

Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

Truman's Popularity In The Middle West

Although President Truman's new low in popularity, is a generally accepted fact, we certainly would have rated him higher in popularity than his secretary of state, Dean Acheson. However, figures released by Representative Margaret Stitt Church, on the results of the Fulton Lewis poll, indicate that at least in the Illinois 13th District, Acheson holds a slight edge over Truman.

While 2491 persons said they would not vote (as of today) for Truman, and 2 said that they would—10 were in favor of keeping Acheson in office, while 2468 would remove him. Of course, that still leaves both of them on a very short end of a very long stick (in this area) but we were surprised to see Acheson even that far ahead of his boss.

Lack of confidence in the Chief Executive's statements were reflected in the response to the question, "Do you believe President Truman's statement that all Communists and Communist sympathizers have been weeded out of the government?" Five persons said they believed him: 2448 said they did not.

On the question of UMT (universal military training) opinion was more divided. Of those questioned, 1193 favored the plan, while a slight majority—1294—were against it. However, only 295 persons favored continuing economic and military aid to North Atlantic Pact Nations, while 2106 opposed it.

Mental Health Group Has Fund-Raising Meeting

Dr. Josselyn Informs Workers On Clinic

The North Shore Mental Health Association had a meeting with Campaign workers on May eighth to set in motion the drive for funds to open a mental health clinic in the Highland Park Hospital next fall. Dr. Irene Josselyn, who is to be medical director of the clinic, outlined briefly the purpose of the clinic, which is to serve the five North Shore villages.

Dr. Josselyn reported to the campaign workers that in discussing this clinic with her colleagues at the recent nation-wide psychiatric convention in Cincinnati, she learned that it is unique because it has grown out of the community itself, rather than having been imposed upon the community by a few "enlightened" citizens.

She said that psychiatry offers the most careful study and knowledge about human beings that is now available, and that headway is being made in the treatment of emotional ills. But, she warned that the public must have realistic goals for the clinic, and must not expect it to be a panacea. The community can expect, however, considerable saving in money in treating cases which would otherwise be a burden on police, hospitals, schools, and other agencies.

She reported that due to the shortage of psychiatrists, people able to pay private psychiatric fees often have to wait as much as six months for treatment, unless it is an emergency situation. But individuals from middle and lower income groups simply cannot afford psychiatric help, unless they are among the lucky ones who are able to secure some of the time at reduced rates that many of the psychiatrists provide for this group. Without competing in any way with psychiatrists in private practice, the clinic will provide good service for people in these circumstances.

Included in Dr. Josselyn's views of the function of such a clinic as the North Shore Mental Health Association is planning, is the idea that the clinic will be a community resource serving schools, social agencies, doctors, police departments. Clinics located some distance from the North Shore, most of which have long waiting lists, cannot hope to serve the five villages as well as a clinic located in the midst of them, she believes.

The community owns the clinic, she said, and has the responsibility, not only evaluating it critically, but of supporting it financially, if it feels it is doing a needed

Kick-Off Luncheon Of Ravinia Festival Committee, May 22

With a brilliant program announced for the annual 16th Ravinia Festival Season, the Ravinia Coupon Book Sales Committee has completed its plans for its pre-season sale of coupons under the direction of its co-chairmen, Mrs. Ernst C. von Ammon of Winnetka and Mrs. Lawrence F. McClure of Highland Park.

The Committee's 1951 kick-off luncheon will be held at the Casino Club, Tuesday, May 22, with members of the Ravinia Executive Board present to outline the season's plans. The festival will open its seven weeks' concert series at the North Shore Park on June 26. Last year, the Committee had its top year with a record sale of 6,940 coupon books.

This year, there will be several new suburban chairmen working with Mrs. von Ammon and Mrs. McClure, in addition to the many others who each year do outstanding work to assure the success of the Ravinia season.

The suburban chairmen include: Mrs. Karl H. Velde, Mrs. Duane L. Clinton and Mrs. Walter E. Lillienfeld of Highland Park and Mrs. Eugene F. Engelhard of Deerfield.

Five world famous guest conductors, eleven soloists and two choruses are scheduled to appear with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra during the season.

William Steinberg, conductor of the Buffalo Philharmonic and a Ravinia favorite, will conduct the first and sixth weeks of orchestral music. Izler Solomon will conduct the second week's concert; Pierre Monteux, the third week; Dimitri Mitropoulos, the fourth and Victor DeSabata, the fifth week.

VFW Plans Spring Dance Saturday, May 27

John Sorsen, entertainment committee chairman of the VFW, post 4737, urges everyone to keep in mind the semi-formal Spring Dance, the "Building Birthday Dance", to be held on Saturday, May 26, in the VFW home, at the corner of Central and Green Bay road. Music will be furnished by one of the popular dance orchestras.

The regular business meeting of the VFW post will take place Thursday, May 24 at the lodge hall. Free refreshments will be served.

service. Contributions may be mailed to Mr. R. Allen Benjamin, 908 Elm Place, Glencoe, Ill.

More Information On Special Referendum On Saturday

Boards of Education in Highland Park School Districts 107 and 108 this week made final requests for taxpayers to say "yes" to the same educational rates to which they said "yes" in previous referendums. Special validation elections are being held in the schools next Saturday, May 19. Polling stations for District 108 are: Braeside, Lincoln, Ravinia, and West Ridge schools; for District 107, Elm Place School.

Boards of Education throughout Lake County have made it clear that the purpose of the Saturday election is only to validate the previously approved tax rates. This validation does not increase or decrease current maximum educational rates. This election has been necessitated by an Illinois Supreme Court ruling, declaring illegal the voting procedures previously used to attain present tax ceilings.

The Illinois State Supreme Court held that in accordance with the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1947 school districts should have reached their educational rate ceilings in three steps, each step to be taken not less than a year apart. Competent school lawyers had advised school districts to reach their maximum rates in one election. The Illinois State Legislature, clearly recognizing the dilemma of the schools, hastily passed an emergency law in March to provide schools a chance to validate rates under which they have been operating for the past several years.

Approval Imperative

Approval of educational rates in Saturday's election is imperative if schools are to operate full time next year. Without approval, schools stand to lose between one-third and two-thirds of their income. Furthermore, since it is legally impossible to hold more than one tax referendum within a year, a school district failing to validate tax rates in Saturday's election would be obliged to wait until 1952 for community approval. Best estimates indicate that schools could not operate beyond Christmas, or January at most, should validation not be achieved.

Districts' Voting

Over one thousand school districts in Illinois, sixteen of them in Lake County, must hold validation elections. Five districts in the Highland Park area are holding these elections Saturday, May 19. They are: Highland Park 107, Highland Park 108, Deerfield 109, Wilmot 110, and Highwood 111.

Dunbar Club Plans Community Dinner At YWCA, May 24

Thursday, May 24, the Paul Lawrence Dunbar Club of the YWCA will serve a community dinner in the club room of the Highland Park YWCA. The dinner will be served from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 and will be open to all who wish to make reservations.

The proceeds of the dinner will go toward providing camperships for children from the Chicago Commons and Erie Settlement houses. Each year the club has sent a number of children who otherwise would be unable to attend, to summer camps during the hot summer months.

The committee in charge is chairmanned by Mrs. Marie Hawkins assisted by Mrs. Fannie Buchanan, Mrs. Katie Jackson, and Mrs. Arlene Hawkins.

Persons interested should call the YWCA HI 2-0675 to make reservations before May 22.

Mrs. Baldauf To Conduct Flower Design Class At YWCA

The second term of the highly successful Flower Design Class of the Highland Park YWCA will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, May 21. The class will again have as its teacher Mrs. Hortense Baldauf, well known on the North Shore for her work in flower design, and one of the most popular teachers of that subject in this area.

The second term to run for six weeks will meet on Monday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00, and a second period from 3:30 to 5:30 will be offered if more than enough for one class register. Registrations are now open and persons interested may call the YWCA HI 2-0675 for further information.

CITY EMPLOYEES GET PAY BOOST

New Council Tackles Problem Of Salary For City Employees

Makes New Appointments

A large number of firemen, policemen and other city employees was in attendance at Monday evening's City Council meeting, to listen to the explanation of the new salary ordinance for City employees, which followed the regular business session of the meeting. As a result of the conference the following formula, on which the 1951-52 salary ordinance is based, was effected:

1950-51 salary	\$3,276.00
Increase:	
1. For cost of living	
9% of \$3,000	270.00
4 1/2% of \$276	12.42
2. General	
5% of 1950 - 51 salary of \$3,276	163.80
1951-52 salary	3,722.22
Former salary	3,276.00
Increase	446.22

(This figure is to be adjusted so that it will be equally divisible by the 24 semi-monthly pay days.)

The 20 per cent increase asked, at first, by city employees, was finally fixed at approximately 14 per cent.

In response to inquiry, Mayor A. Gordon Humphrey explained that the new council will operate under a new policy of holding the usual business meeting early, to be followed by a hearing of any problems brought up by citizens at the conclusion of the session proper.

Appointments

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Nineteen Will Represent Women Voters At Convention

The Highland Park League of Women Voters will send nineteen delegates to the State Convention to be held this week in Jacksonville, Illinois. Delegates from 58 leagues throughout the state will meet to discuss and adopt items of the State Current Agenda which form a major part of the work program of Illinois leagues for the next two years.

Mrs. Maurice Pollak and Mrs. George Carr, will be present at the convention in their official capacities on the board of the Illinois League of Women Voters. Mrs. Pollak is President of the State League, and Mrs. Carr is a member of the State board in charge of Unit Organization.

Mrs. Pollak, in speaking of the present goals of the League, gives a three-point summary of objectives:

Support of measures to strengthen the United Nations and to help it become an effective instrument of peace.

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Proclamation

WHEREAS, our armed forces have a great need for whole blood and blood plasma to save the lives of men wounded on the field of battle; and

WHEREAS, the needs of the civil defense program also must be taken into consideration in the event of great disaster or emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Red Cross defense blood program in the Chicago Chapter area has been asked to procure 15,000 pints of blood each month as its share of the national blood program; and

WHEREAS, it is of the utmost importance to national security that this program succeed with the patriotic support of the citizens of Cook, DuPage and the southern half of Lake County. NOW, THEREFORE, I, A. Gordon Humphrey, Mayor of the City of Highland Park do hereby proclaim Monday, May 21, 1951, as the opening date for the Red Cross Defense Blood Program in the Chicago Chapter area and do hereby urge all citizens of Highland Park to support this great life-saving project. Telephone WA-bash 2-7850 for your blood donation appointment today.

Dated this fourteenth day of May, A.D. 1951
Signed: A. Gordon Humphrey
Mayor

American Legion And V.F.W. Plan Worthy Project May 19; Poppy Day

Receipts Used For Welfare, Hospital And Rehabilitation Work

On Saturday, May 19, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion Post and their auxiliaries will hold their annual Poppy Day. American people have long since given eloquent endorsement to the non-profit, patriotic aims of the annual Poppy sales. During the coming year, as in the past, the proceeds of the Poppy sales will be spent exclusively for veterans' welfare. The funds obtained from the sales make it possible for each Post and its Ladies' Auxiliary to dispense aid and relief to needy veterans and their families.

This is an opportunity to pay a little to honor the dead by helping the living, and to give heart to those who gave us freedom. Work such as is being done by the Posts and their Auxiliaries, seldom publicized, contributes constantly to community betterment—a work done gladly and never characterized by an attitude of patronizing charity.

This is an opportunity to pay a slight fraction of the debt we owe the gallant men and women who gave so much to preserve our freedom, to help remind them that their sacrifice has not been disregarded or forgotten. This is one good cause we cannot afford to pass by. Let your gratitude set the price you will pay for your own POPPY.

VFW Speaks

Co-chairmen Senior Vice Commander Allen Gerkin and Mrs. Gordon Clavey, of Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Auxiliary, urge the support of the community on Poppy Day, Saturday, May 19. Much has been accomplished in the few short years this post has been organized, such as child welfare, aid to veterans' widows and orphans, and welfare and recreational work at nearby veterans' hospitals. The return of the nation's dead and wounded from Korea adds new significance to the continuing need for the work that is being done.

Another beneficiary of the Poppy Day sale is a part in the maintenance of the VFW National Home at Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

Highland Park Hospital "Open House" Big Success

Several hundred people attended the "Open House" conducted at the Highland Park Hospital last Sunday afternoon. The guests assembled in the Board Room where refreshments were served. Uniformed nurses' aides then took groups of five or six on a conducted tour of all the departments including both the old and new wings of the Hospital.

An interesting feature of the tour was a visit to "The Alcove", the new gift shop to be operated by the Woman's Auxiliary. Although the official opening of "The Alcove" is not scheduled for another two weeks, the committee in charge gave the visitors a preview and, incidentally, did a very brisk business in selling many of the attractive gifts that were on display. In attendance at "The Alcove" were Mrs. Edgar Heymann, Mrs. Arthur Marquette, Mrs. Robert Mahan, Mrs. Harold D'Ancona, Mrs. Harold Florshelm, as well as Mrs. L. F. McClure who is Chairman of "The Alcove" Committee.

Refreshments in the Board Room were served by Mrs. Harry Van Ornum and Mrs. Ray Wibbe.

A great deal of thanks is due to the Woman's Auxiliary of Highland Park Hospital and its President, Mrs. John A. Bigler who did so much to make the entire event a great success. The uniformed nurses' aides who acted as guides and who also are members of the Auxiliary, were: Mrs. Francis Knight, Mrs. S. R. Rosenthal, Mrs. Vinton Hall, Mrs. John Wineman, Mrs. R. R. Burton, as well as Mrs. Herbert Schaffner who acted as chairman.

Since 1925 the VFW National Home has provided hundreds of war orphans with all the advantages every child has a right to expect from the country and community his father fought to defend. Aside from the monthly trip to Downey Veterans' hospital to provide entertainment and refreshments for the closed ward of T. B. patients, the VFW and its Auxiliary Poppy funds are used for many other worthy causes. In the past year funds have been donated to the Grace Davis Memorial Cancer Fund for children, the State Hospital fund, and the State Child Welfare fund which aids any needy child. Funds have been donated toward an air-conditioning unit for the hospital at Dwight. Three needy families have been aided in the past 12 months. Much has been done. Your contribution can help do a little more. Buy a BUDDY POPPY.

Among the workers of the lodge who have signed up to offer their time for the Poppy Day sales are: Ed Jablon, Bob Schneider, Frank Moroney, Wm. Hennig, John Sorsen, Don Athanas, Louis Picchetti, Jerry McCaffrey, Richard Moran, Sgt. T. Beckman, Hugo Schneider, Emmet Moroney, Dan Murphy, Mike Bergman, Jim Lorrimer, Don Cameron, Mona Sorsen, Irene E. Gerkin, Frances Knesley and Patricia Bergman. It isn't too late to offer your services. Anyone wishing to help may contact Allen Gerkin or Mrs. Gordon Clavey.

Highwood Legion Auxiliary

"There was a time, not long ago, when the veteran's sacrifice meant security to you. Today the red paper poppy you wear on Poppy day, means security to him. So when you see the volunteer poppy ladies of the American Legion auxiliary, meet them more than halfway. Give for them, who have given for you." This plea is made by the Poppy chairman, of Highwood Unit No. 501, American Legion auxiliary, Mrs. Ray Suzzi.

The date has been set for Saturday, May 19th, but if it rains Poppy day will be May 25th and 26th. "I hope the people will be as generous if not more so, as last year," stated Mrs. Arthur Cervetti, president of the unit. She urges that as many members as possible come out to help.

The "Veep" Pays Flying Visit To Highland Park

The Men's division of Combined Jewish Appeal at Northmoor Country club was host to Vice-President Alban W. Barkley, on Wednesday of last week, when he spoke to a gathering of 200 persons. Flying directly from Washington, D. C., he made his appearance at the meeting at 9 p.m.

He spoke of the supreme importance of maintaining the new state of Israel, stating that his personal interest was heightened because of evidences he had seen of the Hitler "terror camps" in Germany.

After an over-night stay at the Standard club in Chicago, the vice president flew back to Washington.

John Wehrheim Heads Lions Club

Last week at the luncheon meeting of the Lions club held at the Community center, John Wehrheim, manager of Garnett's Department store and former president of the Chamber of Commerce, was elected president of the group.

Other new officers are Gordon Fowler, first vice president; Frank Keller, second vice president; Dr. Frank Trangenar, third vice president; John Smedberg, treasurer; G. J. Dinkeloo, secretary; Ray Naegele, Lion tamer; Edward O'Neill, tail twister, and Walter Bieger and Harry Hambly, directors.