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Fire At Bernard's Found By Cabbies

Employees of the Highland Park Yellow Cab Company prevented a serious fire Sunday night in Bernard's Upholstery shop above their office at 11 N. St. Johns Avenue. The "cabbies" smelled smoke but could find no blaze. Firemen were called and found sparks from the stove upstairs burning a hole through the floor.

Dedicate USO At Highwood At 8 O'clock

The Highwood United Service Organization will be formally dedicated Thursday, December 18 at 8 o'clock, with Commissioner Ernest I. Pugmire, Territorial commander of the central states officiating. The United Service Organization's Club, Fort Sheridan, is operated by the Salvation Army at 346 Waukegan Avenue, Highwood. The club personnel is as follows: Federal Coordinator, Edwin C. Jones, F. S. A.

The Club Staff includes Major and Mrs. Ira R. Fitzpatrick, Club Directors; Clare Wiggs Olson, Program Director and Ruth V. Strandine, Hostess.

The Management Committee is as follows: Dr. N. C. Risjord, chairman, President, Defense Council; Mrs. George Kenry, Secretary, P.T.A.; Harvey Reber, American Legion; Reverend Winfield Johanson, Pastor, Zion Lutheran Church; Reverend Charles Seward, Pastor, Grace Methodist Church.

Club Services Open Daily—9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. All servicemen are welcome.

The following program will be presented: Opening Song... "The Star Spangled Banner" Invocation.. Lieut.-Col. Arthur Ewert Post Chief Chaplain

Introduction of Chairmen of Council of the U.S.O. Brigadier John C. Marshall Regional Field Supervisor Salvation Army, U. S. O. Remarks.. Chairman, Dr. N. C. Risjord Pres. Highwood Defense Council March... "America" Sextet, Salvation Army Chicago Staff Band Introduction of Distinguished Guests... Colonel F. C. Rogers Post Commander, Fort Sheridan Remarks.. Maj.-Gen. J. C. Cummins Commanding Sixth Corps Area Solo... Private Stewart Cooper Pianist... Private John Kreps Recruit Reception Center Address.. Commis. Ernest I. Pugmire Salvation Army Territorial Com. Response... Private Manson Welsh Headquarters Battery 103rd C.A. Closing Song.. "Gloria Americana" Benediction.. Rev. Winfield Johanson Pastor, Zion Lutheran Church Tour of Club and Refreshments at Snack Counter

PRESS WANT ADS BRING RESULTS

War Causes Changes In Holiday Plans H. P. USO



By LEMUEL F. PARTON (Consolidated Features—WNU Service.)

NEW YORK.—There's a nice alteration in "Cape Town Clipper," and an invitation to rhyming which in other days might have interested Tin

There may never be a Casey Jones of the air, the buxom lad who will ride anything, anywhere, on the slightest provocation. Just a look at the dashboard of a modern plane is enough to convince one of that.

As to being a Clipper skipper, any lad who starts to day-dream his way into the job had better make other arrangements. Here are a few but not all of the qualifications of 35-year-old Captain Gray:

He is a master mariner, a licensed engine mechanic, a licensed airplane mechanic, a graduate radio engineer, a licensed radio operator, a first class cook and the holder of certificates in international law, maritime law and business administration. That's about par for the course on the ocean fairways for the men who command the big flying ships.

Mr. Gray was born in Guttenberg, Iowa, in 1906 and left the University of Iowa to take flight training at Brooks field in the army school. He later went to the University of Detroit and took a degree in aeronautical engineering. He flew first for the Ford Motor company, and then joined the Pan-American Airways for flights to the Canal Zone. In 1931 he took up studies for his master pilot rating and became one of the youngest men to attain the highest flying rank of "master of ocean flying boats."

Women Out to Get A Play for Their 70% of Wealth

Some persons informed in finance in politics say they do and some say they don't. Miss Cathrine Curtis, the tall, Junoesque lady who organized women investors in America, a few years back, not only insists that women do have all this money and say-so, but makes it a business to see that they get a play for it—a big new feminine pressure group if you want to put it that way.

In her home town, Glen Falls, N. Y., where her father ran a hotel, the 18-year-old Miss Curtis saw Gur Thomas' play, "Arizona." She followed it around the up-state circuit, and became so saturated with its romantic glamour that she kept right on going—to Arizona. There Harold Bell Wright saw her and put her in his moving picture, "Shepherd of the Hills." This was her start in various moving picture and ranching enterprises. It was in 1935 that, in New York, her present home, she organized the women investors. It appears that nobody ever has figured out how much of that 70 per cent is merely something in the wife's name for safe-keeping.

The recent entry of the United States into the world war and the fact that all troops are subject to movement without notice has caused the Highland Park Council of the U.S.O. to revise the elaborate plans which had been made to provide a holiday program for the men of Fort Sheridan and Great Lakes during the holidays, according to Paul Behanna, chairman of the U.S.O.

The big Christmas Eve party and vaudeville show at the Alcyon Theatre the old fashioned Christmas Open House at the Community Center to have been conducted by the American Legion, and the Auxiliary, the big New Years Eve Party and the dance announced by the Ravinia Women's Club as well as other events which were for a large group of men and involved extensive preliminary arrangements have been cancelled, it being impossible under present conditions to plan ahead, according to Harry Aiston, U.S.O. chairman, who has been in contact with Col. Rogers at Fort Sheridan.

The extensive program which had been planned was made possible by the liberal contributions from the Highland Park citizens in the local campaign for funds for the U.S.O. and Highland Park Service Mens Club conducted last summer when a total of almost \$6,000 was given to meet the U.S.O. quota of \$3750 assigned to Highland Park and to establish a fund in the community to care for the service men.

It is stated by the Highland Park Council of the U.S.O. that while plans for the large events have been cancelled there is no change in the plans to promote and list home hospitality, display Highland Park's own holiday greetings to the Yanks in service, list parties and programs being conducted by organizations to which service men can be invited if free on that date and in fact it is the intention to intensify all these efforts so that should there be any great number of service men in the community during the holidays there will be ample evidence of holiday greetings to them and accommodations listed to entertain them. All those wishing to list their willingness to help can do so by communicating with the Highland Park Service Mens U.S.O. club 19 N. Sheridan Rd., phone 4874.

Obituary

D. B. LIGHTNER DeWitt B. Lightner, 53 of 637 Laurel Avenue, died Tuesday last in Chicago after a long illness. A loop insurance underwriter, he is survived by his widow, Marjorie, and a daughter, Mrs. Dulcie Smith, Chicago. Services were held Thursday from the Kelly chapel. Interment was private.

MRS. ANNA SCHUBNELL

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning from St. James Church for Mrs. Anna Schubnell, 77 who died at her home, 337 Orchard Lane, Highland Park, after a heart ailment of long standing. She retired as a cook in the H. P. high school cafeteria, after 25 years of service. Her husband, August, died in 1928.

Basketball Teams Lose To Morton

Morton's Mustangs maintained their winning streak when they defeated our Little Giants 56-20 yesterday afternoon on their floor. Led by Strumillo and Lightnek, their all-state candidates, the Mustangs ran wild through all four quarters of the game. The score at the end of the first half was 27-2, and when the gun sounded to end the tilt the score stood 56-20.

Fresh-Soph Lose The fresh-soph lost a heartbreaker by a score of 25-24. The game hit a fever pitch when Morton overcame a five point lead to win in the final stanza.

Former Student Places In Track Meet

Joe Grinnell placed second in the 60-yard high hurdles and first in the 60-yard low hurdles in the freshman track meet at Yale. Joe was a student and member of the track team at Highland Park last year.

Civic Chorus Practice For Xmas Program

The Highland Park Civic chorus met Tuesday night to rehearse Christmas Carols under the direction of H. N. Finch of the Highland Park High School Impromptu solos by some of the members added to the entertainment.

The chorus will help lead the caroling at the Second Annual Community Christmas Tree at 6 p.m. Sunday afternoon.

Rehearsal of some of the choruses of the "Messiah" will take place at the home of Miss Olga Sandor, 401 So. Sheridan Rd. on Friday, Dec. 19 and Friday, Dec. 26. Regular rehearsal on Tuesday night at the Community Center will be under the direction of Miss Sandor.

The "Messiah" will be presented by Miss Sandor's group of singers, assisted by the chorus, on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 28 at the Community Center. Soloists will be announced in next week's Press.

U S O CALENDAR

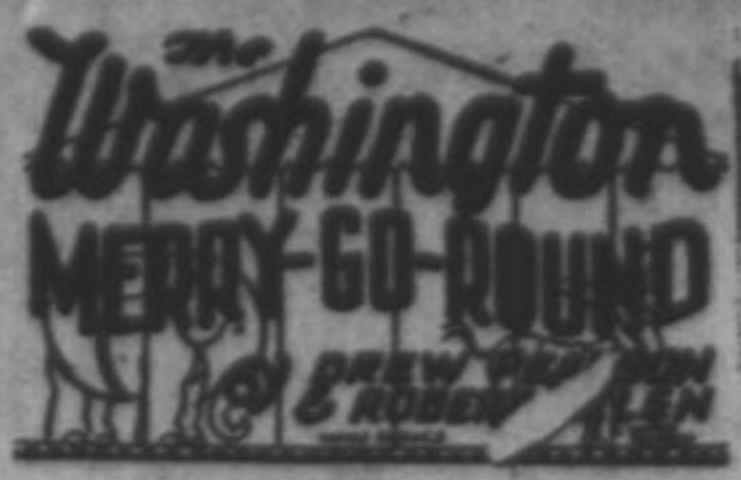
- Highland Park U. S. O. Nick T. Young, Director. Friday, December 26. Party and entertainment at U.S.O. Club sponsored by the Dance & Party Committee. Saturday, December 27. Party by G. S. O. girls and movies at U. S. O. Club. Sunday, December 28. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. musical program and entertainment. 4 o'clock Tea. Food furnished by Santi's Dairy. Hostess, Nancy Santi. 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Vesper Services featuring special numbers by Service Men. 8 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. program and Dancing. Monday, December 29. Bridge lessons for beginners. Dance class. Wednesday, December 31. New Year's Eve party and Frolic Thursday, January 1. Open House program at new building. Friday, January 2. Friday night Sandwich dance. Hostesses—Dora Lee Sullivan & Betty Farmer.

Calendar

- THURSDAY 12:15 Highland Park Lions club meets in the Open House tea room. 1:30 Meeting of the North Shore Auxiliary of Meat Cutters at 16 N. Sheridan rd., Highland Park. 4:00 Junior Chess club meets in the Highland Park Community Center. 4:00 Toppers club meets in the Highland Park YWCA. 8:00 Board of directors of the Highland Park Community Center meets in the Center. FRIDAY 10:00 Highland Park production unit of the Red Cross meets in the parish house of the Trinity Episcopal church. 4:00 Junior Chess club meets in the Highland Park Community Center. 8:00 Sunset Terrace Improvement association, Highland Park, meets in the Community Center. SATURDAY 9:00 Shop and Art Crafts club meets in the Highland Park Community Center. 10:30 Story Hour at the Library. 9:00 p.m. Swing club dance in the ballroom of the Highland Park Woman's club. SUNDAY 9:00 Highland Park members of the North Shore Hiking club meet at the corner of St. Johns and Central ave. for weekly hike. 6:30 Second annual Highland Park Community Christmas celebration begins. MONDAY 12:15 Highland Park Rotary club meets in the Hotel Moraine On-the-Lake. 2:00 Masonic club of Highland Park meets. 6:00 Highland Park Kiwanis club meets in the Hotel Moraine On-the-Lake. 7:30 Highland Park Table Tennis club meets in the Community Center. 8:30 S.S.S. Highlander meets in the Scout room of the Highland Park Presbyterian church. TUESDAY 7:30 Highland Park Boy Scout Troops 30, 32 and 33 meet. Christmas party for Boy Scouts of Troop 324 in the Scout room of the Highland Park Presbyterian church. 8:00 Highland Park Civic chorus rehearsal in the Community Center. North Suburban Philatelic society meets in the Highland Park Community Center.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination for ATTENDANT, (For filling the position of Mess Attendant) \$1,080-\$1,140-\$1,200 a year, at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois. Application blanks and full information as to experience and other requirements may be obtained from the recorder, Labor Board, U. S. Civil Service Examiners, at any first or second class post office in the vicinity of Great Lakes, Illinois; or the Manager, Seventh U. S. Civil Service District, Post Office Building, Chicago, Illinois. Applications must be on file with the Recorder, Labor Board, U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois, on or before the close of business on January 9, 1942.



Washington, D. C. HIDDEN TREASURE

With American industries crying for war materials, the government has finally got around to seizing a giant horde of semi-manufactured war materials originally intended for the conquered countries. Tons upon tons of steel bars, steel rods, steel sheets, ship plates, tin plate, copper wire were ordered by Poland, Czechoslovakia, Holland and Belgium, some of it three years ago. It has been in warehouses and idle freight cars ever since, despite the scarcity of raw materials and despite the fact that some industries are even closing for lack of them.

Why this horde of priceless material remained untouched for so long is a mystery. But the secret is first, government red tape and bureaucracy; second, the fact that owners of these materials, who were holding them for higher prices, did not want to sell.

The old Export Control board under Gen. Russell Maxwell, who is now devoting his abilities to the Near East, did nothing about this treasure horde. But now Henry Wallace's Economic Defense board is finally moving in.

A small haul was made earlier this year in Hoboken, N. J., of aluminum and other materials, but the coming seizures are on a far greater scale. Of one commodity alone, tin plate, there will be 100,000 cases, or 15,000 tons, taken from three areas, New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore.

The total haul of all commodities will be between 20 and 25 thousand carloads, which, at an average of 50 tons to the car, means over a million tons.

The Economic Defense board will use only \$200,000 to finance the requisitioning of all this material, the value of which runs into many millions. Most of it will be seized and sold again on the same day, so the \$200,000 will be merely a revolving fund.

INTERNED ITALIANS

One of the Italian ship officers in detention at Fort Missoula, Mont., wrote his wife in Italy a letter which U. S. officials are sure will never reach her.

The letter will get to Italy, all right. Mail is still being exchanged regularly between the two countries. But authorities are certain that the officer's letter will not get by II Duce's censors, for, in hungry, battered, war-weary Italy this poignant message would not be "good propaganda."

This is the reason: "We left Philadelphia for the city of Missoula," wrote the husband. "The journey lasted three days and three nights on a train and was a real pleasure. We did not lack a thing because we traveled in a Pullman. At meal times we turned it into a dining room and at night into a dormitory. The meals were magnificent. "I can tell you that for me the journey was one I had dreamed of for years and then, in an extraordinary way, it came true. As I said before, this place is beautiful, all green with woods and surrounded by hills. The air is fine and healthy, my appetite very good and the food abundant and exquisite. "We do not lack milk, butter, meat, bread, vegetables, fruit, sugar or coffee. When I am eating I always think of you, who are perhaps without food. No one can complain about the guards. They treat us with every respect and consideration."

Note: To Americans the effusive description of the food as "abundant and exquisite" is interesting, because the alien prisoners at Fort Missoula are fed straight army fare. In quality and quantity their rations are exactly the same as those of U. S. soldiers.

SCRAP IRON TO JAPAN

For years, the heaviest foreign buyer of U. S. scrap iron was Japan. Despite much public protesting, the state department permitted Nipponese militarists to import huge quantities of this vital strategic material. Now appeasement chickens are coming home to roost. With defense production swinging into full tide, the U. S. suddenly is confronted with a serious scrap shortage. For various reasons, defense chiefs are saying nothing about the situation. But it is very acute. A number of steel makers have privately reported curtailed production schedules in the offing because of inability to obtain needed supplies of scrap. One important plant executive went so far as to describe his condition as "almost desperate."

CAPITAL CHAFF

Everyone is getting increased wages, except the poor postman. The cost of living has gone up but he can't strike against the government. The army air corps is wind-tunnel testing a new single-engine fighter plane that will do 313 miles an hour, 100 miles faster than any other plane in existence. All the bugs have been eliminated from the plane except one—finding a pilot who can safely fly a plane at that terrific speed.

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