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## Administration. By ELMORE M. MURPHY

After a two week's recess the City Council once again met in regular session on Monday evening of this week and who should put in his appearance again but that old bogey man, the incinerator problem—only this time he spoke with a Harvard accent. However, for the nonce, we will shelve the discussion on the refuse puzzle and take up the order of business as it transpired.

Commissioner Bowes appeared to be the council member with the most business on tap as the various reports were called for by the mayor. Mr. Bowes requested the council for formal permission to execute the architects' contract with William D. Perkins for the new Fire Station plans as outlined previously in these columns. The council approved the request and authorized Commissioner Bowes to proceed with the program as suggested. Mr. Bowes next reported that City Engineer Cole had submitted an estimate calling for the improvement of the North Western railway property to be used in providing a new cab stand in the amount of \$532. The council voted to file the estimate until the matter could be discussed with the railroad.

City Clerk Musser read a letter addressed to the council from City Health officer, Dr. D. E. Rossiter in which the latter submitted the results of a recent health survey made by an unbiased expert in this field. The survey revealed that while Highland Park's health score was up to par in many respects it was equally deficient in others. Due to the intensive education dispensed by the practicing physicians in the city and the close watch kept on the school children, the general health level of the community was all that could be desired. The report showed that 65 per cent of the children of Highland Park were immunized against Diphtheria and Small Pox.

Where the community was deficient, the report indicated, was the almost complete lack of health records available, and the lack of a full time man in the health department. Inasmuch as the city was in no financial condition to afford a full time health officer, the report recommended that a full time assistant be employed to carry out the detail work. The council voted to accept the report and turn it over to the mayor for further investigation.

Discussion on the incinerator problem was sandwiched in between the regular council meeting and the meeting of the Board of Local Improvements that convened to act on the Hawthorne lane water main situation. It appears that some of the citizens in Precinct 8 are of the opinion that all parties concerned would best be served if the new incinerator were placed in some spot along the Skokie Valley train line. The spokesman for Precinct 8 contended that as the city garage and other properties of lesser desirability were in this neighborhood, and that as no homes would likely be built here, it would serve as an ideal location for the new project.

Commissioner Sharp, who has talked so much about the incinerator he must see them on his bed posts at night, turned over the defense of the committee's action to Benjamin Bruce, who happened to be in the audience. Mr. Bruce pointed out the fact that there were homes within 300 feet of the tracks in the Woodridge subdivision and there was no guarantee that homes would not eventually be built along the right of way in the northern section of the town.

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## Troop 30 Announces Annual Stunt Show To Be Held Feb. 13

Tuesday evening, February 13, at 8 p.m. Troop 30 will present its 3rd Annual Stunt Show at the Elm Place school auditorium.

The members of the troop have been working for the past five weeks in preparation for the show. A feature of the evening will be the showing of the 1939 Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan movies in natural color on a full sized screen.

Following is a complete outline of the program:  
Act 1—Opening Ceremony.  
Act 2—The Bold Bad Bandits (a melodrama).  
Act 3—Barn Dance.  
Act 4—Love Will Win.  
Act 5—The Harmony Trio.  
Act 6—The 1939 Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Movies.

Act 7—Guest Entertainer.  
Tickets for the performance may be secured from any member of the troop or at the door the evening of the show.

## H.G.A. to Present Hanya Holm in Program, Tuesday

Hanya Holm, celebrated exponent of the modern dance, will bring to the Highland Park High school her talented group of ten young dance artists, assembled under leadership from widely separated parts of the country in a program Tuesday evening, February 13. The affair is being sponsored by the High School Girls Athletic Association, the proceeds of which will go toward their scholarship fund.

The program to be given Tuesday evening cannot be termed a dance recital, but rather an educational lecture with demonstration. Miss Holm will describe the various steps, using members of her dance



group to demonstrate the graceful movements. Following this, Hanya Holm and her dancers will give a brief recital.

The dance, as it is taught in the Hanya Holm studio, places much emphasis on the personality and individual development of each separate student. Once Hanya Holm has helped the student to master the technique of movement, she feels that the dancers should not become rubber stamp copies of the leader, but each should use her body for her own interpretation of life.

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## "Private Lives of Elizabeth & Essex" At Alcyon Theatre

The Alcyon is presenting a Double-Feature program on Saturday this week. "Dancing Co-ed," which is one attraction, is a parade of youth, comedy and glamour, with Artie Shaw leading the band. Elmer Gantry, the famous blind horse who jumps steeplechase hurdles with all the courage and sureness of a well-trained and sure-sighted hunter, is the chief actor in "Pride of the Bluegrass."

The technicolor film "The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex," starring Errol Flynn and Bette Davis, will be on the Alcyon screen this Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Bette is cast as the self-willed, vain and domineering Queen Elizabeth, torn between her love of England and its people and her overwhelming love for the handsome young Earl of Essex. Flynn as Essex has precisely the type of role in which he had endeared himself to audiences the world over. A brilliant supporting cast includes Olivia de Havilland, Donald Crisp, Alan Hale and Ralph Forbes.

"Eternally Yours" featuring Loretta Young and David Niven is one of the finest and funniest of pictures to issue from Hollywood and definitely takes its place as one of the season's top-notch films. In support of the two stars the cast includes Bille Burke, Zasu Pitts and Hugh Herbert.

## Press Will Again Present Series of Lenten Mediations

Through the courtesy of the Highland Park Ministerial association, THE HIGHLAND PARK PRESS will again present, a series of Lenten Mediations.

This custom, begun several years ago, has been received by our reading public, with much favorable comment, and THE PRESS feels it a very great privilege, and are deeply grateful to the ministers of this community for their generous cooperation.

The ministers are selected in alphabetical order, from their association, to avoid conflict. The first of the sermons is appearing in today's PRESS, and will continue throughout the Lenten Season.

## A Great American



ABRAHAM LINCOLN

February 12, 1809 — April 15, 1865

"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are in."

## High School P.-T.A. Fashion Show to Be Held Friday

Immediately following dessert, which will be served at 1 o'clock Friday, will be the Fashion Show and Card Party sponsored by the High School P.T.A. Although the apparel to be shown is all from various North Shore shops, the models will be high school girls. They are: Jean Aiston, Nancy Armstrong, Laura Lou Bauer, Elva Bolle, Rachel Brent, Shirley Brown, Alice Claghorn, Betsy Cummings, Beverly Date, June Dean, Monie Eiler, Eleanor Erskine, Pat Flynn, Marilyn Francisco, Harriet Gilroy, Gerry Golden, Louise Haesler, Haynes, Betty Hobb, Mary Johnston, Mary Ann Jones, Eloise Kruse, Marilyn Lautmann, Jo Lloyd, Beverly Martin, Pat Moore, Patsy McGhie, Joan Nash, Rosemary Pease, Ruth Peddle, Helen Pichietti, Kay Seese, Patsy Severn, Helen West, Marilyn Will and Jane Wilson.

Bob Middleton, Family Banker on the Northerners' radio program, is to announce the models, while music will be furnished by high school students. There will be individual prizes for cards.

## Legion to Give Valentine Dance And Fashion Show

On Valentines night, Wednesday evening February 14th, Dumaresq Spencer post will give a Valentine Party dedicated to the "Sweethearts of the Legion" in the large hall adjoining the Legion club rooms at 21 N. Sheridan road. Included in this evening's entertainment will be dancing, a fashion show, refreshments, special entertainment, prizes and valentines for all.

Invitations are being sent to all members announcing the party and extending the privilege to each member of inviting another couple to attend as his guests. These additional invitations may be had upon request and communicating with Bob Fiala, adjutant of the post.

One of the outstanding attractions of the evening will be a fashion show featuring as models prominent members of the Legion Auxiliary and Daughters of the Legion. Mrs. Harry Aiston is in charge of producing the show and among those who will model are, Mrs. Wm. Sal-yards Jr., Mrs. Leslie McCaffrey, Harriet Gilroy, Elizabeth Farmer, Marjorie Benson, Virginia McCaf-frey. (Continued on page 8)

## Lenten Meditation—Lent 1940

The beginning of every lenten period always raises the question in the minds of religious leaders, "What will this lenten season mean to the people of the world?" Many, of course, will keep Lent because it is the conventional thing to do. They have always kept it. They will keep it again. But apart from making petty sacrifices and tithing anise and cummin to save guilty consciences while the weightier things of life are neglected, Lent will come and Lent will go without any enrichment of life. For petty abstinence and mere formalism never will make great souls. Others, however, who, like Jesus, have very little time for doing conventional things, but who know how to live according to the laws of God, will find in Lent this year that which will leave them nobler men and women.

For all of us, Lent should be a period of detachment. While it is difficult for us moderns to take time for retreat and meditation, we also know that under the hot blasts of modern life, our spirits and minds dry up and wither. Jesus knew the value of prolonged periods of leisure and quietness. They became for him a preparation for strenuous living. Even the soul struggles of the forty days in the wilderness when he was under severe temptation, proved to be a period of retreat. Throughout his life he spent days with a few friends in the woods and beside the lake, while many nights were spent alone with his soul and God. Jesus knew and his life teaches us the value of detachment.

It is only at such times that great purposes and noble deeds can become part of our lives and transform them. Time is required to build anything of value. It takes time to build a life out of the cross-purposes which course through our souls. If, during this lenten period we will take time for detachment; attend the services of our churches that we feel will be most helpful to us; take time to read a few books that are really great books; listen to great and noble music; and participate in such activities as will bring enrichment and ennoblement into our lives, Lent will mean more than a formal, conventional observance. It will bring back the peace of mind, the clarity of purpose, and the purity of soul that we have lost through the many attachments of modern life.

It is worthy of note that the word Lent in all of its derivatives means Spring, and refers to the lengthening of the days which we all note at this season of the year. Here is a suggestion of the true significance of Lent that has often escaped us in most of the conventional observances of the period. If you are in revolt against the setting aside of this period every year for conventional religious forms and ceremonies, and if Lent has come to mean a dark, dreary and negative season of the year, remember that originally Lent stood not for contraction but for expansion, not for dreariness but for joy, not for death but for the surging, pulsing life which Spring symbolizes. Such, after all, is what religion at its best is trying to do for us all throughout the twelve months of the year. Lent gives it a better opportunity in which to work its redemptive power.

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## Local Merchants Offer Many Fine Values For Dollar Day

### Mass Meeting at Community Center For Young Men

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!  
Every young man in Highland Park is urged to attend the mass meeting scheduled to be held at the Community Center's headquarters, Green Bay road and Central Ave., on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 4 p.m. It is YOUR opportunity to tell the Activities committee what sports and other activities YOU are interested in. If the program adopted DOES not please you, it will be YOUR fault for not being there. DON'T MISS IT!

Highland Park Community Center's program gained further momentum this week with the announcement that a mass meeting of young men will be held on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 4 p.m. in the Center's headquarters for the purpose of mapping out a definite course for the activities program.

This so-called "Town Hall Meeting," which will be attended largely by boys just out of high school to young men in their late twenties, grew out of a meeting of the Center's activities committee held at the headquarters on Saturday last. In attendance at this gathering under the chairmanship of Harry Earhart were, Clifton G. Speer, Daniel J. Davitt, A. E. Wolters, president Renslow P. Sherer, George Scheuchenschlag, and Alfred C. Houser. The committee in the course of its discussion came to the conclusion that none were better fitted to outline the course to be taken by the activities group than the boys themselves. This policy follows the Center's general plan of letting the young people, themselves, initiate and develop their own program. Hence, on next Sunday afternoon, the boys will be expressing their own opinion on the course they want to follow. The activities committee will sit in at the meeting in an advisory capacity and will act as the agent through which the program decided upon will be carried out.

The activities committee will also discuss at this time ways and means of obtaining athletic facilities and equipment for the boys' use outside of that available at the Center's headquarters, itself. The committee particularly wants to emphasize the importance of this part of its program at this time when the physical development of the Center is still very much in an embryo state.

The furnishings and equipment committee, chaired by Mrs. George R. Jones, reports that many useful and suitable gifts have been received which are being put to good use in furnishing the Center's headquarters. In thanking the donors for their gifts, the committee wishes to call attention to other civic minded citizens the urgent need for additional goods of the same character.

The board of directors of Highland Park's Community Center held a meeting on Tuesday of this week at the Center's headquarters at which time progress of the organization to date was discussed along with the outline of the tentative program to be followed in the immediate future.

The board of directors and members of the various committees are unanimously of the opinion that the Center is off to an excellent start in proving that this organization has a definite and necessary place in the community picture. Those who are donating their time and energy to further the Center's program feel that the consciousness of this need will continue to grow until the time will come when the Community Center will be as well known and as widely accepted as any worth while project now in existence in Highland Park.

### Thrift Shop Will Hold Open House

Once a year the Thrift Shop likes to greet its many friends, both customers and patrons. This year the Thrift Shop Board will hold Open House, serving coffee and doughnuts all day long. Several very handsome door prizes are being offered to all those who bring a White Elephant for the shop. The Open House is to be held at 19 North Sheridan road, which is in the Masonic building, the space being donated by the A. O. Fay Masonic lodge. The date—Monday, February 19. The time—10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Stores Participating in Semi-Annual Event Today

TODAY, THURSDAY, IS DOLLAR DAY IN HIGHLAND PARK. This is the semi-annual sales event sponsored by the retail committee of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce. From the attractive window displays and the outstanding values which are being presented in the stores, Dollar Day promises to be one of the most outstanding sales offered by local merchants in many years.

In today's issue of the PRESS appear advertisements featuring part of the offerings of each individual store. Also this paper is published every Thursday, in order to give its readers first hand information regarding this tremendous sales event and to give them an opportunity to study the advertisements and make selections, the HIGHLAND PARK PRESS is being published a day earlier.

Highland Park merchants, always alert to the needs of a growing community, are offering tremendous savings on all household commodities, as well as clothing and other individual necessities.

At this season of the year, homes become rather drab looking and householders begin to feel the need of "dressing up" the old home. Clothing likewise needs rejuvenating, and this is a grand opportunity to cast aside those old has-beens and replace them with new material or garments at a great saving.

Aside from the savings involved the local merchants seek to create good will and to make new acquaintances. It is with this thought in mind that they offer these semi-annual selling events.

The thrifty housewife who wishes to cut her food budget will find many splendid values in standard brands of foods listed by her local merchant.

Look over the advertisements offered in today's issue of the PRESS and note the Dollar Day Bargains they contain. They're worth reading for they offer real values to you. Make your selections and then shop early. This sale is for ONE DAY ONLY—prices will be advanced the following day.

Remember Dollar Day is Today (Thursday).

### Rotary Club to Hear President of Engineering School

Henry T. Heald, 5844 Stony Island avenue, president of Armour Institute of Technology, will speak on "Youth and Industry" at the luncheon of the Highland Park Rotary Club, to be held in Hill's Tea Room, in the Highland Park Masonic Temple, February 12, at noon.

In his address, the youthful president of one of the greatest engineering schools in the country, will touch upon the significant role of technology in American life, the present youth problem, and what engineering colleges are doing to solve that problem. He will present a brief outline of the founding and development of the forty-seven year old institution and some of the achievements of its alumni, their places in industry, and the effect of their profession on society, religion, government, schools, communities and business.

Plans for the future consolidation of Lewis Institute and Armour Institute of Technology, which were announced last October, will also be discussed. The actual integration of the schools, to be known as Illinois Institute of Technology, will become effective in September, 1940. The merger will give to Chicago one of the largest and best equipped technological institutions in the United States, bringing together two institutions with combined experience of almost 100 years in engineering education and service to industry. The new institution will have a total enrollment of 7,000 day and evening students, and a faculty of between 350 and 400 members. Planned to integrate the fields of science, engineering, management and humanities now taught in both colleges, the consolidation will be such that neither school will lose its identity. The proposed budget for the new institution provides for the expenditure of one and one-quarter million dollars a year for education and research, according to school officials. Endowment funds of the present in-

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