

Rehearse in "Big Top" for N. S. Festival

**Dr. Frederick Stock Announces
First "Tent" Rehearsal for
Sunday, May 7**

The first rehearsal under the "big top" of the new indoor choral theater at Dyche Stadium in Evanston is announced for Sunday afternoon, May 7, by Dr. Frederick Stock, conductor of the Chicago Symphony orchestra and musical director of the North Shore Music Festival, which will be presented in the new theater on May 16, 18, and 20.

The adult chorus of 500 voices will rehearse its part in the Bach "Passion According to Saint Matthew," and final preparations will be made for the concert performance of the Bach work on the evening of May 16. The following concerts will feature Kirsten Flagstad and Marian Anderson as guest soloists.

All Stars Are Good

Arthur G. Cable, president of the Festival association, inspected the demountable structure, which was built of steel, wood, and concrete at a cost of \$20,000, and announced that he was convinced that "every seat at the four concerts of the Festival will be a good seat." The huge sounding board will reflect sound waves back into the semicircle of listeners, and thus provide a clear and true rendition of the orchestral and choral music to be played.

The indoor choral theater is unique in that for the first time a college stadium has been converted into a covered music auditorium, with heating, ventilation, and rows of comfortable chairs which will accommodate 6,500 at each of the Festival concerts. Its interior design has been planned to resemble that of a luxurious flower garden. Eight indirect lighting fixtures, each eight feet in diameter, appear on the 100x53-foot stage in the ornamental form of morning glories, while two extra-large fixtures in leaf design are placed at each side of the stage. Strips of green grass at each side create the effect of a well-ordered, verdant lawn, while the sounding board continues the floral theme with painted floral designs in which the morning glory motif predominates.

Install Heating Units

Although records of weather in the month of May from 1870 to 1938 show that the lowest temperature was thirty degrees, the Festival management has decided not to leave the temperature up to the elements. Accordingly, twelve heating units of the blower type have been installed. These will have 8,460 square feet of radiation and will develop 1,950,400 B.T.U.'s per hour. "Or, in other words," said Mr. Cable, "a stable temperature of 70 degrees will be maintained at all times, so that the music lover at the Festival this year will be as comfortable as if he were in his own living room."

In conjunction with the Festival campaign, now in full swing all along the North Shore, a special "Music Week" has been declared at Northwestern university during May 13-20. For the first time since the festival was inaugurated by the late Peter Christian Lutkin back in 1909, the student body has been or-

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Traffic Safety Expert to Be Speaker at Legion Meeting

Receives Call



The Rev. Robert A. Edgar, who for the past two years has been assistant to the Rev. John G. Hindley, minister of the First Congregational church of Wilmette, Sunday received a unanimous call to the pastorate of the Congregational church of Red Oak, Iowa. The call has been accepted and will become effective the latter part of June.

The Rev. Mr. Edgar will graduate from the Chicago Theological Seminary in June, and will be ordained at the Wilmette church before leaving for his new field of activity.

Mrs. Edgar is active in the work of the local church as secretary to the minister.

Complete Formality Of Annexing Gage Tract to Wilmette

The village board was informed at its meeting Tuesday night that the plat and ordinance of annexation of the Lloyd Gage property, lying east of the North Shore line and extending from Greenwood avenue north to the south Kenilworth village limits, had been recorded in the County court on that day. The property is now a part of Wilmette.

The area embraces approximately eight acres, and has been subdivided by Irvin A. Blietz, 1160 Wilmette avenue, into a very high class residential section which has been given the appealing title of "Connecticut Village."

Later in the session the board passed a resolution granting the right to connect a sanitary sewer with the Wilmette system.

ORDER REFUND

The village board passed a resolution Tuesday night authorizing refunds to 16 food stores which had been required to pay double license fees. The ordinance provides for licenses for stores handling foodstuffs, but where meats and other foods are sold by the same store, only one fee is required. The 16 dealers had been charged double, and the resolution was passed to correct the error.

A. R. Forster, director of short courses at the traffic institute of Northwestern university, will be the speaker at the May meeting of the Wilmette post of the American Legion, which will be held next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Masonic temple, 1010 Central avenue.

Mr. Forster will speak on the subject "Modern Traffic Engineering," it was announced by R. E. Dalstrom, chairman of the safety committee.

The Northwestern university traffic institute has been outstanding in its work of training traffic officers, and Mr. Forster has been very closely associated with the institute activities since they originated. The institute has contributed some effective tests in connection with the various traffic problems which will be explained by Mr. Forster, it was announced.

"Since this subject is of vital interest to all citizens, the meeting has been thrown open to the general public. A special invitation has been extended to the auxiliary members and to members of the police department," it was added.

Following the talk by Mr. Forster, a bicycle safety film produced by the Chevrolet motor division will be presented.

Safe-Driving Contest

Over 30 members of the American Legion Wilmette Post have enrolled in the state-wide safe driving contest.

Many other posts throughout the state have also enrolled a fleet of cars and the post which is able to develop the greatest number of miles travelled with the lowest number of automobile accidents will be considered the winner.

The contest started May 1 and ends December 31. This contest is in keeping with the interest shown by the American Legion organization in the serious problem of automobile accidents. The national headquarters have continually encouraged active support of all worthwhile highway safety campaigns, and the local post has reflected this interest in the safety problems of the village.

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Woollcott to Lecture Here Next Tuesday

**Junior Auxiliary of Woman's
Club Sponsors Appearance
in Wilmette**

By E. M.

An evening with Alexander Woollcott is urgently prescribed by the Junior Auxiliary of the Woman's Club of Wilmette for those who wish to make the very most of any real opportunity. The ways and means committee under the direction of Mrs. W. H. K. Bennett, Jr., is very proud of bringing to the North Shore the far-famed Mr. Woollcott who will speak at the Woman's club Tuesday, May 9.

Could be the Woollcott Readers have for a year or two been your daily companions, and could be the familiar portrait of this distinguished gentleman has by it continual appearance served to make you almost intimately acquainted with Alexander Woollcott. But could be there is little popularly known about him personally, because he speaks constantly, and fluently so, of a world of other people, and from a wealth of experience and wisdom.

Delightful Journey

The legend (and not wholly a fictitious one) that has grown around Mr. Woollcott seems to imply that there is nothing from what posterity will eventually do with "Gone With the Wind," to what Hitler will do now or eventually with the world, about which he cannot tell a humorous anecdote or expound words of authoritative significance. Mr. Woollcott, alone, by force of his personality can prove or persuade you into believing the delight in store when traveling with him along "bypaths in the realms of gold," the world of his discovery or creation.

Miss Alison Burge is in charge of club house arrangements, and with her corps of ushers will be very much on hand Tuesday evening. Tickets for the lecture may be secured from the ticket chairman, Miss Myrtle Lundquist at her home 216 Golf Terrace, Wilmette, at either of the Lyman Pharmacies in Wilmette, and from members of the ticket committee composed of Constance Bersch, Eloise Brown, Carol Lawrence, Louise D'Esposito, Mary Stoddard, Caroline Buchholz, Marion Cook, Katherine Weiss, and Mrs. Carl A. Reeb. Any member of the Junior auxiliary will be happy to help you in securing a ticket for this appearance of Alexander Woollcott at 8 o'clock Tuesday, May 9.

Classify Central Ave. As Arterial Street

Central avenue, from Green Bay road west to Fifteenth street, and from Wilmette avenue east to Sheridan road, was designated by the village board Tuesday night as an arterial street. This makes possible its improvement from motor fuel tax funds.

RENEW CONTRACT

The village board at its meeting Tuesday night authorized renewal of the contract with Hill's Service station, 421 Green Bay road, for furnishing police squad cars. The rate was increased from 2.3 cents to 2.5 cents per mile.