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Highland Park Officer Decorated By President Roosevelt

During President Roosevelt's momentous stay in Casablanca, the President decorated Brig Gen. William H. Wilbur of 1540 Judson avenue. He personally presented the congressional medal of honor, the highest American decoration, for his part in the landings on French Morocco. Present were Prime Minister Winston Churchill, Vice Adm. Louis Mountbatten, Gen. George C. Marshal and Adm. Ernest J. King.

The citation by Lieut. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in part read as follows: "He prepared the plan for contacting the French commander in Casablanca and securing an armistice to prevent unnecessary bloodshed. He landed at Fedala with the leading assault waves. . . . He proceeded in total darkness through sixteen miles of enemy occupied country intermittently subjected to heavy bursts of fire and accomplished this mission. . . . Returning towards his command, Wilbur detected a hostile battery firing effectively on our troops. He took charge of a platoon of American tanks and personally led them in an attack and captured the battery."

A Highland Park resident since 1938, Gen. Wilbur was born in Palmer, Mass., and is fifty-four years old. A graduate of the United States military academy at West Point in 1912, he has attended various post-graduate military schools. Before coming to Highland Park, he was chief of the service command in Hawaii, and in 1938 became a staff officer of the former Sixth Corps Area stationed in Chicago.

Mrs. Wilbur is employed at Abbott Laboratories in North Chicago. They have two children. Their daughter, Mary, is a student at DePauw university at Green Castle, Ind. Their son, William, Jr., is a student at Phillips academy, Andover, Mass.

Hope Summers to Give Dramatic Reading to Ravinia Woman's Club

An afternoon at the theatre will be the feature of the February meeting of the Ravinia Woman's club on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at the Village house, when Hope Summers will give a dramatic reading of Thornton Wilder's new play, "Skin of Your Teeth."

Hope Summers, prominent in drama circles of Chicago and the North Shore for the past ten years, founder and producer of her own theatre group, the Guild theatre of Evanston, with leading roles in many of their productions, and president of the Evanston Drama club, entered the field of radio in 1939, and last year played more supporting roles in serials than any actress in Chicago.

Hostesses for the tea following the program are Mrs. Ralph Archer, Mrs. L. L. Howe, Mrs. E. L. Vinyard and Mrs. R. R. Wible, under the chairmanship of Mrs. M. J. Scheemacker. The board of directors of the Ravinia Woman's club will meet at the home of Mrs. John Wilbur, Wednesday morning, Feb. 3.

Set Aside Day for Collecting Dimes in All Local Schools

Although a ball is not scheduled for Highland Park on the President's birthday, Jan. 30, the city is concentrating on other methods of raising funds for the Mile O'Dimes drive to carry on the infantile paralysis program throughout the United States, according to Postmaster Daniel Cobb. One day, probably Friday, will be set aside in all the local schools when the children will be asked to bring dimes for the drive. Over 100 coin containers have been placed in the stores throughout the city in an effort to raise a large sum for this cause.

Fifty per cent of the money collected in Lake County will be held by the county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Inc. The other fifty per cent will be turned over to the national foundation to be used in research.

Preus Appointed College Editor

Robert Preus, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. O. Preus of Chicago, former residents of Highland Park, has been appointed alumni editor of College Chips at Luther college, Decorah, Ia. He received his appointment at the annual Chips banquet.

Robert, a sophomore at Luther, is a member of the Luther college concert band, under the direction of Dr. Carlo A. Sperati.

Social Service Elects Mrs. Mason President At Annual Meeting

The twelfth annual meeting of the Highland Park Social Service committee, Inc., was held Monday evening, Jan. 25. Forty persons attended this open meeting. Edward C. Schweitzer presided.

Mrs. Nellie P. Flinn, executive secretary in a resume of the past year's work, pointed out that youth, the unemployables because of age or physical disabilities, and cooperation with civilian defense are the most important needs at the present.

Mrs. T. L. Osborn, board member, told of Mayor Frank Ronan's appointing Mrs. Flinn as chairman of the branch of civilian defense work known as Family Security and Child Care of the Emergency Food and Housing committee. The Social Service office organized this committee which knows of everything available, such as food, clothing, furniture, etc., in each block in case of an emergency.

Given an opportunity for any remarks from the floor, R. M. Davidson said how much his participation in Social Service activities had meant to him.

"I am enthused about Social Service. I was raised on a farm where there was plenty for everybody to eat, if not always plenty to wear. I left the farm and went to Chicago where I worked for ten or eleven years and lived in neighborhoods where I had a chance to see the need for Social Service activities."

R. H. Price of the Elm Place school said: "Social Service to me is still indispensable. In these days of stress and strain, many youngsters are feeling a great insecurity especially if their father is in the Service and their mother is working. There is not as great a physical need as in the past years but there is still a necessity for an agency in town to which schools feel they can go when problems arise."

Lyle Gourley, president of the nominating committee, presented the following names for officers of the organization and for the board of directors:

Mrs. Charles Mason, president; F. J. McDonough, vice-president; Mrs. George Prindle, secretary; and Howard Moran, treasurer.

Board of Directors
Mrs. George Baldwin, Edgar B. Carter, Dr. B. E. Christensen, Mrs. Godfrey Byler, Rev. James D. Gleason, Mr. Lyle Gourley, Dr. Grover Q. Grady, Dr. B. A. Hamilton, Henry A. Hansen, Mrs. L. F. Harza, Mrs. Annette Huhnke, Dorsey D. Husenetter, Miss Marjorie Huse, Dr. Irene Jesselyn, Rev. Christoph Keller, Mrs. David Levinson, Edward Moroney, Mrs. George Moseley, Mrs. F. C. Noerenberg.
Santa Pasquasi, William Pearl, E. H. Prie, Robert Roeder, Frank Ronan, Mrs. Walter Rubens, E. C. Schweitzer, Mrs. Harry Sellery, Dr. Louis W. Sherwin, Rev. Lester Leuchtenstein, E. B. Sinclair, Clifford G. Spear, Clark G. Wright, Paul Behanna, Earl W. Geell, E. L. Vinyard, and A. E. Wolters.

New Members
Messrs. Behanna, Geell, Vinyard, and Wolters are newly elected members.

The governing board is as follows: Mrs. Charles Mason, F. J. McDonough, Mrs. George Prindle, Howard Moran, Mrs. Douglas Boyd, E. M. Davidson, Mrs. Weatherston Cherry, Mrs. H. M. Pier, A. E. Wolters, Mrs. T. L. Osborn, honorary.

Reservations For Victory Ball Being Made At Present Time

Reservations for the victory ball, to be given by the Ravinia Woman's club Saturday evening, Feb. 13, at the Village house, are being made with Mrs. Kenneth C. Baughman, H.P. 1341, and will be limited to 275 persons.

Supper will be served promptly at 9 o'clock. Bob Perry and his orchestra, at the Stevens hotel, Chicago, for fifteen cents prior to its wartime closing, will play from 9 to 12:30 o'clock. The club's social committee, under Mrs. Baughman, chairman, and Mrs. Wesley C. Becker, co-chairman, are preparing the decorations.

Several war savings stamps will be given as door prizes.

Circulate Petition Asking City To Tax For Playground

A petition is being circulated requesting that the city of Highland Park establish a supervised playground and recreation system, and that the city levies an annual tax for "the establishment, conduct and maintenance of the playground in the minimum amount of one and one-third mills on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the corporate limits of Highland Park."

It is requested that the question be submitted to the electors to be voted upon at the general election on April 20.

Woman's Club Plays Host to Noted Traveler February 2

Marie Seton, distinguished critic, playwright, author, film producer and traveler, will lecture at the Highland Park Woman's club on Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 2 p. m.

"A Globe Trotter Becomes an American Citizen" and "The Stage and Movies Today" are the lecture subjects chosen by Miss Seton.

Born near London in 1910 of a Scots-Irish family, Miss Seton was orphaned on her 18th birthday, when she ran away from her guardians and became an actress.

Her literary career began at 21 as a theatre and film critic for the "Review of Reviews," England's first digest



MARIE SETON

magazine. She was sent to Europe to study the propaganda theatres in Germany, Poland and Russia; and subsequently lectured and wrote extensively about the European scene.

As special correspondent for the London Times, she was sent to America in 1938, where she soon became correspondent for "Studio" the international art magazine. Her books, "Soviet Cinema" and "Theater in Action" were published at this time.

Hostesses will be Mrs. Ralph C. Archer, Mrs. R. U. Baughman, Mrs. Charles Mann, Mrs. C. Ray Phillips, Mrs. Alonzo C. Tenney and Mrs. Ernest H. Volwiler.

New License Numbers Should Be Recorded On Ration Books

Holders of gasoline ration books are now receiving new license plates for the year 1943. Regulations require that such holders, upon any change in the registration number of vehicle, submit the ration book for such vehicle to the local war price and rationing board for the purpose of having the license number changed to correspond with the new plates.

Considering the many thousands of such car owners in the Chicago metropolitan area, to enable them to conveniently comply with the regulations, it has been decided that the inserting of the new license numbers on the ration books may be done by the chairman of the organized plant transportation committee and by the duly authorized tire inspectors in addition to the local war price and rationing boards.

The following procedure should be followed in making these changes:

The new 1943 state registration card, together with all outstanding gasoline ration books on which changes are to be made should be presented by the applicant. The person authorized to record the change should draw a line through the 1942 license number on each ration book and insert the new 1943 number in the space just above the old number.

The initials of the person making the change should be placed in the upper left-hand corner of the ration book. The authorized tire inspectors should also place the authorized tire inspector's number in the upper left-hand corner. On the reverse side of the new 1943 state license registration card, the person making the change should note the serial numbers of all the ration books outstanding for such vehicle.

All notations must be made in ink or indelible pencil.

These rules have been issued by Michael F. Mulcahy, director of the O.P.A. for the Chicago metropolitan area.

Musart Club Chorus To Sing At Vespers

The Musart club chorus will sing at vesper services at Bethany Evangelical church Sunday afternoon, Jan. 31, at 4:30 o'clock.

A regular rehearsal will be held by the club Monday afternoon, Feb. 1, at the home of Mrs. Fred Okey, N. St. Johns avenue, at 1:30 o'clock.

43 Young Men Report For Induction Soon

Forty-three young men will report to Draft Board No. 1 in Highland Park within the near future. They are as follows:

Highland Park
Martin E. Bennett, William Kuhn, William F. Koch, Anthony Biagi, Philip S. Frederickson, Clark R. Bock, LeRoy R. Haas Jr., Thomas W. Moseley, Douglas E. Smith, James L. Minorini, John H. Stratford, Charles F. Connolly, Russell P. Fifer, Grover Q. Grady Jr., Stanley C. Gibbs, William F. Kelling, Robert C. Gifford, William S. Karger and Joseph E. Nathan.

Highwood
Philip J. Muzik, William J. Quinn, Dan C. Nanni, Steve Jenisio, Alfred L. Fiore, Edsel R. Soprani, Edgar J. Bortolotti, John F. Volpendesta, Richard E. Perry, Louis Moccogni, Edmund D. Bellei and Lawrence A. Willis.

Deerfield
Gilbert H. Nickelsen, Theodore J. Laser, Dorris O. Endebrock and Robert J. Anderson.

Other Cities
Walter N. Kolakowski and Austin R. Schnaeble Jr., Lake Zurich; Dale E. Swanson, Kewanee; John Mellotti, North Chicago; Donald K. Johnson, James E. Bailey and Robert J. Daeschler, Barrington; Harlan W. Rogers Jr., Fort Sheridan.

Rabbi Shulman To Enter Service As Navy Chaplain

"Farewell to Civilian Life" will be the title of Rabbi Charles E. Shulman's sermon at North Shore Congregation Israel, Glencoe, Sunday morning, Jan. 31, at 11 o'clock.



RABBI CHARLES SHULMAN

It will be his last sermon before entering the service as a naval chaplain. Rabbi Shulman is now awaiting orders which will take him to Norfolk, Virginia. He has been granted a leave of absence by the congregation for the duration to enter the service of our country.

Assistant Takes Over
Rabbi Richard C. Hertz, at present assistant to Rabbi Shulman, will take over the duties as rabbi of the Congregation in Rabbi Shulman's absence.

North Shore Congregation Israel is located at the corner of Lincoln and Vernon avenues in Glencoe. Services are held regularly on Saturday and Sunday mornings at 11 o'clock; visitors are always cordially welcome.

Evening Meeting to Be Held Tonight By Lions Club

Robert Pease is in charge of tonight's (Thursday) meeting of the Highland Park Lions club at the Open House tearoom at 6:30 o'clock. The last Thursday of each month the Lions' meeting is held in the evening.

Entertainment will be provided by Lake Forest college students under the direction of Miss Ardith Reis. Musical acts will be presented by the "Singing Coeds," Gertrude Blanchard of Beverly Hills, Ellen Watson of Glencoe and Lorene Wilke of Chicago. They will be accompanied by Miss Reis.

Lorene Wilke will give a novelty record act and Lois Schreiter of Appleton, Wis., will tap dance. The group, under the sponsorship of the American Legion and Lake Forest college, recently toured the Sixth Corps area, entertaining at army and navy posts.

Legion to Hear Chemist Speak

Dr. Hilton I. Jones, famed chemist, will speak at a meeting of the Dumasque Spencer post of the American Legion tonight (Thursday) in the Legion clubrooms at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Jones will discuss "A Chemist Looks at the Future," and will give demonstrations in the use of chemicals, representing some of the modern wonders of science.

City Primary Election To Be Held March 2

Voter's League Completes Series of School Discussions

Parents who have long wondered just how the Highland Park schools run, and what problems confront them, will have their answer at the Highland Park League of Women Voters' school on Monday, Feb. 1, at 1:15 at the Community center.

Mrs. Leonard M. Rieser, a school board member for twelve years, will give the inside picture of local school boards and how they operate.

A new plan for collecting delinquent taxes will be presented by Maurice A. Pollak, chairman of the finance committee of District 106, in a talk on local schools.

Three Teachers
Three teacher representatives will discuss "Legislation Which Affects Us Locally." They are Miss Elizabeth Bredin, high school, Miss Bertha Cramer, District 107, and Miss Lorraine Sinkler, District 108.

The meeting concludes a series of four on education in Illinois, arranged by Mrs. J. M. Watkins Jr., chairman of the department of government and education, and her committee: Mrs. Leonard M. Rieser, co-chairman, Mrs. David M. Suttle, Mrs. E. P. Barnes, Mrs. David Levinson and Mrs. George H. Brown.

Andrews, Former Police Chief, Promoted to Captain

First Lieutenant Rex R. Andrews has been promoted to the grade of captain in the U. S. army at Camp Wolters, Tex.

Capt. Andrews has been on duty at Camp Wolters for eight months, during which time he has been recognized as an outstanding officer as the result of the manner in which he has executed the duties given him.

Graduate of Wichita university, Wichita, Kan., and the son of Mrs. Martie Andrews of Wichita, this 35-year old officer is attached to camp headquarters at Wolters.

Formerly chief of police of Highland Park and a member of Phi Epsilon Sigma social fraternity and the officers' reserve corps, Capt. Andrews currently is making his home in Weatherford, Tex., with his wife and two children. Mrs. Andrews is the former Grace Saferte.

Capt. Andrews continues his duties in a key position at Camp Wolters.

Recreation Round-Up Meeting To Be At High School Feb. 4

Led by Bill T. Mann and Barbara Mills, representatives who speak for the Highland Park high school, boys and girls from all the grade schools will ask the grown-ups, who will answer for recreation concerned organizations, how they can have more worthwhile good times in Highland Park. This group question and its answer will be heard at the "Recreation Round-Up" at the high school auditorium on Thursday night, Feb. 4, at 8 o'clock. Young people, their parents, and just the ordinary citizen who wants more opportunities in his own neighborhood are invited to come and help plan park, beach and gym programs.

The seventh and eighth grade boys and girls who will speak not only for themselves but the schools they represent as the result of their canvass for ideas at this week's assemblies, are

Ridgewood Park to Celebrate Birthday

Ridgewood Park association will celebrate its 12th anniversary Monday evening, Feb. 8, with a dinner at the Open House tearoom. A talk will be given by Lieut. Jackson, who was on the aircraft carrier, Yorktown.

An election of officers will take place during the business meeting.

MEYER TAKES PART IN COLLEGE PLAY

Steven Meyer, 1638 S. Green Bay road, had the important position of stage carpenter on the production staff of "Heart of a City," the recent Lawrence college theater production in the Memorial chapel on the Campus. The play, dealing with the troubles of a small group of English show folk during the blitz, had two complete changes of scenery in 2 minutes time between curtains.

In the primary election to be held on March second at the regular precinct polling booths, Highland Park citizens will find Joseph B. Garnett running with no opposition for the office of mayor. Mr. Garnett, owner of the J. B. Garnett & Company department store, has been a prominent and well-known business man in this community for years.

Seeking the four offices as commissioners are eight local business men. Arthur H. Swanson has previously served the city in that capacity and seeks re-election as do Lyle Gourley and Nathan S. Sharp. Edward J. Moroney, former Chief of Police, Leo J. Sheridan, Herbert O. Huber and W. J. Curotto complete the list of eight men seeking nomination.

For police magistrate, Henry Andrew Hansen is running for re-election with no opposition.

In comparison to the last election in 1939 when twenty-one filed petitions, there were fourteen men seeking the office of commissioner, three men seeking the office of mayor, and four for police magistrate. The specimen ballot for that primary election carried twelve names as compared to the nine which appear on this election's specimen ballot.

Remember to vote on March 2 for your city officials.

Former Resident, Originator of Armored Car, Dies Jan. 16

Cremation rites were held on January 19 for Col. Royal P. Davidson, superintendent of the Northwestern Military Academy at Geneva, Wis. He was commandant of the cadets in 1898 when the academy was located in Highland Park at the corner of Ravine drive and St. Johns avenue. The academy was founded by his father in 1888, and was moved to Geneva when it was destroyed by fire.

While in Highland Park he drew up plans for a three-wheeled military car mounting a Colt automatic. The vehicle which was manufactured, can be seen at the Treasury Center on West Adams street in Chicago. He also designed a field hospital, radio, and other military equipment. He was the originator of the first armored car.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Clara Davidson and a daughter, Alice, both of whom live in Avon Park, Fla., where he died of pneumonia on January 16th.

Dick Peterson, Elm Place; Norene Harrison and Georgia Ann Glader, Lincoln; Paul Peterson, West Ridge; John Wall, Ravinia; Billy Haessler, Braeside.

Answering the young people's questions will be these adults — E. J. Brown, Park superintendent; Milton Stein, Boy Scouts chairman; Miss Eleanor Schmidt, Girl Scout executive; R. H. Price, grade school superintendent; Dr. Harold Spears, high school superintendent; Miss Laura Cross, Y.W.C.A. secretary; Mrs. Carroll Binder, chairman of Youth Activities committee for civilian defense; Mrs. J. S. Baker, president of the Co-ordinating council; George Schuchempling, or "Mr. X," Community center director; Mrs. Walter Neisser, chairman of League of Women Voters' department of government and social welfare.

The all-community program is planned for ideas from as many points of view as possible, no long talks but summaries full of helpful suggestions, as the fitting beginning of a well-rounded year of recreational activities. As chairman of civilian defense, Mayor Frank Ronan will introduce the chairman of the evening, V. K. Brown of the Chicago Park board.

Based on her committee's recent survey, Mrs. Carroll Binder will give a local review of what is now available. Children members of the round table will then tell what they would like as Christmas, Easter, and summer vacation programs and just on ordinary week-ends. The grown-up members of the round table representing the organizations who must supply these wants will pool their ways and means in answering. "Mr. X," Highland Park's recreation expert, will outline a practical way of helping all organizations in their effort to provide more recreation. Public discussion will then be held by chairman, V. K. Brown.