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SEVEN NEEDLESS DEATHS

Labor Day marked the end of a highly successful season at the Central Avenue and Ravinia beaches. According to reports of life guards, there were no drowning deaths at either beach; in fact, there were not even any accidents that called the lifeguards to a rescue. Significantly the seven deaths from drowning that occurred in Highland Park this summer all occurred at beaches where there were no lifeguards on duty. Let's concede the "long arm of coincidence" . . . but it isn't that long. It's a little early to remind ourselves to swim safely next year, but let's just write into our memories that SEVEN PEOPLE died this summer because they didn't heed the safety warning to swim only at guarded beaches.

This seems a good time to congratulate the Park Board and the lifeguards on a summer free of swimming deaths. We believe the Park Board did an excellent job of choosing the beach guards; also, it is evident that these young men were vigilant in the discharge of their duties. And if the children have occasionally complained about the too-frequent call of the guards' whistles—well, there were no deaths. Good work, you lifeguards!

OUR "BOBBIES" ARE OK!

On Page 6 of this issue is Chief Andrews' report on Police Department affairs. Despite the fact that our department is small, undermanned and under-financed, we think the police deserve a hearty pat-on-the-back for a difficult daily task well and conscientiously done. Chief Andrews and his men have given and are giving Highland Park modern and up-to-date police protection, and this community should know and appreciate their service.

SCHOOL OPENING IS EXCITING

New faces, new books, new clothing, new subjects, new teachers, sometimes even a new school . . . no wonder this is a week of excitement for school children, and need we add, for pa and ma! The book stores are humming with intent buyers of school books, the clothing stores are filled with thrifty-minded mothers outfitting Junior for the fall season. The beauty shops buzz with girls getting prettied up for opening classes. The shoe stores overflow with buyers. School opening is indeed important, not only to the children, but to most of the rest of Highland Park.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS

We know lots of men in Highland Park who get all excited over the Big Ten schedule, yet pay no attention to the football games at the Highland Park schools. This department respectfully offers the suggestion that for real honest-to-goodness excitement and wild enthusiasm, the local school games leave nothing to be desired. The lads are "all out" to win, and play with all the vigor of more mature teams. It helps the fighting spirit of the boys to have some dads in the cheering section. Let's see more fathers—yes, and mothers and sisters and brothers and aunts and uncles and cousins out for the school games this Fall.

JUNIOR FLOWER SHOW

Child flower enthusiasts who have been invited by the Mens Garden Club to exhibit at the Garden Club Flower Show at the Moraine September 13 and 14, are, we understand, working like beavers to perfect their work in time for showing. We like a kid who likes to dig in the dirt and get back to nature. Seldom does a boy or girl who loves flowers and other growing things have time to get into devilment. These youngsters should have more than just a few ribbon trophies—they are deserving of our keen interest, at the flower show and at home.

MR. "X" BACK AT BAT

The Community Center, under the able direction of Mr. "X" (George Scheuchpflug) is getting under way again for a busy season. The Center, which is truly a center for civic affairs as well as juvenile activities, means a lot to Highland Park, because it furnishes a focal point for the entire community. Mr. X, with his patient interest in the important affairs of his child charges, does a good job. He needs adult interest and sometimes some actual, personal assistance. If you have some spare time once in awhile, and like kids, Mr. X can use you.

WANTED, SOME LOVING COOKS

This is an invitation to some of the good old-fashioned cooks here in Highland Park to make some cakes, cookies, sandwiches or other delicacies for use in the place where every crumb will be appreciated . . . we mean at the Service Mens Club. A lot of the men are away on maneuvers, but there are still a good many hundreds of men left at the Fort. These men are lonesome for human companionship and home-folks food. So . . . if you feel the urge to do your bit, Mrs. Highland Park, ask Nick Young at the Service Mens Club to send you over a hungry lad or two—you'll be cheered by the reward that pleases really good cooks the most . . . hearty appreciation and well cleaned plates.

MEN'S GARDEN SHOW NEXT WEEK

Reverend Williams New Assistant To Doctor Louis Sherwin

The Rev. Crawford Williams has arrived in Highland Park to take up his duties as the assistant to Dr. Louis W. Sherwin of the Highland Park Presbyterian Church. Mr. Williams will take over the duties that have been carried on by the Rev. Luginbill who after two years in Highland Park has gone to take graduate work in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary at San Francisco, California.

Mr. Williams is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Edward Williams of the Broadway Presbyterian Church, Rock Island, Illinois. He was born in Minnesota and spent his early years in that state and in California. In 1933 he graduated with the degree of A. B. from Augustana Col-



REVEREND WILLIAMS

lege at Rock Island receiving at the same time a Teacher's Certificate from the Augustana College Conservatory of Music. Following that for two years he did graduate work in English at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut. This was followed by the study of voice in New York City. Then Mr. Williams entered Princeton Theological Seminary at Princeton, New Jersey and graduated in May of this year with the degree of Th. B. He was then ordained into the Christian ministry at the Broadway Presbyterian Church of Rock Island, under the direction of the Presbyterian of Rock River.

Mr. Williams' particular responsibility will be in the Church School and in directing the young people in the various organizations connected with the Church.

He is a young man who comes to this work with a very hearty endorsement and those who have met him have no doubt that he will make for himself a fine place not only in the Church but in the community.

Lenore Wilson Queen of Deerfield Festival

Miss Lenore Wilson was crowned queen of the Deerfield Festival which was held Saturday, Sunday and Labor Day. Miss Wilson conducted her campaign from a hospital bed—but was an easy winner.

Miss Mary McGuire placed second and Gloria Segert third. All three young ladies were awarded prizes.

An interesting feature of the

Moraine Ball Room Selected To Provide For Huge Throngs

Trek Back To Schools Starts Today

The Highland Park high school and grammar schools in Highland Park, Highwood and Deerfield will open for the fall and winter term today (Thursday).

Freshmen will report at the high school today at 8:45 a. m., and upperclassmen will report tomorrow (Friday).

The Elm Place and Greenbay Road schools will open Thursday morning with all teachers back and ready for the coming year's work. Many of the teachers have had interesting experiences during the summer.

Miss Lula Behrens spent most of the summer touring the West Coast. Miss Alice Beyer has been vacationing in the north woods near Neebish, Michigan. Miss Hazel Blackman has been farming with her family at Yorkville, Ill.

Mrs. Katherine Cook had a summer play group for part of the summer and during August has toured some of the western mountains. Miss Bertha Cramer has been on her father's farm near Mt. Carroll, Ill., carrying on regional nature study.

Miss Carolyn Deile spent the summer at Porter Beach, Indiana, and at her home in Crystal Falls, Mich. Miss Mamie Dorsch has been working at the Lake Lawn hotel, Delavan, Wis.

Miss Ethel Fallstad and Miss Eleanor Roys have spent most of the summer on the west coast. Miss Patty Freeman was in summer school at Northwestern university for eight weeks and has also had a vacation in Canada. Miss Luanna Gould has been traveling and resting at her home in Bone Gap, Ill.

Miss Edna Grenoble spent part of the summer at her home in Freeport, Ill., and part visiting in Virginia. Miss Doretta Grunewald has been at her home in Rockford, Ill., with short trips interspersed. Miss Earla Hoyman had some interesting experiences working for the American Friends Service committee in Philadelphia. Miss Irene Jones took

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festival was the soap box derby, with a silver trophy. The trophy was won by James McDermott. Second prize was awarded to Charles Uchtman and Ward Anderson, third.

Bicycle race winners were Mary Ann Meyer, Sally Ann Meyer, Uchtman, Carl Anderson, Ned Wickersham, Richard Peterson, and Laverne Goodman.

Stores Favor Closing Wednesday Afternoons

Held Aid In Observing State and
Federal Hour Laws

Survey conducted by research division of Highland Park Chamber of Commerce shows sentiment in favor of closing Wednesday afternoon. This survey covers retail establishments in Highland Park and Ravinia, but does not include drug stores, garages, eating places, or gas stations, due to their nature of business.

The poll shows 80.9 per cent definitely in favor of closing; 10.01 per cent doubtful, but will close if others do; 9.09 per cent negative. Of this negative percentage includes some business that renders purely a service and not retailing of merchandise.

All in Favor
Store managers, proprietors, are definitely in favor of Wednesday afternoon closing since it will allow them to conform more easily to state and federal requirements in

regard to employees hours. Also, the employees favor the idea since it will provide certain periods that they can use to the best advantage. Some employers stated that they believe the store can render a better and more efficient service under this arrangement.

All merchants whether members or not, are requested to be present at the next regular meeting Tuesday, Sept. 9, when this matter will be in order for discussion and action. Leonard Neiter, president of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce, created the research division with a view of more efficient service to its members. The committee consists of Paul Olson, chairman, Earl W. Gaell, George Stone and Francis J. McDonough. Phone all reservations to E. A. Belmont, secretary of Chamber.

Child Gardeners Invited To Exhibit Their Handiwork

Men's Garden Clubs To Hold Convention

C. Eugene Pfister, president of the Men's Garden club has announced that the Tenth Anniversary Jubilee of the Men's Garden Clubs of America will be held at Hotel-Moraine-on-the-lake, June 25, 26, 27 and 28, 1942, with the local club as hosts. Mr. Pfister has been appointed chairman of the convention.

During the month of August, three new members were admitted to club membership. They are Harrington G. Yost, E. M. Sincere and Lester Cornblith Jr.

Plan Beautification Of Railway Station

Complete plans for beautification of the railroad station property is in the hands of the North Western railway officials for their consideration. The plans were prepared by Marshall Johnson, landscape architect and member of the Highland Park Men's Garden club.

C. Eugene Pfister, is chairman of the committee in charge of the project, which will probably be completed by fall.

Swim Toll For Season 7

Seven persons lost their lives drowning at Highland Park beaches this season ALL IN UNGUARDED PLACES!

Labor Day marked the end of another season of swimming at the local beaches. Life guards Dave Wilder and Whitt N. Schultz, report a perfect season, with no casualties at either the Highland Park or the Ravinia beaches. Record crowds swarmed the beaches on hot days and with the exception of a few days when the beaches were closed by the health department, or stormy days, this season was one of the busiest our lake front has seen.

The scenes at the unguarded beaches were sad ones. First to lose life in Lake Michigan, were three Fort Sheridan children, Patricia Mowakowski, 8, and Elreda and Hedwig Zielewieski, who were drowned when their boat capsized at Fort Sheridan beach; Ralph Walker, a little Chicago choir boy, drowned at the Highwood beach, while on a church outing; Francis Finley, 13, lost his life at the Prospect avenue beach; Private Opal Corn, 21, died at the Moraine beach and just last week Pasquini Borelli, 42, committed suicide by drowning just north of the Moraine beach. Are unguarded beaches safe?

Police Department Solves Burglary

Mayor Frank J. Ronan received a letter, Saturday, from Herbert M. Lautmann, 705 Waverly road, commending the Highland Park police department for their splendid work in solving the burglary at his home. He especially credited the work of Officer Harry Rogan and Sgt. Edward Patton and Martin Kopp. "They are a credit to the City and to the department" said Lautmann.

The Lautmann home was robbed, while the family was vacationing. The police traced the robbery to Carl Johnson, the houseman, who admitted inviting his friends to parties August 15, 16 and 17 at the Lautmann house.

Held to the grand jury under bonds of \$1,000 each are August J. Damos, 22, 374 North avenue; Charles R. Russell, 546 North Avenue, Highwood; Pvt. Walter Raube, 25, Fort Sheridan, and Jewel Packer, 17 of Highland Park, all charged with grand larceny. Joyce Copland, 16, Highland Park, charged with petty larceny and Fedora Turehi, 19 of 227 High St., is held as an accessory after the fact, helping the Copeland girl spend \$10, taken from the Lautmann home.

Humorous Displays Promised
Included in the classes for member exhibitors are annuals, perennials, gladioli, roses, dahlias, vegetables and fruits and novelty exhibits, including arrangements of weeds and humorous table arrangements. Last year's high-light novelty was a hill-billy dinner table with half gallon likker jugs at each place.

The stage of the Moraine-On-The-Lake ball room will reveal an ideal suburban back yard, complete with barbecue, rustic furniture and all the accessories that go to make dining in the open an increasingly popular summer diversion.

"Our attendance last year exceeded our wildest expectations," said C. Eugene Pfister, president. "This year we have prepared for even larger crowds by engaging the Moraine ball room, every available inch of which will be occupied by exhibits."

Committee Members
Members of the show committee are: J. David Dickinson, general chairman; Dougall A. Kittermaster, classes and judging; John C. McAleer, entries; Felix Simal, exhibits; Ben F. Lewis, special displays; Bert Leech, nature exhibits; Larry Abt, Junior exhibits; Jens Eriksen, photographs exhibits; Alfred C. Houser, publicity and Harlow Chandler, tickets.

Final Arrangements Progress For Men's Garden Club Show

Last minute arrangements are being made for the Highland Park Men's Garden club flower show, to be held at Hotel Moraine-on-the-lake, September 13 and 14 for the benefit of the Community Center.

Chairman J. David Dickinson and his committee are busy receiving entries for the show.

Perhaps the exhibit, "unique or humorous arrangements—no restrictions," will be the cause of most comment, and work for the men. The women are waiting with interest, some of the "unique and humorous" displays, expecting to bear the brunt of their humor, such as in millinery arrangements, etc.

When the Men's Garden Club of Highland Park was organized in May 1939, its two major objectives were community beautification and the development of garden enthusiasm among children. The more cynical oldsters scoffed at the idea that Young America could be interested in anything more than the "funnies," movies and convertible roadsters.

The Second Annual Garden Show under the auspices of the club, to be held at the Moraine-On-The-Lake Hotel, Saturday and Sunday September 13 and 14 will show how wrong the sceptics were.

Children To Exhibit

One of the principal features of the event, which promises to be one of the most important horticultural expositions of the local season, will be a comprehensive exhibit of flowers, vegetables, garden decorations, bird houses and figures carved from vegetables, all exhibited by boys and girls ranging from 8 to 13 years.

At the conclusion of last year's Men's Garden Show, which was an unqualified success, it was decided by the board of directors to sponsor a junior garden activity. Announcement of this enterprise brought 168 enrollments, all of whom were supplied with generous packets of flower and vegetable seeds and instructions on how to plant a garden plot 6 x 12 feet. One hundred and eight, 49 girls and 59 boys, carried the program through, under the direction of 16 club inspectors. Out of this number several score have pledged themselves to exhibit at the show and their entries from the standpoint of size, quality and variety are expected to challenge the best efforts of the experts.