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Up To Now

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• PRESS FREEDOM AND PERSONAL FREEDOM

Quoting from Goebbels' diary — "Embarrassing consequences have resulted from the irresponsible and unpsychological publication of various court decisions. Hereafter I (Goebbels) am having all court verdicts of any national importance released jointly by the Ministry of Justice and ourselves (the heads of the Nazi Party). Our courthouse reporters don't have the necessary feel for selecting and publishing verdicts according to psychological considerations. The publication of court decisions is not a question of mere publicity but of public education. In connection with every verdict we must ask ourselves whether publication at this moment will have a favorable or unfavorable effect . . ."

The above paragraph describes the state to which the public press had fallen in Nazi Germany. Goebbels, who was as shrewd as a psychologist as he was despicable as a human being, clearly recognized the all important necessity for complete control of the press.

Any step toward such control is a blow at freedom. It doesn't matter whether the blow is in the form of a law designed to circumvent the constitution to impose legal shackles, or in the form of huge subsidies, which sooner or later would impose shackles of a financial character.

For those who may think that press freedom is not too important, the following Goebbels quotation should prove enlightening. It demonstrates the attitude, taken by those who reject press freedom, toward all rights. — "Justice must not become the mistress of the state, but must be the servant of state policy."

That about sums it up. The abrogation of rights may start piecemeal; it may start with curtailment of press, or any other freedom. It ends only with the complete abolishment of all individual liberty.

Roosevelt Hails Veterans' Progress

There is a new and encouraging spirit of unity among veteran organizations, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., told an audience of citizens and veterans Saturday night in Highland Park.

Citing the recent Washington housing conference as a pattern for future co-operation, the son and namesake of the late president described the decisive effect of public opinion upon a Congress reluctant to act on housing. Roosevelt headed a panel of speakers sponsored by the North Shore Chapter of American Veterans Committee. Rainy weather caused a transfer of the rally from Ravinia Park refectory to Ravinia School.

"Veterans are giving up the attitude of seeking special legislation for themselves," Roosevelt said. "The older organizations are adopting more and more the principle of 'citizens first, veterans second' which is AVC's motto."

Roosevelt, an organizer of the recent Washington conference aiming to bring housing action, told of his verbal bouts with Congressman Jesse Wolcott of Michigan, whom he described as a foe of public housing laws. He also related his work on the President's Civil Rights Committee which wrote a "code of understanding and respect" among men of different racial backgrounds.

Merle Miller, Editor of Harper's Magazine, Philip Dreyer, Irving Simon and Robert Rawson were other AVC speakers on the general subject of "Our Challenge to Leadership."

Miller decried the notion that "ideas are subversive." "Ideas in themselves aren't bad," he told the AVC audience. "I've always believed that if you've got a good idea you can argue down a bad idea." Declaring that hate and hysteria may soon rule our civilization, Miller predicted that history may someday ask the question of our time, "where were the decent men?"

Chapter chairman Dick Ettinger of Highland Park presided at the meeting. The five speakers were members of AVC's 24-man National Planning Committee, which concluded a downtown meeting earlier Saturday. Additional leaders of the organization of World War II GI's headlined several rallies in various other Chicago neighborhoods.

Gabby Hartnett At Center Saturday

Through the courtesy of Art Olson, Chairman of the Highland Park Playground and Recreation Commission, Leo Hartnett of baseball fame will be at the Community Center this Saturday morning at 10:00 o'clock.

Following the showing of the last year's World Series motion pictures "Gabby" Hartnett will give advice to young ball players on how to play positions and how to get in condition to play ball.

Boys, bring your dads; and dads, bring your boys.

Legion

As in past years, the Highland Park Post of the American Legion will sponsor Safety Week in Highland Park. Full details on the event which will be held some time in October, and will feature the state safety lane for testing cars, will be announced later by Commander Albert Bork.

Take Ravinia Fire Calls At Main Station

Ravinia Fire Station closed June 15. All calls from south Highland Park will hereafter be answered from the Main Fire Station, according to Fire Chief Hennig.

Recreation Department Conducts Summer Arts and Craft Classes

The arts and crafts program will be conducted by the Highland Park Recreation Department. The local directors at the playgrounds will be assisted by Miss Ella Rasmussen, who will act as supervisor for the city program.

Activities such as painting, plastic craft, knitting, etc., will be conducted. Besides the local programs which will be conducted each day Miss Rasmussen will observe the following schedule: Monday morning, Braeside school playground; Monday afternoon, Lincoln school playground; Tuesday morning, Elm Place playground; Tuesday afternoon, Ravinia school playground; Wednesday, (all day), Sunset park; Thursday morning, Old Elm playground and West Ridge playground; Thursday afternoon, Community center; Friday morning, Ravinia playground and Friday afternoon, Sunset park.

Gov. Green Commends Highland Park For Efforts In Safety

In direct reply to a letter requesting that the State of Illinois take part in Highland Park Safety Week to be conducted after school opens next September, Governor Dwight H. Green personally wrote Mr. E. L. Gilroy, Chairman of the Highland Park Traffic Commission complimenting the City on its continued efforts to reduce accidents and advising that he was issuing special instructions in order that the State might take part in the program. The Governor's letter in part read as follows:

"Having previously heard from the State Highway Traffic Commission of the fine job your Traffic Commission is doing, I was happy to receive your letter because it gives further evidence of the effective and intelligent steps that you are taking in your community to reduce traffic accidents.

"As previously reported to you, tentative plans call for the Safety Lane equipment being in Southern Illinois during the month of October. However, because of the fine job you folks are doing in Highland Park, it has been arranged that the schedule will be shifted so as to make the Safety Lane available to you in October."

Members of the Highland Park Traffic Commission of which Mr. Gilroy is chairman include Harry Pertz, Secy.; Mr. David Pasquetti, Harry Aiston and Mr. Lorentz Knouff. Associated and serving in an advisory capacity are Mayor Robt. Patton, Commissioner Oliver Turner, Chief of Police Edw. Patton, Philip E. Cole, City Engineer, and Andrew Beck, Supt. of Sts.

PROMINENT LAKE COUNTY RESIDENT TAKEN BY DEATH

Funeral rites were observed on Tuesday at St. Mary's, Lake Forest, for John J. Spellman of that city, a prominent political and civic leader, who succumbed to a sudden attack the preceding Saturday. He held the chairmanship of Lake County Republican central committee from 1944 to 1948. Born in Waukegan in April, 1880, he had lived in Lake Forest since infancy, attending city schools there, and later entering the employ of the John V. Farwell Company, Chicago, which later became the Carson Pirie Scott & Company. He was later the founder of Lake Forest Ice Company.

With a wide range of civic and political interests, he served nearly every branch of local government. He was past president of the Lake Forest Kiwanis club, a Knight of Columbus, and served on the board of directors of Lake County Tuberculosis association. A member of St. Mary's parish in Lake Forest, he was active in its Holy Name society.

Surviving are four daughters, one of whom is Mrs. Edwin Johnson of Lake Forest, three sons, a brother, Thomas Spellman of Lake Forest, a sister, 16 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Interment was made at St. Mary's cemetery.

Chamber Orchestra To Tune Up Again

The first meeting of Highland Park's Community Orchestra since the war will take place this Friday evening, June 18, at the home of its conductor, Everett Millard.

"The orchestra includes musical amateurs as well as teachers and professionals enjoying off-duty sessions." Among players who entered the group as students and later graduated to professional rank are Gail Bray and Rosemary Barrett, now basses with Indianapolis and Columbus, Ohio, symphony orchestras respectively, Mary Alan Hokanson, formerly of Evanston, now appearing as harpist and singer at Billy Rose's Diamond Horseshoe on Broadway. James Krohn, now violinist with the San Antonio orchestra, and Constance Koebelin, pianist now teaching and giving recitals with her violinist husband.

In 1939 the community musicians undertook a series of concerts in Winnetka and Highland Park. They presented pieces specially written for them by Morris Reger, Hollywood composer, and David Geppert, then a Northwestern undergraduate. In addition to Millard at various times the chamber players have enlisted the volunteer services of professional conductors Kurt Herbert Adler and Armand Baker.

Players of string and woodwind instruments are invited to get in touch with Mr. Millard at Highland Park 296.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES 250

Honors This Year Bestowed In Pairs

Two hundred fifty seniors were graduated from Highland Park High school Thursday evening, June 10, in the school auditorium. Diplomas were awarded by Mr. Jess Halsted, a member of the Board of Education, Mr. Harold Norman, president of the Board, presenting honor medals.

Decisions as to the outstanding student were hard to make, this year. Several faculty votes were cast, resulting in ties. Finally it was decided to award two medals of honor—one to Patricia Anne Bartell and one to Edward Piacentini, who are now members of the National Honor Society.

Hein Juergensen, David Levinson and Warner Rosenthal were selected by a committee of faculty members to speak at the exercises. The topic chosen was based on the present position of the United States in world affairs as related to the character of its people and their history.

The valedictorians were Louise Pollack and "Ned" Greenberg, who tied for top honors. Music was furnished by the High School band, Janeth Finch, student conductor, directing the professional march, and Hein Juergensen, also student conductor, in charge of the recessional.

Class marshals were Sara May Lautmann and Edward Piacentini, who led the line of march and read the names of the graduates.

The class wore caps and gowns, using the class colors, blue gowns for the boys and white for the girls.

Names and pictures of the graduates appear on other pages of this issue.

Veterans Training Program Highland Park High School

The first group of Veterans completed their carpentry apprentice training at the Highland Park High School and received their certificates Thursday evening, June 3.

Apprentice training was made possible when Vocational Building Trades was introduced into the high school in 1925. In these twenty three years several hundred Lake County Carpenter Apprentices have received their related training at the high school instead of traveling the long distance to Chicago to attend a trade school.

Seventy apprentices, practically all of them Veterans, attended classes this year two nights a week for 38 weeks. The related training in school augments the on-the-job training to insure a well trained mechanic upon completion of his apprenticeship. Courses are offered in the care and uses of tools, blueprint reading, architectural drafting, estimating of materials and costs, roof framing and stair building. Classes are taught by Harold Carpenter, related vocational instructor at the high school, Herman Zaeske and Franklin Hendee, both expert craftsmen in the trade and foremen in the building field, and Walter Durbahn, chairman of Vocational Education and Supervisor of apprentice training.

The graduation exercises were held in the English club room of the high school. Officials and members of carpenter locals in Highland Park, Lake Forest, Waukegan, Libertyville, Evanston and officials of the Chicago District Council of Carpenters were present.

Certificates were presented by Asgar Andrup, apprentice co-ordinator of the Chicago District Council of Carpenters and chairman of the International carpenters committee on apprentice training.

The following students received their certificates: Harvey Anderson, Eugene Baldwin, Frank Cooper, Guido DalPonte, Max Ekemann, Edward Ellis, Ernest Giarrell, Hugh Hanson, Lawrence Hanson, Everett Johnson, Clarence Mathe, Harold Mathe, William Oke, Curtis Petersen, Robert Peterson, Arthur Scheskie and Leo Zahne.

A social hour with coffee and doughnuts followed the showing of "Romance of Mahogany," a technicolor movie. The shops and class rooms were opened for visitors to see the work of the apprentices which was on display.

Seven Grammar Schools Contribute To The Fall Freshman Class At Highland Park High School

Over 200 Students Eligible For Fall Freshman Class

The High School membership will be augmented in September by well over 200 Freshmen, graduates of Elm Place, Lincoln, Ravinia, Braeside, West Ridge, Oak Terrace and Immaculate Conception schools.

Seventy Students Graduate At Elm Place

Graduation exercises for some seventy members of the 1948 class at Elm Place school were held on Wednesday evening, June 9, in the school auditorium. Their names are listed below.

Sue Aaron
Robert Connolly Adler
Shirley Anne Alderdice
Evan Hugh Appelman
Tanis Greer Bahr
Frances Lois Barone
John Kenneth Besark
George Carl Beck
Frederick Perry Boynton III
Tom Lauritzen Bridle
Betty Mae Brown

George Reed Chapman
Carol Elizabeth Chase
Richard Gray Crane
Constance Margaret Cummings

George Davis
Delma Mary DiGiusto
Elaine Jane Dixon
Alma Louise Drey

Herbert Lillian Engstrom
Clark Otis Rubanks
Norbert Ferraro
Carol Jean Fisher
Caryl Gertrude Fjerre
Gail Lynn Foster

Thomas Victor Gilck
Peter Griswold Grey
Shirley Louise Haltermann
Diana Jeffery Harris
Rosanne Harris
Beverly Katherine Hayes
Daniel M. Herz
Patricia Anne Hunt

Noel Chiniund Johnson
Alfred Lloyd Killian
Barbara Shambaugh Kramer
Jean Ann Krueger
Allen Dean Larson
Laury Reynolds LeVally

William Griffith McMillan
Lila Renee Meitus
Beth Metzberg
Charles Fredrick Meyer
Ralph Morton Moss
Joann Riddley Mowers

Thomas Stevens Nehrbas
Anthony B. Newey
Bernice Okey
Peter Periman
Carol Edith Peterson
Albert Pick
Gene F. Pizzato
Patricia Ann Pollock
Charles E. Bobb
Philip Rubenstein

Jill Schram
William Dryden Selfridge
Reno Carlo Signorio
Florence Carolyn Slesman
Allen Rich Smart II
Virginia Hawley Stone
Barbara Lisbeth Stuppel
Ralph Mills Trueschmann
Dominic Turck, Jr.

Zola Jean Ward
Diane Langdon Weeks
Frederic Thomas Westgard
Lois Joanne Williams
Robert Eugene Winkler
James Lamar Zahne

District 108, consisting of Braeside, Lincoln, Ravinia and West Ridge schools, graduated a total of 107 students. Their names are as follows:

Braeside School
Diana Alison Brown
Grant Clark
Philip F. Douglas
Philip D. Denton, Jr.
Charles F. Elbert
Alexandra Farrell
Ann S. Ferguson
Mary Louise Freeman
James Goldsmith
James W. Grason
Corinne Griffith
Lorraine Bloom Goodhart
Willard G. Hadcock
Philip Alan Harscoe
Maxine Carol Joseph
Peter G. Klidd
Paul T. Klein
Elianna Drayton Ledbetter
Nancy Jane Looney
Warner S. Mitchell
Bruce A. Moultrie
Bruce Baldwin Mudge
Patricia Ann Murphy
Gwendolyn Olson
Eugene I. Ross
H. Vaughn Ryan, Jr.
Marcia Kathryn Stenberg
Fred R. Tuerle, Jr.
Janice Ruth Tupper
Carolyn Walker

Lincoln School
Helen Barbara Barnes
Joan Nancy Cederberg
William Gordon Chalmers
David Talbott Cox
Walter G. Cronkrite, Jr.
Ann Dorothy Curtis
Fanny Lee Della Valle
John F. Goodman
Mavis Ellen Grestad
Larry Edward Heap
Joanne Holman
Thomas E. Keogh, Jr.
Herbert Klee, Jr.
Susan Mildred Lencioni
Donald David May
Mary Louise Owen
Stanley Walter Pagnshopf
Deborah Wilkinson Ross
Steven J. Ross
Ronald L. Salyards
Nancy Ann Smalley
Harry Bruce Sturgis
Frances Leone Tomblin
Edward W. Walters, Jr.
Theridine Lucille Wilkinson
Carole Mae Williams

West Ridge School
Floyd Arnold Beck
Diane G. Christiansen
Norman J. Cooper
William H. Cunningham
James P. DeHiser
Charles C. Hatcher
David S. Hugel
Heleen F. McFarland
Carol M. Whitsney
Russell C. Whitsney

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BEACHES OPEN SATURDAY
Public beaches in Highland Park will open June 19. Three life guards have been hired for the summer and the board is seeking one more man before final beach opening arrangements are completed.

Ravinia School

David Copland Baum
Lawrence H. Brown
Naomi Cassel
Robert J. Christopher, II
J. Robert Cobler, Jr.
Cliff B. Crow, Jr.
Joel Davis
Richard P. Ellenberger
Howard Bilman
Donna Diana Engelbrekt
Caryl Gatzert
Edward George
James A. Gordon
Richard Dennis Hansen
Jacqueline Joy Hawley
Douglas H. Keare
Charles E. Hinshaw
Kenneth Kraft, Jr.
James Ryan Kuhn
Robert Keith Larson
Lois Rae Lilmberg
Vivian A. Ludes
Suzanne Mandel
Nathan Elson Meyerhoff
Lucia Diane Rebechini
Elizabeth Redlich
Mark Rosenberg
Martin R. Rosenthal
Fills Schaffner
Carol Louise Secret
Barbara Ann Simon
David W. Smith
Douglas Mason Smith
Joy Lois Steln
Caroline Margaret Stroud
Robert E. Thomson
Samuel Wetfield
Zana Willison
Bill Wurm
Hugh Zimmerman

Immaculate Conception School

At Immaculate Conception school 27 students made their bow. Their names are as follows:

Mary Kathryn Amstern
Francis Amzone
Ruth Bowden
William Bowles
Shelia Carney
Carol Curotto
Susan Dessel
Donald Dompke
Donald Duffy
James Engdahl
James Grimmelson
Shelia Hart
Walter Jastrzemski
Robert Lempinen
Mary Ann McCarthy
John Murphy
Carmen Nizzi
Francis Novek
Catherine Ohiwein
Romano Or
Carole Ann Risdon
Robert Risdon
Lawrence Sasorossi
Martin Tarpey
Joseph Tomez
Carol Waldand
Margie Werhane

Oak Terrace School

Oak Terrace School, Highwood, graduated a total of 37 students this year. Their names follow:

William Altman, Jr.
Donald Joseph Ariano
Harriet Baniash
Donald J. Belmont
Walter Andrew Benson
Lenore Bernardi
Charles E. Bobb
George Allen Carlson
Patricia Ann Dunbar
Albert Mitchell Easton
Leona Wells Frances
Reno Giangiorgi
Martin Giovanni Giarelli
William A. Glader
Thelma Carolyn Hull
Sandra Jorgensen
Melba Lucille Knott
Fernando Ladurini
Margaret Jean Loech
James Marecco, Jr.
Dean Albert Metucci
Evelyn Mary Moley
Johnnie S. B. Moore
Ruth Olsen
Anthony Palmieri, Jr.
Melvin Wayne Patrick
Barbara Jeanne Perry
Dante Picchiotti
Alfred Joseph Pignatari
Grace Naomi Ritow
Donald W. Ruffolo
Ruth Ruszkowitz
Sylvia Silverman
Pearl Stuppey
Jewell Elaine Willis
Shirley Ann Wilson
Raymond Alfred Zanarini

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