

Looking Backward

at progressive Highland Park through the files of The Press

TWENTY YEARS AGO
April 1, 1920

Highland Park has a population of 6,167 according to figures compiled in the recent Census tabulation. Plans have been submitted for a new school building in District 107 to house the kindergarten and three lower grades. Miss Faith Haelele was given a linen shower Friday evening by members of the Philaetha class of the First United Evangelical church. Mr. and Mrs. William Galloway of Deerfield were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Waring of Chicago Thursday. Frank O. Sheridan, an old resident of Highland, died this morning in a Chicago hospital following a two weeks illness. Oscar Lundgren has accepted a position in Gsell's drug store. Mr. and Mrs. Frank May of Highland are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born Friday. Katherine Theresa Klomp, 18 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Klomp of Vine avenue, died Tuesday morning after a short illness.

TEN YEARS AGO
April 3, 1930

J. M. Willits of this city has purchased the Hudson-Exsex automobile agency owned and operated by A. W. Person. Supervisor J. P. O'Connor was re-elected Tuesday in the annual township election. Leslie and James Rankin of Vine avenue entertained 26 little friends Tuesday, April 1, in honor of their eighth birthday. Mr. and Mrs. M. Lowe are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, born Monday, March 31. The Rev. and Mrs. Christoph Keller are the proud parents of a son, born March 30. The offices of the Highland Park East Park district have moved from Central avenue to larger quarters in the new City Hall building. The Highland Park League of Women Voters will hold a silver tea at the home of Mrs. Raymond Stevens, April 7. The City Council approved the plans for the proposed new Library building at their meeting Monday evening.

Report On Progress Of New Community Center Alterations

There has been much interest and discussion about Highland Park's new Community Center. As you know alterations have been underway for some weeks now and the directors of Community Service wish to present to the community a report of progress.

Alterations — structural changes have been completed; preliminary plumbing, electrical work, masonry, etc is finished. The majority of the roughing in, lathing and plastering should be completed by the end of the month.

Furnishings and Equipment — electrical fixtures have been selected; kitchen stoves and refrigerators obtained; suggestions for furnishing the lounge is being assembled; Colonial style woodwork in lounge is designed and ordered. Adequate lighting in new Community hall.

Gifts—Daughters American Revolution have given Williamsburg type mantel for fireplace about to be built. Rotary club has appointed special committee to suggest an appropriate gift; Stamp club has approved gift to help get bookcases for lounge. Other clubs and groups are considering ways and means of helping to make the Community Center a really useful part of community. School craft shops to make needed equipment.

Activities — excellent progress made in helping organization plans of new Highland Park Young Mens club. They have held several interesting meetings; and many plans for activity are underway. Camera club committee formed and dark room designed by them—and equipment of this room to be made by High school Industrial Arts department.

Drama group soon to be formed. Orchestra group outlining plans—also band.

New Model Airplane club organized.

Rifle & Pistol committee actively work.

Stamp club waiting to meet regularly.

Cubs waiting for opening so as to meet regularly.

Activity committee studying many other plans for activities.

Needs—many, just to mention a few: Gift of a good Baby Grand piano. All sorts of equipment for crafts shop. All sorts of dark room equipment. More about needs later.

Antioch Firemen Stage Second Annual Sports Show Friday

All roads will lead to Antioch Friday night, April 5th, where the Antioch Volunteer Fire department are staging their second annual sports show, featuring high class wrestling and boxing bouts. The professional wrestling will feature Ruffy Silverstein versus Gorilla Grubmeier and Jim McMillen against Gus Sonnenberg, in a double feature, with a one hour time limit on each bout, and Olaf Olsen will tangle with Seely Samara the giant colored wrestler in the 30 minute semi-wind-up. The wrestling matches will be preceded by four amateur boxing bouts between winners of the Antioch High school tournament and opponents from Libertyville and Grant. There will also be a wrestling match between two Antioch boys, Wild Bill Murphy, and Carl "Hammer-mill" Pachay for the championship of main street.

Gus Sonnenberg has been a top flight performer for a number of years and holder of the World's Championship from 1930 to 1934. Gus beat Strangler Lewis in Boston for the title and subsequently drew some of the largest gates in the history of wrestling. Like McMillen, Sonnenberg is a college man, having played football at Dartmouth, and later with Detroit and Providence in the professional league. He carried his football tactics from the gridiron into the ring and popularized the flying tackle type of wrestling. With his 215 pounds of a five foot eight chassis. Gloomy Gus is one of the hardest men in the ring to handle. Fans are looking forward to this meeting between two former gridiron stars.

Ruffy Silverstein, the Illinois State Heavyweight title holder and former National Amateur Champion will have his hands full with Gorilla Grubmeier. The Gorilla, who takes a back seat for no one when it comes to looks, gave McMillen a rough time of it for 30 minutes last Friday, March 22, at Wau-

kagan; the match ending in a draw. Fans who saw this match say that Ruffy better be in number 1 condition when he tackles the Gorilla, if he expects to retain his State title.

A great many celebrities have been invited to attend the show including Joseph Triner of the Illinois State Athletic Commission, George Halas, Jack Manders and Bernie Masterson of the Chicago Bears Football club, and Paddy Driscoll and Tarzan Taylor of Marquette university.

The advance sale of tickets indicates a capacity crowd for this gala sports event. The bouts will be held at the Antioch High school and proceeds will go to the uniform fund of the Antioch Fire Department. Tickets can be purchased from any Antioch Fireman or at Otto Klass's store in Antioch.

Ravinia P.T.A. To Meet Friday, Apr. 12

The next Parent Teacher association meeting at Ravinia will be held Friday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the Village House. There will be a brief business meeting at which time the nominating committee, Mrs. Holt, chairman, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Law, Mrs. Eitner and Mrs. Meyer will report on the nominations of next year's P.T.A. officers.

Following this Mr. Dewey will present an original program known as Gym Night or Game Night. Children in the 6th, 7th and 8th grades will participate. It demonstrates physical education under favorable conditions through appropriate individual and group activities.

All parents will be glad of this opportunity to see what is being done in the promotion of activities which are necessary for effective living in the modern school world. Be sure to save April 12 and come to the Ravinia school Village House at 7:30 p.m.

Read The Want-Ads

Hold Examinations For Student Nurses

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an open competitive examination to secure student nurses for employment at the St. Elizabeths Hospital (Federal Institution for Treatment of Mental Disorders), Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. Applications must be on file with the Commission's office at Washington, D.C., not later than April 29 if received from States east of Colorado, and not later than May 2, 1940, if received from Colorado and States westward.

The hospital offers a 3-year training course for the student nurses, and pays them a salary of \$288 a year with quarters, subsistence, laundry, and medical attention. Those who satisfactorily complete the training course and receive certificates of graduation will be eligible for promotion to positions on the nursing staff, if vacancies are available.

Applicants must have been graduated from an accredited high school

giving a 4-year course upon completion of at least 16 units, including certain units of English, mathematics, science, and history. Senior students now in attendance in their last year of high school will be admitted to the examination under certain conditions. They must have reached their 18th but must not have passed their 30th birthday. These age limits will not be waived in any case.

Full information may be obtained from Raymond F. Seiffert, Secretary of the U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners, at the post office in this city, or from the Secretary of the U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners at any first- or second-class post office.

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Card Party March 29 Is Successful Affair

The spring card party sponsored by the Community Choral club on Friday evening, March 29th, was another successful social event. Many members and friends enjoyed a pleasant evening.

The chorus is working on its annual spring concert which will be another eventful affair. Further details will be given later.

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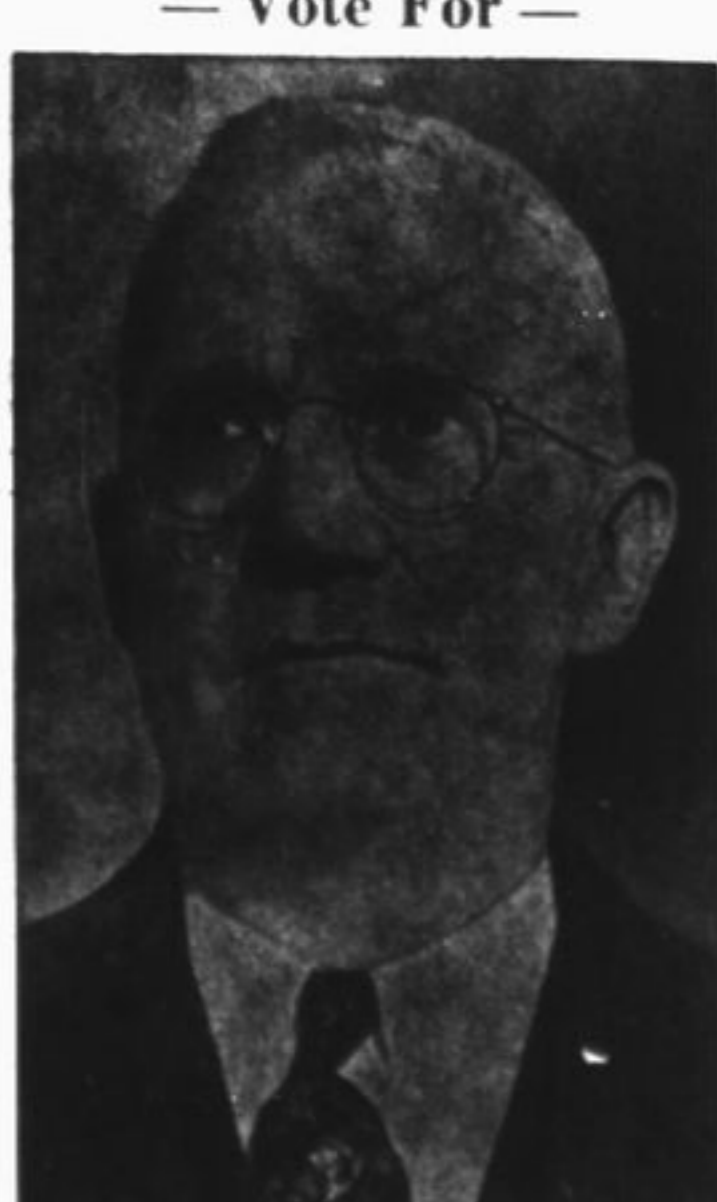
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