

## N. U. Musical Comedy Proves to Be Great Success

The comment of many who saw "Step This Way," which is being presented this week by students of Northwestern university, is that it is the best show of its kind ever given by the students. The annual musical comedy produced by the Woman's Athletic association and the Men's union of the campus is always looked forward to with much zest, and it usually contains comical skits and "take offs" of university students, professors, or college life in general. This year's show, however, is nothing of the kind, but on the contrary excels in dignity, beauty, and talent.

The coed choruses have concentrated on the dance, and in this they show remarkable training as well as a special aptitude. Virginia Sanders does some splendid solo numbers, including tap dances. Elizabeth Townsend of Wilmette and Frank Shulenberg win great favor with their clever dance numbers. Louise Hubsch of Winnetka is among the show girls, and Eleanor Stewart of Wilmette is one of the toe ballet. Both groups appear in most attractive dance numbers which are very well done.

One of the surprises on the opening night was the introduction of Northwestern's most beautiful coed, who proved to be Miss Ruth Wenter. Miss Wenter was selected by a committee from the Chicago Art Institute, and on the evening of the performance she wore a lovely red evening gown, which made a handsome contrast to her black hair and eyes. It was hoped that she would take part in the program, but she merely made her bow and walked off the stage with two faithful swains.

A charming personage the leading lady, Bonnie Ballantine, who possesses just as charming a voice. She enacts her role as Peggy Kellogg, a wealthy society girl, with great poise and sweet dignity. She wins immediate popularity with her audience for her beauty and gentle manners.

Some of the best acting in "Step This Way" is done by Aubrey Denson, who plays the part of a barker, Hoot Howell. Both he and his "side kick," Hamburger Hattie Hanson (Virginia Sanders) are comical in their roles.

The performance will be given this evening as well as tomorrow night at the New Evanston theater. The book and lyrics were written by Darrell Ware, formerly of Winnetka. The entire production was under the direction of Joe W. Miller, an alumnus of Northwestern and now assistant to the director of personnel at the university.

## Students Are Invited to U. of I. Electrical Show

An invitation has been extended to students in schools and colleges of Chicago and vicinity to attend the electrical show at the University of Illinois Friday, April 1. Because of the nature and manner of presentation of the numerous exhibits the show is expected to attract visitors from all parts of the state.

The Westinghouse robot, or mechanical man, will talk, sing and act. There will be a complete television exhibit, showing both the sending station and the receiving end. Various applications of vacuum tubes, transmission of sound on a light beam, voice recording apparatus, operation of talking motion picture machines and examples of stage lighting will be among the spectacular exhibits.

Some of the exhibits are being arranged for the Century of Progress exposition in Chicago next year.



A message to taxpayers:

Since the 1930 tax bills have come out, many property owners are asking: "Should I pay this bill in full? Should I pay only a part of it? Or should I not pay any part of it?" The answers are as follows:

A. Pay the bill in full unless you have a valid objection to the amount of the assessed valuation, in which case you should pay on account according to your idea of the assessed valuation and file objection to the balance.

B. If you have no valid objection to the assessed valuation but only to the amount of the tax which is caused by the increase in rate, you can pay the bill in full, but you must file objection to the whole tax. As it will be an expensive proceeding to show the invalidity of the rate, you will gain nothing by so doing.

C. Under no circumstances should you refuse to pay any part of the tax, except because of total inability

to raise the money.

Some of the citizens of New Trier who are able to pay are not only refusing to pay their own taxes but are advising their neighbors not to pay, on the ground that the decision of Judge Jarecki made the assessment rolls of 1928 and 1929 invalid. That case is now pending in the Appellate court. If sustained and a re-assessment for 1928 and 1929 is made and a large amount of personal property is placed on the books, the resultant decrease in the tax rate for those years will bring a credit on the taxes for subsequent years, beginning with 1931 in all probability; thus every property owner will receive the benefit of excess payment. The bill to make that credit on subsequent taxes is now part of the laws of Illinois.

Your community is suffering because of the failure of otherwise good citizens to pay their taxes. A crisis is upon us. Pay your taxes in full and do it now.—George R. Harbaugh, Wilmette.

## Legion Auxiliary

(P. J. Huerter Post 669)

The regular meeting will be held Monday evening, March 14, at 8, in the old public school at Ridge and Wilmette avenues. Members are urged to come and bring with them prospective members.

On Thursday, March 3, the bi-monthly visit to Great Lakes hospital, Unit 8, and Veterans' hospital, North Chicago, was made by several members of the Auxiliary, who took to the patients cigarettes, magazines, and playing cards.

Mrs. Helen Fisher and Mrs. Margaret Higgins attended the Cook County council meeting Friday, March 4, at the Great Northern hotel.

The Auxiliary will sponsor a dance on Easter Monday, March 28, at Hoffman hall, Ridge and Washington avenues. Music will be furnished by Joe Schneider and his orchestra.

The Junior Auxiliary convention will be held Saturday, March 12, at 1:30 p. m., in the Austin Town hall, 5610 West Lake street, Austin.

Robert L. Osgood of The Chimneys, Winnetka, is now convalescing from a minor operation that he underwent last week at the Presbyterian hospital.

Mrs. Mae Petersen, 417 Cumnor road, Kenilworth, entertained her duplicate contract club on Wednesday, March 9.

Mrs. Victor A. Olson, 1534 Forest avenue, entertained about fourteen of her neighbors at afternoon tea on Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. John Wilds and her daughter, Charlotte, have gone to North Carolina for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Rollin Smith, 1728 Highland avenue, motored to Clear Lake, Iowa, recently.

## Say Communists Are Undermining U. S. Foundations

How Communists are steadily working to overthrow American institutions, was stressed in a talk by Lieut. Nelson E. Hewitt of the United States Naval reserve, at the Wilmette Chamber of Commerce meeting in the Wilmette Masonic temple on Monday night of this week.

"You are either for America or against America on this issue," declared Lieutenant Hewitt, who is statistician of the American Vigilant Intelligence federation, a non-profit, patriotic Illinois corporation.

Lieutenant Hewitt, custodian of what is said to be the most complete and authentic library on the radical question in the United States, used a wealth of data Monday to show that Communists encourage criminals to join their ranks; Communists are organized so thoroughly that they know the activities of every resident in some city blocks; Communists are injecting their "slow poison" into religious and educational institutions; are willing to kill in order to smash the ideals and structure of America; and are right now using underhanded, sneaking methods to destroy confidence in sound businesses.

Lieutenant Hewitt urged the listeners to support two bills now before congress. The first is the Jeffers bill, defining as a revolutionary activity any movement to overthrow the government or to assassinate its officials. The second proposed measure is the Bachmann bill for changing the immigration law so that persons advocating Communism will be deported from the United States.

Members of the Wilmette Chamber of Commerce unanimously voted that the organization send a letter to the United States senators, urging the passage of these bills.

## Higcrest Cage Teams Will Enter Tournament

Boys' and girls' basketball teams of the Higcrest school will enter a tournament for county schools of this district to be held next week at the Cleveland school in Niles Center. Drawings have already been made for the boys' tournament, which will be held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The Higcrest boys are scheduled to meet the East Prairie school Monday afternoon at 3:40 o'clock.

The girls' tournament will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Drawings had not been made up to Monday of this week.

Schools entered in the tournament besides Higcrest are Cleveland, Niles, College Hill, Morton Grove, East Prairie, Sharp Corner, Northbrook, the Lincoln school in Niles Center and the Croation school in Des Plaines.

## LOSE TO DES PLAINES

The girls' basketball team of the Higcrest school, Illinois road and Twenty-third street, met the Croation school of Des Plaines last Friday in a game played at Des Plaines. The Higcrest girls lost, 13 to 8. Last Thursday the Higcrest boys' team lost to Northbrook, 27 to 13, in a game played at the Higcrest gymnasium. Tuesday of this week a doubleheader was scheduled with the Croation school, the games to be played on the Higcrest floor.

The Tuesday club met for luncheon and bridge this week at the home of Mrs. Charles R. Mack, 707 Central avenue.

## Wilmette Club Observes Business Women's Week

In accordance with the desire of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, the Wilmette Club of Business and Professional Women, as one of the affiliated clubs, is observing National Business Women's week from March 6 to 13. Gov. Louis L. Emmerson endorsed the support of the Illinois Federation in its observance of Business Women's week in a proclamation issued recently.

He included in his letter of proclamation the following:

"While striving diligently and faithfully to improve conditions for all working women of the state, and to open new avenues for their progress in business and political life, the five-thousand members of your organization in Illinois have rendered invaluable service in creating and extending a public consciousness based on the ideals of community service. It is a pleasure to commend your organization and its individual members and to wish you continued success in your endeavors."

## AT LIBRARY CONFERENCE

Miss Anne L. Whitmack, librarian, and Mrs. Katherine Adams, assistant at the Wilmette Public library attended the regional meeting of librarians at Highland Park last Friday. The increased use of books and means to keep up this growth were discussed. The financial situation in Cook county also was discussed, and it was pointed out that librarians in this county have suffered more than others for lack of ordinary revenue. Miss Whitmack attended the regional meeting as a representative of the publicity committee of the Illinois Library association.

## GIVES TEA FOR GUEST

Mrs. Burt C. Crowe, 234 Raleigh road, Kenilworth, gave a small tea Wednesday of last week for friends of her daughter, Barbara, and their mothers, in honor of Miss Doris Laura Flick, who is head of the Briarcliff school, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. Miss Flick was Mrs. Crowe's houseguest while she visited schools in Chicago.