

# Let's Take a Look

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## Reflecting . . . And Notes From Here And There

You know, Highland Parkers, that man who left our side a few days ago to assume a higher position in a better world, was a remarkable person, I think . . .

He was the kind of man, for example, who filled furnace oil tanks for Highland Park's typically cold winters on the hottest summer days.

(A right smart idea, by the way, particularly when fuel oil reportedly will be scarce in the winter days ahead.)

Now his teeth were in perfect condition, particularly for his age. But he didn't visit his dentist twice a year as recommended. Instead, he was there six times a year—"Keep the teeth God gave you as long as possible, Son," he wisely advised.

**ALWAYS SUPPLIED . . .**  
He would never run out of anything, either.

Take toothpaste, for example. When he went to the Highland Park Pharmacy, he'd buy two tubes instead of one tube at a time.

Why? He always wanted to be supplied with the daily necessities. And, when one tube was used, he'd order two more.

He followed the same procedure with the scores of other daily adjuncts to efficient living.

**FINE MEMORY . . .**  
He always remembered, too . . . Like birthdays. His greetings and congratulations were usually among the first to arrive.

His clever note-reminder system, which he devised, made his memory nearly infallible. When he wished to do something in the future he'd write the assignment down as soon as he thought about it.

Then, he'd put his note in a place where he'd see it over and over again until the note's command was obeyed.

**PAID BILLS AT ONCE . . .**  
One of the traits Highland Park's merchants tell me about most was his unflinching practice of paying his bills the day they were received.

Apparently this is a rarity in prosperous Highland Park, even among those with the most means. Send a monthly statement one day to my late best friend and the next morning the merchant would have his money, frequently with a note written in a small distinctive hand praising the merchant and the fine job he was doing for the family . . .

Yep, folks, he was unquestionably the most unforgettable character I've ever met.

From time to time I find myself remembering some of his outstanding traits—traits which I think will interest you.

When these come to mind in the challenging years ahead, I'd like to record them and pass them on to you.

His Yes-To-Life philosophy helped him and us over rough spots on life's road.

If some of his teaching can be helpful to you folks out front, I'd know he'd be pleased.

So, if I find my portable pecking out past memories now and then, please bear with me.

Some of these words might help you and your family live a happier and fuller life . . .

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### Roy Walholm Executive Vice President

Appointment of Roy W. Walholm of Winnetka as Executive Vice President of the Evanston Hospital has been announced by Robert T. Sherman, Chairman of the Executive Committee. This is a newly created position. Mr. Walholm will organize and direct extensive plans for expansion of the hospital.

The Evanston Hospital, which serves the entire North Shore area, last year treated 9,722 cases. The need for its facilities has increased steadily, and for several years has overtaxed available space. Besides increasing the space for patients, Walholm will direct plans to expand the hospital's research and clinical facilities.

The hospital is affiliated with Northwestern University and its medical school.

### Highland Pk. Day Campers

Over 150 children from the Highland Park Playgrounds held a Junior Olympic track meet at Sunset Park on Wednesday.

Boys and girls participated in a variety of races and field events. Ribbons were awarded to the winners in each event and the boy or girl who finished with the most number of first, second or third place points was awarded a silver medal. The medals were presented in front of the whole camp at lunch time.

Medal winners were as follows:  
11 and 12 year old boys—Ky Holding, 32 points.  
9 and 10 year old boys—Bruce Owens, 21 points.  
7 and 8 year old boys—Grady Ellis, 21 points.  
11 and 12 year old girls—Nancy Zahle, 22 points.  
9 and 10 year old girls—Judy Heimerdinger, 21 points.  
7 and 8 year old girls—Jill Allen, 33 points.

### Red Cross Reports Rooms For Rent . . .

Although appeal of the Lake County Red Cross for housing quarters met with many replies, most of the offers were for rooms for single people or childless couples. Only one inadequate apartment was offered.

This shortage results in much hardship. One near-by case is that of a U.S. Army sergeant at Ft. Sheridan. He and his wife have been forced to place their babies, aged 18 and 7 months, respectively, in a boarding home while the wife serves as waitress at a Country club.

About fifty similar cases have been reported.  
**REMEMBER . . .**  
There's good in everyone. Look for that good. Say Yes to Life and you'll find life saying "Yes" to you!

### Women Voters Ban Party Politics

**More than 83,000 Members**  
As a National non-partisan organization, the League of Women Voters was founded in Chicago in 1920 with "Participation of the Citizen in Government" as a key aim. Today more than 83,000 women in 600 local communities carry on its work.

Since the Chicago unit's reorganization in 1929 to include all Cook County, it has developed into one of the hardest hitting and most efficient groups in the national organization. There are 23 local leagues in Cook County of which ten are in Chicago. About 4,000 Cook County women engage in league activities.

**Work of League**  
"One of our greatest tasks," explains Mrs. Patton, former president of the Cook County organization, "is to convince the public we're not a bunch of busybodies or professional do-gooders. We are, in fact, a group of public-spirited women—rich and poor, white and black, Catholic, Jew and Protestant—who want to see that our towns get good government, that our children get pasteurized milk and that our neighbors go to the polls to vote on issues which they understand. We are just actively participating in getting and maintaining good government."

The league never supports or opposes a candidate, but rather endorses or condemns a record. The members keep a close check on voting records of public officials, and often see that these records—when they are unsatisfactory—come back to haunt them.

Although primarily interested in promoting an enlightened electorate, the league's affiliated activities include a variety of civic functions, such as court-watching, discussion groups and inspection of public eating places. But, at no time does the league ever depart from its primary interest in good government to engage in a campaign of a partisan nature.

**Succeeds Suffrage Movement**  
For more than a half century, the suffrage movement had built foundations in the states and local communities, and it was this structure that the fledgling League of Women Voters took over.

Most of the league's members work actively in small groups in their own communities. Local leagues as a rule have from 50 to 200 members and are in towns and cities from 5,000 to 50,000 population. About 60 branches in communities under 5,000 have less than 25 members while approximately 20 of the larger locals have from 500 to 1,000 members.

**Various Activities**  
During the 28 years it has been in existence, the league has had its finger in a variety of legisla-

tive pies. It was a leader in the campaign that fought for the Lame Duck amendment, retention of Muscle Shoals as an electrical yardstick, pure food, drugs and cosmetics acts, extension of civil service, Social Security, and Reciprocal Trade Agreements.

**League's Activities Have Expanded**  
The League's activities have expanded considerably since its inception. Along with its primary purpose—fostering good government—major functions now include maintenance of observers in courtrooms, particularly in women's and children's courts, inspection of restaurant kitchens and soda fountains as well as dairies and poultry farms.

The tedious task of doorbell ringing in house-to-house campaigns and surveys is virtually a continuing job. Some form of poll or personal educational drive is almost always under way.

World War II stirred the league to broaden its work—to alert all citizens to the dangers democracy was facing. The league was one of the first organizations to act for control of atomic energy. In the last five years, members have learned new techniques for educating fellow citizens to take responsibility, and the league has become a unique, but highly effective community service institution in the life of approximately 600 towns and cities throughout the country.

Head and leg injuries were suffered by Mrs. Mary Lehmkuhl, 663 Central Avenue, last Sunday, when a young cyclist, in front of her home, collided with her, knocking her to the pavement. She was treated at the Highland Park hospital for her injuries. Mrs. Lehmkuhl is 69 years of age.

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