

Civilian Defense News

A new set of basic courses in first aid, fire and gas defense will be given shortly for those civilian defense workers who have not yet taken the prescribed training. The classes will be conducted under the supervision of "Mr. X" (George Scheuchenflog) by his trained instructors. Ten-hour first-aid courses will begin the first Monday in February, and will be given each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for four weeks.

The course has been streamlined to suit the purposes of civilian defense, with such non-essentials as snakebite and other general information eliminated. The classes will be held at strategically located places in Highland Park, such as the schools and Community house. Each class is be-

ing repeated on four evenings of the week in order to make it possible for anyone who is unable to attend the class on the evening for which he enrolled to make up the work on another evening of the same week.

Immediately following the first aid course, there will be two evenings of instruction in fire and gas defense, which will also be repeated for four evenings of the same week.

All members of the protective services of civilian defense and all citizens are invited to join these classes. There is no charge for instruction.

Enrollments may be made at the civilian defense office in the City hall or by telephoning that office, H. P. 1400.

American Legion Praised For Christmas Stockings

Hundreds of red Christmas stockings, filled with cigarettes, nuts, and candy, and bearing a greeting card from the Highland Park Legion post, were distributed to service men in the hospital, guard house, and reception center at Fort Sheridan. Ladies of the auxiliary filled the stockings. Donald Bernard supplied the transportation to Fort Sheridan.

A number of well filled baskets were distributed to needy Highland Park families through the Social Service.

A large Christmas tree was supplied and trimmed by the Legion and placed in the lounge at the U.S.O. The tree lights were loaned by the Chamber of Commerce through the courtesy of E. A. Belmont.

The Legion Santa Claus made several appearances at the U.S.O. and distributed gifts, among which were cigarettes from the Christmas fund, to service men.

Director Arthur S. Ridenour praised the Legion for our activities in behalf of the service men.

According to a report by Treasurer Raymond L. Erskine, dated January 7, 1943, a total of \$310 was contributed to the American Legion Christmas fund.

Following is a complete list of contributors:

- L. W. Keaster, Louis Rubenstein, Frank L. Frable, George C. Baldwin, Edward M. Steele, Hugo Sonnenschein, Donald S. Trumbull, Dorothy W. deClerq, John A. Putnam, Frank J. Roman, Fred P. Boynton, Pelt's Store, J. B. Garnett Company, Niels Clausen, H. M. Lautman, C. A. Parliament, John S. Wineman, Frank E. Templeton, M. J. Hirsch, Virginia Lunding, L. M. Stein, John T. Smith, Howard Euber, Hubert and Eichler, Florence Lytle, Mrs. Elinor B. Pyffe, Zelina D. Harsa, T. L. Osborn, Sr., Morton Raff, Jerome Solomon, Jerome P. Bowers, Jr., Albert P. Smitte, Mildred C. Beatty, Mary R. and Tom Wyles, De Witt J. Manasse, George G. Postels, Musart Club, Christoph Keller, Donald Bernard, A. V. McPhee, Walter I. Schiff, P. J. McKenna, Mrs. Geo. H. Bard, Claude Nathan, Margaret D. E. Mason, Marjorie Thom, J. M. Appel, Walter Gottschall, Paul Behanna, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Arenberg, Highland Park Y.W.C.A., Mrs. Andrew Bloomfield, Albert Dyck, H. E. Kelley, Saylor Shansfelt, H. E. Eichler, Harry B. Alston, Ted Ohlwein, Miller W. Schreiner, Fred Bonn, Martin E. Kopp, Chris Mathieson, Henry C. Eitner, Wm. J. Acker, Wm. C. Helmrich, Steve Swanson, James A. Thomson, Harold Pfister, Eugene Pfister, Sam Criss, Lyman Gurney, Eugene Orrico, Edwin L. Gilroy, Carl Arnsfeld, W. White, Lee McCaffrey, Rosewell Jenkins, Matt Halman, Norman Culver, Forrest Barnick, Herbert Meyer, Arthur E. Johnson, Theodore Arnsfeld, Amedeo Minorini, Frederick S. Livingston and Battista Carant.

Citizens Urged to Grow Victory Gardens This Year

The United States Department of Agriculture is asking the nation to grow 12,000,000 urban Victory gardens and 6,000,000 farm gardens during 1943. Lester J. Norris of St. Charles, chairman of the Victory Gardens committee, Illinois State Council of Defense, reported to Gov. Green.

Returning from a conference with Department of Agriculture officials in Washington, Norris said that Victory Gardens will play a major role in providing civilians with fresh fruits and vegetables this year. Illinois led the nation with 600,000 Victory Gardens last year and has set a goal of 1,000,000 gardens this year.

"I have been informed by the Department of Agriculture," Norris said, "that one-fourth of all food produced in 1943, including one-half of all food commercially canned has been earmarked for our army and the United Nations."

He urged that Illinois residents utilize every possible patch of soil to grow extra rations for the table. Illinois farmers are asked to grow their entire needs while urban residents are requested to rely on their Victory Gardens for a greater part of all they consume.

U.S.O. Opens Travelers Aid Service In Highwood

Persons interested in doing volunteer work at the U. S. O. Travelers Aid office, 304 Railway Avenue, Highwood, may call H. F. 2434 and arrange an interview.

Anyone having rooms for rent may also call the Travelers Aid headquarters and register. There is a need right now by working mothers with children for a place where they may stay where their children will have supervision during the day. Anyone interested should notify the Travelers Aid.

State Board a Necessity States Voters League

A four point platform to improve Illinois educational facilities was presented by Mrs. Marc Law, state chairman of the Illinois League of Women Voters department of government, and a member of Governor Green's special tax commission, at the Highland Park League of Women Voters' school on January 11.

1. Illinois should have a state board of education. Until then, there should be no increase in the state distributive fund—which makes up the difference where all local tax money fails to equal \$1,048. This is to provide a good common school education where local communities are unable to provide it. "But a state school board is needed to administer it," said Mrs. Law.

2. A fair, uniform basis of personal property taxes should be established, by help from local civic organizations, which would stand behind the assessors. This would relieve the assessors from the pressure of voters asking "favors" by having their property assessed lower.

3. The office of township school trustees should be abolished. It is an antiquated office, no longer needed. The maintenance cost runs in some townships as high as \$50,000. The school funds could be handled with perfect efficiency through the county Superintendent's office.

4. Another antiquated office—that of township collector—should be abolished. Taxes could be handled entirely through the county treasurer's office, which has all facilities for it.

If these four changes were made, and if delinquent taxes were effectively collected, Illinois schools would benefit by large sums of money, and with no increase in taxes.

Draftsmen Needed For Duty at Wright Field

Mechanical and electrical draftsmen are urgently needed for duty at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. There are openings for principal mechanical and electrical and senior mechanical draftsmen at \$2,300 and \$2,000 a year, respectively, plus overtime.

These positions are open to both men and women who have had mechanical or electrical drafting experience or training. Men whose induction into the armed forces is imminent will not be considered. Persons at present engaged in war industries need not apply unless this position would require a higher skill than they are using at present.

Application forms may be obtained at any first or second class post office, and should be filed with the Regional Director, 7th U. S. Civil Service region, Room 1107, New Post Office building, Chicago. Applications received after January 16 cannot be considered.

Continue Course in Fiction Workshop At Medill School

Frederic Nelson Litten's Fiction Workshop course will be offered again by the Medill School of Journalism of Northwestern university on the Evanston campus especially for North Shore and Chicago area writers.

This is the third consecutive year in which this course has been available to regular students and professional authors. The class offers instruction in the short story—technique and the art process.

Class sessions will begin early in February under Mr. Litten's direction. Mr. Litten is the author of a dozen novels and more than 600 short stories in national magazines.

Further information may be obtained from the offices of the Medill School of Journalism, Room 207, Fayerweather hall, Northwestern university, Evanston.

For Victory IT TAKES BOTH
 1. Taxes
 2. War Bonds
 RUN HOME WAR BONDS

Carolina Boys Aid In Penny Drive



Winston-Salem, N. C.—"We want to see Mr. Morgenthau" was the demand of two youngsters to the desk clerk at the Robert E. Lee hotel here. Each boy was lugging a heavy canvas bag of pennies. "We want to turn these in to Mr. Morgenthau," they explained. "Send them right up," the Secretary of the Treasury told the clerk, and the boys were escorted to Mr. Morgenthau's room where they emptied the contents of their bags, amounting to approximately 2500 pennies. They were congratulated by the Secretary, and their pennies turned into a War Bond purchase. The Treasury is making a drive for the circulation of pennies due to the fact that no more are being minted because of the copper shortage. Pictured here with Mr. Morgenthau are the two boys, Aubrey Peggam and Freddie Hartman, carriers for the Winston-Salem Twin City Sentinel.

Angelo Cassai Of Highwood Dies

Angelo Cassai, 65, of 120 Wrendale street, Highwood, died Thursday. A week before his death, Mr. Cassai fell on Central avenue, and the accident was said to have hastened his death.

Mr. Cassai was born in Italy. His

wife, Katherine, died several years ago. Surviving is a son, Nello, with whom he made his home. Another son, Americo, was killed in an accident last year, when he fell from the second story of a building while working for a construction company in Chicago.

Funeral services were held Monday from St. James church. Burial was in Ascension cemetery.

Gremlins Invade Housewife's Laundry Bundle

Quite a tribe of pixie-like busybodies was sired by "Abou-ben" Gremlin, it appears.

The spotlight only recently has been turned on the Gremlins meddling with Allied planes in Britain. Now they're in the housewife's laundry bundle before it makes the regular trip to the laundry, and probably have been for some time, according to the American Institute of Laundering at Joliet, Ill.

The wash bundle Gremlin, the experts opined, are not a bit air-minded and doubtless are distant cousins of the British sprites.

Among those that have been spotted are the following:

Sniplink Gremlin, the one with the wiry fingers, who yanks buttons off such things as dad's favorite shirts.

Slingswep G., the punter, who kicks socks to the bottom of the hamper causing a stray sock here and there to be left at home while you're under the impression every pair has been sent to the laundry.

Snagion, with the long, tinted nails, an active thread puller.

And of course, Joe, He's the tike with the bushy yellow whiskers, and a shell game expert if there ever was one. He plants lace hankies where plain one belong and vice versa.

So you see, maybe the laundryman hasn't been to blame after all.

CORP. SCHEUNEMANN HOME FOR WEEK END

Corp. Curtis R. Scheunemann spent last week-end visiting his mother, Mrs. Curtis Scheunemann of Winnetka, formerly of Highland Park. Corp. Scheunemann is stationed with the army air force at Westover field, Mass.

Lincoln Skating Carnival Attracts Enthusiastic Crowds

Five hundred parents, guests and friends attended the skating exhibition given by the Lincoln Skating club children and guest stars on the Lincoln playground rink last Sunday afternoon.

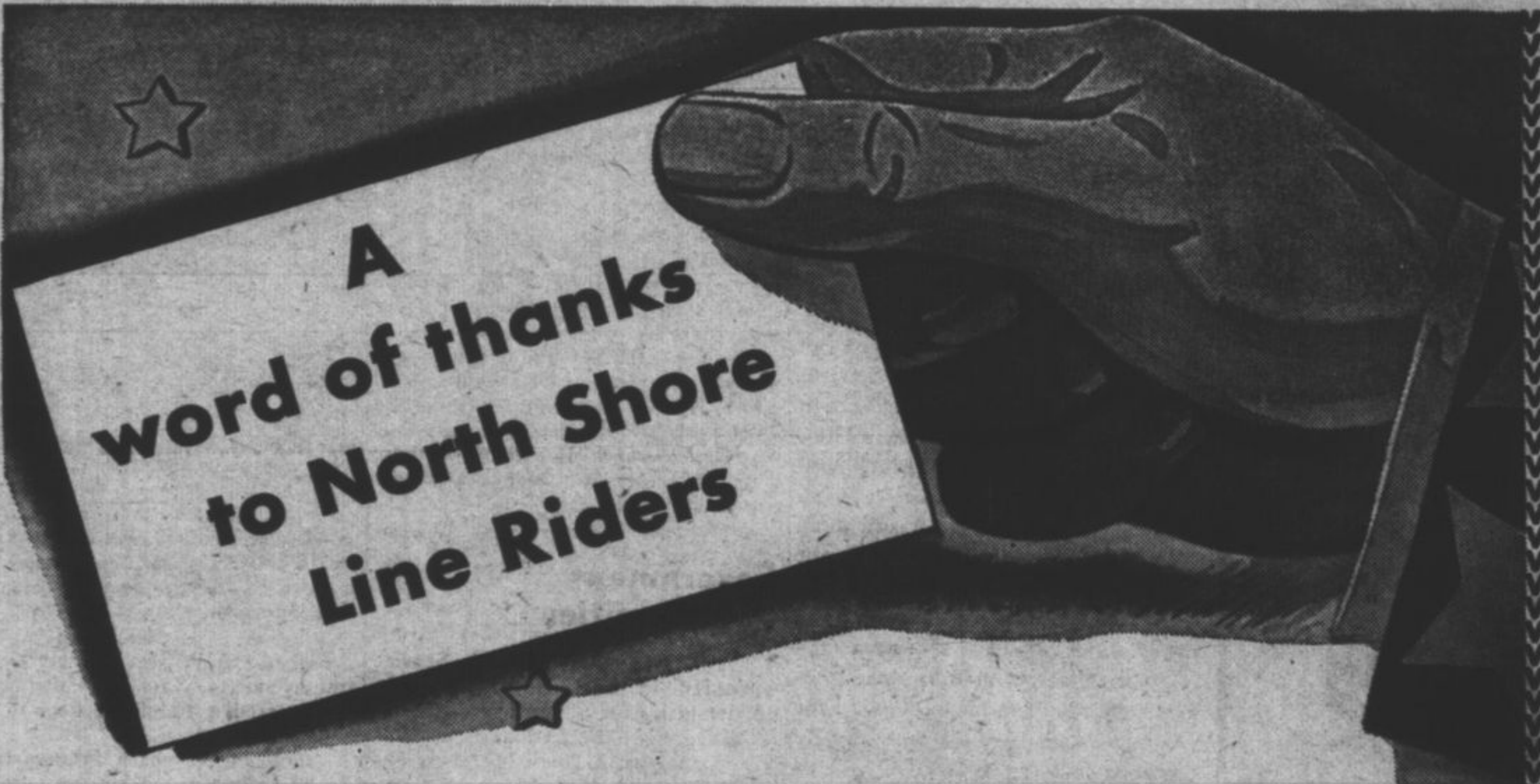
The fancy skating guest artists gave an exhibition to an appreciative audience. The North Shore Dance group presented a ten step and waltz number. Richard Keillon, Mrs. Virginia Lyon and Miss Dorcas Fitzgerald presented solo numbers followed by Miss Elsie Thielan and Henry Remien in a spectacular duet number for the finale.

The boys and girls speed contest was of outstanding interest. The event was followed by a novice-professional speed skating relay exhibition race. The four Rudolph Brothers; Lloyd, Nick, Ed and Harold, with Curtis Fisher as the fifth member, traveled ten laps to the competitors 8 laps.

Mrs. Earl Sproul, chairman, and Mrs. Ellsworth Mills, assistant chairman, were in charge of the carnival.

Race and fancy skating results follow:

- Kindergarten—Boys: 1. G. Koon; 2. E. May; 3. Jr. O'Riley.
 - 1st Grade—Boys: 1. L. Anderson; 2. B. Smith; 3. G. Parks. Girls: 1. D. Keough; 2. M. B. Bigert; 3. C. Wales.
 - 2nd Grade—Boys: 1. D. Freeman; 2. D. Seitz; 3. H. Oppenheimer Jr. Girls: 1. D. Schram; 2. A. H. Ho; 3. M. J. Ferrault.
 - 3rd Grade—Boys: 1. B. Storick; 2. L. Carnahan; 3. R. Salyards. Girls: 1. B. Barnes; 2. J. Cederborg; 3. N. Smalley.
 - 4th Grade—Boys: 1. G. Freeman; 2. D. Wales; 3. P. Seitz. Girls: 1. P. Floyd; 2. I. Hadley; 3. E. Lewis.
 - 5th Grade—Boys: 1. G. Glader; 2. F. Schweitzer; 3. L. Dean. Girls: 1. J. Pantle; 2. C. Shephard; 3. E. A. Ferrault.
 - 6th Grade—Boys: 1. B. Armstrong; 2. C. Martin; 3. M. LeGoff. Girls: 1. N. Turner; 2. J. Washburn; 3. J. Arenberg.
 - 7th Grade—Boys: 1. H. Pantle; 2. D. Mills; 3. B. Gerken. Girls: 1. J. Swines; 2. J. St. Cyr; 3. P. Walters.
 - 8th Grade—Boys: 1. C. Pantle; 2. J. Freeman; 3. J. Smalley. Girls: 1. N. Sproul; 2. F. Zeeck; 3. B. Van Ornum.
- Fancy Skating—Without instruction: 1. W. Sturgis; 2. P. Floyd; 3. R. St. Cyr. With instruction: 1. N. R. Sproul; 2. Sue Levy.



Because of military demands and service required for large numbers of former automobile users, we know that you are sometimes inconvenienced and are not as comfortable on our trains as we would like you to be.

The answer to the problem would be additional cars and equipment, but these cannot be purchased because critical materials must obviously be used for guns, tanks, ships and planes to support our fighting forces.

We want to assure you that we are doing everything we can to maintain good service and operate our trains as close to peacetime efficiency as possible. We want you to know that we are grateful for your cooperation and understanding of the situation.

... and a word of thanks to our employees

Maintenance of right-of-way and equipment, and operation of trains under trying conditions has made your job a difficult one. You have accepted these added responsibilities, necessary to winning the war, and we know that every North Shore Line rider joins with you in a determined resolve to "carry-on" together until victory is complete.

COOPERATION NOW IS A WARTIME NECESSITY!



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