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Comments

Because of the New Year holiday, naturally there was no council meeting scheduled for Monday evening and your reporter thought it apropos to devote this week's column to a short discussion of Community Service, Inc. and what it means to the City of Highland Park. Since the recent purchase of the old City hall property by this organization, the subject of course, is all the more timely.

With the thought in mind of obtaining information concerning any late developments in the service group's program, your reporter sought out Renslow P. Sherer, president of Community Service, Inc. Mr. Sherer stated that final legal kinks attendant with the purchase of the property had all been ironed out and that, barring unforeseen events, title to it should be received within the next few days. Plans for remodeling the property have already been drawn up and while not completely final, they have reached the stage where some definite idea can be had as to what to expect with the completion of this first stage in the organization's construction program. Mr. Sherer was of the opinion that the property would be ready for use within a few weeks.

A short resume of the financial set-up of Community Service, Inc. is in order to give the reader an idea of what to expect when this stage of the current program is completed. Out of approximately \$60,000 in the fund preceding the purchase of the old City hall property, some \$40,000 was spent in acquiring the property itself, along with miscellaneous furnishings and equipment which Community Service considered they could use to good advantage. An additional \$7,000 or \$8,000 is expected to be spent in remodeling costs and purchasing additional equipment. The remaining \$12,000 is to be set aside for operating expenses and contingencies.

Tentative plans for remodeling the first floor of the old City hall building include space for a game room, lounge, club room, dark room, a small club room kitchen and a coat room.

The fire station which is to be transferred for Community Service's use within six months has a large room on the second floor which, with a little alteration can be converted into a four alley bowling parlor. As bowling in recent years has become perhaps the country's number 1 indoor sport, Mr. Sherer is of the opinion that this improvement will be the first on the list after the property is ready for occupancy.

Possible and probable uses for Highland Park's newly acquired civic center are much too numerous to mention in this column in full. Hitting the high spots in the way of suggestions we find: Boy and Girl Scout meetings, handicraft classes, art and sewing classes; book, stamp and camera clubs, drama and music clubs, travel talks and educational movies, dances and parties, community and committee meetings and many others.

In addition to the projected bowling alleys, plans call for pocket billiard equipment, table tennis, table games and a radio and phonograph.

Supplementary activities of Community Service, Inc. in addition to those carried on in the organization's clubrooms, includes supervision of adult education and recreation, conduct of Fall and Spring archery tournaments; assisting in certain phases of social service work, assisting the Boy Scout program, obtain a gymnasium for older boys to play basketball one night a week, promote ice carnivals, work towards a Community Recreation Planning committee, and many others.

So much for the physical equipment and contemplated program for Community Service, Inc. Let us conclude this resume by examining just what is behind the organization and just what it means to the citizens of Highland Park.

The keystone of the whole project is organized recreation for the young people. Community Service Inc. embodies many activities spread out in many directions, but basically it is concerned with the young people of the community and in the final analysis its use to the city will be judged by how well it succeeds in providing healthful and educational recreation for its young men and women. At the present time there is little in the way of interesting diversion in the community for the teen age youngster during the after school and early evening periods. It is the purpose of Community Service to provide a focal point to which the young people will be drawn where activities of sufficient

Dr. R. H. Mueller Conducts Mission at Bethany Church

Dr. Reuben H. Mueller a very capable young minister of Indianapolis, Indiana, has been invited to be the speaker at the Week of Prayer Mission which will be conducted at the Bethany Evangelical church from January 7th to the 14th. This mission is a part of the great National Week of Prayer that is observed by most Protestant groups each year during the first full week in January. Dr. Mueller is a District Supt. in the Indiana Conference of the Evangelical



church. He has gained many positions of honor and distinction in his work. He has unusual ability as a public speaker and has many calls to speak at youth camps and youth conferences. While in school he was a member of various debating teams and was very successful in helping win trophies for his alma mater. As a minister, he has used this gift in winning many people for Christ and the church.

The mission services at Bethany will begin Sunday morning. Rev. H. F. Siemsen will speak at 11 a.m. and 7:45 p.m. on Sunday. Dr. Mueller will arrive Monday and will speak each evening at 7:45 excepting Saturday through the 14th. He will speak on the following subjects:
Monday, "The Price of Power."
Tuesday, "How Can I Find God."
Wednesday, "Transformed Lives."
Thursday, "A Great Decision."
Friday, "At the Cross Roads."
Sunday, a.m. "The Changeless Christ."
Sunday, p.m. "Postscript or Prospect."

In addition to these messages, Dr. Mueller will speak to the young people at an informal luncheon one evening and at their C. E. on the 14th. The public has a cordial invitation to attend any or all of these services.

Representatives of Social Security Board Here Jan. 16

For the convenience of employers and employees in this vicinity who desire assistance and information relative to the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance program of the Social Security Act, as amended, Albert S. Lewis, manager of the Waukegan field office of the Social Security Board, will be at the Highland Park post office on Tuesday, January 16, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The manager stated this personal service will be given regularly to the people in this area by his office.

Inquiries may also be made by letter or telephone at the field office of the Board located in the post office building in Waukegan.

Many employers and wage earners wish information concerning old-age and survivors insurance and other phases of the Federal Social Security program, Mr. Lewis said. We are glad to be able to make direct contact possible for them.

interest will be provided. An auspicious start has been made in this direction. How far the program is carried out depends both on Community Service and the citizens of Highland Park.

At this stage of development it would perhaps be well for the community to remember that Community Service is only at the beginning of its usefulness to the city. It has definitely started on the road to better things, but after all it is only a start and it will take the close cooperation of both the organization and the community to extract the fullest measure of success for what it is striving to do.

D. A. R. To Hear Talk On Ellis Island January 11

On Thursday afternoon, Jan. 11, at 2 o'clock, the North Shore Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be guests of Miss Chandler and Mrs. Jared Johnson of 507 South Sheridan road. Mrs. W. C. Egan and Mrs. Sewall Truax will assist. The program is in charge of Mrs. Kellogg Speed, chairman of the Ellis Island committee. Silver contributions as well as pearl buttons, material in lengths of three yards or more, knitting and crochet needles, wool (preferably white or dark red) are solicited.

A new moving picture film of Ellis Island showing the activities and life there will be shown to the members.

Ellis Island was made Port of Entry into the United States in 1892. The government has permitted the National Society of the Daughters to maintain women, speaking several languages, on the Island who keep the men and women who are detained there busy with hand work of various kinds. The early workers contacted the women, but because these activities proved so successful, the Immigration authorities requested the work be extended to the men who were often restless, disorderly and resentful because they were often detained for weeks and months.

Upon decline of immigration, many of the 500 beds were empty, so the United States Public Health Service has been allowed to use this Marine hospital not only for immigrants, but for seamen, coast guard men, light house keepers and federal employees. All medical care is provided by the government, but nothing to occupy these men. So three full time workers are provided by the Daughters of the American Revolution, with all necessary materials including looms, sewing machines and needles. The men make shirts, shorts, pajamas, sweaters, hats and so forth.

Citizenship Manuals in 17 languages are distributed at the Island, so the immigrants may learn what is required of new citizens and how to become one.

Angel Island, keeper of the western door in California, has workers maintained by the Daughters to do the same work there.

Dennis J. Driscoll Retired Police Officer Passes On

Dennis J. Driscoll, who was retired from the Highland Park police force on Nov. 23 after 15 years of active civic service, died Monday of a heart attack at his home, 16 Hickory street.

The deceased was born in Peterborough, Canada, August 19, 1866, and came to Highland Park with his parents when six months old. He died in the old homestead, which was built by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Driscoll, the year following the Chicago fire.

On November 30, Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll celebrated their golden wedding, they having been married 50 years ago on Thanksgiving day, which that year fell on Nov. 30. He was married to Miss Agnes Miles of Chicago, and settled in that city with his bride when they remained until 20 years ago, when they came to Highland Park to live.

He was a pensioned member of the Chicago fire department, having retired in 1918 after 24 years of service.

Surviving are his widow, Agnes; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Farmer, Highland Park, and Mrs. Irene Malloy of Chicago, and two sons, Joseph and Captain Arthur Driscoll of the Chicago fire department.

Funeral services were held this (Thursday) morning at 10 o'clock in St. James church, Highwood.

Announce Lecture on Christian Science

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Highland Park, announces a free lecture on "Christian Science" by Thomas E. Hurley, C.S.B., of Louisville, Ky., to be given Friday evening, January 12, at 8 o'clock in Elm Place school auditorium. Mr. Hurley is a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

William E. Deiz To Speak Tuesday At C. of C. Meeting

Mr. William E. Deiz, director of the Mid-West office of the League of Nations Association, will be the guest speaker at our next meeting this coming Tuesday evening and will have as his topic, "Adjustment to Chaos—Reaction and Revolution in Europe."

Mr. Deiz's interest in international relations dates from his university training when he specialized in American and modern history, problems of American diplomacy, and International organization. In addition to his long affiliation with the League of Nations Association, he has had extensive experience as a writer, teacher and lecturer of American and international problems.

Because of his sound fundamental training in the field of world affairs and his opportunities for receiving accurate and reliable information on the course of developments in the international scene, Mr. Deiz is certain to offer our membership a clear and penetrating analysis of world problems. Don't miss this meeting.

Community Service Annual Meeting to Be Held Jan. 15th

The annual meeting of the members of Community Service of Highland Park, Inc., will be held on Monday evening, January 15, at 7:45 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Old City Hall, 549 Central avenue.

The meeting is for the purpose of erecting directors and transacting such other business as may be brought up.

Following the members meeting there will be a meeting of the board of directors. Officers will be elected and other matters of business will be cared for.

It is of interest to note that the Old City Hall where the meeting is to be held has been purchased by the Community Service Center for Highland Park. Following the annual meeting there will be a tour of the building to outline plans for the Community Center.

Highwood Residents Rescued Friday From Burning Car

Three Highwood residents owed their lives today to the heroism of Jack Anderson, 20, of 1635 North Shore avenue, Chicago, who pulled them and four other persons from the flaming wreckage of a car involved in a collision last night at Oak avenue and Church street, Evanston.

Saved by Anderson were Kathryn Ariano, 20, of 216 Oak Ridge avenue, Highwood, one of the drivers; Mrs. Lena and Irma De Bartolo, of 11 Highwood avenue, Highwood, and four other persons.

Anderson kicked in a window of the overturned, burning Ariano car and rescued the imprisoned passengers. Miss Ariano was charged by Evanston police with disregarding a stop-sign.

Bingo Party Jan. 16 at Labor Temple

Another bingo party will be held on Tuesday, January 16, at the Labor Temple, 387 North avenue, Highland Park, for the benefit of the Highland Park-Highwood Drum and Bugle Corps. Twenty-five games of bingo will be played. Door prizes awarded and refreshments will be served.

The committee assures an enjoyable time to all those who attend.

Few Days Illness Claims Mrs. Teat

Mrs. Carrie Teat, 351 North avenue, passed away yesterday morning in the Waukegan hospital, following a brief illness. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at three o'clock from Segun and Logan Funeral home on N. Second street. Burial will be in Mooney's cemetery.

Local Unit of Red Cross to Resume Meetings Friday

The Highland Park unit of the American Red Cross will start its all day meetings again on Friday, January 5. The rooms will be open from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Coffee will be served.

Adult Education Classes to Start Second Term Jan. 8

Classes for the second term will start at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 8. All classes (except Current Affairs) offered during the first term will be continued. There will be a new class in English Literature offered under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Bredin of the high school faculty. This class is being started because of numerous requests from persons in Highland Park. Everyone is urged to take advantage of the opportunities offered in this interesting course.

Persons are urged to register early this term in order that they may be sure of a place in our classes which are rapidly filling.

Only a few places are available in Woodworking, Badminton, and Public Speaking.

The Adult Education Council is hoping that a great many new registrations will be received this semester.

Any group of persons desiring other courses than those listed in the program of studies should contact Mr. Thurston as early as possible.

Ravinia Woman's Club Hear Reading of "Major Barbara"

George Bernard Shaw's coy attitude of cinemaphobia, persisted in for years, has given a man-bites-dog quality of publicity to the filming of his plays. News that "Major Barbara" is next to be adapted to the screen has caused such anticipation that many will be interested in learning that the Ravinia Woman's Club will offer a dramatic reading of this play at its January meeting. The reading will be presented by Natalie Purcell Weber, of Evanston, who is a member of the Glencoe Threshold Players and who has an enviable background of dramatic training. A graduate of Northwestern, Mrs. Weber was given her M. A. by Radcliffe College. While a student in Cambridge, she took active part in the productions of Harvard's famous 47 Workshop, and she has also studied with Mary Agnes Doyle.

The club's January meeting will, as usual, be held at 2:30 o'clock, at the Ravinia Village House on the second Wednesday of the month, Jan. 10.

Rev. John Hubbard to Address Lincoln School P.T.A. Jan. 10

Fathers and mothers of Lincoln School P. T. A. are anticipating the evening meeting to be held in the school auditorium on Wednesday, Jan. 10, when Rev. John Hubbard, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal church, Park Ridge, will speak on "Attitudes and Aptitudes." His talk will be particularly adapted to the parents of grade school children so the evening will not only be an interesting one, but a helpful one as well. Rev. Hubbard is a graduate of the University of Michigan and of Princeton Theological Seminary. He is in demand as a lecturer before many organizations on subjects related to civics, psychology and education. His fine sense of humor adds to the pleasure of his audiences. Mrs. Dean McCormick, program chairman, feels that the parents of Lincoln school children are fortunate to have the opportunity to hear such an inspiring speaker.

Fifth grade mothers under the direction of the social chairman, Mrs. George Dana, will be in charge of the social hour and the serving of refreshments following Rev. Hubbard's talk. The fathers will be special guests as this is an evening meeting planned so that they may attend.

"Glamorous Natchez" Lecture Feature At Garden Club Jan. 12

The Ravinia Garden Club will enjoy its annual evening meeting on Friday, January 12, at the Ravinia school at 8:15.

The evening promises to be a delight to members, husbands, and limited guests. The club has been fortunate in securing Mrs. Edith Wyatt Moore of the Natchez Garden Club, who will present her illustrated lecture entitled "Glamorous Natchez." Mrs. Moore has become well known through her eight successful lecture tours to garden clubs in the United States, and her subject is of special interest to gardeners because of the charm of the

Noted Rosarian To Speak Jan. 9 At Men's Garden Club

Robert Pyle, of West Grove, Penn., will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Men's Garden Club of this city, to be held on the evening of January 9th in the Highland Park Woman's club, according to an announcement released today by Larry Abt, program chairman of the Garden Club.

Mr. Pyle is a world famous rosarian, said Mr. Abt, and is a trus-



tee and former president of the American Rose Society. For five years Mr. Pyle has represented the American Rose society as judge in the International Rose Contest at Bagatelle, Paris, France.

Mr. Pyle is author of numerous articles on rose gardening and is co-editor of the rose fancier's handbook "How to Grow Roses," Mr. Abt said.

"The January 9th meeting will be open to the public," said Mr. Abt, "and anyone interested in roses is invited to attend as a guest of the Men's Garden Club."

Time, 8:30 p.m.

Skating Party Jan. 8 Replaces Regular P.T.A. Meeting

Last week's announcement of a skating party on the Braeside rink on Monday evening, January 8, has led to numerous inquiries whether this is to be a repetition of "A Night in St. Moritz" presented on the rink last winter. Monday night's event is to be of a very different character, it was emphasized today by Mrs. Ottenheimer of the Sports Committee of the Parent-Teachers Civic Association, which sponsors the rink. It is planned to make this a skating party featuring participation by the guests, and to take the place of the usual indoor January meeting of the association.

No decision has yet been reached on whether a spectator rink show such as "A Night in St. Moritz" will be undertaken this winter.

Monday's skating party, it was further explained, is intended to provide a social event in keeping with the growing popularity of ice skating among adults. For the children an ice carnival is planned for later in the season, and Friday evenings are set apart for family skating.

The skating party will also serve to dedicate newly acquired sound equipment for the rink. All Braeside residents are invited to participate. Hot refreshments and a log fire will supplement the warming house in keeping guests warm. There will be no admission charge.

"Glamorous Natchez" is illustrated with a hundred autochrome slides picturing the intriguing old houses, the Natchez people, young and old, the time-shadowed, moss-hung estates of Natchez, a land of legend and beauty. It is historical, romantic, and beautiful.

Mrs. James Murphey will act as the club's hostess for the evening, assisted by Mrs. J. D. Dickinson, Mrs. Charles DeLeuw, Mrs. K. E. Wagner, Mrs. Theo. Uebbing, and Mrs. Frank O. Straight as co-hostesses. Refreshments will be served.