

Let's Take a Look

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Typewriter Tappings

Frankly, we were planning to use the column this week to write about one of Highland Park's busiest and most popular merchants, namely, Albert Larson of Larson's Stationery store, 37 S. St. Johns. But Mr. Larson was not available for an interview this week. Perhaps we'll be able to write about him next week. Or soon, anyway. We hear his story is interesting. And we think you Highland Parkers would like to read it.

So . . . instead we thought we'd answer a couple of letters received recently and also chat with you about other matters.

Okay?
Okay.

THANK YOU LETTER . . .

A few weeks back, you'll recall, I wrote a piece about Dr. Casper Dahle, new superintendent of schools. I received this letter about that column.

"The Board of Education, District 107, thanks you for the commendable publicity you gave our superintendent, Dr. Dahle . . .

"We appreciate your interest in our schools and hope from time to time you will find items of interest concerning them worthy of publicity in your column.

"With best wishes for your continued success, I am,
Cordially yours,
EDNA O. LAEGELER,
Acting Secretary."

Thank you.

I enjoyed interviewing Dr. Dahle. He surely has a positive approach to education and he's deeply interested in giving the youth of Highland Park the best schooling possible.

And rightly so. If they're to follow in their parents' footsteps, Highland Park's children must prepare to be leaders in every profession.

ANOTHER LETTER . . .

Here's another letter on a different subject.

Now and then in the past I've written columns about some of the "things" I like, believing that you readers have many of the same preferences.

Now this letter arrives . . . "You old optimist," the pessimistic pensman writes, "why not list some of the things you DON'T like? Surely you don't like everything. . . ."

ITCHY PANTS . . .

True, Sir.

And I've been making a list of those disliked "things" just for you. Here they are . . .

Baseball. To hear it on the radio, that is. Untidiness and uncleanness in all their different forms and with all their ramifications.

Unpleasant buyers of merchandise found at some of Chicago's stores.

(Incidentally, one of the nicest buyers I've ever met — and the man who gave me my first order on State Street — is Ravinia's James C. Snow, well-liked buyer of housewares at Marshall Field & Co.)

SLACK SUITS . . .

But, to go on . . .

Salt and pepper shakers that don't work . . . Hand-painted ties . . . Striped shirts . . . Itchy, woolen pants . . . Chicago's horn-toting drivers whose insistent blasts indicate they believe traffic melts when a stoplight changes to green.

Wishy-washy hand-shakers . . . Open shirts with collars laid over suit coats . . . Slack suits . . . Short socks . . . Pointed shoes . . . Sideburns . . . Long, wavy hair on men . . . Ditto long fingernails.

The way Chicago's irresponsible car hikers barrel your car.

Dented fenders! Pens that don't write smoothly . . . Dull pencils . . . And worn out typewriter ribbons.

FUMBLES . . .

Line plunges . . . Penalties . . . Clipping . . . High tackling . . . Fumbling.

Newspaper photos of smiling women just divorced . . . Liquor and cigarette advertisements.

Drunken servicemen. Or anyone drunk, for that matter . . .

But that's enough of that kind of negative writing for a long time.

Smith College 75th Fund Campaign Opens

Mrs. Sidney L. Schwarz of Orchard Lane, today announced the opening of the Smith college 75th anniversary fund campaign. The campaign is seeking \$4,300,000 from Oct. 1 until June of 1947, with Highland Park's quota set at \$10,000. All proceeds will go to higher faculty salaries, an increase in student scholarships, and the construction of several badly needed buildings.

Governor Green, in a recent telegram to President Herbert J. Davis, has stated:

"The current fund campaign of Smith college constitutes timely and appropriate recognition both of a notable anniversary and of widening opportunities for the distinguished work Smith is doing. I hope it will arouse a most cordial response and go on to gratifying success."

Mrs. Schwarz, district chairman, will be assisted by Mrs. Francis M. Knight as co-chairman. Other members of the committee include Mrs. Julius E. Lackner, Mrs. W. L. Winters, Mrs. Moses E. Shire, Mrs. Roger S. Vail, and Mrs. R. Arthur Wood.

A middle-aged man approached a bank official, stating he would like to make a loan.

"Yes," said the bank official, "but you will have to take that up with our loan arranger."

"The loan arranger?" echoed the man blankly. "Who is that?"

"Why, just what I said. The loan arranger."

The would-be borrower looked puzzled. Then his face cleared.

"Oh, yes, of course," he smiled, looking thoroughly enlightened. "It's the fellow on the radio who keeps saying, 'Hi ho! Silver!'—Tracks."

Invite Contributions for Winnetka Correspondence School for the Blind

Although there are over 200,000 blind in America, the Hadley school, Winnetka, Ill., is the only correspondence school for the blind in the country — or in the world. It serves the adult blind of North America through home-study courses—grade, high school and college.

Its services are FREE to the blind — and are maintained by the generosity of the public. The school teaches the blind to read and write Braille and to use the ordinary typewriter. It offers in Braille more than 50 home-study courses, including a complete high school program.

In cooperation with the University of Chicago, the Hadley school makes available in Braille certain of the college courses offered by the university's home-study department, provides students with all required textbooks, circulates many Braille magazines, including both the Braille and the Talking Book edition of the Reader's Digest, lends Braille writing machines to students in need of them, gives financial aid to promising blind in order that they may secure college or professional training, and serves as an information bureau for both the blind and the sighted, on all matters relating to the blind. Write to the Hadley School, Winnetka, Ill., or, in the Chicago area, telephone Win. 805.

Contributions from the generous public enable the school to serve hundreds of blind throughout America at no cost to them.

Some day have me tell you about the inspirational book which I lent to a young ambitious salesman of insurance, who, after carefully reading same, absconded with the company's funds.—Anon.

Salutation to the Dawn

Look to this day! for it is life, the very life of life. In its brief course lie all the verities and realities of your existence: the bliss of growth, the glory of action, the splendor of beauty. For yester-

day is but a dream, and tomorrow is only a vision; but today well-lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness, and every tomorrow a vision of hope. Look well therefore to this day!—From the Sanskrit.



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Unless you plan for adequate wiring, your exciting new home will be old fashioned before you move in. Ugly extension cords, dimming lights and inefficient "loafing" appliances "outdate" even a just-built home.

When you talk with your contractor, be sure to insist on adequate wiring. Then you'll have convenience outlets and circuits to usher in all the new wonders electricity will bring. It means an end to fuse-blowing and "overcrowded" outlets. It means switches that will light up a room before you enter.

The best time to get adequate wiring is when you are building. It's cheapest then, too. Be sure of finer home convenience . . . ask your contractor to include adequate wiring.

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GIVE TO THE HOSPITAL . . .

A most reliable scout told me that if Highland Parkers want to give money, they should give it to the Highland Park hospital.

This grand institution is in need of money. It certainly is worthy of our support.

PLAYS FOOTBALL . . .

'Tis Sunday. Early church has been attended. And now it's time to slip into some old football togs and play some touch ball with Dick Higgins, Bud Baldauf, Tom and Fred Ullman, Tom Simpson, Chuck Rietz, "Brains" Rollery, John Brigham, Bud Hoffman, Dave Richman and other Highland Parkers who are young and athletically-inclined.

PARTING THOUGHT . . .

"He has but sorry food that feeds upon the faults of others." (Thanks, Stanley Link!)

Training at Gt. Lakes

William D. McLain, 18, seaman 1/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McLain of St. Johns place, is one of approximately 3000 students undergoing training in the electronic technician's school at the Great Lakes Naval Training center.

When he completes basic and advanced training, he will get actual experience in the U. S. fleet as an electronic technician's (or an aviation electronic technician's mate), an essential man behind the buttons of the navy's "push-button" warfare.

Y. W. C. A. CALENDAR

Saturday, Oct. 2—
2 p.m. Outdoor painting class.
3 p.m. Saturday Evening club.
Tuesday, Oct. 15—
10 a.m. Interfaith group. Mrs. Abel Davis, speaker.

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