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## New President to Address League of Women Voters

Members of the Highland Park League of Women Voters are looking forward to meeting the newly elected president of the National League of Women Voters, Miss Anna Lord Strauss, who will be guest speaker at the Department Day luncheon to be held Sept. 22 at the Standard club in Chicago. Miss Strauss has a long and distinguished record of public and private service. At one time she was assistant editor of Century Magazine, a position she held for six years. During World War I she served in such governmental agencies as the Federal Reserve board, the United States Shipping board, the War Trade board and the State department. Prior to 1938 she was second vice-president and acting president at times of the National League of Women Voters. For six years she was president of the New York City League and has recently been vice-president of the New York State League. She has managed to keep in close touch with League activities and program despite the fact that she has been serving in an important position which deals with absentee problems in the Chance-Voight, Aircraft company, Stratford, Conn. Miss Strauss is granddaughter of Lucretia Coffin Mott, who just ninety-six years ago began the "woman rights" movement which paved the way for woman's suffrage and our present League of Women Voters.

Department Day is held by the Illinois State League for members from all over the state. Local presidents and the various department chairmen will meet in morning sessions prior to the luncheon gathering at 12:30. All League members are urged to attend the department sessions and the luncheon. Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. O. T. Knight, H.P. 5721.

### Red Cross News Letter

The Red Cross Home Service corps is constantly being called upon for help by the steady stream of returning servicemen. More volunteers are needed to aid these men and their families with the numerous problems which have arisen during their duty. Two autumn classes have been planned, one for daytime volunteers and one for evening volunteers.

The Home Service corps welcomes social workers and school teachers, business women and other qualified volunteers to the evening classes, which are designed for the professional woman.

The evening class will start Tuesday, Sept. 18. There will be five sessions, Monday and Thursday, for two weeks and the following Monday; all from 7 to 10 p.m. After this, the worker gives four hours of service one evening a week, telephone and wire service.

The day class will start Tuesday, Sept. 19. There will be six days of lectures Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday for two weeks from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For the next four weeks, the volunteer gives two days a week of practice work with close supervision and following that gives two days of service a week. Home Service volunteers are trained to carry on the interesting work of contacting the serviceman and his family in cases of emergency or need, and to act as the friendly adviser in troubled times.

Questions regarding the Home Service corps should be directed to Mrs. Alfred Taylor at 616 S. Michigan Ave., or call Wabash 5910, Ext. 51.

Mrs. Joseph Driscoll, vice-chairman of the Production corps in charge of surgical dressings, has issued a warning to all production workers and units that Chicago is still far behind in meeting its quota of surgical dressings. "We are five million short now," Mrs. Driscoll said, "and I sincerely hope that every woman and girl who has any free time will go to her nearest production unit."

### STORES WILL BE OPEN WEDNESDAYS HEREAFTER

Announcement is made through the Chamber of Commerce that the majority of retail establishments of Highland Park and Ravinia will hereafter remain open on Wednesday afternoons.

Both the employees and owners of local stores are grateful to the public for its gracious acceptance of the Wednesday closing schedule effective during the past summer months.

### Blood Donors Must Register at Once

If Highland Park is going to have a steady and sufficient supply of donors available for the next visit of the Red Cross mobile unit on Sept. 15 and 16, 105 persons will have to register at once. Mrs. Charles Mason, blood donor chairman, said yesterday. The unit will be housed in Highland Park Woman's club, Elm Pl. and Sheridan Rd. Appointments can be made at the American Red Cross center in the Public Service building, telephone Highland Park 1018, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Evening calls will be accepted by Mrs. Mason at Highland Park 2398.

While many in the community have already contributed blood a number of times, there are a great many more who have never given, and it is from this group that Mrs. Mason especially seeks donors. The army and navy require millions of units of human blood to be used in transfusions to save the lives of soldiers and sailors suffering from shock following injuries, hemorrhages and burns.

Mrs. Mason also urges all who have appointments to keep them. However, if illness or other circumstances makes it impossible to do so, it is important that cancellations be made promptly so that the time reserved may be given to another donor.

"It also would help a great deal if those who cannot keep their appointments arrange for a substitute to take their places," she added. "Also, all donors should watch their diets carefully the day they are to give blood. Prospective donors shouldn't run the risk of being turned away because they have eaten fats."

An appeal is made by the American Red Cross for current magazines to be used at the hospital at Great Lakes naval training station. All contributions should be left at the Red Cross headquarters in the Highland Park Public Service store building, 521 Central Ave.

Magazines turned into the center following last week's request have already been delivered to the hospital and are greatly enjoyed by the patients, according to Mrs. Richard Kebbon of Highland Park, a gray lady on duty at the hospital.

### Red Cross at Temple

Five million bandages and surgical dressings short of the quota! That's the information direct from Red Cross headquarters to the Sisterhood of North Shore Congregation Israel.

Won't you give some of your time—and time is, after all, little enough to give to the war effort—and come to Temple, either Mondays or Wednesdays, any period from ten a.m. until four in the afternoon?

Encouraging as our present war news is, we all know that the aftermath of success is wounded men in hospitals, then convalescents who for months will need bandages daily.

Ninety per cent of the bandages and dressings are furnished by civilian volunteers.

Empty chairs at Temple on Red Cross days may mean empty chairs in homes after the war is finished. We don't want to feel responsible.

Don't delay! Do come to Temple in Glencoe the next Red Cross day, Monday or Wednesday.

### "Don't Burn That, Bill"

A friend in a large manufacturing building saw one of the janitors carting a load of scrap paper from another shop next door down toward the furnace room.

"What are you going to do with that, Bill?" he asked.

"Take it down and burn it."

"Don't you know that it could be made into new paper and there's a shortage of paper that's hurting everybody, including your boy in the army? Why not throw it in a bin and have the junk man get it? He'll pay you something for it, too."

"Taint worth the trouble."

"If you feel that way won't you leave it at my door instead of burning it? I'll save it."

"O. K. with me if you want it."

This is an actual conversation. One man was burning the material he needed to conduct his own business. He wasn't unpatriotic. He was just thoughtless. What becomes of the paper scrap and waste paper around your shop, office or home?

### Community Center and Recreation

Wanted — Program ideas! This is the time that your Playground and Recreation board is making its plans for fall and winter activities. These activities are to be conducted at the Community Center as well as in the neighborhoods.

Do you have any ideas that would give your town or your neighborhood needed community activity? Is there a demand for certain activities in the recreation field? What sort of clubs or athletic activities are wanted? These program ideas should include activities for boys, girls and adults.

Jot down your ideas and mail them to the Community Center to Mr. X, or telephone 2442. Now is the time to make helpful community suggestions in the field of recreation.

Open for Play — Game rooms at Community Center. Boys and girls! Have you developed into the habit of dropping into the Community Center's game rooms for an hour's fun after school? There are always lots of games and reading matter waiting for your use. It is free and you are always welcome.

Game rooms are open after school until 5:30 in the afternoon.

Teen Age — Suggestions!

How about it you teen agers? What community activities would you like your playground and recreation board help you in conducting? Would you like some clubs at the Community Center, social, crafts, sports, hobby, square dance, open house, hiking, cycling, or what?

We want your ideas! See, write, or phone Mr. X at the Community Center, phone 2442. Do it now.

### WAC Recruiting Office Opened at Local USO

The new offices of the U. S. Army Recruiting service opened officially this week. They are located in the Highland Park USO at 21 N. Green Bay Rd., and will be open for inquiries daily except Sundays from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Phone Highland Park 4650.

The personnel for this office will include Corporals Jane Curtis, of Ashland, Ky., and Loretta Taylor of Miami, Fla., both of the air forces branch of the Women's Army corps; also Sgt. John Farrelly, of New York, and Corp. Melvin R. Herbert of Battle Creek, Mich.

This office will not only serve Highland Park but also includes Winnetka, Glencoe, Lake Forest, Northbrook, Northfield, Deerfield, Palatine, and all of the surrounding territory.

Recruiting will be carried on for all branches of the Women's Army corps, including the air forces, service forces and ground forces. The increased demand for WACs from all army installations both in this country and abroad, combined with the number of eligible women in this territory prompted the establishing of this office. Although this is the official opening of a recruiting office in Highland Park, there has been shown a great deal of interest in the Women's Army corps by the women of this territory and many inquiries have been made.

### Fighter Pilot Downs Four Enemy Planes

"For distinguishing himself for heroism and extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy," reads the citation awarded Lt. (j.g.) Earling W. Zaeske, fighter pilot, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Zaeske, 506 Lincoln place. At one time, it continues, he took part in an engagement near Bonin islands, in the Pacific, and in spite of his force being outnumbered, attacked and shot down two enemy planes. At another he shot down a third plane during a dog fight, and the next day downed a fourth. For these services he has received the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Lt. Zaeske, the father of a five-months old son, has been overseas 11 months.

### Mrs. Edson Rice Will Give Canning Advice

Highland Park committee for food and gardens, Office of Civilian Defense, asks that victory gardeners in need of advice on the canning of their produce write to Mrs. Edson K. Rice, 1724 S. Ridge Rd., or telephone her at Highland Park 4532. Mrs. Rice is chairman of canning division of the food and garden committee.

Any surplus of fruit or vegetables should be turned over to Mrs. Flinn, of Highland Park Social Service. Phone H.P. 4000.

### Petition to Establish A County Health Dept.

A petition was presented to the Lake County board of supervisors at their August meeting, signed by 3529 voters of Lake county, which read as follows:

"We, the undersigned registered voters of the following townships in Lake county, Illinois, hereby request the establishment and maintenance in Lake County of a county health department and the levy therefor, in excess of the statutory limit, of an additional annual tax of not to exceed one (1) mill on the dollar on all taxable property of Lake county. The undersigned further request that upon presentation to you of this petition, together with counterparts thereof, duly signed by not less than five per cent of the registered voters in each of at least two-thirds of the townships of Lake county, you take such steps as are required under the terms of the Act of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois known as 'An Act in relation to the establishment and maintenance of county and multiple-county public health departments,' approved July 9, 1943, to cause provision to be made so that at the next general election thereafter the electors of Lake county may vote upon the proposition, 'Shall Lake County establish and maintain a health department and levy therefor, in excess of the statutory limit, an additional annual tax of not to exceed 1 mill on the dollar?'"

Signatures on this petition were obtained through the efforts of the Highland Park League of Women Voters, the Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and Waukegan Leagues of Women Voters, the Home Bureau units throughout the county, the Council of Social Agencies in Waukegan, the Exchange club in Zion, the American Legion auxiliary in Fox Lake and many interested and public spirited citizens throughout the county. The following signatures were obtained in each township:

Antioch 120; Avon 162; Benton 22; Deerfield 910; Elia 78; Fremont 61; Grant 119; Lake Villa 52; Libertyville 103; Newport 76; Shields 322; Vernon 18; Warren 88; Wauconda 65; Waukegan 1140; West Deerfield 137; Zion 56.

This makes the total number of signatures on the petition equal 3529.

The Health committee of the Highland Park League of Women Voters directed the circulation of the petition throughout the county. Mrs. Elwood Hansmann, chairman of the committee and rs. Albert Elliot, co-chairman, attended the meeting of the county board of supervisors on August 10th when the petition was presented to them. Mrs. Hansmann explained the petition and the reasons why the people who signed it feel that we need a health department in Lake county. The petition was referred to the Legislative and Finance committee of the board of supervisors for further study, and after their report at the meeting of the board on Sept. 12, the board will vote on the question of whether or not to instruct the county clerk to put the requester referendum on the ballot in the November election.

### Lions Hear Veteran Of 3 Battle Areas

The Lions and their ladies had the privilege last week of listening to the adventures of a veteran of three battle areas—the survivor of two naval disasters, and four major land battles; as well as the possessor of the Purple Heart—Comdr. George Kneuper, USN, guest of the Raymond Molendys, 1007 Ft. Sheridan Ave.

Comdr. Kneuper is an Annapolis man, and was at one time stationed at Great Lakes. In China at the time of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese war, having previously served in Hawaii, he was transferred to the Philippines. Aboard the Wasp when it went down in the Pacific, he also survived the sinking of the Meredith, which took part on D-Day in the invasion of France.

Music for the evening was furnished by Robert Greenslade, pianist, of Deerfield, a student at the Quigley seminary in Chicago.

### FILE APPLICATION NOW FOR NEW "A" GAS COUPONS

Application for new "A" gasoline coupon books, becoming valid next Sept. 22, should be made at once, says the Illinois Automobile club. New blank forms have been issued by the Government and may be obtained from local rationing boards, automobile clubs, newspaper offices, gasoline filling stations and plant transportation committees.

## Blitzkrieg Methods Will Mark Annual Fund Drive

### Splendid Entries Displayed in Men's War Garden Show

"In view of the dry season, we were astounded at the quality of material entered," was the statement of Dougal Kittermaster, president of the H. P. Men's Garden club, speaking of the exhibit staged at the Lincoln school on Saturday and Sunday. Approximately 700 people attended, evincing a practical interest in the fine array of fruits, vegetables, canned goods and preserves, of which there were over 1,000 entries, even while lost in admiration of the beautiful display of begonias, gladioli, roses, orchids and other flowers.

C. E. Pfister, Mundelein, former president of the club, displayed several varieties of roses not yet on the market, winning a blue ribbon award for the same. Mr. Pfister is an executive of the American Rose society. Tasteful arrangements added to the effectiveness of the blossoms.

Awards for vari-colored gladioli—smoky, cerise and salmon-colored, went to Mr. Pfister, Jesse L. Straus, and H. L. Oppenheimer, and an unusually lovely array of tuberos begonias brought special awards to Mr. Straus, as did his arrangement of white begonias. W. C. Weisinger won the blue ribbon for his salmon-fringed white begonias.

The display of luscious-looking tomatoes attracted wide attention, especially the Golden Jubilee variety.

### Lt. Weinberg Reported As Missing in Action

Lt. Robert L. Weinberg, navigator, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Weinberg, 197 Edgecliffe, has been officially reported as lost in action over Czechoslovakia on August 27.

Lt. Weinberg, aged 22, was on nearly 50 missions to his credit, was expected home soon on leave. He had recently been awarded the Medal in Italy.

Entering the service in September, 1942, he received his wings a year later and left for overseas last March. A local high school graduate, he also studied at University of North Carolina.

### Missing Airman May Have Survived Crash

Encouragement to believe that their son, T/Sgt. Norbert Bigley, survived the crashing of his Liberator plane over Yap Island, on June 23, in the Pacific area, has been given by the war department to Mr. and Mrs. N. Elmer Bigley, 4433 S. St. Johns. A letter written by the commanding officer of his squadron also lends hope, although specific details are lacking.

T/Sgt. Bigley, now 20 years of age, had completed one year of work at Northwestern university at the time he entered service in March, 1943. He has been stationed in the Pacific theater of war since March, 1944. Radioman and tail gunner on a B-24 Liberator, he had completed his 16th mission.

His older brother, Lt. William, instructor in an anti-aircraft unit, is stationed in Augusta, Ga.

### Receive First Letter From Wounded Veteran

A letter from Cpl. Harry Lindstrom, tank corps gunner, veteran of the African and Italian campaigns, who was wounded in France July 28, has reached his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eloy Lindstrom, 840 W. Park. The letter states that he is in an English hospital with a badly wounded right arm. Cpl. Lindstrom entered the service in May, 1941.

### Former Resident Lost In South Pacific Area

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Ted Marks of this town that their nephew, Cpl. Roland "Ronnie" Chalmers, USMC, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Chalmers, now residents of Denver, Colo., was lost in action in the South Pacific recently. Cpl. Chalmers, at the time of Highland Park, attended the Lincoln school for several years. He was 22 years of age.

His brother, S/Sgt. Robert, AAF, is now stationed in China.

### VISITOR IN DEERFIELD

Mrs. Henry Schefroth is visiting her brothers, Teddy, Earl and Harry Frost, and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Cecelia Beckman in Deerfield. Mrs. Schefroth resides at Kempton, Ill.

With a seasoned veteran corps of house-to-house workers at his command, Spencer Keare, general campaign manager of Highland Park's annual war fund and community chest money-raising campaign, which opens October 2, promises a drive that will rival the speed and thoroughness of the allied blitzkrieg that is sweeping the Germans out of occupied Europe.

"We are especially fortunate in having a campaign committee of unusually able men and women," General Chairman Keare stated this week. "Each of these people is an experienced specialist in some phase of America's war efforts, and everyone agrees that the war fund and community chest is a highly important contribution to victory. This year, more than ever, it will be necessary for Highland Park to live up to its reputation as a community that always comes through in a pinch. As the war reaches its final phases, the support of the home front becomes a critical necessity. Our committee has complete confidence that our city will succeed in this undertaking."

The amount of Highland Park's quota will be determined by a committee conference to be held at the Community Center Friday evening, Sept. 8, according to an announcement by Eugene Hotchkiss, president of the local chest fund. Among those who will set the budget and arrange for the various phases of the drive will be Edwin C. George, chairman of the budget sub-committee; Earl E. Sproul, chairman of the publicity committee and the following vice-chairmen: Millard Ewing, J. F. Bickmore, H. H. Hixon, Jr., J. Sigurd Johnson, Emmett Moroney and J. P. McHugh.

A meeting of the special gifts committee is scheduled at the Community Center Sept. 14, at which time Chairman Clinton will make his assignments of associate workers. This phase of the campaign will start the following day, Sept. 15.

While Highland Park's war fund quota will not be officially set until Friday evening, it was stated by Assistant Campaign Director H. Bowen Stair, that it will probably be approximately the same as last year's quota, which was \$75,000.

### Gardening Somewhere In the Marshall Is.

Servicemen stationed here are planting everything from lettuce to watermelons. The 26-day radish has so far proved to be the most successful vegetable planted.

Although experts had claimed that sandy soil would prove too barren to raise anything, most of the gardens are showing surprising progress and, ironically, those who are showing the most interest in the gardens are not from rural districts. One of the best gardens is being cultivated by a warrant officer with 23 years in the service and who never had a garden before.

Some of the gardeners are planting flowers along with the vegetables and one even claims he will soon have sweetpeas blossoming. Outside the cultivated gardens planted there is little else growing here as the aerial and naval assaults against the Japs killed nearly all of the coconut trees which were the only vegetation known to the island.

### THE WHISTLERS

"What's become of the fellow who whistled as he walked down the street?" asks the Kansas Grass Roots column in the Topeka Capitol.

Well, he's gone away for a while. He has joined Uncle Sam's forces in France and New Guinea and England and Italy and North Africa and India and China and Alaska and on the high seas and in the camps and, yes, even in Washington. The fellows you meet walking down the street these days have lost their whistles—they have to keep their jaws clamped tight shut to make their upper stay up and keep their lowers in place.

These are melancholy days, but there's a great day coming when the whistlers will be back again—E.T.L. in the Emporia (Kans.) Gazette.

On D-Day plus one, a G.I. huddled in a shell crater as mortar shells whistled overhead. "You know," he mused, "this is a young man's war. The only trouble is as soon as you're in it, you're not young any more."