

## Administration

By ELMORE M. MURPHY *Comments*

The opening of bids for the new fire station and incinerator was responsible for the unusually large attendance at Monday evening's council meeting. The turnout at this week's session proves that the citizens of the community will attend the council's meetings if there is something of interest on tap.

Bids for the new fire station were submitted by Joseph Cabonargi of Highland Park and E. L. Archibald and William Mavor & Co. of Chicago. The base price on Mr. Cabonargi's bid was \$30,968. E. L. Archibald's bid was \$32,250 and William Mavor & Co.'s was \$29,618.

Bids for the plumbing and heating contracts on the project were submitted by T. H. Decker, Howard Moran, Murphy & Schwall, and C. P. Sullivan & Co. Figures on these bids revealed additional expenditures for this part of the work from \$3,800 to \$5,000. Fred A. Ellis & Co. submitted a bid of \$1,974 for plumbing work only.

The fire station bids show totals for the project ranging from \$33,000 to \$37,000. As the amount of money available for this work is only in the neighborhood of \$25,000 it appears more than likely that some revisions in the original plans will have to be made if the council wants to keep within this figure. The consensus among some of the interested parties including one of the bidders was that a revision of the plans would be made to substantially reduce its final cost. However, no definite action will be taken until the city engineer and the council have an opportunity to thoroughly examine the bids submitted at Monday evening meeting.

Bids for the incinerator also revealed figures somewhat higher than anticipated. On this project, Nye Oderless Incinerator Co. of Macon, Georgia submitted a bid of \$51,000 for a structure with a gable roof with an added cost of \$850 if a flat roof was used. These figures were based on construction costs at the city garage site. If the structure was built on its present site an additional \$6,500 would have to be paid.

Pittsburgh & DeMoines Steel Co. of Pittsburgh submitted a base bid of \$41,000 with several additional items which brought the total up to \$44,620. This figure did not include an added cost of \$8,250 for building the structure on its present site.

The third bid opened and read at the meeting was submitted by Nicholls Engineering & Research Co. of New York. This company submitted bids on two types of buildings. One called for an expenditure of \$52,500 for construction on the city garage's property and \$61,400 for construction on the present incinerator's site. Figures on the other type amounted to \$54,550 with an additional cost of \$10,000 if the present site were selected.

After the reading of the bids was concluded a resident of the city garage neighborhood asked the mayor for a chance to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of both sites before a final decision were made. The mayor assured the petitioner that everybody interested would have a chance to be heard (Continued on page 4)

## Ravinia Coupon Book Campaign Gets Under Way

Quotas were assigned community chairmen throughout the North Shore this week, as the Ravinia coupon book campaign swung into high gear to provide the principal source of funds that maintain the world-famous center of summer symphony which opens June 25.

A strong plea for generous support of the campaign came from Mrs. Ernst von Ammon, of Winnetka, general chairman of the coupon book committee.

"Ravinia will mean much more to all of us this year, as it provides a sanctuary where we can find epitomized all the beauty and fineness that is being trampled to dust all about us," she said.

"It really is a privilege that is offered to our neighbors when they can support the Ravinia Music Festival and thus keep alive a North Shore project which is known throughout the music world as the finest summer center of symphony in America," Mrs. von Ammon declared, adding:

"All we need do to support Ravinia is to attend the wonderful concerts and to purchase coupon books at a saving of \$3.50 on the 18 coupons available in the \$10 books. That is the share of the public towards maintaining Ravinia—the remainder of the cost is furnished by subscribers to the guaranty fund who give substantial sums and who buy their coupon books in addition."

Ravinia concerts will be each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evening and every Sunday afternoon for six weeks beginning June 25 and closing August 4.

Eugene Ormandy, conductor of the Philadelphia Orchestra, will direct the Chicago Symphony Orchestra during the first week and on the first Saturday evening, June 2, Vladimir Horowitz, foremost living pianist, will be soloist.

Artur Rodzinski, conductor of the Cleveland Orchestra, returns to Ravinia for the third time to conduct during the second and third weeks. Under his baton, on Sunday, July 7, Paul Leysaac, all-known commentator and narrator, will appear at a special Young People's concert. Albert Spalding, leading American violinist, will be soloist on Saturday evening, July 13.

Nicolai Malko, noted Russian-born composer, comes from Copenhagen to conduct during the fourth Ravinia week and Spalding will be soloist again, under Malko's baton, on Tuesday evening, June 16.

The last two weeks of the Ravinia season will be under direction of John Barbirolli, brilliant young conductor of the New York Philharmonic-Symphony, whose Sunday broadcasts have made him well-known to music lovers throughout the nation.

On the last two concerts of the season, August 3 and 4, the greatest operatic soprano of the day, Kirsten Flagstad, will be the soloist and in her August 4 appearance the entire program will be conducted by her accompanist, the rising young musician, Edwin McArthur.

The Ravinia coupon book quotas, together with the community chairmen, are as follows: Mrs. Walter Knupfer, Wilmette 200; Mrs. T. Weller Kimball, Kenilworth, 100; (Continued on page 4)

## DECORATION DAY

Thursday, May 30, 1940

### KEEP THE FAITH

Oh, you who sleep in Flanders' fields  
Sleep sweet — to rise anew.  
We caught the torch you threw  
And holding high, we keep the Faith  
With all who died.

We cherish, too, the poppy red  
That grows on fields where valor led;  
It seems to signal to the skies  
That blood of heroes never dies,  
But lends a luster to the red  
Of the flowers that bloom above the dead  
In Flanders' fields!

And now the torch and poppy red  
We wear in honor of our dead.  
Fear not that ye have died for naught  
We've learned the lesson that ye taught  
In Flanders' fields!

—Moina Michael.

## Legion To Stage Large Parade And Program Today

This morning (Thursday) at 9:30 o'clock, one of the largest parades ever staged by Dumaresq Spencer Post of the American Legion will assemble and proceed to Memorial Park where a brief ceremony and ritual will be held under the direction of Henry Hanson, Legion Chaplain and Leslie McCaffrey, Commander. Tom R. Wyles, national president of the Citizens Military Training camps and a resident of this city will deliver an important message from Washington where he has been in response to a call to confer with the War Department. At the conclusion of the program those assembled will disband and the veterans will go to Mooney's cemetery.

The parade will be headed by city and Legion officials followed by the Highland Park High School Band, a detachment of soldiers from Ft. Sheridan, a detachment from Great Lakes, members of the Legion, the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Legion, Sea Scouts, the Boy Scout forty piece Drum and Bugle Corps, Highland Park Boy Scout troops, Cub Scout packs, Girl Scout troops, members of the police department and fire department with equipment.

The line of march will form at 9:30 a.m. in front of the Legion quarters at 21 N. Sheridan road. From there they will proceed north on Sheridan road to Vine avenue, west under the Vine avenue viaduct to Greenway road, south on Greenway road to Central avenue to First street, south on First street to Laurel avenue, east under the Laurel avenue viaduct to St. Johns, north on St. Johns to Central avenue, east on Central and from there to Memorial Park on Laurel avenue.

The line of march and parade have been planned to arrange for both the safety and distances the younger members may have to march. For that reason all Cub packs and Boy Scout troops will assemble in front of the Community House on Central avenue and will fall in on the Greenway side as the parade passes. All other units including the Boy Scout Drum and Bugle Corps will assemble at 21 N. Sheridan road where the parade will begin at 9:30.

## Railway Avenue Widening Project Completed Saturday

The Railway avenue widening project which has been under construction for the past several weeks was completed Saturday and thrown open to traffic. This improvement was greatly needed in the Highwood business district, as the approach from the south was far too narrow for this busy section.

## Wage Final Drive On Tag Evaders

Chief de Smidt of the Highwood police force states that a final drive is being waged against those motorists who have failed to secure their vehicle tags. A \$5 fine and costs is being assessed together with the license fees.

## Joseph B. Garnett Elected President Community Chest

Joseph B. Garnett, well known Highland Park business man, was elected president of the Board of Directors of the Highland Park Community Chest, Inc., to succeed Herman A. Zischke, following the annual meeting of the members of the Highland Park Community Chest, held Monday evening, May 27, at the Auditorium of the Y.W.C.A.

Other officers of the Board of Directors of the Chest chosen at the meeting are as follows: Chairman, Hon. Samuel M. Hastings; honorary president, Mayor Frank J. Ronan; vice presidents, Mason G. Armstrong, R. R. Wible, Harold O. McLain, Mrs. Philip E. Ringer, and Mrs. Howard Detmer; secretary, Mrs. D. N. Gutmann; treasurer, L. B. Sinclair; assistant treasurer, E. Arnold Stromstrom; executive secretary, Edwin C. Jones.

Prior to the election of officers of the Board of Directors, the members of the Chest elected the following members to the Board for a three year term to fill the vacancies of those members whose terms expired at this time:

Donald S. Boynton to succeed Herbert M. Lautmann; Wm. T. Jones to succeed C. Eugene Pfister; Samuel R. Rosenthal to succeed Charles Grimes; Harry Earhart to succeed Edwin L. Gilroy; Mrs. Samuel Bingham Jr. to succeed Mrs. George A. Mason as representative of Arden Shore Association; Edgar B. Carter to succeed Edward Schweitzer as representative of the Highland Park Social Service Inc.; J. Mills Easton to succeed R. P. Sherer as representative of the Highland Park Hospital Foundation; Mrs. B. K. Goodman was re-elected as representative on the Board for the Highland Park Girl Scouts; C. H. Witt was re-elected as representative of the Salvation Army (Lake County Branch); Mrs. A. S. Bauer was elected to succeed Mrs. Dwight Davis as representative of the Y.W.C.A.

Herman A. Zischke, who has served the Chest as president for the past two years, presented the annual report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1940, calling particular attention to the progress which the Chest has made in carrying out the recommendations of the American Public Welfare Association Survey of welfare and health conditions in Highland Park.

Mr. Zischke paid special tribute to Mr. Herbert M. Lautmann, retiring member of the Board of Directors and chairman of the Social Planning Committee during the past year, for the splendid work that he has done in cooperation with the City Commission of Highland Park toward improvement of the public health administration for the city.

The Board of Directors of the Community Chest, upon the recommendation of Mr. Lautmann, retiring chairman of the Social Planning Committee, voted to cooperate with the City Commission of Highland Park in conducting an immediate health survey by Dr. J. F. Shrouts, District Health Superintendent, District Health Unit No. 2, of the Department of Public Health, State of Illinois, providing his services can be secured for this purpose.

## Body Of Child Found In Old Well Following Long Search

Dr. John J. Shedd Retired Dentist Passes Away May 21

Dr. John J. Shedd, formerly of Highland Park, passed away Tuesday evening, May 21, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Dora Bennett of Fairbury, Ill. ural took place in that city Thursday afternoon.

Dr. John Shedd was born in Fairbury in Sept. 1870. He graduated from Dixon Business College, the Chicago College of Dental Surgery and also completed a medical course although he never practiced medicine.

Following graduation from the Chicago Dental college, he served as dentist at the Pontiac prison for two years. From there he came to Chicago and practiced dentistry in a Chicago loop office for 25 years. In 1919 he came to Highland Park and engaged in the practice of dentistry until Sept. 1939. He retired at that time because of failing health.

Dr. Shedd was widely known in the dental world, being one of the pioneers in the use of dental x-rays and gas anaesthesia. He was instrumental in founding the Dental College of the University of Illinois. He was a member of the Illinois State Dental Association, the Chicago Dental Society, and Lake County Dental Society, being a past president of the latter organization.

The U. S. government sought his services and appointed him on several commissions which took him to all parts of the world. One assignment, to investigate the match companies for their use of phosphorus in matches, which was causing necrosis of the jaw. Another, a light house investigating commission and an investigation concerning patents in dentistry. He was also offered the Ambassadorship to Russia, which he declined. He was an intimate and personal friend of the late Congressman Mann. Prior to 1921 he was a director and part owner of a Chicago bank.

His death came as a shock to his many friends in Highland Park. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Dora Bennett of Fairbury, Ill., and a brother, Mr. Herman Shedd of Boone, Iowa. He was a relative of the late John I. Shedd, former president of Marshall Field, and donor of the Shedd Aquarium in Chicago.

## Troop 30 to Hold Third Annual Dinner

The third annual banquet of the Rotarian Troop 30 of Highland Park will be held on Tuesday evening, June 4, at 7 o'clock, at the Highland Park Presbyterian church.

This event is the climax of the scouting year, at which time the members of Troop 30, their parents, relatives and friends, get together to have a real round of enjoyment and to inspect the accomplishments of a Boys Troop, run by boys. Songs, awards, demonstrations of scout handicraft and ability will be combined with an "Eagle" dinner.

Each patrol will present a demonstration of some phase of troop activities, such as signaling, first aid and camping. Every member of the troop will be ready for action, so Parents! friends! come and see scouting at its best.

You may secure tickets from C. R. Scheunemann Jr., Assistant Scoutmaster. Phone 869.

## Ice Cream Social And Band Concert At Elm Place School

The annual ice cream social and band concert of the Elm Place school band will be held in the School Bowl Thursday evening, June 6, from 7 to 9:30. In case of rain, it will be held Friday evening, June 7.

Parents are asked to eat their dessert of ice cream and cake next Thursday evening in the Elm Place Bowl as ice cream, cake, pop corn and pop will be sold. Everyone is invited.

## Sunset Terrace Association Plans Card Party, June 4

A benefit card party will be held next Tuesday evening, June 4th at Green Bay Road school, by the Sunset Terrace Improvement association. All members of the association and residents of Sunset Terrace are invited to attend. Play will begin at 8:30 p.m., and there will be prizes and refreshments. Tickets may be had by calling Mrs. Lester Britton, H.P. 1921 or Mrs. Gaston Robert, H. P. 119.

Five Year Old Son of Marshall Pottenger Drowns Tuesday

Shortly after one a.m. yesterday morning (Wednesday) after many hours of frenzied searching following the disappearance of Le Roy Pottenger, little five year old Deerfield boy, from his home, his body was recovered from an old well on the Kotttrash property, next door to his home.

The child who was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Pottenger was last seen by his brother shortly before 7 p.m. Tuesday. When he failed to return for dinner, his family became alarmed and notified the Deerfield police. As darkness appeared, hampering in the search for the child, large numbers of scouting parties were formed who scoured the village with flash lights in a vain attempt to locate the child. Warnings were sent out along highways, and parties traveled up and down the right of way of the St. Paul railroad, which is only a few feet east of the Pottenger home, while others trailed along the drainage ditch in an effort to find the boy.

After several hours one of the parties decided to make another search near his home. Finding an old well on the property next door, the fire department was called to pump the water out, and the body of the child was then found at the bottom of the well, which is forty feet deep. Harold Plage, Henry Johnson and Ernest Worth were the members of the party who discovered the body. The fire siren was sounded when the body had been recovered, to notify other searching parties that the child had been located. Although there was a covering over the well, it is reported that the boards were in a very bad condition.

An inquest was held yesterday morning at ten o'clock in Ely's mortuary in Highland Park and a verdict of accidental death by drowning was returned. The body was then taken to Werhane's chapel in Northbrook where funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at two o'clock.

Besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Pottenger, two brothers, Trevlyn and Harold, survive. Mr. Pottenger is owner of Franken Bros., Inc.,

The sympathy of the entire community is extended the Pottenger family in their sorrow.

## Benefit Program To Be Given by Dance Pupils June 8

Plans for the fifteenth annual dance program to be presented by the pupils of Mildred Haessler from the Park Ridge School for Girls are nearing completion with a small but active committee at work. The program will take place at the Ravinia Auditorium, Saturday evening, June 8, at 8:15 p.m.

The program will fall into four parts: a Character Travelogue, in the days of Strauss, Jitterbug "tappers" and there classical ballets based on Chopin, Rubinstein and Moszkowski.

Guest soloists who will assist in the program are: Margaret Grunlund of Ravinia, Camille Corso of Highwood, and Louise Haessler. Miss Mary Santi of Highwood will be guest singer and special music for small orchestra has been arranged under the able direction of Miss Alma Galassini of Ravinia.

The exhibition is a benefit for the Park Ridge Recreation Department where Mildred Haessler has given her services as dance instructor for four years. Members of the committee assisting with the sale of tickets are: Mrs. Walter T. Rice, Mrs. E. R. Jerome, Mrs. Lee Hester, Mrs. I. M. Greenberg, Mrs. Harry S. Grade of Highland Park, and Mrs. Sellery and Miss Dorothy Simpson of Ravinia.

## Open House Tea Room Moves from Deerfield To Highland Park

Mrs. Margaret Warner of the Open House Tea Room of Deerfield announces the removal of her tea room to Highland Park where she will be located at 23 N. Sheridan road.

In addition to serving a regular business men's and shopper's lunch she will serve afternoon teas and regular dinners. Large parties, weddings and children's parties will also be a feature. Mrs. Warner promises Highland Park a tea room that can be pointed to with pride. She plans to be open for business on June 5th.

## American Legion Organizes To Combat Subversive Activities

The first unit in the American Legion plan to expose and combat certain established subversive and anti-American activities being conducted by individuals and groups in and around Highland Park, will be to secure the cooperation of all citizens in establishing a central point for receiving reports, transmitting information and cooperating with the local and federal authorities.

In making this announcement, Commander Leslie McCaffery states that the recent demonstration by a uniformed group of the Bund just west of Highland Park; the activities of certain Fascist organizations and the extent of known communistic endeavors in our community are ample evidence of the need under present conditions for organized means of securing all information. With this they will be enabled to take proper and effective means of combating them.

He further adds that the details of the plan have been worked out with the advise of proper authorities, and in cooperation with Miller Shreiner, commander of the 10th District of the American Legion. The purpose will be to secure the

cooperation of citizens and proper organizations in establishing local intelligence units, which will be in addition to publicity, communication, transport, first aid and law and order units to be made up of marksmen and men who have seen active combat service, whose services will be placed at the disposal of the authorities.

A special committee composed of Commander McCaffery, District Commander M. Shreiner, Dr. C. Pope, Harvey Hopp, Jack Guthrie and Harry Aiston, Americanism officer is in charge of formation. All information received will be treated in confidence. Reports concerning the anti-American activities of any individual, or organization, should be addressed to the Americanism Commander of the American Legion, postoffice box 145, Highland Park. Such reports must be in writing by the person who actually saw or heard actions or statements or should include the name of such person who had. All such information will be forwarded to the proper authorities for investigation, action, or to be kept on file for future need.