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## Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

### • John Nizzi

On Saturday, July 14, Officer John Nizzi, veteran Highland Park policeman, will go on his vacation, and he won't return to the force, as his retirement is scheduled to take effect while he is on vacation.

With John Nizzi's retirement, the Highland Park department is losing one of its steadiest, most loyal and dependable officers. Over the long years that we have known John we have never known him to do an unkind thing nor to swerve in the slightest in the performance of his duty. If good wishes are worth anything, he will enjoy a long and happy retirement.

### • Learning The Hard Way

Five more young lives sacrificed to fireworks have sparked another effort to stamp out the sale of fireworks in Illinois. Once again, a concerted effort is to be made to gain enactment of a law which will succeed in stamping out the sale of fireworks throughout the state.

The tragedy at North Chicago was a grisly horror, but if we wish to be honest with ourselves, we must admit that these five children, although the most recent victims, are only a very few of the thousands who have been killed or maimed, directly or indirectly, as the result of fireworks. The list of killed, blinded and scarred was a shamefully long one before these five were added in one accident, but no truly effective action resulted.

Let's hope that these last five are enough.

### Public Service Co. Announces Recent Promotions

Britton I. Budd was promoted to the position of Vice Chairman of Public Service Company of Northern Illinois, Chairman Charles Y. Freeman announced recently, Willis Gale was elected president, and H. P. Sedwick was elected to the newly created position of Executive Vice President.

Julius L. Hecht, Vice President of Operations of Public Service Company, will retire from active duty on August 1, but will be retained as consulting engineer.

Budd has served as president of Public Service Company since 1923. Under his administration, Western United Gas and Electric Company and Illinois Northern Utilities Company were merged into Public Service Company, enlarging its service area to 11,000 square miles, embracing 534 communities.

Gale has been chief financial officer of Public Service Company since coming to Chicago in 1937. His most recent position as Chairman of the Finance Committee has been abolished. Prior to joining the company, he served as Vice President of North American Light and Power Company and subsidiaries.

Sedwick, Vice President of Public Service Company of Northern Illinois since 1941, first joined the company in 1913 as an engineer. Prior to his election as Vice President, he served in various engineering capacities; as District Superintendent, Assistant to Vice President in Charge of Operations, and as General Manager. He is prominent in engineering circles and is past president of the Western Society of Engineers.

### Moose Annual Ball Games To Benefit Athletic Fund

Young and old are joined in a great effort to make the Moose sponsored "Second Annual Benefit Ball Games" on July 29, a huge success in Highland Park. The receipts are to be donated to the Recreation board for the furtherance of athletic activities.

The Highland Park Recreation Center offers all year around activities for boys, girls, men and women from six years of age to sixty. This benefit event is indeed a noble effort to combat, or at least minimize juvenile delinquency and most worthy of your patronage.

### Chamber To Hold Annual Golf Outing Wednesday, August 15

The Highland Park Chamber of Commerce announces that the annual Golf Outing will be held on Wednesday, August 15, place to be announced later.

No regular membership meetings of the organization are scheduled for the month of July.

Fall Opening and Back-to-school week is slated for August 14-19, with Fall Dollar Days to be held Friday and Saturday, August 17 and 18.

### Former Resident Of Highland Park Wins Promotion

D. W. Brown, a former resident of Highland Park, has been appointed general supervisor of safety of the Industrial relations department of the U. S. Steel company, Fairless works at Morrisville, Pa.

A native of Highland Park, Brown is married and has two sons. He is a veteran of World War I and began his business career with the Chicago Daily News. Upon separation from the Air Corps in 1945 he joined the Edgar Thomson works of U. S. Steel, and was later appointed supervisor of safety for the plant, holding that position until his transfer to the new Fairless works.

### Walter Durbahn, Teacher And Television Star, Judges Contest

Walter Durbahn, Industrial Arts instructor at Highland Park High school was among 27 national finals judges in Ford Motor Co.'s awards program at the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry, on Tuesday and Wednesday. More than 100 projects built by Chicago students were judged in these finals.

Mr. Durbahn, who resides at 158 Beverly place, is seen each Friday night in "Walt's Workshop," on television station "WN-BQ."

### Bake Sale

The regular monthly bakery sale sponsored by the Women's Society of Christian Service will be held Saturday, July 14 at 10:30 a.m. at the church. Members who plan to bring a cake, pie, cookies, bread, coffee cakes, doughnuts, etc., are asked to have them there by 10:00 o'clock, so the committee can price them, and be ready when the sale is to begin.

### Chamber Assumes Rent Referral Service

The Highland Park Chamber of Commerce has, at the request of the Professional Committee of the Highland Park Co-ordinating Council, undertaken to assist in finding good renters for Highland Park rooms and apartments and likewise good rooms in Highland Park for those who are in need of them. It has been observed that this service is especially needed for Hospital Nurses, school teachers and our Highland Park young people who desire to live here. It is reported that the Highland Park realtors are in hearty agreement with this program, as well as the Civic Organizations.

This original action and suggestion was sparked by the Highland Park Rotary Club.

The Executive Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, John D. Luce, advises that the office will be open for listing of rooms and apartments for rent, beginning July 5th.

There will be a small charge to the persons who are supplied with accommodations. Citizens who expect to have rooms for rent should contact the Chamber of Commerce office, HI 2-2954.

The Chamber of Commerce, in assuming this responsibility is again proving its worth in Highland Park.

### June Report Of Building Department

Permits issued for the month consisted of 18 dwellings (S. F.), 4 private garages (class 1), 4 alterations (S. F.) and 1 miscellaneous (playhouse), with a total valuation of \$466,700; fees were \$1,593.73.

Thirty-two electric, 5 tank and burner and 3 sign permits brought fees to \$1,840.33.

Eighteen sanitary sewer taps, 18 storm sewer taps, 23 water taps, 2 electric registrations and 17 driveway permits increased the total fees to \$4,087.33.

Comparative values and number of Building Permits for June, 1950-51:

| Year No. | Valuation    | Fees       |
|----------|--------------|------------|
| 1950 40  | \$534,442.00 | \$1,821.92 |
| 1951 27  | 466,700.00   | 1,593.73   |

Accum. values and number of building permits January to June, inc., 1950-51:

| Year No. | Valuation      | Fees      |
|----------|----------------|-----------|
| 1950 172 | \$3,445,498.00 | 11,122.48 |
| 1951 107 | 2,912,150.00   | 9,902.02  |

### High School Trades Home Purchased By School Instructor

The attractive home built at 722 Yale lane by the vocational building trades department of Highland Park High school, under the supervision of Walter Durbahn, head of the department, has been purchased and is now occupied by the Chester Kyles and their six-month-old son, John. The home, a two-bedroom building was open for inspection June 1st.

The Kyles have been occupying an apartment at 1540 Judson. Mr. Kyle is in charge of the vocal music department at the high school.

### Lions Make Presentation Of Braille Watch

In behalf of the Highland Park Lions club, Robert Slayback recently presented Jack Lenfesty of the Railroad Men's Home, on St. Johns avenue, with a Braille watch. Mr. Lenfesty has been a resident of the Home since 1910, and is a former resident of Marion, Ind.

The Lions Golfing party has been arranged for July 18.

On Sunday, July 22, the Lions District Picnic will be held at Arlington Farms Polo field. Tickets may be purchased from Gordon Fowler.

Verne Mortimer, chairman of the Health and Welfare Committee has been chosen as the Lions' representative to the Family Service of Highland Park.

## MONTEUX AT RAVINIA THIS WEEK

### Ravinia To Welcome Dean Of Guest Conductors on July 10

A perennial favorite of Ravinia audiences and a talented newcomer to the North Shore Park will brighten the third week of the 16th Festival season.

The San Francisco Symphony's noted conductor, Pierre Monteux, who is the beloved "dean" of Ravinia's guest conductors, will return for his eleventh consecutive visit to conduct the Chicago Symphony Orchestra in concerts on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings (July 10, 12 and 14) and on Sunday afternoon, (July 15).

He will have as his guest soloist on Thursday evening, July 12, Anshel Brusilow, 22-year-old violinist, who has studied conducting with Monteux and won the Philadelphia Orchestra conducting prize in 1949.

Pierre Monteux has been the distinguished head of the San Francisco Symphony since 1936. Born in Paris 76 years ago, he has been an American citizen since 1942. He has made his permanent residence in this country for many years, including a summer home in Hancock, Maine, where he has a school for young conductors.

In 1911 Monteux became one of the principal conductors of Serge Diaghileff's Ballet Russe with 10 [illegible] Europe, leading the greatest orchestras of the continent. His first visit to this country took place in 1916-17 when he came to America with the Diaghileff Ballet.

As a result of this visit he accepted the post of conductor of the French and Russian repertoire at the Metropolitan Opera House. Since then he has been conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, conductor of the Concertgebouw Orchestra at Amsterdam, Holland, and of the Paris Symphony Orchestra. He has been permanent conductor of the San Francisco Symphony for the past 16 years.

Brusilow made his first appearance with the Philadelphia Orchestra at the age of 16 and has since repeatedly been soloist with that organization. He has appeared with the San Francisco Symphony, Kansas City Philharmonic, the New York Little Symphony and the Robin Hood Dell Orchestra in his native Philadelphia. He has given two New York recitals and many other recitals in the United States and Canada.

For Monteux' first concert of the 1951 season on Tuesday evening he chose to present Beethoven's "Overture to Egmont," Opus 84; Schumann's "Symphony No. 2, C Major, Opus 61," Franck's "Piece Heroique" and Elgar's "Enigma Variations."

The Program on Thursday evening (July 12), with Brusilow as soloist playing Tchaikowsky's "Concerto for Violin, D Major, Opus 35," will include William Schuman's "American Festival Overture," d'Indy's "Variations Symphoniques, Istar, Opus 42," and Hindemith's "Matthias, the Painter."

On Saturday evening, July 14, Monteux will conduct the orchestra in Lalo's "Le Roi d'Ys" Overture, Debussy's "Guignol" and "Rondes de Printemps," Milhaud's "Suite Francaise" and Berlioz' "Fantastic Symphony." This will be the first performance at Ravinia concerts of the Debussy selections.

The concluding concert of Monteux' series on Sunday afternoon (July 15) will present Weber's "Euryanthe" Overture, Beethoven's "Symphony No. 8 F Major, Opus 93," Moussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition" and Selections from "Damnation of Faust" by Berlioz.

Programs for the fourth week with Mitropoulos conducting is as follows:

| Tuesday, July 17, at 8:30 p.m. |
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| Dimitri Mitropoulos, Soloist   |
| Chaconne ..... Bach-Casella    |
| Symphony No. 4 ..... Beethoven |
| Concerto No. 4 ..... Malpiero  |
| Rhapsody Espagnole ..... Ravel |
| Thursday, July 19 at 8:30 p.m. |
| William Kapell, Soloist        |
| Overture, Scherzo, Finale      |
| ..... Schumann                 |
| Symphony No. 1 ..... Weber     |
| Rhapsody on Paganini Theme     |
| ..... Eachmaninoff             |
| The Sea ..... Debussy          |

### John Frantonius Takes Oath Of Office As Highwood Mayor

#### VFW Sponsors Golf Tournament At Sunset Valley

Saturday, July 21, marks the big day of the VFW Golf Tournament and Hobo Hop at Sunset Valley. Tee-off time for golf is from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. A good time is assured to all. Dan Murphy is chairman of the arrangements for golf.

Following the golf tourney there will be a "Hobo Hop," a "come-as-you-are" party at the VFW post home, corner of Green Bay and Central avenue. Refreshments will be served, with plenty of dancing and entertainment. To quote Jimmy DeSanto, "Tell your friends and bring your friends."

On August 2, 3, 4 and 5 the fourth Annual Carnival will be held in Sunset Park.

Commander Robert Schneider welcomes any new eligible veterans in Highland Park or surrounding area to drop by the Post and join the VFW. Overseas veterans —it's your post!

#### Chicago OPS Territory Enlarged To Include Lake County

Effective Thursday, June 21, the territory of the Chicago District OPS Office was enlarged to include the counties of Lake, Kane, Cook, DePage and Will, Illinois, and Lake County, Indiana, it was announced recently by Michael Howlett, Regional OPS Director.

Up to now the Chicago district has included Cook County only. The other four Illinois counties are being taken from the Peoria District and Lake County, Indiana, from the Indianapolis District. The Chicago District now includes the whole area of metropolitan Chicago.

Headquarters of the Chicago District Office are at 188 West Randolph St., under Neil J. Linehan, District Director.

#### Twelve New Members Added To American Legion Post

The Highland Park American Legion post recently initiated 12 new members. The initiates include the following: Richard Anderson, Jack Chelius, Stanley Fasci, Donald Grimshaw, William King, Kenneth Lacy, Paul Leeds, Donald McLain, George O'Connell, Jr., A. William Okey, Richard Ruffolo and Kenmore Thorson.

Gen. William H. Wilbur, chairman of the community committee to establish a center for servicemen in the Legion Memorial building, having severed his connection as warden of Cook County jail, has returned to Highland Park, and it is expected that the center will be functioning soon.

#### Home On Furlough From Korean Service

Sgt. Robert J. Zahnle, 28, son of Mrs. William Zahnle of 1342 Shady lane is home on a 30-day furlough from Korea. He was a patient at Fort Sheridan hospital for several days for treatment for malaria, contracted overseas.

Sgt. Zahnle, who served in the Pacific area during World War II reenlisted soon after his discharge. He has been in Korea since last July. He returned home under the rotation plan, after eleven months overseas.

| Saturday, July 21 at 8:30 p.m.    |
|-----------------------------------|
| Fantasia and Fugue                |
| ..... Bach-Mitropoulos            |
| Symphony No. 1 ..... Bizet        |
| Symphony No. 2 ..... Rachmaninoff |
| Sunday, July 22 at 4:00 p.m.      |
| William Kapell, Soloist           |
| "Coriolanus" Overture             |
| ..... Beethoven                   |
| Symphony No. 1 ..... Shumann      |
| Concerto No. 3 ..... Rachmaninoff |
| "The Waltz" ..... Ravel           |

City Clerk Ossian Carlson of Highwood administered the oath of office to John Frantonius at the Friday evening meeting of the Highwood City Council. The new mayor immediately offered a tribute to former Mayor Mussato in the form of a resolution signed by the members of the council thanking him for the many improvements made to the city during his term of office. Mussato responded with a tribute to the council for their loyal support.

Raymond Undehaun was appointed commissioner of noxious weeds, upon the recommendation of City Attorney Jack Bairstow.

Among other business transactions was the resolution to file an objection to the proposed abandonment of eight mail trains by the Chicago and Northwestern railroad, and the vote to combine the streets of Burtis, Sard and Summit as one unit, since all are really one thoroughfare. The transaction will require the signatures of three fourths of the property owners.

#### Council Notes

Members of Highland Park's city council will attend a meeting of the League of Women Voters on Sept. 17, at which the mayor and the four commissioners will each explain his job and its relation to the overall picture of municipal government in Highland Park. The invitation to attend the meeting was accepted at Monday's council meeting.

Members of the League explained that the meeting is part of a league program designed to stimulate interest in local government and the problems it faces. Mrs. David Levinson, League representative who extended the invitation to the council, announced that beginning October 8, the league will conduct a workshop in municipal government for its members, and requested permission for various members to visit municipal departments and to interview heads of departments. In granting this request, the council expressed its approval of such a program.

In other action, the council passed an amendment to the zoning ordinance adding convalescent and nursing homes, nursery schools, and play schools to buildings that will require a public hearing before being constructed.

A tax levy ordinance for the fiscal year, \$506,047.63, was filed until the next meeting.

The council referred to the traffic commission a request from Earling Zaeske, superintendent of high school building and grounds, for the extension of the high school parking lot at the side of the auditorium. Also referred to the traffic commission was a request to paint a cross walk at St. Johns ave. and St. Johns pl., where many students cross.

The council approved the city payroll for the month of June, \$18,564.99, and heard monthly reports of the building department, fire department, water works, and police magistrate. Police Magistrate Henry Hansen announced he had collected \$410 in fines.

#### Back In Korean Fighting After Hospitalization

Harold E. Swinea, Jr., 24, who was hospitalized in Korea recently with a shoulder shrapnel wound, has returned to front line fighting, according to the latest report.

Mr. Swinea has been in Korea since April, after training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and Camp Lawton, Seattle, Wash. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Swinea, Sr. of 423 Glencoe ve., he is a veteran of World War II.