### YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT: WHAT IT IS DOING

By Elmore M. Murphy



The long awaitthe Highland Park this expense alone. City Council and States Attorney Harry Hall which was scheduled for last Thursday eve-

ning failed to ma terialize. The meeting was postponded do to the purported inability of the

States' Attorney to make the date. We sincerely trust that the States Attorney's reason for begging off was rainfall drains off over the lots of legitimate. The city council has been given the well known run-around by view Avenue delegation pointed out the States Attorney's office in the that their own driveways, lawns, and past so often that any excuse at all of failure to cooperate is viewed with siderable damage but that the tar fillsuspicion.

### Back Taxes

However, the charitable thing to do is to give the States Attorney's office the benefit of the doubt and hope that it will see its way clear to partleipate in an early session with the Highland Park Council in an effort to get started on cleaning up the deplorable delinquent real estate tax problem in this community. It is a foregone conclusion that if these back taxes cannot be cleared up in a socalled boom period then they never will be paid. The public as a whole has not as yet begun to feel the terrific tax burden of the current National Emergency, and probably won't until sometime next year. Once the minds and energies of the rank and file of citizens is taken up with meeting the tax bills of the current unpleasentness here and abroad, back taxes will be lost in the shuffle. The old adage of striking while the iron is hot was never more true than at the present time. Everyone with the interest of the community at heart trusts that the States Attorney's office will leave no stone unturned in an effort to cooperate with the city officials in starting definite action on the delinquent tax situation.

Monday evening's council meeting in itself was exceedingly short, taking no more than fifteen minutes at the outside from the opening to adjournment. However, the subject of drainage problems that arose as an aftermath of the recent rains and that was introduced at the meeting in Commissioner Swanson's report, was carried along in an informal discussion long after the regular meeting had adjourned. The subject arose

Drainage

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in the expense of putting in a storm sewer in this area. The council thereed session on de- by granted the Iredale Storage Comlinquent real es- pany permission to put in its own tate taxes between sewer and connect it with the city's the members of sewer if it was so inclined to bear

Fairview Delegation

A Fairview Avenue delegation was on hand to again appeal to the council for cooperation in clearing up a drainage problem that has existed in that district for several years. It appears that water from the Kimball estates drains into a vacant lot where it collects in a hole of considerable size and then in times of excessive adjacent property owners. The Fairfoundations not only suffered coning the cracks in the street was being eroded away. The council instructed City Engineer Cole to make a full investigation of the situation with the thought in mind of cooperating with the complaining Fairview Avenue property owners in a joint action to force the owners of the vacant property in question to install proper

Exmoor Criticised Exmoor Country Club came in for its share of criticism by property owners in the vicinity of the club's eight green for draining off the surplus water on this section of the course into the already overtaxed city main serving that area, From evidence submitted to the council the sanitary sewers in this district are constantly backing up and depositing sewage in nearby basements whenever an excessive rain occurs.

drainage facilities on his land.

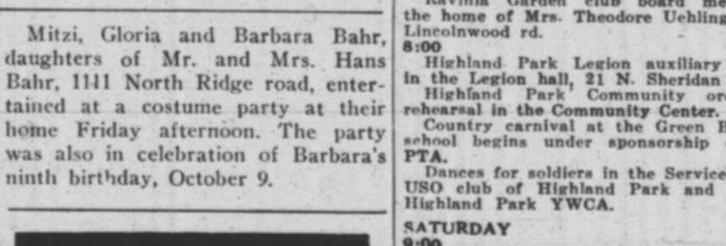
At the suggestion of Commissioner Sharp, the complaining property owners are going to circulate a petition sighting their grievences and present it to the city council for further ac-

All the above drainage problem goes back to the inescapable fact that Highland Park has a totally inadequate storm sewer system. It is unfortunate that when so much of the New Deal easy money was being cast about in the early days of the current Federal administration Highland Park's pillars of the Republican party didn't put their pride in their pockets and get in line with the rest of the communities. As it is now it is practically financially impossible 12:15 for Highland Park to pay for a modern drainage system alone.

### Landscape Grounds

Commissioner Sharp stated that with the reading by City Clerk Mus- plans for beautifying the incinerator ser of a letter from the Iredale Stor- grounds were already under way and age Company complaining of inade- | that by the middle of next summer quate drainage facilities in the vicini- most of the landscaping would be ty of its Highland Park warehouse. A completed. Dirt that will be obtained rough canvass of adjacent property from digging the USO building foun- 10:00 owners revealed that they in all like- dation will be used in the incinerator

lihood would be unwilling to share improvement program. Mitzi, Gloria and Barbara Bahr, Glencoe avenue are spending two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Hans tained at a costume party at their



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Book Fair

### Calendar

THURSDAY

DAR board meets in the home of Mrs. Lewis B. Sinclair, 108 Dale ave., High-land Park.

Highland Park Lions club meets in the Sunset Valley Golf club. Toppers club meets in the Highland

Annual visiting night Park High school PTA. of the Highland

Highland Park Legion auxiliary meets Neal. Highland Park Chess club meets in

the Community Center. FRIDAY Highland Park production unit of the Red Cross meets in the parish house of the Trinity Episcopal church.

Ravinia Garden club board meets in the home of Mrs. Theodore Uehling, 2277 in the Legion hall, 21 N. Sheridan rd. Highland Park' Community orchestra

Country carnival at the Green Bay USO club of Highland Park and in the Highland Park YWCA.

SATURDAY Shop and Arts Craft club meets in the Highland Park Community Center.

Ravinia Woman's club dinner dance the Ravinia village house.

Highland Park members of the North shore Hiking club meet at corner of St. Johns and Central aves, for weekly hike.

12:15 Highland Park Rotary club meets in the Hotel Moraine On-the-Lake.

Highland Park Kiwanis club meets the Hotel Morain On-the-Lake:

SSS Highlander. Highland Park, meets in the NSYC boathouse. Table Tennis club meets in the Highland Park Community Center. TUESDAY

Elm Place school PTA board, Highland Highland Park Boy Scout Troops 30, Elm Place Book Fair.

35, 38 and 324 meet.

Highland Park Civic chorus meets in the North Suburban Philatelic society meets n the Highland Park Community Center.

### BIRTHS AT THE HIGHLAND PARK HOSPITAL

Mrs. John W. Shaver, 641 Delta Road, boy, October 30. Mrs. Joseph T. Condon, Bannockburn, girl, October 31. Mrs. Aurelia Ori, 6'2 Onwentsia Ave., boy, November 3. Mrs. David Zahnle, Deerfield, girl, November 3. Mrs. ohn Frantonius, Highwood, boy,

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## 6 Composition Winner At Elm Place

wrote compositions in connection with partments. Our peace, the kind of the Annual Book Fair being held November 10 to 14. The six winners of the composition are: Stephen Sickle, Bobby Berg, Fred Pomper, Dibby Betz, Jack Rasmussen and Harriet Mc-

Following is the prize winning composition written by Bobby Berg of the 8th grade:

'The Book Fair'

It's here again! That grand, big, glorious, gala, affair that everybody looks forward to-the Book Fair. Four Highland Park Legion auxiliary meets big days of it, November 10, 12, 13, and 14. Tuesday, November 11, has Dear Sir: been excluded as it is Armistice Day. The hours are from 9:00 to 12:00 c'clock in the morning, from 1:00 to 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon, and from 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock in the eve- giving Dinner.

Besides the regular primary, intermediate, and elementary tables there will be side tables on aviation, hobbies, animals, adult books, art and music, "It Pays to Advertise" is presented by and many other various types of books. Comptons Encyclopedia will be an-

other book featured at the Book Fair. The seventh and eighth graders are helping to sell books this year at the the evening doubly important, Book Fair. So with the talented seventh and eighth grades we have, there will be quite a number of books sold. One of the aims this year is to get the fathers up here to look at the books because not many of them have come around during the other book

No pageant is to be held this year

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

If you are proud of yourself as a straight thinker, think of this one: A Books are keys to wisdom's treasure, distinguished American said in pub- Books are gates to land of pleasure, lic the other evening, "You can't Books are paths that upward lead, have peace except under the rule of Books are friends, come let us read. force." There is so much meaning in whole book to prove its truth.

sentence first: People who live in stand out as two shining beacons the fool's paradise of religious faiths ready to throw their lights on the would say that there is no truth in paths of faith and courage. Faith and it. From the cradle upwards they have courage are more than necessary tobeen taught that the world is ruled day. In building and developing these by a divine providence. Such a person qualities we should not overlook the was a friend of the writers during vital influence and contributions of the last war. In 1915 the Germans had books. invaded Russia, France and Belgium. The timely bookweek slogan for They had shot Nurse Carvel and 1941 clearly sets forth what the serspread death and devastation over vices of books have meant to genera-Europe. Their submarines were sink- tion after generation of children. For ing ships and drowning men as in- books have opened up to them the differently as one would discard a world of human relationship and huburned match. They had the world man nature as no other medium has terrified; and they gloried in their been able to accomplish. They have murderous successes. I stopped to extended the mental horizon of the speak to this friend of mine because child farther than direct observation she looked worried and distraught. In and actual experience ever could do, a toneless voice, hollow and strained and in books, let us remember are with many fears; she said, "Do you preserved the inherent rights of childthink there is a God?" Little could hood. I do to answer her question or give And so, when you read for inspirapeace to her haunted mind at that tion and for pleasure as well as for time. After 1918 I was quite sure that | information, let it be: "Forward" and there was one thing we had learned, upward. and that was that peace was restored In keeping with the theme of the to the world because the people of year the children's room will feature this country saw to it out of their special exhibits for the week. Bookown understanding that if France, lists will be distributed and old fa-England and the United States could vorites and new friends will be there not muster up enough force to stand waiting for you. off the Germans, we should have had peace, but a German peace, which tice day, the 11th of November. Germany is attempting once more in mhich the Germans are going to have all the white collar jobs while the rest of us sweat in mines and factories.

come again to the world! We are not really worried about peace; what we are worried about is what kind of peace it shall be, and under whose force shall it come! But men like the writer despair about those who can't get out of their fool's paradise. Deare still millions of people who believe that peace, and our sort of existence, depends upon a mysterious divine providence, even although these same people have always paid taxes for the support of the army, the navy, Pupils of the Elm Place schools the air force, the police and fire depeace we Americans can live under, can be maintained only at the price of said precinct will be at the High of men who prefer death to slavery, and the use of arms rather than prayers. One may put his trust where he will, or ostrich-like refuse to look a reality in the face. But this is cerovercome German forces now loose in the world, our land, too, will be a land of defeat and slavery.

### **Letters to Editor**

A Project which deserves the support of all Highland Park men is the

to see a strong community spirit develop and grow to attend a meeting of this type. For the opportunity of ing within Shields Township north of friends and neighbors and for the opportunity of hearing these three Bluff. ministers of different faiths makes

Men of Highland Park-whether you are from Braeside or Sunset, East side-let's attend!

### ROTARY CLUB

Herbert Taylor, Rotary's district but the Book Fair will be bigger and governor, Chicago, made his annual grander. So here's looking forward to visit and was the honor guest, at the seeing every single one of you at the regular weekly meeting of the High- her home in Nebraska after spending land Park Rotary club, Monday noon the past two weeks in the home of -Bob Berg at the Moraine Hotel. Harry Kelly Mr. and Mrs. Russell Miller, 1547 8th Grade was in charge of the program.

## Library

"Forward with Books"

Emilie Poulsson. this one sentence, one could fill a In a world where the black clouds of war and destruction are hanging Let us take the last part of the low, the words forward and upward

The library will be closed on Armis-

### List Polling Places For There is no doubt that peace will School Election

In order to qualify as a voter, one must have lived in this State one year, in this County 90 days, and in his present precinct 30 days. If one has maintained another address as his permanent address and used it for voting spite the awful lesson of 1914-13, there purposes within the time mentioned, he cannot vote at this election.

The following polling places have

been established: Precinct No. 1 All that part of said District lying within the boundaries of Deerfield Township except the portion thereof within the City of Highwood and the City of Lake Forest. The polling place School building in the City of High-

Precinct No. 2 All that portion of said territory within the City of Lake Forest. The tain: If there is not enough force to polling place of said precinct will be at the City Hall in City of Lake For-

Precinct No. 3 All that portion of said territory

within West Deerfield Township except that portion thereof within the City of Lake Forest and that portion thereof within the Village of Bannockburn. The polling place of said precinct will be in the Town Hall in the Village of Deerfield.

Precinct No. 4 All that portion of said District ly-First Annual Community Thanks- ing within the City of Highwood. The polling place of said precinct will be It is a privilege to one who wants in the grade school in the City of Highwood.

Precinct No. 5 All that portion of said District lybanqueting at Thanksgiving time with the City of Lake Forest. The polling place of said precinct will be in the Village Hall in the Village of Lake

Precinct No. 6 All that portion of said District lying in the Village of Bannockburn within West Deerfield Township. The side or West side, North side or South polling place of said precinct will be in the grade school in the Village of Bannockburn.

> Voters will be required to vote in the precinct in which they reside. Polls open 12 noon until 7 p.m.

> Miss Helen Bern has returned to South St. Johns avenue.

### ELM PLACE BOOK FAIR PREVIEW



Children at Elm Place Book Fair shown looking at books. They are: front row, left to right, Nancy Clinton, Mark Raymond, Sandra Schram, Bdward Wanger, Lawrence Peddle, Ricky Keating. Middle row, Lenore Crawley, Jane Roberts, Jimmie Bench. Back row, Betty Kline, Richard Eubanks, Molly Buchaannan and Lee Ostrander

The fair is being held every day and evening from November 10 to 14, inclusive in the Hall of Pictures. Mrs. Horace Vaile is chairman, assisted by Mrs. Edward Loewenthal. (Story on page 1)