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Up To Now

BY BILL THOMAS

The most nearly ideal set-up for one of the less obvious types of political maneuver is one in which it is possible to set up a "straw man" as an ostensible objective. The set-up becomes even more nearly ideal if the "straw man" can be a cause to which almost everyone pays lip service. Under these conditions, the maneuver can be an apparent success, even if the true objective, screened by the straw man, is not achieved.

We think that THE CHICAGO SUN engineered just such a maneuver in its recent "anti-gambling-in-Lake-County drive." We think so for these reasons:

- 1. We don't think THE SUN is violently opposed to gambling. (Witness the space it devotes to race results and predictions and the absence of a sustained drive against the hundreds of Chicago handbooksmany of them located in Chicago's Loop).
- We think that THE SUN obviously "saved" the campaign until an election was near. (THE SUN, after taking an active part in a publicity campaign that drove the book out of Highwood into western Lake County, ran only enough publicity on activities at its new location to serve as valuable advertising for the enterprise.)

We concede that the maneuver was a shrewd one for the following reasons:

- 1. No one can criticize THE SUN, or any other publication or group for attempting to suppress illegal gambling.
- No one can condone the existence of open, unsuppressed gambling. (In Lake County OR Chicago).
- Almost everyone lends lip service to the proposition that gambling should be suppressed, although no one-publications, service clubs, civic groups or individual citizens—is really interested enough in its suppression to initiate action to cause such suppression. (The handbook wasn't driven out of Highwood, where extra transportation was openly provided to care for the heavy traffic to and from Chicago, until sustained publicity convinced civic groups that the presence of a gambling establishment so close to Fort Sheridan and local schools, constituted a hazard to the morals of servicemen and school children. Actually, neither men in uniform nor school children were admitted, but that reason served as well as any other, in view of the fact that no reason, other than the illegality of the enterprise (as important).

Thus, even if THE SUN fails in what we think was its real ob jective-the discrediting of Lake County Republican leadership-it can claim success for the drive because gambling in Lake County has been halted.

We think that the real motivation in THE SUN's drive was a desire to discredit present leadership so that a split vote, which might be achieved either by the entry of two strong sets of Republican candidates, or enough protest votes, cast by nominal Republicans, might bring political advantage to THE SUN's party, or to members of that party.

We think that THE SUN knows that gambling and like enterprises exist only where public opinion is indifferent to them, and that under such conditions, they exist regardless of the political label worn by the party in power. We think that THE SUN realizes that an indifferent public bears equal responsibility with indifferent office holders for the existence of such enterprises.

Because we know that this editorial may be misconstrued by those who have their own reasons for so doing, we should now like to state, specifically, what we HAVE and HAVE NOT said.

We HAVE NOT said that we favor gambling. We don't.

WE HAVE NOT said that THE SUN should not have printed the "expose."

We HAVE said that we think their reason was not that they oppose gambling. Maybe they do, but we don't think that was their

We HAVE said that we think they did it for political reasons. We HAVE NOT said that we think that present office holder were blameless in allowing gambling to exist.

We HAVE said that we think them no more to blame than the public at large.

WE ARE SAYING that we think that THE SUN pulled off a very astute political maneuver. We shall watch the election returns with interest to see if it works.

Christmas Work Shops For Children and Adults

The children's Christmas Work Shop will be held at the Community Center each Saturday morning from 9:30 to 12:00 noon. Miss Ella Rasmussen, the Director of craft activities, will be in charge. This is your chance to make some your Christmas presents. Bring along your ideas and talk them over with the Director.

The Adult Christmas Work Shop will be held each Tuesday evening, beginning November 25th, at the Community Center from 7:00 to 10:00 P.M.

If you are interested in making shell ear rings, plastic novelties, some particular Christmas gift, the Work Shop is at your disposal with | a treat for each child present. an experienced director to assist with your planning. The cost to you will be for materials used only. Come and bring your hus-



Advance Visit From Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus

The annual visit from Mr and Mrs. Santa Claus to Highland Park will take place Sat urday morning, November 22 at the Northwestern depot when they will arrive on the 8:30 A.M. train for a half-hour chat on the platform with their young friends

The jolly guests want to meet as many children as possible and have hinted that they have

Mr. and Mrs. Santa will take the 9:00 train for Evanston, following their visit with High land Park children, where a big parade is planned for them.

Lake County Gambling Quizz

Signers and circulators of peti tions asking an investigation of gambling in Lake County, as well as newspaper reporters who published stories charging that gambl ing flourishes here, will be served with subpoenas requiring them to testify before the December grand jury at Waukegan, it was an nounced this week.

Judge Ralph J. Dady, Lake County Circuit Court Judge, ordered State's Attorney Harry A. Hall yesterday, to issue the subpoenas for the newspaper reporters. Subpoenas for the petitioners will also be issued under his orders, it was stated.

Judge Dady stated yesterday that he would order the December grand jury to make a full-scale in vestigation of the situation. He denied a motion by Hall to have the October jury make the investigation. He pointed out that the October jury's tenure ends Novem ber 30, which would give it insufficient time to make the study.

No opinion was expressed as to how much evidence of a concrete nature might be obtained from the testimony of those who have re quested the investigation.

To Speak At Union Thanksgiving Service

Rev. John F. Schaefer, of Elgin, Illinois is slated to bring the message at the Union Thanksgiving Service sponsored by the local Ministerial Association. The service their annual Christmas Sale this will be held on Wednesday eve- year on Thursday, December 4 ning Nov. 26, at 8 p. m. instead of Mrs. Marcus Hagen, president, an



interested. The committee hopes that this change will increase the attendance at this important community service, which will be held this year in the Bethany Church at the corner of McGovern and Laurel Avenues.

Rev. Lester Laubenstein, pastor of Bethany Church will preside at the service, and several of the other ministers of the community will participate. An invitation is extended to the entire community to take part in this service of Thanksgiving.

Rev. John F. Schaefer, the speaker, is pastor of the First Evangelical United Brethren Church of Elgin, and is a graduat of the North Central College and the Evangelical Theological Semin ary at Naperville, Illinois. He has also studied in New York City and Tuebingen, Germany, and is at present, Material Aids Director of his denomination, which quaints him with the general work of relief and rehabilitation in various countries of the world

The annual Thanksgiving offering will be received for the Discretionary Fund of the Family Service Society of the community.

Immaculate Conception Parishioners To Offer Thanksgiving Mass

Day the parishioners of the Im- 22 pounds. At the same time the maculate Conception Church will limitation of only one parcel per Library To Close render thanks for all blessings re- week from the same sender to th tion of the Sisters of Loretto will pound. O'Connel as Subdeacon.

Judge Dady Orders STASSEN TO SPEAK FRIDAY

Ravinia Woman's Club To Honor New Members

A reception and tea for the thirty six new members of the Ravinia Woman's Club will be held at the home of Mrs. Bertram A. Weber, 1885 Groveland Avenue, on Friday, November twenty first, from three until five o'clock.

Mrs. Albert J. Bushey, president of the club and her board of Directors will welcome the guests. Officers who will receive with Mrs. Bushey are: Mrs. H. Bowen Stair, first vice-president, Mrs. Arthur R. Schramm, second vice president, Mrs. Gordon Leonard, recording secretary, Mrs. Robert Spahr, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. William Wenninger, trea-

Mrs. H. Bowen Stair, chairman of the membership and hospitality committee, and her co-chairmen, Mrs. George G. Postels, are in charge of arrangements for the tea. They will be assisted by the Mesdames Wesley Becker, J. F. Bickmore, Stanley Clague, Craig Davidson, Lewis Donough, Henry Franzen, Walter Gibbs, Hwood Hansmann, H. W. Holt, G. S. Laing, Arthur Mason, Willard Medway, H. Mittelstaedt, Robert Olmsted, Jr., Arnold Peterson, Edward Poser, Hugh Riddle, Walter Reitz, L. S. Rggs, Malcolm Sproul, W. B. Towne, and E. L. Vinyard.

Redeemer Guild Plans Christmas Sale

The Redeemer Guild of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran church will hold the usual Thursday morning hour, nounced. Luncheon from 11:30 to by request of a number of people 1 p. m. The Dorcas Society will share in the sale of articles at this annual bazaar, with Mrs. sertha Kittman general chairlady of the whole, and Mrs. George Shuman and Mrs. Axel Larson chairladies of the luncheon.

> A bakery sale will be arranged Items for sale will be ties, fancy work, aprons, pillow slips, religiou books, Christmas cards etc. Members of the church will be ap proached for donations of any kind.

At the November meeting last Thursday, \$100 was contributed toward the new heating equipment, plans made for serving the Buffet supper after the Adult Bible Discussion Sunday, November 16 at 4 p. m., and plans made for preparing Christmas packages for needy families in Europe adopted by the Guild.

Lions Set Meeting Day For Wednesday

On account of Thanksgiving Day the regular weekly meeting of the Highland Park Lions will be held on Wednesday, November 26, next

At the Ladies' Night dinner plurality. meeting tonight (Thursday) Phil Johnson, well-known restaurateur, will present movies of Norway, which he took during his recen trip to that country.

Fell's Highwood Store Suffers Loss By Fire

Early Wednesday morning Fell' Department Store, 41 Highwood avenue, Highwood, was attacked b fire. The cause has not yet been ascertained, nor the extent of damage done, but the loss, espe cially at this pre-holiday seaso is supposed to be quite substantial

Lions and Ladies To Celebrate Thanksgiving

The regular Ladies' night dinne meeting of the Highland Park Lions' club, usually held the last

Gift Parcels

Postmaster Daniel L. Cobb give information that effective today (Nov. 20), the weight limit of Gift Parcels addressed for delivery in At a Solemn High Mass offered Italy, Vatican City State and Eriat 10:00 A. M. on Thanksgiving trea is now increased from 11 to ceived during the past year. The same addressees will be removed. On Fridays

fore attempting to mail.

Capacity Attendance Expected As Presidential Aspirant Discusses International Affairs

By WHITT N. SCHULTZ

Harold E. Stassen, 40-year-old Presidential candidate, will speak before a capacity audience of Highland Parkers tomorrow evening in the high school auditorium.

Stassen's visit is sponsored by the Deerfield Township and the Highland Park Men's Republican Clubs. He is the first of perhaps 10 widely-known speakers slated to appear on the "Men of the Hour" series.



Paul, Minn., Stassen's parents were ing a period when strikes were on pioneers. Young Harold, it is re- the upgrade across the nation. ported, lived the life of a typical farm boy.

Attending first a country school and completing high school at 16, Adm. W. F. "Bull" Halsey. The Stassen missed a year of school when he managed his parents' farm during his father's illness.

He entered the University of Minnesota late in his 16th year and worked his way through, getting jobs as a grease boy in a bakery and finishing his college President Roosevelt to be one of working tour as a sleeping car conductor. He was also active in school affairs.

After leaving school, he practiced law, later became county at torney and was re-elected to that

Friends suggested he seek the Republican nomination for gover nor in 1938. He did and whipped seasoned opponents by a 291,000

He took office at 31 and started improving the state's administration. His greatest achievement as thriceelected governor, it appears, fect. As a result, labor loss per- ahead.

Born on a small farm near St. | centages dropped 70 per cent dur-

Deciding to doff his political clothes and don Navy officer's gear, Stassen joined the staff of young politician's war record was exemplary and he won citations and medals. He also was promoted with extraordinary rapidity and ended up a captain.

Before released from active service, Stassen was selected by the American delegates to the United Nations conference at San Francisco where he unhesitatingly began putting forth his ideas on peace and internationalism. Press correspondents picked him as one of the two outstanding delegates at the conference.

Resuming active fleet duty, Stassen's last naval mission was to help lead detachments sent out to rescue American prisoners of war held at Jap camps.

Since released from active duty, Stassen has toured 16,000 miles was a conciliation law, passed on through 16 countries interviewing his recommendation. The law re- Stalin (among others), writing arquires a waiting period before a ticles, and generally warming up strike or walkout can go into ef for the heated Presidential race

Book Fair To Be Held By IM. Conception Parish

The members of Immaculate Conception Parish are sponsoring a Book Fair to be held in the Rec- vember 24, at the Sunset Valley tory Club rooms from Saturday, club, will feature a debate by Lake November 29 through Tuesday, December 2, from 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Numerous books of tin: The subject of the debate will fiction and on fiction for adults be: Resolved . . . That a Federal and children will be sold, also subscriptions to magazines taken.

Small People and Straight From and Eleanor Clark. The Shoulder will discuss and autograph these books.

Proceeds of the Fair will be used to enlarge the school library. Mrs. J. M. Maxwell is chairman of the Book Fair and Mrs. T. P. Clark is co-chairman.

Thanksgiving at 6 o'clock

Kiwanis Club To Feature Debate

The program on Ladies' night at the Kiwanis club, Monday, No-Forest college students, under the direction of Prof. Robert C. Mar-World Government Should Be Established. The affirmative side of Thursday of each month, will be On Monday evening. December the debate will be taken by Kenheld today, November 20, at 7 p.m. 1. Father Thomas Hosty of Chi- neth Warren and Barbara Hahn, cago, author of Small Talks For and the negative by James Kelly

Alcyon Announces Presales Of Sat. Matinee Tickets

With cold winds and snow in the offing, Mr. William Pearl of The Alcyon Theatre, this week announced a presale of tickets policy for the kiddies

So that the children will not have to stand in a long line Satur Immaculate Conception School The parcel post rates are 14 Beginning Friday, November 21, day afternoon, the Theatre will Children's Choir under the direction of a the Highland Park Public Library sell tickets in advance for the will be closed Fridays all day. This children's Saturday afternoon sing the Mass. The Solemn Mass. A precise list of contents are is necessary because it has been show. Parents or children may will be celebrated by the Rt. Rev. required on the customs declara impossible to secure the necessary now purchase their tickets ahead Monsignor J. P. Morrison with Rev. tion to all countries. Save time trained help. The Library will also of time for what has proven to be E. Skoner as Deacon and Rev. J. by filling this information in ber elese the Wednesday before a popular feature of the Alcyon's program. a large more