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Up To Now

Some time ago, we praised the city administration for putting out a booklet explaining the functions of the city government. Kudos are again in order, this time for a folder entitled "OUR HOME TOWN," a copy of which is to go out with each water bill. Vol. 1, No. 1, dated August 1947 is to go out this month.

There is no startling or "headline" information in this folder. A three-paragraph item gives some of the background of the present city hall and the former one, which is now the Community Center. There is a list of city officials, department heads and committees. Another article discusses the distribution of our tax money. One graph shows how tax money is divided; another shows how each dollar of city income is spent. The longest article is an appeal for citizen cooperation in protecting our parkway. To our mind, the brief introduction is much to the point. Stating that "OUR HOME TOWN" will be issued "from time to time, as the need is indicated," the introduction states that the purpose of the folder is "to bring to our citizens a better understanding of the problems confronting our city government and how your officials are attempting to solve them."

This makes sense. One of the greatest obstacles to good government is these general disinterestedness of the citizenry. One of the greatest contributing factors to this general disinterestedness is the fact that the average citizen is usually amazingly uninformed as to what, his government (national, state, county or city) is doing, is trying to do, or must do.

In attempting to provide such information, our city government is taking a forward and an intelligent step towards furnishing the sort of good administration it wants to give.

District Governor Gibbs To Be Guest Of Highland Park Rotary

On Monday, August 11, the Rotary Club of Highland Park, will welcome Bert M. Gibbs, District Governor of the 147th District of Rotary International, in his official visit to the club.

A wholesale lumberman of Princeton, Illinois and past president of the Princeton Rotary Club which he joined in 1922 he is now in his 25th year of perfect attendance.

A former member of the Hard Road and Bridge Committee of the State of Illinois, for the past six years Mr. Gibbs has served the Zoning Board of the City of Princeton and is past chairman of many Red Cross, Boy Scouts and Salvation Army Drives in his community.

As district Governor he will visit during the next 4 months all of the 59 clubs in the district advising and assisting the officers and committee chairmen on matters pertaining to Rotary service activities and club administration.

With the reorganization of Rotary clubs in war affected countries and the continued growth of Rotary in other parts of the world, Rotary membership figures today stand at an alltime high, with over 305,000 business and professional executives in over 6200 Rotary clubs in 78 countries. One of the major projects in which this world wide service organization is currently engaged is the raising of a two million dollar fund for international student fellowships for advanced study and other activities to further international understanding and good will.

Wherever Rotary clubs are located, their activities are similar to those of the Rotary club of Highland Park because they are based on the same general objectives—developing better understanding and fellowship among business and professional men, promoting community undertakings, raising the standards of business and professions and fostering the advancement of good will, understanding and peace among all the peoples of the world.

During the last fiscal year, 418 new Rotary clubs were organized in 16 countries.

Highwood Deals With Weed Situation

E. I. Unbehann, Highwood city health inspector, has notified the residents of Highwood that such noxious weeds as ragweed, mustard, thistles, burdock and cockle burrs, growing on private property must be destroyed. Those weeds you hear during the next few weeks will not originate in Highwood.

Peace that passeth all misunderstanding is what the world needs.

Second Of Series Of 24 Model Homes Now On Display

The second fully completed home in the famous \$24,000 Chicago-land Prize Homes competition, situated at 1426 Poplar Road in the lovely Forest Ridge subdivision of Highland Park, was formally opened for inspection last Saturday. It is the second of such homes to be completed in the Chicago Tribune's pioneering postwar construction program, chosen by a jury of leading architects and builders.

On the program which was broadcast over WGN on Saturday, at 5:30, Highland Park was represented by Paul C. Behanna, corporation counsel for Highland Park and vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce.

Built of solid brick the one-story building is painted white. It is situated on a beautifully landscaped site 80 x 140 feet and is of the modern seven-room ranch type, classified by its designer, Howard Uebelhack, as modern colonial.

Simplicity is the keynote to this home, from the delicately tinted green living-and-dining room to the bath, shower and powder room done in pastel. Of special interest is the kitchen, with its white enameled walls. It is an all-electric, hotpoint kitchen provided with every modern labor-saving device, and boasting a gay little alcove for light snacks.

The model home will remain open for inspection until Saturday, August 9.

The Robins Win Out

The three college youths who embarked upon a cherry-picking campaign are home again. You see it was like this:

These young men may excel in such things as sports or orchestra, but cherry-picking is something else again. For one thing, they were continually falling into the trees. Not "out-of" but "into". And the farmer didn't like it. It was, he seemed to think, 'agin' nature.

Thought waves penetrate, oft-times. So he didn't like the way they picked cherries. Okay, let him pick his own cherries—or give 'em to the robins. Anyway, they had a better job lined up.

But home was beginning to exert a powerful pull. There was some discussion as to whether to stay and take the new job or head for home.

There is always one sure way to settle an argument—flip a coin. The coin said "home". And that was that.

Late one night last week they limped into Highland Park on a cylinder and a pruner. Among them they had the sum of 9c and three \$5 appetites.

Kiwans To Hear Talk By Great Lakes Naval Officer

At the Monday dinner meeting of the Kiwanis club at Sunset Valley club house, members of the club will hear a talk given by Lt. Comdr. Edward Rushman of Great

Community Center Closes For Vacation From Aug. 8 to Sept. 2

The Community Center will be closed from Aug. 8 to Sept. 2 according to an announcement from Mel Mullins, center director.

All activities will cease during this time so that the staff members can take well-deserved vacations following the strenuous nine week program of planned recreation for Highland Park youngsters, which will be completed by then. The program, under the sponsorship of the Playground and Recreation board and directed by Bert S. Leach, is now in its eighth week. Reservations for the coming season, which opens on Sept. 15, will be accepted at the center starting Sept. 2.

Fell's Softball To Face Star Team

Fells defeated Ravinia Merchants in a close game last Thursday, by a score of 5 to 3 to win the undisputed position of first place in the sixteen inch softball league. Both teams played heads up ball as the low score indicates. B. LaBuda pitching for Fells limited the Merchants to eight hits while Dostalek allowed eleven hits. Harold Grant played a brilliant game at third for Fells while Bill Boehm made several outstanding plays at shortstop for the Merchants.

In the near future an all star team will be made up of members of the teams in the league to play Fells. The game will be held under lights either on Monday August 11 or Thursday August 14.

Lincoln Defeats Fells In Wild Game

Lincoln came from behind 9 to 3 in the sixth inning to defeat Fells Jr. (formerly the Bugs) 12 to 11 in one of the wildest games of the season. They scored 5 runs in the sixth and 4 runs in the 7th to put them out in front. Sammy Redford who has carried the Fells, Jr. to victory in all their previous games lost this game by allowing a total of nine walks. Four walks in a row in the sixth followed by a home run by Armstrong accounted for the 5 run rally in the sixth by Lincoln.

Larry Dean replaced L. Larson for Lincoln in the fourth inning and held the Fells, Jr. to 3 runs during his 4 innings.

The V.F.W. fighting to stay in the top bracket easily defeated the juke box team 19 to 2. This was the second straight in which they scored 19 runs.

Other scores: Bugs 15 Kings 6 Lincoln 20 Ermine Cleaners 7

Highland Park High School To Begin Fall Term September 8th

The Highland Park High School will open for freshmen on Monday, September 8, and for upperclassmen on Tuesday, September 9. School will start at 8:45 on each day.

Students who have just moved to this community and are planning to attend high school next year should report to the high school on Monday, August 25, at 9:00 a.m. for the testing program. The high school bookstore will be open to sell books to students on Saturday, September 6, from 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:00. Students whose last name begins with A-P are asked to report in the morning and those beginning with Q-Z, in the afternoon.

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 14.

The Women of the Moose, chapter, 806, will have an official visitor from the Portage Park chapter, on August 14, for a special meeting to be held at the home of Helen Meckley, 122 Prairie avenue at 8 p.m.

All chairmen are requested to be present at this meeting.

Lakes naval training station, in charge of officer training, who served in the Pacific area during the war. His subject has not been announced. He is the guest of H. V. Nichols.

Patrick J. Lucey of DesPlaines has been nominated for the post of Lt. Governor of this division, consisting of the towns of Evanston, Edison Park-Norwood Park, DesPlaines, Highland Park, Lake Forest, Waukegan and Park Ridge, to take office on January 1, 1948. Karl Arens of Highland Park holds the post at present.

RAVINIA TO FEATURE CLASSIC BALLET

Alicia Markova and Anton Dolin two of the greatest exponents of classic ballet, bring their stellar company to the Ravinia Festival this week for the seventh and final week of the 1947 season.

Among the dancers composing the company which will appear Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday evening (August 12, 14, 16, and 17) with Markova and Dolin are Albia Kavan, Bettina Rosay, Rex Cooper, Rosika Sabo, Wallace Seibert, Royce Fernandez, David Thimar, Carol Nelson, and George Reich. Robert Zeller will be the conductor.

Ballet performances at Ravinia mark an innovation in Festival presentations. To open the week's engagement, Markova and Dolin have chosen to present an eight-part "Chopiniana," the creation of Michael Fokine, which has provided audiences with one of the most poignant half-hours in the theatre since 1906 when it was first performed at the Maryinsky in St. Petersburg. The dances are set to Chopin Preludes Valse, Mazurka, and Nocturne.

"Romantic Memories," the second presentation on Tuesday, (August 12), brings to life the most exciting periods in ballet history. All the dances, whose tradition goes back as far as the early 19th century, have been faithfully recreated after painstaking research by Anton Dolin. In addition to "The Polka" to Strauss music, the suite contains a solo originated by Auguste Vestris—an exemplary combination of classicism and pyrotechnics—performed by Anton Dolin, and "Pas de Quatre" which has been faithfully restored by Dolin for Miss Markova and three members of the ensemble. "Pas de Quatre" received its first performance 100 years ago this summer at His Majesty's Theatre in London.

The fourth section of the evening's Tuesday (Aug. 12) performance will be devoted to "Divertissement" in three parts, including the "Black Swan" danced by Bettina Rosay and David Thimar; "Pas de Trois" performed by Tchaikowski by Albia Kavan, Rosika Sabo, and Royce Fernandez; and "Don Quixote" danced by Markova and Dolin to music of Minkus.

On Thursday (August 14), the performance will open with "Fantasia," choreography by Nijinsky to music by Schubert-Liszt, and will be danced by six members of the ensemble. This will be followed by the second performance of "Chopiniana," and the third ballet that evening will be devoted to a brilliant technical display of the company's virtuosity in Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite," including the Chinese and Merlitos Dances, the Trepak, the grand Pas-de-Deux, and variations containing the dance of the Sugar-Plum Fairy with Alicia Markova as soloist.

Saturday (Aug. 16) evening's performance will open with the "Nutcracker Suite," followed by "Chopiniana" and "Divertissement," in which Anton Dolin will dance "Hymn to the Sun" to the music of Rimsky-Korsakov, and Alicia Markova will dance the "Dying Swan" made famous by the immortal Pavlova.

On Sunday (Aug. 17) the company will repeat "Fantasia," "Romantic Memories," and "Divertissement."

The English born Alicia Markova and Anton Dolin were trained and "Russianized" in their early years under the late Serge Diaghilev. Known as the "greatest classic ballerine in history," Markova combines a flawless classical technique with an ability to project emotion that astounds the ordinary observer as much as the ballet expert.

Anton Dolin, born Patrick Henley-Kay in Sussex, England, is the first English dancer to win international fame. When he isn't executing "entrechats" and "grand jets" he appears as an actor in summer stock. This close association with the theater enables him to convey difficult emotional situations through superb timing. In addition to his dancing and acting abilities, he has gained considerable reputation as a choreographer. He has been most successful with recreations of period masterpieces.

A member of the Markova-Dolin company, in which every performer is a soloist, is Chicago-born Albia Kavan, who studied dancing with Hazel Sharp, the American Ballet School, Ella Daganova, and

YOUR COMMUNITY FUND DOLLARS AT WORK

Name Chairmen For Community Chest Drive

Campaign to Begin October 1st
In a statement released this week President Samuel R. Rosenthal of Highland Park Community Chest has announced the following appointments in connection with the forthcoming drive for funds: Woodward Burgert, General Campaign Chairman; Emmett Moroney, Assistant General Chairman; Herbert T. Schaffner, Special Gifts Chairman; C. Longford Felske, Assistant Special Gifts Chairman; Joseph H. Caro, Publicity Chairman.

The drive will begin October 1st and, as usual, will be preceded by the Special Gifts Campaign. Complete details of the campaign and the names of the Vice Chairmen, District Chairmen and Block Captains will be announced later.

"It is important to remember," states President Rosenthal, "that the Highland Park Community Chest is not associated with any Community Funds or Chests in Chicago or other nearby communities. We do not share in any contributions made by our citizens outside of Highland Park. If business reasons make it necessary for Highland Parkers to contribute anywhere else, we hope they will remember to set aside a sum (and we hope that it's larger!) for the Community Chest drive in their own home town."

Men's Garden Club Community Flower Show August 23-24, 1947

The Men's Garden Club of Highland Park will hold the most elaborate and extensive Flower Show yet planned by this organization on Saturday, August 23—and Sunday, August 24.

Co-Chairmen Bert Ray and William Riddle are handling the plans for this event, and have arranged to have the Show held in the large circular refectory in Ravinia Park. This beautiful, screened, rustic building, situated in a most appropriate setting, lends itself to an ideal spot for the exhibit of home-grown flowers by the amateur gardeners of Highland Park. The entire community is invited to exhibit specimen flowers, vegetables, and enter other special events to compete with their neighbors for blue ribbon awards.

Mrs. Hugh Riddle of the Ravinia Garden Club will head a special flower-and table arrangement committee, to encourage an extensive exhibit of flower arrangements by both men and women.

Under the able guidance of Bruce Krasberg, Men's Garden Club President, this Show is expected to be a record-breaker, both in the number of contestants participating and the number of visitors attending.

A schedule of show entries is being prepared and will be available about August 15.

ELKS PLAN ANNUAL PICNIC FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

Members of the Elks, Highland Park lodge No. 1362, with their families and friends, will hold their annual picnic on Sunday, August 10, at 1 p.m. in Mooney's grove, one block north of Deerfield road on North Ridge road.

Races, free ice cream, candy, pop, hot dogs etc., with free rides on a pony are planned for the entertainment of children. For adults there will be horse shoes, soft ball etc.

In case of bad weather the gathering will be held at the Elks' club. William Kelley is chairman of arrangements.

The one regular meeting of the lodge during the month of August will be held August 5, at 8:30.

Vilzak-Schooler. Her lightness and remarkable elevation are particularly suited to her present classical roles of the Mazurka and Carlotta Gris in "Pas de Quatre." Miss Kavan's husband, Rex Cooper, also a member of the ensemble, was born in Forest, Mississippi. A strong character dancer, he has been adding classic roles to his repertoire with the same marked success.

RIDGE FARM PREVENTORIUM

(This is the fifth 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.)

For 35 years the Ridge Farm Preventorium on Old Mill Road has been restoring children to health and useful citizenship. The Farm is the temporary home of 48 boys and girls between the ages



of 6 and 14. These children are placed there by medical clinics, child welfare organizations, and Courts, when their homes are found lacking in food, affection or the moral stability that youngsters need in order to develop into self-respecting adults. They remain at the Ridge Farm until their bodies become strong and their straight thinking has been restored. Then, if their homes have been rehabilitated, they are returned. Otherwise, the children are placed in approved foster homes. And this readjustment is usually accomplished in less than a year.

The children attend school at the Farm. There are Girl Scout and Boy Scout Patrols to help in their adjustment. Religious services are conducted at the institution and there are no racial or religious barriers.

The children are taught the value of money and a respect for their belongings. They work hard and love every minute of it, because each child's problems are given a great deal of individual attention.

During the summer, the children are given every advantage of a good summer camp, with a director and three counselors guiding their recreational activities.

The boys and girls are housed at the Ridge Farm Preventorium in four dormitories, each with 12 beds, a comfortable living room, each in charge of an understanding house mother. Until recently, only girls were accommodated, but the Preventorium now takes boys as well, because of a desire not to break up families. Both white and colored children are taken.

The staff is aided by a board of spirited citizens who devote considerable time to the proper operation of the institution.

Ridge Farm Preventorium is supported by public subscription, endowments, and by an allocation from the Highland Park Community Chest.

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

PATTON BECOMES A VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

Harold S. Patton has been elected a vice president of the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois effective August 1, it was announced this week by Chas. V. Freeman, chairman of the board. He succeeds the late, William J. MacPherson who died on June 23.

Patton, a resident of Evanston became associated with the utility in 1915 when he began work as a substation operator.

He later served as power supervisor, assistant electrical engineer, and manager of division operating.

Four years ago he entered the industrial relations department, and for the past two years has been manager of industrial relations for the company.

He is a graduate of Purdue University and a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.