

# Let's Take a Look

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## MR. Highland Parker, 1946

Not wishing to take the spotlight off of MR. Highland Parker, let's take a look at him as he appears in the Spring of 1946 . . .

(Understand, Dear Reader, this is Mr. Highland Parker, age 30 to 65. We in our 20s don't measure up to him.—Ed.)

Well, you still wouldn't call Mr. Highland Parker snooty or snobbish — but you'd definitely call him "extremely choosy."

But these war years have mellowed him; and he's a bit more flexible; easier going, too.

### PERSUASIVELY STRICT . . .

He's strict — he prefers his young ones not to attend movies on Sunday. Sundays, he says, are Church and family days.

He's critical of the movies. He thinks they're generally poor.

And we think he's right.

His golf game is improving — he's breaking 100 with greater regularity on these crisp Spring weekends.

He's a quality guy — and he knows what he wants.

Head waiters pay him great heed; waitresses give him that "extra" service — they know the tip will be generous; and it always is . . .

### NOT SUAVE, DAPPER . . .

He's not suave or smooth; but he's clean-cut, good-looking, and rather on the dapperish side.

His suits are tailor made; his shirts white.

He's a fine sales manager or vice-president, or president. His firm always has an "A" Dunn & Bradstreet rating.

He's a highly successful man, whatever business he's in.

Tho he has all the polish and refinement usually associated with a man of great education, Mr. Highland Parker is not a college graduate.

Rather, he's a graduate of the Hard Knocks School. He has pulled himself up to the top by lots of work and study. And with the aid of MRS. Highland Parker.

### FATHER OF THREE . . .

There are three children in his family — he believes in replacing the race, you know.

He gives his children all the things he didn't have when he was a child; often he gives him far more.

Now and then he fears he spoils his children. But judging by the clean record of Highland Park's younger set, it appears he and his pretty wife are doing a keen job of bringing up junior, and sis.

He catches the 8:09 in the morning; the 5:10 at night. His wife,

or his son, or his chauffeur brings him to the train.

He usually has two cars, a "closed" one for the family; an "open" job for his son, or daughter.

But he takes the convertible whenever he can manage it!

### ENJOYS BEST THEATRICALS . . .

He has seen all the best plays—"Up in Central Park," "The Late George Apley," (he loved this one) "State of the Union," and others — the type, you know, the New York Times and The New Yorker prefer.

He's definitely NOT a radio listener; radios make him nervous what with all the singing commercials, and so on.

He reads The Chicago Tribune in the morning; The Daily News at night.

Yes, he's a conservative Republican — and he wishes more of them were running the Nation!

### HE'S A PROUD MAN . . .

He has a waning interest in sports; he usually skips that portion of the newspaper and turns to the financial section.

He reads the funnies sometimes; he prefers "Skeezix" and "Lil Abner."

He's a proud man . . . he's proud of his home, his family, and his garden.

He loves good food — and he always eats too much at the Executive's club, the International club, and at Blackstone and CAC luncheon meetings.

He's usually a portly fellow — but jolly and likeable.

### PAYS BILLS PROMPTLY . . .

His credit rating is excellent. A bill never is overdue. Bills are paid the day they arrive at his home.

As he has gotten grayer, he has become more of a Church enthusiast.

His prayers have been answered, directly, and indirectly, time and time again.

He knows that God's will is best; and he is in line with this Will.

He's a "pillar" in the Church; and he's proud that he is.

He knows that the Church — and all it stands for — is vital to a happy, complete life.

Mr. Highland Parker is kind, honest, sincere, unselfish, considerate, and charitable.

Indeed, I think he's a peach of a man . . .

## Maj. Ronan Returns Home for Terminal Leave

Maj. Frank Ronan, who arrived home two weeks ago from Saporu, Hokkaido, Japan, has been retired to inactive duty in the army and will be on terminal leave until Aug. 8.

Maj. Ronan, the son of Maj. and Mrs. Frank Ronan, 324 Park, was called to active duty 5 1/2 years ago. At the time, he was employed at the Chicago Daily News. He spent 18 months overseas, going from Hawaii to the Philippines and Japan, serving on the general staff of the Ninth corps. He returned home with the two-man staff of Gen. Ryder.

Two brothers of Maj. Ronan have been released from the service. Perry, who served with the Eighth air force in England, has returned to his position with the Addressograph Co. in Chicago, and Jack, a former staff sergeant in the marine corps, is employed by the Public Service Co. of Northern Illinois.

## Lt. Com. Henry Parkin Visits His Family Here

Lt. Comdr. Henry A. Parkin has just returned to Washington, D.C., after a short visit here with his family. Comdr. Parkin, the son of Mrs. Harry A. Parkin of 168 Central avenue, has been connected with the Naval Ordnance Research laboratory at Silver Springs, Md., for the past three years. During the National Plastics exhibition to be held at the Grand Central palace in New York, April 22 to 27, Comdr. Parkin will be in charge of the Naval Ordnance Plastics exhibit. Following this showing, he expects to return home on terminal leave some time around May 1.

## Richard Renner to be Home This Month

Pfc. Richard Renner, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Renner, 616 Laurel avenue, who is on duty in Salzburg, Germany, with the 42nd quartermaster corps, has been overseas since Thanksgiving, 1944. He is expected home soon. He has been in the army two years, formerly serving with the 66th infantry division, and for a time attended the Austria university.

An older brother, Eugene, died of wounds received July 20, 1945, in the south Pacific. A fireman 1/c, he was serving on a destroyer.

## Interfaith Group Meeting Changed

Because of the school vacation, the April meeting of the Interfaith group will be held on Tuesday, April 23, at 10 a.m. at the YWCA.

Continuing the panel discussion of the last meeting on Saul Alinsky's "Reveille for Radicals," three Highland Park citizens will discuss what can be done locally to democratize the life of this community. Mr. Lester Ball, superintendent of school district 107, Mrs. J. Sigurd Johnson, of the League of Women Voters, and Mr. X, leader of community recreation, will discuss the possibilities of co-ordinating the various groups in the community for the welfare of all of them. The Interfaith group is winding up a year of programs devoted to practical ways of bringing about good racial and religious understanding.

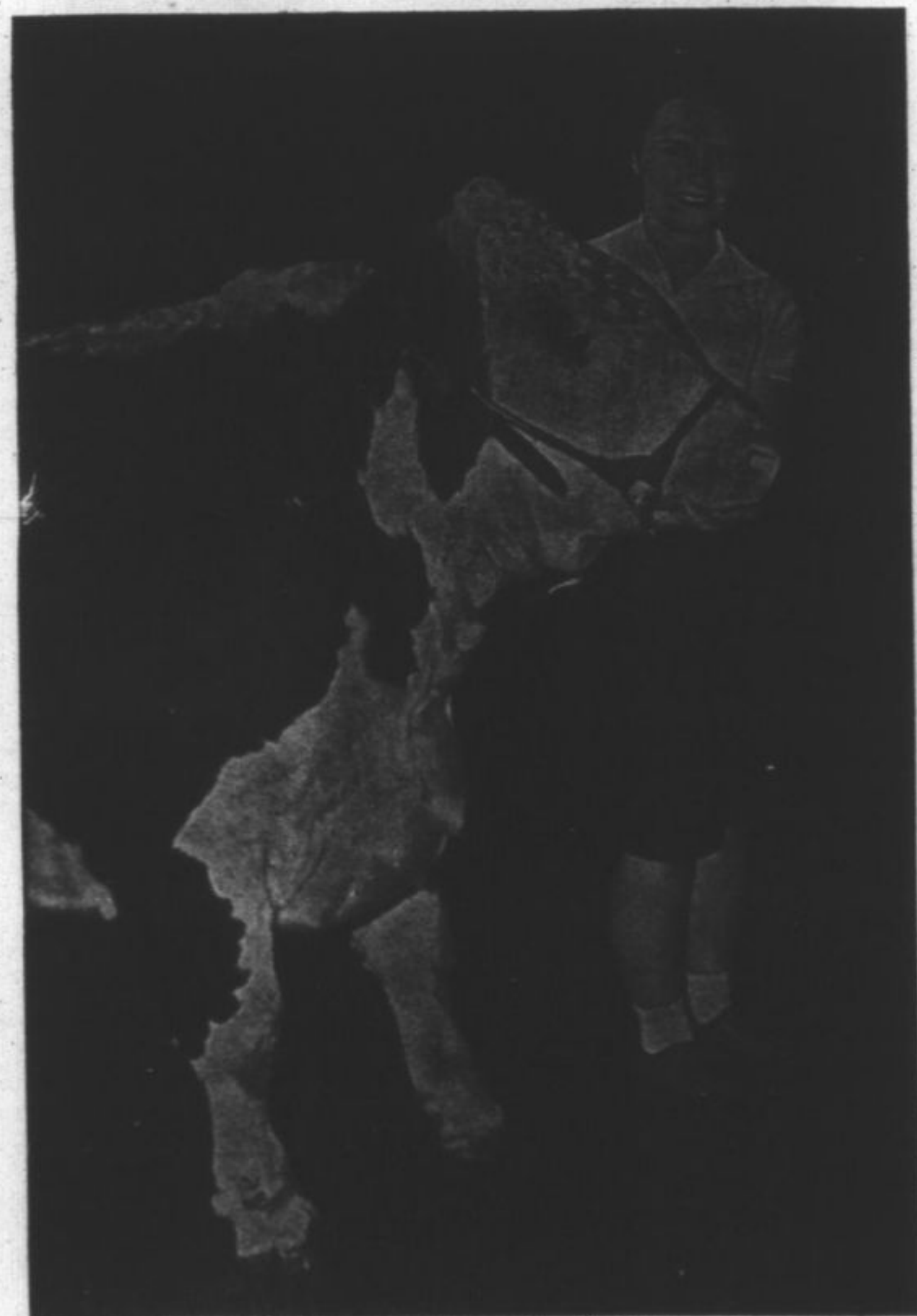
At the final meeting, in May, prize essays written by Highland Park high school students on this subject will be read by the prize winners.



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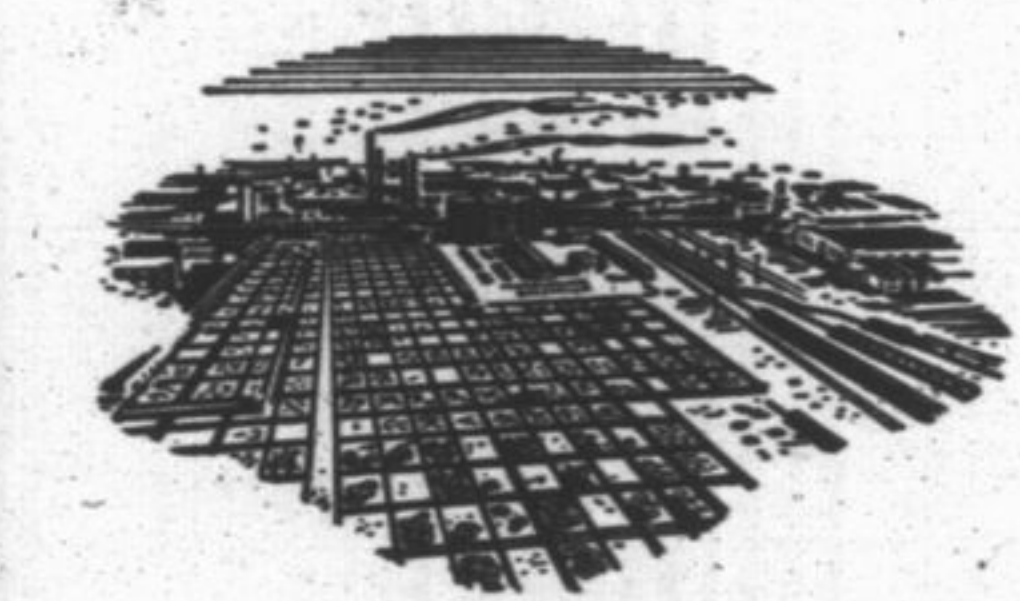


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