

Deep and Shallows

Week-End In A Pacific Beach House

Knowing that I like boats and water travel, a good friend of ours invited us for a week end in his Beach House, just two hundred feet from the Pacific Ocean.

Living, as we do, up in the hills, where we look down on our neighbors, we found the scenery here entirely different. We found it especially interesting after dark, when the moon came up over the mountains at our left. It had a huge circle around it, and the reflection on the ocean is a sight I shall never forget. To our right, as far as we could see, was sand and ocean, with a continual parade of boats, yachts, sail boats, fishing boats, both commercial and private, coming and going.

During the several hours we were out in the "MIHONEY", we saw a shark and a sea lion. The latter showed off to an interested audience, doing all sorts of diving and popping up out of the water.

I didn't join the others in plowing through the two hundred feet of sand to wet my feet in the Pacific ocean, for I don't like sand in my shoes. Maybe I disappointed our host, for when I asked where the shooting noises came from he told me: "Had you gone with us you would know where it comes from." Maybe you've already guessed . . . it was the surf hitting the shore. Later we are going out for a three-day stay, and I shall take old shoes and stockings and plow through the sand with the rest to see the surf "shooting off guns".

Our host's house has the latest in everything. The kitchen is divided from the living room by a high counter, at which, if the program is suddenly changed, a meal is served, diners sitting on high

stools. Otehr meals are served at the table at one end of the living room.

The bathroom on the main floor has a shower with two doors, one from the bathroom and one from the outside. Those coming in from the ocean through the sand use the outside door. If their wearing apparel is dry, they may shake it free of sand, put it through the door into the bathroom, take a shower and redress in the bathroom, saving the housekeeper lots of work.

Many people live in these beach houses the year round. As nothing will grow in the sand, it is hard to have a garden. Top soil has to be brought in, which is expensive, and bricked in, so it will stay in place. Then flowers are planted in it. Large plots of grass are not often seen.

Families from the interior begin to arrive about ten a.m. to spend the day. They carry conveniences with them, such as lunches, folding chairs and tables, blankets, pillows, footballs and dolls, plus a dog or two, and huge umbrellas. Some go for a swim, some read, but by four o'clock they begin to pack and start for home—sunburnt, of course, but with lungs filled with good fresh air.

Sometimes heavy winds lift the sand, which isn't pleasant, but we were treated only to a mild breeze, which didn't lift the sand. The air was fresh and clean, and when bed time came, we were ready to retire.

—A.C.O.

I WONDER

Statistics show that a single oyster may lay 500,000,000 eggs in one season. Now if she were a matron . . . ?

R.B.O.

The Salvation Army To Hold Regular Christmas Bazaar

Toys, books, candy, plants and flowers, canned goods, aprons, foreign articles and antiques will be among the items displayed in gay booths at the annual Christmas Bazaar Nov. 30 at The Salvation Army's Booth Memorial hospital, 5040 N. Pulaski rd., Chicago.

The bazaar is sponsored by the Army's Women's Division for the benefit of the hospital. Mrs. Frederick Tice, 440 N. Linden ave., Oak Park, is chairman and Mrs. Samuel J. Campbell, 1550 N. State pkwy., is co-chairman of the event. Mrs. Charles S. Clark, 9924, S. Longwood dr., is president of the Women's Division. The sale will be opened at 1:30 p.m. by Mrs. Commissioner Norman S. Marshall, wife of the commander of the Army's Central Territory.

Smorgasbord supper will be served from 5 to 8 p.m. by members of the Home League attached to the hospital. The league will also have fancy work, swedish bread and handkerchief booths.

Emblem Club Postpones November Meeting

The social meeting of the Emblem Club usually held on the fourth Wednesday of the month will not be held in November on account of the Thanksgiving holiday.

A rather pompous county official, inspecting the local insane asylum, suddenly remembered that he had to make an important telephone call. He experienced all sorts of delay and difficulty in getting his call through, and snapped at the obviously unconcerned telephone operator, "Look

Highland Park Hostess To Illinois Federation Of Women's Clubs

On Monday, November 28, the Highland Park Woman's Club will entertain the Tenth District of the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs at the latter's fall meeting. Assisting the local club as hostesses will be the Lake Forest Woman's Club and the Lake Bluff Woman's Club.

Mrs. Walter N. Sutherland, Kenilworth, president of the Tenth District, will preside. The morning session will open at 10 a.m. with the District Chairmen giving short talks on "The Objectives of My Department". This will be followed by the introduction of the District Presidents of the Northern Region. Mrs. E. E. Byerrum will then speak on the subject "Great Possibilities". Mrs. Byerrum is past president of the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs.

At noon a luncheon will be served, for which reservations should be made with Mrs. J. C. Laegeler, H. P. 905, by Wednesday, Nov. 23. At 1:30 p.m. Mrs. Alfred L. Jacobs, vice-president of Northern Region, will bring greetings to the members of the Tenth District.

There will be an interlude of music furnished by the four winners of the Tenth District scholarships to Egyptian Music Camp, sponsored by the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs.

The principal speaker of the afternoon will be Dr. Harry R. Hossman who is the director of Mental Hygiene for the Chicago Health Department.

The registration fee will be twenty-five cents per member.

here, girl, do you know who I am?"

No, sir," she answered calmly, "but I know where you are."

—Sidetracks

268 Laurel Ave., Highland Park, Ill. November 7, 1949
HIGHLAND PARK'S FIRST SCHOOL TEACHER

To Highland Park Papers

Gentlemen:—

It may be a surprise to many to learn that some are still living who remember, as pupils, Miss Elliott,— Highland Park's first school teacher. She was a remarkable teacher and a lovely person. I was but a little boy when I last saw her, so my appraisal does not amount to much. Moreover I cannot remember a single word she ever said to me, but to this day I experience a warm glow of affection whenever I think of her. I do remember the boys cutting up the floor of the vestibule in the little Elm Place School with their "stick-tops". When Miss Elliott stepped into the vestibule I expected a torrent of scolding. But no. She watched for a time and then suggested that we go out on the wooden sidewalk. She went out with us and seemed as interested in the game as any. What has she done for Highland Park? That would be a hard thing to measure.

When I returned to this city in 1921 I tried to learn something of her, but without much success. It seemed to me that it would be a disgrace for Highland Park to forget a teacher like Miss Elliott.

Last year while in swimming, on a Florida beach, by chance I met Miss Elliott's niece, who lives in Door County, Wisconsin. I asked her to try to learn all she could about Miss Elliott. The attached letter was of much interest to me. Will you help me share it with all who went to the Highland Park Schools?

Sidney D. Morris

N. Bay Shore Drive, Sturgeon Bay, Wis. October 20, 1949
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney D. Morris Highland Park, Ill.
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Morris:

Upon receipt of your very interesting article regarding Highland Park's Historical Society and early settlers (how my Aunt Theresa would have enjoyed every word of it!), I wrote to relatives for additional information. But my fact finding board was found wanting. That, and an extremely busy summer account for my long delayed reply. I apologize; but I do want to thank you for your kindness in sending me your article. I will give you some more personal data:

Theresa Elliott was born in Deerfield, an old suburb of Utica, New York. Her father, John Henry Elliott and her mother, Ellen Plummer Elliott, both came from England,—the father having been born in the town of Battle, the mother in York, Yorkshire. There were four children,—Theresa the eldest, a sister Emma, a brother who died as a baby, and another brother, William Henry. Early in life Theresa, who had a studious nature, became a teacher. She never married, but lived with her sister Emma, who also was unmarried. Theresa was a great reader, the Bible being her favorite, for she had a religious temperament and was a devout Baptist. She loved her large collection of botanical books, and loved nothing better than to trace the families of wild flowers. In fact, outside of teaching, flowers were her favorite hobby. In later years, when she no longer taught in public schools, she held in her own home private classes for young children. She "had a way with them". With re-

markable gentleness and patience she taught so well those who had become backward from illness or other causes that they passed ahead of their grades. Many a pupil was instilled with a love of learning that carried on through life. Indeed, she and her sister were full of good works. Many a sick neighbor was helped by them, and bereaved families were comforted by their kindly attention.

Upon her death in 1916, at the age of 78, she was buried beside her sister Emma, in the William H. Elliott family lot in Oakwood Cemetery, Chicago, Ill.

I hope the above will give you a clear picture of my aunt. She did everything so simply and without pretense that it did me good to hear you speak so highly of her, when I saw you last winter on Melbourne Beach. Do you expect to return there this December? My husband and I plan to drive to Melbourne about the first of December. We shall have our Florida home,—a trailer that is awaiting us in a storage warehouse in Melbourne, and roam around the state. We both are hoping that we shall meet you again down there.

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With best wishes to you for a very happy Southern winter.
Sincerely,
Florence Elliott Beck
(Mrs. William N.)

Adult Education Program

Registration in the Adult Education Program introduced at North Shore Congregation Israel last week has been extended to accommodate those who were unable to be present at the first session.

The program which is offered includes two lecture courses, one led by Anita Libman Lebeson, noted author, and the other by Dr. Edgar E. Siskin, Rabbi of the Congregation.

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