

GALL TO BE HEARD AGAIN AS "THAIS"

Triumph of Last Week to Be Repeated at Ravinia Wednesday; Present "Tosca" Monday

Next Week at Ravinia
Sunday, August 14—"La Boheme."
Monday, August 15—"Tosca."
Tuesday, August 16—"La Vida Breve."
Wednesday, August 17—"Thais."
Thursday, August 18—"Madame Butterfly."
Friday, August 19—"The Tales of Hoffman."
Saturday, August 20—"Manon Lescaut."

Like rare old wine, the current season of Ravinia opera and concerts gets better and better as time speeds by, and although Louis Eckstein would seem to have set a record for the week just drawing to a close, there is to be no let-down during the seven day period which begins Sunday, August 14. Another extra performance has been arranged for Monday night, August 15, this occasion bringing Puccini's great dramatic opera, "Tosca," to the attention of Ravinia patrons for the first time this season. Madame Yvonne Gall, who by reason of her splendid performance in "Thais" last Monday night completely won all who heard her, will have the title role, which will reveal still another phase of her versatility and will show her to advantage in a part which is purely dramatic in its vocalization. Giuseppe Danise will be heard as Scarpia, one of his most powerful roles, and Edward Johnson will be cast as Cavaradossi.

Another of the season's high spots will be reached on Tuesday night, when "La Vida Breve," which made such an appeal when first presented at Ravinia last season that four performances of it had to be given to satisfy the demand, will be presented. Madame Luceria Bori will, of course, be cast as Salud, the tragic little gypsy, a role in which this great singing actress has only the opportunity to characterize in her indubitable and colorful fashion, but which she sings in her native Spanish tongue. It is doubtful whether in her entire repertoire Madame Bori has a part which is more intense in its dramatic moments, or which makes greater demands both as to acting and singing. Jose Mojica, to whom the Spanish language is likewise native, will appear opposite her as the faithless young lover.

Martinelli as Pinkerton

Gianni Martinelli will appear for the first time this season as Pinkerton in "Madame Butterfly" when this opera is presented on Thursday night, with Elisabeth Rethberg in the title role. Pinkerton is another of the great Martinelli creations and those who have heard this splendid artist with Madame Rethberg in this Puccini work will remember the great climax achieved when the love duet brings the first act to a close. The performance of "La Boheme" on Sunday night, August 14, will give Ravinia patrons their first opportunity to hear Miss Mary Lewis as Mimi, the pathetic little flower girl. Mario Chamlee will appear opposite her, singing the role of Rodolfo for the first time this season.

Madame Bori, Mr. Martinelli and Mr. Danise will form the trio of lead-

ing characters in "Manon Lescaut" when that opera is given again on Saturday night, and Madame Gall will repeat her success as Thais by singing that role for the second time on Wednesday night. "The Tales of Hoffman" with Miss Mary Lewis again as Giulietta will be presented on Friday night, this time Mario Basiola being heard as Dappertutto.

"Afternoon of French Music"

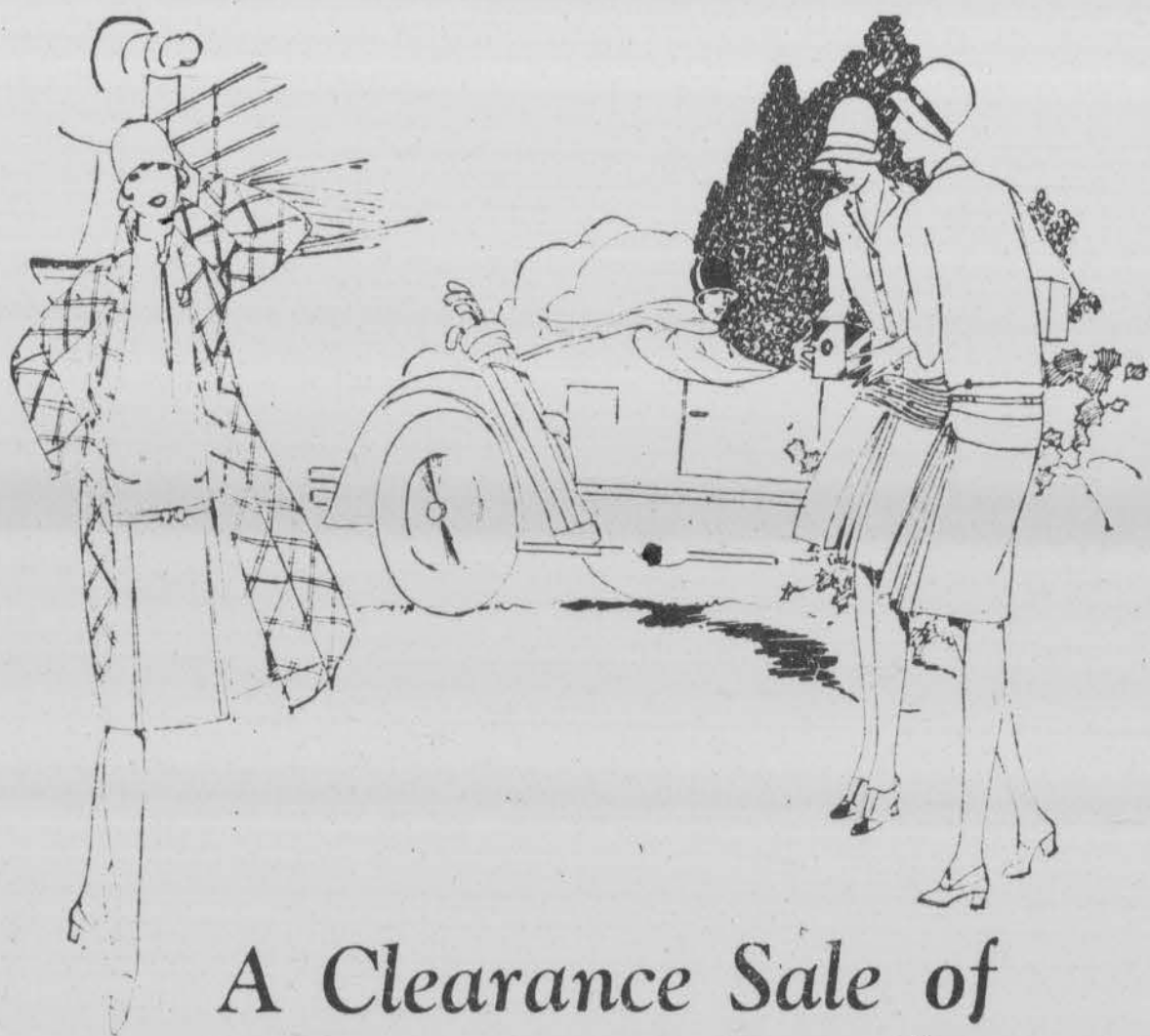
The week will formally begin Sunday afternoon with another special feature—"An Afternoon of French

Music"—during which, in addition to the Chicago Symphony orchestra, under the direction of Eric DeLamarter, La Chorale Francaise de Chicago will be heard in a splendid program of French choral singing. Charles La Gourgue will conduct the chorale. The orchestra program will consist entirely of numbers by French composers. Miss Helen Freund, soprano, and Alfred Wallenstein, cellist, will be the soloists. This affair, like all the Sunday afternoon concerts at Ravinia, will be open to the public and all re-

served seats will be free, the general admission at the gate covering everything.

Mrs. Raymond C. Pearson and her two daughters, the Misses Marian and Catherine Rae, returned Monday to their home at 117 Dupee place after a six weeks' visit in Galena, Ill.

Miss Winifred Bright, children's librarian at the Wilmette Public library, is in Glenbeulah, Wis., convalescing from a recent illness.



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