

YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT: WHAT IT IS DOING

By Elmore M. Murphy



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Only three members of the city council were on hand for Monday evening's meeting but the nature of the topics discussed gave a welcome lift to what otherwise might have been a rather dull and uninteresting affair.

First and foremost on the program was discussion pertaining to the further development of the community's plans for Civilian Defense. In his report on Public Affairs, the mayor stated that he had hoped to be able to present to the council for appropriate action an ordinance covering the various activities involved in operating under a Civilian Defense program. However, final action on any such ordinance was postponed until after a meeting of the Corporation Councils of North Shore municipalities who were scheduled to meet on Tuesday of this week to work out a uniform law for all the communities in this area to adopt.

Experience in other areas has demonstrated the wisdom of some sort of uniform laws pertaining to blackouts and other Civilian Defense activities when practice over a fairly large district. While the time element is getting more and more important the mayor felt that any action on a blackout ordinance should be postponed until the various municipalities around the North Shore have a chance to contact each other and work out some sort of similar program acceptable to all.

In the meantime, however, the mayor has appointed a Civilian Defense Committee to work out the details for the complete Civilian Defense program. He also appointed from the whole committee an executive committee which will coordinate the work of the larger body. When the Defense Committee gets to functioning it in turn will direct the work of some 500 or more citizens who will be charged with the responsibility of carrying out the detailed work of the complete program.

Seek A Uniform Ordinance

After a two year or more struggle it finally appears that the current administration's program to collect delinquent real estate taxes is finally getting under way. Heretofore there have been many meetings held on the subject at which numerous suggestions have been offered on how to go about collecting these taxes. Like a dog chasing its tail, to date the results of all these confabs have been disappointing. However, at long last the council

has come up with a plan that looks more than promising.

As reported in these columns some time ago the council had ordered a list prepared of all improved property in Highland Park on which there were delinquent real estate taxes due. This list has at last been compiled and is now available at the City Hall for inspection by prospective tax buyers. A check up of the list reveals that there are several attractive pieces of property available for the astute buyer on this basis. The council, through Commissioner Sharp who has had charge of the delinquent tax collection program, wishes to impress on all those concerned that this is no bluff on its part and that it is definitely going through with its program. Those who have been habitually delinquent in their real estate taxes and who feel that the city is helpless to do anything about forcing the issue are due for the surprise of their lives. The next few weeks should prove the correctness of this prophecy.

Commissioner Swanson in commenting on this same subject stated that he felt it absolutely necessary for Highland Park to take the initiative and start the ball rolling towards getting the necessary legislation enacted in Springfield to bring order out of the present chaos in the delinquent tax situation in real estate. He feels that if all the taxing bodies affected by this curtailing of their funds would unite and present their case to the powers that be in Springfield even the politicians in Cook County would be unable to stop corrective legislation.

Municipalities Need Money

Commissioner Sharp pointed out that most communities were desperately in need of more money to carry on their work. He stated that an increased levy would only work an additional hardship on those citizens already paying their taxes and that the real source of evil in the situation would go untouched.

This writer is of the opinion that while the city's present plan to attract tax buyers by making available a list of selected properties is admirable, it is only an emergency measure and cannot be looked upon as a long time solution to the problem. That solution lies in a co-operative attack on the stronghold of civic indifference at Springfield and the sooner the battle starts the quicker the victory will be won.

Mayor Ronan made his annual plea for automobile owners to buy their city vehicle tags. He stated that while many had complied with the ordinance covering this subject there were many more still running around town with 1941 tags on their cars. They have to be bought eventually, he added, so why wait until the local constabulary taps you lightly but firmly on the shoulder.

Men 20-45 To Register Feb. 16; List Draft Facts

Facts about the selective service board, preparatory to the forthcoming registration day, Monday, February 16, have been collected at the request of the state draft headquarters. On that day men between the ages of 20-45 will go to their selective service board to register for military training.

Following is the summary of County Board No. 1:

Address—370½ Central Ave., Highland Park.

Telephone—H. P. 2012.
Board members—Clarence E. Huhn, 1100 Springfield ave., Deerfield, chairman; Richard L. Thorsch, 137 Beech st., Highland Park, secretary; Walter F. Moeller, RFD 1, Barrington.

Appeal agent—Francis J. Nosek, 148 Sunset rd., Highland Park.
Legal Advisor—Mortimer Singer, First National Bank Bldg., Highland Park.

Re-employment Committeemen—Frank J. Zipoy, 736 S. St. Johns ave., Highland Park, chairman; Edward Jacobson, 557 Deerfield rd., Deerfield.

T. B. Association Annual Dinner February Third

The Lake County Tuberculosis Association wishes to call attention that contributors to the Christmas Seal Sale voluntarily become members of the Association, and as members are cordially invited to attend the annual dinner meeting of the Association which will be held Tuesday, Feb 3rd, at 6 P. M. in the Karcher Hotel, Waukegan. Reservations must be made by Saturday noon, Jan 31, at the office, Majestic 1805.

The principal talk of the evening will be given by Will-Ross of Milwaukee. Mr. Ross is well known in our community for his connection with the Will Ross Hospital Supply Company of Milwaukee. He is known to tuberculosis workers throughout the country as president of the Mississippi Valley Conference on Tuberculosis.

Mr. Ross' subject will be "The Book is Too Long."

The Association hopes that it may be able to report first place in the annual Christmas Seal Sale of all counties in Illinois outside of Cook County

SOMETHING ALL CAN DO



Plan Rally for Russian War Relief Feb. 22

Local groups of the Russian War Relief from all parts of the city and suburbs are making plans to participate in the giant rally to be held in the Chicago Stadium on Washington's Birthday, Sunday, February 22.

The Chicago committee of the Russian War Relief is hopeful that Maxim Litvinoff, Russian Ambassador, will make his first public address since arriving in this country, at the rally, provided that war developments do not demand his presence in Washington. It is also expected that Joseph Davies, former U. S. ambassador to Russia, will be present at the meeting.

Outstanding stars of stage, screen and radio will also be well represented, inasmuch as scores of them are sponsors of the Russian War Relief. Among famous sponsors of the organization are: Charles Chaplin, Dame May Whitty, Basil Rathbone, Helen Hayes, Ben Hecht, Robert Benchley, Tallulah Bankhead, Pearl S. Buck, Katharine Cornell, Lynn Fontanne, Jascha Heifetz, and many other famous persons in political, religious, business and artistic circles.

According to Mrs. Philip Moore, co-chairman of the Chicago office at 80 East Jackson, the Russians do not have a pressing need at present for guns, tanks and ammunition as they are getting a liberal supply from the retreating Nazis. Soviet soldiers and civilians, however, are in desperate need of medical supplies, food concentrates, and warm clothing. By following their scorched earth policy, they are now re-occupying cities and villages barren of necessities of life.

The Russian War Relief was created for the sole purpose of raising medical supplies, food and clothing for civilians and soldiers of Russia. It is a coordinating body for all forms of Russian Relief, and operates under the regulations of the Presidents committee on War Relief Agencies. It works in close cooperation with the British War Relief Society, and other major war relief agencies.

(P. F. O'Farrell)

Barrington Town Warming To Be Held Jan. 25

Barrington Town-Warming . . . 11 nationally-known speakers . . . January 25 through February 5 . . . admission free . . . everybody welcome!

That, in brief, is the story of the Barrington Town-Warming. Conceived in 1939 as a revival of the early American town meeting for the members of the village of Barrington, Illinois, and their friends, Town-Warming has become a widely-known community project. Boasting a galaxy of speakers during the three previous years of its existence, this year, in a war-torn world, the value of Barrington's Town-Warming takes on added significance from the list of prominent speakers and the subjects they have chosen. A partial list includes—Channing Pollock, "What Can We Do For Democracy?"—Carroll Binder: "The World In The News"—Dr. Ricardo Alfaro: "What Will South America Do?"—Denis Conan Doyle: "Will This War End Christianity?"

Barrington is proud of—and invites all to share in—the part it is playing in the maintenance of our American ideals.

(Charles Kapschull)

LIONS

Charter members of the Highland Park Lions club were honored at the meeting Thursday noon at the Open House. Ten years service chevrons were presented to Paul Olson, Ingram Rasmussen and Robert Pease. The fourth charter member, Gerrit T. Thorne, passed away just last week.

H. P. Archers Win Tournament

Thirty archers competed in Highland Park's first tournament of the indoor season, Sunday afternoon January 18, in the Elm Place School recreation room.

Highland Park won over the opposing Lombard Club by 704 points. Each archer shot a Team Round of 96 arrows, at 30 feet.

Fifteen men and women represented each team, and the four high men's scores, and the four high women's scores from each group determined the winner.

The team score were as follows:
Lombard women 1338
Lombard men 2052
Highland Park women 1701
Highland Park men 2393

There were about twelve interested spectators and guests present. After the tournament refreshments were served.

Bishop Freeman To Address The Sunday Eve Club

Bishop James E. Freeman, former railroad executive, who now ministers to presidents, embassies and legations from the Episcopal cathedral in Washington, D. C. will address the Sunday Evening Club next Sunday in Orchestra Hall, speaking on "Lift up your heads." He will be introduced by President Clifford W. Barnes, who leaves the next day for Pasadena for a two month's stay at his winter home, William S. Warfield III, a trustee of the Club will take part in the meeting.

Preceding his talk there will be music by the Club's choir of 125 voices, directed by Edgar Nelson. "Unfold Ye Portals" by Gounod, "Evening Hymn" by Reinecke, "Rise Crowned with Light" by Franke-Harling, will be sung. Louise Hoe and Virginia Ayer will render as a duet, "The Lord is My Shepherd" by Smart.

WILSON'S Weekly RECIPES



I wish you could visit our Homemakers' Testing Kitchen where the recipes used in this weekly column are tested and tasted. No cold white laboratory kitchen this, but the "homey" kind. So much so that homemakers who come to talk over cooking problems with us find themselves stirring a sauce or turning the meat!

George Rector
Food Consultant to Wilson & Co.

One of the first questions visitors to our kitchen ask us about ham is "Which ham requires cooking, and for how long?"



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Well, that depends on which kind of ham you buy. For example, Wilson's Certified Tender Made Ham comes ready to serve. It has all the delicious tender goodness of a ham that has been baked to perfection.

Now suppose you want to serve this famous ham hot. Then heat it about 5 minutes a pound in a 350° F. oven. This is for an average size ham, say 10 to 12 pounds—half hams or smaller hams take about 7 minutes of heating to the pound.

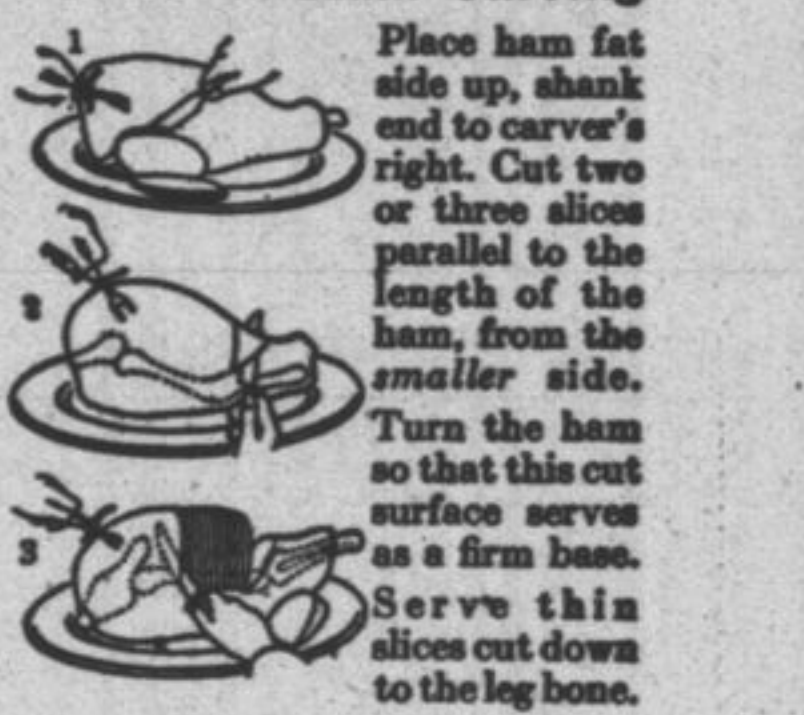
Packed with every ham is a Rector Recipe giving complete instructions for heating and glazing. But please remember only Wilson & Co. makes genuine Tender Made Ham—the "ham you cut with a fork."



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Hints on Ham Carving



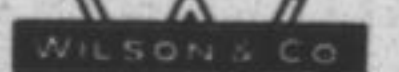
Place ham fat side up, shank end to carver's right. Cut two or three slices parallel to the length of the ham, from the smaller side. Turn the ham so that this cut surface serves as a firm base. Serve thin slices cut down to the leg bone.

LEFTOVER HAM "QUICKIES"

Ham and Noodles
Ham a la King
Ham Waffles
Ham Omelette

Rector Recommends...

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