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CONVENTION DAYS . . . OUR FIRST

Beginning today, the delegates to the national convention of the Men's Garden Clubs of America will stream into our city of Highland Park. Their convention is the first national convention ever to be welcomed in our community. In a real sense, these visitors are more than convention delegates; they are the guests of a flower-loving citizenry in a town famous for its beautiful gardens. While it is true that flowers can be grown in lowly places, the fact that the whole city of Highland Park is graced with gardens is in itself evidence of the type of culture that seeks and appreciates the finer things of life. So let us make it our business at every opportunity to make these Flower Club delegates feel that we appreciate their choice of Highland Park as the 1942 gathering place for their meetings. They have paid us a high honor; our appreciation should recognize it.

BEACH CAUTION

This year more than ever, our patrolled and guarded beaches will mean much. They are safe and accessible to all. The expensive vacation is out of the question for the patriotic citizen of 1942, because it requires money and time that can be more wisely expended elsewhere. But piecemeal vacations, in the form of an hour or two at our peerless beaches, cost nothing and fulfill the function of helping us to relax and forget the day's trials and tribulations. Caution, however, is more necessary than in former years. Fewer people will be going away, more will be using Highland Park beaches. The vigilance of the guards will be taxed more and more as the hot days increase. So—it behooves every person using the beaches to be very careful. Every parent should make sure his children learn the rudiments of safe swimming. All swimmers should be taught to stay out of the water until at least an hour after eating. Stay out of rough water. Do not dive into strange waters; they may be too shallow or the bottom may be too stony. Above all things, do NOT swim at unguarded beaches. The Park Board employs guards who are expert swimmers and lifesavers. These guards are stationed where they can protect the greatest number of people. It is only a matter of common sense to swim where the guards are. By so doing, the swimmer keeps a factor of safety working for him that would be entirely lacking at unguarded beaches. And just as a suggestion, try walking to the beach instead of driving. Save rubber, gasoline, car wear, and avoid parking troubles. Also, add considerably to your exercise quota!

CONSTRUCTIVE PLAY

Highland Park children will have the advantage of expensive play facilities this year as in former years. All during the summer months, the playground and recreation program which is an annual activity of the Park Board will be available for our youngsters. It has been well said that the future of America will rest in the hands of today's children. Years hence, we will be able to look back with pleasure and satisfaction on a child-building program which, even during the war period, recognizes the need for strong minds in healthy, well-nourished bodies. Child health authorities have long recognized that a healthful environment and properly guided and stimulated recreation for the juvenile population go a long way toward making strong, straight-thinking adults. So—have a good time this summer, you kids. We love you and we are proud to be able to provide the things that make summer fun and health for you.

WAR NEEDS YOUTH

Daily the news of the war shows the need for young bodies and minds to meet the shocks and emergencies of battle. In tanks, planes, submarines, we see lads just out of school—or shop or factory or office—who are performing feats that put some of the older men to shame. The agility and quick reflex actions called for under emergency are the heritage of youth. Young bodies have resilience, to meet hardship. Young minds are fired with idealism; cynicism and scepticism are seldom to be found in youth's dictionary. So from June 26 to June 30 the men of 18 and 19 will register to do their part in the nation's service. It may be hard for Mother and Dad to recognize that Junior is a man in size and strength, but Uncle Sam knows. Winston Churchill's solemn expression, "Blood, sweat and tears," comes closer home when Junior goes to War.

NOISE — OR BONDS

Next week, Independence Day finds us gravely concerned with the problems that we as a nation must solve before Victory can rest upon our banners. Independence Day, will hardly be a day for fireworks, noise and senseless celebration. Our most sincere and useful observation of the Fourth of July can well be in the form of an extra investment in War Bonds and Stamps, or an added impetus to our war work—Red Cross, USO or whatever our assignment is. The fireworks can be reserved until Victory comes. Let's eliminate the noise this year, and take time to recognize the real meaning of the Fourth. We feel sure there is not a boy in Highland Park who will be so self-centered as to feel he must have fireworks this year.

PLAY BALL

Everyone loves a ball game, especially a double header; why not let a soldier or sailor in on the fun too? On July 2, a night baseball game for Army-Navy Relief will be played at Comiskey Park—Great Lakes vs. Chanute Field at 6 P. M., and Cleveland vs. the Chicago White Sox at 9 P. M. If you would like to send some service man to this game, the USO in Highland Park is ready to receive your donation, and the lucky soldier or bluejacket will write and thank you personally. Bleacher seats are 55c, and grandstand seats are \$1.10. Just send your contribution with your name and address to the Highland Park USO, 21 N. Greenbay Road, before July 2, and they will do the rest. This particular game is played for a good cause, for your money will help Army-Navy Relief, and at the same time the ticket will give some service man a lot of fun. His letter of thanks alone will more than repay you. The Highland Park USO is counting on your contribution. Batter up!

Garden Convention at Moraine

\$7,770 Collected For USO

With \$7,770 collected to "keep 'em smiling," the Highland Park USO war fund campaign committee this week is accelerating the drive in order to finish the last lap in a short time.

William T. Jones, campaign chairman, reported yesterday that although the committee is just \$730 short of its goal, the last portion of a campaign often moves slowly. He urged Highland Parkers who have not donated, but intend to, to send their contributions in immediately.

Those who have not been contacted, will be called upon this week, he stated.

Donations Still Needed

"In order to speed the drive to its goal, however," he said, "we would rather have you contribute before a solicitor calls upon you."

The response has been splendid in Highland Park with the exception of two sections, according to Treasurer Clarence Witt. A poor showing has been made in District 11, bounded by West Park Ave., Greenbay Rd., Ridge Rd., and Bloom St., and in District 12B, the Deerfield Ave., and Berkeley Rd. area.

One contributor of \$25 last week decided to find out how his money is to be used. He visited and inspected the Highland Park USO club, 21 N. Greenbay Rd. According to Publicity Chairman Alfred C. Houser, he was more than satisfied with what he saw and returned to the USO office to make another donation.

Campaigners Announced

Appointment of new campaigners in three districts were announced yesterday. Mrs. Roy Barnhart has been added to the District one staff. In district seven, Chairman George Leithner has appointed George Hamburger, Colin Saborn and Gilbert C. Thelen to assist him. Assistants in district 12C working under Theodore Fischer are Walter Wagner, Mrs. John Peters, Richard Loewenstein and D. M. Blasler.

Legion To Hold Carnival

Dumaresq Spencer Post of American Legion is making preparations to stage the city's annual show, a carnival of rides, games and amusements, to be held July 2, 3, and 4 at Sunset Park.

Commander Harry E. Eichler and Adjutant Leslie B. McCaffrey announced that this year the carnival will include several new features, changes, and improvements in the nature of attractions and the methods and facilities of presentation.

The grand award this year will be a 1941 automobile. The general registration booth will be augmented this year with a larger variety of prizes contributed by the merchants of Highland Park and the Legion post than ever before.

The carnival is given each year for the purpose of raising funds to carry on the Legion activities. This program embraces the promotion of Americanism, aiding Boy and Girl Scout activities, organizing for emergency and disaster relief, combating subversive activities and many other purposes. To date the Legion Post have invested over \$3000 in government bonds.

According to Commander Eichler, it might be necessary to forego staging a carnival next year owing to the war emergency, in which case he urges the public to participate as much as possible this year. Owing to the automobile and tire shortage, citizens can stay at home over the holidays, visit Sunset Park and enjoy the fellowship of their townspeople.

ADC Law Activities Outlined

On June 30, 1942, it will be a year since the Aid to Dependent Children Act became a law in Illinois. On July 1, 1942 this Act supersedes the Mother's Pension Law and all Mother's Pension cases will be transferred to the Department of Public Welfare to be investigated and recommended for assistance under ADC.

The League of Women Voters worked hard and long for the passage of ADC, and it is with great interest that the members scrutinize what changes it has brought about in Illinois since it started to function last October. The objective of Aid to Dependent Children Act is to establish a program of child welfare which will provide certain definite benefits to all the children of the state which were not available under Mother's Pensions. Some of these benefits are: monthly payments are more adequate (28 per cent higher per child for the state as a whole in a typical month), a greater number of needy children are eligible for aid (31,000 more children receive aid than under Mother's Pensions), care is available to children in all counties, and administration of the program is uniform throughout the state inasmuch as County Departments of Public Welfare under supervision of the State Department of Public Assistance, administer the law.

Lake County ADC

In Lake County ADC is administered by Mrs. Zeta M. Poff, Superintendent of the Department of Public Welfare, who says, "48,000 children receive the benefits of Aid to Dependent Children payments in a month in Illinois. Some 31,000 of these children are from families who were on relief rolls. 40,000 of these children would not have been eligible for aid under Mother's Pensions because they were living with needy relatives other than the mother (ADC does not specify the child must live with the mother though about 90 per cent do), and 3,500 more children in Illinois between the ages of 16 and 18 have been given the opportunity for two years' more schooling because of the more liberal provision of this act."

For the biennium Oct. 1941 to June, 1943 the Illinois General Assembly appropriated \$16,000,000 for assistance and administration of the Aid to Dependent Children program. The Federal Social Security Act provides that the U. S. government will match dollar for dollar paid in assistance for ADC by the state, up to \$18 for the first child in the family and \$12 for each additional child. Allowances on this basis limit the number of cases which may be taken to some 53,000 children in order not to exhaust the funds. But 53,000 children is only 72 per cent of active cases and pending applications as of Jan. 31, 1942. The burden of those children who cannot be cared for by ADC will fall back on local relief agencies.

Governor Speaks

In spite of certain fiscal limitations in the operation of the act, Governor Dwight H. Green declared, "No social welfare law in Illinois has so convincingly and quickly demonstrated its value. Results can be judged through conditions and facts supported by statistical data reported from every county in the state." Mrs. Poff says, "Recognition has been given to the fact that children who are in want through no fault of their own and who have been deprived of many of the things needed to give them the love and security which a real home provides, should have that security made possible. This holds true whether they live in one of the more impoverished counties of the state or one of the more prosperous counties."

Tenth Annual Convention Of Men's Garden Clubs In Session

Special Program Planned For Wives And Woman Gardeners

58 From Local Board Inducted

Fifty eight men from local draft board No. 1 area left Highland Park Early Tuesday morning for the induction center in Chicago.

Highland Parkers included in the group were William Thomas, Raymond Cote, Leo Hart, Maurice J. Allshyow, Frank Anderson, Curtis Scheunemann, Leo Ladurini, Robert Golden, Ejnar Nielsen, M. Warner Turiff, John Zengler, Frank Moran, Alfred Pfanstiel, George Olson, Jr., Woodrow W. Rogers, Robert Watt, Cyrus B. Will, Elmer Slack, Roy Kirby, John Duffy, Walter Borgeson, Bernard Fields, Mariano Dal Ponte and Arnold Johnson.

From Highland were Samuel Lenzi, Edmond Williams, Charles Pasini, Albert Rossi, Tony Manzetti, Mario Caraffi, Charles Mornini, Francis Bernardi, Deno Tamarri and James Ross.

William Stephens, Jr., and Conral Bekko, of Deerfield, also were in the group.

Mayor Ronan Urges Safety During July

The National Safety Council, supported by 130 other national organizations is conducting a nationwide campaign to prevent the usual heavy accident toll in July, due largely to the Fourth of July celebration, vacations and other recreational activities.

Last year's accident record was alarming, not only in traffic accidents but also accidents in and around the home. There were eight serious motor accidents in Highland Park during July, 1941, in which nine people were taken to the hospital. In addition there were two drownings in Lake Michigan.

Since January 1st, 1942 there has been an Illinois State law prohibiting the sale and use of fireworks. Highland Park has held a City ordinance to the same effect since June 12th, 1939. Special permits may be granted by the Mayor for the purpose of holding pyrotechnic displays, or for blasting purposes, held under proper supervision.

"Knowing that every patriotic resident of this City recognizes that accidents help the Axis, every citizen while abroad must be on the alert, drive and walk carefully, be cautious in swimming, avoid the use of fireworks and refrain from driving after drinking intoxicants," said Mayor Ronan in a special safety interview today.

LIONS CLUB

The new officers of the Highland Park Lion's club will be installed at the meeting held tonight at Sunset Valley Golf club. Wives of the members will be special guests. District Governor Russell Boehm of Libertyville will be the installing officer.

William Seguin will be installed as president. Other officers to be inducted are: first vice president, G. J. Dinkeloo; second vice president, Henry Eitner; third vice president, Ray Moldeny; secretary, F. J. McDonough; treasurer, Gordon Leonard; Lion tamer Clifford Crow; tail twister, (tie) Paul Byers and Fred Isbell; directors, Ingram C. Rasmussen and Robert Roebor.

Dr. James Butterworth is the retiring president.

The tenth annual national convention of Men's Garden Clubs of America opened at Hotel Moraine on the Lake today. The meeting will be held all week end, closing with a tour of North Shore Estate gardens, Sunday morning. Eugene Q. Pfister, president of the Highland Park Men's Garden club, and members of the club will act as official hosts.

Committees

Pfister and the following committees are in charge of the convention: Hotel committee, Oliver S. Turner; transportation, Niels Clausen and R. U. Baughman; registration, Irving Meyerhoff and Harry L. Oppenheimer; garden tours committee, D. A. Kittermaster and Edson K. Rice; flower exhibits, M. G. White, J. D. Dickinson and W. H. Savin; outdoor dinner, Elias Mayer, Howard Moran, Robert Ansapach and Henry Siljestrom; Women's program committee, Mr. and Mrs. Morton Schamberg. Mrs. Edson Rice and Mrs. Eugene Pfister; reception committee, Oakley V. Morgan; publicity, Alfred Houser and Kenneth Y. Ward.

All wives of Men's Garden club members, members of women's garden groups in Highland Park and along the North Shore and their guests have been invited to attend all programs of the 10th annual convention of the Men's Garden Clubs of America which opened today in Hotel Moraine On-the-Lake.

Two programs designed especially for the women will be presented. Mrs. Mahlon Bradley of Highland Park, will give a flower arrangement demonstration tomorrow at 10 a. m., and Saturday morning a lecture on the storing, canning and drying of foods will be given by Esther Grayson, editor and lecturer of New York. Her lecture is entitled "Waste Not, Want Not."

A committee of four was appointed to plan the special activities for women. The members are Mr. and Mrs. Morton Schamberg, Mrs. Edson K. Rice and Mrs. E. Eugene Pfister.

At the memorial garden dedication and christening of the new rose, Highland Park, tomorrow, which all Highland Parkers are invited to attend, small sons and daughters of Men's Garden club members will form a court of honor and act as junior hostesses.

Ann Kittermaster, Shirley Pfister, Allison Phillips, Mary Olmstead, Nancy Dana, Grace Pickett, Leone Jensen and Gloria Jensen will be junior hostesses.

In the court of honor will be Joan Winton, Jane Straub, Camille Pickett, Marjorie Pfister, Patricia and Jimmy Singer, Mary Hough, Dorothy Dickinson, Joan Roberts, Joan Krasberg, Alice Pfister, Mitz Meyerhoff, Jim Meyerhoff, Mary Jane Eriksen, Jane Barton, Mary and Bob Friedman, Nancy Johnson, Ann and Mary McAleer, Jean and Barbara Bailey, Gwendolyn Olson, Betsy Quanz, Carol Strubel, Mary Uehling, Bill and David Wurm, Maxine Josephs and Diane Lawrence.

Mrs. William C. Egan, 300 Egan-dale rd., will be one of the guests of honor at the dedication of the rose garden in memory of her husband, the late William C. Egan. Mrs. Egan has been a resident of Highland Park for more than 50 years.

Hostesses throughout the convention will be Mrs. Mahlon Bradley, Mrs. Leroy Harza, Mrs. Theodore Uehling, Mrs. E. K. Rice, Mrs. Morton Schamberg, Mrs. R. U. Baughman, Mrs. Lyle Gourley, Mrs. Lawrence Abt, Mrs. Jens E. Eriksen, Mrs. Eugene Singer, Mrs. Edgar B. Carter, Mrs. G. B. Dana, Mrs. David Dickinson, Mrs. L. E. Leverone, Mrs. B. F. Lewis, Mrs. Irving Meyerhoff, Mrs. H. F. Pfister, Mrs. Charles Roberts, Mrs. Edward R. Seese, Mrs. C. Eugene Pfister, Mrs. Frank J. Ronan, Mrs. C. R. Whithorn, Mrs. C. Ray Phillips and Mrs. Marshall Johnson.

MRS. R. W. WOOD, II

Services were held Monday in Houston, Texas, for Mrs. Elizabeth Cushing Neville Wood, wife of Robert Whitney Wood II, of Highland Park, who died Friday at her home in Plainfield, N. J. Surviving besides her husband, are two young children, Robert Elkington Wood II, 4, and Daphne, 2. Her husband, son of General and Mrs. Robert E. Wood, an army captain, is stationed at Governors Island, New York.

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