

# Walter Winchell

While Walter Winchell is on temporary active duty with the U. S. navy his column is being conducted by guest columnist. This week's is written:

By "Believe It Or Not" Ripley.

The first gossip column—the statue of Pasquino, a witty barber, was set up in Rome and contributors pasted satirical and witty comments on its base. Thus columnists were born.

The first war correspondent was George Wilkins Kendall, who reported the Mexican war (1846-47) from the battlefield exclusively for the New Orleans Picayune. By means of a special pony express, he was able to scoop all other papers and the war department as well.

A newspaper printed on cheese was published in Gouda, Holland, about 1840. Since the cheese could be eaten, the Dutch readers were said to be in the habit of "swallowing" anything.

A French newspaper published on a large handkerchief was another curiosity, which did not at all startle Paris in the eighties. It was the origin of the "nosey" press.

Another publisher in Brussels, Belgium, had an idea. He printed his paper on rubber sheets, to enable the ladies to read it while taking a bath.

And the "Blanc sur Noir" white on black was a French innovation reversing the usual order by printing its news in white letters on black paper.

And talking of up-to-date news, the French "La Presse Prophetique" was published for the purpose of giving the news of next year. It was not a success because it was published in hieroglyphics.

When the newspaper business was in its infancy, the reporter was called "an emissary," the editor "a register."

"The Romios" of Athens is a daily paper published in verse.

The co-ordinated German newspapers have recently discarded question marks from their headlines, because one editor of Essen, Germany, was sent to a concentration camp. By mistake the headline "Hindenburg Congratulates Hitler," was provided with a question mark instead of an exclamation point.

Suicides are banned from Turkish newspapers.

When I used a picture of the emperor of Japan in my Believe It Or Not cartoon, the Japanese ambassador in Washington made a very urgent telephone call to me. He requested that if a picture of the emperor must be used, then it was of the highest importance that this picture be printed on the front page of the newspaper, because it is a Japanese law that nothing must appear over the Supreme Portrait of the Son of Heaven.

I explained to him as gently as I could that this rule cannot be followed in America. His Excellency thought for a minute, and then he suggested that I place over the cartoon a printed admonition to the American public not to set down any objects—such as drinking glasses, pots and pans, etc., on the picture! He was greatly disappointed when I explained that the American public will not be restrained by any such printed admonition.

The Japanese newspapers carry on their staff a special employee called the "prison editor." He is paid a salary for taking the rap in case the newspaper is fined or sentenced to jail. In such a case the prison editor (whipping boy) goes to jail without interrupting the even tenor of the newspaper.

The Japanese press law provides jail for the offense of "belly treason" another word for "secret disloyalty" of the paper.

Aglatl Ilmanortut (Pages for Everybody) is the title of the Eskimo newspaper published at Nain, Labrador. It is published in the winter only, because in the summer its readers have no time to read, being busy with seal and fishing.

The oldest newspaper was recently discovered in Ostia, Italy. It was published in 58 B. C., was engraved in wax upon stone and contained the following news items:

(Date) 7 days before the calends of August (July 24). In the land of Cumo born 30 boys and 40 girls. Harvested 500,000 loads of wheat. Supplied 500 labor steers.

Crucified the slave Mithridates for having blasphemed against the spirits of his Master.

Repaid 10,000,000 sesterces for which there is no need.

The real father of newspapers was Julius Caesar, who instituted the famous "Acta Publica," which ran for six centuries.

And so it is in order that Italy should be the first to modernize her newspaper business by introducing the "push-button press," which brings all Italian newspapers totally under the domination of the Italian Press and Propaganda Ministry.

The Germans copied that system with its minister of propaganda and public enlightenment under the famous Dr. Goebbels.

## About Those Dear Deerfield Candidates

by Lester Hopper

I dropped in at Cox's Sweet Shop in Deerfield Sunday night and found pretty Mary McGuire, "dark horse" in the "Miss Deerfield Popularity Contest" sipping a big soda. It occurred to me that if all the residents of Deerfield knew this young lady they would get a big kick out of getting ballots from their local merchants and voting for her. She's a likely lass and Irish, as you may divine . . . and I hope she comes in at the finish, at least neck and neck with the present leader of the contest—another lovely young lady . . . Lenore Wilson.

It is only in the spirit of good-natured rivalry that I say I wish Mary well. For I have no axes to grind. They're both grand girls. Winifred Root is now in second place; Gloria Segert is in third place . . . and Mary (who was in second place last week!) has dropped down to fourth place this week! (What's the matter with you lads?)

This "Miss Deerfield Popularity Contest" is exciting great interest all around Deerfield town. You see, there's going to be a big, three-day party over there starting next Saturday . . . the Deerfield Fall Festival . . . and if you don't put on your best bib and tucker and go on over and take in the sights, you're going to be mighty sorry!

There will be merry clowns and lucky wheels and pink lemonade and a merry-go-round and a Ferris wheel and street dancing every night and barkers and side shows and "freaks" and a grand big soap-box derby and a bicycle parade and a thrilling baseball game between Highland Park stalwarts and Deerfield home-run kings.

There'll be fortune-telling booths (s-h-h-h!) and games of chance and a big community "sing" and a hobby show and a jam-and-jelly contest and a camera exhibit. Ladies and gentlemen . . . step this way for the "greatest Deerfield show on Earth." It's stupendous! It's colossal! It's gigantic! It's the show you'll love from start to finish. The show runs for three big days . . . Saturday, Aug. 30, Sunday, Aug. 31 and Monday September 1st!

## To Install Light At County Line Road

Mayor Frank J. Ronan told members of the Highland Park city council Monday night, that arrangements will be made as soon as possible to install a stop-go light at Green Ba yand County Line roads. Since half of the intersection is in Cook County, authorities there will be consulted before state action can be continued. Lights are put up by the state, but the city pays for the power.

Mayor Ronan and Chief of Police Rex Andrews have just returned from Buffalo, N.Y., where they attended a convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. The greater part of the meeting was given over to a report of a plan that is being worked out for civilian defense, especially air attack, and will be sent to all the cities in the United States soon. Since Highland Park's geographical position is so far inland and since we do not have munitions or defense industries, it is probably that we would never see an air attack, but Mayor Ronan says the plan will be put into operation as soon as it arrives.

## Fucik Hurt; 1 Killed In Skokie Collision

Frank Fucik is getting along as well as can be expected at the Evanston hospital, suffering from facial cuts and bruises, suffered in a head on collision Monday on Skokie Highway. George Christensen, 47, of Yonkers, New York was killed in the accident.

Police stated that Christensen attempted to pass a truck, driving north, and when he saw he couldn't make it, he jammed on his breaks, and slid on the wet pavement, directly into the path of Fucik's car. Fucik is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward James Fucik. Mr. Fucik is vice president of the Chicago Dredge and Dock Co., and a member of the Highland Park high school board of education.

## Senator Wheeler To Speak Labor Day

Labor day has been declared "America First Day" at the 37th annual fall festival in St. Charles, officials have stated. Senator Burton K. Wheeler, a Democrat from Montana, will address an anti-war rally at 8:30 p. m., in the natural amphitheater at Potawatomi park. The festival will start Friday.

The amphitheater will seat 7,000 persons, but loudspeakers throughout the 40 acre park will carry Wheeler's address to the throng of visitors expected for the final day of the festival. In addition, the speech will be carried by the Mutual Broadcasting system. General Robert E. Wood, acting chairman of America First, will introduce Senator Wheeler.

## Neill's Will Play Glenview Friday

Tomorrow night (Friday) at 8:45 o'clock under the lights at Sunset park, Neill's Sport shop softball team will cross bats with the strong Glenview Baxters in a North Suburban night league game.

Babe Hall will again pitch for Neill's and probably will be opposed by Johnny Clavey, who pitched a five hit game in beating Neill's, 9 to 4, at Glenview.

Last Wednesday night, before a large crowd, Neill's team won their second straight City Series game from Seguin and Logan by a score of 11 to 10.

### Lineup

Following is the lineup for tomorrow's game:

Gumbiner, 2b	Rogen, if
Sheahan, c	Borchart, ss
Sordyl, 3b	Meyg, c
Peterson, cf	M. Tosch, 2b
Laman, 1b	Peters, 1b
Clark, ss	Waller, rf
Dill, sf	A. Tosch, sf
Brennan, lf	Therrien, 2b
Black, rf	Kroeger, cf
Hall, p	Clavey, p

## Local Women Attend Meeting

The America First chapter chairmen from the North Shore suburbs met at the Winnetka America First office Tuesday morning to discuss plans for the fall program. Mrs. Philip Johnson and Mrs. Thomas Creigh from the Highland Park chapter attended the meeting.

Mrs. Elizabeth Land, chairman of the Speakers Bureau for the state of Illinois, presented suggestions for the fall schedule of speakers.

### Stephen A. Day to Speak

It has just been announced that Congressman Stephen A. Day, Representative for the state of Illinois, will make an address over the Red Network, station WMAQ, at 7:30 p. m. Friday, Aug. 29. The subject of his address will be "We Must Defend the Republic."

## LONESOME SOLDIER?



Edwin W. Arnold, Co. F. 130th Infantry, Camp Forrest, Tullahoma, Tenn., is the sad looking soldier. May be he had a fight with his girl—may be his feet hurt—maybe the sergeant "told him off"—May be he's homesick for some of Mother's good cooking! Ed is a camera fan and has done some nice work with bth mvies and 35m-m He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Arnold, 1624 Broadview Ave.

## Lt. Gov. Heigh Cross To Speak at Highwood

Lieut. Governor Hugh W. Cross will speak at the Labor day American Federation of Labor celebration to be held in Highwood, Monday at 3 o'clock. Other notables who will be present when the mortgage on their Labor Temple is burned are Rep. Nick Keller, of the Eighth Senatorial district, and Joseph V.

Morechi, Washington, D. C., international president of the Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers Union of America.

A county wide cavalcade will precede the speaking and mortgage burning. The cavalcade will form at 10 o'clock at Shiloh park, Zion, with Miss Mary Caspero, Labor Queen in the procession.

The ceremony will take place at 3 o'clock in Highwood, followed by free refreshments in the basement

## Neill's Best Funeral Boys

One of the most hair-raising finishes ever staged on the Sunset park kitenball diamond took place in the second game of the City Series last Wednesday night.

It all happened after two were out. Seguin-Logan's sturdy catcher, Eddie Hall, had established a 9 to 7 lead for his pitcher, Harrell, by belting a two-run homer in the top half of the ninth inning. Therefore, it seemed certain Harrell would win the game and tie the series up at one victory apiece, especially after Dill was thrown out attempting to pilfer second and Brennan skied to short-center. But as fate would have it, Slack's roller was fumbled at first.

That touched off the spark so Neill's went hit and run crazy while the Funeralmen proceeded to toss away their much hoped for triumph. Timely bingles by Babe Hall and Gumbiner and a walk to Sheahan, all sandwiched between three more costly errors by the frantic Seguin-Logan fielders resulted in three runs to give the Neill's Sportsmen their second straight win of the important Highland Park City Series, 10 to 9.

## Chandler's Appointed Official Book Store

Chandler's, located at 525 Central avenue, have been appointed the official book store for Lincoln, Ravinia, Braeside and Ridge schools. Children are urged to avoid the opening day rush and buy their school books now. Chandler's have a complete list of books and supplies.

Used high school books are now on sale at Chandler's.

Mrs. Anna Weimar, Rosewood avenue, entertained the following guests last week: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gulden, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schnobrich and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cradwohl, all of Searles, Minn.

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