

Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

● CLOSE TO HOME

The intense interest stirred up by the District 108 election demonstrates one of the very real and unavoidable disadvantages of big government. No national, state, or even county election has brought out so large a percentage of the voters in this area.

One important reason for this, of course, is the almost universal American tendency to think of "the government" as something that is somehow "apart" from the people. In the district 108 election the issues were close to home; they involved situations with which enough of the voters were familiar in one way or another so that the election was not something that "they" were going to hold, but something that "we" were going to take part in.

Aside from that, the issues were not more important than those in many other elections. Nevertheless, because it was close to home, many persons who might have stayed home on other election days, went out Saturday to cast a ballot.

If the "planners" ever get America to the point where all matters of policy are settled by candidates elected at national elections, there will be no real issues left to be decided at local elections.

● FURTHERMORE

As any Republican should hasten to admit, being defeated in an election doesn't necessarily mean that you have to give up entirely. With this in mind, we hope that the Voters League will not follow a policy (which has been that of some Republicans) of opposing merely for the sake of opposition. The Voters' League registered a heavy vote at the polls, even though it was clearly defeated. One of their main talking points was that they desired consolidation of the Highland Park school districts. The League might perform an effective service by supporting a plan for such consolidation, especially in view of the fact that the Caucus candidates are on record as favoring such a move if it can be effected.

"Go To Church" Movement Launched By American Legion

"Make religion a guiding factor in daily decisions," says George N. Craig, National Commander.

"Our nation, along with every other freedom-loving country, today faces mankind's greatest crisis, which involves peril to all life on earth.

"We need to get closer to God. He is our ally. He is our greatest asset in our endeavor to keep the beacons of human liberty shining and to prevent the ultimate catastrophe of atomic warfare.

"To that end, the American Legion urges the people of America to turn to an appeal for divine guidance in a mighty and continuing re-dedication to their faith in God.

"As national Commander, I am calling on our 17,398 Posts and the 13,427 units of the Auxiliary, to lead the way in communities throughout our land in bringing together all elements of our population for a 'go to church' movement starting with the week of April 16th."

Commander Alan J. Harrison announced that our Post joins in the "go to church" movement and urges all members to "show the way" by going to their church on Sunday April 16th. Commander Harrison also announced that our Post had accepted the kind invitation of Dr. William A. Young and our Post will attend, as a body, the morning service of the Presbyterian Church on Sunday, April 23rd, 11:00 A.M.

Thanks

We wish to thank the voters of District 108 for their expression of confidence in us at the election last Saturday. As newly elected president and members of the school board we intend to join with our fellow board members in preserving high educational standards and in administering our fine schools economically and efficiently. We intend to represent all residents of the District, not just one party or faction. We want to do everything within our power to eliminate bitterness and dissension and to keep the people informed on major policy questions. Let's all pull together to give our children a first class school system and our taxpayers full value for their tax dollars.

Board Members No. 108

Caucus Candidates Win Hotly Contested District 108 Race

In a close race, the outcome of which was in doubt until the final votes were counted, the three Caucus party candidates of the District 108 school board forged ahead to the tune of more than 300 votes over the candidates of the Voters' League in Saturday's election. Cushman was elected school board president with a total of 1786 votes. His opponent, Knouff, drew 1,420 votes. Foreman received 1,775 ballots as compared to Clavey's 1,412, and Fearing defeated Warner with a vote of 1,781 as compared to 1,456.

Cushman, the new board president, stated that he will issue an appeal for unity in the district, which has been so divided by several issues.

The ballot of 3,200 votes was a record for the district.

District No. 107 Casts 114 Votes

Very little excitement attended the school board election in District 107, as the three candidates were unopposed. A total of 114 votes were cast. Francis J. Lundberg was re-elected president of the board with 111 votes, Peterson received 110 votes and Goldberg 111 votes.

District No. 113 Elects Two Members

The two unchallenged candidates for the High School board of Education will serve three-year terms on the board. Cahn polled 337 votes and Cadamagnani received 412 votes. They will serve 3-year terms.

District 111 Seats Two Members

In District 111 (Oak Terrace-Highwood Grammar school) Caldarelli polled 211 votes and Bertucci won 186. Ernest Pepe polled 90 votes. A total of 228 ballots were cast.

Building Inspector Reports 23 March Home Permits Issued

Building Inspector P. E. Cole reports a total of 23 single-family dwelling permits issued in March by the Highland Park building department, with a total valuation of \$436,700. A total of 32 permits were issued at \$438,850 compared to 22 permits totaling \$216,818 for the same month last year.

Permits were issued for seven single-family residence alterations, \$9,820, one business alteration, \$330, and one church alteration, \$12,000.

Fees were collected for 34 electrical permits, \$135; six oil burner and tank permits, \$33; 20 sanitary sewer taps, \$200; 19 storm sewer taps, \$190; 22 water taps, \$1,690; one driveway permit, \$5 and two septic tank permits, \$20. Fees totaled \$3,836.56.

Sixty-three permits with a valuation of \$1,628,796 have been issued from January to March this year, as compared to 40 permits at \$434,316 for the same period in 1949, according to Mr. Cole.

Bethany Guild To View Demonstration Of Kitchen Gadgets

The Guild of the Bethany Evangelical United Brethren Church will meet at the Church on Friday evening, April 14th at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Lorraine Johnson will give a demonstration of kitchen gadgets—many useful and attractive items will be displayed.

The president, Mrs. Evelyn Kalseim, extends a cordial invitation to all members and friends to be present at this worth-while meeting.

Sheridan Rebekah Lodge Plans Bakery And Rummage Sale

A bakery and rummage sale will be sponsored by the Sheridan Rebekah lodge on Saturday, April 15, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Masonic Temple situated at North avenue and Lauretta place, Highland Park. (One block east of Laeger's Drug store.)

Mrs. James Nolan is in charge of rummage, and Mrs. Dora Bleich in charge of the bakery.

NEW DEPARTMENT AT HOSPITAL

Hospital Plans Physical Therapy Department

Highland Park Hospital hopes to be able to set up a department of physical therapy this year, according to Frank F. Selfridge, president of the Hospital Foundation.

To make this new department possible, a group of public-spirited citizens of this community has promised to present to the hospital the necessary furnishings and many pieces of special equipment.

"It is only within the past few years," says Mr. Selfridge, "that the great need for treatment of this type has been recognized. In days gone by, it was impossible to rehabilitate by surgery alone—no matter how excellent that surgery—people who had bone and joint disability, or to help any child who was stricken with polio to the extent that he could lead an entirely normal life. During World War II, however, medical wonders were accomplished through physical therapy. In fact, many doctors believe that the progress made by this particular division of medical science marked a miracle second only to the miracle brought about by the successful use of penicillin. Because of their new—and more thorough knowledge of the immeasurable benefits of physical therapy to the patient, medical authorities all over our country are today strongly urging the necessity of establishing in every good hospital a specially equipped department to handle this kind of work."

And just what is physical therapy?

It is putting life back into dormant muscles. It is proper use of therapeutic exercises and massage. It means taking advantage of the effective properties of light, heat, cold, water and electricity in the treatment of disease and injury. For instance, one part of the treatment may include supporting the patient in a specially designed pool of water with accurately controlled temperature, while the hospital attendant manipulates an arm or a leg in just the right way to encourage the proper functioning of the affected muscles. Or, again, it may be that the patient's recovery will be speeded up through the use of equipment carefully designed for specific types of massage, etc.

Good physical therapy is essential in the treatment of paraplegics and hemiplegics; of the 40,000 people in this country who annually undergo major amputations; of the thousands of paralytics who have been stricken by poliomyelitis; of the nearly 200,000 children afflicted with cerebral palsy, and of the others disabled by the growing prevalence of chronic disease.

Physical therapy enables the patient to leave the hospital earlier than would be possible otherwise. Most important of all, it enables him to walk out of the hospital instead of being carried home, there to spend many long weeks of convalescence. Through the use of physical therapy, the patient saves not only countless hours of recuperative time but also large sums of money, because he can return much sooner to his job. In the case of chronically disabled patients, this wonder treatment carries out rehabilitation to the point of self care at home.

North Shore Citizens' Committee To Meet In Evanston

"What are the cities of the North Shore doing in the field of minority group relations?" will be the question answered by representatives of four North Shore cities at the Orrington School auditorium, Evanston, Tuesday, April 25 at 8 p.m. Speakers from Evanston, Wilmette, Highwood and possibly other cities will outline the work now going on in the field of race relations in their respective cities.

Open to the public, this meeting is the second of a series. The first, held in Highland Park last month, took the form of a panel discussion on the work of North Shore churches, and featured four North Shore clergymen.

Outstanding Programs Slated This Fall By H. P. Community Concerts

First Of Music Lecture Series At Library, April 18

An unusual opportunity for Highland Parkers to increase their enjoyment of music is offered—without charge—by the Friends of the Highland Park Public Library which is sponsoring a series of five lecture-discussions at the Library auditorium starting Tuesday, April 18 at 8 p.m.

Sherwood Rollins, Director of Music at Lake Forest Academy will conduct the series. All meetings are on Tuesday evenings; the dates: April 18 and 25; May 2, 9, and 16.

Under the title "Enjoying Music," Rollins will present the elements in music which listeners must know in order to enrich their pleasure with what they hear. The talks will be illustrated with the piano, with orchestral instruments and with records from the Library's collection.

Rollins has outlined the 5-meeting course with the reassurance: "Don't be alarmed at some of the technical terms—they are easily explained and are merely 'handles' for necessary reference." He adds: "Besides, these terms are wonderful to pop up with when conversation lags at a cocktail party."

A young man with a good sense of humor, Rollins promises to present his subject in a lively way and those who know him are telling their friends that the music series is great fun as well as highly informative.

Rollins received his Masters degree in music at Harvard.

Women Voters Anticipate Governor's Speech

Since the League of Women Voters is not only interested in local problems, but also vitally aware of problems within our state, the members are looking forward to Governor Adlai Stevenson's address which will be held at a dinner meeting, Friday, April 21st, at 7:30 p.m. in the Moraine Hotel ballroom.

"In his general aim of providing honest and efficient state government Governor Stevenson is committed to appropriation of adequate school reforms, return of excess state money to local communities, reform of civil service and revision of state constitution. As a member of the Chicago Committee on displaced Persons and a long time director of the Immigrants Protective League, he has also urged that Illinois take positive steps to determine its need and capacity to receive immigrants."

Reservations, while they last will be taken by Mrs. Jay Glidden, 540 Hawthorne Lane, which must be accompanied by check.

Birthday Anniversary Of Missionary Society

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the First United Evangelical Church will observe its Birthday Anniversary with a special open meeting on Thursday evening of this week at 8:00 P.M., according to announcement made today by Mrs. Henry Maechtle, President of the organization.

Mr. Elmer Hutchinson of the Unevangelized Tribes Mission will be the speaker of the evening and will present motion pictures of the work of the mission which he represents. Special musical numbers will be a feature of the service. Following the service proper, the group will meet in the basement of the church for a time of fellowship. The general public is cordially invited to attend.

Orphanage Benefit

The Drake hotel will be the setting for the annual party to be given by St. Frances Guild of St. Mary's Home for Children next Monday, April 17, at 1 p.m. Carson Pirie will present their spring and summer fashions and there will be many beautiful door prizes. Tickets available at door.

Rubenstein; De Paur Infantry Chorus To Return

Artur Rubenstein, the great piano virtuoso, and the DePaur Infantry Chorus, most requested choral ensemble in the country, will headline the 1950-51 season of the Highland Park Community Concert Association, whose members this week were urged to renew memberships before April 30.

Alfred T. Sihler, who will succeed him for the fourth concert series starting next fall, made this revelation to members in a mail campaign to secure subscriptions for the limited number of memberships still available for the new series.

It is understood that the Highland Park association will be the only community concert group to hear Mr. Rubenstein next season, although he is in great demand.

The DePaur Infantry Chorus has been re-engaged upon the overwhelming demand of members who heard their stirring recital last season. It is the only group invited for a return engagement here. Since appearing in Highland Park the DePaur Chorus has scored repeated spectacular successes, including a Carnegie Hall performance, and has risen to become the foremost concert attraction among musical aggregations.

Present and former members of the Community Concert Association may renew memberships until April 30. After that date the few memberships then available will be offered to the public. Nearly one-half of next season's memberships have been taken up, Mr. Norman said.

Dues, covering admission to the concerts, are \$6.00, including tax. It is planned to have three other attractions next season in addition to the Rubenstein and DePaur performances.

Applications for renewals and checks may be sent to Mrs. Robert Dean Ingwersen, 346 East Park Avenue, Highland Park. Checks should be made payable to the Community Concert Association.

After the membership limit has been reached, officials warned, no additional subscriptions will be available and no tickets will be available for single concerts.

Lake County Casts 24,000 Votes In Primary Election

Only about 20% of the registered voters of Lake County cast their ballots in Monday's primary election, as compared to the 26,000 votes cast in the 1948 primary.

This section of the county experienced a surprise when its favorite candidate for County clerk, Gregory M. Sheahan, was defeated by Garfield Leaf, Lake County coroner, by nearly 750 votes. The count (unofficial) was 10,487 to 9,744.

A plurality was cast for another favorite son, Hugo L. Schneider, Jr., a vote of 14,753 winning his nomination over that of Lew Hendee's 5,283.

State superintendent of schools W. C. Petty, although strongly opposed in the Highland Park section, won over Bert D. Williams 12,798 to 7,512.

A heavy County vote was cast for the late Ralph E. Church, U. S. Representative. The total: Church—3,562; McGovern—879; Coulson—3,077. Write-ins were Murphy, Kender and Mrs. Marguerite S. Church.

For sheriff, Walter L. Atkinson drew 14,815, and his opponent, Clarence J. Hoff, a total of 5,800.

William G. Stratton, candidate for State treasurer, won an easy victory over his nearest contender, Louis E. Nelson, 6,831 to 1,838.

Home-Seeking Vets Have Preference Rights

Home-seeking veterans of World War II were reminded today by J. Edwin Porter, Associate Rent Director, that they still have first chance for 30 days on all new housing accommodations built for sale or for rent.