

Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

• THE COMMUTERS' PET PEEVE

Being a commuter, we have occasion, from time to time, to comment on the various aspects of life on The North Shore from the commuters' standpoint. The first really cold evening provides an occasion for the annual comment on what is probably the most obnoxious of all commuters—the last one out of the car at each stop, who leaves the doors gaping open, admitting icy blasts from the outside and evoking fiery curses from the remaining passengers—one of whom probably will get off at the next station and leave the doors open.

• FUND DRIVES

What with the well known high cost of living taking a dinosaur-sized bite out of all income, and the government, which gets no small portion of that bite, hinting that it will want more next year, it isn't often that John Q. Public, the guy who pays for all the good things as well as all the foolishness and fumbling, can tell himself that he has a couple of bucks that aren't already allotted. Although we know this, personally, as well as by observation, we are currently recommending two—not one, but two—fund-raising drives for his consideration.

The Highland Park hospital, which serves a vital function in the community, needs funds to complete its building program. The Highland Park Post of the American Legion, which performs a different, although equally vital function, also needs funds to complete its building program. As a resident of Highland Park for many years, we are well aware of the importance of the hospital. As a Legionnaire, we know that our post recognized the hospital's importance with a gift of nearly \$2,500 to equip the new nursery with bassinets. Again, as both a Highland Parker and a Legionnaire, we know the wide scope of the Legion program—a scope that is so extensive that it has made the Legion important not only to veterans but to the entire community.

We know that that green stuff ain't hay, but we hope you can support both causes. The hospital is important to you even if you aren't in present need of its services, and the Legion is important to you as a resident of the community, even if you aren't a Legionnaire.

Legion Memorial

Letters went out this week to hundreds of Highland Parkers, asking their financial support to make possible the completion of the Legion Memorial Building to be erected at Sheridan road and Park avenue by the Highland Park Post of the Legion.

The Legion is seeking contributions totaling at least \$30,000 which, with a \$35,000 construction loan, will enable the post to complete its proposed \$120,000 home.

It is pointed out that the new building will serve not only as a permanent home for the Legion, but also as a convenient meeting place for many other Highland Park organizations, as its location, close to the heart of the business district, will make it ideal for such purposes.

W. L. Leighly, vice president of Dovenmuehle, Inc. well-known Chicago mortgage house, has announced that his firm has approved a construction loan of up to \$40,000 to complete the work on the building.

Although the post is thus empowered to borrow as much as \$40,000, the building committee plans to borrow not more than \$35,000, as the special gifts committee and other qualified persons who have surveyed the post's needs, in relation to its importance as a civic force in the community, feel that it should be well within the group's power to reach its goal of \$30,000 by popular subscription.

Newspaper Pickups To Be Resumed

There will be a resumption of newspaper pickups starting next Monday, November 7th. An increase in the demand for old paper has resulted in an increase in the price. School boards, badly in need of the funds received from this source, have decided to resume the pickups. It is hoped that all residents of Highland Park and surrounding areas will cooperate in these monthly drives by having their old papers and maga-

What's Happening At Your Hospital?

Of particular interest, not only to Highland Parkers, but to residents of Highwood, Glencoe, Deerfield and Bannockburn as well, is a pamphlet being sent out by The Highland Park Hospital, entitled "What's Happening at Your Hospital?"

This booklet gives a thorough and easy-to-read report on the present status of the hospital's building program and the plans for its completion as they now stand.

The pamphlet points out that the new nursery, maternity section, heating plant and parking lot have been completed, and that the new east wing (two floors and basement) is now under construction.

A total of \$709,696 has already been contributed. If the new wing is completed only as a two-story addition, the total cost will be \$895,000. Proceeding under this plan, it would be necessary to add the third floor to the wing at some future date. If the wing is now completed with a third floor in shell form, present cost will be \$925,000. Finishing the wing now as a complete three-story addition, would bring the total cost to \$995,000.

The booklet also contains comprehensive reports by Frank F. Selfridge, president of the Highland Park Hospital Foundation, Dr. Donald E. Rossiter, president of the hospital's medical staff, and Mrs. George O. Strecker, president of The Women's Auxiliary of Highland Park Hospital.

zines, securely tied, on the curb early in the morning of the specified day.

The Highland Paper Company is again collecting the papers. If they should fail for any reason to pick up your paper, call them at 6310.

Nov. 7—Elm Place area
Nov. 8—Lincoln area
Nov. 9—Ravinia area
Nov. 10—Braeside area
Nov. 11—Green Bay and West Ridge area.

Voters' League To Present Petition November 8

The following letter, dated October 31, has been sent by Raymond C. Warner, chairman of the District 108 Voters' League, to J. M. Maxwell, president of the Board of Education:

"In behalf of the District 108 Voters' League, I wish to advise you and the other members of the School Board of our intention to present the petition of more than 3,000 voters in School District 108 at the regular meeting of the Board of Education on Tuesday evening, November 8.

"At that time we intend to renew the offer I made to you at our luncheon meeting on Tuesday, October 11, the day of the last School Board meeting, at which time I told you that the Voters' League would be more than willing to form a joint committee to examine impartially and present to the public the facts on the intermediate school, following the presentation and acceptance of the petition.

"We have delayed further discussion with you of the formation of a joint committee until after presentation of the petition, as you requested at our luncheon meeting."

A joint statement by Mr. Warner and his co-chairmen, Gordon Clavey, Frederick Halton, Lorenz Knouff, and Bruce Krasberg, expressed confidence that the School Board will co-operate with the voters to arrive at an amicable agreement on the intermediate school problem.

Highland Park Youth Establishes Record For Vandalism

While a part of the city's youth busied itself with such creative work as decorating windows of shops in the downtown portion of the city with pleasing designs, as a part of their Hallowe'en celebration, it is regrettable to state that another, more rowdy, contingent indulged in destructive activities. Among damages reported are a valuable urn in front of a private home, light posts at another home, windows in a garage and street signs torn down. Perhaps the most radical act of vandalism was the wrecking of 45 city parking meters, smashed with the aid of hammers. Some of the offenders were taken into custody.

Did this wanton destruction give the young vandals a thrill? Perhaps they are incapable of grasping the gravity of the situation. According to the police, this Hallowe'en record is the worst in history.

In contrast, Highwood police report the quietest and most orderly Hallowe'en on record.

Fred Moon In Postal Service 44 Years

On Tuesday, November 1, Asst. Post Master Fred R. Moon marked his 44th year in postal service in Highland Park, beginning in 1905. On November 1, 1922, he was appointed assistant post master.

When Moon joined the force he was one of three carriers, the two others being Edwin Fischer and Ray Phillips. Prior to that date mail was not delivered.

Since Moon's entrance into postal service the postoffice, first stationed at 7 So. St. Johns avenue, has changed its site to 378 Central avenue, to 512 Central, and to its present location, 28 No. Sheridan road, where it has remained for the past 20 years.

Moon hopes that the new post office, long promised to Highland Park, will be opened on November 1, also.

Ravinia Woman's Club Presents One-Time Star In Radio

When members of the Ravinia Woman's club present Harriet Allyn next Wednesday afternoon in a program of original character sketches at the Village House, they are offering an artist of distinction in the field of characterization and impersonation. Miss Allyn, who is, in private life the wife of Edward Crowley, director in the University Theatre at Northwestern University, is well remembered as "Lu" in the "Clara, Lu 'n' Em" radio show.

Following the entertainment tea will be served by members of the house committee in charge of

CHEST FUND HAS \$10,000 TO GO

Special Gift Prospects And Business District Lag

As of October 31, contributions to the Highland Park Community Chest total \$59,870 or just under \$10,000 short of the \$69,700 quota set for 1949. Actually, contributions from the house-to-house solicitation are ahead of last year, but special gift prospects and collections in the business district are lagging considerably.

"Unless special gift contributions and the business district campaign takes a decided sprint, the chances for reaching the 1949 goal appear dark," stated Mr. Francis D. Weeks, general campaign chairman. "It is inconceivable," he added, "that our public spirited citizens and the type of business men we have in Highland Park will permit a Chest failure."

Following is a summary of contributions to date, compared with total 1948 collections and the goal for 1949:

	Pledges as of Oct. 31, 1949	Grand Total Last Year	1949 Goal
District Blocks	\$31,913.55	\$31,659.00	\$34,000.00
Special Gifts	22,634.00	26,095.00	28,500.00
Business District	5,323.00	6,589.00	7,200.00
Totals	\$59,870.55	\$64,343.00	\$69,700.00

Final Report Night Nov. 8

Final report night for all Block Captains and District Chairmen will be Tuesday, Nov. 8 at the Community Chest Office. The Chest must have 100% coverage and all Chairmen are urged to report all donations by this time.

"Unless next week indicates that the goal will be met, it will become necessary to call again on all Highland Parkers who did not increase their subscriptions over last year," stated Mr. Weeks. "This year's budget calls for an overall increase of 11% and the various Chest agencies cannot function effectively unless the entire quota of \$69,700 is reached."

Royal Arch Masons To Hold Triple Celebration Nov. 9

The Highland Park Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons have a three-fold reason for holding a celebration on November 9. That day will mark their 40th anniversary, and will also be Past High Priests night and Charter Members night.

A 6:30 dinner in the A. O. Fay Lodge hall at North avenue and Lauretta place will be followed by an evening of entertainment, at 8, during which Charles Mason of Waukegan, former States Attorney, will act as Master of Ceremonies. There will be music by a quartette.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Hilton Ira Jones of Wilmette, head of the Hizon Laboratories of Wilmette. His name has also appeared as a lecturer in "Who's Who".

Drop Suit Against Deerfield Prefabs

After a fruitless day of wrangling in court a group of Deerfield homeowners dropped their suit to prevent building prefabricated houses in the village, last week. The Deerfield Family Home Owners Association had brought the action against the Building Official and Village Trustees of Deerfield and against James Mandler, a lot owner and prospective builder.

The case was heard before Judge Ralph J. Dady in Waukegan, who held in effect that the suit was improperly brought against village officials, and warned that an attempt to enforce an injunction against an individual party could result in heavy damages to the plaintiffs, in case the court should find their complaint unjustified.

Mrs. David Cox, chairman, and Mrs. Lee Andrus, co-chairman. Assisting this month will be Mrs. Robert Froelich, Mrs. Erich Ulm, Mrs. Malcolm Sproul and Mrs. Harold Hughes.

Highland Park Hospital Foundation Names Trustees, Bd. of Managers

Overstreet Program On Human Relations Thursday At High School

Reaching Highland Park on the crest of a nation-wide wave of critical and popular acclaim, celebrated authors and lecturers Harry S. and Bonaro Overstreet make the first area-wide PTA program next Thursday evening at the High School auditorium a peak community event of the season.

"To judge by advance interest, the Overstreets will be greeted by the largest PTA audience ever assembled locally," reports meeting chairman Mrs. Hugh Riddle. She forecasts further that "the display of team-work between the many units working for the success of this program promises many exciting community-wide events in the future."

The discussion subject chosen by Mr. and Mrs. Overstreet for the Highland Park program is "The Home as a Place for Maturing".

"The Mature Mind" by Harry A. Overstreet, a recent Book of the Month Club choice and a best-seller throughout the nation, placed second among the non-fiction books recommended by a national poll of critics-conducted by the Saturday Review of Literature. Among his other volumes are "Influencing Human Behavior" and "We Move in New Directions."

Bonaro Overstreet, the other half of the best-known speaking team on the American lecture platform, has been devoted to PTA affairs and adult education, though her published writings in newspapers, magazines and books include poetry, essays and studies of modern society. Her most recently published book is called "How to Think About Ourselves".

Open to all PTA members and friends without charge, the Overstreet program will begin at 8 p.m., with entertainment produced by the High School music department.

The Parent Teacher Organizations of the ten elementary schools and the Highland Park High School which have joined forces for this special event are:

Bannockburn—Mrs. Frank Conley, pres.; Wilmot Rd., Bannockburn.

Braeside—Wyatt Jacobs, pres.; 2231 Lakeside Place, Highland Park.

Deerfield—Mrs. L. T. Hayner, pres.; 926 Fair Oaks, Deerfield.

Elm Place—Hiram Kennicott, pres.; 335 N. Linden, Highland Park.

Green Bay—Mrs. Sydney Graham, pres.; 695 Yale Lane, Highland Park.

Highland Park High School—Mrs. Harold L. Nelson, pres.; 164 Elmwood Dr., Highland Park.

Lincoln—Laurence Herman, pres.; 523 S. Sheridan, Highland Park.

Oak Terrace—Mrs. Richard Hedberg, pres.; 2205 Half Day, Highland Park.

Ravinia—Mrs. Douglas Boyd, pres.; 1271 Wade, Highland Park.

Wilmot—Mrs. Walter Whitehead, pres.; Sanders Rd., Deerfield.

West Ridge—Mrs. Thore Johnson, pres.; 2224 Ridgelee, Highland Park.

Hospital Board Headed By Frank Selfridge

At the annual meeting of the Highland Park Hospital Foundation, held Monday evening, October 31, the following were elected as officers of the Board of Managers for the year 1949-1950:

Frank F. Selfridge, Stanley R. Clague, Mrs. Francis M. Knight, Charles F. Grimes, A. E. Patton, Albert Y. Bingham, Joseph H. Caro, Mrs. Richard J. Loewenthal, Edward A. Ravenscroft, Samuel R. Rosenthal, and Ernest H. Volwiler.

The following were elected as the group of fifteen trustees whose three-year term ends in 1952: A. G. Ballenger, Donald S. Boynton, Joseph H. Caro, Mrs. M. E. Graves, Martin C. Hart, Myron Hexter, Dorsey D. Husepeter, Spencer R. Keare, Ernest G. Loeb, Irl H. Marshall, Irving E. Meyerhoff, A. E. Patton, Leo J. Sheridan, Frederick A. Watkins, Ernest H. Volwiler.

A. V. McPhee was elected trustee for a term ending in 1950, replacing Edward A. Menke. The other trustees whose term expires in 1950 are: Albert Y. Bingham, Stanley R. Clague, Mrs. D. L. Clinton, J. M. Easton, Mrs. F. M. Knight, Mrs. Richard J. Loewenthal, Mrs. E. L. Millard, R. J. Naegle, C. R. Perrigo, E. A. Ravenscroft, S. R. Rosenthal, Herbert T. Schaffner, Frank F. Selfridge and M. E. Shire.

The trustees whose term expires in 1951 are: R. S. Alexander, Ernest A. Belmont, Carl G. Bingham, Jean Alice Butz, Joseph B. Garnett, John M. Montgomery, Albert Pick, Jr., Mrs. Charles Rubens, Morton G. Schamberg, Lewis B. Sinclair, Mrs. Werner A. Wieboldt.

The names of the new trustees, officers and members of the Board of Governors were presented by a Nominating Committee consisting of Herbert T. Schaffner, chairman, J. M. Easton, and C. R. Perrigo.

Fall Rummage Sale At Presbyterian Church On November 10

The annual fall rummage sale sponsored by the Women's Association of the Presbyterian church will be held from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday, November 10, in the parish house of the church, 300 Laurel avenue.

Mrs. Bernard E. Newman, activities chairman, with her co-chairman, Mrs. Dwight Reynolds, assisted by Mesdames Walter Gibbs, Frank Trangram, George Postels and Paul Mathews, are planning an innovation, featuring a number of gift and accessories shops on the first floor.

Mrs. Warren K. Wilner's group will be in charge of a shop displaying costume jewelry and many lovely gifts suitable for Christmas. Mrs. Wyatt Jacob's group will sell toys, books and games. The extensive household department, including electrical appliances, dishes and furniture, will be in charge of Mrs. Archibald McMaster's group.

Clothing will be sold on the second floor. Operating the men's department will be Mrs. Robert Olmstead's group, with Mrs. Carl Herbst's group in charge of children's clothing and Mrs. E. Edwin Hansbrough's group handling ladies' apparel.

Members of the Association are requested to bring merchandise for the sale to the parish house on Monday, November 7, and Tuesday, November 8.

but judges soon gave up the idea after a tour of the city. There were so many outstanding pieces of art, that the committee decided it would be impossible to single out a very few and declare them the winners. Instead, a special treat will be given to all children taking part in the program. After a meeting of the committee this week, they will learn what is in store for them.

Local Kiwanians wish to express

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