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#### Administration By ELMORE Comments M. MURPHY

In his report to the council at last Monday evening's meeting, Mayor Ronan touched upon a subject that is growing in importance more and more as each year passes. The mayor pointed out to the council that the community has no city plan of future developmen that is in any way protected by ordinance. Under the system now in operation subdivision plats are submitted and approved with little or no thought as to their effect on the development of the community as a whole. As long as the plats show no violation of specific ordinances now on the books they are passed without question. These statutes deal largely with rules and regulations pertaining to the physicial make-up of the subdivision itself and in no way attempt to regulate it as one of many like units going to make up the city as a whole.

One of the reasons why he believed it was necessary for the city to adopt some standard plan of development, the mayor stated, was the current tendency of subdivision property owners to go in for deadend streets in a large way. While this type of thoroughfare is entirely suitable in some sections of the community, it is a distinct detriment to a free flow of motor vehicles traffic in others. Mayor Ronan cited several instances where north and south traffic on Green Bay and Skokie could be somewhat relieved in through streets in between these two main arteries were opened to travel. At the present time, the mayor stated, this solution was out of the question because of the numerous dead-end streets that dot this

It is Mayor Ronan's suggestion that some definite City Plan similar to the one drawn up several years ago (but which was never used) be incorporated in the city code. This plan, he added would prohibit deadend streets in sections of the city where through thoroughfares were necessary for the common good the community as a whole.

One important phase of a City Plan for Highland Park which was touched lightly upon by Commissioner Swanson but was not dis cussed generally was the presen zoning laws and other rules and regulations in the city's code affecting apartment houses. Highland Park, like many of Chicago's suburbs before it, is approaching the time when the citizens of the community will have to make up their minds on which side of the fence they are going to stand on this momentuous question. In Highland Park as in all suburbs facing the problem, you will find two schools of thought. One wants to preserve the rural charm of the community by keeping a restraining hand on the development of apartments, while the other with an eye toward the resultant increase in business activity favor a more lenient attitude on this highly controversial subject.

Your reporter is presenting this subject for thought strictly in the capacity of an observer of public opinion. He feels that the issue must be squarely met in a day not too distant in the future and that it would be well for the citizens of the community to be thoroughly vers the community to be thoroughly versed on all angles of the subject before any rules or regulations pertaining to it or incorporated in any plan for the future development of the city.

In his report to the council Commissioner Swanson stated that while Legion Guest Speakers committee is satisfactory progress was being in charge of arrangements. He is made in the repair of sidewalks and being assisted by Henry Hansen, Post curbs on Central Ave. there were some property owners in this area that were backing away from assuming their share of the responsibility in completing this work.

these property owners after which period the city would perform the necessary repairs and assess the property in question for the money expended. However, when the council was informed by the city clerk Ronan, Mayor of Highland Park, that a specific ordinance was neces- City Commissioners, Jerome Bowes, back of the "Red and White" grid- the fall term in the Creative Writ- a missionary in China, will occupy sary to follow this procedure, it de- Lyle Gourley, Arthur Swanson, and ders led his team mates to an 18 to ing Group led by Rowens Bennett | the pulpit. While he was stationed the recalcitrant property owners be Tom Wyle, Past Dist. Comm. Miller they encountered the "Black Devils" Class members may use their course Ichang. This city was recently fore taking this final action.

the next 10 years. The council E. Price of Lincoln and Elm Place spark plug in the six games the class that morning.

#### E. Joseph Buckles Talks on Historical Staffordshire, Oct. 29

Mr. E. Joseph Buckles, noted authority in several fields of antiques, will talk on "Historical Staffordshire' on Tuesday, October 29, at 2 p.m. at the Highland Park Woman's club sponsored by the Collectors' Study group of the club.

Mr. Buckles, who is a former president of the Midwestern Antique society, is filling a return engagement in Highland Park. He owns one of the outstanding private collections of old Staffordshire and will bring a large number of rare speciments to illustrate his lecture.

"Historical Staffordshire", says Mr. Buckles, can well be extended to include all types of the china in colors as well as borders, besides the old blue. In fact I feel it would be much more interesting as there is still left a large amount of such wares for collectors, and it would afford information and entertainment of a high order."

This lecture and the others in the series of six will be open to the public as well as club members on payment of a nominal sum. Tickets may be obtained for the course or for a single lecture from any member of the committee or at the door. The committee includes Mrs. Wilford C. Shipnes, chairman; Mrs. Theodore Osborn, vice-chairman: Mrs. Kent Wonnell, Mrs. Mason Smith, Mrs. Alfred E. Phillips, Mrs. John R. Todd, Mrs. Charles Mason, Mrs. Everett L. Easton, and Mrs. Carl G. Bingham.

## Legion Expects Large Crowd To Hear Dr. Bradley

According to Geo. Abernathy, Commander of Dumaresq Spencer post of the American Legion which is presenting Dr. Preston Bradley at the Highland Park Womans club, Tuesday evening, October 29th, the the numerous requests for invitations from those wishing to attend has prompted special arrangements to accommodate an overflow crowd and a public speaking system will be installed to broadcast his address through the entire building and the club grounds.

Dr. Bradley, who for years has been paster of the Peoples church in Chicago has acquired nation wide fame as a public speaker, and for his expert knowledge of present day problems. His Sunday services are attended by more than a 1,000 who come from all over the Chicago area and his weekly message which is broadcast over station WJJD numbers several hundred thousand listeners throughout the country.

Leslie B. McCaffery, Legion Past Commander and present Post Adjutant, who is in charge of invitations states that there will be no admission charge for this event but admittance to the auditorium will be by invitation only. Members of the Legion and Auxiliary have been allotted a limited number of invitations and an equal number have been made available to the various church, school, civic and business organizations of Highland Park. He adds that anyone wishing to attend may apply for invitations by communicating with him at the Legion offices, 21 N. Sheridan Rd., Highland Park and that all requests are being filled in the order received.

Edmund Eitel, chairman of the Chaplain and officers of the post, including Sen. Vice Comm. Harry Eichler, Jr. Vice Comm. Wm. Acker. Past Comm, Paul Webb, Wm. Heinrichs, Arthur Johnson, DeWitt Man-It was the first thought of the asee, Philip McKenna, and Rocco council to servo a 30 day notice on Stella, Sgt. at Arms who will be in charge of the Legion ushers.

Included among officials and prominent citizens who have been invited to be on the stage during the program are: Major Frank cided to make one more appeal to Nathan Sharp, Gen. Robt. E. Wood, 7 victory last Sunday, Oct. 20 when at the Highland Park Y.W.C.A. there he opened up a new mission at Schreiner, Mrs. Wm. Salyards Jr., at Sunset park. Peshman scored tickets to invite guests to the Oct. take over by the Japanese, but the Commissioner Swanson presented Pres. of Legion Auxiliary; A. E. two touchdowns on brilliant runs, 31 morning session. Anyone inter- present missionary remains placed the contract on file for ex-amination by the corporation coun-of Highland Park; officers of the Highland Park Womans club, Rens-gainer on the club. At the time of presenting the con-low Sherer, Pres. of Community Capt James "Iron Man" Sheahen tract to the council, Commissioner Center; officers of the Chamber of went into his daily routine by play-

## Marion Anderson Opens N. S. Series

A gala opening for the second annual North Shore Series is assured next Sunday evening, October 27 when Marian Anderson, the most noted singer of our day, appears is the auditorium of the Highland Park High school. Miss Anderson's recital will be the first in this series of five concerts which is bringing the finest talent of the musical world to the North Shore.

Good seats for the Anderson recital are still available, it is announced, and can be purchased at the Treasure Chest, 390 Central Ave., Highland Park. The phone number is Highland Park 3099. Mail orders are also being received at Box 584, Highland Park. Seats are priced nominally.

No living concert artist can boast the consistent appeal for American audiences which Marion Anderson has demonstrated for the past several years. To a career, already phenomenal by virtue of Miss Anderson's great musical gifts, much impetus was added by the singer's appearance on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington - a recital which Miss Anderson undertook at the request of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt. In the same year Marion Anderson sang at the White House before the King and Queen of England.

Under the management of S. Marok of New York Miss Anderson has each year toured the country, singing before sold-out houses and audiences which refuse to let her stop. In obtaining this First Lady of Song for the opening attraction on the North Shore Series, the sponsors are bringing to the North Shore suburbs an unusually great musical opportunity. The concert will begin promptly at 8:30, and those planning to attend are urged to obtain tickets in advance.

## **Fown Meeting At Community House Monday Evening**

With the New England town meeting as its inspiration, the League of Women Voters will sponsor a Town meeting for Highland Park next Monday evening, October 28, at 8 o'clock at the new Community House. At this time the mayor the commissioners, and the new chief of police will be introduced to their "constituency" and be given an opportunity to report on their past efforts and future plans. The audience will participate in the meeting by coming fortified with questions covering matters which puzzle them.

Mrs. Philip Ringer, president of the Highland Park League of Women Voters, will preside, and the speakers will niclude:

Mayor Frank Ronan, whose work on the council is called public af-

Nathan Sharp, who is in charge of accounts and finance, plus gar-

Lyle Gourley, who cares for public health and safety, which includes sanitary sewers and water.

Arthur Swanson, whose field is streets and public improvements, which include street lighting and

storm sewers. Jerome Bowes, who cares for public property, including all city buildings and grounds, the fire department, and public utility franchises Rex Andrews, the new chief of

#### Young Mens Club Remains Unbeaten In Sixth Start

police.

#### Guidance, Strongest Educational Move, Developed At DSHS

This is the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Deerfield-Shields high school. During this half-century it has earned a respected position among the secondary schools of the country.

One of the strongest movements in the field of education today is "Guidance." As the attendance in secondary schools has been increasing so tremendously in the past fifty years it has become more and more important to avoid overlooking the educational needs of each individual student. The guidance' includes all that the school does to personalize education. Deerfield-Shields high school has always been a leader in this field; almost daily requests come from schools all over the country for information about its guidance pro-

The center of this program is the adviser system" which was originated by Mr. Sandwick in 1912. Practically every urban high school in the country now has some form of the plan which was first used here at Highland Park. The whole school is divided into groups of twenty-five or thirty students who meet three times a week. During these periods the adviser of each group, unhampered by textbook material, devotes his time to becoming intimately acquainted with each member. Through this friendly relationship he is able to help his advisees in their many problems school life better than anyone else in the school could do.

The adviser has at his disposal several agencies in the school which help him in his work. The School Nurse the Visiting Teacher, al Advisers, the Adviser Chairmen, the Deans, the Principal, - all of whom are assistants to the adviser in carrying out his program-make up the remainder of the guidance staff. Whenever anyone of these agents makes a report on a student the adviser receives a copy. The classroom teacher also reports to the adviser all those who have failaco week.

The intramural program is built around these advisory groups. A complete athletic program for the boys who do not take part in varsity athletics is arranged throughout the year. A real "espirit da corps" is built up through this friendly rivalry between groups.

#### Frederick Litten To Speak on Fiction Writing, October 31

Frederick Nelson Litten, instruc- Lake Forest. tor in Fiction Writing at North- 2nd precinct-City Hall, Highwestern university, will talk on "Writing Fiction to Sell" at the luncheon meeting at the Open House Tea Room on October 31 following the regular Thursday morning class in Creative Writing.

Professor Litten has had an adventurous life as an engineer with mining companies, construction gangs, managing his own engineering firm, before he started writing. His first hand experience in the flying field are shown in the titles of his books published by Appleton-Century, Dodd, Mead and leading English firms. These include "Rhodes of the Flying Cadets,' "Pilot of the High Sierras," Transatlantic Pilot." Three of his books have been translated into Braille and his hero "Jimmie Rhodes" has become a real person to thousands Park. of American boys.

Action and gangster stories laid in Chicago written for adults as well as technical engineering plot stories are included in the more than six hundred stories Fred Litten has sold. He was in Haiti as a guest of the United States Marines, he visited the convict corps of the French Foreign legion at Tunesia, the French secret service showed him a Paris that the tourists never see, and in London he studied Scotland Yards methods of eatching criminals.

Professor and Mrs. Litten, who have recently moved to Lake Bluff, Wyatt Peshman phenomenal half- will be the first luncheon guests of

Rummage Sale Today

## Pass Half Way Mark Of Chest Goal In Week's Solicitation

#### "Our Town" To Be **Featured Next Week** On Alcyon Program

Loretta Young meets Melvyn Douglas in her own boudoir . and "He Stayed for Breakfast" That, in essence, is the beginning of one of the sauciest, most delightful comedies ever brought to the Alcyon theatre screen. On the same program is "The Man Who Talked To Much," one of filmdom's most thrilling exposes of illegal law practices, starring George Brent, Virginia Bruce and Richard Barthelmess. Both attractions showing on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Meet the folks of "Our Town," the grippingly realistic motion picture based on Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize play that rocked a nation. "Our Town" is hailed by critics everywhere as one of the most important pictures in years. The screen transcription of Rex Beach's widely read novel, "Flowing Gold," is the added attraction for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The locale of this dynamic actiondrama is Texas great oil fields.

### Tuesday Is Last Registration Day **Before Election**

Next Tuesday, October 29, will be the last registration day for voters of Deerfield township, and everyone Edith Tucker, and Helen Wickerwho is entitled to vote should be sure that his or her name is on the poll books.

Registration will be held at the regular precinct polling places, and all polls will open at 8 a.m. and remain until 9 p.m. If you were registered in your

present precinct at the last election, your name has undoubtedly been entered on the poll books by the clerks in your precinct. However, if you have changed your residence since the last election to another precinct, it behooves you to see that your name is listed. All newcomers and first time voters must also register, or they will not be permitted to vote at the coming election on November 5th.

The polling places are as follows: 1st precinct-South Park House,

3rd precinct—Swedish church, Everts and Highwood avenue, High-

4th precinct-Oak Terrace school, Highwood.

5th precinct-506 N. Green Bay road, Highland Park. 6th precinct-Highland Park high

school. 7th precinct-541 Central street Highland Park.

8th precinct—10 N. Sheridan road. 9th precinct-25 South Second

10th precinct-47 South St. Johns 11th precinct - Railroad Men Home, Highland Park.

13th precinct-Strenger's garage, Gray and Ridgewood, Highland

14th precinct—Ravinia school field 15th precinct 497 Roger Wil-

liams avenue, Highland Park. 16th precinct-Chicago & North Western railway station, Ravinia.

#### **Mission Festival** At Redeemer Church

An important date on the calendar of the Lutheran church is its Mission Festival. This will be observed on the coming Sunday at vited to attend. the Redeemer church on Central avenue. At the morning service the Rev. L. Schwartzkopf, formerly

tract to the council, Commissioner Swanson brought up the subject of all night street lighting for discussion. It is the opinion of the police of the Chamber of sion. It is the opinion of the police of the Chamber of the subject of

Following the Second Report Meeting of the Annual Chest Campaign, held Tuesday evening, General Chairman Don Nichols announced a total of \$28,452.25 in subscriptions turned in by workers against the Chest goal of \$50,000.

"We are delighted to more than pass the half-way mark of our goal in less than a week of active solicitation," said Chairman Nichols. "Our 350 volunteer workers have done an excellent job so far. They have covered approximately 1-8 of their prospects and I feel that with the fine results to date that we have every prospect of reaching our goal in the 10 days remaining before Friday, November 1st, which we have set for our final report

"More than \$5,000 in subscriptions were reported by district Chairmen at Tuesday night's meeting. We are looking forward to an equally fine showing at our next report date Friday evening, October

"Many liberal increases are being made by subscribers this year through both the general solicitation and special gifts solicitation and if the average of increases is maintained I feel certain of the success of this year's campaign to meet the increased needs of some of our member agencies and the added budget of the new Community House.

"Reports of district chairmen are being promptly checked in and audited by a well organized group of volunteer auditors working under the direction of L. B. Sinclair, treasurer of the Chest. These volunteers include the following: Wm. C. Heinrichs, Mrs. H. E. Lang, F. Vance Nelson, Alice Olson, Joseph Peddle, Fred W. Richman, Miss sheim.

"They are on hand at Chest headquarters, 290% Central avenue, from 8 to 10 p.m. each Tuesday and Friday during the campaign period."

#### Gen. R. E. Wood **To Address Scout** Ceremony Oct. 30

Dumaresq Spencer post of the American Legion will sponsor what promises to be the largest Boy Scout Court of Honor ever conducted on the north shore Wednesday, October 30th. Under the direction. of Com. George Abernathy, Edwin Gilroy chairman, in charge of the event has arranged a brief but impressive ceremony which will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock in the auditorium of the Ravinia school. A short address will be made by Gen. Robt. E. Wood, national figure in industry, military and the nations affairs.

Clifton Speer, executive of the North Shore Area of Boy Scouts of America announces that more than 300 merit badges will be awarded by group award in addi-tion to the high ranking honor awards to be made individually. The Star Scout awards will be made by Com. Abernathy and the Life Scout awards will be made by Major Frank Ronan, Mayor of Highland Park. The Eagle Scout and Palm awards will be made by Mr. Clifton Speer. Other awards will be made by Past Com. Leslie McCaffery, Paul Webb, Vice Com. Harry Eighler, Wm. Acker and Arthur Johnson.

Preceeding the ceremony the Boy Scout Drum & Bugle Corps will assemble at the Ravinia station and march through Ravinia to the Ravinia school. Among the prominent Legionnaires and others who will take part in the program are: Philip E. Cole, Wm. Heinrichs, Edw. Benson, city, Legion, Auxiliary, Boy Scout and school officials. Rocco Stella and John Olson will be in charge of the colors and the Legion ushers. There will be no admittance charge. The public is cordially in-

#### Local Woman To Share In Estate

for council action the city's contract Wolters, principal of the Highland one good for 65 yards, the other 80. ested in hearing Professor Litten harmed, and is continuing at his admitted to probate in Chicago. He with the Public Service company for Park High school; Wm. Wright and Incidentally Peshman has been the may pay for a single admission to post. Our guest speaker will review was the father of Mrs. Warner M conditions in China, past and pres- Washburn, 494 Terrace road, of this city. The will disposes of a \$500, In the evening at 8 the Rev. G. | 000 estate, most of which is left in Rummage Sale Today Rochrs will give a lecture on the trust for his family. His widow is The annual rummage sale of the work of the church done in insti- to have the entire income for life.