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Will Select Candidates For School District No. 108 Feb. 9

The PTA caucus to select candidates for election to the school board of Dist. 108 will meet in the music room of Ravinia school at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9. The election will be held April 12.

This caucus, in operation since 1942, is composed of four representatives from each school PTA in the district, the president and three others appointed by the president.

This year the representatives are: from Lincoln, Mrs. Chas. A. Simpler, president; Mrs. Wilfred Johnson, J. R. T. Alford and Hugh M. Seyfarth; from Braesside, A. J. Valiquet, president; R. C. Ferguson, Mrs. Mark Goldsmith and Ormas G. Smith; from Ridge, Wayland D. Sears, vice president, Chas. W. Rose, Philip N. Gould, David R. Daxier; from Ravinia, Mrs. Elwood Hansmann, president; Mrs. Mason Smith, A. Y. Bingham and M. Lawrence David.

The host school is determined by a definite rotation, the pattern being set at one of the first caucuses. The chairman is usually a non-officer appointed by the president of the host PTA. Mrs. Mason Smith has been appointed chairman of this caucus. The chairman with the president plans the meeting, having ready for the other caucus members any necessary information concerning the present board members, new members needed and election information. This committee also circulates petitions for their candidates, after notifying them that they have been selected by the caucus and receiving their permission to place their names on the ballots.

The members whose terms end at this time are: R. R. Wible, who has been president for four years; Maurice A. Pollak, who has served two terms of three years each, and Bryan K. Perreault, who is finishing his first term. The president is elected each year for one year. Those whose terms are still running are Russell Clark, Mrs. E. W. Cederberg, Hamilton R. Winton and Mrs. David Levinson.

The committee will be glad to receive suggestions before their meeting, from any one in the district, concerning possible candidates.

Senator Brooks Asserts Republicans Will Carry Out Campaign Pledges

Washington, D. C., Feb. 5.—Republican members of Congress from Illinois, meeting with Senator C. Wayland Brooks today went on record reaffirming their pledges made to the voters of Illinois during the congressional campaigns last November.

These pledges include:

1. Bring about a balanced budget.
2. Make a substantial reduction in Federal expenditures.
3. Begin making payments on the national debt.
4. Cut personal income taxes 20

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Hospital Auxiliary Will Meet at Parish House

The regular meeting of the Woman's auxiliary of the Highland Park hospital will be held next Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the parish house of Trinity church. Luncheon will be served at 12:30. A cordial welcome is extended to all who are interested in making surgical dressings for the hospital.

Second Series of Art Lessons By Wilder

Starting this evening Tom Wilder will conduct a series of ten painting classes at the "Y" on Thursday evenings at 7:30. There is still room for a few more members. Anyone wishing to join should enroll at once. Call the YWCA, H.P. 675.

Open House Friday Night at Center

The Highland Park-Morton basketball game tomorrow (Friday) night will be followed by an open house and dance in Cokes Me Inn, at the Community center, at about 10 o'clock. All teen-agers are invited. Roger Morrison's orchestra will provide the music.

Fancy Boxing on Program For Saturday Evening

Fans will see amateur boxing at its best on Saturday evening at the Highland Park high school gym at 8 o'clock, when the home team steps into the squared arena against the strong Mundelein Boys club, according to Mel Mullins athletic director.

After tying Libertyville Boys club, 6 to 6, Friday, Highland Park will be gunning for a win over Mundelein, who lost by one bout at Libertyville.

Outstanding bouts of the evening will bring Frank Humphreys as captain of the home team, against the flashy Mundelein star, Jay Butts in what should be one of the best fights of the season. Chuck Schramm, the "Young Corbett," who has yet to lose a bout since being crowned champion, will extend himself against one of the strongest boys yet developed by Coach Dick Shields, namely Bob Hoffman. Smiling Dom Turki of the Highland Park club, who who has had some close ones, will rough it out with John Barvis.

Dickie Roberts, another all time winner of the season, will have it tougher going against Mundelein's star, Bob Knight.

Fifteen all-start bouts for the evening will keep spectators on edge. (Continued on page 5)

Plans for 1947 Red Cross Drive Well Under Way

Plans are well under way for the 1947 Red Cross drive. The Highland Park chairman, Lester Ball, and his co-chairman, Richard Loewenthal, have announced the appointment of Elwood Hansmann as chairman of the special gifts division. Mr. Hansmann will be assisted by a committee consisting of the following: Messrs. Alvin Baum, Joseph Straus Jr., Alan Kidd, Edward Andrews, Charles F. Grimes, John F. Morrissey, Robert Leopold and Harry M. Pier.

Solicitations for special gift contributions will begin this week. Working with Mr. Ball and Mr. Loewenthal are Gordon Adamson as treasurer, Mrs. Frederick Boynton as secretary and Mrs. Joseph Michaels Jr. as financial secretary. Mrs. Michaels will be assisted by Mrs. Paul Daube.

The drive headquarters will again be at the Public Service Co. building, 521 Central.

Members and Friends Of Highland Park Library Choose Leaders

Members of Friends of Highland Park Library, whose purpose is to increase the scope and improve the financial condition of the library, recently elected their slate of officials, as follows: Louis P. Haller, president; Whitt N. Schultz, vice-president; Mrs. Eugene Hotchkiss, secretary, and Mrs. J. A. Bigler, treasurer. Franklin Meine, chairman of a similar organization in Chicago, will assist the new group.

Lions Plan for Big Valentine Party

Ladies' night at the Lions club was marked by an address by Dr. Dahle, superintendent of school district 107, who spoke interestingly and at length on India and Burma, where he was stationed during a part of the war, illustrating his remarks with pictures from his collection taken at that time.

A Valentine party is on the program of the club for Saturday evening, Feb. 15.

Kiwanians to Hear of Philosophy of Living

The speaker at the dinner meeting of the Kiwanis club on Monday evening, Feb. 10, at Sunset Valley, will be Prof. R. C. Tomlinson, professor of the department of speech and dramatics at Lake Forest college. His topic will be "A Philosophy of Living in a Changing World."

He is sponsored by Fred Richman.

Legion Auxiliary to be Hostess to District No. 10

The Highland Park Legion auxiliary will be hostess to the auxiliary of the 10th district at the meeting on Wednesday evening, Feb. 12, at 8, in the Legion hall. All members are urged to attend.



THE ARCHITECTS

"SCOUTS OF THE WORLD—BUILDING FOR TOMORROW."

The Boy Scout Movement is a great factor in the promotion of world peace. It influences friendship and goodwill constantly through World Scout Jamborees, visits and correspondence. The Scout Oath and Law are known the world over. Scouting promotes mutual understanding by emphasizing those points which nations have in common. The Scout Program is based upon activities like camping and life in the open which attracts all boys regardless of nationality. Organized in 51 nations, Scouting now has a world membership of 4,413,139 boys and leaders.

Director Continues His Informative Discussion Of Recreation Needs

By GEO. SCHEUCHENPFLUG
Director of Recreation

(Editor's note: This is the second in a series of informative articles to appear in succeeding issues of The Press, which have been written by Mr. "X," to help Highland Parkers understand the recreation problems of this city.)

At a city election to be held on Feb. 25, Highland Park residents will be asked to approve a \$200,000 bond issue for a new recreation center building.

In 1940, recognizing the importance of a Community center, the present Community center quarters at 549 Central avenue were remodeled for temporary use. While this was a real step in the right direction, the present center has proven inadequate during the six years it has been in use due to its limited size and facilities.

Also, our present quarters lack a most important feature, namely, an adequate, well equipped gymnasium. We have been unable to take care of the demand for gymnasium activities, such as basketball, badminton, boxing, volleyball, community dances, etc. In other communities this is usually the most important part of a playground board's activity.

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Dist. 108 to Hold Tax Rate Referendum

The board of education of Dist. 108, comprising Lincoln, Braesside, Ravinia, and West Ridge schools, has authorized a referendum on the question of the school tax rate to be held on Saturday, March 1, 1947. The purpose of this vote is to clear up certain restrictions on the taxing power of the board of education brought about by the passage of the Butler Bills by the last session of the State Legislature. Two years ago the voters of Dist. 108 authorized a tax rate of \$2.25 per \$100.00 of assessed valuation for educational purposes in the district. However, the passage of the Butler Bills, which provided an increased assessment to full property value and which cut tax rates in half, also provided that no board of education could increase its levy more than 5 per cent above its 1942 assessed valuation times its established tax rate. Inasmuch as the board of education in Dist. 108 has been taxing approximately the full amount allowed for the past three years, this would mean that the board would be limited to only a 5 per cent increase in its levy for any three of the next five years.

Therefore, in order to be able to increase teachers' salaries and

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YOUR PRIMARY VOTE AND HALF A MILLION DOLLARS

Your primary vote isn't worth a nickel — so far as nominating candidates is concerned. It's true that there is no contest in the primary, what with only two candidates running for nomination for mayor and for police magistrate and only five for nomination as commissioners. None of them can miss being nominated.

BUT — and here is where you DO come in — voters at the primary will approve (possibly, but not likely, disapprove) the contraction of a debt well over half a million dollars for the City of Highland Park.

If the bond issue for this amount is approved YOU will help pay for it.

The Highland Park Press is in favor of the bond issue. We believe that the purposes for which the money is desired are sound and that the proposed expenditures will result in distinct advantages for the city at large. We believe that the planning which preceded the presentation of this proposition to the citizens was well conceived. We believe that YOU should support it.

EUT — if you are not in agreement with us, we think you should get out and vote against it, just as we think you should register your approval if you agree with us in believing that the bond issue will work for the general good of the city.

It's hard to decide which is least essential — the non-voting citizen who moans about higher taxes because such an issue was approved, or his fellow non-voter who moans with equal fervency because "people here don't vote for progress."

Our form of government is just as good as the people who do or do not take part in it. In America we aren't given a choice between voting "Ja" or "Ja."

Elm Place-Green Bay Schools Choose Candidates at Caucus

Early Morning Fire Destroys Cleaning Shop of J. Zengeler

Early Tuesday morning a fire, which evidently started in the basement of John Zengeler's Cleaners, Inc., gutted the shop. The blaze was first discovered by a cab driver, and by the time the fire departments of Ravinia, Highland Park, Highwood and Ft. Sheridan could reach the scene, the store could not be saved. Attention was turned to the adjoining buildings, which escaped with minor damages. Walls of the Kelly establishment were scorched and windows of the Highland House across the alley were broken by the heat.

Mr. Fenner Spalding, who lives in an apartment next door, rendered a worthy service by serving hot coffee to the firemen who fought the flames in the zero weather.

Telephone service to the business part of town was upset. The cleaning plant at the rear of the store was undamaged, but all clothing in the store was destroyed. The total damage is estimated at between \$30,000 and \$35,000. The building was covered by \$20,000 insurance and the contents by \$10,000. Operations are being carried on at Vogue Cleaners, 329 N. Green Bay road.

Assn. of Family Living Plans Discussion Series On Everyday Problems

Planned under the guidance of the Association of Family Living, and conducted by Mrs. Walter Neisser, a series of five discussions on family problems will be held at the YWCA, 374 Laurel, each Wednesday evening from 7:45 to 9:15, beginning Feb. 26.

The series is being given in response to a local demand for down-to-earth discussions of everyday situations that everyone has to meet. They are a result of a growing feeling that children today will have to face different problems from those their parents faced. Although we do not know what kind of a world theirs will be, we can help to give them that "balance of confidence and uncertainty that is necessary" for the postwar world.

There is also, in Highland Park as over the country as a whole, a

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YWCA Board Round The World Festival

The Highland Park YWCA is planning a Round the World festival on Thursday, Feb. 20, and Friday, Feb. 21, from 2 to 9 p.m., with the clubs and groups in the Y representing the countries where the reconstruction fund will be used and selling many attractive and useful articles. On Thursday, the Mothers' club will represent Italy, serving a spaghetti dinner at 6:30 or 7:5c. Mrs. Raymond Siefert is president of the Mothers' club.

The following groups will assist: Girls Service organization, Barbara Ashman, president. "Mexico" — flowers and Mexican crafts. Friendship club, Agnes Quinlan, president. Eileen Meimler, chairman. "India." White elephant sale and fish pond. Pi Deltas, Ethel Larson, president. (Continued on page 5)

Group Will Discuss Teachers' Salaries

Educational problems — particularly the matter of teachers' salaries — will be discussed at the meeting of the North-Shore chapter, American Veterans committee, to be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, at Winnetka Community house.

Lester Ball, superintendent of District 108, and a representative of the Winnetka schools will be the principal speakers. The chapter chairman, Bill Steel, who is a teacher at Country Day school, will preside.

Veterans are urged to attend and the public is welcome.

RED CROSS SEWING UNIT

Don't forget that the Red Cross sewing unit meets Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Public Service.

Mrs. Harold Ambler and Mr. Vernon Peterson are automatically appointed to the caucus committee which is made up of four PTA members including the presidents of the PTA boards from Green Bay and Elm Place schools. The parents represent the primary and upper grades. There is also to be one teacher from each school plus two members of the board of education plus two taxpayers who do not have children in either school.

This totals a fourteen member caucus who will nominate candidates for the board of education in Dist. 107 which is comprised of Elm Place and Green Bay schools.

The caucus welcomes suggestions from residents of the district and Mrs. Ambler and Mr. Peterson will accept for consideration the names at their homes by mail or phone and will submit these names to the caucus board.

Some of the suggested qualifications for school board members are listed below:

1. Primary motivation of a candidate for the board of education is to contribute to the welfare of the children of the community.
2. A good board member will think in terms of the entire community.
3. A member should have demonstrated his ability to work harmoniously with others.
4. He should have the courage to take a firm and independent stand on issues.
5. He should have demonstrated the habit of examining problems carefully and intelligently before acting.
6. He should possess an education relatively high for the community.
7. A good board member will contribute to the representative

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Chamber to Hear Talk On Chinese Current Events

At their dinner meeting Tuesday, Feb. 11, at Sunset Valley, members of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce will hear a talk from Rev. G. Alfred Lundmark, recently returned from China, who will recount the obstacles he found to the re-establishment of peace in the pending civil war between Communists and the Kuomintang. Engaged for many years in business in this country, Rev. Lundmark undertook, in 1934, the raising of funds for a Chinese orphan home. Lately over-run by the Japanese, it is now in Communist held territory in the province of Shantung. With the aid of the State Department he brought the resident head of the home to the United States on a government vessel, and saw a large part of the Orient in his travels by plane and by ship.

Dr. Lundmark will tell what our government is doing to get our people out of troubled zones, and what the future holds in store for American-Chinese relations. He has had first hand contact with some of the problems faced by Gen. George Marshall, and knows what prospects there are for American business in China. Answering questions and displaying Chinese robes and presents received while on his trip will also be a part of the program. Many trusted advisers and secretaries for the government, as well as members of the Chinese army are graduates of the Chinese orphanage.

Rotarians Entertain City Candidates at Moraine

Highland Park's Rotarians, in a laugh-packed luncheon meeting at Moraine-on-the-Lake last Monday, met the city's candidates for civic office.

Introduced to the well-attended group by Paul Phelps were Robert F. Walker, Robert F. Patton, Ed. J. Moroney, Oliver S. Turner, Gordon Humphrey, William Heinrichs and Clayton F. Lundquist. Missing candidates for the office of police magistrate were John P. White and incumbent Henry A. Hansen.

Humor was the keynote of the meeting with well-known Rotarians giving candidates witty suggestions on how to run the local government when elected.