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## Women Voters League Asks For New Members

Have you ever considered joining the League of Women Voters? Let's put it another way. Have you a right to enjoy the benefits of good government, if you do not work for good government?

The League of Women Voters gives you a chance to learn what some of the puzzling problems of government are, and to make your opinions heard where they will do the most good.

Those who put their energy into the work of the league feel that good government is like yeast in a loaf of bread. It is fundamental to the good things of life. The level of our living cannot rise without it. The quality and texture of our relationships is based upon it. Without it the dreams and hopes of peace, prosperity and progress topple to the ground, because the fundamental leavening agent is missing or is too weak to function properly.

The only creed the league subscribes to is "to promote education in citizenship by active participation in government." The league as an organization is non-partisan, supporting whatever measures locally and nationally that the majority of its membership has studied and decided will work toward the common good. Members are urged to work actively in party organization so that their influence as citizens may be as effective as possible.

All meetings of the league are open to the public and visitors are welcome at any time. The local league meets every third Wednesday afternoon of the month from 1:30 to 3:00 and an evening group meets regularly each month, starting the fourth Wednesday of September at 8 p.m. Meetings will be announced and topics of current interest to league members and the general public will be presented in the local press and by monthly bulletins to members. Watch for them.

Within a short time 275 new arrivals to Highland Park during the past year will receive written invitations to join the league. This does not mean that you must receive an invitation to become a member. The league invites all women, regardless of party affiliation, to share the responsibilities of their citizenship with other women by membership in an organization that works only for the common good.

If you would like to become a member, contact Mrs. G. K. Hardacre, membership chairman, 1019 Marion avenue, H.P. 2052, or Mrs. Chas. B. Puestow, co-chairman, 437 Glencoe avenue, H.P. 847. Either will be glad to give you additional information. Membership in the local league includes membership in the state and national leagues.

When you become a member of the League of Women Voters you join forces with more than 50,000 women throughout the country who are working to insure the success of our democratic form of government.

### Want Custodial Laborer

The U. S. Naval Ordnance plant, 7500 Roosevelt road, Forest Park, a Chicago suburb, is announcing an examination for appointment to the position of custodial laborer. Under the Veterans' Preference laws those who have the right to veteran preference must be considered for these positions before all others.

Applications to qualify for permanent positions will be received from the general public and from those already employed on a temporary or war service basis. Forms are available at the plant; at the regional office of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, 433 W. Van Buren St., Chicago 7, Ill., or at any first or second class post office. Custodial laborer applications must be filed with the examining board in Forest Park not later than Sept. 9, 1946.

### Ladies Organize Thursday Night Bowling League

The ladies of the Thursday night Highland Park Ten Pin league meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 at the bowling alleys. Teams for the 1946-47 season will be organized at that time.

### An Open Letter of Thanks and Appreciation

It is with sincere appreciation that we extend our thanks to all Highwood professional business men. They have supported every worthy cause of this city wholeheartedly. They have left their easy chairs, rolled up their sleeves, signed their checks and mailed them in.

Italian Women's Prosperity club, Sr.  
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Marconi's Mutual Aid society.  
American Legion Women's auxiliary.

Modenese society.  
Highwood Boys' club.  
City of Highwood.

V. F. W.  
Mothers' Service club.  
Highwood Boy Scouts.

Highwood Girl Scouts.  
Cuore Arte club.  
Labor union.

American Legion.  
Highwood Boosters.

To all the members of these organizations we extend our many thanks for their financial support and active participation so generously rendered in the Highwood Veterans Homecoming celebration held on Sunday, August 18. We are indeed indebted to you for your kindness and generosity, and to your committees that served so faithfully and loyally in the booths.

The entire Highwood Volunteer Fire department contributed very much to making this a memorable day.

We also wish to thank the following firms for their generous contributions of merchandise. We are most grateful to you for your financial support and assistance.

Gonella Baking Co., 2006 W. Erie St., Chicago.  
United Baking Co., 812 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago.

Siljestrom Ice Co., Highland Park.  
Highland Park Ice Co., Highland Park.

Again many thanks to every one of you.

Respectfully yours,  
Highwood Veterans Committee.  
Carl Pasquesi, Chairman.

### Autos for Disabled Vets

Application forms for amputee veterans to use in obtaining cars at government expense are expected to be available from Veterans Administration offices and contact representatives within two weeks, VA officials announced recently.

The Veterans Administration is charged with responsibility for administering the new \$30,000,000 program set up by Public Law 663 to provide automobiles or other conveyances for disabled veterans of World War II who are "entitled to compensation for the loss, or loss of use, of one or both legs at, or above, the ankle."

Following is the necessary procedure:

1. The disabled veteran obtains an application form and information from his contact representative, who will help fill out the form, or if there is no contact representative he may write the nearest VA office.

2. Every eligible veteran, except retired officers, must mail his completed application form to the regional office having jurisdiction over his compensation claim file. There the form will be processed, an entry made as to his disability, and the form returned to the veteran. Retired officers must mail their applications to Veterans Administration, Washington 25, D.C., and they will then be handled through the regional office.

Total cost of the car, including all necessary attachments, cannot exceed \$1600.

### VFW Shows Film of 1945 World Series

Tonight (Thursday) at Elks hall, the members of Veterans of Foreign Wars will be hosts to Lake and McHenry service schools. Films of the 1945 baseball world series will be shown at that time.

## RED CROSS NEWS LETTER

Home Nursing Campaign Starts September 10

Chicago women can learn simple home nursing technique by enrolling in a home nursing class during the most extensive Red Cross home nursing campaign ever to be conducted in this area.

The courses are tailored to fit the need of each family. How to care for the ill child, the convalescent serviceman, or the chronic invalid are all stressed by the registered nurses who instruct the classes.

"How to care for a person with a communicable disease is an important phase of the Red Cross course," Mrs. Estelle Blatt, director of the Chicago chapter Red Cross home nursing service, said as she urged local women to enroll in one of the 20 courses being offered. Classes start Sept. 10 and 11; Oct. 1, 2, 22 and 23; Nov. 12 and 13; and Dec. 3 and 4.

"We've learned during the current epidemic," said Mrs. Blatt, "that illness is no respecter of persons, and Red Cross now includes in its home nursing program instruction which will help students protect themselves and others should a member of their family be stricken with a communicable disease."

The following morning, afternoon and evening home nursing classes will be held for the convenience of homemakers and business women at Red Cross headquarters, 529 S. Wabash, Room 405:

#### Morning Classes

(Tuesdays and Thursdays)  
Classes from 10 a.m. to 12 m.  
Sept. 10 through Sept. 26.  
Oct. 1 through Oct. 17.  
Oct. 22 through Nov. 7.  
Nov. 12 through Nov. 28.  
Dec. 3 through Dec. 19.

#### Afternoon Classes

(Wednesdays and Fridays)  
Classes from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
Sept. 11 through Sept. 27.  
Oct. 2 through Oct. 18.  
Oct. 23 through Nov. 8.  
Nov. 13 through Nov. 29.  
Dec. 4 through Dec. 20.

#### Evening Classes

(Tuesdays and Thursdays)  
Classes from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
Sept. 10 through Sept. 26.  
Oct. 1 through Oct. 17.  
Oct. 22 through Nov. 7.  
Nov. 12 through Nov. 28.  
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Whoever you are, whatever your circumstances, you need to know Red Cross home nursing. Call Wabash 7850, extension 61, 62, 63 or 64, to sign up for a Red Cross home nursing course which will help you, your family, and your community to reach optimum health!

### Royal Neighbors To Meet Sept. 11

The next regular meeting of the Highland Park camp, 5123, Royal Neighbors of America, will be held at the Masonic temple on Wednesday, Sept. 11, at 8 p.m. A social hour will follow the business session with Mrs. Edna Watkins in charge of refreshments, assisted by Mesdames Josephine Gerken, Ada Willison and Mabel Wilson.

### Vacancy on City Council Is Filled by Oliver Turner

At a special meeting of the city council last week, Oliver S. Turner, 2432 Deere Park drive, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the late Arthur Swanson, as commissioner of streets and public improvements.

### Scooter Drivers Must Have Driver's License

Drivers of motor scooters under 15 may not legally operate a scooter, reminds Secretary of State Edward J. Barrett, calling attention to the State's motor vehicle laws.

A scooter driver must hold a driver's license, and if between the ages of 15 and 18, must have the written consent of parent or guardian.

All scooters must be licensed.

### Graham K. McCorkle Becomes Head of Ill. Bell Telephone Co.

Graham K. McCorkle of Evanston, who got his start in the telephone business as an office boy and night operator in a small Kentucky town at the age of 15, has been elected president of the Illinois Bell Telephone Co. He will succeed Aubrey H. Mellinger, president since 1938, who retires October 1, under the company's automatic retirement plan.

The company announced several other promotions, also, of men who came up through the telephone organization. William V. Kahler of River Forest as vice president in charge of operation, will succeed Mr. McCorkle, and Hale Nelson, former information manager, will become vice president in charge of public relations.

Blaine Cummings of Glen Ellyn is the new manager for State area. Succeeding Mr. Cummings as chief engineer for Chicago area is Gifford B. West of Evanston. Dwight L. Brown as general plant manager for State area, will succeed John S. Chase of Elmhurst, who becomes chief engineer.

Mr. McCorkle, the new president, began his Bell System career 44 years ago at Eminence, Ky., his birthplace. His pay was \$20 a month, and his duties included the mopping of floors and dusting of furnishings in the tiny telephone office above a furniture store. He later worked as boy night operator, then as lineman and repairman, and in the Western Electric Co.'s shops in Chicago. He joined the Illinois Bell in 1908 and as a student traffic manager, and rose through successive promotions to the position of general supervisor of traffic. After other successive promotions he became operating vice president last May.

All of the other men also have had long service in the Bell System. Mr. Kahler started as an engineering assistant in 1922, Mr. Nelson as a student assistant in customer relations in 1927, Mr. Cummings as a student engineer in 1923, Mr. West as a clerk in 1910, Mr. Brown as a cable helper in 1917, and Mr. Chase as an installer in 1905.

### Presbyterian Women Hold Annual Membership Tea

The annual membership tea of the Woman's association of the Highland Park Presbyterian church will be given on Monday, Sept. 16, in the parish house of the church, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. All members of the association, prospective members, those in any way interested in the Presbyterian church or Sunday school, are most cordially invited to attend.

The board will meet on Monday, Sept. 9, at 10 a.m. in the parish house.

### Rotarians Hosts to Fellow Clubmen

There was no meeting of the Rotary club last Monday, which was Labor day.

The next meeting to be held at Sunset Valley club on Wednesday, Sept. 11, will take the form of a tournament, to be followed by a barbecue at 6 p.m., at which the Highland Park club will be host to Rotarians from Waukegan to Chicago. The following members are in charge of the events:

Dr. Jack O'Connell, general chairman; Ed Knox, food chairman; Dr. Grover Grady, chef; Ed Menke, tournament; Paul Phelps, baseball and Paul Behanna, entertainment.

### Minstrel in a Jeep

Martin Joel Betnum, native of Salt Lake City and former student at Chicago university, is making a nation-wide jeep tour of 106 Veteran Administration hospitals and homes to lead disabled veterans in community singing. During the war Betnum was vocational and educational guidance officer at Camp Upton Convalescence hospital, Long Island, N. Y.

The tour is sponsored by the National Post War Service and the American Commission of B'nai B'rith, and conducted in cooperation with the recreation and entertainment division of the Veterans Administration Special Services.

At the completion of his swing he will resume his studies at the University of Southern California, where he is specializing in social welfare administration.

## Vets' Homecoming Day To Be Outstanding Affair

### Men's Garden Club Awards Many Prizes

In spite of the prolonged dry spell, the recent show staged by the Men's Garden club at Lincoln school auditorium proved to be colorful, well-attended and highly satisfactory to the many recipients of prizes. Especially well pleased was the winner of the special award, a power lawn mower, Mrs. John Wyle, 1440 Dean.

#### Prize Awards

C. E. Pfister led the long list of prizewinners with 127 points, which is the sum of all points won, including 3 points for first place, 2 for second and 1 for third. Close on his heels was M. C. Dean, with 63 points, followed by E. Keim with 56, C. Stith with 40, E. Rice with 35, R. Swazey with 31, H. Vart with 31, W. H. Riddle with 29, H. Oppenheimer with 27, W. C. Clausen with 26, Mrs. H. Riddle 24, N. Cohn 23, T. Browning 21, B. Leech 20, B. Ray 20, S. Sienerth 20, F. Miller 19, R. Schaffner 19, W. Weninger 18 and B. Krasberg 18. These were the 20 leading prizewinners.

### Ravinia Garden Club To Lunch at Hearststone Restaurant Sept. 13

The annual meeting of the Ravinia Garden club will be held at the Hearststone restaurant in Hubbard Woods at 11:45 a.m. Friday, Sept. 13. Luncheon will be served promptly at 12 o'clock.

Annual reports from the officers and board members will be given, and at the conclusion of the meeting Mrs. E. O. Lawrence, who has successfully completed her two years' term of office as president will present the gavel to Mrs. Stanley Grace.

At the recent flower show held by the North Shore Garden club, three members of the Ravinia Garden club won high awards. Mrs. Willard Ewing won a purple ribbon for her flower arrangement, Mrs. Hugh Riddle was awarded a purple ribbon for her specimen sweet peas, and Mrs. A. J. Baldauf carried away a blue ribbon for her flower arrangement.

Mrs. Lawrence has called a special board meeting at her home at 10:30 Friday morning, Sept. 13.

### Report on "Operations Crossroads" to Appear in Sept. 11 Issue

In a letter written by Andrew W. Kramer, 330 Woodland, to the Highland Park Press (by request), he explains his reactions to "Operations Crossroads," of which he was a witness. The reports included in the letter will appear in next week's issue.

The following is an excerpt from his letter:

"These dispatches will give you the highlights of the two blasts and will give you my reaction to them. This is somewhat different from the reaction of the average newspaper reporter. I was a little bit disappointed in the way the newspaper men sort of played down the atomic bomb blasts. True, the blasts did not sink a large number of vessels in the target array but that does not mean that the atomic bomb is just another bomb. In the second test, the Saratoga and the Arkansas were anchored almost a mile apart and the bomb sank both of these vessels in addition to throwing a million tons of water a mile high. Anything that does that is no firecracker."

### Kiwanians to Hear Marine Officer at Sept. 9 Meeting

Col. George A. Brace, 821 Ridgewood drive, a member of the club, will address Kiwanians on Sept. 9 at their weekly dinner meeting at Sunset Valley.

In private life, a patent lawyer, Col. Brace served for 5 years with the marine corps, being separated from service last spring. His duties took him over the entire So. Pacific theater. He saw service from Australia to various smaller island groups, including Japan.

Plans for Veterans Homecoming day, Saturday, Sept. 21, an event in which all clubs and organizations of Highland Park will unite to give a rousing Welcome Home to the nearly 2100 service men and women of Highland Park, are being carried on enthusiastically.

The festivities, a community affair include golf in the morning and afternoon, with a program in the evening. The evening program will consist of a welcoming address by Mayor Garnett, a band concert by the Highland Park high school band, community singing, entertainment and street dancing to the music of Roy Milton's orchestra, a top-notch dance orchestra, which has gained much popularity in various select amusement centers of Chicago. Various well-known entertainers have also offered their services.

A meeting of the committee, headed by Mayor Garnett as honorary chairman and C. W. Matthiesen as acting chairman, is slated for the evening of Sept. 8, at 8:00, in the Legion hall, for the purpose of further crystallizing plans for the big event.

Arrangements have been made for transporting disabled veterans to the golf course and to the evening celebration, with C. W. Matthiesen in charge.

Martin Hart, head of the finance committee, will receive contributions toward the big day at the First National bank. Members of his committee are contacting contributors.

### Lady Elks Become Branch of a National Organization

The former Lady Elks lodge of Highland Park has ceased to be known as such, and has become the Highland Park Emblem club, branch of a national organization.

Installation of officers will be held Sept. 25, when the following new officers will take their places:

President — Mrs. Charles Elwell; past president — Mrs. A. Abercrombie; vice-president — Mrs. R. Sheehen; treasurer — Mrs. L. Larson; financial secretary — Mrs. E. Dostalek; corresponding secretary — Mrs. Sam Bernardi; recording secretary — Mrs. F. Schramm.

Trustees are: Mrs. R. Wilcox, chairman, Mrs. B. Berube and Mrs. F. Schneider. Mrs. L. Steffen is marshal with two assistant marshals, Mrs. C. Duffy and Mrs. Wm. Kelly. The guards are Mrs. T. Stringer and Mrs. E. Welch. Mrs. A. McArthur is organist, Mrs. H. Moran, chaplain, and the press correspondent and historian is Mrs. E. Blair.

The regular Wednesday afternoon meeting will be held Sept. 11 at 1:30. Hostesses will be Mrs. F. Snyder, Mrs. A. McArthur and Mrs. M. Larson.

### Girl Scouts Open 32nd Year Of Activities

Next Monday, Sept. 16, the office of the Girl Scouts will be opened officially, and that date will mark the beginning of the 32nd year of activities in this vicinity.

There are nearly 600 girls in the various troops at Elm Place, Lincoln, Ravinia, Braeside, West Ridge and Immaculate Conception schools, and the services of more adults are needed to carry on the work this year. Mrs. E. E. Ault, executive director, or Mrs. John Priddatt, registrar, may be seen at the Scout office, which is located above the First National bank.

With the view to placing more emphasis on outdoor Scouting, plans are under way to arrange for troop camping cabins to be used by the Girl Scouts of the vicinity.

### Lions Club to Hold Monthly Business Meeting

The monthly business meeting of the Lions club will be held this (Thursday) noon at Highland House. The board of directors met on Tuesday night at the home of Floyd Godfrey, secretary of the club.