

# Deep and Shallows

## "Stinky" Malloy

To my mind there is no branch of the service so colorful as the USMC. ("Of course," grinned an officer, "a guy has to be a bit wacky to even want to get into the Marines.") And I was proud that they accepted me, their recreation director, as one of them... a pal — to wheedle, to tantalize, to cajole and to confide in. And in turn I loved every mother's son of them — even to "Stinky" Malloy.

Stinky was a character from Brooklyn. He may have had another name, but I never heard it. Even the rigid discipline of boot camp had failed to make a neat dresser out of Stinky. His "gear" hung loosely on his lank frame; he was a traditional "droopy pants." His overseas cap, perched precariously upon the extreme back of his head, emphasized his high forehead and his long, narrow face, definitely of the type known as poker. His only expression was in his eyes.

It was Stinky who gave me the name of Kelly. "A good Irish name should have a good name," he declared; "and where," he demanded, "could y'u find a moniker to top Kelly?"

The name stuck, and was taken up by each successive group to arrive at the separation center. I became accustomed, when passing through the grounds, to hearing a bellow from some second-story window: "HI, KELLY! Where y'u think y're goin'?"

It was Stinky who undertook to initiate me into the intricacies of the game of pinocle. Now I considered myself quite the shark at contract, but the Marines would have none of it. The back of their hands to it. Pinocle was their dish, so with the help of a cluster of loyal habitués, shouting varied and often contradictory advice, I endeavored to master the game. Even in my dreams my ears would ring with roars of: "PLAY THE KING!"

Finally I had to put my foot down, gently but firmly. "I know

you mean well," I told them, "but if you would all just go away and let me play my cards to suit myself, I know I could catch on."

They retired, grinning, and from then on I was on my own.

But there was something uncanny about the situation. I knew I wasn't dumb, yet my opponents as well as my partner seemed able to guess the contents of my hand with clairvoyant accuracy. They knew more about the cards in my hand than I did myself.

"I doubt you'll ever make a pinocle player, Kelly," sighed Stinky, one day, with something akin to a twinkle in his eye. Puzzled, I went to answer a call at the phone.

Upon my return I got it. Stationed in a strategic position behind my chair was a small rear-view mirror, which afforded a full view of my hand to friend and foe alike.

I glared around at the circle of delighted faces.

"You wretches!" I stormed to their intense joy. "You utter, unmitigated scoundrels!" In my perturbation I even resorted to Brooklynese.

"Gang on me, will you? Well, just you wait till I get the hang of this double-decker nightmare, and — so help me — I'll cheat the everlasting eye teeth out of every living one of youse guys!"

—"KELLY."

## February

(Pure Whimsy)

As January's smile grows thin, February blusters in; Round of figure, red of face, Much too brusque to think of grace, February's lot's a strife To crowd too much in one short life.

Something of a blunderbuss, But, underneath, quite amorous; For softer moods he has a line... It's: "Will you be my Valentine?"

—R.B.O.

## Infant Welfare Society Holds Annual Meeting

Thirty-one members of the four Infant Welfare groups comprising the Highland Park - Ravinia center of the Infant Welfare society of Chicago attended the annual meeting at the Congress hotel on Wednesday, Jan. 29.

Philip D. Armour presided at the luncheon meeting in the Gold ballroom where reports were read by Mr. Armour, president, Donald B. Douglas, treasurer, Mrs. Robert McDougal Jr., president of the Woman's auxiliary, Dr. Heyworth N. Sanford, medical director, and Miss Sara B. Place, superintendent. Dr. Sanford reported that medical supervision and home health education had been provided for 5,461 infants, 6,103 preschool children and 786 expectant mothers.

At the meeting of the Woman's auxiliary in the morning, Mrs. Ralph C. Archer of the Highland Park - Ravinia center, served as chairman of the nominating committee. Mrs. Robert McDougal Jr. was re-elected president, and Mrs. Emerson Mead of the Highland Park Infant Welfare Wings gave the report for that group.

Mrs. Archer, outgoing president of the Juniors of Highland Park, brought out the fact in her report that the members of the Highland Park centers had volunteered 301 hours of service during 1946. Garments totalling 554 were turned in by the junior and senior groups combined.

The Highland Park - Ravinia center started 21 years ago with 10 members. In December a fourth group to be known as the Intermediates was formed, bringing the combined membership to a total of 260.

## MISSIONARY FROM JAPAN TO SPEAK AT BETHANY

Miss Lois Kramer, who was a missionary to Japan for 29 years, will speak at Bethany church, Laurel at McGovern, Sunday, Feb. 9, at 11 a.m. This service is being held under the auspices of the Women's Society of World Service of the local church.

The guest speaker is about ready to leave for Japan. She has been definitely related to the deaf-or-al school program in Tokyo where she was a trainer of teachers. During the recent war she was a Japanese prisoner in a Roman Catholic institution where she was incarcerated with nuns. When the incendiary bombs were dropped over the city, flames enveloped the building where these religious workers were confined and they had to flee, but did not attempt to gain freedom from imprisonment. All Miss Kramer had when she fled from the burning structure were the clothes she wore and her Bible.

She has a thrilling story; members and friends of this church are cordially invited to see her and hear her in person. Mrs. Fred Noerenberg is president of the local society, and Rev. Lester H. Laubenstein is the minister of the church.

## Permanent Citation for Lieut. Earl Hoey

Lt. Earl Hoey, USN, of Highland Park, has received a permanent citation for the Bronze Star medal from Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, for the President.

Lt. Hoey, currently serving at a naval air station in Minneapolis, earned the award while serving as aviation engineering officer attached to the USS Gabot, during operations against the Japanese forces in the forward areas of the Pacific.

During the war citations were temporary or incomplete for security reasons. Text of the citation is as follows:

"For meritorious service as aviation engineering officer, attached to the USS Gabot, during operations against enemy Japanese forces in the forward areas of the Pacific, Jan. 17 to Nov. 1, 1944. Maintaining his department in a high state of efficiency, Lt. (then Lt. jg) Hoey contributed materially to the success of his carrier's air operations. His devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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## Gen. Wm. H. Wilbur To Address D. A. R.

The next meeting of the North Shore chapter of the D.A.R. will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, at the home of Mrs. John B. Wilbur, 1881 Lyman court.

When the year-book went to press last September, Dr. William Copeland had expected to address the chapter on this date, and was to speak on Lincoln. Shortly thereafter he was made president of Billings Polytechnic institute at Billings, Mont., and found it impossible to keep this engagement.

However, the chapter feels very privileged and glad to have secured General William H. Wilbur for that date, and he will use as his subject "The Prevention of the Next War." Ever since the reports from so many of the members of the Men's Fellowship club, of the splendid and stimulating talk before their organization, on Jan. 23, the women have been eager to hear him, and the chapter is fortunate to find him available for this program.

Another attraction and addition to this day will be the presence of Chester Kyle, baritone, who will present a group of songs, accompanied by Miss Florence Richert.

Mrs. Roger Strecker, regent of the chapter, will attend both the state convention at the Drake hotel in March, and will be in Washington for the national congress in May. Mrs. Garfield Day, vice-regent, is the other delegate. Assisting Mrs. Wilbur will be Mrs. Sidney Frisch, Mrs. Amory A. Moore and Mrs. Jack McDonnell.

## Highland Parkers Who Attend Miami U.

Recently published statistics show that there are 149 Illinois students attending Miami university, Oxford, O. New York leads in the number of out-of-state students at the institution, 153, with Illinois and Indiana tying for second place with 149 students each.

Among Highland Park students are the following:

Albert T. Buckmaster, Sheridan place; C. E. Defenbau, S. Forest; Eugene F. Peddle, Homewood avenue; Douglas J. Reid, N. Sheridan and Wallace Volwiler, N. Deere Park.

## Elm Place PTA to Hear Mrs. Neisser

A representative group of second and third grade parents and teachers met in the Elm Place kindergarten room Tuesday evening, Jan. 25. Mrs. Walter Neisser discussed the problems peculiar to 7- and 8-year-old children. Mrs. Neisser, who was introduced by Mrs. John Stevens, is a resident of Highland Park and a past president of the Association of Family Living.

She pointed out that the 7-year-old is not in a state of rapid growth but is in a "thinking through" period, assimilating what he has already learned. He may still need some physical help and needs definite leadership in play, and an opportunity for self-expression, both in and out of school.

The child begins to show more independence on attaining eight years of age. He shows a keen interest in the radio, in the movies and in comic books. These media, rather than being all bad, provide the child with a means of escape, and with an opportunity of projecting himself into the role of a hero. The 7-year-old may be characterized as a "dreamer," whereas the 8-year-old is evaluative. He is "speedier" than the 7-year-old.

In conclusion Mrs. Neisser suggested that both the 7 and 8 year olds want and need small jobs to do at home, which are equal to their capabilities.

A lively question period followed during which parents and teachers exchanged views on several subjects, including playground supervision, and the value of a guidance program in the school.

## Highland Park Man Active in Club

Lloyd Erikson of Highland Park has been elected vice-president of the University of Rochester (N.Y.) Outing club. The club is one of the most active organizations at the university, with a skiing trip to Old Forge in the Adirondaks highlighting the season's activities.

Erikson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eben W. Erikson of North Sheridan road, graduated from Highland Park high school in 1943. He is a holder of a Rochester prize scholarship.

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## Old-Fashioned Gown Renews Its Day

A search for an old-fashioned gown has revealed why songs like the "Old Lamplighter" take the country by storm. The search has proved that even in these days of crowded space and time, Chicago women still dearly cherish their sentimental mementoes of the past.

For display at the opening of "Fabric Hall," on Feb. 10, the New Boston Store placed a small ad, requesting a gown that was made of material bought at the Boston Store back in the Gay 90's. The response was so much greater than anticipated that the store was forced to use only those dresses brought in before a certain date.

Among the exhibits was a blouse from Mrs. Fred Henning, 577 W. Park avenue, Highland Park, worn by her mother in 1907.

## Silver Spoon for First 1947 Valentine Baby

Valentine's day, the closing of the enrollment, will be a particularly auspicious day for the Chicago Maternity center. It will be that philanthropy's 52nd anniversary. Celebration, in addition to its hoped for membership goal in the way of financial support, will include the presenting of a silver baby spoon to the first baby delivered by the doctors of the center as the hands of the clock slip past midnight on Feb. 13. On the bowl of the spoon will be engraved: "52nd Anniversary Baby, Chicago Maternity Center, Feb. 14, 1947." This presentation was started last year by the center and will continue as the anniversaries roll around.

Suburban committee workers have been particularly active in this year's enrollment.

Members from Highland Park are: Mrs. Emerson Mead, Mrs. Charles A. Meyer, Lester Wellman, Mrs. J. Maurice Maxwell, Mrs. Malcolm D. Vail Jr., Mrs. Roger Vail Jr., Mrs. Robert Schiller and Mrs. Baldwin Newman.

## Sandra Meitus Joins Mademoiselle Staff

Miss Sandra Meitus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Meitus of Ravine drive, has been chosen to represent Monticello college, at Alton, on Mademoiselle's college staff.

In October Sandra entered an essay in a nation wide contest sponsored by Mademoiselle magazine. She chose as her topic the children's workshop theatre at Monticello which is a project of the directing class of the drama department.

The work for Mademoiselle consists of four assignments during the year. The first assignment was to criticize a recent issue of Mademoiselle and to plan a college forum. Writing a short story or planning a wardrobe were two assignments suggested as a second contribution.

In June Mademoiselle's staff will choose about twenty girls whose work has been most outstanding to plan the August or college issue of the magazine, and to attend a career conference.

## H. Park Veterinarians Attend State Convention

Participating in the annual convention of veterinarians at Springfield last week was Dr. J. A. Butterworth, chairman of a special committee on small animals. Also present were Drs. Thomas E. Belknap, Wm. A. Denny and John J. Spanabel, newly elected members of the association.



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