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## Subjects Pertaining to War Offered By Adult Education

The adult education classes, under the direction of A. N. Thurston, will start at the Highland Park high school on Vine avenue on Monday Oct. 12. Advance registration can be made at the main office of the high school on Monday and Wednesday evenings, Oct. 5 and 7 from 7:30 until 9 o'clock.

A broad program of courses will be offered for the year including subjects pertaining to the war situation. The facilities of the school have been offered to the Red Cross classes and the civilian defense program.

Tentative offering will be made in all the commercial subjects, including beginning typing, advanced typing, bookkeeping, beginning shorthand and advanced shorthand. These subjects will be offered on Monday evenings and if the members of the classes wish to take an additional evening of instruction, Wednesday evening will also be available.

Mr. and Mrs. Condon again will be the instructors in the upholstery and slip cover class which will be offered on Thursday evenings. Persons desiring to take this course must register early to be sure of a place in the class. Materials for this work are available and can be purchased during class from Mr. Condon. Assistance in the repair of furniture will also be possible in this class.

Other courses that will be offered on Monday evenings include wood-working, under the instruction of Mr. Schneider, welding with Mr. Bolle as teacher, sewing under the direction of Miss Bean, public speaking under Prof. Tomlinson, badminton under Mr. Panther, refresher math under Mr. Stunkel and probably a class in Spanish, for both beginning and advanced students.

A class in radio is under consideration and further notice of this class will be given in next week's Highland Park News. Classes are also being considered in home nursing, physical fitness and rifle instruction.

On Wednesday evenings there will also be classes in badminton, wood-work and first aid.

Mr. Pertz will instruct a Monday class in mechanical drawing which will include architectural drafting, lettering, machine drawing and blue print work.

All persons are urged to take advantage of the early registration period in order to avoid congestion at the school on the opening night of classes and also be sure of getting into the larger classes.

Persons who live outside of the Deerfield-Shields high school district must pay a double fee for each course. Additional information in regard to the program may be obtained by calling Mr. Thurston at the high school.

## Use Gas Tax For Repairing Of Green Bay Road

It was requested at Monday's meeting of the City Council that money from the gas tax be used for the repairing of Green Bay road, as more asphalt is needed to put a top on the road. Since the war production board refused the city preference rating on the repairing of the road, the city plans to patch the holes on the street.

Citizens were warned by the Council to break all brass and other salvage sold to the government in order to be sure the articles go for salvage after they are picked up by the junkman.

A letter was received by the Council from Lt. Col. C. J. Wesley of the salvage office at Fort Sheridan thanking the city for the canon donated to the Fort for salvage.

A petition containing thirty names was submitted regarding the sewer condition on Prairie avenue in Highland, and asking that steps be taken to prevent the streets from becoming flooded after each rainfall. The petition will be sent to the U. S. health board in Springfield.

Commissioner Nathan Sharp reported that territory surrounding the incinerator has been improved in the past 60 days and by next spring grass will be planted around the building.

Reports were received from the police, fire, water and building departments for the month.

## Mother of Local Persons Dies

Mrs. Adolph Knudson, 65, died Wednesday morning after a five months' illness. Mrs. Knudson, who resided in Highland Park for the past 30 years, lived at the time of her death, with her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Therrien, 745 Ridgewood drive.

Surviving, beside Mrs. Therrien, is another daughter, Mrs. Florence Elias of Trenton, N. J., and a son, Ernest Knudson of 630 Skokie avenue. Funeral services will be held at Kelley's chapel Saturday.

## Draft Forty-Five Men from Local Board Today

Forty-five men will report to Draft board No. 1 today (Thursday) for induction into the U. S. army.

Those from Highland Park include: John M. Rohr, Michael W. Clark, Ovid W. Mason, Adolf Voss, Guy E. Biondi, Louis J. Soefker, Rocco Fiore, Dominic M. Venture, Robert L. Christensen, Bartolo A. Amedi, Antonio L. Crestani, James F. Kilkenny, Ernest R. DeSanto, Sidney Taylor and Walter L. Gotschall Jr.

Highwood; Eljo Capitani, Charles J. Pedroni, Paul Grotti, Bruno Scapecchi, Harry F. Mussatto (who has enlisted in the navy), John Masini, Tileo Medici, Michael Lanera, A. Laverne Webster.

Barrington, Christian E. Josal, Leslie E. Willard, Warren R. Ankele and Juan Rojas, Deerfield, Ewald A. Winter, Alexander M. Ubowich, Thomas R. Hall, James L. Kilcoyne and Richard Hoffman, Lake Zurich, Floyd E. Lohman and John Rizzo, Libertyville, Raymond A. Schwartz and Max M. Roth, Fort Sheridan, William C. Knobloch, who has enlisted in the army; Chicago, Wilfred D. Howell; Saxon, Wis. Leo A. Lariver, Oakes, N. D., Kenneth O. Frojen, Palatine, Ill., Irving Sturm; Iowa City, Ia., Wilferd W. Smothers, who has enlisted in the marines; Lake Forest, John H. Frew; Glencoe, John A. Ople.

## Capt. Wygant to Address Men's Fellowship Club

Captain Benyaurd Bourne Wygant, commanding officer of the naval reserve midshipman school at Northwestern University, Abbott hall, Chicago, will be the speaker at the first meeting of the fall season of the Men's Fellowship club of the Presbyterian church to be held at the church, Thursday evening, Oct. 1, at 6:45 o'clock.

George Hartmann, president of the organization, has announced that fathers of Highland Park boys who graduated from Abbott hall will be honored at the dinner.

Abbott hall naval reserve midshipman's school started early in the fall of 1940. Capt. Wygant, who had been retired, returned to active service to be the commanding officer. It is a four month course with military and academic instruction. As close as possible, it is patterned after the Annapolis system.

The academic instruction embraces three subjects, navigation, seamanship and ordnance.

On completion of the course, the midshipmen are commissioned ensigns. In military instruction, the men are taught the U.S. navy system with particular emphasis on alertness and military bearing and posture. An excellent record of graduates is found throughout the U. S. navy. Abbott hall is the standard model for reserve schools throughout the country.

Capt. Wygant was born in Fort Dodge, Kan., on Jan. 14, 1881. He is a graduate of Annapolis class of 1901, and has served in the U. S. navy for 40 years. Until his return to active duty on July 30, 1940, he was the fire commissioner of Los Angeles. During his years of service Captain Wygant has been delegated to sea duty aboard the USS Viking, Kearsarge, Newport, Vermont, Walke (Command), Tucker (Command), Calhoun (Command), California (Executive Officer), Melville (Command), Cleveland (Command), Colorado (Command), West Virginia (Chief of Staff, Combat Ships).

His duty on shore includes assignment to Annapolis, the Naval War college, Harvard N. R. O. T. C., and Chief of Staff, Fifth Naval district. He participated in the Spanish-American war, and during World War I, was in command of a destroyer based in Queenstown, Ireland.

He is married, and has two children, a daughter, Barbara, and son, Benyaurd Bourne, Jr. He lives at Abbott hall, 710 Lake Shore drive, Chicago.

## Iron Drive in Highwood Continues

The drive for scrap iron continues in Highwood, with all the school children having been given instructions to pass on to their parents regarding the drive. Those wishing to donate old iron to the campaign are asked to call Joe Lenzini at the Pure Oil Service station.

It is planned to start a drive for tin cans in Highwood on Oct. 1.



## SOLDIERS FIND BUSY WAR-TIME SPHERE OF ACTION AT COMMUNITY CENTER

Future WAACS and WAVES Too, Gain Valuable Experience in Citizenship

Important as are the functions of Highland Park's Community center in peacetime, they take on an even deeper significance when the nation girds itself for a titanic struggle to survive.

This fact may surprise many people, says George Scheuchpflug, otherwise known as "Mr. X," managing director of the center.

"But it must not be forgotten," he pointed out, "that our comfortable, spacious building is a monument to that other world war which America entered 25 years ago. Highland Park's Soldiers and Sailors clubs, founded by Mrs. Tom Wyles and other patriotic women, bequeathed the funds which made our present plant possible. In fact, as well as in fancy, that early service men's club was a united service organization, for it represented the joint efforts of every creed and social element of our community. It is appropriate, therefore, that our Community center building and the U.S.O. club building are now architecturally a single unit."

### Children's Activities

"While the center has undertaken a substantial share of war time activities, such as first aid training and participation in civilian defense, its most important responsibility is in providing activities that will keep boys and girls interested and occupied. The tendency during war is to leave youth to its own devices. Parents are preoccupied with worry and strain, with the result that family discipline grows lax. It is such a condition that breeds trouble, unless some supervised recreational outlet is provided. That is the real task of our Center.

"During the past year 13,360 boys and girls have visited our play rooms, or an average of 50 every day. They play games of all sorts, use the reading room or just hobnob with others of their own age. The big point is that no matter what they do, they are kept off the streets.

"Our activities committee, of which Mrs. David Levinson is chairman, is planning an increased number of club end hobby activities for the coming winter to take care of the growing needs of the community. On every hand we find an increasing demand for the type of service we provide and which is not available through any other agency. Indicative of the increasingly important work we are doing is found in the fact that an average of 1,100 persons, old and young participated in our program activities every week the last year, an increase of 29% over the previous year."

### Adult Work

Touching on the center's adult work, Director Scheuchpflug continued: "From one to four first aid classes

## Young Daughter of Mahlon Bradleys Dies At Hospital

Following a lingering illness, Barbara Bradley, 22-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Ogden Bradley of 287 Central avenue, died Friday in the Highland Park hospital.

Miss Bradley attended the Highland Park high school and William Hall in Hartford, Conn. Her mother is a well-known lecturer on the North Shore.

Surviving, beside her parents, are two brothers, Claiborne and Ogden, who is a lieutenant (jg) at Abbott hall, and a sister, Anne B. Funeral services were held from the home on Saturday and the body was shipped to Hartford, Conn., for burial.

## Groups Cooperating In 'All-Victory Drive Planned

The All-Out For Victory Drive, beginning Monday Oct. 5, gives every evidence of being one of those city-wide efforts receiving heartiest cooperation from all groups. As soon as it became known that the Conservation Committee was making plans for an intensive drive on scrap metal, offers of assistance came pouring in from all sides. Everyone, realizing the seriousness of the scrap metal situation, is not only willing to help but actively solicits participation.

The City Council wishes to help. The Office of Civilian Defense hopes to take part. The High school has volunteered to mimeograph all necessary broadsides and to place notices in the high school paper. The Boy Scouts have offered to comb the ravines and beaches for scrap. The American Legion is going to concentrate on the industrial and business houses and to speak to all clubs. The elementary schools are giving notices through their P.T.A. meetings and through bulletins. The Antes Sign Company has offered to make a big sign at cost of materials. The Highland Park newspapers, as well as the Waukegan papers, are cooperating through their columns.

One has to but listen to the radio or read his newspaper to realize the paramount necessity of getting scrap metals to our armament plants. Some must be allocated to the making of steel plates for our ships. The Victory ships must be turned out on schedule. No one in the United States ever thought that the day would come when our country or its allies could ever be classified as the "have not" nations. Because of our vast natural resources and sufficient money to buy necessary materials from other nations, we have always thought in terms of plenty. Many of us are still thinking in terms of plenty. This is a grave error. While our iron and copper mines are being operated on a tremendous scale, this is not enough. We are not using our metal supply for our own needs as heretofore. Our metal must now make armament for England, Africa, China, Russia and all of our newly acquired bases in all oceans must be equipped. This is why half of our war materials must be scrap. What does "scrap" mean to you? Something which cannot possibly be used again, or something you can get along without. The time has now come when we must take the latter definition into our "All Out For Victory" scrap thinking. Otherwise our slogan may become "All Out To Prevent Disaster."

Highland Park is doing better and better on tin can salvage. One may say that the tin can situation is in hand. From now 'til Victory our tin cans will be salvaged and be constantly moving in to the de-tinning plants.

All Highland Park housewives are salvaging grease. This now has become routine. During the fall and winter the amounts of grease will materially increase. With the salvage of these materials becoming more and more automatic, we must turn our thought and effort to scrap metal salvage.

While we have always heard of "Home Fronts" in previous wars, this is the first time an engagement must be won on the Home Front before the Fighting Front has the opportunity to fight!

All persons having tanks needing to be disconnected, or outside assistance necessary in preparing other large items for the scrap metal collection trucks, please call the Office of Civilian Defense, H. P. 1400, and arrangements will be made.

## Junior Captains Asked To Attend Meeting October 3

A meeting of all junior captains will be held Saturday morning, Oct. 3, at the Community center, at 10 o'clock, according to Hortense L. Rubens, chairman of the conservation and salvage committee.

At that time, the juniors will be told how to do their part in the city-wide Salvage for Victory drive which will start Monday, Oct. 5, and continue all week.

New junior captains will be inducted at the meeting. Boys having regular helpers who did not receive a junior captain button will be inducted and receive a button.

Anyone who cannot be present at the meeting should see his block chairman before the salvage drive starts. Junior captains are asked to make a special trip as soon as possible to every house which they are supposed to call on and tell them to start saving for the city wide special drive for metal, rags and rubber, Oct. 5-10.

## Civic Chorus To Resume Rehearsals

The Highland Park Civic chorus will hold the opening meeting of the year at the Sunset Valley Golf club on Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 8 p.m. on invitation of the president, Mrs. Louis Schemmel.

After a visiting session to renew old acquaintances, rehearsals will begin on the "Messiah," under the direction of Miss Olga Sandor.

All men and women interested in this civic organization are invited to attend the meeting.

## Gas Instruction To Be Given at Civilian Defense Meeting

On Friday night, Sept. 25, at 8 o'clock, William F. Einbecker, head of the science department of Highland Park high school, will give the instruction on gases at the civilian defense meetings at Elm Place school auditorium. All workers in the protective services who have not otherwise received this instruction are required to attend. Although gas has not yet been used against civilian populations in this war, the threat is ever-present, and civilian defense workers must be familiar with its potentialities and the means of coping with an attack, according to Mr. Einbecker. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mayor Frank Ronan has announced the appointment of Lloyd Sheahan as bomb reconnaissance agent for Highland Park. Mr. Sheahan plans to attend the school at the Chicago Historical society on North Clark street, Oct. 1 and 2, where experts will demonstrate the duties of his position.

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### Red Cross Production Unit Reopens In Woman's Club Building

The production unit of the American Red Cross will meet on the lower level of the Highland Park Woman's club on Friday Oct. 2, from 9:30 A.M. to 3 P.M. Meetings will be held at these hours every Friday until further notice.

All women of this community are invited to participate. Much needed surgical dressings and sewing will be on the work ticket for the first meeting. Those who can spend the entire day may bring sandwiches. Coffee will be furnished. Anyone who will loan a good electric or foot pedal sewing machine, please notify the chairman, or bring it to the first meeting.

"We are pleased," says Mrs. Malcolm Vail, local Red Cross chairman, in speaking for herself and her co-chairman Mrs. L. C. Schultz, "to accept the generous invitation of the Board of the Highland Park Woman's Club to house our Unit in the Woman's Club building, as it so successfully meets our need of winter headquarters."

Mrs. B. K. Goodman, Mrs. Karl E. Wagner and Mrs. Sidney Parry have been appointed Woman's Club coordinators in arranging final details between the club and the Red Cross committee.

### Lecture Recitals To Be Presented At Local Y. W. C. A.

Marie Niergarth Zander will present the first of her series of lecture recitals in Highland Park on Oct. 1 at the association house of the Y.W.C.A.

The four books of which she will give an analysis at the first meeting are, Paul McGuire's "Westward the Course," Charis Crockett's "The House in the Rain Forest," "The South Seas in the Modern World," by Felix Kessing and "America in the New Pacific," a recent book of George Taylor. Mrs. Zander's comments will relate to America's place in the world of today with special emphasis on affairs in the Pacific.

Marie Niergarth Zander speaks before many audiences in the Chicago area. Her appearances here are sponsored by the local Y.W.C.A. Her later recitals are scheduled for Oct. 15, Nov. 5, Nov. 19 and Dec. 3.

### Beware of Grass Fires

The season for grass fires is near at hand and since fire is one of the greatest sources of waste and damage to our country, I hereby call upon our citizens to do their patriotic duty in the prevention of fires.

Our records show that out of 241 alarms answered by our fire department last year, 104 were grass fires. All of these so-called "grass fires," which were grass, leaves or rubbish, could have been avoided. Remember our fire department is obliged to conserve rubber, gasoline and other materials the same as you, and there is also a shortage of man power.

I am therefore appealing to you to exercise every care and precaution in disposing of your waste materials and request that you observe the following suggestions:

DON'T start grass fires to clean up your vacant lots. It only kills off the grass and makes more weeds grow the next year. Cut the weeds, rake them up (after drying) and either send them to the incinerator or burn them in a place where there is no chance of endangering property.

DON'T rake your leaves out in the public street to burn them; it damages the pavement and stops up the drains.

DON'T start any kind of fire and then go away and leave it.

DON'T pile rubbish up by a building and leave it; it may accidentally catch fire.

This is a time to use discretion and good judgment, so DON'T be careless and thoughtless. Conserve property—not only your own but your neighbors'—and at the same time conserve the time and equipment of your fire department by reducing these unnecessary fire calls.

Frank J. Ronan  
Mayor