

Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

• WARN THE KIDS

The daily press carries a mounting volume of stories concerning crimes against children. There have been many suggestions about what "the authorities" could or should do about it, but not much about what the parents themselves might do.

One thing they might do is to impress upon their children the absolute necessity of refusing invitations of any kind from strangers. There has been some hesitancy in recommending this procedure because it might create unnecessary fears or tensions in the youngsters. We doubt that this argument holds water. In the first place the child must learn sooner or later that the world is not exclusively peopled with desirable people. The later that lesson is learned, the harder the lesson will be. Further, any "tension" that such a warning might set up in a child could not compare to the mental scar that would be caused by mistreatment at the hands of some mentally twisted creature. The youngster doesn't have to be frightened into imagining that he is menaced by every passerby, but he should learn to accept the fact that because there are some "bad" people he should refuse all invitations from strangers.

• YOU CAN SHOP HERE

The Christmas shopping season will soon be in full swing, which provides an occasion for reminding Highland Parkers that they may save themselves a lot of trouble, including headaches and aching feet, by doing a large share of their shopping in Highland Park. We are not of the school that declares that nothing should be purchased that can't be bought in Highland Park. We don't think that the goods and services offered locally are of such quality that the merchants have to depend on hometown loyalty alone to move their goods. They are in competition with stores in other cities and they know it. So—we don't say "give your local merchant a break because he's a local merchant." We do say—"Give yourself a break by checking your Christmas list against the offerings in your conveniently located Highland Park stores."

Trinity Church Will Hold Christmas Fair, Monday, Dec. 5

Monday, December 5, is the date chosen for the annual Christmas Fair and supper sponsored by the Trinity Guild, St. Martha's Guild and Canterbury Club of Trinity church.

Combining food, fun and festivities in a real old-fashioned Parish Party, the evening's program will include special features for the children, from a Christmas grab-bag to movies and a fascinating magician show. A fortune-telling booth will add interest to the occasion.

All events will take place in the Parish house of Trinity Church. The sale of Christmas items will begin at 5:30 and continue until 10:00. The hamburger supper will be held from 5:30 to 7.

Gift items for every member of the family will be offered for sale, with special gifts for children. Special baby clothes and a collection of unusual and beautiful aprons will be featured. Other special features will be gift wrappings and artistic hand-made decorations for the holidays, and ornaments for the Christmas tree. Christmas fruit cakes and other baked goods will be available.

Acting as general co-chairmen for the Christmas sale are Mrs. David Sanders, Adele Whitfield, Helen Bergstrom and Mrs. Hiram Kennicott.

Edwin L. Gilroy Honored By Chicago Firm

Edwin L. Gilroy, 286 Central avenue, has been elected vice president of First Securities company of Chicago.

During the late war Gilroy served as a commander in the U. S. Navy, and also an instructor in navigation at Abbott Hall, Chicago. An active Legionnaire, he is also chairman of the Highland Park Traffic commission.

Newspaper Collection Schedule

Mon.—Dec. 5—Elm Place
Tues.—Dec. 6th—Lincoln
Wed.—Dec. 7—Ravinia
Thurs. Dec. 8th—Braeside
Fri.—Dec. 9th—Green Bay & West Ridge

Members And Husbands Of Woman's Club To See South Seas Film

Members of the Highland Park Woman's Club will entertain their husbands at an annual evening meeting to be held next Tuesday, December 6 at 8 o'clock.

Irving Johnson, Commander, U.S.N.R., will present a complete new super color film of adventures entitled "Yankee's Wander World". Commander Johnson lectures throughout the film describing the wonders of the romantic islands of the South Seas and around the world.

The brigantine "Yankee", with 7775 feet of sail, started her cruise from the old fishing port of Gloucester, Mass., and for the next year and a half was home afloat to her crew of twenty-two. Wanderlust and a taste for excitement led the young Americans to some of the most alluring spots on earth and the pictures show them in: Pitcairn, Tahiti, Pago Pago, Solomon Islands, New Guinea, Borneo, Siam, Bali, Zanzibar, Cape of Good Hope, South America and the West Indies.

Irving Johnson has sailed his ship four times around the world, always off the beaten track and often off all reliable charts. Having visited more islands than any other man his knowledge proved of great value to the Navy. He was able to recommend bases, clear channels and guide landing parties during four years of duty in the Pacific.

The National Geographic for 1942 and 1949 both have 46 pages about the Yankee including many color pictures. Commander Johnson is a seasoned lecturer, having appeared before hundreds of audiences such as National Geographic, Washington; Field Museum, Chicago; Metropolitan, Union and Yale Clubs in New York; Harvard Club and University Club, Boston. This will be his second lecture before the local Woman's Club, and all who heard him and saw his pictures before are looking forward with real anticipation to this occasion.

Mrs. Sidney Frisch, president, will preside at the meeting, and Commander Johnson will be introduced by the program chairman, Mrs. Garfield Day. At the conclusion of the lecture refreshments will be served to members and guests by the Hospitality Committee.

Zion Lutheran Celebrates Its 75th Anniversary Sunday, December 4

Dr. C. O. Bengston, president of the Illinois Conference of the Augustana Lutheran church, will preach the opening sermon at the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Zion Lutheran church of Highwood next Sunday morning at 10:45. At the vesper service at five o'clock a former pastor of the church, Rev. Winfield Johanson of Chicago will preach the sermon. Mrs. Gordon Hoard of Waukegan, former resident of Highwood and member of the church, will sing at this occasion. Supper will be served after the service by members of the Ladies' Aid and the Dorcas Society. Members and friends are cordially invited to participate in these services.

The Zion church was organized on December 4, 1874, by Dr. Erland Carlson of Chicago. Some Swedish Lutherans who had lost their homes in the Chicago Fire and found new homes in Highwood had requested him to come. One of the lay leaders of the church was Mr. E. Wicklander who opened his house for services to begin with. The church was served by pastors from Waukegan or Evanston on a part time basis. Not until 1916 was the first stationed pastor received, The Rev. G. M. Thimell, now stationed in St. Paul. Revs. G. A. Engstrom, Henry Hedlund, Winfield Johanson, Herbert W. Linden are the other pastors who have served. Rev. Linden, present pastor, has served here since 1946.

An anniversary banquet will be served at the church on Saturday evening, December 10, and services on Sunday, December 11th will conclude the observance.

sale, all of them the work of disabled veterans. The veteran sets his own price on his article and this price is turned back to the veteran after his article is sold.

TO PRESENT ISTOMIN THURSDAY

Pianist To Be Featured In Second Community Concert

Eugene Istomin, brilliant young pianist, will be featured in the second presentation of the season by the Community Concert Association of Highland Park next Thursday, Dec. 8, at the high school auditorium.

This date represents a change from the original program and from the dates listed on the association membership cards, officials cautioned. Previously Mr. Istomin's concert was booked for Friday, Dec. 9, but it has been moved forward one day because of previous commitments.

Mrs. Robert Ingwersen, secretary, asks that members correct the date on their membership cards and, as an additional reminder, all will receive notices through the mail. The concert as usual will start at 8:15 p.m.

Mr. Istomin will be a worthy successor to Dorothy Maynor, soprano, who opened the winter series last month with a resounding reception. The young star—in the words of the conservative and cautious New York Herald Tribune—is "a phenomenal young pianist."

Still in his early twenties, he has appeared repeatedly with top orchestras under great conductors and he has won popular as well as critical acclaim in the course of his short but news-making musical career.

Mr. Istomin was born in New York City November 26, 1925. His parents are both Russians, both singers. The boy's first teacher was Karlena Siloti, daughter of Alexander Siloti, pupil of Liszt. Later he attended the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia where he studied under the great pianist whom he admired above all others—Rudolf Serkin.

The young man began making a public impression only a few years ago by winning the Philadelphia Youth Contest which brought as an award an appearance under Eugene Ormandy in the Chopin F. Minor Concerto. Later he won the Leventritt award; the result was a debut with the New York Philharmonic Symphony orchestra under Artur Rodzinski. Since, he has appeared with many major orchestras, in concert tours from coast to coast, and with the Busch Chamber Players, Adolf Busch conductor.

As usual, next Thursday's concert will be open only to members of the Community Concert Association. Memberships are obtained only on a season basis, and are no longer available. However, officials ask that members who find they will be unable to use their membership Thursday call Mrs. John Spachner, program director, at H.P. 1911 so that their admission cards may be offered to deserving children.

Harry Sellery Elected To Planning Committee Of American Veterans

Harry Sellery, active in Highland Park civic affairs and veteran of World War II, has been elected to the National Planning committee of the American Veterans Committee.

Sellery was a member of the four man committee representing the North Shore chapter of AVC in the recent convention held in Chicago. Also representing the North Shore chapter were Dick Ettlinger and Everett Millard of Highland Park.

A World War II veteran of the Pacific area, Sellery practices law in Chicago.

Frank Phillips Wins Award From Public Service Company

Frank Phillips, 208 Llewellyn avenue, Highwood, has been awarded a \$150 cash prize for a suggestion submitted to the Public Service company of Northern Illinois. Prizes were offered for the best 1949 suggestions submitted under the company's suggestion system at a conference of company officials, held November 29 at the Palmer House, Chicago.

His suggestion advanced a more efficient method of immobilizing electric water heater switches without damage. Mr. Phillips' plan won second prize.

Raymond C. Warner Heads Voters' League Of District 108

New Policy On Community House Teen Age Dances

At a meeting of the Teen Age Control Committee, which is made up of parents and Recreation leaders, which was held at the Community Center Friday evening, the following regulations were adopted for the Friday evening Teen Age dances at the Highland Park Community Center.

No blue-jeans will be worn except for special dances such as cow-boy, square dancing or hard times parties.

Admission will be by membership card only.

Dancers may not re-enter the building after once leaving.

Smoking will be limited to the game room only.

Couples only will be allowed in the dancing hall.

Persons not conducting themselves properly may be expelled by chaperones or leaders.

Girl Scout News, Elm Place School

Christmas has claimed the attentions of most of the Scouts and Brownies of the Elm Place school. The Brownies of troop 23 are going to make two Christmas trees for use in veteran's hospitals. Brownie Troop 6 is making stockings and filling them for hospitals and making gifts for mothers. The girls of Brownie Troop 27 have been making hand puppets for children in hospitals, and those of Troop 37 are making Christmas packages of candy for the Lake Bluff Orphanage as well as gifts for their parents. They had an Investiture last week for two of their members Carol Barron and Susan Leonard. The Girl Scouts of Troop 19 are making mittens for the mitten tree, and binding Record Books for their Second Class Work. Making the books is part of the Arts and Crafts Requirement. At Hallowe'en they decorated a window for one of the grocery stores with the aid of the Girl Scouts of Troop 10.

The Girl Scouts of Troop 11 will hold a Court of Awards Dec. 5. They are working on the Cooking and Sewing Badges, and will receive the badges they have earned during the last six months. Miss Deane White will be present. For Christmas, Troop 11 is making gifts for children in hospitals.

The Girl Scouts of Troop 33 have almost completed the Games Badge and are working on the Players Badge. For Christmas, they are making mittens for the mitten tree.

Troop 10, under the leadership of Mrs. I. Zimmerman and Mrs. John Hess with the assistance of Mrs. B. Mason and Mrs. Weinstein, will celebrate its Third birthday, November 30. The girls are making and decorating a birthday cake for the party, and have selected Marilyn Strauss as their Juliette Low representative this year. Barbara Hess will present her with the Juliette Low pin at the party.

(All troops are from the Elm Place school.)

DEERFIELD ASSESSMENT ROLL IS PUBLISHED

The assessment roll for the Town of DEERFIELD, as fixed by the assessor, appears on pages 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of today's issue of the HIGHLAND PARK PRESS. Every resident of the Town of DEERFIELD, which includes the City of Highwood and that part of the Cities of Highland Park and Lake Forest within Deerfield Township should make it a point to check up on the amount of his assessment.

Any property owner who objects to the amount of his valuation should file a formal complaint with the Board of Review within 10 days from the date of publication of this assessment roll.

To Become Permanent Organization

At a meeting attended by representatives of all District 108 precincts in the home of Raymond C. Warner, 735 S. Sheridan Road, on Monday evening, it was agreed that the failure of the School Board to comply with the request of the petition recently presented to it by the District 108 Voters' League made abundantly clear the need for the League to organize on a permanent basis, and it was decided unanimously to proceed with the work of permanent organization, leaders of the League announced today.

By-laws were adopted by the meeting, after which officers were elected to head the new permanent organization. It was decided that the Voters' League should be incorporated under the laws of Illinois and the League's purpose was defined as follows: To work for efficiency and tax economy in the operation of our schools, ever mindful that our objectives shall be a high standard of education, health, and safety for our children, and the safeguarding of the American way.

Mr. Warner, who was elected chairman of the permanent organization, stated that, in ignoring the request in the petition signed by more than 75% of the voters whom the School Board was elected to represent, and in refusing to participate in a joint fact-finding committee on which each side would be equally represented, the Board had clearly demonstrated its intention to proceed with a predetermined decision independently of the wishes of the voters.

He further stated that the Board now appears to be conducting its own investigation in an endeavor to find some basis upon which to justify the construction of the proposed \$1,400,000 intermediate school.

The reduction in next year's taxes recently announced by the School Board is clear evidence of the accuracy of the statements made last August by Frederick Halton, Jr., chairman of the League's fact-finding committee, that school taxes could and should be substantially reduced, League spokesmen pointed out.

Mr. Warner announced that an immediate objective of the Voters League will be to enroll members throughout the district in the new permanent organization, to give the League complete area representation. He stated that it is not the purpose of the organization to build up a general membership so large that its size would make the League unwieldy, but rather to proceed on a basis which will insure an active and effective membership group in each precinct.

Officers unanimously elected at Monday night's meeting are as follows: Chairman, Raymond C. Warner; Co-chairmen: Gordon Clavey, Frederick Halton, Jr., Lorentz Knouff, Bruce Krasberg; Executive Secretary, Harold Pfister, Sr.; Secretary, Wendall Haner; Treasurer, George McGhie, Jr.

The administration of the organization will be directed by an executive committee composed of the elected officers and the chairmen of the permanent precinct organizations.

Members Of Woman's Club Display Art Work

The pictures and other art exhibits which will be shown at the Highland Park Woman's Club during the month of December will be the work of members of the club. All members wishing to make entries are asked to have articles at the clubhouse Saturday morning, December 3, between the hours of 9:30 and 12:00, when Mrs. James Reilly, chairman of the Art Department, will be on hand to receive and catalog them.

Most of these exhibits will be for sale as appropriate Christmas gifts, and will be on display during both the December 6 and 20th meetings.