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Up To Now

Speed and Funerals

Highland Park had its first fatal traffic accident of the year last week. The tragedy could be no grimmer for the families involved, but had the unfortunate driver crashed into another pleasure car instead of a heavy truck, the tragedy would have spread its shadow even further over the community.

It is too late now to prevent that accident. It may not be too late to prevent more.

Too many youngsters, brought into Police Magistrate Henry Hansen's court to pay a fine for speeding, regard the whole affair as a lark, pay the fine and go out to speed some more. Under Illinois statute, Judge Hansen cannot revoke a driver's license. Such revocation requires a hearing in county court, involving hearings which would take up so much of the police department's time that its members wouldn't have enough time to take care of their other numerous duties.

It comes back to the home. If your son or daughter has a heavy foot on the gas pedal you'd better curb his or her driving until more responsibility is demonstrated. That is, unless you are prepared for a funeral in YOUR family.

Not Only the Youth

The above is not intended to intimate that only the youthful are dangerously heavy-footed as far as the accelerator is concerned. Some years ago, a substantial and respected citizen appeared at the police station to complain of speeding on his street. Ed Moroney Sr., who was then chief, heard the complaint and took what steps were possible to eliminate the hazard.

But—and this is an example of the sort of thing that made Ed Moroney an outstanding success as a police chief—Ed saw a chance to accomplish two objectives through the same set of circumstances. Whenever he happened to be cruising in a squad car, he kept his eyes open for something he knew he'd find sooner or later. Finally, his patience was rewarded. One noon he clocked, and finally overtook a car driving down Green Bay Road well over the established speed limit.

All he said was, "You know, someone might be complaining about you, one of these days." The speeder, of course, was the citizen who wanted speeding curbed.

So, before any one throws too many stones at the youngsters, we might glance at our own speedometers once in a while.

Supply and Demand and the OPA

Wonder where those lower prices are? You know, the ones that were to follow decontrol and the end of OPA. If they don't show up pretty soon (and it doesn't look as though they will) the general public, which swept the Republicans into office, may decide that the Democrats were right when they said that what we Republicans meant when we said "free economy" was freedom to pay even higher prices or freedom to do without.

Yacht Club Buys Motor Rescue Boat

Giving top priority to its safety program, the North Shore Yacht Club this week announced the purchase of a new safety craft for rescue work.

Dr. R. B. Ringland of Deerfield, Chairman of the yachtmen's Safety Committee, declared that this is the first step in a thorough campaign aiming to safeguard boating off the Highland Park beaches.

"We have purchased out of the Yacht Club funds a 14-foot, ten-man Navy rubber landing boat," said Dr. Ringland. "Powered by a 5-horsepower outboard motor, it is practical to launch and handle in a surf. In a demonstration on Sunday by Charles Burnett of Burnett Motors, several of our members sat on one gunwale, jumped on it, and tried vainly in every way to capsize one of these boats."

According to Dr. Ringland, funds are available with which to purchase an outboard motor for the rescue craft.

"The Lake Front Safety Com-

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Nathan Home Damaged By \$30,000 Fire Last Friday Morning

The big 29-room brick and stucco residence of Claude Nathan, 333 Moraine road, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$30,000, last Friday morning, when fire broke out in the attic rooms. It is believed that the conflagration was started by sparks from the basement incinerator, which spread the flames to the top floor. For two hours firemen fought the flames, managing to confine them to the attic rooms. Much damage is said to have been caused by water.

The building was protected by \$50,000 insurance, and furnishings by \$15,000 insurance.

Victim Of Traffic Tragedy Laid To Rest In Kansas

Funeral services were held on Sunday at the Deerfield Presbyterian church for Eugene Larrick Finley, 17, who lost his life in a traffic accident last Friday, when the car which he was driving crashed into a cement truck on South Green Bay road at Marion avenue.

The pastor of the church and Dr. Henning, head of Shattuck Military school, from which Eugene had just graduated, conducted the services.

An honor student at Shattuck Military academy, located at Faribault, Minn., Eugene was a member of the school's crack rifle squad, highest honor of the school, editor of the school paper, and a member of Quill and Scroll, honorary journalistic society. His acceptance to Carleton college for next year had been received the preceding day, and on his way through Highland Park on Friday, he had stopped to mail his tuition fee.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adin W. Finley, 806 Hazel, Deerfield, and a brother, Lawrence, 15.

Interment was made in the family burial plot at Lenora, Kans.

Companion In Crash Recovering Satisfactorily

John Kaatz, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur F. Kaatz, 950 Warrington avenue, Deerfield who was a passenger in the ill-fated car, which was completely demolished, is reported to be making satisfactory recovery. His arm and eye, at first menaced, will be saved, it is reported. He was thrown clear of the car, while Finley was apparently pinned back of the wheel, meeting instant death.

Kaatz, whose father is an official of the Illinois Bell Telephone Co., also has a younger brother.

Tennis Winners To Pair As Partners In Tournament

Mike Klee, winner of the junior boys' tennis tournament sponsored last week by the Playground and Recreation board, and Warner Rosenthal, runnerup, will pair off as doubles partners in the National Junior Tennis tournament to be held soon.

"These boys are to be congratulated for their fine play and sportsmanship shown in their participation in the second annual tournament," Al Danakas, tournament director and staff member of the Playground and Recreation board said today. "We hope that next year we can hold another tournament which will draw more participants of as fine caliber as those that entered this year."

Winners in the tournament are as follows:

Juniors: semi-final round, Warner Rosenthal, 6-6, vs. Phil Clark, 0-0; Mike Klee, 6-6, vs. Ned Greenberg, 1-4; finals, Mike Klee, 6-6, Warner Rosenthal, 3-3.

Intermediates: semi-finals, Bill Ostrander, 6-6, vs. Ray Cimbalo, 0-2.

Girls, 12, 13, 14: Joan Johnson, 6-6, vs. Peggy Day, 2-1; Geraldine Reiding, 6-4-6, vs. Catherine Jennings, 2-6-4; Sally Casey, 6-4-6, vs. Judy Laegeler, 2-6-4.

Ravinia Merchant And V.F.W. Team Have It Out

Ravinia Merchants and the VFW put on one of the closest and hardest fought games of the season in the Highland Park 16-inch league when they met under the lights at Sunset Park on Monday, July 7. Ravinia, battling to stay in the undefeated class and for a chance to meet Fells in a playoff game to be held at the completion of the second round between winners of each round, came from behind 6-4 in the ninth inning to tie the score at 6 all. They scored 1 run in the tenth to win the game 7-6.

Fells continued to show that they were the team to beat when they swamped Elm Place 20-4. Sunset and the Elks put on a slugfest which ended 17-14 in favor of Sunset.

Boy's Outing And Sports Club To Tour Public Service Company Farms

Through arrangements made with E. A. Menke, district superintendent of Public Service Company of Northern Illinois, members of the Highland Park Boys' Outing and Sports Club will be taken on a tour of various farms in the company's territory on Monday, July 21.

Mel Mullins, director of the Sports Club, asks all members who plan to make the tour to meet at Community center at 9 a.m. and to bring with them their lunch and bus fare. Any boy, 10 years of age or older, who is interested in visiting the farms is invited to join the members in this tour.

The club held its annual golf tournament at Sunset Valley club last Monday. Winners will be announced next week.

Athletic Day Program At Sunset Park July 23

Bicycle and foot races, games and sports will comprise for the main part the athletic day program planned for the weekly day camp at Sunset Park on Wednesday, July 23. Stanley McKee, camp director, announced today. The camp is sponsored by Highland Park Playground and Recreation board as part of its summer program every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Also featuring next Wednesday entertainment will be a scavenger hunt led by Miss Ella Rasmussen, staff member, and accordion music by Mrs. A. E. Patton of Highland Park.

All Highland Park children are invited to attend the camp. They should bring their lunch and five cents for milk.

Highwood Dog Licenses

July 1 was the day set to procure dog licenses in the city of Highwood. Dog owners not yet having procured licenses are asked to do so at once. Licenses to be obtained at the Highwood City Hall.

KAPELL AND SOLOVIEFF AT RAVINIA

Ravinia Festival goes into the fourth week of its twelfth season with William Steinberg, one of America's leading conductors, occupying the podium, and with William Kapell, pianist, and Miriam Solovieff, violinist, as the soloists for the Thursday and Sunday concerts respectively. Steinberg will conduct the full-strength Chicago Symphony Orchestra at four concerts.

Steinberg, the musical director of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, and a Ravinia guest conductor during the 1946 season, makes his first 1947 appearance Tuesday evening (July 22). He will have William Kapell, in his second Ravinia performance of the season, as soloist at the Thursday evening (July 24) concert. Kapell will play the Rachmaninof Third Piano Concerto. Steinberg's Sunday (July 27) soloist at the 4:00 concert will be Miriam Solovieff, talented young San Francisco violinist who appeared in three concerts with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra last season.

At his opening concert on Tuesday evening, Steinberg will direct Mozart's Overture to "Don Giovanni" in its first Ravinia presentation, employing the Busoni ending of the overture. Second on the program will be Beethoven's "Symphony No. 3," the "Eroica," and, following the intermission, Wagner's "Siegfried Idyl" and Prelude to "The Mastersingers of Nuremberg."

The Thursday evening July 24 concert will be devoted exclusively to the works of Rachmaninof, opening with the "Vocalise for Solo Violins and Orchestra, Opus 34, No. 14," previously unheard at Ravinia Park. William Kapell's solo, "Concerto for Piano-forte, No. 3, D. Minor, Opus 30" follows, concluding the first half of the program. The "Symphony No. 3, A Minor, Opus 44" occupies the entire second half of the program.

Two members only are scheduled for presentation at the Saturday evening (July 26) concert. They are the Brahms "Variations on a Theme by Joseph Haydn, Opus 56a," and for its Ravinia premier, Shostakovich's spectacular "Seventh Symphony," written during the siege of Leningrad in 1941 and presented first by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra during the 1941-42 season.

Miriam Solovieff, Sunday afternoon's (July 27) soloist under the Steinberg baton, will play Mozart's "Concerto for Violin, A Major (Kochel 219)." The re-

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Former Resident In Charge Of Atomic Secrets

According to bulletins from Washington D.C., a former resident of Highland Park, T. O. Jones, 30, is now acting director of security for the Atomic Energy Commission.

However, although now in full charge of protecting atomic secrets, he was not in charge at the time of the Los Alamos theft.

In January, of 1946 Jones, then a major in the army, and security chief at the Los Alamos military reservation, left there, and returned in April, 1947 to take over the director job. The theft there, occurred in March, 1946. During the summer of 1946 Jones was security officer in the atomic bomb experiments at Bikini atoll. A graduate of Harvard university 1938, Jones was drafted into the army in 1941 and assigned to intelligence work.

Annual Golf Tournament And Outing For H. P. Chamber of Commerce

The annual golf tournament and outing of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce for members and their guests will be held Wednesday, August 6th at the Sunset Valley Golf Club.

Golf will start at one o'clock and an outside buffet dinner will be served at seven.

For the non-golfer, there will be all sorts of games and refreshments in the afternoon and evening. There will be golf and door prizes.

YOUR COMMUNITY FUND DOLLARS AT WORK

THANKS

Highland Park Press, Highland Park Ill.

Highland Park Post No. 145, The American Legion extend our sincere thanks for the loyal support and patronage which the community gave us at our carnival on July 3, 4, and 5th.

The true community spirit that was shown at our carnival enables us to continue our service to the Veterans and their families and to be of service to the Community.

Charles W. Matthiesen, Commander

Mr. Albert P. Snite, 201 Central Ave. Highland Park, Ill.

Dear Mr. Snite:

It is difficult to find the words which will express our sincere gratefulness to you for your very kind and most generous deed as outlined in your letter of July 7th.

Through the years your thoughtfulness and generosity in supporting our activities, both for the veterans and the citizens, has been a constant source of inspiration to all of the members of the Highland Park Post No. 145 of the American Legion.

You are acquainted with the vast amount of service work our Post is doing in our Community, and we feel it is a great privilege to be helpful so that Highland Park may be a better place in which to live.

This service work involves cases pertaining to hospitalization, compensation adjustment, Illinois bonus applications, terminal leave bonds, reinstatement of lapsed insurance policies, educational programs, and many other cases affecting both the veterans and their families.

I cannot speak too highly of the wonderful work being done by our Legion Auxiliary of the Highland Park Post at the government hospital located at Downey, Ill. Their work among disabled veterans at this institution is done with cheerfulness tact and sympathy.

As you know, we have outgrown our present quarters, and your generous contribution to the Legion Memorial Building Fund will hasten the construction of our new home.

For every member of the Highland Park Post No. 145 of the American Legion may I say thank you, and we send you our most cordial and sincere good wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

Highland Park Post No. 145 of the American Legion.

C. W. Matthiesen, Commander

Boys Over Ten Invited To Enjoy Bike Hike Club

Members of the Boy's Bike Hike club pedaled to the Desplaines river near Wheeling last Thursday, July 10, to spend the day fishing. Making the trip, which was conducted by Stanley McKee, member of the Playground and Recreation board, were: Scott Ewing, Ky Hilding, Charles Weeks, Douglas Heinrichs, Jack Johnson, Jan Buckman, David Wendell, Fred Boynton, and Bob Ingdahl.

A trip to the Highland Park beach to swim was the program planned for today.

All Highland Park boys 10 years of age or older are invited to join the club. Trips are made every Wednesday and starts from the Community center at 9:30 a.m. Lunches should be provided.

Dr. Looby To Address Kiwanis Club On Monday, July 21

The speaker at the dinner meeting of the Kiwanis club on Monday evening, at the Sunset Valley clubhouse, will be Dr. E. Looby.

After serving five years in the Army during the war Dr. Looby returned to Highland Park on June 15 to resume his surgical practice. His subject will be "Recent Advances in Surgery."

Dr. Looby comes to the club as the guest of Carl Arena.

(This is the second of a series of articles describing the activities of the various health, welfare and recreational organizations that are supported, in part, by your contributions to the Highland Park Community Chest).

Young Women's Christian Association

The purpose of the Highland Park Y. W. C. A. is to build fellow ship of women and girls devoted to the task of realizing in our community life the highest ideals of personal and social living. Membership in the Y is determined by a willingness to accept the spirit of the above statement of purpose—it is open to anyone re-



Two views of the "Round-the-World" Festival at the YWCA which raised funds for Foreign reconstruction. Above: Pi-Delta Club members represent Czechoslovakia. Below: Members of the Dunbar Club represent Holland in the Festival.

—Percy H. Prior Photo

ardless of race, religion or social difference. One does not need to be a member to participate in "Y" activities. On the other hand, not all members are active in the "Y" program.

The club house is an attractive 3-story building located at 374 Laurel Avenue. The first floor and the basement are devoted to the various program activities and include a library, a living room, an assembly hall, a large recreation room, kitchen facilities, and office space. The second and third floors are used exclusively for residential purposes and can accommodate a total of 18 women—both permanent residents and transients.

The "Y" serves our community in a variety of ways. Its educational program includes a creative writers' group that has been meeting weekly for many years, a weekly art class and a nursery school that provides play facilities for pre-school children.

Among its social activities are a Mothers' Club, the Saturday Evening club, the Pi-Delta Club, the Dunbar Club, the Gamma Sigma Omegas, the Friendship Club and the Interfaith Club which serves to bring about a better understanding of religious differences as a benefit to the community at large.

The YWCA participates in community-wide summer activities for school-age children, and makes its facilities available to various local groups for lectures, club meetings and classes.

All of the above activities are financed by dues, rental fees and contributions. The Community Chest allocation represents a substantial portion of the annual income of the YWCA.

The "Y" is managed by a board of directors consisting of 24 members representing a variety of civic and church groups and every geographical section of Highland Park.

(Next week another article of the agencies supported by your contributions of the Highland Park Community Chest.)