

## Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

### • FOR HOME CONSUMPTION?

From time to time we read stories about how some Russian invented the electric light or the airplane or the pogo stick some decades before it was heard of in the United States.

The usual reaction is to shrug off the claim, wondering who they think is being fooled. However, it's possible they the purveyors of these yarns know exactly who is being fooled, and it may well be that the dupe is the Russian citizen.

Consider that he has almost no way of learning anything about the outside world except what his leaders tell him. Consider also the fact that he has been "conditioned" to believe that what his leaders say is true and that whatever is said by anyone else is, in all probability, a lie.

Thus, the claims that seem so absurd to us, may well seem entirely plausible to the Russian citizen.

That is why freedom of speech, of the press and of thought is so important to the United States. Let us remember to view with deep suspicion any person or group that wants to prescribe what we may and may not read, see or hear. Censorship, of any kind, is always backed by special interests.

### • POLIO

Polio is with us again. In the face of the lack of any sure protection against the disease, there are only two things we can do. Follow the rules as we know them, for lessening the chance of infection and contribute generously to The March of Dimes when the time comes.

## Bobby Fiochi Hurls One Hit Shutout As Highwood Junior Legion Cops District Crown

### Trip North Chicago 8-0; Play Oldtimers Sunday Afternoon, Aug. 14

Behind the shut out hurling of Bobby Fiochi the Highwood Junior Legion baseball team won its last game of the season against North Chicago.

The 17 year old right hander set the North Chicago Legion squad down with one hit last Thursday in a 10th district game played on the Downey diamond.

The win was Bob's ninth against no losses in 10th District play this season. He has an 11 won, 1 lost record for Legion ball, including wins over Rockford and Joliet and a loss to Belleville, which team won the state title Sunday for the second consecutive year.

The win at North Chicago, and 8 to 0 contest, gave the 10th District crown to the Highwood boys who had a record of 12 straight wins in District play.

Marchetti Also Hurls Good Ball  
Renzo Marchetti teamed up with Fiochi to give the Highwood Legion Post 501—Purnell and Wil- (Continued on Page 6)

### Highland Park Youth, Stricken By Polio, Reported Better

John Herz, 17-year-old high school senior, stricken by polio last Saturday evening, is said to be improved at the present time. He is a patient at the Michael Reese hospital.

Living at the home of Mrs. Margaret Bowden, 625 Central, since his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Herz, sold their home on Ridgewood avenue last May, he has been caddying at Northmoor Country club. He is the second victim to be reported in Highland Park this year, and the sixth in Lake county.

Dr. Douglas Boyd, Highland Park health officer, warns against allowing bathers to use ponds or other unsupervised bathing places, where the water may be impure. He also urges parents to make sure their children get plenty of sleep and rest, avoid being over tired and avoid crowded places, such as movies and dances.

### Change In Telephone Number.

To report a fire or call inhalator, call  
H. P. 2120  
or  
Operator

### Open Letter

To the Editor:

Mayor Robert Patton, Mr. Robert F. Walker and the special committee heads are to be congratulated. It is indeed high time that something be done to simplify our system of house numbering and eliminate the duplication of street names.

My neighborhood, I believe, is representative of many other parts of Highland Park. My house number is 1952 on Priscilla Avenue (a North-South street). My "back yard" neighbor whose lot is on an East-West line with mine and faces on Dato Avenue (also a North-South street) bears the number 1645. A block south, running East and West, is Sunnyside Lane. House numbers on this street beginning at Western Avenue and progressing west one block to Greenwood Avenue are in the 1200 group. Continuing west from Greenwood Avenue one block to Priscilla Avenue one block to Priscilla Avenue they are in the 1300 group. From Priscilla Avenue the block west to Summit Avenue the house numbers revert back to the 1200 group again. This sort of thing is ridiculous. To permit it to continue in a City like ours is sheer stupidity.

Whether the grid plan or some other acceptable plan is used, please know that the movement has my whole hearted approval. Everyone in my neighborhood with whom this matter has been discussed is of a like opinion.

Concerted action should be taken as soon as enough time has elapsed to have everyone who so desires an opportunity to express his sentiments either by letter or by public meeting.

Yours truly,  
J. C. Frehrer  
1952 Priscilla Avenue

### Open Letter

What is the REAL reason behind the monumental rise in school taxes of District 108?

It can't be the teacher-salary increases as the School Board charges in their report entitled "A Report From Your School Board" sent out in June. Their own facts belie these charges.

The report from the Board shows in Table I an item "Instruction-Salaries" to be \$39,960 more than the previous year. Compare this with the total increase of \$214,300! Quite a difference, isn't there?

Now, let's look at this \$39,960. First, 56 teachers are to be raised about \$200 per year, or \$11,200. Then, according to the report, two teachers are to be added—probably not at the maximum and let's hope not at the minimum of \$2200—let's use \$4000 (admittedly high). That's \$8000 more.

Certainly the phenomenal school tax rise can not be due to a \$19,200 increase in teacher's salaries—or even the budgeted \$39,960.

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### Hospital Auxiliary To Meet In Trinity Parish

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Highland Park Hospital will meet Wednesday, August 10 in the Parish Hall of Trinity church. The meeting will start at 1 o'clock with Mrs. Willard Nelson in charge of surgical dressings and Mrs. Louis Sinclair in charge of machine sewing.

Following a business meeting, luncheon will be served at 12:30 by Mrs. Harry Van Ornum and her committee.

### DOLLAR VALUE DAYS NEXT WEEK

Stores and shops of Highland Park and Ravinia will offer their semi-annual "Dollar Value Days" a week from this coming Friday and Saturday, August 12 and 13.

This community-wide sale, which is sponsored by the Retail Division of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce, will be packed with regular and seasonable merchandise at excitingly low prices. The Retail Committee of the Chamber announces that many years have passed since local shoppers were offered such sensational buys of quality merchandise—specially low priced for "Dollar Value Days." It will pay you to visit your favorite stores on "Dollar Value Days" and you are urged to watch for next week's issue of the Highland Park Press which will feature ads by participating merchants.

## V.F.W. CARNIVAL STARTS TONITE

### Veterans Celebrate Golden Jubilee

Tonight marks the opening of the Golden Jubilee Carnival to be sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars at Sunset Park. The festivities will continue until Sunday evening, when, as the main feature of the carnival, a 1949 Chevrolet will be given away. Other main awards are an electric roaster, an electric toaster and an electric steam iron.

Among the amusements to be featured, two of which have not been as yet introduced in Highland Park, are the merry-go-round, kiddie train, rock-o-plane and the octopus.

The carnival will be open on Thursday and Friday nights from 7 to 12, and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 12 p.m.

The following Post members have worked to help make this Carnival a huge success: Commander—Pat Bergman; Ways and Means—Gordon Clavey; Carnival Chairman—Don Cameron; Auxiliary Chairman—Marilyn Moran; All rides and the Popcorn stand will be handled by the Auxiliary, without whose help it would have been impossible to plan this affair.

Car raffle—Ray Mann, George Marshall, John Moran, Hugo Schneider; Supplies—Lloyd Moon; Grounds and Electricity—Frank Moroney, Henry Witten; Registration—Mrs. J. Koon, Ken Griffith, Don Strenger; Finance—James Lorimer, Al Gerken, Jerry McCaffrey, Emmett Moroney; Bingo—Wm. Moran, Dr. Wallis, Henry Schotanus, Zeke Farmer; Ham and Bacon—Henry Scheskie, Wayne Jahnigan; Bottles and Cats—Hank Erickson, J. McKillip; Hooligan—R. Moran; Jar Deal—J. Clavey; Add-up-up dart game—Sgt. Bogart; Athletic Equipment—Timer Inman; VFW Ball Team—Hi Striker, Moe Pearson; Refreshments—Wm. McArthur, Mike Miotti, Tom Garrity, Jack Kelly, Ledo Marucci, Tom Homma, and James Sheehan.

### Building and Improvements In School District No. 107

The Board of Education has announced that more improvements are in store for School district 107. Black topping of the kindergarten playground and bicycle stand area, as well as the space in front of the auditorium, is already under way. Steel edging, to prevent spread of the blacktop, will be placed on its border which will be terminated about four feet from the public sidewalk. Landscaping is planned for the intervening four foot space, with bushes as a precaution against automobiles driving onto the blacktop. Contract for the job has been let to Peter Baker & Son Company, Lake Forest.

Tuckpointing and caulking contracts, to cover all school district buildings, were awarded to David Svendsen, Evanston, while Skokie Tree Service, Highland Park, will remove dead trees and prune others in both the Green Bay and Elm Place school areas, with the exception of the Bird Sanctuary, which is in the proximity of the playground bowl.

The project is fully insured against accident to workmen and the public, as well as against damage to the buildings.

## Rubinstein-Heifetz-Piatigorsky In Final Program At Ravinia

### Highland Park High School Board Fights District Split

States Attorney Harry A. Hall, upon the request of members of the Highland Park High school board, has filed a law suit in Circuit Court in which the newly-formed board of Lake Forest High school, designated as District No. 115, is asked to show by what authority it holds its present office.

The board of the Lake Forest school district was elected July 23, and consists of J. Howard Wood, president, Elmer B. Vliet, Robert Pierson, Philip L. Spiedel, John C. Trussel, Mrs. Unity Tomlinson and Mrs. Ethel Jenkin.

On June 29, W. C. Petty, county school superintendent, issued a ruling that the Deerfield-Shields High school district become two separate districts. The ruling went into effect July 1.

Two weeks ago the school board of the Highland Park district voted to protest the ruling.

According to David Levinson, attorney for the Highland Park school board, Petty's ruling will be invalidated if the Lake Forest board fails to prove its authority to hold office.

### High School Girl Fatally Stricken By Polio

Patricia Anne Floyd, 15 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Floyd, 441 St. Johns place, was taken by death on Friday of last week, following an attack of illness the preceding Tuesday. The case diagnosed as poliomyelitis, she was removed to Evanston hospital on Wednesday, and passed away two days later.

A junior, Miss Floyd was one of the most popular students at Highland Park high school. She was a member of the Girls Club, of the High School chorus and of the Penguin club. She was also a member of the Presbyterian church choir. Her father is science instructor and football coach at Highland Park high.

Besides her parents, she is survived by an older sister, Barbara. Rites were held at the Kelley-Spalding chapel Sunday morning, conducted by Dr. William A. Young. Interment was made at Salisbury, N. C.

### Sunday Morning Crash Claims Two Victims

Jack Paggett, 22-year-old Highland Park, 618 Homewood avenue, was killed instantly early Sunday morning when the car which he was driving collided with that of Arthur Norman Jr., of Chicago, at routes 42 A and 22. Paggett suffered a broken neck and Norman succumbed shortly afterward at the Highland Park hospital to a skull fracture.

A passenger in Paggett's car was his brother, Wilmer, army recruiting officer stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky. Riding with Norman was Miss Constance Hoenig, 18, of Chicago, who suffered skull injuries and crushed chest.

Paggett is survived by his parents, who live in Iowa, and another brother, Donald of the above Highland Park address.

The accident is reported to have been caused through disregarding a stop light.

### Sunday, August 14 Officially Proclaimed Gold Star Mothers' Day

Sunday, August 14, will be the day to remember the mothers of our war dead. This day has been officially proclaimed as Gold Star Mothers' day by Governor Stevenson, a day to be made brighter by sending flowers to these mothers, a card to greet them or a visit to those who are ill or shut in.

The president of the Gold Star Mothers of Illinois is Mrs. J. D. Willoughby, 7909 South Vernon avenue, Chicago.

### Offers Trio Of World's Greatest Musicians

Ravinia's fourteenth annual Festival comes to its steller climax this week with the history-making appearance of three of the world's greatest musicians—Artur Rubinstein, Jascha Heifetz and Gregor Piatigorsky—as a trio in a series of four programs of unprecedented importance and interest.

The program chosen for the concluding Ravinia week is made up of a wide variety of classical works for piano, violin and cello, piano and violin, and violin and cello, as well as solo numbers. Most of the music will be presented for the first time to Ravinia audiences.

For several years the Ravinia Festival Association has been trying to bring Rubinstein, Heifetz and Piatigorsky together and consider the accomplishment of this feat the most outstanding achievement of Ravinia's 14 years of concert presentations. All have appeared as soloists at Ravinia.

Artur Rubinstein, a native of Warsaw, Poland, is among the greatest and most popular of pianists of all times. Since his Carnegie Hall debut in 1919 he has toured extensively in this country, in Europe and in Central America and South America. In 1946 he became a citizen of the United States and now lives in Hollywood with his wife and their four children.

Jascha Heifetz has been a celebrated violinist in this country for more than 30 years. He was born (Continued on page 5)

### Legion To Sponsor Annual Safety Week August 15-19

Commander Alan J. Harrison of the Highland Park Post of the American Legion announced that the Post will sponsor the annual Safety Week for Highland Park beginning August 15th.

The Safety Lane Equipment of the State Highway Division will be available during that week. Motorists can have their cars checked free at the Safety Lane. The Safety Lane is manned by employees of the State Highway Division.

Location—Safety Lane will be placed on south side of Central Ave. just east of Alcyon Theater. Time—Monday, Aug. 15th—1 P.M. to 5 P.M.

Tuesday, Aug. 16th—1 P.M. to 5 P.M., 6 P.M. to dark.

Wednesday, 17th; Thursday, 18th—9 A.M. to Noon.

Friday, 19th—1 P.M. to 5 P.M.

Cars will be checked free for brakes, lights, etc. A Safety sticker will be issued for cars that pass the test.

Note—checking will be made Tuesday evening for those who cannot get there during the day.

Commander Harrison urges all citizens of Highland Park to have their cars checked during the week of Aug. 15-19. He says, "Having your car in good operating condition may save the life of a child or an adult. Don't put it off. Have your car checked free by expert of the State Highway Division."

### Kiwanians To Stage Annual Picnic At Sunset August 15

The annual picnic for Kiwanians and families will be held on Monday, August 15, at Sunset park, starting at 6:30 p.m. Games and other amusements will be the order of the day, and the usual bountiful picnic dinner will be prepared by the Kiwanian ladies.