks, but rather because we have been on the move, that there just wasn't time.

We got here 10 days ago having heard that cabins to rent, were scarcer than hens teeth. We got in the middle of the P. M. from Nena where we had been since the end of July and went to the Nordale. I thought the tourist season being over, their rates would be down, but no such luck. A room with twin beds and a very reluctantly installed cot for Dick cost \$6.00 for the night. Next morning we got hold of the daily paper and found two houses available. One was a honey with all the modern trimmings, even electric ice box and lavender bath room. I immediately went to talk to our prospective landlady, who was a sketch. We were told to find her and that she was one of the "Ladies of the Town."

I anticipated dealing with one of the 400 in the social register, but what a delusion. Her name was Georgie Lee and she turned out to be about as hard boiled as can be imagined, living in a one room cabin with a case of beer directly in front of the door. I went alone at first, Sue having gone to look at the other house. I argued with Georgie Lee for half an hour trying to get her to let us have the house with only a three months lease. She knew she had something much in demand and enjoyed being hard-boiled about it. Sue and another fellow, who was looking also, came in and the argument continued to no avail, but Georgie was adamant. Well there was only one house and both this other man and we wanted it. We flipped a coin and fortunately we won, so I went down and talked fast and furious to our present landlady and got the house. Just to give you an idea of the housing problem here, I am sending along a clipping from the news section of "The Fairbanks News Miner."

Results: In a little classified advertisement in the News-Miner Kitty O'Brien of Kitty's taxi gave notice that she had two houses for rent. Within three days she received more than 60 calls in response, and rented both cabins, one with the rent paid five months in advance. (Kitty is a hard boiled female of dubious past).

Anyway we have a 4 room furnished cabin as snug as you can imagine, two bedrooms, kitchen, and living room, furnace and coal stove. The furniture is a little scarce and no bedding or china furnished. We had to buy 6 sheets and are very comfortable using our sleeping bags. When it comes to setting our dinner table we are in the latest style. I found some non-descript china in the basement and after whittling off the mud and scrubbing off the design we have rustled a fine set of

dinner plates. Our cups and saucers are a little out of mode, being pewter or I guess aluminum from our camping kit. Our cream pitcher of a superior quality silver (the condensed milk can), sugar bowl a cup, no handle, found also in the basement. We are stylish eating in the kitchen, with the stove as a sideboard. Every thing keeps nice and warm, after you have coaxed and wheedled the fire to burn, although now we are learning how to run a coal stove.

We are all of us fond of fresh fruit and have it for dessert every night. No trouble deciding what to have, just open the door of the cupboard and pick out the can with the prettiest label.

Come up and see us, say next Thursday night, and we will feed you well.

Guess I had better get back to where Episode II left off. This episode will take us up to our six week, 75 mile camping trip back into Lake Minchumina.

As I recollect my last attempt was written on the Princess Alice directly after sailing from Vancouver.

Our next stop was Prince Rupert, B.C., where we chartered an antiquated automobile of unknown vintage to take us out to the Cannery and see the sights. One very interesting sight was the semi-circle of totem poles which had been gathered from the surrounding country and installed in a park, being repainted en route. I was very anxious to get pictures, but found our driver quite impatient. The proper procedure, for the up to date taxi driver is to move heaven and earth to get you into his cab at as high a figure as the traffic will bear, then give you an exceedingly speedy glimpse of the town taking all corners on two wheels, so he can get back to the dock to rest until the next boat comes in.

We docked at several towns that day passing all the while by superb scenery. Steep mountains everywhere jutting right out of the crystal blue water of the narrow passages. The tide runs high and you can see where its peak is by the forests that clothe the shores. In

the distance the forest tapers off to snow caps. Sometimes the boat passes through placid lakes, other times cuts speed and winds through treacherous narrows. It is hard to stay off deck for fear you will miss something and the most inspiring thing of all is the feeling that has impressed one most of all Alaska. It is the genuineness of all the natural beauty. You are thrilled at the gorgeous vistas and the feeling has a chance to grow on you, without any civilization to detract your attention. What is behind a beautiful scene, is more ruggedness, more beauty, not a dusty highway shrieking with cars.

The boat put into Taku glacier where it tooted its horn long and earnestly. All the circulars tell how the glacier does somersaults and tumbles with the sea at each toot, but we learned that there are occasional toots when it doesn't perform and lucky is the tourist who sees all the back flips he read about. We apparently paid our respects to the glacier on an off day.

It is a beautiful sight creeping down the valley from snow capped mountains directly into the sea where it chops off clean in a 200 foot precipice of ice. The bay is a deep intense blue, perfectly calm and reflects the glacier.

Old Age Insurance Claims Payable Next Year Can Be Filed

Claims for old-age and survivors insurance may be filed after December 1, 1939, although the payment of benefits will not begin before next year, Mr. Albert S. Lewis, manager of the Social Security Board's office at Waukegan, announced today. The Board has instructed all field office managers to begin the study of claims as soon as they are filed, he said, to ensure the prompt distribution of benefits.

"We already have sent letters to wage earners who reached the age of 65 and were paid lump sums equal to 3 1/2 per cent of their total taxable wages," Mr. Lewis said.

"We notified them that they may now, under amendments to the Social Security Act, be entitled to regular monthly benefits for the remainder of their lives. Many of these persons undoubtedly will be able to meet the more liberalized requirements of the revised law." The amendments do away with the stipulation that a man cannot accumulate wage credits after he is 65. He may claim his benefits at 65 but the amendments make it possible for him to accumulate enough wage credits to entitle him and his survivors and dependents to insure benefits regardless of his age.

High School Teams Drop Two Games to Well's High School

The Highland Park high school basketball teams having won their first two starts of the season, suffered their first defeats when they dropped two games to Wells high school of Chicago last Friday night. It was the first appearance of the local teams on their home floor.

Coach Werbelow's frosh-soph team played a good game but lost a tough one in an overtime period. The final score was 14 to 12 in favor of the city ponies.

Wells varsity was a good shooting team that was quick on rebounds. Their players seemed to be in mid-season form. The showing made by the local varsity was a little disappointing considering that they won their first two games. It looks as if some of the midgets on the team may replace a few of the rangier boys.

Menduno, who made 8 points, was

high scorer for Highland Park. He and Cassal are two "nudgekins" forwards who make up in aggressiveness what they lack in height. Nelson was the outstanding man on defense. The final score was 25 to 19 in favor of Wells.

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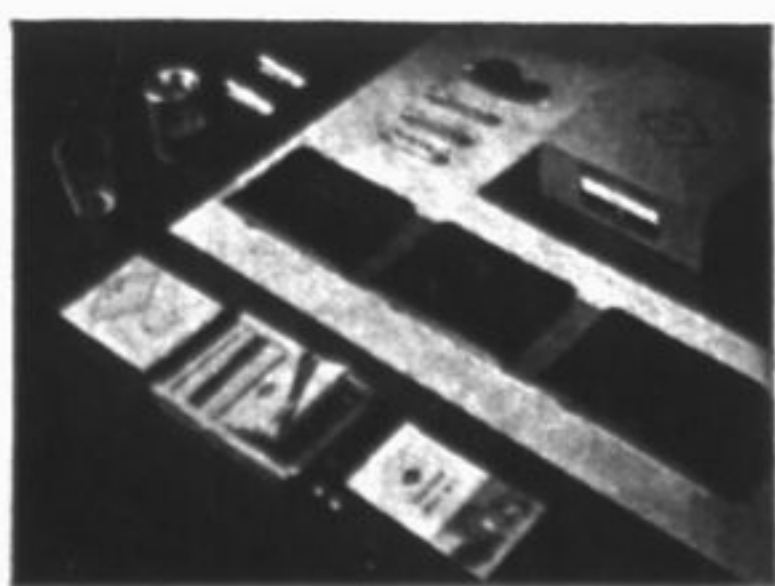
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