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Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

The District 108 school election is history now, but to us, as an observer, it proved a point. When we read a public letter written by Mrs. David Levinson (more familiar to us as well as to other local high school alumni as "Miss Buzard") we made a private bet with ourselves that the "ins" would stay in.

We remembered that Miss Buzard had a sometimes disconcerting way of seeing through, around or over irrelevancies, tossing them aside with only passing, although sometimes sharply critical attention, and fixing directly upon the heart of the matter. We remembered that she was always as ready to defend as to condemn, and that past performance was only one factor in the formulation of her decision. The important thing was the present situation. We figured that even though her expression of opinion by itself might be only one factor in making up the minds of the residents of the district, that opinion would be sound and based on facts. We figured "her side" would win.

Incidentally, the winners have a right to a good share of satisfaction in their large majorities. Any time any group can defend itself so successfully when large public spending is an issue, the victory is more than an ordinary vote of confidence.

Again incidentally, the opposition deserves a vote of thanks. It accomplished two things. First it aroused more interest than has been shown in any school election in many years. Second, it sharpened up the incumbents. The election may be taken as their vindication on charges that they had been wasteful or careless with the taxpayers' money. The interest aroused is insurance (possibly unnecessary insurance, but insurance nonetheless) against their becoming so.

Legion Auxiliary Honors Past Presidents At Colorful Party

Sixty members and guests attended the regular meeting and Past President's party of the American Legion Auxiliary last Thursday evening, April 7. Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames Ellery Harvey, Grant Benson, John Fay and Charles Waite.

During the business meeting Mrs. Frank Ronan, the Auxiliary's first president, lighted the new emblem lamp which will be used in all future meetings and ceremonies. A corsage of yellow jonquils and blue scilla (auxiliary colors) was presented to each past president and district officer.

After the retiring of the colors, a three-tier decorated cake with 24 candles, and resting in a heptagon-shaped pewter dish, made by an ancestor of Mrs. Ellery Harvey, the first "tinkerer" in Pennsylvania, was placed on the table by Mrs. Grant Benson. As Mrs. Harvey, presiding president, called the names and years of each past president, each was handed a lighted taper by Mrs. John Callanan, past president parley chairman of the 10th district, with which she lighted the candle representing her year of presidency. Those present for this ceremony were Mesdames Frank Ronan, Phillip Cole, Saylor Shanafelt, David Johnson, John Halterman, Henry Eltner, Norman Culver, Arthur Johnson, Donald Bernardi and Edwin Gilroy.

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Report of Building Inspector For March, 1949

Following is the condensed report of the Building department, city of Highland Park, for March, 1949:

22 building permits, value totaling \$216,818, and including 11 dwellings, 5 private garages, miscellaneous alterations and buildings; 30 permits (electrical, tank and burner, sign and special)—fees \$976.47. Fees for taps, (sanitary sewer, storm sewer, water), electrical registrations and driveway permits: \$2,361.47.

Building permits for March, 1948-49 compared:

Year	No.	Valuation
1948	22	306,259
1949	23	216,818

Building permits for January-March, inclusive, 1948-49, compared:

Year	No.	Valuation
1948	44	\$681,023
1949	40	484,816



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

355 Laurel Avenue
Rev. Charles U. Harris, Rector
The message of Easter is a message of eternal victory. Through the mighty act of redemption men and women are given the potentiality of becoming the sons and daughters of God and of achieving peace, happiness and eternal life. In the spirit of victorious joy the Church proclaims her Lord in the ancient refrain, "The Lord is risen! He is risen, indeed!", and bids all people to seek and worship Him.

LUTHERAN CHURCH REDEEMER EVANGELICAL

587 West Central Avenue
H. K. Platzer, Pastor
"Have faith . . . and nothing will be impossible to you"; (Matthew 17:20) The Bible makes faith in the Easter fact the key to our conquest over personal sin and universal wickedness. The fact of the Risen Christ is the kernel of Christianity. The Savior's Resurrection is a central truth of the Gospel.

No doubt, you and I have often misunderstood Easter. As children we were quick to see in it a guarantee that our whims and childish wants would be gratified. As "teenagers" . . . with the critical spirit of youth running high . . . we set it aside as a fiction of overly-enthusiastic disciples. Later, when smitten with the inclination for 'culture', we changed the fact of the Risen Christ into a beautiful symbol of blossoming Spring.

But according to God's Word the fact of the Risen Christ is necessary as we achieve our highest destiny and become Friends of God. The divine power behind Easter alone can inspire us to surmount our lust for the things of this world. The might of God alone can convert our skepticism into faith. A miracle akin to the Savior's resurrection alone can lift us above the taste for culture. By believing in our heart that God hath raised him from the dead we find it possible to even draw near to God. With faith in His return to life from the grave we enjoy fellowship with God and His Son Jesus Christ here and hereafter.

THE WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH

1015 LaSalle Place
Robert Albertson, Pastor

In the services that will be held in churches around the world this week the events leading up to Easter will be recalled and relived. As we approach Friday it will again seem as if treachery, tragedy, sorrow and death are life's last words. It will seem once more as if society has no more place for the very good, even God's own son, than for the very worst malefactors. When the man on the cross cries out, "It is finished!", we will feel that life is a bitter, purposeless mockery, and that death is its only goal.

But on Easter Sunday morning churches throughout the world will be filled with congregations of men, women and children, gathered to hear the familiar words from the gospel according to St. Matthew: "In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre." And we will again know that life has a purpose and that death does not bring its meaning to an end. We will know that good triumphs over evil as we confront an empty tomb on Easter morning. "Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified." This is the final word. "He is not here: for He is risen, as He said."

Junior Prosperity Club Plans Annual Banquet For Tuesday, April 26

The Junior Italian Women's Prosperity club will hold the annual banquet and installation of officers on Tuesday, April 26, at

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Rt. Rev. Magr. Joseph P. Morrison
Pastor

Green Bay and Deerfield Roads
"PEACE BE TO YOU"

It is noteworthy that on the two outstanding Christian feasts, Christmas and Easter, the word PEACE recurs. Christmas, the Angels sing: "Peace on earth to men of good will"; On the first Easter night Jesus walks into the chamber where the Disciples are gathered and greets them: "Peace be to you—fear not, it is I". PEACE is the keynote of these feasts—PEACE is the salutation of God and His Son, Christ—PEACE is the fruit of the love of Christ for God and man—PEACE is the prayer in our time—PEACE is the desire of our hearts—the PEACE of Christ be to us all on this Easter Day. Let us fear not, it is He.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

378 Hazel Avenue
Highland Park, Illinois

At this Easter season, the hearts of Christian Scientists turn with gratitude to these words of their Leader, Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science.

"This glad Easter morning witnesseth a risen Saviour, a higher human sense of Life and Love, which wipes away all tears. With grave-clothes laid aside, Christ, Truth, has come forth from the tomb of the past, clad in immortality. . . . The stone is rolled away. Death has lost its sting, and the grave its victory. Immortal courage fills the human breast and lights the living way of Life." The First Church of Christ Scientist and Miscellany, page 191.

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH

Green Bay Road, and Homewood
Roland W. Hoste, Pastor

Easter! The climax of the Christian Church Year! It is impossible in writing or speaking to convey the full spiritual import of this event to men. Only the true worshiper of God and His Son can in his way know that the Resurrection for him means Life.

Jesus came to reveal unto men the ultimate worth of human personality. By living in close communion with God, he was able to live his ideal on earth. This is the secret of his power and our perfect example.

"So let us keep the festival, not with old yeast, nor with the yeast of vice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of purity and truth." I Cor. 5:8.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Oakridge and High, Highwood
Herbert W. Linden, Pastor

The first Easter message caused a great change in the lives of those who heard it and were convinced that their Master was alive again. The life they lived after that event was far different from the life they lived previous to the resurrection, for there was courage, hope, joy and spiritual insight in far greater measure than they had ever experienced before. The conviction that we have a living Lord still produces that effect. In the world of today we are obsessed and oppressed with the fear of possible disaster that robs us of all joy and hope. Belief in the Easter message can still bring a great change to fill the hearts of men with a sense of joy, hope and peace. It can make life worth living.

Nick's Cocktail Lounge, North Chicago, at 8 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling Aneno Pagliai, H. P. 1335. Mothers and friends of members are invited to attend. All reservations must be in by Tuesday, April 19.

Record Vote In District 108 As Caucus Ticket Is Winner

Girl, 13, Saves Baby From Drowning

The heroism of Betty Ellen Frech, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frech, 800 Cloverdale avenue, is credited with saving the life of little Patty Lou Sheridan, 2½, daughter of the Murray Sheridans, who live next door.

While sweeping the porch of her home, one day last week, Betty Ellen saw Patty Lou, who was playing with four other children near an abandoned excavation near by, fall into the pool which was some six feet deep. Rushing to the scene, Betty Ellen plunged into the water and pulled Patty Lou to safety. The child had gone to the bottom once.

It is planned to fill in the excavation.

Jewish Congregations Observe Passover Festival

North Shore Congregation Israel in Glencoe and the North Suburban Synagogue Beth El in Highland Park are joining their fellow Jews throughout the world in observing the Passover Festival which commemorates the Exodus of the Israelites from bondage and the beginning of the trek across the wilderness to the Promised Land. This Festival of Freedom has added significance at the present time in view of the emptying of the D.P. Camps throughout Europe and the establishment of Israel as a state to which Jews may immigrate.

The Passover festival, ushered in with the traditional dinner, known as the Seder, on Wednesday evening, April 13, was conducted by Dr. Edgar E. Siskin this morning, April 14, at 11 o'clock and will be again observed on Wednesday morning, April 20, at 11 o'clock. The Congregational Seder will be held on Thursday, April 14, 6:30 p.m.

At North Suburban Synagogue Beth El, a Conservative Congregation, services will be conducted by Rabbi Maurice Kliers on: Thursday and Friday, April 14 and 15, at 10 a.m. and Wednesday and Thursday, April 20 and 21, at 10 a.m. Memorial prayers will be said at the closing service. The Congregational Seder will also be held on Thursday night, April 14, at 6:30 p.m.

Lunch Room Loses \$125 To Bandit

About 1:45 a.m. on Sunday of this week, a masked bandit entered Gus' Lunch, Prairie and Skokie avenues, and took \$125 from the cash register. Mrs. Calvin, in charge of the place, and two customers, were covered with a gun. The bandit has not been apprehended as yet.

Interfaith Group To Present Movie, "Make Way For Youth"

The Interfaith Group will present another in its series of interesting and challenging movies at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning, April 19, at the YWCA. "Make Way For Youth" is the title announced by Mrs. Benedict Goodman, Program Chairman.

This real life story about "teenagers" in an ordinary American town, and how they organized to fight prejudice and correct misunderstanding, has a vital place in our community thinking at the present time. Members and non-members will be cordially welcomed to this open meeting.

The annual prize contest sponsored by The Interfaith Group, and open to high school students, has just been announced. It calls for poems, or lyrics to be set to familiar music, with two prizes offered in each of these classifications. The theme is inter-group understanding. Mr. Charles G. Mason is in charge of the contest at the high school; it will be judged by two staff members with two from The Interfaith Group. Entries close at noon on May 4, and winners will be announced at the annual meeting on Tuesday, May 17.

Caucus Ticket Swamps Opposition In District 108

Caucus-endorsed candidates swamped independent opposition to fill Board of Education vacancies in District 108 with a sweeping victory marked by a record turnout, at last Saturday's election. Margins ranging upward of two-to-one in the most hotly contested election in the district's history gave solid endorsement to John Morice Maxwell, returned for a third successive term as Board president, and to incoming Board members George H. Hartman, C. Bouton McDougal and Harold E. Foreman, Jr.

The tally, almost twice that ever before recorded in any District 108 contest was: President: Maxwell (1628), David M. Cox (699); Board members (2), three year terms: McDougal (1622), Hartman (1614), James B. Moore (815); Board member, one-year term: Foreman (1644), Mrs. Paul Finder (682).

In a call for unity following the decision, Mr. Maxwell said: "The results of the election are gratifying to all Board members as well as to those now selected to begin service; it is an overwhelming vote of confidence in the Board's program to bring the best in education to District 108. No finer reward for service could be given those who are drafted for the Board than such affirmation of the Board's stated objectives. More than anything else, however, there is much good to be gained from the tremendous turnout of voters. It reflects a wide interest in the district's school operations, which is reassuring beyond question. But it is hoped that such interest is not confined to elections and will reflect itself in a wider degree of participation in board meetings and problems."

District 108 includes Braeside, Lincoln, Ravinia and West Ridge School areas. In addition to Maxwell, Hartman, McDougal and Foreman, the new Board will include carry-over members Bryan K. Ferrault, Mrs. Spencer R. Keare and Carl W. Distelhorst.

Public Hearing On High School Petition Tonight At 8:00 P.M.

The hearing on Lake Forest's petition to separate the Deerfield-Shields High School District, will be held tonight (April 14) at 8 in the English Room of the Highland Park High School. The opposing petition, signed by more than 9,700 citizens of our community, will be presented to the township school trustees, and arguments for both sides will be heard. It is to your interest to attend!

Mrs. Marc Law To Address Women Voters At Annual Luncheon

Mrs. Marc Law, former vice president of the National League of Women Voters, and former president of the Highland Park League, will talk on "My Experiences In Italy" at the annual luncheon meeting of the Highland Park League of Women Voters to be held next Wednesday at the Country Fair (Skokie and Dundee Roads).

Mrs. Law has just returned from Italy where she spent four months working with leaders of Italian women's organizations in setting up a program of education for democratic citizenship. She was sent to Europe as a representative of the Carrie Chapman Catt Memorial Fund, a fund created by the League to educate foreign women in assuming their newly acquired political privileges. Mrs. Law was chosen as the first representative to visit foreign groups under the provision of the Fund.

The League meeting will open at 11 a.m. with the adoption of the budget and the proposed local platform. A report on the Lake (continued on page 6)