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## Women Voters Present Pertinent Skit at Center

A skit that says "scat" to the outgrown and antiquated Illinois State Constitution will be presented by the Highland Park League of Women Voters on January 24, at 1:15 p.m. at the Community Center. The playlet is entitled "The League Takes a Constitutional."

The dialogue promises good entertainment and effectively presents the needs for constitutional revision to conform to mid-twentieth century progress.

Suppressed laughter by the audience will follow the appearance of "Dame Constitution"—the major character—as she flounces onto the stage with her corkscrew curls bobbing and her hoop skirts swaying from side to side. As four 1945 women appear, this 75-year-old product of a rural age and another century, hides and listens as they discuss her quirks and phobias. She mutters "No—you can't"—"I won't let you"—"You shan't change the courts" and other prohibitive commands until she is discovered and dragged from her hiding place.

When blasted with questions about her obsolete and obstinate beliefs, Dame Constitution boastfully admits that she doesn't believe in progress—hasn't changed once since 1898 and has only changed seven times in the past 74 years. Disgusted with her haughty and uncompromising attitude, the present-day women forcibly evict her from the stage reciting:

Could you work in your victory garden?  
In the corner your grandmother wore?

Could you manage to hustle  
In an overstuffed bustle  
And petticoats down to the floor?

Could our factories use the equipment  
Of three score and ten years ago?  
Develop the power we need in this hour  
And keep our production in flow?  
We have laws more restrictive  
Than corsets.

Machinery too old to employ,  
The job we must do is acquire  
A new constitution for old Illinois.  
Mrs. A. E. Ellman, Mrs. George Gaidzik, Mrs. David Geppert, Mrs. I. H. Goldberg and Mrs. William Miller comprise the cast of characters.

This dramatic presentation climaxes a series of study groups on the need for revising the State Constitution which the League of Women Voters has sponsored under the leadership of Mrs. George W. Carr. Several meetings have been held in the public library. The league has joined eleven other organizations including the Illinois Federation of Women's clubs, the Chicago Woman's club, the Metropolitan Housing council, the Chicago Real Estate board and the Illinois Home bureau in directing interest into definite needs for constitutional revision.

## Local Legion Auxiliary Assists Downey Hospital

The Woman's auxiliary to the Highland Park American Legion recently made a donation of \$400 to be used for the veterans' hospital at Downey, Ill. Half of this sum has already been put to use in procuring basketball sets, a ping pong table, a piano, and drapes for the recreation room, library and offices. The remainder will be spent at the discretion of the committee.

The Auxiliary wishes to thank the public for its part in making this project possible by its contributions on Coffee day, and by patronizing the two raffles sponsored by the organization.

## Two Highwood Boys Are Reported Missing

Pvt. Joseph Colo, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Colo, 134 Highwood Ave., Highwood, and Pfc. John Kipp, Jr., husband of the former Rose Passini, 29 Elm, Highwood, have been reported missing in the European area. Both members of the Army infantry, they trained together at Camp Blanding, Fla. Pfc. Kipp, whose parents live in Winnetka, is the father of 14-month-old John III.

## Elks Seek Million Books For Merchant Marine

Burton Berube, exalted ruler of Highland Park lodge 1362, B.P.O. Elks, announced today that the local lodge, in cooperation with the national headquarters of the Elks war commission in New York City, would embark on a campaign to obtain books for distribution to the seamen of the merchant marine, lighthouse service, coast guard and maritime training stations.

The campaign, which will be under the direction of Mortimer Singer, war committee chairman of Highland Park lodge, will get under way this evening when complete plans are announced to the members of the lodge at a special meeting called for this purpose.

All members of the community are invited to donate books for the purpose. All types of books are acceptable—old books, new books, text books, reference books, historical books, novels, biographies, or technical books on any subject. Books should be mailed or delivered to Mortimer Singer, care of Highland Park Lodge of Elks, at Laurel Ave. and McGovern, for packing and distribution.

## Basketball Clinics By Playground Board

The Playground and Recreation board, cooperating with all local grade schools, is sponsoring weekend basketball clinics. Physical education teachers or principals are in charge of the activity.

The purpose of the clinics is to give instruction and play of basketball to upper grade boys who want to play the game. The schedule follows:

Elm Place, Saturday, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Instructor, Leonard Johnson.  
Lincoln, Saturday, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Vincent Vezibicke.

Braeside, Saturday, 9:00-12 a.m. Harry Kubalek.  
Ravinia, Friday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Dudley L. Dewey.

Ridge, Saturday, 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Raymond Naegele.

## Alfred Castellari Wounded in Action

T/Sgt. Alfred Castellari, a former resident of Highwood, was wounded during the latter part of December in Luxembourg, according to a letter received by his sister, Mrs. William Prazini, 308 Grove, Highwood. The full extent of his injuries was not made clear in the letter.

There are four Castellari brothers in the service. Pfc. Leno, of the army infantry, has been reported missing in Holland since the last of last October. Cpl. Roy, of the army, and Cpl. Raymond, of the marines, are stationed in the Pacific area. Four sisters and one brother live in this vicinity.

## OLDER BOYS' CLUB PLAYS BASKETBALL

Community Center Older Boys' club, made up of high school boys who frequently come to the Community Center, is now meeting weekly as a basketball group at the Lincoln school gym. The group meets on Wednesday nights at 7:30. Mr. William Behrens is the coach.

Older boys wishing to join are invited to attend.

## DEC. & JAN. MAGAZINES NEEDED AT GT. LAKES

Magazines to be sent to McIntyre hospital at Great Lakes may be deposited at the Public Service store, 521 Central avenue. Current magazines, from the last two months and of interest to men, are desired.

The magazines are collected and distributed by the Red Cross and are urgently needed at this time.

## Open Dance Jan. 20 By Square Dance Group

The Saturday Evening club will hold a square dance Saturday evening, Jan. 20, at 9 o'clock, at the YWCA. Mr. Fennell will call, and fine music will be furnished by the Olson orchestra.

Since this is an open dance, the club cordially invited the public to attend.

## March of Dimes Scheduled Jan. 14-31

In all parts of the world, where American service men and women are fighting a global war, many events are scheduled for the annual March of Dimes, Jan. 14 to 31. Many of these events are adapted to the particular locale, such as the "Kilometre of Dimes" instead of a Mile of Dimes in Italy, and a March of Rials (an Iranian coin worth about 8 cents) in Iran instead of the March of Dimes. Card parties, shooting contests, dances, and other events are being planned by various American posts in foreign fields.

The fund-raising appeal throughout the United States will be marked by more diversity than ever before. While New York, Washington, Boston and many other large cities will have their big birthday parties as usual, the fund raising events in other sections of the country range from cake walks and pie suppers to concerts, theater parties and benefit sports events.

To help provide funds for the thousands of new victims of infantile paralysis who were added last year to the long polio casualty list, the motion picture industry is again lending its full support. The week of Jan. 25-31 has been set aside as Motion Pictures March of Dimes week and more movie theaters than ever before will participate.

## Woman Volunteers Are Giving Fine Service

The Volunteer Workers of the Woman's auxiliary of the Highland Park hospital are doing a magnificent job in assisting in the work at the local hospital.

The following volunteer workers generously gave their services during the busy month of December: Mrs. Hugh Wilson, Mrs. Chas. Rubens, Mrs. Alfred Sihler, Miss Frances Sihler, Mrs. E. L. Cooley, Mrs. Hollister (Lake Forest), Mrs. John S. Wiseman, Mrs. George Hartman, Mrs. Jean Snobbe Everett, Mrs. A. M. Rosenthal, Mrs. Chas. Jones, Mrs. Wm. Jones, Mrs. Albert Loner, Mrs. D. L. Clinton, Mrs. Maurice Rosenthal, Mrs. B. R. Wible, Mrs. Jackson Smart, Mrs. Eugene Hotchkiss, Mrs. Mark Newman, Mrs. A. J. Friedman, Mrs. A. R. Exiner, Mrs. E. E. Mills, Mrs. I. Schuman, Mrs. Gertrude Wood, Mrs. Geo. Baldwin, Mrs. Rush Hussey, Mrs. Marjorie Odegar, Mrs. Dudley Hall, Mrs. A. J. Donahue, Mrs. E. L. Andrews, Mrs. Henry Mason, Mrs. Ed. Loewenthal, Mrs. Wilbur Newman.

Every Wednesday morning, from 9:30 to 12, the members of the auxiliary, and their friends work at the hospital making surgical dressings. Maybe this is where you can do your bit. We need your help.

## Figure Skating Instruction Offered at School Ponds

The Playground and Recreation board, in cooperation with the PTA ice pond committees is offering figure skating lessons by a professional figure skater at your local pond. The lessons will be given free of charge to all children.

Eva Dinelli (Mrs. Louis J. Maiorano) of Northbrook, will instruct children and adults. She will particularly stress the "school figures," (threes, eights, etc.) for children.

The hours are:  
7:30-8:00—Children. Free. No class limit.

8:00-8:30—Adults. 50c lesson. Class limit of 8.

8:30-9:00—Adults. 50c lesson. Class limit of 8.

Instruction will be offered at the above hours at the following school ponds:

Elm Place—Fridays (starts Jan. 19).

Lincoln—Tuesdays (Jan. 16).

Braeside—Thursdays (starts Jan. 18).

Ravinia—Wednesdays (starts Jan. 17).

## SGO Party Jan. 18

The January party of the Senior Girls organization (SGO), will be Thursday evening, Jan. 18, at 8:15 at the YWCA. The group in charge is headed by Monica Peddle.

Officers for the coming year are: president, Anita Rehorst; vice-president, Edith Evans; secretary, Paulette Jensby; service chairman, Jackie Udell.

## Highland Park USO Calls Housing Situation Grave

The Highland Park USO is sending out an urgent appeal for local residents to come to the rescue in the housing situation. There is an increasing number of overseas veterans returning to both Fort Sheridan and Great Lakes—men who are holding delayed assignments or waiting discharge—and want their families with them during that time. These men have been away from their homes and families for months—many of them several years, and the opportunity to have their wives with them for a few weeks means the difference between discontent and happiness for war weary fighting men. Highland Park has come to mean kindness and friendliness to so many strangers these past months. Let us continue to extend this genial spirit.

Call the Highland Park USO today. Inquire at once. Register any available room.

The need is important—and urgent! The USO housing desk is open from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. A volunteer will take your call. Phone H. P. 4650.

## N. S. Independent Voters Elect Temporary Officers

The North Shore branch of the Independent Voters of Illinois, organized last July to work in the 1944 campaign, this week became a permanent organization with the 1946 elections its immediate object of interest. Membership extends from Evanston to Lake Forest.

Temporary officers are: chairman, Frank W. McCulloch, Evanston; vice-chairman, Max Salzman, Winnetka; secretary, Mrs. David Cahn, Glencoe; treasurer, Prof. John Teevan, Northwestern university, Evanston. The towns are represented on the executive committee as follows: Evanston, Walter Lovelace, Jr. and Prof. Donald Roberts; Wilmette, Mrs. Frederick Merrifield and Mrs. Donald Maxwell; Kenilworth, Mrs. Marion de Langly; Winnetka, Jasper and Horace Davis; Glencoe, Mrs. H. H. Steinberg and Edwin V. Robson; Highland Park, Henry Dubin; Lake Forest, Gilbert Watson; Northfield, Ralph B. Boyington and Miss Agnes Lilly.

The North Shore branch will be represented on the Tenth Congressional district council of the IVI which also includes delegates from Chicago wards and other parts of the district. Surveys to determine the effectiveness of tactics used during the recent campaign and living room meetings to study current political issues are planned.

## Rev. Christoph Keller Talks to Rotary Club

The speaker for the January 15 meeting of the Rotary club was Rev. Christoph Keller of the Episcopal church. His topic was "The Feeling of Anger." He was introduced by Harry Kelley.

Guests of the club included Tom Stein, U. S. merchant marine; Marshall Johnson, Jr., A/C, USN, and Arthur Howard.

William D. Copeland of the Lake Forest college faculty was inducted as a member of the club by Richard Sandwick.

The program next week will celebrate the 17th anniversary of the Highland Park Rotary club. Dr. C. V. Nichols, who has never missed a Rotary meeting in all the 17 years, will present historical remarks about the club.

## Lincoln School Starts Adults' Sports Club

A sports club for men and women in the vicinity of Lincoln school is being organized. It will meet on Thursday evenings, at 7:30. The first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 25. Mr. Vincent Vezibicke is to be club instructor.

Badminton, volley ball and basketball will be offered. Adults attending will decide on sports they wish to have.

The activity is a cooperative one—the PTA, Lincoln school and Playground and Recreation all participating in making the event a success.

## TUXIS GROUP TO HEAR REV. KARL A. ROTH

On Sunday evening, Jan. 21, at 7:15, in the parish house of the Presbyterian church, the Rev. Karl A. Roth will speak to the Tuxis group on "Building a New World." Refreshments will be served later. Guests are always welcome.

## H.S. P-TA Will Hear Round Table Discussion

### Adult Education Begins Second Term Jan. 15

With registration passing the 170 mark, the second term of the H.P.H.S. Adult Education program began last Monday evening. Classes in sewing, upholstery and advanced woodwork are already filled. Only a few more may register for beginning typewriting, interior decoration and woodwork. Spanish, badminton and arts and crafts still have a few more vacancies. Unless more people register for advanced typewriting, business English, public speaking and review shorthand the classes will be disbanded. Registrations will still be accepted next Monday evening from 7 until 9 o'clock.

The lectures will start at 7:30 at the high school and are free to the people in our high school district.

Beginning Monday, Feb. 5, Mr. Arthur Humphreys will again give his interesting series of lectures on the intricacies of the income tax. These lectures are open to the public and there is no fee.

The Henry George School of Social Science is planning on offering a series of lectures beginning the latter part of January. Further information relative to this series of lectures will be given in further issues.

### Obsequies on Saturday For Mrs. James Kilian

Last rites will be conducted on Saturday, at 2 p.m., at the Kelly Chapel, for Mrs. James A. Kilian, whose husband, Colonel Kilian, is now stationed in England.

In poor health for the past five years, Mrs. Kilian's condition became serious on Dec. 27, and on Tuesday, Jan. 17, she passed away at the Wesley Memorial hospital in Chicago.

Born in Iowa, 51 years ago, the former Marie Daley married Col. Kilian in 1917, and accompanied her husband at his various posts until five years ago, when the family established residence in Highland Park. Col. Kilian served overseas in World War I, being commissioned in the regular army.

Besides her husband, she is survived by three sons, Cpl. John, in England, Sgt. James, at embarkation point, and Joseph; her father, Frank Daley, Sr., of Burke, S. Dak., and two brothers.

### Pfc. Fred E. Stroud Now Reported Lost

Official notice received by Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Stroud, 1304 Burton, states that their son, Fred, reported missing on Dec. 24, was at that time lost in action. His last letter was written Thanksgiving day.

Pfc. Stroud, 24, had lived for the last 20 years in Ravinia, and at the time of his induction was employed as window trimmer at Lord's, in Evanston. He is survived by his parents, a brother Jack, high school senior, and a sister Caroline, 10.

Memorial services, to be announced later, will be held at the Presbyterian church.

### Is Enemy Propaganda Responsible for Lies?

Red Cross chairman, Basil O'Connor, has emphatically denied rumors that Red Cross blood plasma is being sold to the armed forces.

"The blood which each week more than 100,000 patriotic Americans give to the Red Cross is turned over to the army and navy and processed by them into blood plasma, or flown as refrigerated whole blood to Europe and the Pacific."

"Full possession and control of the blood passes into the hands of the army and navy when the Red Cross ships it from its centers to processing laboratories. The army and navy, as is well known, administer this blood or plasma to wounded soldiers and sailors without any charge. Persons circulating such rumors should be reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation," says Mr. O'Connor.

"Democracy Begins at Home" is the thought-provoking subject chosen by the program committee of the High School Parent-Teacher association for the annual evening meeting on Jan. 25, at 8, in the high school auditorium.

This subject, so important in a world torn by lack of faith and hatred, has been under consideration for a long time, reports Mrs. Oliver S. Turner, chairman of the program committee. She and her committee have done a noteworthy piece of research in selecting the finest possible speakers to present all phases of a subject as wide as the horizons in scope.

They have chosen three of Chicago's best qualified and most outstanding leaders to present a round table discussion which every thoughtful person in Highland Park will want to hear. The speakers, who represent the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths, will discuss freely and without rancor, the problems a community of diverse backgrounds and beliefs must face, and the avenues of communal understanding that are open to people who believe in justice and amity. Each one is able to draw upon abundant and rich personal experience in the field of human relationships, and each brings to that experience a sound wisdom and deep sympathy for people and their search for truth.

The Very Reverend Monsignor Reynold Hillenbrand will represent the Catholic faith in this discussion. The Monsignor is now at the Sacred Heart church in Hubbard Woods and is well known along the North Shore. He was formerly rector of St. Mary's of the Lake seminary at Mundelein, and is one of the country's leading Catholic educators.

The point of view of the Jewish people will be sponsored by Rabbi Ralph Simon, who is now serving the Congregation Rodef Zedek in Chicago. He received his B.A. degree from the College of the City of New York and was ordained in 1931 from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America "Summa cum laude." He served the Congregation Rodef Sholem of Johnstown, Pa., for five years, then made an enviable record at the Jewish Community Center of Jackson Heights, Long Island. Last year he published a full length treatise entitled "The Talmud for Every Jew," and is considered an outstanding scholar and teacher.

Protest faiths will have as their representative Dr. Roland W. Schloerb, who is one of the two ministers in coordinate standing who serve the Hyde Park Baptist church of Chicago. Dr. Schloerb has degrees from Northwestern college, Evangelical Theological seminary, Union Theological seminary, Northwestern university and North Central college. He spent eight months in the Army YMCA in the first world war, and fourteen months as chaplain, spending eleven months in France and Germany. In 1924 he went to Europe with the Sherwood Eddy seminar. He served as pastor of the First Evangelical church of Naperville, then studied a year at the University of Chicago under a fellowship from the National Council of Religion in Higher Education, before being called to the Hyde Park church in 1929. Dr. Schloerb is the author of "God in Our Lives."

The Parent-Teacher association board, through Mrs. G. D. Stone, president, extends a cordial invitation to every resident of the community to share the benefits of such a program, and to bring all friends interested in the preservation and progress of freedom and democracy.

### FORMER RESIDENT LOSES LIFE AS A PARATROOPER

According to official notice received by Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Matthews, former residents of this town, their son, Edward, 21, lost his life in action in Holland on Sept. 21, 1943. Edward was a member of Co. B, 508th parachute infantry, 82nd airborne division.

The Matthews family, some years ago, lived in an apartment on West Central, owned by the late Mrs. Daniel Sheahan, Mrs. Matthews' aunt. They also owned a home on Onwentia.