

Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

• How Soon?

Up to recently, Highland Park has been generally free from crimes of violence, but a strong arm robbery and an attack on a police officer point up the fact that it can happen here—just as it is happening in other cities and towns all over the country.

To provide any deterrent to such crimes, it seems to us that the first requirement is a larger police force, which we won't get until the city can get enough money to hire more men. As for the attack on the officer, the wonder is that the system of having only one man to a squad car at night hasn't resulted in such an occurrence before. Again, however, the answer seems to lie in a larger police force, and once, again, until the city gets more money—no more police officers.

• How Much?

A headline in one of the daily papers says that Anthony Eden wants closer ties between the United States and Great Britain. To us, that raises two questions—how much would it cost and can we afford it?

Those same two questions, we think, might well be used as a measuring stick for many proposals offered these days. Every family man ought to have a \$100,000 life insurance policy so that his family would not want should anything happen to him. However, the many families whose heads cannot afford such a policy, have to get along the best they can when death strikes. Similarly, citizens who know the facts of life, expect only such "insurance" from the government as can be bought with the taxes those same citizens are able to pay.

Rodde Reports On Changes To Be Made In H. Park Hospital

Mr. Herbert Rodde, the Administrator of the Highland Park Hospital Foundation, gave a most comprehensive report to the women of the Auxiliary at their August meeting on the changes that are to be made as soon as the

Surgeon General approves the Hill-Burton Grant. Work will be begun to make the first floor wing into a chronic and geriatric unit. This will consist of 22 beds for patients to be rehabilitated and sent back to their homes.

The completed third floor will have identical facilities as the surgical floor. It will house 30 beds consisting of 13 two-bed accommodations and 4 private rooms. This will increase the hospital bed complement from 83 to 113 beds and 20 bassinets. The physical therapy will be completed in this final expansion construction program. Mr. Rodde also indicated that the rate of growth of the community indicates even greater expansion in the future. Today, there are 53 men on the Staff representing practically every specialty, and every effort is being made to have the interne training program start in June 1952.

At the present time, Highland Park is contemplating the care of polio cases. As soon as the interne program starts, the hospital will be able to care for the acute polio patients. Surgical and therapy rehabilitation can be accomplished with the present facilities.

One of Mr. Rodde's salient points was the comparative hospitalization costs, citing an appendectomy as an example. He stressed the fact that on the average, today's hospitalization costs are \$5 to \$10 less; 30 years ago a person was hospitalized for two to three weeks, and then convalesced at home two weeks before returning to a productive life. Today, due to the antibiotics and early ambulation, a patient is returned to a productive capacity in 5 to 7 days; and the mortality rate is a great deal lower.

The Auxiliary presented the hospital with an incubator for premature babies, which has pleased the Pediatric Staff. Four invalid walkers, with the promise of the purchase of 48 folding chairs, were also added to the hospital equipment by the auxiliary.

The month of June was the busiest month the hospital has ever experienced. 281 patients were admitted and 53 babies were delivered. The out-patient department has increased enormously, and the future looks bright and busy for everyone connected with the hospital.

Football Practice At High School Starts Aug. 27; Issue Suits Aug. 25

Football practice at the Highland Park High School will begin on Monday, August 27, according to information from Robert Kendig, athletic director at the school. Uniforms will be issued Saturday, August 25 at 9 a.m.

Physical examinations for all freshmen and new students who expect to come out for football will be given at 9 a.m. at the field house on W. Park ave. Freshmen and new students must take a physical examination before they are permitted out for practice. Boys in the above category who cannot be present for physical examinations on Saturday, August 25, may secure an examination card and take it to their family doctor at their own expense. Otherwise they will not be permitted to report for football practice until after physical examinations have been given at the school on September 6, 7 and 10.

Start Work To Finish Highland Park Hospital

Contracts have been let during the past week for finishing the third floor of the east wing of the Highland Park Hospital and for adding the other planned facilities. These include the equipment for the new floor, a new physical therapy department, a new diet kitchen and utility room for the first floor.

Actual construction work will begin in the next few weeks and it is expected that the new facilities will be ready for use before the year is over.

Money for this work was raised in a recent "finish-the-job" drive, augmented by a \$60,000 allotment received from the State of Illinois under the provisions of the Hill-Burton Act. A full report of the result of the money raising campaign will be published in a subsequent issue.

Lake Forest Pastor Will Substitute For Rev. R. Hosto

During the absence of the Rev. Roland Hosto, who was injured in a plane crash in Mendota Aug. 8, the pulpit will be occupied in St. John's Evangelical and Reformed church, Highland Park, by the Rev. Karl A. Roth of Lake Forest.

The Rev. Hosto and his brother, the Rev. Robert Hosto, were seriously hurt when their plane crashed. They are patients at the Mendota Community hospital.

Highland Park Women Active In Infant Welfare Work

Tickets have gone on sale for the opening night of Shipstad and Johnson's Ice Follies, to be sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago.

Mrs. C. Longford Felske, Highland Park, is general chairman of the benefit, with Mrs. Peter D. Ridenour II, of Evanston, and Mrs. James Swartzchild, Highland Park, as co-chairmen, and Mrs. William Penn Budd, Hinsdale, invitation chairman.

Mrs. Felske's committee, many of whom have cut short summer holiday trips, will come to the meeting from all parts of Chicago and surrounding suburbs to report on all phases of the work necessary to make the opening night a success. Mrs. A. King McCord, president of the Woman's Auxiliary and Miss Jeannette Townsend, Extension Secretary of the Infant Welfare Society, will be present for the meeting and will join the group later as they go on to luncheon.

Proceeds of the benefit will go to further the Society's health work among babies and expectant mothers in the twenty-one most over-crowded sections of Chicago. The Infant Welfare maintains a corps of 91 doctors, nurses, and nutritionists, and a mental hygiene consultant.

Mrs. C. Longford Felske, of Highland Park, general chairman of the Ice Follies benefit committee, is supported by Mesdames Ingram Rasmussen and Melvin G. Barker in charge of the program which will be distributed free on the evening of October 4. Mrs. Robert H. Moon is chairman of the Radio Committee. Some of the other Highland Parkers who are working to make the affair a success are Mesdames Max Sickle, Jr., Jackson W. Smart, Bertram R. Beers, Robert Prosser, John B. Martineau, James A. Davis, and H. F. DeSinter.

Highwood Approves New Tax Levy

At a meeting on August 17 the Highwood city council read and approved the new tax levy.

The total to be raised is \$45,020 and the total to be appropriated \$38,685.

The new levy allows the following: General corporate fund, \$16,792; street and bridge fund, \$10,627; garbage collection and disposal, \$4,239; public library, \$1,700; public park, \$3,762; Coliseum, \$4,300; Illinois municipal retirement fund, \$3,600.

The city attorney has drawn up an ordinance providing for the establishment of a board of local improvements and the measure will be approved at the next meeting.

The council will examine plans drawn up by City Engineer James Anderson for the widening of Waukegan ave.

Welfare Groups Announce Meetings For August

The junior groups of the Highland Park-Ravinia Center of Infant Welfare will hold their August meetings on Monday the 27th.

Group one will meet at the home of Mrs. Harry Johnson. Hostesses for the day will be Mesdames James Quig, David Harris, Gail Compton and Robert Wolff.

Group two will meet at the home of Mrs. Charles Sprowl. Hostesses will include Mesdames Robert Gillispie, Mark Brown, Gregg Frelinger and Harold Reintjes.

Members will bring children's clothing to be donated to the Thrift Shop.

Eight Thousand To Participate In Chicagoland Festival

The 8,000 men, women, boys, and girls from 30 states and Canada who will participate in the 22nd annual Chicagoland Music Festival in Soldiers' field on Saturday night, Aug. 25, this week were holding final rehearsals for the three-hour program.

The audience of 80,000 which is expected to attend the Festival, sponsored annually by Chicago Tribune Charities, Inc., will send the total attendance figure over the two million mark.

HIGH SCHOOL FALL TERM SEPT. 4

Eight New Teachers On Faculty List

Soon the teen-agers' jobs and vacations will be over and they will be on their way back to school. The freshmen will return on Tuesday, September 4th, at 8:45 and the upperclassmen will appear on Wednesday, September 5th at 8:45.

The students will be greeted by eight new teachers. Replacements are due to resignations and the increased enrollment of the high school.

Miss Lila Lauderdale, who has been in the history department for thirty years, retired from teaching this summer. Mr. Frank Peers, who has been in charge of the school paper and annual for the past twenty-five years, retired to spend more time on his local real estate business.

Miss Hildreth Spencer is to replace Miss Lauderdale. She is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan and has her Master's degree in history from the University of Michigan. For the past two years Miss Spencer has been teaching at Milwaukee Downer in Milwaukee. As a replacement for Mr. Peers the Board of Education employed Mr. Donald Green, a graduate of Hastings College. Mr. Green's recent experience has been the editing of the school paper at Newport News, Virginia. He also was in charge of all publicity for the school system there. At present he is working on his Master's degree at the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University.

Mrs. Lois Brown recently resigned because of the transfer of her husband from this area. Miss Elizabeth Hubbs, who has been teaching at Elkhorn, Wis., has been employed for the oral English work required of all sophomores which had been handled by Mrs. Brown. Miss Hubbs is a graduate of the School of Speech at the University of Wisconsin.

One of our former students, Miss Theo Zaeske, is to replace Miss Lois Preston who resigned from the Girls' Physical Education department to enter private business. Miss Zaeske graduated from the Highland Park High school in 1947. She is a June graduate from the University of Wisconsin in Physical Education.

The Board of Education granted Mr. George Grover a year's leave of absence so that he could complete his Doctorate at Columbia University. Mr. Irwin August, a June graduate from the University of Illinois in Physical Education, will be Mr. Grover's replacement while he is absent.

Two teachers have been added to the staff because of increased enrollment. Mr. Rodney Leverentz, who has his Bachelor of Science and also his Master of Science in Mathematics from the University of Wisconsin, has been added to the Mathematics department. Mr. Leverentz also will help with coaching. He has had a year's experience at Plymouth, Wis.

Increased enrollment in the Art and English departments made it necessary to employ Miss Ann Bugeon who will have three art classes and one English class. Miss Bugeon is a graduate of Grinnell College and has been teaching in Marquette, Michigan the past two years.

New Course Added

The Board of Education approved of putting the Illinois Institute of Technology Developmental Reading program into the high school. Seniors who wish this program have been registered in it. This program is based on improving the rate, vocabulary, and comprehension of the students' reading. The program has been developed by Mrs. Elizabeth Simpson who is nationally known for the work she has been doing at Illinois Tech. This is the first time she has gone into a public school (Continued on page 6)

District 108 Will Open Schools Sept. 5

Schools in the Highland Park district 108 will open Wednesday, Sept. 5, at 9 a.m. Following registration, pupils will receive book lists and instructions for purchasing supplies. Regular classes will begin Thursday, Sept. 6, at 9 a.m.

Three replacements and one addition will be made to the staff in district 108. Miss Beatrice Har-

Tax Referendum For High School To Be Voted On Friday, August 31

Presbyterian Women In Charge of Armed Service Club Opening

Women's association of Highland Park Presbyterian church will be in charge of the festivities at the Highland Park Armed Services club when it opens the weekend of Sept. 15 and 16 in the American Legion Memorial building.

The club will open Saturday afternoon and there will be a dance that evening, with a band from Great Lakes providing the music. Refreshments will be served. Highland Parkers will be invited to visit the center Sunday afternoon, when an open house program will be arranged.

At a meeting of committee chairmen held on Tuesday night in the home of the executive committee chairman, Gen. William H. Wilbur plans for a gala opening were discussed. Servicemen from Great Lakes will be invited to the dance, as well as to make use of the center each weekend.

Edwin L. Gilroy was named chairman of the invitation committee and will be instructed to send invitations to those who have contributed to the club and to the mayor, Chamber of Commerce and all service clubs to attend the Sunday open house.

Members of the women's groups at the Presbyterian, Lutheran, Catholic, Jewish and Episcopal churches, the American Legion auxiliary and Service Mothers' club will serve as hostesses at the club each weekend and a group of junior hostesses will be organized to attend dances and parties.

Mrs. J. H. Maxwell is chairman of the program committee, assisted by Mrs. Fred Livingston; Mrs. Roger M. Baker, house committee chairman, Mrs. Robert T. Fitzsimon, vice chairman; Mrs. Thomas Clark, vice chairman of hostesses, and Mrs. Kenneth Russ and Mrs. David Pasquesi, vice chairman of the operating committee.

Mrs. Baker outlined present needs of the center as follows: Snack bar equipment, including coffee makers and paper plates and cups, canasta decks and pads, bridge pads, cards, chess, ping pong paddles and balls, pool cues, golf clubs, card tables, lounge chairs, tables, lamps, writing paper, magazines, records, ash trays and a camera.

Men's Annual Garden Show At Lincoln School, Aug. 25, 26

The 12th annual garden show of Highland Park Men's Garden club is scheduled for Aug. 25 and 26 in the auditorium of Lincoln school. Members of the Ravinia Garden club are cooperating in plans for the affair.

The show is open to the public. There are no entry fees and there will be no admission charge. Fruits, flowers, herbs, vegetables and arrangements will be featured.

Chairman of the show is Arthur Sturbel, assisted by Sam Wulfsohn and Clayton Sandel. The club's 17 directors form the committee. Head of the women's portion of the show is Mrs. William Riddle.

Golden Circle Meets Today At "Y"

The Golden Circle will hold its monthly meeting today, Thursday, at the YWCA on Laurel avenue.

An interesting program of entertainment and refreshments will be presented. All senior citizens in Highland Park are invited to attend.

daker will instruct a new first grade room at West Ridge school. Martin Reckemmer will take over a sixth grade room at Lincoln school. William Shorb will replace Mrs. Flory Grover as fifth and sixth grade teacher at Braeside school.

West Ridge's new fifth and sixth grade teacher will be William Wirth, replacing Miss Thelma Rapp, who has taken over the girl scout directorship of south Cook county.

Increases '51-52 Tax Rate Only \$16.60 On \$10,000 Home

Although the memo accompanying your tax bill shows a single tax rate for the high school, the state law requires that in the referendum to change the rate a separate vote be had on the educational fund and on the building fund rate limitations. Both funds are for operating and maintaining the high school. No new building construction is at issue in this referendum.

The ballot states the maximum amount of taxes extendable under the proposed rate. The tax rates specified on the ballot are not the amount to be levied for next year or any other year. These tax rates, upon which you will be voting are a limitation legally placed upon this and future boards of education of this high school. The Board can in no year create a budget involving a higher tax rate without a special election.

Irl H. Marshall of Deerfield, President of the Board of Education, gives this further explanation. "The 'maximum tax rate' is a legal limit upon school boards set by the voters of the district. As the name implies it is a 'maximum' rather than anticipated tax rate."

"As the records of years past will show, it has been the policy of the Board to keep the actual tax rate as far below the legal 'maximum' as possible and still provide the type of education you want for your children."

"For example, although the specified new limitation on the Educational Fund is 90c it is estimated the actual rate to be levied next year, based upon the 1951-52 operating budget already approved, should be approximately 70.6c depending upon the new assessed valuation for this district."

"The difference between the anticipated actual rate and the 'maximum tax rate' limitation provides for the uncertainties of the future years which it is impossible to foretell at this time."

Of the total tax bill on each \$1,000 of assessed valuation for the year 1950 (the bill you are now paying), \$6.74 was for the High School. It is estimated this tax for the school year 1951-52 should not exceed \$8.40 . . . an increase of \$1.66. On \$10,000 assessed valuation the anticipated increase would be \$16.60 or less. The High School Board of Education recommends that the educational fund rate of .90 cents and the building fund rate of .1875 cents be approved.

Memorial Mass Held For Major L. E. Rafferty

A solemn memorial mass for Maj. Lawrence E. Rafferty, who was reported missing in the North Atlantic in March, was held Saturday in the Immaculate Conception church.

Major Rafferty, son of Alex Rafferty, 111 S. Green Bay rd., Highland Park, was aboard a transport plane which crashed in the Atlantic ocean.

Slightly Wounded In Korea

Word was recently received by the Bart Morans, 2514 Green Bay road, that their son, Pvt. Bart Moran Jr., was slightly wounded in action in Korea, earlier this month. Pvt. Moran, 22, was home on furlough this summer, and returned to Korea on July 24, five days later receiving this wound.

A graduate of Highland Park High, he was an employee at Northmoor Country club previous to entering the service February last. He is a member of the First Cavalry division of the Fifth Cavalry regiment.

Community Players To Hold Tryouts

The Highland Park Community Players are holding tryouts for their next play, "Hayfever," tonight (Thursday) and Friday night, Aug. 23 and 24, at the Community Center at 8 p.m.

Everyone is urged to attend and try out.