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Principal Smith Speaks at Park Ridge

The following article from the Chicago Evening Post will be of interest to Highland Park citizens. We are well acquainted with Principal Smith's practical way of teaching boys and girls, and the fact that his lecture in Park Ridge was so well received gives us a great deal of pleasure:

"One of the most delightful invitations to nature and the out of doors, one that would help the argument of the public school art enthusiast and meet the needs of the art student, are lectures such as those given by Jesse L. Smith of Highland Park before the artists and students gathered at the Birches, Walter M. Clute's studio in Park Ridge.

The subject of "Wild Flower Trails" tells the story. The flower portraits taken under natural surroundings in the colors of the leaf-strewn earth, the background of the forest and the natural hues of the blossoms are as real to the eyes as if seen through the open window.

Mr. Smith, a botanist in a scientific way, has the insight of a John Burroughs and that love for nature which discovers the soul of beauty in the woodland flower. The photographs taken directly from unspoiled haunts show that nature practices art in her designs and may teach much to the indoor student who pieces lines and motifs to develop his idea of perchance a theme of spring or an idyl of autumn, told in flowers. It is hard to accept the truth that few eyes see Nature and appreciate her loveliness, but truth it is. And no one however blind could go from an hour on "Wild Flower Trails" and say "a primrose on the river's brim a yellow primrose was to him, and it was nothing more," for the veil had been torn away and the charm and mystery of the flower revealed.

The slides used in "Wild Flower Trails" are triumphs of artistic photography. An artist stood behind the camera, while the naturalist awaited the hour, and a colorist repeated the native tints upon the plate to be used on the screen. Mr. Smith seems fortunate in gathering about him those who are in sympathy with his aims. The "Wild Flower Trails" begin with the appearance of the skunk cabbage in March and the first hepaticas in the Highland Park ravines, and continue, following the procession of flowers in woodland, meadows, hillsides and by the brook until the last golden-rod bids farewell to the gentian in the autumn.

The pictures have the quality of the landscapes of Inness or Wyant or Ochtman in their tenderest moods. The flower portraits frequently display the satisfying elements of a carefully prepared design, in grace of arrangement and color.

As nature left to herself is always in harmony, the art employed has been that of selection of subject and color. When thrown on the screen the effect was soft and as natural as if the out of doors lay just beyond. Mr. Smith was aided in illustrations for his talk of "Wild Flower Trails" along the north shore by photographs taken by Mr. E. E. Parratt, and Walter M. Clute, which were colored by Charlotte Pinkerton and Alice Enk."

Ravinia Park.

The closing week of the Damrosch engagement at Ravinia Park promises to be one of the memorable events of that beautiful garden. The season is to end Saturday evening, Sept. 4, and on this occasion the closing number will be the celebrated Haydn's Farewell Symphony. Our reports are that the season as a whole has not been quite as successful

as last year, but the closing week will no doubt bring the attendance up to nearly the usual figure.

Among the soloists to be heard will be Mr. Gustaf Holmquist, who will on Sunday evening, August 29, sing Mr. Damrosch's "Danny Deever." Miss Priscilla Carver of Highland Park will also render The First Movement from Tschaiowsky's Concerto for the piano on Tuesday evening, August 31.

On Wednesday evening, Sept. 1, will be rendered a "Request Program" made up from numbers selected by Mr. Damrosch from requests filed before that date. The Park management are supplying slips to its patrons on which their favorite numbers may be submitted. This evening will no doubt bring out a large attendance and no advance notice will be given out of these numbers as special programs will be printed and distributed just before the concert begins.

Mr. Damrosch should feel pleased with the splendid reception he has had at Ravinia Park this season and all the North Shore will be pleased to learn that he may be with us again next year.

How lucky it is that the man in the moon is blind.

The Exmoor Country Club was the scene of a gala event Thursday. The day was given over to the ladies who played golf and bridge.

Mrs. J. MacGregor Adams gave a luncheon Monday.

Mr. Henry K. Coale Jr. left Monday for Campbellville, Ky. where he will visit friends.

The man who could run a newspaper to suit everybody, went to heaven long ago.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Durham of New York who have been visiting Mrs. Durham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Gregory, have returned home.

Miss Stark of Ann Arbor, Michigan, is the guest of Miss Adelaide Inman of West Central avenue.

When you see a banana peel resting on the sidewalk and a fat man unconsciously approaching it, the indications point to an early fall.

Miss Lancaster of Portland, Maine is the guest of Miss Gregory of "Ledgemeer."

Mrs. Frank R. McMullin entertained at a dinner Friday evening in honor of Mr. Blusue of Louisville, Kentucky, who is the guest of Mr. Walter Damrosch who is staying at the McMullin home. The guests attended the performance of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" at Ravinia Park after the dinner.

The kickers and croakers have no place in a city with the push and progressiveness of our town. The man who opposes needed public improvements and stands in the way of progress is not a good citizen.

Miss Mary Phillips, who has been spending the summer with her parents in Winfield, Illinois, was a Highland Park visitor last week.

Mrs. Richard Fitzgerald and her daughter, Miss Fitzgerald, and Mrs. W. J. Black of Chicago have come to the Moraine for a short stay.

Learned men tell us that in Latin the word "editor" means something "to eat." In the United States its meaning is altogether different. It means to scratch around like blazes to get something to eat.

After the recital at Ravinia Park Monday the following women entertained at luncheon: Mrs. Frank R. McMullin, Mrs. W. A. Alexander, Mrs. Curtis N. Kimbal, Mrs. Robert Gregory, are of Highland Park and Mrs. John C. Spry and Mrs. W. Irving Osborn of Evanston.

Highwood Blind Pig Captured

Vigilance of the Highwood Police, is rewarded after many days waiting.

Do you remember when you used to try and climb the greased pole or catch the greased pig? Well, Marshal Kenry of Highwood was reminded of his boyhood picnic days while he has been engaged in trying to capture William Victor Emanuel Henn, who has been engaged in selling liquor without the sanction of the law. The greased pig was a great deal easier to capture than this blind one which was kept in the man's own home, but by putting on his hands a good supply of the resin of the law Mr. Pig was unable to slip through them and a capture was the result. It happened in this way. A certain woman was unsuccessful in keeping her husband away from the blind pig, so made up her mind to keep

the blind pig away from him. She decided to go and buy a drink herself and turn the evidence over to the city authorities. The drink was sold to her last Wednesday and Marshal Kenry detailed Officer Golden to make the arrest. A trial was held Wednesday evening before Police Magistrate Meyers and a fine of \$25.00 and costs was imposed and Wm. Victor Emanuel Henn parted with that much of his illegal gains. Highwood is certainly to be congratulated on the advance that has been made toward making their city what all good citizens desire it to be. Marshall Kenry declares that his eye is not dimmed and that it is upon certain other violators which will soon be brought into the clutches of the law.

Here is the way the papers will write up weddings ten years hence: "The bride looked very well in a traveling dress, but all eyes were centered upon the groom. He wore a dark suit that fitted his form perfectly and in his dainty gloved hands he carried a small rose. His curly hair was beautifully done, and a delicate odor of hair oil of the best quality floated down the aisle as he passed. The young people will miss him now that he is married. He is loved by all for his many accomplishments, his tender grace and his winning ways. The bride commands a good salary as bookkeeper and the groom will miss none of the luxuries to which he has been accustomed. A crowd of pretty men saw him off at the depot."

Mrs. C. A. Smith and her little grand daughter Lorna Wolfenden returned last week from a short trip to Wisconsin.

The largest benefit given for Gad's Hill this year was the explanatory recital "Peleas and Melisande" by Mr. Walter Damrosch at Ravinia Park Theatre Monday morning. The entertainment netted some \$1,200. It was a very enjoyable morning for those who attended. The boxes were taken by Mrs. Chatfield Taylor, Mrs. Harold McCormick, Mrs. A. A. Carpenter Jr., Mrs. Curtis E. Kimball and Mrs. Thomas E. Mitten. The following young women ushered: Miss Priscilla Carver, Miss Katherine Marsh, Miss Marian Mason and Aline Snow.

Mr. Earle Shearers of Bellevue, Kentucky, is the guest of Mrs. Lovell of Lincoln avenue. Mr. Shearers will remain here several weeks.

An advertisement is to a merchant very much what sowing seed is to a farmer. It may take a little time for the results to become apparent, but they are sure to come. The wise farmer is not niggardly with his seed, nor the wise merchant with his advertisement.

Mr. Kenneth Cole is visiting with friends in Milwaukee.

Mrs. Hugh T. Birch and her daughter, Miss Helen Birch, formerly of Highland Park, are at Munich for the opera and expect to return home in October.

The way the yard sticks rattled, hardware jingled and our merchants and clerks moved around Saturday indicated a lively day for our business men; and the people that thronged our thoroughfares were delighted in the bargains they had pocketed, and the general verdict is this is the place to trade.

The Traffic Club, of which Mr. Oscar Bell is president, will hold their annual tournament at the Exmoor August 31.

Another tournament of interest is the one that the members of the Association of Commerce will hold.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Woolley are at the Moraine. Mr. and Mrs. Woolley have recently returned from Europe.

Goodridge Schaffer underwent an operation for appendicitis at St. Lukes Hospital. He is doing very nicely and his friends hope for a speedy recovery.

The cadets of the Culver Academy, Culver, Indiana were entertained at Fort Sheridan Friday. In the evening a hop was given in their honor.

Mrs. Bergen and son Van have returned from White Lake, Michigan where they have been spending the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McCormick gave a luncheon at Ravinia Park Casino in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Prentice.

Mr. Harry Rubens of Glencoe entertained the foreign consuls in Chicago at a luncheon Wednesday at his beautiful home, in honor of the seventy-ninth birthday anniversary of the Emperor of Austria.

Mrs. Edward M. Steele of Chicago has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph of Linden Park Place.

The members of the Chicago Wholesale Lumber Dealers Association with their families enjoyed a day's outing at Ravinia Park on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gail have gone to Wisconsin for a two weeks' vacation.

Prof. Sandwick and family are staying at Mrs. Weimer's for a few weeks.

Miss Bessie Baker has been visiting Miss Grace Johnson of Irving Park.

When you hear a man sneering at the local papers you can safely bet he don't spend his time making them better. They who don't see a benefit arising to a town from its newspapers haven't as much sense as a cock oyster, and are of about as much value to a town as a ten-year-old delinquent.

Mrs. Ella Smiley of South Chicago has been the guest of Mrs. S. J. Baker.

The life of our editor was saved the other day by a silver dollar in his pocket. A crank shot at him and the ball struck the dollar. Now should we have happened to get shot before you pay up your subscription and there is no dollar to stop the ball we shall always presume you might have saved our life.

Mr. Edwin Grover was a Highland Park visitor this week. Mr. Grover and family are expecting to move to New York in the near future.

Too poor to take a home paper? Well, that is a distressful condition. buy a hen, feed her crumbs and waste from the kitchen and she will lay eggs to pay for a year's subscription; then work her up into put pie and she will pay first cost; so the paper will be clear profit. Repeat this process year after year, meanwhile learn wisdom and cease to be poor.

Miss Charlotte Freise of East Central avenue has two of her cousins visiting her.

The following is a very truthful remark: "The up in man who growls is native town is regarded as a boy by his elders until he is well started down the declivity of life that ends in a hole. The stranger who comes into a place is more often pushed to the front than the young man who has grown up with the town. This is the reason why so many young men become dissatisfied with their home surroundings and long to cast their lot in other quarters."

Miss Mildred Coale has been spending the week with Chicago friends.

If you are a kicker and see the shadows of failure in everything that is proposed to help the town, for heaven's sake go into some secluded canyon and kick your own shadow on the clay bank, and give the men who are working to build up the town a chance. One long-faced, hollow-eyed, whining, carping, chronic kicker can do more to keep away business and capital from a town than all the drouths, short crops, chinch bugs, cyclones and blizzards combined.

Miss Katherine Sullivan, who is training at Mercy Hospital, was a Highland Park visitor this week.

All stamped envelopes which are spoiled by mistakes committed in super-scribing, will be redeemed by the post-office department at their stamp value. Postage stamps damaged by sticking together in warm or damp weather, or for other causes before using, may be returned to the department and their value repaid to the purchaser or exchanged for new stamps. All redeemed envelopes and stamps are sent by the postmaster who redeems them to the department and records of the same are kept. These regulations are, we think, not generally known at large, and their publication may be beneficial to a large number of people.

Miss Adelaide Luman has returned from Ann Arbor, Michigan where she has been taking a summer course.

Mrs. Emmons Blaine, sister-in-law of Mr. Walter Damrosch, gave a luncheon at Ravinia Park Casino, Mr. Damrosch guest of honor. Mrs. Damrosch is expected to arrive from the East and will be the guest of Mrs. Blaine and her other Chicago and Highland Park friends.