

# Deeps and Shallows

## My Friend Caesar

About two years ago on one of our usual walks to the north end of our street, Joanne and I became acquainted with the neighbor's dog, a huge mastiff. He still had oversized paws and puppyish ways. Not being afraid of dogs, I said to him, "Well Caesar, how are you today?"

He came right up to me and I patted his head, lifted the heavy collar around his neck and rubbed his hide under the collar. From then on whenever we met he would put his head under my hand and I would lift the heavy collar and rub under it. Later we found his name is Duke, but to us he will always be Caesar.

Since Joanne is away to school I go walking by myself. When I get near his home, I call very softly "Caesar." If he is tied, he barks, if not, down he comes. I do the rub-act and he precedes me.

Caesar has lost now, his puppyish ways and is very dignified.

These hill roads curve right and left about every hundred feet and there is no sidewalk. If Caesar gets two curves ahead of me, he looks back, and if I'm not in sight he waits until I appear and then goes on again. When we reach the end of the road, I always look around our hill to see if by chance some movie company is staging a scene in the canyon to the east of us, which is often the case.

Meanwhile Caesar goes snooping around and often finds something he wants to carry home. He smuggles it under a bush at the foot of the road leading to his home and goes on with me to the south end of our street, where it turns east and begins to go down hill. It is the highest point of our street and on a clear day, we can look over Los Angeles and across the Pacific Ocean to Catalina Island. It is quite a picture. Then we go back to my home, I pat the dog on the head and say goodbye, and he trots back to his domicile.

But the other day the program was changed. There are no houses on the last quarter of a mile on our road going north, the many curves make a stranger think he

is very far from home. Caesar and I were near the north end, when an auto passed us. The road is not wide and a driver has to be careful when making the turn to go back. I stepped up on the curb to give the auto all the room possible. Caesar was snooping around the east of the hill, so they didn't see him. The occupants of the auto, an elderly couple, stopped right in front of me. He said, "This sure looks like the end of the world," and she remarked, "You shouldn't be out here alone, don't you know it's dangerous?"

I pointed out the Television Studio, the Airplane signal, the Riding Academy up in the hills to the north, the Forest Ranger's Hut high up to the east, I also pointed out our house which sticks out on a point in the canyon. It looked to be miles away, but that was because the evening haze was coming on.

They kept telling me I was running an awful risk being so far from home and wanted to drive me back. I told them I was out for a walk and wanted to walk back. They both began to fuss about leaving me there so near the END OF THE WORLD ALL ALONE.

Meanwhile, Caesar had come and sat where they couldn't see him. He listened to the conversation until he had his fill. Then he walked around me, put his front paws on the running board of the auto, put his head into the open window, gave them a look which said, "I'm here."

With a hasty farewell the couple drove off. The Sheriff's posse couldn't have started them off any quicker.

—A. C. O.

## Emblem Club Plans Spring Social Program

Highland Park Emblem club will end its spring social program with a luncheon, golf tournament and card party on Wednesday, June 23. The event is planned for members and their guests. Invitations also have been extended to Waukegan Emblem club members.

Golf will be played at Sunset Valley club from 8:30 until 12

noon. Luncheon will be served at the Elk's club rooms and will be followed by cards.

Prizes will be awarded to both golf and card winners.

Reservations must be made with Mrs. Mitchell Beaudin, Highland Park 941 before Saturday, June 19. No cancellations will be accepted after Monday, June 21.

The arrangements committee is composed of Mrs. Beaudin and Mrs. Norman Hansen, co-chairmen, Mrs. John Lenzini, Mrs. Peter Prato, Mrs. Charles Russell, Mrs. Mortimer Singer, Mrs. Maynard Schramm and Mrs. Henry Stenson.

At the regular business meeting last Wednesday the following new candidates were initiated: Mrs. John Kearney, Mrs. Arthur Gadd, Mrs. Peter Morelli, Mrs. John Graham and Mrs. Bruno Zaccanti.

Delegates and alternates to the annual convention of the Supreme Emblem club of the United States, being held in Swampscott, Mass., in September were nominated as follows: Mrs. Earl Blair, Mrs. Charles Elwell and Mrs. Forrest Rose, delegates; Mrs. Norman Hansen, Mrs. Earl McGath and Mrs. Archibald Abercromby, alternates.

A check in behalf of the Emblem club members was presented by Mrs. Blair to Mrs. J. M. Maxwell, local Girl Scout leader, for use in their organization. Mrs. Maxwell was accompanied by scout Suzanne D'Sinter and both gave a brief talk thanking the members for their generosity.

## Interfaith Group Elects New Officers

The recent luncheon meeting of the Interfaith Group brought together a representative group of Highland Park women for the election of officers and an inter-

esting program.

Miss Elizabeth Bredin, the retiring President, opened the meeting. Interfaith officers elected for the coming year, and committee chairmen, include: President, Mrs. Arthur Raff; Vice-President, Mrs. George W. Carr; Secretary, Mrs. L. P. Haller, Treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Pine; Program Chairman, Mrs. Benedict Goodman; Publicity Chairman, Mrs. Orray T. Knight; Hospitality Chairman, Mrs. Ernest Volwiler; Board member at large; Miss Elizabeth Bredin; ex-officio Board member, Mrs. Mary Ann MacFadden.

## Creative Writers Visit "Innisfree"

The North Shore Creative Writers will hold their first summer meeting at "Innisfree," the home of Rowena Bennett near Warrenville, today (Thursday). Mrs. Bennett will be assisted by Elizabeth Fontaine of Barrington, and Adelaide Wright of Chicago, as co-hostesses.

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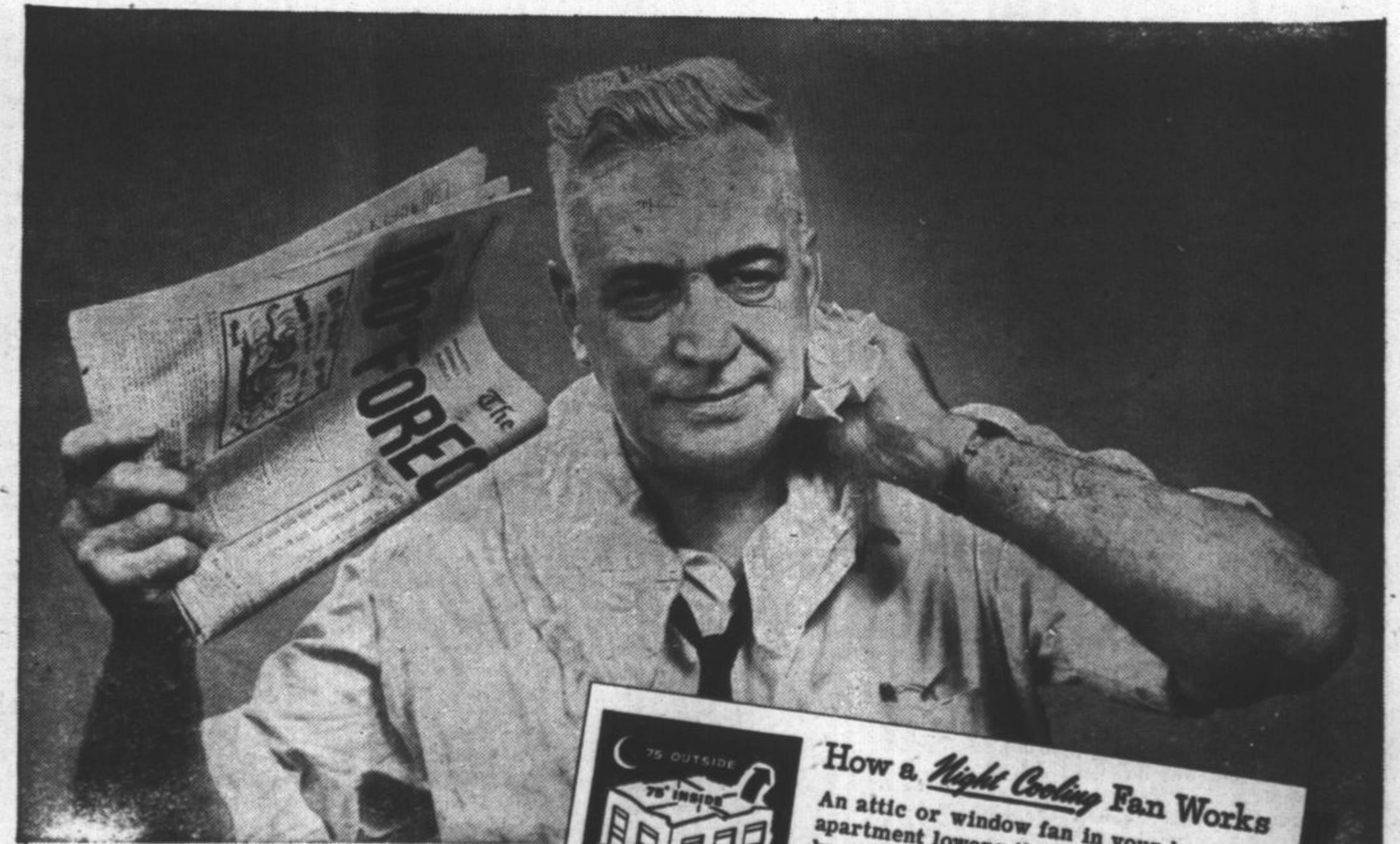
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