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Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

• A PLAGUE ON BOTH YOUR HOUSES

We think that Shakespeare's phrase is particularly apt in describing the present McCarthy Communism furor in Washington. Not because we believe that there are no Communists or fellow travelers in government positions. We think that there are. Not that we put any credence in the Fair Deal's "red herring" bleating. We take no stock in it at all.

But we don't think that Communism can be harmed by a man who apparently believes in accusing everybody on the theory that he will thereby find at least some guilty ones.

If Owen Lattimore is really a Communist or a servant of the Reds, thus "justifying" McCarthy's vague but all-inclusive charges, the cause of real liberalism will be set back considerably. If McCarthy is "justified" by turning up a real communist, it will be a courageous liberal indeed who will dare brave the danger of being accused by some publicity-seeking political hack.

If Lattimore is not a Communist, his value as a public servant is nevertheless gone. If, as has been hinted in recent testimony, he was reporting on Red activity, his value there is also gone.

As we see it, only one possible good can come of McCarthy's antics. If they stir political leaders of both parties to real action in seeing that government posts are actually cleaned of real or potential traitors, his thirst for publicity may have served some good end.

Open Letter

Mr. Alan J. Harrison, Commander
Highland Park Post No. 145
The American Legion
Highland Park, Illinois

Dear Alan:

I have learned of the ground breaking ceremonies for your new Post home scheduled for April 24 and, to my mind, the turning of the first spadeful of earth in ground breaking ceremonies symbolizes the fruition of an idea which, in this instance, will be consummated by a structure to be dedicated as a memorial to those who made the supreme sacrifice that we might retain our American way of life.

It is a privilege to extend to the members of the Highland Park Post No. 145 my highest commendations for the services being rendered to their community which has been acknowledged by the public of Highland Park as evidenced by their generous contributions to the Post's building fund.

On its completion the Legion Memorial Building will serve as a rallying point for those individuals who have dedicated their lives to serving God and Country. It will also serve as a pronouncement that the Legion Post has assumed its responsibility to the Community, State and Nation and that its membership will continue to render a peace-time service by safe-guarding and transmitting to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy.

Sincerely yours,
George N. Craig
National Commander

Kiwanians See Scouts In Action

Monday night's meeting of the Kiwanis club of Highland Park was a bit different than usual, and found Cub Scout Troop No. 31 holding its regular meeting for the special benefit of local Kiwanians.

Some 36 young "Cubs", their den mothers and fathers and Kiwanian Bob Greenwald, who is Cub Master of Troop 31, gave the group an idea of what goes on during a Cub Scout meeting. Along with the attendant ceremony, the boys entertained with a few yells, songs and demonstrations of some of their accomplishments.

A display of Cub Scout handiwork was presented, showing some of the things the boys have been doing between meetings. Kiwanians were especially interested in the display, for it was through their courtesy that a set of tools was made available to Troop 31.

Numerous awards were given out to those cubs who had earned them during the past six weeks.

The Troop usually meets at the Highland Park Community Center. Kiwanian Tom Compere is chairman of the Pack Committee.

Young Republicans To Meet At Zion Thursday, May 4

There will be a meeting of the Young Republicans of Lake County, Illinois on Thursday, May 4, 1950 at 8 P. M. at the Zion Hotel on North Sheridan Road, Zion, Illinois.

Arthur Sams, program chairman will name the committees for the coming summer picnic and the fall dance.

The executive committee is anxious for more representation throughout the county so that a delegation may be chosen to attend the coming Young Republican convention in Chicago.

Present at this meeting will be the city officials of Zion, and the sales manager for the Zion Industries, Mr. Grover Leech, who will address the meeting.

A large turnout is expected for this meeting and Arthur Sams' committee has planned an interesting program, refreshments will follow.

North Shore Citizens' Committee Announces Candidates

The North Shore Citizens' Committee announced today a slate of candidates for the offices of Board of Directors for the coming year. Election of a new Board will take place at the annual meeting of the group on Tuesday evening, May 23, at the Winnetka Community House.

The slate, which was chosen by the Committee's Nominating Committee, includes:

Highwood — W. A. Thomas; Highland Park—Alice E. Anderson, Leonard H. Arnold, Annis E. Jenkins and William E. Peters, Jr.

This slate of nominees will be presented at the annual meeting, after which the meeting will be open for nominations from the floor. The Nominating Committee announced, in revealing its slate, that all of these candidates have already indicated their willingness to serve if elected to the Board of Directors.

250 Students Participate In Spring Concert, May 14

The second High School Spring Concert will be presented by about 250 students in the high school auditorium on Sunday, May 14, at 3:30 p.m.

In addition to selections by the entire orchestra and chorus, Miss Ann Lawton will play the "Concerto in A Minor for Piano and Orchestra." Miss Susan Fox will give a solo with the Chorus as background.

Tickets for this program may be obtained from members of the Chorus and Orchestra, or on the afternoon of the performance.

Pyramus And Thisbe Ballet And Chorus At Elm Place

On Monday evening, May 8 at 8 o'clock, "Pyramus and Thisbe," with ballet and chorus, will be presented in the Jesse Lowe Smith Auditorium, Elm Place School. Members of the seventh and eighth grade dramatics club, pupils from the girls' physical education department, and the upper grade chorus will comprise the cast.

This Shakespeare comedy, based on an ancient legend, needs no introduction. The rollicking fun of the "hard-handed men of Athens" is interwoven with fairy superstition and fairy folk.

The cast includes: — Thesus, Andre Du Chateau; Philostrate, Allan Koretz; Hippolyta, Barbara Conder; Hermia, Jean Mowers; Quince (Prologue), Tom Peterson; Bottom (Pyramus), Chris Phelps; Flute (Thisbe), Don Trieschmann; Snout (Wall), Lee Strauss; Snug (Lion), Richard Pizzato; Starveling (Moonshine), Don Gore; Dickon (Presenter), Tom Jolls. The fairies: — Mary Stein, Ann Robertson, Soloists, and Ruth Bock, Judy Fish, Robert Glickauf, Nancy Hoadacre, Sandra Heins, Janet Henderson, Barbara Hess, Alice Leuer, Margaret McComb, Barbara Pincus, Barbara Ross, Patty Lou Sheehan, Carolyn Stein, Marilyn Strauss, Linda Taft, Marilyn Tippey, and Susan Zimmerman.

The production staff includes: —Dramatics, Fern Sprague; Choreography, Janet Broming; Music, Helen Joy Accompanist, Eleanor Sherry; Assistants, Gray Cathall Jr., and Patricia Green; Publicity, Lee Sargeant; Ticket Sale, Rose Ehman and Venette Slusarczyk; Costumes, Don Gore, Lucy Grey, Richard Pizzato, and Anne Stevens; Stage, Ted Bergsma, Tom Jolls and David Phelps.

Arms Not Road To Peace, Urey Says

An overflow crowd, including many listening in by loudspeakers, heard Dr. Harold Urey deny arms can bring peace, at a North Shore intercommunity town meeting in Northwestern University's Tech Auditorium on Friday evening.

Other speakers took issue with Dr. Urey's Atlantic Union solution to the arms race, but all agreed in placing peace high on the list of man's aims today.

"Democracy on the march is a grand and glorious idea to rally the hearts of men," the atomic scientist declared.

Several score audience members questioned the evening's speakers in a debate period presided over by Jerry Voorhis of Winnetka, former California Congressman. The meeting voted to support a North Shore "Peace Week" in May.

Calling for a reinforced World Court, a United Nations police force, "Point 4" economic aid and a limit of UN vetoes, Mrs. Lawrence Perkins of Evanston advocated strengthening the United Nations "to provide the degree of world government we need." Mrs. Perkins spoke for the Leagues of Women Voters of Evanston, Wilmette, Kenilworth, Glencoe and Highland Park.

Rev. Gene Bartlett, Minister of the First Baptist Church of Evanston, described a Quaker "testimony" against war and predicted the democratic and Soviet systems can "co-exist" for many years. His remarks drew applause from the floor despite rebuttal from atomic scientist Urey and other debaters.

21 states have passed resolutions for world government, Carroll Sudler, Jr., of Lake Forest, Illinois, president of the United World Federalists, told the meeting. Small nations, he said, want a stronger United Nations.

Elm Place Children Participate In Battle Of Books Program

As a climax to their weekly contributions to the Battle of Books radio program sponsored by the Radio Council of the Chicago Public Schools, students from Elm Place School, District 197, were invited to compete against the Lincoln School, Evanston, on the Friday, April 21, 1950, Battle of Books Program. Ordinarily the

STUDENTS TO GIVE COMEDY

Spring Play At High School Saturday

"What A Life", comedy by Clifford Goldsmith, will be presented by the students of the Highland Park High school as their annual spring play this Saturday, May 6, at 8:30 p.m. in the High school auditorium.

The cast, which has been practicing every afternoon after school for five weeks and on Saturday mornings for about three weeks, has had a great deal of fun working on this play as some of the situations are similar to those in high school. This play resembles the Henry Aldrich plays.

An unusually large set is being used for this production. The scene takes place in a principal's office of a mid-western high school. A large oak paneled set gives this impression. Appropriate furniture and properties completes the set.

The cast includes: George Abbott, Gregory Armstrong; Miss Shea, Sue Clark; Barbara Pearson, Jerry Walsh; Hank Bigelow, Peter Armstrong; Mr. Bradley, Alan Jester; Mr. Nelson, Howard Ellman; Mr. Patterson, Bill Ekvall; Miss Pike, Debbie Buchanan; Miss Eggeston, Jean Hawley; Miss Johnson, Bertie Engstrom; Mr. Vicchitto, Richard Crestani; Gertie, Ruth Skytte; Miss Wheeler, Sue Fox; Mrs. Abbott, Bonnie McFarland; Bill, Dick Bloomstein and Mr. Ferguson, Ken Hirsh.

The stage manager is Steve Arnold, and student stage technician is Jim Grace. The light crew is headed by John Sickle, and his assistants are Peter Padorr and Pat Montgomery. The sound crew includes Charles Newman and Phil Rubenstein. The stage crew includes Mike Sackheim, Jim Kiddle, Truman Seidner, Bill Ross, and Jerry Jordan. The floor stage technician is Mr. Paul McLaughlin.

The director is Miss Rosalia Marquart, and the student director is Donna Stine. Make-up will be handled by Shirley Patton, Mary Pasquesi, Barbara Aaron, and Miss Nan Wilson. Props were collected by George Glader, Bob Engel, Marion Onesti, and Ruth Reilly.

Cancer Fund Drive Passes 70 Per Cent Mark

Lake county's 1950 cancer fund drive passed the 70 per cent mark today when collections went over the \$18,000 mark. Quota for the county is \$26,000.

Figures turned in by the various chairmen throughout the county came to \$17,231. Credits accumulated in Chicago and allocated to local groups sent the figure past \$18,000.

J. Robert Baxter of Waukegan, general chairman, said that four areas have gone over the top. They are Antioch with 181 per cent; Highwood, 111 per cent; Prairie View, 132 per cent, and Gurnee, 103 per cent. Others expected to reach their quotas soon are Deerfield and Libertyville-Mundelein.

This year's showing is an improvement over last year's, for 65 per cent of the quota was raised at the end of April in 1949. The drive went over the top late in May.

Mrs. Harza To Speak

The first of a series of four Monday evening lectures in the Garden Center 116 South Michigan Avenue, on Monday, May 8 at 7:30 was announced today, by the Chicago Horticultural Society. It is entitled, "A Travelers' Collection of Garden Pictures", by Mrs. L. F. Harza of Highland Park, who will show colorful views of gardens of the South, of South America and of Europe.

competing teams represent the upper-grade classes but Mr. Robert Zabka's Intermediate Fifth Grade group from Highland Park was selected for the broadcast because of their continued interest in the program throughout this current school year.

Representing the fifth grade for Elm Place school were the following: Leta Appelman, Carolyn Adams, Jerry Johnson and Susan Zimmerman. Ella Young, eighth grade, was selected by her teachers to assist the intermediate children and to act as team captain.

First National Bank Installs New Machine To Eliminate Passbook

AVC Group Fears End Of Skokie Rail Route

Skokie Valley's electric line may follow the Shore Line route to the Junk heap.

This dire warning issued from the civic-minded American Veterans Committee this week after a study of reports submitted to the Illinois Commerce Commission by John W. Roberts, transport expert. Rail officials are not attempting to answer Roberts in Commission hearings.

"The Roberts report shows the Skokie Valley line is even weaker than the Shore Line," the AVC North Shore chapter said. "Promises by the electric management to maintain its western line are as worthless as their word to carry on the Shore division, given only a few weeks before their plea for its abandonment."

Expert Roberts showed the railroad made \$86,307.56 more by operation of the Shore Line in 1949 than it could have saved by the route's abandonment. Without the Shore Line, the Skokie Valley system would have lost \$172,456.78, Roberts said.

"Overhead costs of the Skokie route will skyrocket if the Shore route is dropped," the AVC chapter's executive committee added. "Thousands of commuting homeowners of the area will soon be in risk of losing their fast transport link with the city."

The AVC board maintains that the electric line management has made "little or no effort" to improve service and profits by improvement which experts recommend. Among these are co-ordination of schedules, tickets and stations with the Northwestern's parallel suburban service. Frequent Evanston-Highwood shuttle trains; operation of locals to Edison Court, Waukegan, instead of using the Eleventh Street stub; pickup of local passengers within Chicago and ending free transfers to "L" trains except in the Loop; abolition of the costly crew change at Howard Street, and reduction of crew layover time and management costs.

Among the AVC's executive committee members issuing the warning of peril to Skokie commuters are Arthur Baldauf, Everett Millard and Harry Sellery, Highland Park.

Interfaith Group Holds Annual Luncheon

Members of the Interfaith Group held their annual luncheon at the Y.W.C.A. on Tuesday. The new officers were introduced as follows:—President, Mrs. Jesse R. Jones; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Harry L. Canmann, Sr.; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Harry E. Pine; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Arthur Raff; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Orray T. Knight and Treasurer, Mrs. Robert Dean Ingwersen.

The first speaker at the luncheon was David Brooks, a student at New Trier, who told something of the accomplishments and growth of the Interfaith young peoples' organization which had its beginning at the Wilmette Congregational church.

The other speaker, Miss Sinkler, assistant principal at Ravinia School, chose "Human Relations In The Classroom" as the subject of her talk.

Highwood Man Meets Fatal Accident

On Sunday afternoon two people were killed when two cars collided at the intersection of Barrington and Higgins roads, 7 miles east of Elgin.

Duilio Biagetti, owner of the Del Rio Tavern, 334 Highwood avenue, met death and the other passengers in his car were injured. They are Mrs. Joseph Donatti, Mrs. Pasquina Giacobazzi, Mrs. Rena Bianchetti and Frank Tedrucci.

Mr. Wheeler, driver of the other car, is in the Elgin hospital in a serious condition.

Services were conducted Wednesday morning at the Seguin Funeral home.

The First National Bank of Highland Park has installed a new type teller machine which provides checking account customers with a printed deposit receipt for each deposit made and eliminates the need for banking passbooks. The new system was inaugurated May 1st.

Mr. A. N. Schinler, the bank's cashier, said that this new method of handling checking account deposits will "conserve the customer's time and insure greater accuracy". Passbooks will not longer be necessary. The teller will validate each deposit by machine and simultaneously issue a receipt to the customer with a duplicate entry being made on the records of the bank in one fast operation. Advantages of the new plan accrue to both the depositor and the bank; the customer being able to get away from the teller's window more quickly while the additional data on the receipt will afford maximum protection to both customer and bank. The machine eliminates the possibility of a lost passbook revealing to a finder information as to the customer's deposits, since the receipt forms carry only serial numbers and no names. Thus, the new receipt will assure the customer for greater privacy.

Depositors are furnished with a wallet type envelope in which receipts may be kept until verified with bank statements. The receipt may then be discarded or filed, as the customer prefers.

The new system is in operation in many of the country's leading banks and has enjoyed unqualified success. There is no doubt that teller machines have come to stay, and the improved method of receiving and accepting for checking account deposits will eventually be adopted by all banks.

Bank Gains In National Ranking
The local bank has made steady gains in national ranking over the years and in a recent edition of "The American Banker", a daily banking journal published in New York, the First National was included among the top 7% of the nation's 15,000 banks as to total deposits.

All the officers and employees of the First National are pledged to provide the community with every service and facility. New equipment is being constantly installed to improve customer relations and the personnel is ever alert to the courteous and efficient treatment the depositor is justified in expecting. Substantial deposit increases and the expansion of the small loans and mortgage departments have indicated the public's acceptance of this fine local institution.

Christian Science Lecture

The members of this community and their friends are cordially invited to attend a lecture on Christian Science to be given on Thursday evening, May 11th at 8 o'clock by Mrs. Claire Rauthe of London, England. The subject of the lecture will be "Christian Science: The Hope of Mankind". Mrs. Rauthe is a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Massachusetts.

The local Christian Science church is sponsoring this lecture which will be delivered in the church edifice, 387 Hazel Ave. All are most welcome.

Elks Lodge To Honor Arch Ward

Arch Ward night will be observed by Highland Park Elks lodge Tuesday, May 9, at 7 p.m. in the Elks hall on Laurel ave. Following dinner, Ward, sports editor of the Chicago Tribune, will speak.

Members, their wives and guests will attend the affair. A get-together hour will precede the dinner from 6 to 6:50 p.m.