

## Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

### Memorial Days

There were bands, parades, flags, speeches; and sincere tribute was paid to thousands of our dead last Tuesday—those who had died in war. By Tuesday night there were nearly 500 more dead—dead who had not died on battlefields, but who, nonetheless, were just as dead as any hero even though there was nothing heroic about their deaths.

About three hundred of them died in auto accidents. Some 70 had drowned, and about a hundred more had died in miscellaneous accidents.

If some cynic dared suggest that the government pass a law: (1) cancelling all auto and other travel, banning all picnics and gatherings and all entertainment of any sort; and (2) providing that 50 people be selected at random throughout the country and executed at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, public indignation would sweep that government out of office over night. BUT if some such fantastic plan HAD been put into effect, about 450 lives would have been saved.

The spirits of the old Astecs, who have been called savage because they offered up human sacrifice, must chuckle grimly at the sacrifice offered up every week-end on American highways. Of course, we don't CALL it sacrifice, and, under our modern ritual, the victim doesn't know he's going to be a victim until the instant he is becoming one, but after it's all over, he's just as dead.

### Superintendent Lester Ball Resigns To Accept Position In East

The Board of Education announces with regret that Lester Ball has resigned as superintendent of schools of District No. 108, effective August 1st to accept the position of superintendent of schools of Millburn, New Jersey. Millburn is a suburb of New York City, much like Highland Park in character. There Mr. Ball will be in charge of a unit school system composed of five elementary schools, a junior high school and a senior high school. The opportunity to supervise a school system which includes a senior high school in a high grade community like Millburn was the determining factor which induced Mr. Ball to accept the position.

Mr. Ball kept the Board of Education fully informed of his negotiations and his decision to accept the position. He has agreed to advise and consult with the Board about the selection of his successor.

The people of District 108, the faculty and the Board of Education will greatly miss Lester Ball. His seven year's service here has left its mark in the form of one of the finest elementary school systems in the country. Our best wishes go with him to his new position.

### Bishop J. R. McGee To Officiate At Wesley Methodist Rites

Monday, June 12 will be a very important date for members of Wesley Methodist church, Highland Park, when Bishop J. Ralph McGee will be present to conduct the ordination of the local pastor, Mr. Robert G. Albertson.

This is the first time in the history of the church or either the Highland or Highland Park churches before the merger, that it was privileged to have the bishop, and to have an ordination.

Mr. Albertson, originally from Colorado, has been attending school at the Garrett Biblical Institute for the past three years, and has been the pastor of the local church since July 1948. He is married and has one child, Marriane.

Preceding the ordination, a dinner will be served for the members of the church only. Guests will include the bishop, Dr. Weldon E. Bradburn, district superintendent of the Rock River conference, and Mr. Albertson's parents.

The service will be at 8:00 p.m. and it will be open to the public. Bishop Magee will preach the sermon.

### Bethany Guild Plans Salad Buffet Luncheon Friday, June 2

The Guild of Bethany Evangelical United Brethren Church will hold a Salad Buffet Luncheon at the Church, corner of Laurel and McGovern Streets, on Friday, June 2 from 11:45 noon until 1:30. The Committee promises an array of delicious salads to choose from, also dessert.

Following the Luncheon, at two o'clock, there will be a book review by Minnie Moreland Dow.

Mrs. Dow is a Poetess, Dramatist and Writer. Her book of Poems entitled "Listen, The Heart" has its first edition sold out. She is now writing a novel entitled "Cross Country Holiday." She has been a member of the National Board of The National League of American Pen Women for four years. This Board meets in Washington, D.C. She is also a dramatic book reviewer and has given reviews for Warner Brothers Theatres.

Mrs. L. A. Hegenbarth, HI 2-3725 is in charge of ticket sales, but they may be secured at the door. The public is cordially invited to attend this fine luncheon and book review.

### Carol Coppens, Janis Zabel Receive HGA Scholarships

Scholarships of \$200 each were awarded to Carol Coppens and Janis Zabel, seniors at the Highland Park high school on Saturday, May 20, at the annual H.G.A. Playday. Out of five final candidates, these girls were voted by the board members of H.G.A. to be the recipients of the scholarships.

The committee, consisting of the executives of the club and two board members, decided on the five senior members of H.G.A. most deserving of the scholarship. These five names were then put on a ballot and each board member voted for two girls of her choice.

Both Janis and Carol hold positions on the H.G.A. Board, and both have been members of H.G.A. since their freshman year.

Carol plans to attend the University of Cincinnati, and will take advantage of the five-year nursing course offered there. Janis will attend Beloit College this fall, and hopes to become a teacher of English Literature.

### Waste Paper Pick-up Schedule

Monday, June 5th—Elm Place.  
Tuesday, June 6th—Lincoln.  
Wednesday, June 7th—Ravinia.  
Thursday, June 8th—Braeside.  
Friday, June 9th—Green Bay and West Ridge.

### High School Seniors To Be Graduated Thursday, June 8th

By Lynn Ahrens

Graduation ceremonies for the Class of 1950 at the Highland Park high school will be held at the high school auditorium next Thursday evening, June 8, at 8:15 p.m.

The 224 members of the Senior class, which is somewhat smaller than previous years, come from all parts of the high school district, which includes Highland Park, Deerfield and Highwood.

The presentation of the class will be made by the high school's principal, Mr. A. E. Wolters, and Mr. Jess Halsted will accept the class on behalf of the School Board and present the diplomas. Mr. Harold Norman, president of the Board of Education, will present the various honors.

As in past years, the graduation program will include student speakers chosen by competition. This year the two speakers who were selected are Barney Barnes, who will speak on "Where Do We Go From Here?", and Thomas Landauer, whose speech is, "The Mind Is Free."

The invocation and benediction will be given by Reverend R. G. Albertson, of the Wesley Methodist church.

The seniors will participate in a dress rehearsal on Wednesday, June 7, the day before graduation.

Class Marshals have already been chosen to lead the marching and to read the names of the graduates as they are presented with their diplomas. They are Carolyn Baird and Fred Schweiger. As is traditional, the boys will wear blue caps and gowns, the girls will be in white.

The high school chorus, under the direction of Mr. Chester Kyle, will sing as part of the evening's program, "Hosanna", "Lord Bless You And Keep You", and "Let Every Tongue Adore You". Under the supervision of Mr. Harold Finch, student conductors will direct the band in the procession and recessional and several additional selections. Ann Lawton and Joe Santello will be the two conductors.

The annual senior assembly and picnic is being held today (Thursday) under the direction of Miss Dora Bean, class adviser, and Hugh Riddle, class president.

Nine students who participated in the competition to speak at commencement have been chosen to address members of the various eighth grade graduation classes. Each student will accompany a member of the high school faculty, who will accept the grade school graduates. These student speakers are: Ann Lawton, Janis Zabel, Alice Kaufman, Carolyn Baird, Joan Winton, Guy Wilbor, Bill George, Jim Humphrey and Jim Bench.

### Mrs. C. Goelzer To Represent Women Voters At Interim State Council

Mrs. Clarence Goelzer, president of the League of Women Voters of Highland Park will attend the Interim State Council meeting in Winnetka on June 1 and 2. The interim council meeting, attended by the presidents of the 53 Leagues on Illinois and the Illinois State Board members is held every second year in place of the state convention.

The council will open at 2:00 on June 1; it will include a dinner and evening session on that, and will close with a luncheon the following day.

On the agenda for the meeting will be the adoption of the state budget and discussion of the programs for the coming year in light of the new national and continuing state programs.

### Public Card Party Sponsored By American Legion Auxiliary

A benefit card party will be held on Wednesday, June 7 at 1:30 p.m. in Witten Hall by the Highland Park American Legion auxiliary. Proceeds of the party will be used to increase the auxiliary's funds for veteran hospital benefits.

There will be door prizes, table prizes and dessert. Mrs. Chris Mathiasen, president, as well as general chairman, may be contacted for reservations. The public is invited.

## RECREATION BOARD TELLS PLANS

### Recreation Summer Program To Start June 19 At Seven Playgrounds

Mr. Art Olson, President of the Highland Park Playground and Recreation Board, has announced that the summer program, which opens June 19, will include seven Junior Playgrounds located throughout the community. These playgrounds are open to Highland Park children between the ages of 5 and 10 years and are open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon on Mondays through Fridays, for a period of seven weeks. The playgrounds are located at Braeside, Ravinia, Lincoln, Elm Place and West Ridge school playgrounds and at Old Elm and Sunset Parks. There will be an instructor in charge of each playground daily, with the exception of West Ridge, which is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and Old Elm, which is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Activities include games and sports, handicrafts, dramatics, and to Brookfield Zoo and interesting places.

There will be activities for older children, including tennis, baseball, art and dramatics at Lincoln, and Ravinia school playgrounds and Sunset Park.

A city-wide day camp will be held each Wednesday at Sunset Park from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Special activities will be planned for the children, including movies; and there will be instructors at the park to supervise the program. The children participating in the Wednesday camp bring their own lunch and money for milk. There is no fee for this activity.

The Indian Day Camp also opens on June 19 and continues daily Monday through Friday for a period of five weeks. This is a free camp with a limited enrollment. The enrollment has been filled at this time.

The instructors who will be in charge of the playgrounds, as well as the time and places of the special activities, will be announced in the near future in the Highland Park Press.

For further information concerning the summer program of the Recreation Department, call HI. 2-2442.

### Vacation Bible School At Evangelical Church

Daily Vacation Bible School will begin in the First United Evangelical Church on Monday, June 12, according to announcement made today by Rev. A. G. Masser, who will be in charge of the school. The program of the school will include recreation, handwork, music and visual educational features as well as serious study. Sessions will begin each morning, Monday thru Friday at 9:00 p.m. and will continue until June 23. The last day, June 23 will feature a picnic in the afternoon and a closing service at which time certificates of award will be presented to the children.

The faculty this year will include many of those who taught last year at which time there were 156 in attendance. It is likely that the "Talking Book" and the "Wishing Well" will again be used as well as numerous other new features.

### Evangelical Church Choir To Present Spring Concert

The Senior Choir of the First United Evangelical Church will present its Spring Concert on Sunday evening, June 11, according to announcement made here today by Mrs. Nestor Daggett, Director of the group. Soloist for the occasion will be Mr. Chester Kyle, Choral Director for the Highland Park High school. Miss Romayne Gunsteens will be the accompanist.

The program, which will include both sacred and secular numbers, will be presented by the choir, the Trevis Choir and by Mr. Kyle. Mr. Paul Inman will play a flute solo.

Following the concert the audience will enjoy a period of fellowship in the church basement. Proceeds of the concert will be used by the choir to purchase new choir robes.

## H. P. Elementary Schools To Hold Graduation Exercises Next Week

### District 108 Graduation Exercises To Be Held June 5-8

The graduation exercises for School District 108 will be held next week. The West Ridge graduation will be held on Monday, June 5 at 8:00 p.m.; Lincoln School graduation exercises will be held on Tuesday, June 6 at 8:00 p.m.; Ravinia School graduation exercises will be held on Wednesday, June 7 at 8:00 p.m.; and Braeside School graduation exercises will be held on Thursday, June 8 at 7:00 p.m.

The exercises at each school will include presentation of diplomas by a member of the Board of Education, acceptance of the class by a member of the Board of Education, and acceptance of the class by a member of the Board of Education.

**West Ridge School**  
Presentation of Diplomas  
Mr. George Hartman  
(Member, Board of Education, School District 108)  
Acceptance of Class  
Mr. George Grover  
(Member of Faculty, Highland Park High School)  
Welcome to High School  
Alice Kaufmann  
(Member of Senior Class, Highland Park High School)

**LIST OF GRADUATES**  
D. Richard Beam  
Robert B. Hedstrom  
Nancy Hutchinson  
Herbert G. Rautenberg  
Earl E. Solo  
Charles B. Tyler  
Julia G. Whitney  
Barbara Wing

### Lincoln School

Presentation of Diplomas  
Mr. Robert S. Cushman  
(President, Board of Education, School District 108)  
Acceptance of Class  
Miss Regina Beckmire  
(Member of Faculty, Highland Park High School)  
Welcome to High School  
Janis Zabel  
(Member of Senior Class, Highland Park High School)

**LIST OF GRADUATES**  
Linda Anne Baker  
Arthur N. Bevin  
Mary Belle Bigger  
Shirley Ann Bock  
Cynthia Hope Erace  
George N. Burmeister  
Ann Leonore Cohn  
Jane A. Freeman  
Roberta Alice Froehlich  
Warren Janet Hall  
Clark Errol Jones  
George Sherman Keller  
Deborah Ann Keogh  
Charles M. Kimbrough  
Marianne Klein  
Nancy Sheridan Mason  
Robert Paul Neuman  
Gordon M. Parks  
Jane Ellen Racine  
Ronald E. Reich  
Robert J. Smith  
Esther Jane Struve  
Stanford E. Sprukey  
Constance Louise Wales  
Alan Vance Wilkinson  
Eleanor A. Zuppman

### Ravinia School

Presentation of Diplomas  
Mr. Harold E. Foreman, Jr.  
(Member of Board of Education, School District 108)  
Acceptance of Class  
Miss Edith Morgan  
(Member of Faculty, Highland Park High School)  
Welcome to High School  
Ann Lawton  
(Member of Senior Class, Highland Park High School)

**LIST OF GRADUATES**  
Gretchen Sue Ahrens  
Marvin L. Anthony, Jr.  
Barbara Blake Babson  
Richard Hull Baughman  
Poppy Elizabeth Bingham  
Richard Pierce Brown  
Merilyn Cooper  
Britton A. Davis  
Doris Ann Devlieg  
Fred Ellerberger  
Margaret Ann Ellis  
Richard Field  
Peter B. Foreman  
Audra Lu Furrow  
Arnold S. Gotsas  
Betty Ann Greenstein  
Barbara Gay Howe  
Peter Bosch Hughes  
Rudd H. Johnson  
William C. Kellow  
Betty Kraft  
Nancy Elin Ledany  
Sue Leonard  
Mary J. Leopold  
Ralph Mack  
Robert Paradise  
Ellen Fitzgerald Reeves  
William L. Riddle  
Donald Eugene Rimolo  
Ann Schumacher  
Albert Simon III  
George C. Stewart III

Gay C. Stirling  
Jeanette L. Stuppie  
John S. Wineman, Jr.  
Zebbe Zebbeson

### Braeside School

Presentation of Diplomas  
Mr. Monroe Fearing  
(Member, Board of Education, School District 108)  
Acceptance of Class  
Miss Grace McKichan  
(Member of Faculty, Highland Park High School)  
Welcome to High School  
Joan Winton  
(Member of Senior Class, Highland Park High School)

**LIST OF GRADUATES**  
Merle Ann Adler  
John A. Benson  
Barry R. Bergman  
Robert Alan Bogoff  
Nadine E. Brown  
Phyllis A. Carlson  
Bruce J. Clough  
Thomas R. Coash  
Doris R. Duggan  
Mary E. Eibert  
Mary Elena Farrell  
Sarah Fleur Fearing  
Judith Kay Fium  
James Henry Franzen  
Betty Janet Friedlander  
John Stewart Gardner  
Suzanne Renee Hammerman  
Henry Jaftic  
Perle Kaplan  
Stephen Klein  
Joan Corinne Krasberg  
Lewis Kreinberg  
Charles Frederick Krizer  
Barbara Jean Looney  
William G. MacLennan  
Phyllis Frances Mancou  
Frank Leonard Morton  
Virginia Ann Partlow  
Charles D. Puckett  
Alan Lee Rappaport  
William M. Rosenbaum  
Bruce R. Rudolph  
Richard E. Sander  
Beverly Joyce Schreiber  
Ned Elliot Stage  
Louis Allen Simpson  
Alan Lee Solomon  
Philip Frederick Spating  
George Karl Spiel  
Carol Strubel  
Maryann Swangmar  
Christopher B. Wilhelm

**Elm Place School District 107**  
Sixty-eight members of the Elm Place school will be graduated from Elm Place Grammar school June 7 in the Jesse Lowe Smith auditorium at 8 p.m.

The following program will be presented:

Proclamation  
The Star Spangled Banner  
Francis Scott Key  
(Audience and Class)  
Invocation  
Dr. William A. Young  
(Minister, Highland Park Presbyterian Church)  
Cherubic Hymn  
Dimitri Bortniansky  
(Mixed Double Quartet)  
Announcement of Class Gift  
Donald Trieschmann  
(Class President)  
Presentation of the Class  
C. O. Dahle  
(Superintendent, School District 107)  
Acceptance of the Class  
Miss Marie Weldin  
(Mathematics Instructor, Highland Park High School)  
Welcome to the Class  
James Bench  
(Class of 1950, Highland Park High School)  
Awarding of Diplomas  
Franklin J. Lundberg  
(President, Board of Education)  
Loyalty  
Frederick Swift  
Staccato Etude for Chorus  
Austria A. Wihol  
Panis Angelicus  
Cesar Franck  
(Class)

Benediction  
Dr. William A. Young  
Now the Day is Over  
Joseph Barnby  
(Class)

### Recessional

Shelton Leslie Bahr  
Gloria Jeanine Bahr  
Sheldon LeRoy Baskin  
Paul Donald Beck  
Theodore Thomas Bergama, Jr.  
Ann Bernstein  
David Barry Blumenthal  
Audrey Helen Bock  
Richard Earl Bock  
Vincent Angelo Bonetti  
Nancy Ann Bowman  
William Lester Britton  
Dale Lavern Burks  
Randall Frank Carson  
Stanley Gray Cathrall, Jr.  
Geoff Macpherson Ceperly  
Thomas Cockerham Compere  
Barbara Lee Conder  
Wesley Lynne Cooky  
Richard Stephen Cousins  
Robert Earl Diah  
Thomas Eugene Diah  
Andre Paul DuChateau  
Betty Ellen French  
Constance Ann Glader  
Frederick Bahr Grant  
Patricia May Green  
Roberta June Green  
Lucy Ellen Gray  
Bron David Hatner