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## Up To Now

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### WEEDS

From time to time we hear reports from various sections of Highland Park that weeds, growing wild on vacant lots, are worrying nearby residents who look upon such growths as fire hazards.

Ordinarily, of course, fire hazards are the business of the fire department, but Highland Park has never had a big enough department to allow the detailing of men to cut down weeds wherever they might constitute a fire hazard. With three men lopped from the force, the department is even further from being able to perform such work.

There is one positive solution. Weed cutting isn't as dignified as golf or as dashing as tennis, but it IS exercise. A few neighbors getting together and making a Saturday or Sunday afternoon of it might even have a good time, particularly if they concentrated on the fact that they didn't HAVE to do it—and gave an occasional thought also to the picnic supper their good fraus might be prevailed upon to prepare as a climax to the afternoon's sport!

(NOTE: The writer is strictly an idea man, and will not be available for attendance at any such soirees.)

### HEAT

There's a more or less battered saying to the effect that "you don't have to be nutty, but it helps." Sometimes, as we can testify from personal experience, it's also fun, particularly when said nuttiness consists in being nutty enough to like hot weather—really hot weather such as we have been having this week.

One A. Snyder Thompson, for instance, is a lay-out man of parts, but he can't stand the heat. He glares down on Canal St. and the comments that pass his lips are not prayerful. Even less prayerful are his comments when we tell him that the heat is relaxing and that if he'd just stop thinking about it, the heat would become his friend as it is ours.

And so it goes. Isn't ANYONE else nutty enough to like the heat?

### Buoys Lit Up For Night Yacht Race

A full moon, illuminated marker buoys and red and green boats' running lights glimmered over the lake at Highland Park last week when North Shore Yacht Club members staged an unusual after-dark race following a smorgasbord picnic on Friday night.

#### Nereus Wins

Commodore Avery Jones in his "Nereus" won the race handsily in 32 minutes, with Ed Hansbrough and John Haugen giving a hand at the halcyards and sheets. Gunter Schwandt's "Moe", with Ray Johnson as crew, nosed out Everett Millard's "Nausikaa" for second honors. According to informal accounts, another entry, "Jo-Anne", owned by Joan Peters and sailed by Mrs. Everett Millard with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Klemp as guests, became sidetracked by the moonlit waves and failed to find the second buoy. The race was not a part of the regular summer series.

Mrs. Gilbert Hallawell is chairman of the Entertainment committee which organized the full-moon picnic. Other members of the committee are Mrs. Ralph Smiley, Mrs. Wellington Quirk of Deerfield, Mrs. Everett Millard, Mrs. Harry Highriter, Mrs. Avery Jones, Mrs. Vance Wilkinson and Mrs. Gilbert Hallawell.

#### Three New Entries

Initial launching of three additional boats took place at the club's Park Avenue beach last week. Two of them, a Lightning class sloop belonging to Rev. Charles Harris and a similar craft just completed by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Darling in their home workshop, have gone to Great Lakes anchorages while the third arrival, a Snipe purchased by Benno Neil and Winfield Fisher, now makes two of its class which use the beach as haven.

### 1947 Tax Bills Delinquent Wednesday, September 1st

Gregory M. Sheehan, Township Collector, states that he will be at his office—394 Central Avenue, Highland Park, Illinois through Wednesday, September 1st.

The 1947 tax bills should be paid to him on or before September 1st.

After September 1st, the taxes will carry a 1% penalty per month and will have to be paid at Waukegan to the County Collector.

### Annual Outing of Chamber of Commerce Attended By 92

The annual outing and golf tournament of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce, held last Wednesday at Sunset Valley club, was attended by 92 business men. The afternoon was given over to golf and bocce ball, followed by a barbecue dinner in the evening.

In golf the low gross winners were John Kelly with a 72, John Lenzini 73, and Leo (Gabby) Hartnett, 74. The first blind bogey prize was won by Dr. H. E. Lang.

In bocce ball the winner was Frank Lawrence with T. S. Duffy in second place.

Other prizes were won by Paul Olson, John Bosselli, Dominic Panarelli, Art Rehorst, Dr. D. E. Rosister, Ed Menke, Ed Kennistien, Marvin Lawrentz, Harry Moroney, Henry Siljeström, Dr. R. N. Sappe, Sam Bernardi, Bud Goeckner, Pete Prato, Ray Kelly, Gene Konsler, Don McLain, Jim McMillan, Ivor Wendall, Lloyd Ebert and Walter E. Meierhoff.

### Announcement

The High School Bookstore will be opened on Saturday, September 4th from 9 to 12 and from 1 to 3 to sell books and supplies to students.

### Everyone Invited To Sunday School Picnic Of Wesley Methodist

A special invitation is extended to everyone, whether or not a member of the Wesley Methodist Sunday school or church, to attend the annual Sunday school picnic on Sunday, August 29, at Sunset Park.

Refreshments will take the form of a pot luck lunch, each guest bringing some dish to be served. If not called upon, bring whatever item of food you like.

Sunday school will convene at 9:45, after which all will go to the park for a brief outdoor service. The afternoon will be devoted to games and baseball. Icecream and pop will be furnished by the Sunday school.

For further information call Mrs. Breakwell, H. P. 4031. In case of rain the picnic will be postponed.

### Teachers and Parents Of District 107 Study Educational Problems

Teachers and participating parents of the Elm Place and Green Bay Aoad Schools are working together to improve the educational program for the children of District 107. They assembled on Monday morning, August 16, for the opening session of this year's workshop.

Following the introduction of new staff members, Mr. Horace S. Vaile, President of the Board of Education, gave a word of welcome to both teachers and parents. He then discussed in some detail the many maintenance and construction projects which have been completed or are under way this summer. These projects included the installation of fluorescent lighting, the laying of new asphalt tile floors in two classrooms and one lunchroom, the painting of classrooms and hallways, the installation of sound proofing acoustical blocks, the installation of a central heating system, the construction of a pedestrian tunnel, and the construction of the underpass. The balance of the meeting was devoted to announcements and information regarding the workshop program, the Special and General Sessions, and committee personnel.

#### Parent Participation

During the week of August 16-21, more than thirty Elm Place and Green Bay parents attended sessions of the workshop. These parents joined teachers on committees which were devoting their time to such topics as: Adolescent Problems, Home Visitation, Report Forms and Conferences, Parent-Teacher Relationships, Patron Resources, and Film Evaluation.

#### Educator Demonstrates Use of Visual Aids

Tuesday morning, August 17, Dr. Wittich, Director of the Bureau of Visual Instruction and Associate Professor in Education at the University of Wisconsin, talked on "The Effective Use of Visual Aids." Following his address, Dr. Wittich demonstrated in a masterful manner the use of a motion picture film on Brazil. Twenty Elm Place boys and girls served as a class for Dr. Wittich's

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### District Governor of Rotary International Guest of Rotarians

Robert E. Demzel, president of the Rotary Club of Highland Park, has announced that Lloyd Hollister, Governor of the 147th (Northern Illinois) district of Rotary International, will make his official visit to the Rotary club on August 30th, at its regular meeting in the Moraine Hotel.

Governor Hollister, a newspaper publisher, is a charter member and past president of the Rotary Club of Wilmette, Illinois. In recent years he has been chairman of the Foreign Student Project of the 147th district of Rotary International through which the 66 clubs of the district contribute their proportionate share annually to defray the cost of bringing a student from a South American country to Northwestern University for graduate study. The project had its inception under Governor Hollister's direction.

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### New Officers of Legion Auxiliary Installed Sept. 2

On Thursday, September 2, at the American Legion club rooms at N. Sheridan road, the following officers of the Highland Park American Legion Auxiliary will be installed:

President, Mrs. Ellery Harvey; vice president, Mrs. Chris Matthiesen; second vice president, Miss Mary Picchetti; secretary, Mrs. Philip Cole; treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Kortendick; historian, Mrs. Herman Leuer; sergeant-at-arms, Miss Ruth Rectenwald, and chaplain, Mrs. Bernard Sheehy.

Assisting in the ceremonies will be Mrs. Alma Callanan of Garnes, outgoing district director.

### Back To School September 8 For Grammar School Pupils

On Wednesday, September 8, the grammar schools of Districts 107 and 108 of Highland Park, and Oak Terrace school of Highwood, will open for registration. Classes will start the following day, Thursday, September 9.

## CONCERT PROGRAMS TO RETURN

### Community Concerts Assn. To Delight Music Lovers With Five Concerts

The nostalgic regret felt by North Shore music lovers at the close of the Ravinia programs was wiped away last weekend with the announcement of five outstanding concerts for the winter season to be sponsored by the Community Concerts Association of Highland Park.

Commitments with the following artists and musical groups have been announced by Mrs. J. V. Spachner, vice-president in charge of program arrangements: the Cleveland Symphony under George Szell; Leon Fleisher, the distinguished young pianist; Gregor Piatigorsky, the cellist; Kathleen Ferrier, soprano; and the De-Paur chorus, former G.I. Negro group lauded by critics as one of the finest men's singing organizations ever heard.

Definite dates and further particulars regarding the five concerts will be announced later.

Limited to 1600 members by the seating capacity of the Highland Park High School auditorium where the concerts are held, Community Concerts has already sold more than 1,000 season tickets to holders of last year's memberships, according to Mrs. L. F. McClure, membership chairman.

Ticket sales will be restricted to old members or those on last year's waiting list until Sept. 13, Mrs. McClure said, at which time any vacancies will be offered to the public on the basis of first come, first served. Prices are the same as last year, \$6 for the season including federal tax. Mrs. McClure commented that last year all 1,600 memberships were sold within the first three days of open sale.

Elected last May at the close of the 1947-48 season, the officers and directors of the Community Concerts Association of Highland Park follows:

Charles Z. Henkle, president; Harold W. Norman, Bannockburn, first vice-president; Mrs. L. F. McClure, vice-president in charge of memberships, assisted by the following co-chairmen: Mrs. Alfred Sihler, Mrs. L. Lewis Cohen, Mrs. Konrad Schreier, Lake Forest, Mrs. Henry Hawes, Deerfield, Mrs. Samuel Hypes, Glencoe.

Mrs. J. V. Spachner, vice-president in charge of program with H. N. Finch and Halbert O. Crews as co-chairmen; Lyle Gourelly, treasurer; Mrs. Lester G. Britton, secretary, with Mrs. Lester R. Wellman, Jr., as assistant secretary; David M. Cox, vice-president in charge of publicity, with Mrs. Halbert O. Crews as co-chairman.

Directors are: Lester B. Ball, Miss Priscilla Carver, Mrs. Harry L. Canmann, Mrs. Eugene F. Engelhard, Deerfield, Miss Grace Gregori, Richard F. Kuhns, Mrs. Julius C. Laegeler, Mrs. John M. Mannings, Mrs. Harold O. McLain, Frederick F. Quinlan, Lake Forest, Miss Olga Sandor, Harry A. Selery, Renslow P. Sherer, and Mrs. John T. Wilson, Lake Forest.

### Wheeling Beats Bethany 7 to 0; Chiefs Lose

In a game that saw Christman go down in his season's first defeat, a strong Wheeling aggregation, led by the right handed slants of Fred Roscher, took command of a tight game in the first inning without a hit by scoring one run on errors. Although each team collected but three hits apiece, the weak defense of the Bethany team and Christman's wildness in the second inning allowed Wheeling to gain a total of seven runs; Bethany got men as far as third three times but never managed to score. The game was played at Sunset Park Monday evening, August 16th.

Tuesday evening of the same week the Bethany and Lutheran teams clashed in the second of a series of games. Lutheran took the Bethany boys in the first game that ended close, with the score 10 to 9. In Tuesday's contest, Lutheran led all the way into the fourth inning, at which time Bethany took command. The game, however, was ruled "no contest" as the allotted number of innings had not elapsed before darkness set in. The game will be rematched at a later date. A Pantle scored three runs for the Lutheran club while Larry Vetter, of the Bethany team, sent out a four run homer to put his club in front before

## PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF NORTH SHORE LINE SAYS AMERICAN VETERANS COMMITTEE HERE

### Recreation Department

#### 16 Inch League

The 16 Inch Softball League sponsored by the Playground and Recreation Department will complete its regular schedule of games tonight. Russells won the second round by virtue of 6 straight wins with the next closest rival dropping 3 games. Russells has one game to make up with Olson's in first round play. Should they win this game, they will automatically win the League championship. If they lose, a three-way tie will result in the first round and a play-off will have to be arranged.

A second place trophy is also awarded in the League and the determination of the second place winner will be a honey to figure out. Currently 5 teams are tied for second place in the second round and 2 teams are tied for second place in the first round.

At the completion of games tonight the League Board, consisting of managers of each of the eight clubs in the League, will meet to determine a method for determining the 2nd place winner.

Last week's results:  
Olson's Printers, 17—V.F.W., 4  
19th Hole, 12—Fells, 1  
Russells, 8—Monarchs, 5  
Blue Goose, 15—Rav. Mer., 3

Games Tonight—August 26th  
V.F.W. vs. Russells  
Monarchs vs. Olsons  
Blue Goose vs. Fells  
Night Game—19th Hole vs. Rav. Merchants.

#### LEAGUE STANDINGS

1st Round		
	Won	Lost
Russells	5	1
Fells	5	2
V.F.W.	5	2
Monarchs	4	3
Blue Goose	3	3
Olsons	2	3
Ravinia	1	6

2nd Round		
	Won	Lost
Russells	6	0
Fells	3	3
V. F. W.	3	3
Olsons	3	3
Blue Goose	3	3
19th Hole	3	3
Ravinia	2	4
Monarchs	1	5

### Highland Park High Registration Quarters For Draftees

The three lake County draft registration headquarters as announced Tuesday are Highland Park, Libertyville and Antioch. Highland Park headquarters will be at the local high school, with Clarence E. Hune of Deerfield in charge.

Registrations start Monday. Volunteers (no pay) are needed at all three places, women or men.

The contest was called off.

After leading 3 to 0 in the fourth game against Bethany Thursday, the Chiefs trailed 5 to 3 at the end of the first inning before going ahead 9 to 7 at the end of the third. Again they lost the lead, however, when Bethany took command in their half of the fourth; a command they didn't lose, the game ended in Bethany's favor, 12-11. Christman started the mound chores for Bethany, but was forced out in the second inning when Hansen went in to gain his seventh victory against two defeats. Low started and finished for the losing Chiefs. Jack Beck and Dan Vetter exemplified explosive power in the Bethany batting order while Bud Craig and Bob Johnson came through with timely hits. Bill Winters, Jack Lazard and Bridges drove deep hits for a number of runs that came close to giving the Chiefs a victory. The record against Bethany for the Chiefs stands at 1 victory and 3 defeats. The next game between the 2 teams will be played under the arcs at Sunset Park this week.

Wheeling, Fells, Lutheran and the Chiefs are all lined up for shots at Bethany this week; all should prove to be close, exciting contests.

### AVC Backs Separate N S Rail Authority

If private ownership abandons the interurban trolleys, the North Shore need not hesitate to own its own electric commuter railway, a Highland Park leader in the fight for better rail service said this week, in reply to warnings that the Chicago Transit Authority may absorb the line like an "octopus" reaching out to swallow suburban communities.

#### Separate Transit vs. Extension Of CTA

"A separate Shore Line transit authority would work better in many ways than extension of the CTA here," declared North Shore chapter Chairman Dick Ettlinger of the American Veterans Committee, G. I. group which has waded into the thick of the fray. "If the citizens wish to own their own transit facilities, they have that right. If North Shore citizens wish a separate control of their part of the metropolitan transport network, it should be separately organized."

#### Absorption By NW?

The AVC's own suggestion for public ownership of the electric line, Ettlinger emphasized, is a last resort in case private management is unable to co-ordinate the two rail lines into an economically sound system. Further, the veteran group proposes that actual operation of the electric road between Waukegan and Davis Street, Evanston, be turned over to the North Western Railway and integrated with steam and diesel schedules to save duplicate runs, trackage, station overhead and commuting time. He predicted this will benefit the CNW as well as transit bondholders and daily riders of the lines.

#### Proposed NS Transit Authority

Ettlinger's statement this week added a new wrinkle to previous AVC plans. "A proposed North Shore transit authority" he suggested, "could sign a separate agreement with the CTA for operation of suburban trains over elevated lines south of Davis Street." William J. Hagenah of Glencoe, public utilities expert, pointed out at a recent meeting of North Shore mayors and town officials that the North Shore Line and the CTA both lose money by the operation of suburban electric trains over city elevated tracks where they cannot pick up local passengers. Some means must be found, the expert said, to co-ordinate North Shore trains better with the elevated transit system. His mention of the extension of CTA to Lake County as a possibility brought editorial protests against overcentralization in some area newspapers.

#### Trial Period Ends In December

The North Shore Line management has announced the intention of abandoning its shore line suburban route unless operations for a six months' test period show a profit. The trial period is now under way and will end in December.

### Community Street Dance To Be Held On Labor Day

Plans are well underway for the Community Street Dance which is being sponsored by the Recreation Department, assisted by the Teen-Age Club and the Kiwanis Club.

The dance will be held on Central Avenue, in front of the Community Center, on Labor Day from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. There will be two orchestras for continuous dancing. Harve Willis and his orchestra will play for modern dancing and the Western Rangers will provide the music for square dancing, polkas and schottisches.

Len Larson will be the Master of Ceremonies and good entertainment is promised to all who attend the dance.

The Community Street Dance is for all Highland Parkers and their friends—teen-agers, parents and grandparents, career girls and the care-free bachelors and men-about-town. Everyone is invited!