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● PAINLESS AND PLEASURABLE

A unique method of raising funds for the USO has been arrived at by the soft ball enthusiasts of Highland Park. The organization of a team among employees of the city for the purpose of playing visiting teams, keeping one eye on the boxoffice, is a splendid idea. It makes easy the matter of contributing to the USO, and makes painless the matter of attending the softball games. You can save your conscience with the thought that after all, the only reason for going is so that your attendance charge will go to the USO.

● GENTLE REMINDER

Last spring, rather early, lots of Highland Parkers were to be observed disembarking from their trains with their arms filled with rakes, shovels, hoes, watering cans, etc. Great was the ado about the Victory Gardens. Many a muscle ached, many an erstwhile farm boy realized how far, oh how very far his farm days were behind him. The wives contributed their bit toward the gardens, garbed, of course, in fetching farmerette frocks or overalls. Then the rains came, and the heat, and gardening became SUCH a chore. Weeds outgrew the determination to conquer them. Came the birds, and the insects. And how in the world is YOUR Victory Garden today? Did you have the moral stamina to do all that hoeing? Are you eating now of the fruits of your labors — or does your wife buy your fruits and vegetables as in former years, at the market? After all, the purpose of the Victory Gardens was to lighten the load on the railroads, so every available freight car could be used for hauling the goods of war, troops, steel, tanks, coal and other essentials. Maybe, if you get busy right this very evening, it isn't too late to undo some of the damage in your garden, so that uneasy gnawing in your conscience will cease, and you can sleep the sleep of the just — if slightly weary!

● TRAGIC CARELESSNESS

The record shows fourteen deaths by drowning in Lake County so far this year. Most of these needless fatalities occurred when boats overturned. The simplest, easiest way to see that you and your boating party are safe is first to make sure that each member of the party is able to swim; second, stop the fool that rocks the boat; third, see that the non-swimmers aboard are wearing life preservers. Merely having them in the boat is not enough; once the boat overturns, there is no time to don life belts. If the necessity for wearing these bulky garments seems a high price to wear for the pleasure of a boat ride, there is still another alternative — DON'T GO IN THE BOAT.

● FUN WITH A PURPOSE

USO and service officials have officially and unofficially urged that soldiers, sailors, marines and other service men be invited into civilian homes. They advise that a few hours spent away from the restrictions of camp life is greatly appreciated by the men. Folks who have invited the men to home dinners, backyard picnics and similar affairs report that they had as much fun out of having guests from the service as did the service men themselves. This is a good spot too for us to pause and wonder — who are the families that are entertaining our Highland Park service men in their homes? Are they getting the kind of treatment we would want them to have? The least we can do is to follow the Golden Rule, on behalf of our own sons.

Legionnaires Elect Officers For 1942-43

William J. Acker was elected president of the American Legion last week, succeeding Harry E. Eichler.

The new commander and the following staff will be installed Aug 13: Arthur E. Johnson, senior vice commander; George H. Cumming, junior vice commander; Frank J. Zipoy, finance officer; De Witt J. Manasse, service officer; Rocco Stella, sergeant at arms; Raymond G. Oetzel and Miller W. Schreiner, trustees; James A. Thomson, adjutant; Henry A. Hansen, chaplain.

Rotary Club

A general discussion of the program and plans of the War Activities Committee was the feature of the

Community Center To Be Closed During August

The board of directors of Highland Park Community Center announce that the Community Center will not be open during the month of August. This is for the purpose of getting the buildings ready for the coming year operation, and to allow for staff vacations.

Rotary Club meeting held Monday noon at Moraine-on-the-Lake

This committee, composed of Harold Spears, chairman and Art Rehorst, R. W. Flinn, Dr. D. E. Rossiter, Ed Menke, Ray Grant, Harry Kelley, Marshall Johnson and Sante Pasquesi is a new committee in Rotary but one that promises to be a most important one. More will be heard from this committee as soon as definite plans are formulated.

Pfc. Jackson Hard At Work



Private Wright Jackson, winner of the prize for the best play submitted at the third annual writers' conference held last week at Evanston. Jackson's play is entitled "Private Worst Case."

Grease Quota Over The Top

Dr. Rossiter Going Into Army

Dr. Donald E. Rossiter, for the past eleven years President of the Board of Health of Highland Park, and since its inception, chairman of the committee of Public Health for Civilian Defense, has tendered his resignation as of August 1st. He is joining the Medical Corps of the Army, with the rank of captain.

Mayor Ronan, in an interview, said Dr. Rossiter has done an outstanding job through the years, always giving a great deal of his time beyond that required to his work. The efficiency of his office has been 100 per cent, and the standard has been unflinchingly high.

In Civilian Defense he has perfected his organization for Auxiliary Hospitals and First Aid Stations. He has also completed the personnel. Medical supplies and material to be used in case of casualties are already purchased, itemized, on hand and packaged, ready to send out to First Aid Stations without delay. As Mayor Ronan expressed it, Dr. Rossiter has done all the spade work, and his successor will fall heir to a finely organized department.

JAMES KROHN WINS FIRST VIOLIN CHAIR

James Arthur Krohn, of Highland Park, won first chair in the violin section of the Interlochen high school symphony orchestra at the National Music camp in Interlochen, Mich., competing against musicians from 32 states.

'Junior Beach Guards' Fete Life Guard Tom Seilers

By WHIT M. SCHULTZ

Tall, tanned, athletic, wavy-haired—that's Tom Seiler, popular lifeguard at Roger Williams Beach in Ravinia.

Popular? Yes!

And why? Because when you are warmly and wholeheartedly accepted and approved by the "younger generation", you must be genuine, for children have an uncanny intuitive sense which enables them to judge characters and personalities with penetrating skill and accuracy.

In other words, you've got to be a pretty keen fellow to be well-liked and admired by the kids.

Well, lifeguard Tom had a birthday this week.

Captain of the New Trier High School football team and president of his graduating senior class, Tom was awarded a scholarship to Dartmouth, and he's mighty happy about the fact. Birthday party, too.

And he's happy about his surprise. Coming down the steep, ninety-eight, winding wooden steps to Roger Williams Beach the other morning, Tom heard some high, young voices say:

"Here he comes! Hurry up! Get ready to sing!"

And as Tom came closer, squeaky voices shouted out:

"Happy Birthday to Tom..."

The young 'shouters', or singers, were Tom's select "Junior Beach Guards"—nine young lads picked to

Y.M.C. To Play Bally-Mucks At Sunset Sunday

Two baseball teams who have lost only one game apiece this season, the Highland Park Young Men's Club and the Bally-Mucks of Waukegan, will meet at Sunset Park Sunday afternoon, August 2, at 3 o'clock.

The Highland Park Young Men's Club defeated the Fort Sheridan team last Sunday by a score of 6 to 2. Bob Davis pitched a one hit game for the Y.M.C. The game was the sixth won this year by the local nine.

MARVIN DANNER

Marvin Winfield Danner, 38, of Glencoe, brother of Allen Danner of Highland Park, died Monday morning in the Palatine hospital after a prolonged illness. He had made his home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Danner, at 352 Jefferson ave. Funeral services will be held this afternoon.

Rev. G. A. Pahl New Minister At St. Johns

Rev. G. A. Pahl has been named pastor of the St. John's Evangelical and Reformed church, to replace Rev. F. Piepenbrok, who recently accepted a call to the Oak Park church.



Rev. Pahl comes to Highland Park from Hartley, Iowa. He is married and has two children, Carol Joan, who is almost six and James David, three years old. The Pahls are living in the parsonage at 320 North Green Bay road.

Rev. Pahl is a graduate of Elmhurst college, Northwestern university and the Eden Seminary at Webster Groves, Mo. He has been in the ministry for nine years. His first church was at Plattsburgh, Nebraska, where he served for five years. He was at Hartly for three and a half years.

The members of his congregation and the people of Highland Park are happy to have the Pahls here.

Tin Collection Start In Highland Park Monday

Mrs. Ann Landau Makes Tin Poster

1187 Voters Register Saturday

Jay Morse, Clerk of Lake county, and Mrs. Monroe Ottenheimer, chairman of permanent registration for the Highland Park League of Women Voters, were well satisfied with the number of voters who turned out to take care of their permanent registrations at the Highland Park city hall on Saturday, July 25. The number totalled 1187, with perhaps 200 leaving because they preferred not to wait.

Mrs. Ottenheimer was assisted by a volunteer staff of Leaguers who had been trained by Mr. Morse to register the voters. The group included Miss Abigail Balke, Mrs. Albert Arenberg, Mrs. E. P. Barnes, Mrs. A. H. Baum, Mrs. J. Sigurd Johnson, Mrs. Joseph Michaels Jr., Mrs. Claude Nathan, Mrs. J. Stannard Baker, Miss Lila M. Lauderdale, Mrs. Colin Sanborn, Mrs. Orray T. Knight, Mrs. Gilbert Finch, Mrs. Walter Rubens, and Mrs. Louis Haller, several of whom worked all day.

Naturalized citizens who remembered to bring their naturalization papers greatly facilitated their registration.

Another registration day will be set in September and possibly a third in October.

Hearst W. Cady, Jr. Appointed Cadet Lieutenant at Iowa

Hearst Wadhams Cady, Jr., 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hearst W. Cady, 339 East Park Ave., has been appointed a cadet lieutenant, junior grade, to serve as commander of his platoon at the U. S. Navy Pre-Flight school, Iowa City.

Cady's selection was based on his record during his first weeks of training. He will spend three months at the Iowa base, the purpose of which is to make U. S. Navy fliers the toughest and most physically perfect group of fighters in the world. Upon graduating from the pre-flight school, Cady will report to a Naval Reserve aviation base to begin preliminary flight training.

VISITING DAY

Scores of Victory gardeners in Highland Park spent Sunday visiting each others gardens. It was announced this week that next Sunday also will be a Victory garden visiting day.

Happy Birthday To Tom



Members of the "Junior Beach Patrol" who surprised Lifeguard Tom Seiler Monday with a birthday party. Shown in the picture above are Dick Heiler, Billy Heiler, Jimmy Faulkner, Jerome Bacik, John Carlow, Jack McDonald, Anthony McDonald, Emmett Kruger, Billy Kee, Tom Seiler and Bruce Bulmer.

help patrol the beach, guard swimmers, and teach safety.

Led by John Carlow and Billy Kee, Bruce Bulmer, Jerome Bacik, Jimmy Faulkner, Billy Heiler, Dickie Heiler, Emmett Kruger, and Jackie MacDonald—these lads are not only helping Tom to keep the beach safe and clean, but they are also arranging and giving gay birthday parties.

Birthday parties are fun, and Tom enjoyed this one most of all.

After John Carlow had casually gone about collecting the 'saved-up' money from the lads, he scooped up-town, bought cakes, cokes, root beer, and paper plates. Then, he returned to the beach, spread a blanket out on the pier and, assisted by his companions, prepared a tasty birthday lunch for Tom.

And did Tom appreciate this thoughtfulness?

I'll say!

Here's what he said:

"It was swell of the kids. They're a keen bunch and they certainly are good helpers. We want to keep our beach clean and safe, and the boys are sure helping to do this."

Well, after eating all the cake and the crumbs and drinking the last drop of coke and root beer, Tom treated his young deserving friends to a coveted ride in the new, white life boat.

After the eventful ride, with renewed pep, bounce, and enthusiasm the boys continued cleaning up and guarding the beach.

And they were happy doing this work for they were painlessly learning rare traits—neatness and cautiousness.

Proud of our Highland Park beaches, the boys resent those who thoughtlessly break bottles, make fires, and throw around garbage. In fact, they won't stand for it.

Here's what winsome, red-haired John Carlow says:

"People that break bottles on the beach ought to be shot. It's dangerous and not fair to the others."

And I think John has something there.

Judging by the way Central and Roger Williams Beaches are quickly becoming cleaner and glass-free, the lifeguards and their assistants are on the alert, working diligently to improve excellent beaches.

Last year, according to my records, approximately ten thousand persons swam at Roger Williams beach. There will probably be just as many swimmers this year.

Let's hope and pray that this beach season will also pass free of casualties, checked full of fun and pleasant hours!