

Highland Park USO News

The club directors announce that the Wednesday blackout was completely successful; not one of the 375 guests suffered any casualties, and the basement provided sufficient light for all, tho' one sailor was heard to sigh wistfully "a blackout ought to be black." Utterior motives probably account for this viewpoint, however.

Sunday's program proved that "boogie" balads are not the only musical numbers on the service man's hit parade. A group of good artists, under the direction of Mrs. J. R. Hattstaedt of Winnetka, presented a program of light opera selections that was deeply appreciated by the guests. These performers were Margaret Jean Cree, cellist; Louise Evans, accompanist; Ruby Spencer Lyon, soloist; Josephine Swinney, soloist; Sydney Miller, violinist and Amar Krantz, who accompanied the last three.

Square Dancing

Square dancing instruction has been added to the Monday night instruction list, which includes teaching in bridge, photography, crafts and ballroom dancing. Sgt. Gibson will take over where Mr. "X" left off. The current popularity of the square dance is a direct challenge to the jitterbug forces, and the club feels that a clash between the two schools is imminent.

For some time the ordinance members of Fort Sheridan have complained that they have never been guests of honor at a party. Rather than see those 22 stalwart men overcome with complexes and phobias, the club is having a formal dance in their honor this Friday; GSO girls and Hal Jackson's orchestra will provide glamor and entertainment.

Monday, Aug 17

Dance instruction by Mrs. Lucy Smith 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Bridge instruction by Richard Rubel 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Photo instruction by William E. Cunningham 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Craft shop instruction by John Engels. Square dance, 8:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Ballroom dancing, 9:15 p.m. to 11 p.m. Hostess groups 2 and 5—Ehel Swanson and Jeanne Jenkins, chairmen.

Tuesday, Aug. 18

Movies—"Come Back to Ireland," "Mad Melody," "Lost Doggie," "Touch Down." Craft Shop instruction by Frank Fischer. Dancing 8:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Hostess group 3—Clara Melchiorre, Chairman.

Wednesday, Aug. 19

Winnetka G.S.O. Octette and Spot Program 8 p.m. Seven portrait sketches by Mrs. Ann Landau 7 p.m. Craft shop instruction by Milt Hardacre. Dancing with Winnetka girls as hostesses 8:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 20

Craft shop instruction by Al DeHerder. Dancing 8:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Hostess group 1—Lois Kolback, chairman.

Friday, Aug. 21

Ordinance party—all units. Formal dance with Hal Jackson's orchestra 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Jitterbug exhibition by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zeuschel. Craft shop instruction by Ed. Brandriff. Open House for wives of service men—"Flower Arrangement" by Mrs. Mahlon Bradley, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 22

Variety show 8 p.m. Dancing 9:15 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Craft shop instruction by Charles Bartell. Overnight sleeping, 35c per including breakfast.

Sunday, Aug. 23

Breakfast 9 a.m. Genuine Italian spaghetti supper—Italian entertainment with instrumental and vocal music—folk dancing. Andy Jacobs' dance orchestra, 8:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Craft shop instruction by Charles Bartell.

Monday, Aug. 24

Photo instruction by William E. Cunningham, 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Bridge instruction by Richard Rubel, 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Dance instruction by Mrs. Lucy Smith 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Craft shop instruction by John Engels. Square dance, 8:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Ballroom dancing, 9:15 p.m. to 11 p.m. Hostess group 3—Clara Melchiorre, chairman.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

Gas masks which came into use in warfare for the first time when the Germans used poison and mustard gas in World War I, are much improved today over those used then. The Chemical Warfare Branch of the War Department issues these gas masks to every man in the service. We are taking no chances.



The type pictured here is the "can" and "elephant nose" mask and costs about \$0.25 each. The headgear is transparent, made of material resembling cellophane and does not cloud with the breath. You can buy two of these gas masks with the purchase of an \$18.75 War Bond. We need thousands of them. Don't fail to give at least ten percent of your income every pay day for War Bonds. Buy them at your bank or postoffice, regularly.

U. S. Treasury Department

USO-Salvation Army

246 Washington Rd., Highland Park, Ill. Maj. Ira R. Fitzpatrick, Mgr.

For the creative-minded, the craft room in the basement of the USO Salvation Army unit is a fascinating spot. Frequently an "army wife" will appear at the snack counter upstairs with an order for friend husband, who is too busy with his hobby to wait upon his appetite.

Among the interesting objects made in this place are the miniature horses and cunning dogs of carved wood and designed to adorn milady's blouse. Other ornaments, such as rings, brooches and bracelets, are made of plastic. Silver wedding rings now gracing the fingers of certain recent brides were fashioned in this hobby room. There are crayon portraits and busts, so clever and life-like that they have been retained by the unit as souvenirs. Not long ago a carpenter-soldier sent home to his mother a hen-house deluxe, with no modern improvement lacking.

No less intriguing are the photographic props, consisting of jeeps, guardhouses and one over-sized cop. In short, the craft room of the USO-Salvation Army unit offers an irresistible attraction for otherwise idle hands.

Week's Entertainment

Entertainment for the week was offered as follows:

Monday Miss Mary Godwin sang for the servicemen and later invited them to join her in well-known popular numbers. This they did with gusto, contributing greatly to the volume as well as the harmony. The camera club met in the basement and the J. H. O. girls acted as hostesses.

Tuesday a musical jam session, led by Cecil Ward of Chicago, was the attraction. Many talented musicians are found among the servicemen, and the club offers various instruments, such as guitars, mandolins and banjos, not to mention harpichords, and, of course, pianos.

Wednesday a weiner roast was held at the Summer club, corner of Webster and Waukegan rd. The camera club met at the main unit, instruction was given in jewelry craft, and the J. H. O. girls again entertained.

On Thursday, at the main unit, Vic Torsberg, magician from the Palmer house in Chicago, will amaze his audience.

The free movie feature on Friday will be "He Married His Wife."

Saturday, Mrs. Benjamin will entertain as usual, with keeno and prizes.

Sunday—open house all day. Informal entertainment. Those wishing to attend vespers will be taken by car to the M. E. church in Highland Park, corner of Loretta pl. and North ave. The J. W. B. will give one of their popular and well-attended parties on Monday.

Tuesday evening will be devoted to music, with J. H. O. girls entertaining.

Wednesday a Summer club party is scheduled, featuring music by Mr. Gunther and son from Evanston. Camera Club and jewelry craft at the main unit. J. H. O. girls entertaining.

Conduct Tryouts for Pro Baseball Camp

A baseball tryout camp for youngsters who aspire to a professional baseball career will be conducted at Sycamore, Ill. by the St. Louis Cardinals on August 31 and September 1. The Sycamore Chamber of Commerce, assisting with some of the preliminary arrangements, said the camp will be conducted along the same lines as those now being held at Omaha, Nebr., and Des Moines, Ia., the purpose being to discover playing talent for Cardinal-owned minor league clubs.

Boys between the ages of 17 and 23 who desire tryouts have merely to present themselves at the local baseball park at 9 o'clock the morning of Monday, Aug. 31, bringing their shoes, gloves and uniforms. There is no charge made for attendance at the camp. The only requirement is that out-of-town boys must finance their trips to Sycamore and living expenses while here. Boys signed to contracts will be refunded expenses incident to attending the tryouts.

Interesting Speaker To Be At Bethany

An interesting speaker will bring the message at the Bethany Evangelical church, Laurel and McGovern, Sunday morning, Aug. 23 at 11 o'clock. Dr. J. L. McLaughlin, world traveler and on the staff of the American Bible society for thirty seven years, will be the guest speaker.

For twenty years he served the Bible society in the Philippines, and while there translated the bible in Tagalog, the language of the Bataan Peninsula. He has made twenty-six ocean trips in all; has been around the world three times, and five times on Mediterranean cruises where he served as a "lecturer." He states that he is now retired, "but busier than ever."

He is speaking in the place of Rev. Lester H. Laubenstein, minister, who is away on his vacation.

Training Program To Be Held Here Duding Winter

Increasing demands for more and more trained workers to step up production in Illinois' war industries will be met this winter by an expanded training program to be presented in Highland Park and 47 other cities of the state, it has been announced by H. C. Rountree, supervisor of the engineering section, division of university extension, University of Illinois.

In realization that most of the workers and potential workers are unable to come to the campus for the courses which will enable them to obtain war industry jobs, or to upgrade themselves in the industries where they are now employed, the state university is bringing to citizens in this and the other centers a tuition-free, evening "university" of their own. A complete "college course" in engineering and management skills—51 subjects in all—is on the list of those being offered.

Subject Matter

Among the courses, the subject matter ranges from several in various phases of electrical engineering and radio, to industrial accounting, management and foremanship practices, technical work in machine and tool design, heat treatment of steel, metallurgy, drafting, chemistry, sanitary engineering, safety practices, map drafting, highway engineering and other widely varied material.

Prerequisites also differ for the various courses, but in most cases the basic requirement is high school graduation or its equivalent in training, experience, or ability.

Registration dates have not been formally set, but have been planned for the first part of September, with classes beginning shortly afterward. Additional information can be secured from H. C. Rountree, 118 Illinois Hall, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois.

Ten per cent of your income in War Bonds will help to build the planes and tanks that will insure defeat of Hitler and his Axis partners.

W. & J. College to Include Engineering Course During War

Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa., long known as a liberal arts college for men, will immediately expand its services into the field of engineering as a war emergency measure, President Ralph Cooper Hutchison has announced.

Washington and Jefferson College is already associated with Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Carnegie Institute of Technology in the training of engineers.

Train More Engineers

"This arrangement will not be disturbed by the new plan. However, more engineers must be trained on a nation-wide basis," Dr. Hutchison said. The engineering schools are filled to capacity. Washington and Jefferson is pioneering in the proposal that liberal arts colleges with strong scientific departments located in industrial areas must, by special efforts, supplement the work of engineering schools until the emergency need for engineers in industry and the armed forces has been met.

Dr. Clarence J. Pietsenpol has been appointed dean of the new engineering school, with Professor Charles A. Gregory, head of the department of electrical engineering, Professor N. Lewis head of the department of mechanical engineering, while Professor O. F. H. Bert will be in charge of the department of civil engineering.

Homer Recommended For Major General

Brig. General John L. Homer, commanding officer at Fort Sheridan from late 1940 through July, 1941, has been nominated for promotion to the rank of major general by President Roosevelt.

General Homer's home town is Carlinville, Ill.

'Music in the Morgan Manner' to Be Featured At Edgewater Beach

Ask a certain North Shore large group of dance devotees to name their one dance orchestra and the answer is sure to come back—Russ Morgan. That's why "Music in the Morgan Manner" is coming back to the Edgewater Beach hotel for the third time in one year, to open the hotel's Beach Walk on Saturday, Aug. 22.



Music in the Morgan Manner is not sickly sweet, neither is it swing of the distracting jangling type. But it is a "clean" music (to use the musician's term) with a pleasing rhythm and arrangements so ingenious that the music stays with one for a long, long time.

Supervises Arrangements
Russ Morgan supervises all of his arrangements. But what else could be expected of a man who at twenty was arranger for John Phillip Sousa and Victor Herbert? Now a top-flight musician in his own right, recognized as one of the world's greatest trombone soloists, a composer of many hits and a master of the piano, vibraphone, saxophone, guitar, celeste and marimba, he is also studying the organ and harp and does a bit of baritone singing.

The Morgan band is coming to the

Civilian Defense News

An appeal has come in from the Chicago Council of Social Agencies that should be of interest to many Highland Park residents. A new volunteer bureau was opened by the council on August 3 in the information center of the Office of Civilian Defense, 219 S. La Salle st. Conditions arising from the war have made it imperative that the social agencies of Chicago supplement their professional staff with volunteer workers.

The types of service requested are sufficient diversified to offer work for almost anyone anxious to enlist on the home front. They include: Case worker's aide, clerical aide, clinical aide, recreation leaders, library aide, receptionist, research aide, nursery school aide and hospital aide. The last is a lay service to hospital staff, not to be confused with the Red-Cross Nurse's aide. In the past week over six hundred request for volunteer personnel have come into the bureau from the various agencies. The need grows more urgent as the war goes on, and types of service needed are constantly expanded to include opportunities for men and women who have not had training in any special field.

The volunteer bureau will interview enrollees to determine their qualifications, give them a brief course on the place of the volunteer in the field of social welfare, and refer them to agencies needing their help. Anyone wishing to volunteer is urged to stop in or telephone for appointment (Central 0545) to avoid being kept waiting for an interview. Professional workers are conducting these interviews to make sure that they are equally valuable to the agencies needing assistance and to the individual desiring to serve.

"Beach" for a long time, when he takes up in the Marine dining room until the opening of the formal season in October. An entire new floor show will open along with the band under the direction of Dorothy Dorben. This will include the amazing Antaleks and Don Julian and Marjorie and the delightful dancing of Miss Dorben's own group, a summertime sensation.

Your electric cords are precious —



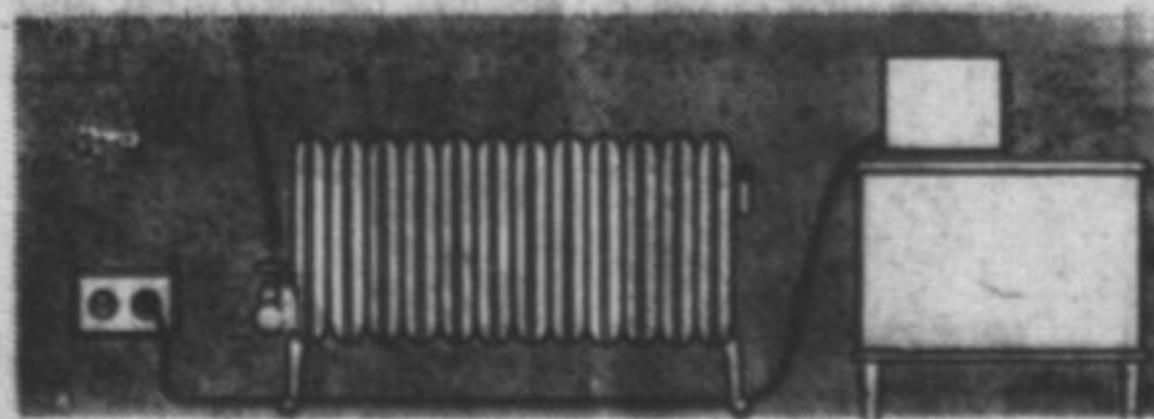
MAKE THEM LAST!

Electric cords are made mostly of rubber and copper—two materials that are much in demand these days! Check the electric cords in your home, using this guide. Make them last just as long as they were designed to last!

HOW TO MAKE CORDS LAST LONGER

There are three things that commonly cause your cords to wear out:

1. FRICTION. When disconnecting, don't yank on the cord — take hold of the plug. Never let a cord become twisted or knotted. When not in use, hang it over two widely separated hooks, so there will be no sharp bend. Never run cords under carpets, or nail them to the wall or floor. Be sure they are away from moving parts of appliances.



2. HEAT. Keep cords away from radiators or steam pipes. Even direct sunlight will shorten the life of the rubber in a cord.

3. MOISTURE. Don't let electric cords get wet. Even rubber-covered extensions will in time absorb water.

WHERE TO LOOK FOR DAMAGED CORDS

Appliance cords wear most quickly at the points where the cord enters the appliance and the plug. Check the cords on your lamp bases, electric fans, irons and other frequently moved appliances.



WHAT TO DO ABOUT DAMAGED CORDS



Never try to push worn cords out of sight—they should be fixed immediately. Unless you are sure of your repairing skill, call an electrician. He can often re-use most of the old cord, and you know the job is done right!



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