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## Red Cross Fund Drive Starts Tomorrow, Mar. 1

Tomorrow, March 1, marks the kick-off for the American Red Cross fund campaign in Highland Park and vicinity. Fund Chairman Lester Ball has released the following names of Red Cross district chairmen and co-chairmen. Mr. Ball urges all Highland Parkers to cooperate with these volunteers by GIVING. The workers will call at the homes of those in their particular district. This volunteer corps represents the American Red Cross, the organization that acted as a "go-between" and aid to your boy and girl over there during the bite of war and is continuing the job now in the job now in the time of peace.

(The list of district chairman reached this office too late for publication and will appear next week.)

## Presbyterian Women to Hold Group Meetings Monday, March 4

The group meetings of the Woman's Association of the Highland Park Presbyterian church will be held on Monday, March 4, at 1:15 p.m. in the following homes: Mrs. Wm. Bartel's group with Mrs. H. L. Nelson, 164 Elmwood Dr.; Mrs. W. L. Buchanan's group with Mrs. Theo. Hazen, 2400 N. Deere Park Dr.; Mrs. R. C. Johnson's group with Mrs. W. F. Ross, 1413 Wildwood lane; Mrs. C. S. Stunkel's group with Mrs. L. P. Hungerford, 913 Ridgewood Dr.; Mrs. C. E. Thorney's group with Mrs. Chas. Brooks, 813 Glencoe Ave.; Mrs. Lloyd Tupper's group with Mrs. A. R. Schramm, 517 Ravine Manor, and Mrs. Earl Varner's group with Mrs. John Putnam, 221 Prospect.

The Woman's association is sponsoring a second session of Bible Study classes to be held during Lent. These will be conducted by the well-known Bible teacher, Mrs. Arthur F. Tylee, of Beverly Hills, Chicago, and will be held at the Highland Park Public library each Thursday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., beginning Thursday, March 7. A cordial invitation is extended to all women of the community.

The monthly board meeting of the association will be held Monday, March 11, at 10 o'clock.

## Highwood Host to Gold Medal Tourney March 11 to 15

The Highwood American Legion, post No. 501, will sponsor its first Annual Gold Medal basketball tourney, March 11 to 15, at the Oak Terrace school gym. Announces Bruno Bertucci, post athletic officer.

The first team to file for this tourney was the strong Highwood Legion, and some of the strongest teams in the county are expected to follow suit. Managers should write to Bruno Bertucci, 1219 Livingston Ave., Highland Park, or phone H. P. 3651.

The Highwood Legion cagers last week defeated Antioch Legion 45-39 at Antioch, and Libertyville Legion 46-28 at Highwood. Ernie Giarelli and Pete Castelli shone for Highwood, with "Red" Silvers, one of Lake county's best, also lining up for Highwood.

## Atty. John B. Bills Sits This Week in Chicago Circuit Court

Atty. John R. Bills, present candidate for the office of Lake county judge, is sitting all this week in the Circuit court in Chicago.

Mr. Bills, who has had much active experience as a sitting judge in Zion City court, as well as in County and Circuit courts of Lake county, has also received many glowing tributes from the members of the bar in Cook county for his work in that county's Superior court, where he has sat on several occasions as trial judge.

## Highwood Firemen to Hold Annual Dance Saturday, March 2

On Saturday evening, March 2, the Highwood Volunteer fire department will hold its annual dance at the Oak Terrace school, beginning at 9 p.m. Music will be furnished by Garino's orchestra. The public is invited.

## Observations on the Housing Situation in Highland Park

By R. S. WILSON  
(A Pastor)

Househunting is a necessary task in Highland Park as well as in most other communities. Some of our families who have lived here for years are finding themselves homeless. People required to keep necessary services in operation are required to live in damp basements or cold attics. What can be done to relieve the situation?

I went to the City Hall and asked the authorities there what was being done. The reply was, "Everything possible." Shortage of material for new construction was given as the main hindrance to progress. I asked about the zoning laws, for I have heard much criticism of them from older residents of the community. Complaints are made that the people of wealth, who have taken over the community in more recent years have passed zoning laws to their advantage while the pioneer residents and their descendants are forbidden the use of their properties as they desire. I noted that a local businessmen's organization recently commented on "The Problem of the Month" and raised the question as to whether there was any unselfish reason why the city should not relax some of the obstacles to apartments. Evidently some of the business men could do something to relieve the situation if the zoning laws permitted.

I am told at the City Hall that the zoning laws were made by the people and the people can change them any time they desire to do so. The men who prepared the legislation wanted to make Highland Park a city of homes with sufficient fresh air and sunshine, rather than apartments with slum possibilities.

I thought of the homes I visit as a pastor of the community. Although I am interested in getting reservations for homes in the world beyond, where there will be no housing shortage, I am also interested in the present life and better home conditions for everyone. I am not a communist or socialist, but I believe in human rights. It does not seem fair to see some large homes empty while their owners are living in other parts of the country, or partially occupied by one or two persons when the space could be used by a larger number in reasonable ways.

The zoning commission of our city does not want slums, but we have them. I found one business man and wife evicted from their home, due to the owners returning to occupy it, and now they live in one unheated room and are charged an exorbitant price. They have to spend the day time in their place of business in a dark basement room, because of the lack of heat in their sleeping room. I know of one house that has four or five families living in space large enough for not more than two. One complete bathroom serves for the entire household. I know of a family with seven children living in a damp basement apartment of four rooms. These are but a few of the cases that I could mention. Whether we want slums or not, we already have them.

The opposition to the present zoning laws is due to the desire on the part of people who have large houses to convert their houses into duplex or three-family units with suitable sanitary facilities and arrangement for light and air. At present this is restricted to certain streets, while large houses in other sections are used only in part because the law forbids consideration of humanity's needs. (Continued on page 5)

## MARCH 18 TO BE DATE OF FIREMAN'S BALL

The Highland Park firemen have set March 18 as the date of their annual ball, to be held in the Labor temple from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Good music and refreshments are promised, and the receipts will go to the firemen's pension fund, with the exception of a small amount for expenses.

## Hugh Riddle, Navy Pilot, Congressional Candidate, Describes Experiences

Flying air express for the U. S. navy means carrying mail or torpedoes, replacements or casualties, plasma or a Jap "kamikaze" plane loaded with 1400 pounds of live TNT. Lt. Comdr. Hugh Riddle of Highland Park, now "Mr." running for Congress from the 10th district of Illinois in the Republican primary April 9—got the kamikaze as an emergency cargo to be rushed to Washington for study by navy ordnance experts. It was the first Japanese special-constructed suicide plane to be captured intact, at a time when kamikaze pilots were crashing a barrage of man-steered explosives into navy shipping off Okinawa.

Riddle's squadron VR-11 of the naval air transport service was based on Oahu, and flew its two- and four-engine cargo planes to Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Manus, Guam, and Peleliu. One Hawaii-bound load included three Japanese torpedoes. Pilot Riddle's reaction: "A little bump wouldn't have set it off, and if it were a big bump we'd get hurt anyhow." Return trips ferried mail, navy personnel, ammunition, supplies and spare parts of all kinds, and both plasma and white blood.

Proved as a precision pilot, he had been transferred to VR-3, the transcontinental squadron at Olathe, Kansas, for passenger and hospital flights. Streams of navy and marine wounded were reaching the coast from Honolulu hospitals. They had to be flown to Great Lakes or the navy hospitals in the east to clear space for the Philippine and Ryukyu casualties. Comdr. Riddle began to fly loads averaging four litter patients and fourteen ambulatory patients. A co-pilot, two medical corpsmen or a nurse, and a WAVE flight orderly completed the crew.

"You can take chances with yourself, or with cargo, but not with wounded men," says Comdr. Riddle. One trip we had a marine with kidney drain, a navy lieutenant in a plaster cast, a marine with a broken back, and two sailors in leg casts."

Commander Riddle holds a "green card," highest navy instrument rating, and keeps up his flying out at Glenview naval air station, where he was chief flight instructor over 120 instructors of Squadron VN-12 back in 1943.

His interest in commercial aviation reflects the pattern of naval air transport service, which ended the war a separate command headed by a rear admiral, staffed by 5,988 officers and 20,146 men and flying passengers and air freight to Paris and Shanghai. Candidate Riddle's plans for legislation to introduce or to support in Congress include cross-country pylon markers based on a grid system, extension of feeder lines, and a country-wide system of small municipal airports.

## Rex Andrews Returns M. E. Kopp Retires

Rex R. Andrews, former chief of police, who left his post to join the armed services in May, 1942, will resume his position as chief of police tomorrow (Friday). With the United States intelligence, his last post was in Berlin, Germany. His many friends will welcome him back to both public and private life.

Martin E. Kopp, who has so ably served as chief of police during Andrews' absence, has maintained a high standard for the force, for which he has been widely commended. He will be eligible for pension upon reaching his 50th birthday in January, and is therefore retiring from active service with the status of chief, upon which basis his pension will be granted.

## Eight Clubs Enter Highwood Tourney

Eight entries have been made in the Highwood invitational tourney, Manager Bertucci announces. They are: Highwood Legion, Bienenwald Furniture, Saco's Boosters, Sabonjian's, Ted's Tavern, Lake Forest YMC, Fort Sheridan Bakers and Cooks, and the Chicago Vertex Mfg. Corp.

Dates for the tourney are March 11 to 15.

The game between Highwood and Sabonjian's ended 55 to 26 in favor of Highwood. Highwood was starred by Zignotti, 1939 all-state guard at Highland Park high, who led with 13 points, with Bruno Somani a close second with 12 points.

## PTA in Charge of Paper Pick-up; Zones Are Changed

The Highland Park monthly paper collection, formerly directed by OCD, is now sponsored by Highland Park Parent-Teachers associations whose officers are in charge of the drive.

The money made available thru the sale of the paper will go to the public schools. Each school area will have its day for paper pick-up and will receive the money from the paper collected on that day.

Paper and magazines tied or packed in cartons should be placed on the curb the day before the pick-up regardless of the weather.

The children will serve to remind you and the PTA's pointily, and ask your continued support of the paper drives which will occur regularly beginning on the first Monday of each month.

The PTA asks that special attention be given to the different zoning now that the PTA is in charge. A school area is defined as that part of the town from which children go, to a designated school.

## SCHEDULE

Monday March 4 — Elm Place school.

Tuesday, March 5 — Lincoln school.

Wednesday, March 6 — Ravinia school.

Thursday, March 7 — Brasside.

Friday a.m., March 8 — West Ridge.

Friday p.m., March 8 — Green Bay.

## Girl Scouts Receive Awards for Badge Work Completed

The sixth grade court of awards was held on Wednesday, Feb. 20. Troops 7, 27 and 23 received awards for the badge work they have completed. Troop 21 exhibited the puppet work they are in process of completing. Mrs. Erastus Phelps and Mrs. Norman Lenington represented the DAR at this meeting. Mrs. Lenington, as regent of the DAR, presented American flags to Troop 27, Lincoln school, Troop 7, Ravinia, Troop 21, Elm Place. Mrs. Herbert Schaffner, leader of Troop 7, accepted the flags in behalf of the Scouts. The Scouts stood at attention while Lt. Edward E. Alt Jr., played the Star Spangled Banner on the piano.

The leaders meeting will be held at the Community Center, Wednesday morning, Feb. 27, at 9:45. Mrs. Wyatt Jacobs will demonstrate batik work. Plans for the out-door festival to be held in May will be discussed and the various projects for the different troops assigned. Intermediate troop 34 of the Immaculate Conception school has been invited to Mrs. Ann Kerrigan, leader, to visit the troop at St. Mary's school in Lake Forest Friday, March 1.

## Red Cross Fund Drive Now Under Way

The drive for Highland Park's and Ravinia's \$30,000 quota is being conducted under the leadership of Mr. Lester Ball, Highland Park 1946 Red Cross Fund campaign chairman. Mr. A. Howard, 550 Central, Highland Park, is general Red Cross chairman in Highland Park.

The drive for Deerfield's and Bannockburn's \$2,000 quota is being conducted under the leadership of Mrs. C. W. Piper, Chestnut St., Deerfield, 1946 Red Cross Fund campaign chairman. Mrs. Ward Cauntless, 260 Deerfield Ave., Deerfield is general Red Cross chairman in Deerfield.

The drive for Highwood's \$1,000 quota is being conducted under the leadership of Mrs. George Kenny, 38 High St., Highwood, 1946 Red Cross Fund campaign chairman. Dr. N. C. Risjord, 304 Railway Ave., Highwood, is general Red Cross chairman in Highwood.

## Rotary Club to Hear Dr. Emery Balduf at Monday Meeting

The Rotary club will meet next Monday at 12:15 at Sunset Valley club, where they will hear a talk by Dr. Emery Balduf, of Roosevelt college on "Chinese Walls of the Mind."

Three members have been added to the roll. They are Kenneth J. Robinson, Roy Olson and Dick Cornell. The last is a re-entry, Mr. Cornell having served in the past as president of the club, and being one of its charter members.

## Republican Club Elects And Hears Cong. Mundt

### Spring Meeting of Co-ordinating Council March 7, at Center

The Highland Park Co-ordinating council has sent notices to the representatives of all its member organizations of the regular spring meeting on March 7, at the Community Center, at 8 o'clock.

Phillip E. Cole, city engineer, will be present with a draft of the projects that are considered necessary by the city for the development of Highland Park during the post-war years. He is prepared for questions and discussion on the particular projects that the members feel should be given first place when existing difficulties are removed and work can begin.

There will also be an opportunity for members to bring suggestions and questions on recreation in Highland Park to this meeting. These will be given to Mr. X for discussion during the program of the council on May 28.

### Lions' Defamation Trial Ends; Defendant Defeated

The mock trial recently held at the Lions club ended in the defeat of the defendant — said to be callosely "sold out" by his attorneys. A settlement of 50c on \$50,000 was made by the plaintiff, the actual payment of the monies to be made tonight (Thursday), which will be Ladies' Night.

A talk by Walter Pummer, of Owens Illinois Glass Co., which was slated for an earlier meeting, will be heard tonight. The subject: "Glass — Its Past, Present and Future."

Three weeks of the 10-weeks' attendance contest have elapsed, with "Mortimer's Tarbabies" one point ahead of "Capt. Goldilocks Dinkaloo." The latter, however, vows to "catch up — and pass."

### Y. W. C. A. CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 28—

10 a.m. Creative Writers.

10 a.m. Red Cross sewing.

7:30 p.m. Painting class.

Friday, March 1—

8 p.m. GSO from the USO.

Saturday, March 2—

8 p.m. Saturday Evening club.

Sunday, March 3—

3 p.m. Bible class.

Tuesday, March 5—

8 p.m. Paul Laurence Dunbar club.

Wednesday, March 6—

8 p.m. Great Books Discussion group.

Thursday, March 7—

10 a.m. Creative Writers.

10 a.m. Red Cross sewing.

6:30 p.m. Friendship club.

7:30 p.m. Painting class.

### Variety of New Books Added to Public Library

The following new books have been placed on the shelves of the Highland Park public library:

Key to Japan, by Willard Price.

The author has been a foreign correspondent in the Orient, on the staff of the National Geographic.

Has made a special study of Japan over a long period of years. To secure some of the information in this book he assumed the role of an absent-minded professor.

The Islanders, by Elizabeth Foster.

The Island is the largest in the Rangley Lakes of Maine. Here were spent 52 summers filled with fun, nature study and literary work. The book is of especial interest at this time of year when most people are longing for a similar experience.

Book of Houses, by J. P. Dean and Eimon Breines.

This book contains plans and photographs for homes to cost from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Picture Framing by Edward London.

The author is an artist who experimented with frames for his own pictures. In this book he covers every phase of the subject from making frames from new commercial moulding to remodeling second-hand frames.

Garden Bulbs in Color, by J. H. MacFarland and Others.

Whether you are a garden enthusiast or not, this is a book to delight your eye and soul, filled with colored photographs of over two hundred plants and flowers.

A most successful meeting of the Highland Park Men's Republican club was held Thursday evening, Feb. 21, at the Lincoln school with members of the Deerfield Township Republican Women's club also present. Approximately 600 people weathered the snow storm to enjoy an excellent speech by Karl Mundt, Republican Congressman from the 1st Dist. of South Dakota.

Preceding Mr. Mundt's talk on "What Shall We Do About Russia?", the annual business meeting was held and the following officers were elected: President, Harold O. McLain; 1st vice-president, Jerome P. Bowes; 2nd vice-president, Harry Aiston; treasurer, Harry Eichler; secretary, Alfred Houser.

New directors elected are: Wm. Cuotto, George Dana, Henry Franzen, Elmer Freytag, Fred Greenebaum, Wm. Heinrichs, Wm. Hinshaw, Avery Jones, Howard Lausche, Fred Livingston, Clayton Lundquist, Howell Murray, Frank Nosek, George O'Connell, Elzie Partlow, Ben Seso, Edward Sherwin, Harry Skidmore, Rosewell B. Swazey and Horace Vaile.

Harold McLain introduced those seated on the platform as Robt. Alexander, president of Deerfield; John J. Spellman, county Republican chairman; Harold Tallett, assistant attorney general; Jas. F. Stiles Jr., president of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce; Fred Greenebaum, club director; and J. B. Garnett, mayor of Highland Park. Many county party leaders and candidates were in the audience.

### Resume of Mundt Speech

Karl Mundt is a clear-thinking member of the House Foreign Affairs committee and is particularly qualified to talk on Russia since he was one of five on the sub-committee to travel extensively in Russia and adjoining countries. He reported that Russian leaders are extremely self-confident and believe completely in their own political and economic system and will not be won over to a democratic or capitalistic state. Any changes made would be only if an advantage to Russia for Russia is for Russia first. Russians fought the war to drive out the Germans, and not for any idealistic reasons such as the Four Freedoms and the Atlantic Charter. Russia is an isolationist as to her own internal affairs but an interventionist in outside affairs, with an eye to benefiting herself.

Mr. Mundt emphasized that Russia is an extremely totalitarian state. Out of 190,000,000 people only 5,000,000 belong to the Communist party which controls everything. These remaining 185,000,000 are anxious to learn all about America and every effort should be made to reach them as they are our main chance for a peaceful understanding with Russia.

Finally, Russia is an expanding state as to territorial interests and uses these three techniques: Absorption as in the case of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia; adoption where her own political sons (such as Tito) have gained control as in the case of Albania and Yugoslavia; infiltration, a gradual increase in power as is developing in Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria and Romania.

There will be no war between the United States and Russia, according to Mr. Mundt, as long as (Continued on page 5)

### Legion Auxiliary to Hold Business Meeting in Legion Hall, March 7

The Highland Park American Legion auxiliary will hold the regular business meeting Thursday evening, March 7, at 8 o'clock in the Legion hall.

Immediately following the meeting, Mrs. Ellery Harvey will give a talk and demonstration on crafts used in the USO in Great Lakes, including finger painting, pottery and shell jewelry.

### Next Kiwanis Meeting To Be Strictly Business

The next meeting of the Kiwanis club will be devoted to the discussion of plans for the coming year. There will be no speaker.