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## CHRISTMAS PLAY AT ELM PLACE, DEC. 19

**"Christmase In Merrie Eng-  
land" Again To Be  
Produced.**

On Thursday, December 19, the eighth grade pupils of Elm Place school will present the well-known and beloved Christmas play, "Christmas in Merrie Engleande."

Once again Squire Bracebridge, the jovial and eccentric character from Washington Irving's *Sketch Book* will observe Christmas in his own gracious way. A Lord of Misrule, chosen from the ranks of the servants at Bracebridge Hall, will preside over the day's revels. These include dances and carols of olden times, the dragging in of the Yule Log, the Wassail Bowl ceremony, a Mummer's Play, and the Boar's Head Processional.

As a new feature this year a quartet made up of violin, cello, flute, and recorder will play musical accompaniments. The recorder, sometimes called the fipple flute, is an old English instrument which was played as early as the sixteenth century.

Festivities will begin at 2:00 and at 8:00 p.m. in the Jesse Lowe Smith auditorium. Admission for adults will be nominal. Admission for grade school children will be free in the afternoon and a small fee in the evening.

The cast for the play is as follows:

<b>PART I—INTRODUCTION</b>	
Prologue	Jim Greenebaum
Bellmen: Bill Ballenger, Mansfield Cleary	
Jim Fahey, Bob Flocchi, John Lind Mon- roe Macpherson, Leroy Peschman, John Salbege.	
Sprite	Betty Jane Adler
<b>PART II: BRACEBRIDGE HALL</b>	
Butler	Jim Fahey
Dame Skylark	Peggy Evans
Cedric	Bradford Craig
Pages: Grace Brown Jacqueline Udell.	
Squire Bracebridge	Bud Trude
Frank	John Wood
Julia	Jennifer Turner
Master Simon	Jim Weber
Lady Mary Brumleigh	Victoria Turner
Lady Anne Fenwick	Roseann Gerhardt
Lady Elizabeth Hartwell	Eleanor Mallfield
Captain Bertram Cavendish	Bill Drake
Sir Henry Fotheringham	Bill Ballenger
Lady Tollingflower	Joan Oliver

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## A. O. Fay Lodge Elects Officers, Thursday

Last evening, at a special meeting of A. O. Fay Lodge No. 676, A. F. and A. M., work in the third degree was exemplified. Next Thursday evening newly elected officers of the lodge will be installed.

At the annual meeting held last Thursday evening, the following were chosen to serve during the ensuing year:

Dan McClellan, Master; Arthur Hollands, Sr. Warden; Marvin Florent, Jr. Warden; Charles F. Grant, Treasurer; E. C. Ohrmund, Secretary; Geo. F. Glader, Chaplain; Thomas P. Strenger, Sr. Deacon; James L. Whitehouse, Jr. Deacon.

## Leonard W. Nieter Is Elected Head Of Commerce Chamber

Leonard W. Nieter, 379 Elm place, was elected president of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday evening at their annual meeting held at Open House. George Stone was elected vice president while Paul Behanna, F. J. McDonough and Nafe Larsen are the new directors. They will be inducted into office January first.

Mr. Nieter, who has been a resident of Highland Park for the past fifteen years, is vice president of the John Gourley Lumber company. He is a graduate of Michigan State, and was a former president of the Highland Park Lions club. Mr. Stone is a member of the firm of Hill and Stone realtors; Paul Behanna is a Highland Park lawyer; F. J. McDonough is manager of the local Sears store and Nafe Larson is proprietor of Larson's stationery store.

A large number of members were present at this annual meeting. A very entertaining program was given. Nick Tomei, who is popular for his feats of magic, entertained the members with many clever tricks. The national hook-up which was anticipated and promised to be one of the outstanding events of the year, proved to be a recorded broadcast in which three of the Chamber members participated.

## Blackhawk Society Complete Plans For Christmas Dance

The Blackhawk society has completed plans for their Christmas dance which will be held at the Highland Park Woman's Club, Monday evening, Dec. 23. This dance is to be a benefit for national and local projects of the North Shore Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution of which the Blackhawk society is an auxiliary.

Ed Barrett's fifteen piece orchestra has been engaged while Shirley and Bud Pfister, popular young brother and sister team will give their interpretation of modern dancing. Refreshments will be served.

The ticket committee advises that all boys and girls who have received invitations make reservations as early as possible and obtain their tickets, for there will be no door sale and reservations will close at 200 couples. Those receiving invitations may sponsor their own parties. For full particulars call Mrs. Mary Helmold, H.P. 2175, Mrs. Earl Gsell, H.P. 55, Mrs. Lew Sarett, H.P. 3260, or Mrs. Lewis B. Sinclair, H.P. 971.

### Attention! Christmas Shoppers

Be sure to check that item called "automobile accidents" off your Christmas list, says the Illinois Automobile club.

## DEDICATE COMMUNITY TREE TO HIGHLAND PARK CHILDREN

### Annual Christmas Legion Bingo Party To Be Large Event

George Abernathy, commander of Dumaresq Spencer post of the American Legion announces that elaborate plans have been made to accommodate between 700 and 800 people who will attend the annual Legion Christmas Cash Bonus and Bingo Party to be conducted by the post Friday evening, December 20th at Labor temple in Highland Park.

The entire building has been engaged for the evening and in order to provide for the convenience of the many who enjoy this event, there will be a continuous program of festivities on both floors.

The evening will be devoted to "Bingo" for which there will be more than a 100 valuable prizes and the climax of the evening will be the awarding of more than \$100 as a cash Christmas Bonus. Added to this will be many attractive door prizes, as well as turkeys, baskets of holiday delicacies, boxes of candy and many other appropriate prizes.

There will be a huge Christmas tree, music, entertainment and a special visit from Santa Claus, in the person of Henry Hansen, the Legion Community Kris Kringle of Highland Park, whose reputation for his fine portrayal of the part has won him fame along the entire north shore.

Leslie McCaffery, past commander, is in charge of tickets for the evening which may be obtained from any member of the post.

Chairmen of the various committees in charge of this annual event include Harry Earhart, general chairman; Finance Comm. Arthur Johnson; Arrangements Comm., John Peters; refreshments, Thos. Sutherland; awards, Matt Maiman; Santa Claus and program, Henry Hansen; General Comm, Paul Webb, Harry Eichler, Wm. Acker, De Witt Manassee, Art Swanson, Wm. Heinrichs; Special Comm., Miller Schreiner. More than 50 members of the post are assisting as members of these various committees and Harry Earhart, general chairman of the evening states that the general public are cordially invited to attend.

### C. S. Church Holds Services At Masonic Temple Temporarily

Beginning Sunday, December 15, and until further notice, the Sunday service, Wednesday evening meetings and Sunday school exercises of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Highland Park, Illinois, will be held in the Masonic Temple, 21 No. Sheridan road.

### Will Be Planted On Park Property Near Pub- lic Library

Highland Park is to have a Community Christmas tree. It is to be called the Children's Tree because every child in town is contributing a penny to buy it. It is to be planted on park property on the corner by the library, a living symbol of our community faith in the philosophy of goodwill to men.

Highland Park is going to fete its new tree this Christmas time with a program of carol singing sponsored by every musical group in town.

This idea, conceived by Mrs. Theodore Osborn newly elected chairman of the Co-ordinating Council which represents every one of the 70 organizations in Highland Park, and planned by the executive board of the council has met with the enthusiastic support of hundreds of local citizens. It would be impossible to list the organizations and individuals who have pitched into this project with eagerness and willingness to help from the mayor, the School Boards and faculty, the Park, the music groups, the library staff, the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, the Garden clubs the Legion and dozens of others.

On Sunday afternoon, December 22 at 6 o'clock, following the White Gift services at the churches every one in Highland Park will have the opportunity to gather around our new tree and to sing familiar Christmas songs. Trumpeters will initiate the singing and then marching from each direction will come groups of carollers meeting at the tree where everyone in town can join in. Mrs. Arthur Byfield, who leads and trains the choir of the Presbyterian church is chairman of the Music committee and in charge of the unusual program. She is being assisted by Mrs. Edgar E. Jenkins, Highland Park Choral club, Mrs. E. J. Keller, Bethany choir, Mrs. Allen Dicus and Mrs. C. Longford Felske of the Girl Scouts, Mrs. John M. Mannings, Highland Park Music club; Mr. Clifton E. Spear, Boy Scouts; Mr. Ralph F. Anschuetz of Trinity choir; Miss Gloria Linari, Girls Glee club of the Highland Park High school; Miss Lorraine Huncke, the Carollers of Immaculate Conception church and Mrs. George Hinn of the Highland Park Music club. Mr. John Guthrie, member of the executive board of the council cooperating with Mr. E. J. Brown superintendent of the Park Board has been in charge of selecting and buying the tree. Mr. Harry Aiston, also a member of the Council board has worked out plans for lighting the tree.