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Sam Meyers to Build Theater in Wilmette

SUNDAY EVENING CLUB LAUNCHES 14TH SEASON

High School Orators in International Contest to Give Initial Program Sunday

The Wilmette Sunday Evening club will open its fourteenth season Sunday evening, September 30, at 7:30 o'clock in the First Congregational church. Six of the finalists in the International High School Oratorical contest, representing the United States, England, Canada, France, Germany and Mexico, will be present and at least four of them will take part in the program, each speaking for ten minutes.

A program of music will also be given this Sunday, according to J. Frank McClure, president of the Sunday Evening club.

The champion high school orators, representing six nations, sailed from Cherbourg September 14 enroute to Chicago. In New York they were to meet the three prize-winning orators of Mexico, Canada and the United States. All six students will come to Wilmette this Sunday evening.

U. S. Champion Coming

James R. Moore of Somerset, Ky., the United States representative, was adjudged the winner of the Fifth National Oratorical contest held last May in Washington. Nine nations, including the six to be represented in Wilmette, have held preliminary national competitions and have selected their champions. The winners of these nine countries will compete on October 13, in Washington, D. C., for the international championship. The subject of the United States' champion's oration is "The Development of the Constitution."

Dudley Raymond Barker represents England, Rene Ponthieu is the French champion, Heinz Barth will speak for Germany, James R. Moore is the United States orator, and Efrain Brito Rosado, Mexico's champion.

All of these boys were last year enrolled in a high school or school of equivalent grade in their native country. Each orator speaks on the Constitution of his country, or on some timely question of the hour.

The orations of each country are ten minutes in length and are the original thought and composition of the student. This international rule unifies the competition.

Illinois' representative, Frederic Johnson, was one of the eight boys who competed in Washington for the national title. Frederic was awarded fourth place.

Foreign Born of Village Invited to Study Classes

Under the auspices of the Wilmette Woman's club there will be classes for the study of English and of American History and Government. All foreign-born men and women of the community are welcome to enroll in these classes. The classes will meet every Monday evening beginning October 8. There will be another notice in next week's WILMETTE LIFE telling more fully about the past work of the school and about plans for the coming year.

Vote Registration Days Here October 6 or 16

Wilmette and Kenilworth voters are advised that registration days for the Presidential election are Saturday, October 6, and Tuesday, October 16. Registration is to be made at the regular polling places between the hours of 7 A. M. and 4 P. M. on those days.

It is important, if you wish to be certain of a vote on November 6, that you have the assurance that your ballot will not be challenged when you enter your polling place on that date. To avoid any possible inconvenience of this nature, go to your polling place Saturday, October 6, or Tuesday, October 16, and make certain that your name is on the polling list. This is particularly important if you have changed residence since the last general election. One member of the family may register for all the eligible voters in his household.

Resume Story Hour at Public Library Tomorrow Morning

Story hour for Wilmette school children begins this Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the basement room of the public library under the direction of Miss Winifred Bright, children's librarian. The story hour is held every Saturday during the school year, and is attended largely by children of the first five grades, not including the kindergarten.

Miss Bright, who is in complete charge of the work, tells stories for the children, reads poems, and directs them in the singing of songs.

Occasionally outsiders are engaged to tell stories. This was done last May, shortly before the story hour was discontinued for the summer, when students of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college of Evanston entertained the children.

Psycho-analyst to Speak to Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular October meeting next Monday night, October 1. Prof. L. Kenneth Williams, nationally known psycho-analyst, is scheduled to speak. He will also answer questions asked by those attending the meeting. A musical number will be furnished by the Meltzer School of Music of Wilmette.

TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK!

Central Standard time will be resumed again throughout the Chicago area Sunday morning, September 30, and it will be necessary to turn your time-pieces back one hour if you wish to conform with the schedule of things on Sunday. All church services on Sunday will be in accordance with Central Standard time. Turn your clock back one hour upon retiring Saturday night!

Welcome to Wilmette



Wilmette will extend a formal welcome to Dr. George D. Allison, pastor of the Wilmette Baptist church, at a Recognition service to be held in the Baptist church Sunday afternoon, September 30, at 4 o'clock.

Dr. Perry J. Stackhouse, pastor of the First Baptist church of Chicago, Benjamin Otto, superintendent of the Baptist Executive council, Dr. James M. Stiffler, pastor of the First Baptist church of Evanston, and Dr. Horace G. Smith, pastor of the Wilmette Parish Methodist church, will participate in this service which will be preceded by a program of music given by the church organist, Miss Lydia Koch, and the Baptist choir under the direction of Mme. Gilderoy Scott.

After the service an informal reception for Dr. and Mrs. Allison will be held in the Children's hall of the Baptist church.

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WILL ANNOUNCE SITE OF MOVIE IN 30 DAYS

Election Reveals Majority of Villagers Favor Sunday Operation of Shows

Following closely upon Tuesday's election in which Wilmette citizens voted in favor of seven-day operation of motion picture theaters in the village, came the announcement from Sam C. Meyers, 934 Elmwood avenue, managing director of the Teatro del Lago theater, that within thirty days he will be prepared to announce the selection of a site and completion of plans for a beautiful theater building in Wilmette. Construction of the proposed theater will be started within six weeks, Mr. Meyers asserted.

"I will positively build a theater in Wilmette," declared Mr. Meyers this week when questioned by a representative of WILMETTE LIFE concerning whether or not he was interested in establishing a theater in the village on the seven-day-a-week operating basis made possible by Tuesday's election. "Within thirty days I will be in a position to make a definite announcement as to the location of and the plans for my theater. You may publish the fact that actual building operations will begin within sixty days."

Tuesday's ballot, which brought out more than 3,000 voters, with the result that the Sunday Movie proposition was favored by a comfortable majority, has raised the question in practically every household as to whether Wilmette now would really have a theater and, if so, where such a structure would be located. To date, virtually every block in the various business centers has been suggested as a possible theater site. While it is certain that no definite site has been selected, rather authentic information indicates that the block on Main street, between Central and Wilmette avenues, would be the logical location, since it has available property and affords frontage on what is soon to be the broadest thoroughfare in the village.

Movies Win by 729

The thoroughly representative movie ballot last Tuesday resulted in an affirmative vote totaling 1894. Opposition to the "operation of motion picture theaters in the village on Sundays, after noon" registered 1165 votes. Seven of the twelve precincts in the village went for Sunday Movies, in most instances by overwhelming majorities. Every precinct in the territory west from the North Western railroad right-of-way favored Sunday Movies, while two east side districts also entered the "Yes" column. Five precincts, all located in the area east from the railroads, polled majorities against the proposition, the two exceptions being the "L" terminal or Precinct 5 district, and Precinct 7, lying south from Greenleaf avenue and west from Eighth street.

The election was a singularly quiet affair, in fact almost devoid of the electioneering so evident in most village elections. Only a comparatively few cars were scurrying about in quest

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