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After missing a meeting because of Lincoln's birthday, the City Council resumed their regular schedule of weekly meetings on Monday evening. The council chamber was surprisingly well filled considering the business transacted was mostly of the routine variety. However, there was a goodly sprinkling of what one might term as the faithful "watch dog clique" in evidence to see that nothing new and startling was voted upon and placed on the city's records. If that was what they expected they were doomed to disappointment as the meeting proceeded along the even tenor of its way without touching on a controversial subject, with the exception perhaps, of the vote taken by the group on the incinerator location's report that was filed at the last regular meeting. As it was no surprise to anyone what action the council would take, the formal adoption of the committee's report at Monday evening's meeting caused nary a ripple of comment from the audience. True, the council assumed a rather expectant air when Mayor Ronan asked if the public had any questions to address to the group, but they soon relaxed their tension when no comment was forthcoming.

The meeting opened with the council voting to accept the city's various accounts for the period from January 1 to February 1. Reports of the heads of the city's departments were called for and most of the replies of the council members were in the negative. It looked like a rather dull evening when Commissioner Swanson came to the rescue with several thought provoking comments. One very important matter touched upon by Mr. Swanson dealt with the unsatisfactory sewage disposal (Continued on page 8)

"Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" at Alcyon Theatre

Tonight and Friday the Alcyon is presenting Fred MacMurray, Madeline Carroll and Allan Jones in "Honeymoon in Bali," which sets the season's pace in entertainment, for it is loaded with love, laughter and excitement.

The Alcyon will present a double-feature program on Saturday of this week. From the moment Joe E. Brown is introduced in a police uniform until he finally engages a desperado in hand-to-hand battle, "Beware Spook!" moves with the speed of a tornado . . . a laugh tornado. Every situation, every character and every story development builds to a howling climax. Warmly human is "No Place to Go," the picture featuring Fred Stone and Gloria Dickson. That is hardly a surprise, however, inasmuch as it was based on the stage hit, "Minick," which was written by two such keen and understanding observers of human scene as Edna Ferber and George S. Kaufman. The film loses none of the simple "folky" flavor that was so appealing to the original story.

When better pictures are made, Frank Capra will make them! Until that time, however, we'll sit tight and unhesitatingly declare Capra's "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" the greatest picture of his hit-packed career, and therefore, one of the greatest pictures to come out of Hollywood. This film is more than great entertainment, it is a great emotional adventure, a study in character and in social forces.

Woman's Republican Club Meets Monday

There will be a meeting of the Woman's Republican club of Highland Park at the home of the president, Mrs. Florence Thomas Dingle, 515 S. Sheridan road, Monday, Feb. 26 at 2:30 p.m.

The speakers of the afternoon will be Mr. Earl H. De Long of the Political Science department of Northwestern university, and Mrs. Bernice T. Van der Vries, State Representative at Springfield. George A. Paddock, Republican candidate for nomination to Congress from the 10th Congressional district, has also been secured as a speaker. Tea will be served following the meeting.

SPECIAL NOTICE
All motor vehicle owners of Highland Park are hereby notified that the period of grace allowed to secure your 1940 City motor vehicle licenses will expire as of midnight, February 29th. All persons not having secured their 1940 licenses by March 1st will be subject to arrest and fine.
Signed: FRANK J. RONAN, Mayor.

"Dick" Martin and "Dan" Hunt to Run For State Offices

The south end of Lake county will be represented by two Republican Candidates for State offices in the 1940 Primary in April. Richard B. Martin of Highland Park is Republican nominee for State Senator from the 8th Senatorial district, while Daniel S. Hunt of Deerfield is seeking candidacy as State Representative from the Eighth Senatorial District.



"Dick" Martin as he is familiarly known among his associates, is a true son of Highland Park, "Dick" B. Martin having been born in this city, 34 years ago. He was educated in the local schools, graduating from Highland Park High school. He holds a commerce and law degree from the University of Illinois.

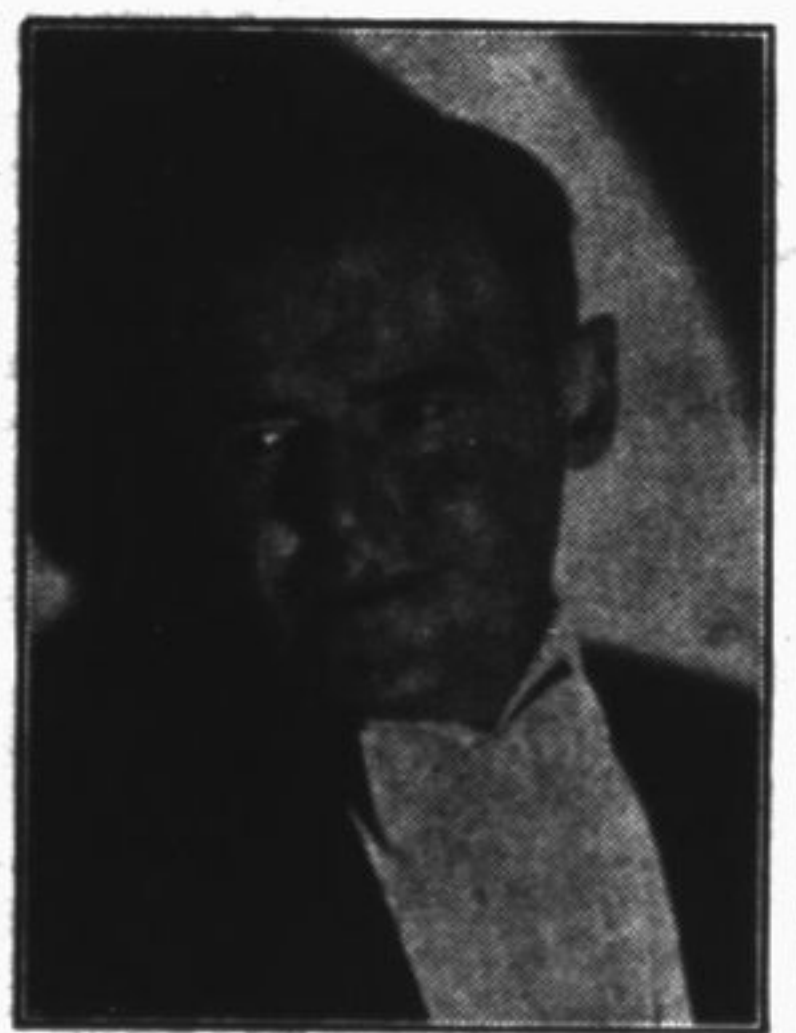
Mr. Martin who is engaged in the insurance business here, is married and has two children. He is Justice of the Peace of Deerfield Township.

"Dan" Hunt although not born in this community, has lived in Deerfield for nearly twenty years. He has been prominently associated with the American Legion work, both in Highland Park and Deerfield.

Tarbell To Bring Famous Mysteries To Elm Place

Dr. Harlan Tarbell, world famous magician and mental scientist, who is coming to Elm Place school auditorium March 1, at 8 p.m. was asked, "What is most important in becoming a magician?" His reply was, "A knowledge of human nature and a sense of humor."

"But what about tricks?" "Well, he added, "they are important too, but the mere doing of tricks doesn't necessarily make a good magician. It's the way they are done and the effect on the audience. The simplest of objects can become the most magical and entertaining in the hands of the conjurer who knows human nature. For instance, here is a simple piece of soft clothline about six feet long. A. J. Liebling, in the



New York World Telegram said a piece of rope like this has caused more gibbering insanity amongst audiences than any other discovery of recent date. It is the basis of the new Hindu Rope Mystery that became world famous overnight and baffled the greatest magicians of (Continued on page 8)

Braeside Group Presents Benefit Recital March 3

The Parent-Teachers Civic Association of Braeside is presenting Amy Neill, violinist, and Agnes Conover, pianist, in a benefit recital on Sunday afternoon, March 3rd, at Braeside school. The proceeds are to be applied toward the purchase of a grand piano for the school. The piano will be heard for the first time on the occasion of the recital and this fact, as well as the outstanding nature of the program, has created great interest in musical circles and in the entire community.

A large committee is at work on plans for the benefit. Mrs. Edward M. Kurx and Mr. C. Eugene Pfister are in charge of tickets. Mrs. C. Longford Felke is the general chairman with Mrs. Allen B. Dicus and Mrs. Lawrence L. Howe as co-chairmen.

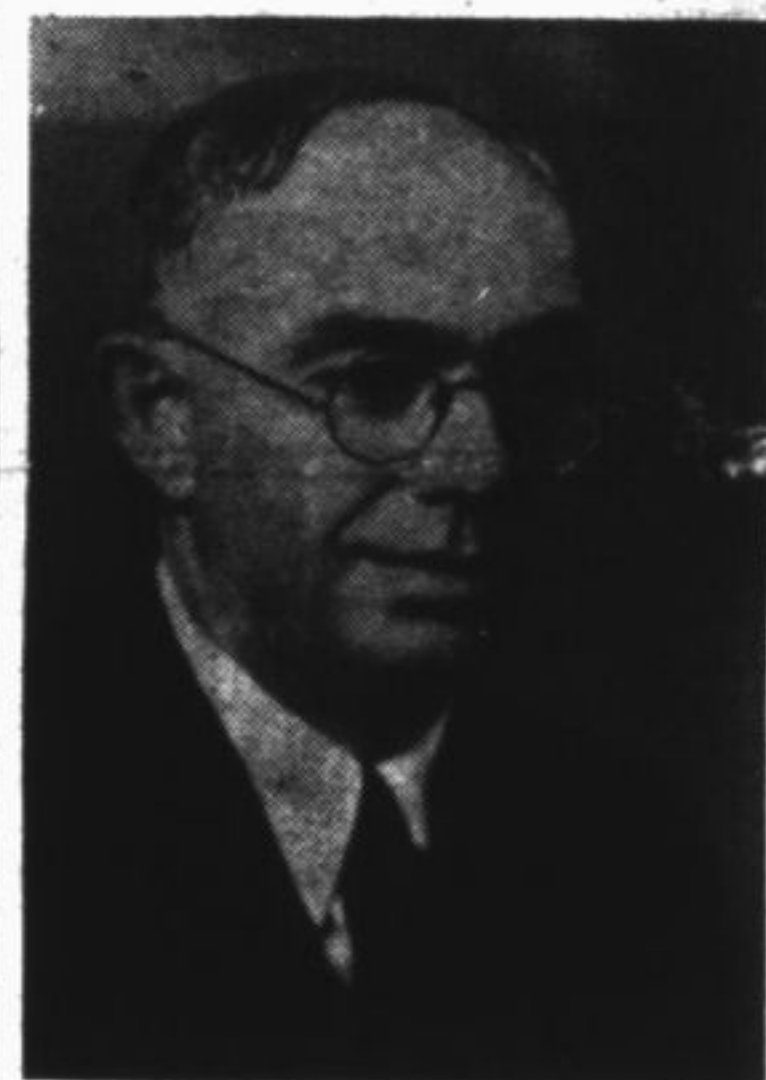
GEORGE WASHINGTON...American

February 22, 1732 — December 14, 1799

"Your love of liberty, your respect for the laws, your habits of industry, and your practice of the moral and religious obligations are the strongest claims to national and individual happiness."

Harry R. O'Brien Garden Authority Speaks Here Tuesday

Harry A. O'Brien, author of the column "The Diary of a Plain Dirt Gardener," appearing in Better Homes and Gardens Magazine, will speak in the auditorium of the Highland Park Woman's club next Tuesday evening, February 27, before a



joint meeting of the Ravinia Garden club and the Men's Garden Club of Highland Park. The public is invited to this meeting, it was announced, and tickets may be purchased at the door.

Mr. O'Brien is a member of the teaching staff at Ohio university and is a nationally known garden hobbyist, said Mr. Pfister, president of the Men's Garden Club of Highland Park. As a garden reporter Mr. O'Brien has visited every state in the Union to interview gardeners, talk with hybridizers and to inspect and photograph gardens, Mr. Pfister added.

Mr. O'Brien's talk, entitled "Blooms from Spring to Fall" deals with type of perennials that bloom in different months, explains how flowers can be kept blooming longer by cultural methods, how the bloom range of many perennials can be increased by proper selection of varieties and species, Mr. Pfister stated.

Young Democrats Meet This Evening In Witten Hall

Thursday evening at 8 o'clock the recently organized Young Democratic Club of Highland Park will hold its first public meeting at Witten's hall.

Representatives from other Lake County Young Democratic Clubs will be present and the meeting will be addressed by Mr. William Erby Smith of Chicago, prominent in the national organization of Young Democratic Clubs and a very interesting speaker.

In the hope of encouraging young people to take an active part in politics, ways and means of doing so will be discussed. At this meeting refreshments will be served and other social features will at future meetings be introduced. All young people of voting age—both young men and women—are cordially invited to attend.

Invite Public to Inspect Iron Lung

Dr. L. E. Bovik of Waukegan gave a demonstration of the iron lung, which has been placed in the custody of the Highland Park hospital, Monday, before the Board of Directors, trustees and hospital personnel, Tuesday evening.

Groups of people in this community, interested in seeing a demonstration of the iron lung may make arrangements with Miss Marjorie Ibsen, superintendent of the Highland Park hospital. Anyone interested may inspect the machine by applying at the hospital business office.

Two respirators were purchased through subscription in a drive conducted throughout the county by the Waukegan News Sun. One has been placed in a Waukegan hospital, while the other was brought to Highland Park to serve the south end of the county. Both machines will be at the disposal of other county institutions and will be transported whenever needed in another part of the county.

Lenten Meditation

LENT AND THE KINGDOM OF GOD

The season of Lent is closely related to that period in the life of Jesus of Nazareth when he withdrew from participation in the various activities of the life of his time. During this period He adjusted Himself in relationship to the Kingdom of God.

The Church advocates such a period yearly, feeling that just as it is necessary for lesser creatures such as homing-pigeons and honey bees to orient themselves before traveling to cote and hive, so it is wise for men, women and children yearly to relate themselves to the place where they would be—the Kingdom of God.

Everyone in pedestrian fashion has moved in some direction through the twelve months passed, and therefore in a very real sense occupies a "new location," from which it is altogether essential that he know the way to God's Kingdom.

The Church calls all people during the spring of the year, when instinctively houses are cleaned, yards renovated and the body put in order for the months ahead, to cultivate functions and faculties which reveal the existence of, and the road to, the abundant life—which must be personal before it can be national.

REV. CHRISTOPH KELLER,
Trinity Episcopal Church.

"Hobbies For Happiness" Topic Of Jean Pickett Cochran, Feb. 28

Jean Pickett Cochran (Mrs. Stuart Wainwright Cochran of Oak Park, Ill.) lecturer and newspaper woman, will give her entertaining and instructive address, "Hobbies for Happiness" at the Highland Park Woman's club on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 2 p.m. This afternoon is being sponsored by the home and education department of the Wom-

and for people is the keynote of the lecture. "Hobbies for Happiness" is proving to be a popular and worth while subject to all club women today. Since Mrs. Cochran spoke at Fullerton Hall, Art Institute, Chicago, on this subject last April before the Conference of Club Presidents and Program chairman of the Chicago



an's club; is open to the club membership who may bring guests for a small fee.

Mrs. Cochran is a woman of rare charm, a graduate of the University of Chicago and mother of two children, is a member of the editorial staff and feature writer of "Oak Leaves," Oak Park's weekly magazine. She recently spent a year studying all phases of this engrossing and timely subject of hobbies; interviewing hundreds of young people and adults in regard to their hobbies, and writing a series of feature stories based on these interviews. "Hobbies for Happiness" grew out of this fascinating experience, which emphasized vividly what inestimable value a hobby has in an individual's life. Not so much what people do with their hobbies, but what amazing things hobbies do to

Federation of Women's clubs, she has been busy giving the lecture before women's clubs, not only throughout the Chicago and suburban area, but also throughout the middle west.

Mrs. Cochran is a student of psychology, endowed with a sympathetic ear; and with keen perceptive Mrs. Cochran transforms her lecture into a living story for her listeners. In interesting bits of philosophy and wisdom she shows how the depression taught us that happiness depends on an interest in some elective activity since it forced us to rely on inner resources for contentment. Consequently, today has become a day of hobbies in which it is vital to have some outside interest, a day when people are seeking emotional stability through turning to something they really want to do.

Junior Programs Presents "Reward Of the Sun God"

The play, "Reward of the Sun God," will be given for the children of Highland Park at the High School Auditorium, 4:00 p.m., Friday, February 23, to a capacity audience, according to present calculation.

For admission to the 7:30 evening performance, tickets for both children and adults can still be purchased at Gsell's Drug store. It is expected that Mrs. Dorothy L. McFadden, founder and executive director of Junior Programs Inc., will be the guest of honor for this occasion.

A cast of fourteen adult professionals will act out the authentic Hopi Indian legend which "Reward of the Sun" sets forth. This play was adapted from John Louw Nelson's book, "Rhythm for Rain," and its production personally supervised by the author. It will also be given in DesPlaines next Monday and at the LaGrange High School auditorium on Tuesday, February 27.

"Reward of the Sun God" is the second on the series of three Junior Programs productions brought to Highland Park this season under combined sponsorship of the Deerfield Township P.T.A.'s. The first was the ballet, "Pinochio" and the third will be the opera, "Bumble Bee Prince."

Announce Lecture On Christian Science

First Church of Christ, Scientist of Highland Park, announces a free lecture on Christian Science by James G. Rowell, C.S.B. of Kansas City, Mo., Friday evening, February 23rd at 8 o'clock in the Elm Place school auditorium. Mr. Rowell is a member of the Board of Lecturers of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

Capt. Jack Knight World Famed Pilot Speaks Here

Captain Jack Knight, world famous pilot who has flown over two and one-half million miles, and is now director of public education for United Air Lines at Chicago, will speak before an assembly at the



Capt. Jack Knight

Highland Park High school, Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 8:50 a.m.

Jack Knight was the first pilot to fly the night air mail in 1921 and he saw air transport through from its earliest days to its present 200 mile per hour 21 passenger transport planes. He has had many interesting experiences in his 20 years of flying, some of which he will include in his talk entitled "Safety of Air Transportation."