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LEND A HAND . . . SIGN YOUR PLEDGE EARLY

The Community Chest drive, getting off with a roar at the Rally Dinner Tuesday night, should be a prompt and complete success. Highland Park has more homes and more people. Public realization of the need for support of the Chest is greater than ever before, due to the great care used by the Drive Committee in preparing and submitting full Chest information to the public. The several hundred volunteer workers have been given every aid so they will be able to answer donor's questions fully and quickly. All that remains is for the warm-hearted citizens of Highland Park to do their share, and our under-privileged will be assured the care they need for the twelve months ahead.

LET'S KEEP THIS A GOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Our High School, admittedly one of the finest in the entire United States, had a big deficit at the end of its last fiscal year, and is faced with a bigger one this year. School board and high school officials feel the school should pay its way rather than run into some of the tax situations other Illinois school districts have encountered. At a forthcoming special election, voters will be given an opportunity to express confidence in the work being done by the school by approving additional funds to be used in maintaining present high standard. Our high school people do not go in for the frills . . . their program for our children is soundly reasoned and efficiently administered. Voters should realize that voting increased funds for the school means only about \$2.50 added to each tax bill, but the total sum realized will keep Highland Park in the front rank on matters of high school education.

TO GIVE THANKS

There is a movement on foot to hold a pre-Thanksgiving dinner at the Moraine for several hundred Highland Park men. It is one of those splendid ideas that arrives spontaneously in our midst now and again. What a grand thought! Scores of citizens, relaxed from their business cares, meeting together for good fellowship's sake, to join hands with their neighbors in giving thanks for the happy lot that has been ours here in Highland Park!

SATURDAY'S HOMECOMING

Saturday will be a BIG day in Highland Park. The young folks at the High School are staging a real parade Saturday noon, with dozens of entries, prizes put up by the business men and interest running high. Saturday afternoon is the homecoming football game with Waukegan High. Saturday night will bring the Football Fumble, a homecoming dance. There are few times in the life of any human being when more fun can be crowded into a few short years than the period spent in High School. We're glad to see this evidence of revived school spirit, and we think it is not too much to expect that every "old grad" still living in Highland Park or nearby will turn out and help the kids make the day a rip-roaring humdinger of a success. School spirit is after all just a reflection of community spirit, and we certainly could do with more of the same here in our town. Last but not least, we could name more than one person, beset by work and worry, who would find real rejuvenation in a day's return to the happiness of High School days.

THAT TOWN MEETING AGAIN

Each day brings the annual town meeting closer. Discussion is widespread. The League of Women Voters is doing a splendid job of promoting interest in civic affairs; the Town Meeting will do more to awaken concern and attention among voters than any other one means to that end. Every citizen, every taxpayer, should be on hand at the Town Meeting, to absorb ideas and in many cases to contribute something to the thinking of the group. An aroused civic consciousness would bring Highland Park to its peak as a home community very quickly.

(Ferever a hopin' there is)

I ain't much a hand at explainin'
Like Preachers and Poets can do
'Bout creeds and religions er doctrines
An' things they call rituals too
But believin' and tellin' convictions
Don't 'pear to pan out on the powers
That's always prevailin' up higher
And heap more diviner than ours.

It's amusin' at times how a feller
Can lecture and argue the case
'Bout why he don't b'leve in no doctrine
Nor a creed of the whole human race
And always just sure when he does it
He's feelin' purt nigh at his best
But you catch him in heart breakin' trouble
And he's prayin' like all o' the rest.

You see it's like this he's pertendin'
That he can't swaller Deity you know
But will go to his knees the first minute
That he can't figure where else to go
He's heard 'bout the scriptures a tellin'
Perhaps in the Psalm Forty-Six
'Bout where he might go with his troubles
For some help when he's in such a fix.

So as I was a sayin' about it
Expressin' it sorta my way
Concernin' religions and doctrines
I just don't know nothin' to say
But believin' there's a Godd and some angels
Ever' feller's own notion is his
An' the one that's pertendin' to doubt it
Is ferever a hopin' there is.

Jess McGinnis
Deerfield

Community Chest Drive Started

November 5th Women's Club Town Meeting

What is our local rate of taxation for school purposes? How is the garbage license determined? Who has charge of the school play grounds? If you don't know the answers to these questions and others like them, the Third Annual Town Meeting sponsored by the Highland Park League of Women Voters is just the place for you to go at 8 o'clock on the evening of Wednesday, November 5.

The meeting was originally announced for the same auditorium as last year, but the interest being shown has warranted securing a larger room—namely, the auditorium of the Highland Park Women's Club. The speakers will include a representative of each of the elected boards—specifically there will be a spokesman for the City Council, each of the two elementary school boards, the High School board, and the Park board. These representatives will cover the activities of their groups and explain the particular problems encountered by them, as well as answer questions asked at the conclusion of their brief speeches.

At present the opportunity is being given to citizens who have a question of general interest, to submit that question in writing to Mrs. J. M. Watkins Jr., 836 Forest Ave. This advance questioning will enable the speakers to include the answers in their speeches, as well as enable greater questioning from the floor on the evening of the meeting.

High School Tax Election November 8

The Board of Education of the Deerfield-Shields Township High School District finds it necessary to request that the people of the district vote an increase in the maximum taxing limit for educational purposes. A special election for this purpose has been called for Saturday, November 8.

The school district has attempted to offer schooling to an increased number of students, in spite of a sharp decrease in the property valuation of the district. Consequently, a small deficit was incurred for the school year ending June 30, 1941, and naturally will be larger at the close of the present school year. The property valuations of the district have dropped from approximately thirty-one million dollars in 1940, despite the fact that in 1935, there was annexed to the high school district, nine sections of land, including the Village of Lake Bluff, having an assessed valuation of almost four million dollars. The present 31.00 tax limitation will no longer produce sufficient revenue to maintain the present high standards of education in our high schools.

Therefore the Board of Education is forced to ask for an increase in the educational tax rate from \$1.00 to \$1.50, and the district is assured that the Board will continue its policy of all possible economy consistent with the maintenance of the same good schools that this district has always demanded.

Hubert Bevins Funeral Today

Hubert Bevins, 62 of 104 South Second street, died Tuesday morning of a heart ailment. Born in England, Mr. Bevins came to the United States in 1900 and has been a resident of Highland Park for the past 21 years. He was a butcher by trade.

Surviving are his widow, Maude; two daughters, Myra and Ethel both of Highland Park, and two brothers and a sister in England.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the Kelly chapel. Rev. Christoph Keller officiated. Burial was in South Bristol cemetery, near Antioch.

Mayor's Proclamation For Navy Day

WHEREAS: The United States Navy is our first line of national defense and is of the utmost importance to all of us in the present world crisis, and,

WHEREAS: Monday, October 27th, 1941, has been nationally proclaimed Navy Day in order that we may demonstrate our faith and confidence in the men in the Naval Service,

THEREFORE: As Mayor of the City of Highland Park, Ill., I cordially invite all citizens, schools, churches and organizations to join in observance of the Day and display our national colors at that time.

FRANK J. RONAN, Mayor
City of Highland Park, Illinois

420 Volunteers Meet at Exmoor For Dinner and "Pep" Talk

Plans for Local Service Men's Club Are Completed

Plans for the Highland Park United Service Organization Service Men's Club were completed in the constructing quartermaster's office late Monday, and bids will be accepted this week. Work on the local building, which will be erected just north of the Community Center is expected to get underway within a few days.

Preliminary plans and specifications for both the Highland Park and Highwood service men's clubs were designed by Flinn and Corrough, architects of Highland Park, and purchased outright by the War Department office of Zone Construction Quartermaster.

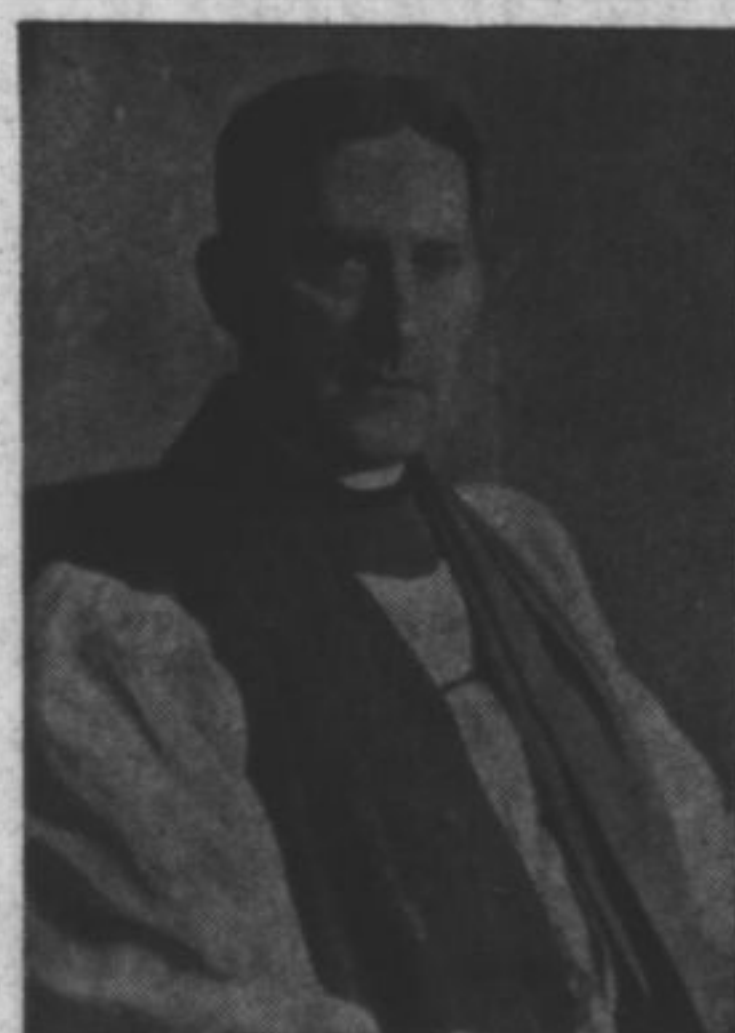
Plans for the Highwood building were completed last week. Meyers and Gentilini, through their attorney, Paul Behanna, have given right of entry, and construction contracts will be signed today. Actual construction is expected to begin Monday. Lease forms have been approved by both parties and forwarded to Washington for signature.

Army engineers from the Quartermaster corps have taken office space in the Highland Park Community Center, and work on the two projects will be directed from there. Lt. Lamereaux from the quartermaster corps is in charge.

Bishop Cross to Speak at Mission at Trinity Church

In the Mission to be held by all Episcopal Churches in the Diocese of Chicago from Sunday, October 26 through Sunday, November 2, services in Trinity Church, Highland Park, will be outstanding because of the presence as Missioner of the Rt. Rev. Edward M. Cross, D. D. Bishop of Spokane.

Bishop Cross is nationally known as a churchman and humanitarian, and is widely recognized as one of the foremost speakers of the Episcopal faith. Services will be held daily in Trinity Church during the Mission, with Bishop Cross conducting each.



Bishop Edward M. Cross

service. There will be a daily Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7:30 o'clock each morning, a period of instruction daily at 10 o'clock and a regular evening service at 7:45 o'clock.

Purpose of the Mission is to quicken the faith and zeal of individuals by presentation of this opportunity to re-discover individual and corporate Christian responsibilities. Members of Trinity Church, and others throughout the Diocese, are foregoing other responsibilities and engagements to give each day, during the Mission, to the Church.

The Rev. Christoph Keller, rector of Trinity, has directed preliminary arrangements for the Mission.

Edw. C. George, Horace Vaile, Chairmen, Make Report of Early Special Gifts Collections



Edward C. George, left, chairman Special Gifts Committee, J. B. Garnett, Chest president and Horace S. Vaile, Chest Drive Chairman pause during dinner rally to approve Community Chest News.

Homecoming Parade At High School

Highland Park High School's homecoming football game is going to be played Saturday, October 25, at the High School Athletic Field on West Park Avenue. To celebrate this event, the students of Highland Park High School are going to have a parade. The Student Council, Boys' and Girls' Clubs, assisted by faculty members, Miss Morgan and Mr. Heins and City Commissioner, Arthur Swanson, are organizing this project. The American Legion, Chamber of Commerce, and several Highland Park business men generously donated money for the prizes, the distribution being as follows:

Floats: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$3.
Autos: 1st, \$8; 2nd, \$4; 3rd, \$2.
Sessions having most floats and individual events, \$4.

Feeling that the city is behind them, the students are working hard to make this event a success. There will be floats made by sessions and individuals; also, several cars will be appropriately decorated.

At noon, Saturday, the cars are to be assembled at the High School Auditorium facing south on St. Johns Avenue. From there, the parade will proceed east on Vine to Sheridan; then, south on Sheridan to Central Avenue; it will pass the flagpole on Central where the judges, Mr. Pertz, Mr. Zipoy, and Mr. Wolters, members of the faculty, will stand, and then go west to Greenway Road. The cars will then disband in order to go to the game.

Mrs. Dean McCormick Elected President of Garden Guild

The annual Meeting of the Highland Park Garden Guild was held Monday, Oct. 20th at the home of Mrs. John F. Jennings, 290 Woodlawn Road.

Those taking office for the coming year are: Mrs. Dean McCormick, President; Mrs. Robert Mahan, Vice President; Mrs. Herman Zischke, Treasurer; Mrs. Harding Wilbur, Secretary; Mrs. Samuel Bingham, Program Chairman and Mrs. Ralph Cleary, Flower Show Chairman.

The members of the Guild want to express their appreciation to the following local merchants who donated prizes for the Farm Festival which took place at the Leverone Farm for the benefit of the H. P. Station Beautification Project:

Hilborns, Blue Goose, Brawn Brothers, Pease Drug Store, Community Market, Alden Studio, Chandlers, Garnett's and Coiffure Shop.

NOTICE

To Men of Highland Park

First Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held Monday, November 17. Watch for particulars in next week's paper.

The largest group of workers ever to gather for the beginning of the Community Chest Drive attended the opening dinner rally at the Exmoor Country Club Tuesday night, October 21.

Over 420 volunteers, had dinner and listened to the opening instructions for the Chest Drive to begin Wednesday. This exceeds by 100 the largest group ever to enlist themselves in this worthy work in former years.

The meeting was opened with a short address by President Joseph Garnett who called upon Samuel Hastings, one time Mayor of Highland Park and present Chairman of the Chest.

The diners were provided with excellent entertainment furnished by the Girl Scouts and by headline acts from both Columbia and National Broadcasting Company networks. After the entertainment, the business got under way with an inspiring address by Harold O. McLain who is noted in Highland Park for his eloquence, wit and inspiration.

The basis of our democracy, as we know it today, are the freedoms that were granted to us in the Bill of Rights, McLain pointed out. Freedom of Religion, Freedom of the Press, Freedom of assembly and Freedom of speech are American institutions that must be preserved. They mean the life and the survival of the American Way of Living.

But, he pointed out, they impose responsibilities upon every citizen—responsibilities that must be met in every way, if these freedoms are to continue. One of the ways in which the ordinary citizen can help to fight for freedom in a world tortured by oppression, is to foster the feeling of brotherhood, to help the less fortunate neighbors wherever help is needed.

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E. A. Warren Buried Monday

Funeral services were conducted Monday October 20 for Edward A. Warren, a resident of Highland Park for more than seventy years.

As a building contractor many of the fine homes and the attractive Moraine Hotel were built and remain as monuments to his handiwork.

Mr. Warren's record for civic activities include membership for three years on the School Board, twelve years as alderman and sixteen years as City Clerk. During these periods, he contributed untiring energy toward the advancement of many of our modern improvements.

Remembering his fine record of service to Highland Park and his keen ability for accomplishment, his many friends genuinely mourn his passing.

He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Mrs. Brand, and two sons, Harry and Edward of Highland Park.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks for the many kind expressions of sympathy extended to us in our recent bereavement.

The Warren Family