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Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

• CONSTRUCTIVE

One of the more pronounced failings of some of the oldsters who seem to find a certain grim satisfaction in what they consider to be the shortcomings of the younger generation, is the tendency to restrict their activity to pious head shaking over the said shortcomings. It seems that it never occurs to many of them to take some constructive steps in the matter.

Happily, however, such is not always the case. Merchants the country over have long decried the soaping of their windows and the labor involved in removing the evidence of the youthful observance of the Halloween season. Such is not the case in Highland Park this week, as anyone who has walked through the business section must be aware.

The idea of having the kids see what they can do in the way of shop window murals is not new, but it's good. The kids have the fun they're entitled to. The merchants share, vicariously, at least in the fun. Nobody loses.

• OR TREATS

This "tricks or treats" business is still rather new to those of us who recall Halloween as a time when much less commendable enterprises were pretty much the order of the day—or night. However, mild as this routine may seem, it can have its objectionable aspects.

Some householders have objected to the manner in which some of the youngsters have demanded treats—as though the treat were their right, rather than a courtesy extended by their more or less willing hosts.

That objection certainly may be valid in some cases, but second objection seems to us to carry more weight. That objection is that many of the youngsters, collecting more treats than even juvenile gastronomic ability can absorb, throw quantities of food away.

If such a condition obtains to any degree, the suggestion that the kids contribute excess loot, of a type suitable for shipment, to a "treat collection" to be sent overseas, has real merit.

• ADDENDUM

In closing this piece, we'd like to retell one of our favorite bits of Highland Park lore. Some years ago, when Ed Moroney was chief of police here, a substantial and well known merchant stormed into the police station complaining about the mischief being done by the kids. Ed listened until his caller ran out of breath, then looked up an old and yellowed police blotter and began reading selected entries. Each entry had to do with a complaint registered by some citizen because of pranks and practical jokes perpetrated by the complainant.

The fact that many of us are like that complainant gives point to the query, "Weren't you ever a kid yourself?"

Halloween Party At Elm Place School

An Elm Place P.T.A. Halloween Party will take place Friday evening, October 29th, at the school at 7:30 in the evening. The whole community is welcome and parents are urged to accompany their children and bring their friends.

Costumes will be appropriate but not required. The children from the primary grades will have their activities in the primary building and will be expected to leave by nine o'clock. There will be many, exciting and unusual games and entertainment, including school for ghosts, a pumpkin grab, a rifle range, moving pictures, refreshments and many other diversions—fun for all.

Baton Twirling At Community Center

The Recreation Department has announced that it is not too late to register for the baton twirling classes which are held at the Community Center on Friday afternoons between 3:30 and 5:00 o'clock.

Eugene Shea, a qualified instructor from the All-American Drum Major association, is in charge. Mr. Shea participated in and won a first place award in the Chicago Music festival at Soldiers Field this spring.

The baton twirling classes are for beginners and advanced pupils and the age group is from kindergarten through high school. A nominal fee is charged to cover expenses. For further information call the Community Center—H.P. 2442.

Highwood Legion Again Sponsoring Weekly Bingo Parties

Highwood Post No. 501 American Legion is again sponsoring its weekly bingo parties on Thursdays, at the Legion home, 220 Railway avenue, Highwood. Playing is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m.

For prizes gift certificates amounting to \$3.00; \$1.50 or \$1.00 each will be given which can be used for merchandise to be selected at a designated store. The merchants of Highwood and Highland Park are cooperating in supplying the prizes, according to the chairman, Reno Giangorgi.

Mr. Giangorgi further stated, "That all members of the post are urged to attend these parties, for they are then contributing toward payments of their home. Members are also asked to bring their families and friends."

"The admission that will be charged at the beginning of the evening will entitle the player to play all evening and more cards can be purchased during the course of the evening."

Refreshments can be had at a nominal price. The public is invited.

H. P. Woman's Club Plan Rummage Sale

A Rummage Sale will be held on November 4 at the Highland Park Woman's Club. The doors will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There will be a fine selection of clothing, household goods of all kinds, books and bric-a-brac offered for sale.

Harold Russel Talks On "The Worst Fears Of Our Lives," Today

Grade School Students Hear Harold Russell At Special Assemblies

Today (Thursday) our schools have the privilege of presenting in special school assemblies Mr. Harold Russell, who will speak on the topic "The Worst Fears of Our Lives". Mr. Russell will be remembered as the sailor in the motion picture "The Best Years of Our Lives". You will recall that Mr. Russell lost both hands in the service.



HAROLD RUSSELL

Special assemblies are scheduled in our schools for children from the fifth grade up. The following is the schedule:

8:45 Highland Park High School
9:45, Braeside School
10:45 Ravinia School
1:15 Lincoln School
2:15, West Ridge School

The program is being presented under the auspices of the Anti-Dafoamation League and deals with the development of better understanding between races, religions, and groups.

Veterans To Observe Armistice Day On Thursday, Nov. 11

On Armistice Day, November 11, all Legionnaires are asked to appear at the Legion quarters at 10:30 a.m., wearing Legion caps or uniforms, if possible. From there they will march to the Flag Pole square at Central and St. Johns avenue, where they will join the Veterans of Foreign Wars for a short Armistice Day program. Following this the group will come to attention and three volleys will be fired by the joint firing squad, followed by Taps.

Marriage And Divorce Topic Of Discussion At Guild Meeting

At the meeting of Trinity Guild and Woman's Auxiliary of Trinity Episcopal Church Monday (Nov. 1), the Rev. Charles U. Harris, rector, will speak on the subject "Lambeth and the Church on Marriage and Divorce." Mr. Harris' discussion will deal with the recent deliberations of the Lambeth Conference in England on this important subject. He attended the conference as Chaplain to Bishop Wallace E. Conkling.

Luncheon will be served. A morning work period will precede the luncheon meeting.

Meetings of the Guild are held bi-weekly in the Parish House. Among forthcoming speakers are Leo K. Bishop who will speak on "Your Community and Tomorrow's Citizens" on November 29; and Mrs. David Hanger, who will give an illustrated lecture on "Famous Religious Paintings" on January 3. A pre-Christmas sale of gifts, foods and wrappings will be held November 29, it is announced.

Legion Plans For Games Party On Saturday, Nov. 20

On Saturday, November 20 at 8 p.m. the American Legion Post No. 145 plans for a big Games Party at the Legion quarters at 21 N. Sheridan road. There will be no admission fee, but door prizes will be given, and a fine G.E. Television set will be given away. Refreshments available.

VOTE! TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd

NOTICE

On pages four and five of this issue appears a specimen ballot to be used in next week's election.

League Sponsors Broadcast On Use Of The Ballot

A discussion on "How to use the Ballot", a 15 minute radio program sponsored by the Highland Park League of Women Voters, will be broadcast over WBBM, Sunday, October 31 at 11:30 a.m. Taking part in the discussion will be Corporation Council for the City of Chicago, Benjamin Adamowski, speaking for the Democrats; Robert Hunter, lawyer and student of ballot technicalities, who will talk for the Republicans, and Lawrence Mills, member of the Board of Directors of the Bar Association, who is not identified with either party.

This three-way debate should give voters an opportunity to hear a balanced discussion on the use of the ballot, League officials stated.

Italian Women Defeated Communists, Says Gica Bobich

Gica Bobich, official delegate of A.N.D.E., the Association of Women Voters in Italy, spoke last week at the October meeting of the Highland Park League of Women Voters. Miss Bobich, journalist and lecturer, has been sent to the United States by A.N.D.E., the Italian League of Women Voters, to meet American women leaders and to get in touch with major women's organizations here.

"Our Italian Association of Women Voters now has a membership of 65,000," Miss Bobich said. "The defeat of the Communists in the Italian election in April is directly attributable to the large vote of the newly enfranchised women," she stated. "Communist propaganda has been growing so rapidly since the war and has been wielding so much influence that it became vitally important to instruct Italian women in democracy and the value of their new voting privilege. To accomplish this purpose, the Association of Women Voters was organized two years ago by a group of Italian women leaders. 'We worked hard,' she said. 'Getting information to the masses in Italy is difficult. Although we have a population of 46 million, there are only 2 million radios. We went from door to door, talking and giving information to the women and enrolling them as members of A.N.D.E. American interest and the efforts of the Church combined to help us win. Eighty-eight per cent of the women voted in the April election. It was a great victory, for the great majority did not vote for the Communists.'"

Winning the election was the first step in teaching Italian women political responsibility, Miss Bobich explained. "The next important responsibility of A.N.D.E., is to aid Italian and European recovery by helping the Marshall Plan to succeed. We feel this to be an extremely important duty."

Miss Bobich has arranged for an exhibition of Italian peasant art here in 1949. She is also making plans for an international women's conference in Italy next fall, to which American women leaders and representatives of the nations participating in the Marshall Plan, will be invited.

A native of Zara on the Dalmatian Coast, Miss Bobich's home was completely destroyed by bombs during the war. She escaped to Venice where she worked for the American Red Cross. She later turned to journalism as a career, and is now a contributor to several Italian papers.

Kiwansians To Hear Local Engineer

Carl H. Linhoff of 1210 Wade, electrical engineer in the apparatus department of the Chicago office of General Electric company, will give an illustrated talk to members of the Kiwanis club next Monday evening, showing two films, "Power By Which We Live", and "Clear Water".

The speaker is sponsored by Program Chairman Joseph A. Nelson.

Mrs. Ruth M. Bronson To Speak Before Highland Park Woman's Club At November 2nd Meeting

John C. Leach To Succeed E. A. Menke In Public Service Co.

In a triple promotion announced today by the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois, E. A. Menke, Highland Park superintendent was named to succeed E. R. Lewis at Waukegan, and John C. Leach, formerly superintendent at Park Ridge, was named to succeed Menke in the Highland Park district.

Carl E. Parker, northern division vice president of the utility, said the three promotions would be effective November 1.

Menke has been superintendent at Highland Park for the past 13 years and has been associated with the Public Service Company for more than 25 years. He has been a leader in Highland Park business and civic affairs and is at present a director of the chamber of commerce and a trustee of the Highland Park hospital. He is a former president of Rotary Club and has served as chairman of several Red Cross campaigns. A native of Evanston, Menke has spent his entire utility career on the north shore, having worked in Evanston and Northbrook before coming to Highland Park in 1935.

Leach, who was superintendent of the Park Ridge-Des Plaines district for three years prior to July 1947, has been on special assignment during the past year as superintendent of service for the company with headquarters in Chicago. He has been with Public Service more than 23 years, and prior to 1944 was division supervisor of customer service with headquarters at Northbrook. He started his utility career as a field engineer in Highland Park in 1925 and later served in the company's sales and service departments in both Highland Park and Waukegan.

Girl Scout Open House At Lodge Begins Girl Scout Week

Girl Scout Week is from October 31 to Nov. 6 and, to celebrate this important part of the Scouting program, the Girl Scouts are inviting to their Open House the parents and the many friends in the community, who, through their very generous gifts of time and money, have given them their wonderful Sakajawea Lodge and the surrounding wooded acres.

The Open House at the Lodge will be held on Sunday, October 31 from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. The entire community is invited.

Patrolman Injured While Chasing Speeder

Patrolman Delroy Haggie of the City Police force is recovering from deep cuts in the legs and cuts and bruises on the face sustained early Monday morning while he was pursuing a speeder on Berkeley road.

The squad car which Haggie was driving became out of control, and the heavy fog obscuring his vision, the car shot off the road and into a tree, completely wrecking the car. After treatment at the Highland Park hospital, Haggie returned to his home at 233 No. Second street.

The speeder is reported to have left the scene of the accident.

Halloween Hits Highland Park

Boys will be boys and girls will be girls and Halloween is Halloween. So what? So this is an occasion made to order for self-expression through the channels of art—or what have you.

This year, interested art teachers, working hand in hand with their pupils, have made this self-expression artistic and interesting. So many clever pictures appear on the windows of stores and offices about town that it will be hard to select those which merit the promised reward.

Woman's Club To Hear Outstanding Speakers At Nov. 2 Meeting

Mrs. Ruth Muskrat Bronson, whose topic will be "Must We Repeat Indian History?", will be the speaker of the afternoon at the Highland Park Woman's Club on November 2. The meeting will be of special interest to Club women in that it is sponsored by the Tenth District Federation of Clubs.

Mrs. Bronson speaks with authority on matters of Indian relations. She obtained her B.A. degree from Mt. Holyoke, graduate work from George Washington University and held position of teacher and guidance officer in the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and now is Secretary to the National Congress of American Indians. Mrs. Bronson is also the author of several books; one which is particularly fine is entitled "Indians Are Human, Too." The program will also include a group of Indian songs to be sung by Anita Sky Eyes who will be in costume. A versatile musician, Miss Sky Eyes was president for 5 years of Organized Women Musicians, Vice-president for 3 years of Woman's Symphony Orchestra, Music and Program Chairman of the Indian Council Fire and a member of numerous other associations devoted to Indian welfare.

Following the business session and the program tea will be served to members and guests.

The morning session will open at 10:30 at which time Mrs. Charles G. Mason of the Collector's Study Group will introduce Mrs. George C. Rasmussen of Evanston in her talk, "Old Silhouettes". Mrs. Rasmussen is a charter member and now president of the Evanston Colony of New England Women. She has been an ardent student and enthusiastic collector of this art for several years and will illustrate her talk by showing examples from her own collection; of work done by some of our very early and best cutters. This art was in full swing during that historically rich period of from 1750 - 1850, and preceded photography by about 100 years.

At noon luncheon will be served. Those wishing reservations should call Mrs. C. L. Wolff, H. P. 706 or Mrs. F. G. Waggett, H.P. 4149 by Saturday, October 30, if possible.

At 12:45 Mrs. L. R. Hawley of the Music Committee will present James Bradley Griffin in "Musical Readings". Mr. Griffin is considered by critics to be one of the leading dramatic recitallists in the middle west, and has appeared three times at the White House. He is founder-director of the Uptown Players who have just celebrated their 25th anniversary and have been the training ground for such stars as Tyrone Power, Melvyn Douglas and Hugh Marlow.

Club members are also urged to remember the Rummage Sale on November 4th and are urged to bring any usable articles to the Club House basement any morning before then.

All who had a glimpse of the beautiful paintings on display at the last meeting will be thrilled to learn that Mr. Tom Wilder has been prevailed upon by the Art Department to leave them on the walls of the Club House throughout the month of November.

Be Ready For Monthly Newspaper Pickup, Nov. 1-5

The regular monthly pickup of wastepaper, rags and metal will be made next week, with the following schedule:

Monday, November 1—Elm Place school area
Tuesday, November 2—Lincoln School area
Wednesday, November 3—Ravinia School area
Thursday, November 4—Braeside School area
Friday, November 5—Green Bay and West Ridge School areas.