

Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

• INVESTIGATIONS

Sometimes, it seems to us, some of these Red investigations stray rather far afield. A front page story this week revealed that investigations had revealed that Judith Coplon was somewhat less than conventional in her relations with some of her acquaintances. It may be true, and, if so, it is doubtless deplorable, but we fail to see what connection that isolated fact has with her alleged spying activities. Up to now we have not been aware that the Communists had any appreciable corner on that particular aspect of the "liberal" attitude.

• ANOTHER REASON

Passage of the five cent state tax on gasoline now seems assured. Another reason for thinking again before buying a car.

• CHECK WITH THE LEGION

Recent reports from Washington state that application for veterans' dividends on the life insurance they took out while in service, should be available in August. It has been estimated that an average of \$175 will be paid, the dividend depending on the length of time the insurance was in force. As usual in such matters, The American Legion's service officer will be one of the best sources of information and assistance in filling out the application forms.

Girl Scouts and Brownies of W. Ridge

The Girl Scouts and Brownies of the West Ridge school held their Court of Awards June 5 at the Girl Scout Lodge. Lynda Johnson, Caroline Millett, and Nancy Cumberland from Brownie Troop 26 had their "fly-up".

Badges were then awarded to the Girl Scouts of Troop 8 by their leaders, Mrs. R. C. Whitney, Mrs. T. A. Johnson, Mrs. P. N. Gould, and Mrs. L. N. Harter. Second Class Badges were awarded to: Nancy Gould, Janet Harter, Mary Morrison, Sandra Salo. My Troop, Cyclist, Rambler, and Games Badges were awarded to: Linda Blevins, Peggy Buchanan, Buffy Driscoll, Mary Frances Frechette, Louise Millett, Nancy Gould, Janet Harter, Mary Morrison, Sandra Salo. The Sewing Badge was earned by Linda Blevins, Peggy Buchanan, Buffy Driscoll, Mary Frances Frechette, and Louise Millett. Mary Morrison earned the Musician Badge and Mary Frances Frechette and Peggy Buchanan, the Manual Badge. Girls of the seventh and eighth grades of Troop 8 receiving the cyclist, Games, Outdoor Safety, and Conservation Badges were: Mary Driscoll, Julia Whitney, Barbara Wing, Judy Blevins, Ann Cunningham, Barbara Dewey, Karen Johnson, Helen Levi and Linda Vallaly. The First Aid Badge was earned by Mary Driscoll, Julia Whitney, Barbara Wing, Judy Blevins, Ann Cunningham, Karen Johnson, Helen Levi, Linda Vallaly. Karen Johnson also earned the Weather Badge and Helen Levi and Linda Vallaly, the Speakers Badge.

Girls of Troop 8 receiving the First Class Badge were Mary Driscoll, Helen Levi, Julia Whitney, and Barbara Wing. Five year pins went to Barbara Dewey, Ann Cunningham, and Julia Whitney. Curved Bars were earned by Judy Blevins, Ann Cunningham, Karen Johnson and Diane Wing.

A special vote of thanks goes to Mrs. R. C. Whitney for her many hours and talents contributed to Troop 8 and to Girl Scouting at West Ridge from her co-leaders and Girl Scouts.

Story Telling Hour At Junior Playgrounds

Miss Viola K. Fitch, acting children's librarian at the Highland Park Public Library, has made arrangements with the Recreation Department to have story-telling hours at the Junior Playgrounds.

On Monday of the coming week, June 27th, Miss Fitch will be at Ravinia playground at 10:30 a.m. and at Braeside at 11:00 a.m. On Tuesday she will be at Sunset Park at 10:30 a.m., and on Wednesday she will be at Elm Place playground at 10:30 and at Lincoln playground at 11:00 o'clock.

Miss Fitch will specialize in telling folk tales to the Highland Park children this summer.

Elliot Plans Probe Of Inheritance Fees

Attorney General Ivan Elliot was quoted in The Chicago Daily News last week as having decided upon an investigation into the fees paid for investigations in Lake county inheritance tax cases.

Beyond the point of having decided that an investigation would be made, Elliot was apparently undecided about the matter. He did not know what action would be taken, or whether he would appoint a special prosecutor.

At the same time it was revealed that an unspecified number of petitions demanding such an investigation had been forwarded to the attorney general's office. (The only person named as having been involved in the signing and circulation of petitions, was Charles Noll, who in past years was frequently referred to in Sun Spots, a daily column conducted by George Crawford, managing editor of the News-Sun, as "White Horse Charley" Noll. Noll has been a political enemy of the Justs, who own the News-Sun, for many years.)

Legion Auxiliary To Meet July 7

Mrs. Evelyn Matthiesen, first Vice President, announces the next meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary of Post 145, Highland Park will be held Thursday evening at 8 p.m., July 7, at the Legion quarters, 21 North Sheridan Road. Mrs. Matthiesen will preside at this meeting as Mrs. Elery Harvey, President, is away from Highland Park on vacation visiting her family in Boston, Massachusetts.

The next meeting will be known as "Junior Night". Miss Joan Avery, a Junior at the Highland Park High School, is being sent to "Girls State" by the Auxiliary and will make a report on activities there. Mrs. Matthiesen invites each Auxiliary member to bring her daughter and make it a real "Junior Night".

Tax Bills Here To Show Sharp Rise For 1948

Tax bills for 1948 will show a rise of approximately 35% over last year, according to sources in the County Clerk's office. Tax records show that the reason for the huge increase lies in tax rate rises approved in various referendums.

A referendum in 1947 permitted a rise in the tax rate limit on the district's education fund to \$1.12½ per \$100 to provide money for higher teachers' salaries. A 1948 referendum approved a \$1,750,000 bond issue for a new intermediate school and repairs and additions to existing schools in the district. These were reported as responsible for the major portion of the tax increase.

Red Cross Holiday Safety Tips

The glorious Fourth of July usually has an inglorious toll of dead and injured.

Traffic-filled highways, the ole swimmin' hole, and firecrackers will claim the lives of many who are alive today.

The Chicago Chapter Red Cross Safety Services has issued a few safety tips to keep your holiday a happy one.

Eliminate Fireworks

The best safety advice concerning fireworks is not to use them. Anyway, they are prohibited by most communities in this area.

Drive Carefully

Drive carefully. A safe driver is one who knows and obeys traffic laws; adjusts his speed to different driving situations; knows and uses current hand signals; obeys traffic signals and signs; drives in and makes turns from proper traffic lanes; considers other users of the highways; remembers the right-of-way rules and customs; gives himself adequate time for the trip; and does not operate a vehicle when too tired.

Drowning

Drowning tolls jump in July. Don't go into deep water if you are unable to swim; go only to pools or beaches supervised by lifeguards; avoid "horse-playing" in the water; dive only from boards or where the depth is clearly marked; watch for other swimmers when diving; and never swim alone.

Non-swimmers who plan to operate small crafts should remember to wear life jackets. They should not go boating unless accompanied by expert swimmers. Know how to enter and leave the small craft correctly. The boat should first be steadied by another person on land or the dock. Step directly into center of the boat. Do not change positions while the vessel is afloat. And the craft should never be overloaded. Even if the boat does capsize, it will float—so stay with the craft. A completely submerged craft still will hold several occupants who can "hand-paddle" to shore. In case the boat does capsize, don't let it run parallel to shore. Using the craft as a support, head for the land.

Poison Ivy

A good precaution is to take along a cake of yellow laundry soap in case of contact with poison ivy. Washing thoroughly after leaving the woods can prevent 99 per cent of the cases of poison ivy infection. However, if the skin becomes poisoned, bandaging the sore places will help to prevent their spread. Any insect repellent will help to keep the mosquitoes away. These insects are attracted by the natural odor of the skin, and a strong chemical scent will mask it.

Primitive Art Exhibit At Library

Primitive art by the natives of Tahiti, Murea, and Bora Bora now fills the exhibit cases of the Highland Park Public Library. Mrs. Lawrence McClure, 333 Woodland Road, and Mrs. Charles Henkle, 17 Brittany Road, have arranged ceremonial drums, decorative belts, coconut bowls, and tapa cloth, all part of a collection accumulated by Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Hedges of Evanston during their two extended trips to the south sea islands. A coconut shredder and a miniature fish trap are other interesting items in the collection.

Mr. Hedges was chief engineer in charge of the construction of the first government base in the south seas. Next fall he and his wife are planning to return to the islands on their own 68 foot schooner equipped with sails and an auxiliary motor. While there Mr. Hedges will gather material for his popular lectures.

Cong. Church To Broadcast Tonight

Congressman Ralph E. Church, (R), 13th District of Illinois, will speak over radio station WIND, Chicago, on the "Congress Reports" program, this evening, June 23, 8:05 to 8:20 p.m. Mr. Church will discuss the legislative program.

HOLD LEGION CARNIVAL JULY 1-4

Affords Fun, Reunions, And Benefit To Numerous Projects

The Legion Fourth of July Carnival has become a Highland Park institution. Each year for almost 30 years, the Highland Park Post has held its annual carnival at Sunset Park.

Old friends from this community and other nearby towns come to the Legion Carnival and renew old friendships and visit with old acquaintances.

The Legion Carnival benefits the whole community; at least 20c of every dollar of net proceeds goes to support Legion activities and charities. It pays for our contract with the Highland Park Hospital to pay for the bassinet units in the new nursery. It pays for support of the Legion Boy Scout Troop 31, raincoats and Christmas party for 165 boys in all School Patrols, sponsorship of a Safety Week and Christmas Party for all children in Highland Park.

The Legion Community activities are not "one-shot" affairs. They are part of a yearly program which is carefully planned for Americanism and child welfare in Highland Park.

The Legion gives service to all veterans and their families in this community without charge to those who receive it. This additional item of expense is made at the Carnival and not included in the 20% given for community activities.

Service to the veterans must also be carefully planned. In one year the Service Dept. of the Highland Park Post handled 1175 service cases.

A Legion Carnival means a sacrifice by the Legion membership. Below is a partial list of the members who contribute their time over a holiday period to work while others play, so the Carnival will be a success.

General Co-Chairman — J. C. Leaming.

General Co-Chairman, Miller W. Schreiner.

Grand Award Chairman—Wm. Rectenwald; Clay Hull, Frank J. Ronan, Chester Hamilton, Frank Elwell.

Finance Committee Chairman—Henry C. Eitner; DeWitt Manasse, Harry Parker, Bert D. Greene, Dr. A. J. Wurth, Al Landwehr, Frank Zipoy.

Registration Booth Chairman—Al Bork; Tom Strenger, Eddy Juul, Ray Grant, Rocco Stella, Ray Hayes, Bob Prescott, Marvin Hackbarth.

Bingo Game Chairman — Pete Duskey; Chris Matthiesen, Sammy Smith, Carl Arnsward, J. T. Farmer, Henry Hansen, Joe Weatherall, Frank Waggett, Patrick Kelly, L. Taylor, Angelo Nottogiacomo.

Store Keeper Chairman—Jim Thomson; Bruce Thomson and helpers.

Hamburger Stand Chairman—Chuck Guyot; Oscar Iverson, George Abernathy, Wood Hayes.

Soft Drinks Chairman — Sam Crimo; Matt Maiman, Louis Haberkamp.

5 to 4 Game Co-Chairmen—Bernard Sheehy, Herman Leuter and Karl Salo; Oliver Meredith, Don Bernardi, Barney Siegle, Ray Boyd.

Jar Games—Wallace and Heddy Leonard; Bob Hutson, Ted Arnsward.

Candy Booth Chairman—Saylor Shanafelt; Ernest Manasse and Ed Gilroy.

Bottle Game Chairman—Mike Nolan; A. C. Matulis, Ray Cucchiari, Ray Rectenwald.

Cat Game—Jim Witten, Herman Zaecke.

Cane Game—Fred Bertucci.

Car Bump—Henry Mrazek, Al Mueller.

Tennis Courts Available To Highland Park Children

The Recreation Department will have a qualified leader to supervise tennis at Sunset Park, Ravinia and Braeside school courts on the following afternoons, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Ravinia courts Monday and Thursday; Braeside courts Tuesdays; and Sunset Park courts Wednesdays and Fridays.

14th Ravinia Festival Opens Tuesday Evening, June 28th

Miss Rasmussen In Charge of Craft At Sunset Park

Miss Ella Rasmussen, arts and crafts instructor for the Highland Park Recreation, will be at Sunset Park daily Monday through Friday from June 20th to August 5th.

The craft program includes work in felt, leather, yarn, wood, raffia and craftstrip for making simple projects such as key chains, belts, purses, head bands, bracelets and booklets. For more advanced instruction in shell jewelry, weaving and pottery making. Nature craftsmen will be able to build bird houses, kites, etc.

Children interested in craft work should report to the field house at Sunset Park on Monday, June 20th.

Mrs. George Strecker Hostess To Senior Welfare Group

Mrs. George Strecker, 338 N. Linden Avenue, will entertain the Senior Group of Infant Welfare for their June meeting, on Monday, June 27th, at eleven in the morning. The assisting hostesses will be Mrs. Wm. Alderman, Mrs. A. S. Bauer, Mrs. A. Elliott, Mrs. C. L. Felske.

Ten years ago this Senior group was organized in the month of May. Last month the annual luncheon of Infant Welfare held at Exmoor Country Club, was a very special celebration for the Seniors. Since there has been no work meeting for two months, this final spring meeting should enlist the co-operation of all members.

The Senior Board will meet as usual at 10:30 o'clock, previous to the regular meeting, with Mrs. James Davis presiding.

"Accent On Youth" Reopens Playhouse

The new Lake Zurich Playhouse will open June 29th. Their first show of the 1949 season, "Accent On Youth" will be about a playwright who is no longer young, but still retains youth in his heart.

"Accent On Youth", will bring two newcomers to the Playhouse in the persons of Harvey Korman and Yolanda Fichera as the playwright and his secretary. The playing dates of "Accent On Youth" are Wednesday, June 29th to Sunday, July 3rd. Season tickets are on sale at the box office. Reservations can be made by writing or phoning Lake Zurich 4441.

Junior Welfare Group Plans Summer Clearance Thrift Sale

The Junior group of the Highland Park-Ravinia center held its June board meeting at the home of Mrs. Warner Smoot on Lake-wood place, Friday, June 17. Plans for a big summer clearance sale at the Thrift shop were discussed.

The regular June meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. John Kies on the 27th. Morning hostesses will be Mrs. Warner Smoot and Mrs. Ted Connolly; afternoon, Mrs. Pierre Martineau and Mrs. Mark Brown. At 1:30 Dr. Wilson will give a talk on cancer.

American Legion Auxiliary To Meet Monday, June 27

A special meeting of the High-wood Unit No. 501, American Legion auxiliary will be held Monday, June 27th at the Legion home, 220 Railway avenue, High-wood at 8 p.m. for the purpose of electing the officers, district delegates, and delegates to the department convention. All members are urged by the president, Mrs. C. M. Jacobson, to be present.

First Concert Starts At 8:30 P. M. With Fritz Busch Conducting

Ravinia opens its 14th Festival season on schedule next Tuesday evening, June 28, at 8:30 o'clock. Fritz Busch, the first of the season's six distinguished guest conductors, and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra will present an All-Wagner program for the gala opening performance.

Concerts will follow the traditional schedule of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights at 8:30 o'clock and Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. North Shore electric trains go direct to Ravinia's entrance.

The 1949 season brings to Ravinia six brilliant soloists and an unprecedented trio of artists to insure an outstanding series of concerts for seven weeks of "Music Under the Stars."

In addition to Fritz Busch, guest conductors who will appear for one week's schedule of four concerts each are William Steinberg, Fritz Reiner, Dimitri Mitropoulos, Sir Adrian Boult and Pierre Monteaux. Soloists of the season are Artur Schnabel and William Kapell, celebrated pianists and a quartet of Metropolitan Opera stars — Uta Graf, Irene Jessner, Herta Glaz and Jerome Hines.

Artur Schnabel, Heifetz and Piatigorsky comprise the trio of great artists who perform together during the seventh week.

The sale of Ravinia Coupon Books closes Sunday, July 3. Coupon books, containing 15 coupons, cost \$15.00 including Federal Tax. Each coupon represents a cash value of \$1.25, the cost of admission to the park, or of a reserved seat in the pavilion for any regular concert—an actual saving of \$3.75 on each coupon book.

Emblem Club Luncheon At Briarcliff Club Monday, June 27

The Highland Park Emblem club will end its spring social program with a luncheon, golf tournament and card party to be held Monday, June 27, at Briarcliff country club. The event is planned in honor of Mrs. Frederick J. Barnard, supreme president of the Supreme Emblem club of America, and her marshal, Mrs. Henry Baumier. Golf will be played starting at 8 o'clock followed by luncheon at 1 o'clock and cards and more golf in the afternoon. Prizes will be awarded to winners in both golf and cards.

Reservations must be made with Mrs. Joseph Paletti, H.P. 5122, social chairman, or members of her luncheon committee: Mrs. Sam Bernardi, H.P. 2294, Mrs. William Kelly, H.P. 4198, Mrs. Jack Moran, 4918, not later than June 23, after which no cancellations will be accepted. The club will resume activities in September.

New Hit Opens At Tenthouse

John Loves Mary comedy in three acts by Norman Kraama opened last Tuesday night at TENTHOUSE THEATRE to a well satisfied audience. John Loves Mary which opened at the Booth Theatre, New York, February 4, 1947 with William Prince, Nina Foch, and Tom Ewell, in the featured roles.

We are all pleased to see Christy Palmer back on the boards, and playing the title role of "Mary".

Barney Hughes, a "Tenthouse" favorite, is playing the role of John this week.

Donald Curtis and Marrian Walters are playing Senator and Mrs. McKinley respectively.

John Burgess is seen as the Juvenile this week in the role of Fred Taylor.

Lisa Howard in the role of Lilly Herbish, the English war bride, comes close to stealing the show.

Others in the cast are: Ted Liss, James Manion, and John Galvarro.