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RAVINA PARK WILL OPEN SAT. JUNE 26

RARE ARTISTS HAVE BEEN ENGAGED

A Dancing Pavilion is Being Erected Under Trees Where Modern Dances Will be Taught and Demonstrated

Twenty-five enthusiastic members and friends of the Highland Park branch of the Ravinia Club met last week at the home of Mrs. Everett L. Millard to discuss plans for Ravinia Park. Mrs. Lucian Carey and Mrs. W. Alexander spoke of the work being done in the North Shore towns to maintain Ravinia Park. A new dancing pavilion is being erected just west of the music pavilion under the trees where the tables stood. The modern dances are to be taught and demonstrated here. The meeting was followed by a committee meeting.

The season at Ravinia Park will be formally opened on the evening of Saturday, June 26, with the first of the summer's concerts by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, under the personal direction of Frederick Stock. The Symphony orchestra's complete membership has been engaged for the entire ten weeks' season at Ravinia. In addition there will be eight weeks of opera by distinguished performers, and during the first two weeks of the season Joan Sawyer will interpret modern dances at the evening concerts. In many ways the plans for Ravinia promise more for the music lovers of Chicago and the North Shore than ever before.

The engagement of the Symphony orchestra for the entire season at Ravinia enables Mr. Stock to keep his organization intact through the year and affords the public an opportunity to hear not only the orchestra but such artists as Bruno Steindel, Harry Weisbach, Alexander Zukovsky, and the wood-wind and brass soloists of the orchestra even more frequently than it may during the winter season at Orchestra hall. As has been the custom, the Friday night concerts by the orchestra will be devoted to Wagner, and the other concerts to less exacting music.

The program of the orchestra will be augmented, beginning July twelfth by singers from several grand opera companies such as, Morgan Kingston, the tenor, who came so quickly into his American reputation with his appearance in New York a year ago last winter, and who will sing such roles as Alfred in "Traviata", Rhadames in "Aida", and Rudolph in "La Boheme". Louis Kreidler, a former baritone of the Metropolitan Opera in New York, who is so well remembered of Ravinia audiences, is under contract for the season. Bettina Freeman, a soprano, who has sung much in English, particularly as Elizabeth in "Tannhauser", as Santuzza in "Cavalleria Rusticana", and in the title part of "Madame Butterfly", is another newcomer, so far as Ravinia is concerned. Beatrice La Palme, the French-Canadian soprano who sang so many important roles with the Century Opera company, is an old favorite at Ravinia, as are Florence Mulford, Alfred Kaufmann, Louis D'Angelo, Walter Wheatley, Phil Fein and William Schuster.

The grand opera performances will be directed by Josef Pasternack and Mr. Carlo Nicosia who conducted at Ravinia Park last season.

The tentative repertory for the season is as follows: "Martha", "Traviata", "Cavalleria Rusticana", "Rigoletto", "Aida", "Mignon", "Lucia di Lammermoor", "Tales of Hoffmann", "Carmen", "I Pagliacci", "Madame Butterfly", "Thais", "Faust", "Lohengrin", "La Tosca", "Louise", "Jewels of the Madonna", "La Boheme", "Marta of the Lowlands", "The Secret of Suzanne", "Manon Lescaut", "Romeo and Juliet".

While the orchestra and operatic program thus outlined makes manifest an attempt to do more and better things than in past seasons, it by no means represents all that has been done since last September by the directorate toward increasing the place that Ravinia has taken in the life of Chicago, nor all that is planned to make this unique place as popular as it is lovely. Joan Sawyer has been engaged to appear nightly during the first two weeks in modern dances. Miss Sawyer assisted by George Harcourt will appear just before the intermission in the orchestra's program. Her performances are to be made the occasion of presenting a number of new dances, which she has developed in preparation for next winter's theatrical season, but which will be seen in public for the first time this summer at Ravinia.

The ten cent social announced by the ladies of St. John's Evangelical Church for Thursday, June 24th will be held on Tuesday, June 22nd instead.

CITY BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION BUSY

Asks Removal of Shrubs Which Obstruct Views at Street Intersections

The recently appointed "City Beautiful Commission" with Mr. E. L. Millard as its chairman, is applying the "Safety First" slogan in its work. They are asking the removal of all shrubbery on corner lots where the view is obstructed, also of shrubbery overhanging the sidewalks. The increasing number of automobile accidents, due directly to hidden views at street intersections has made this more necessary and citizens are requested to cooperate with the commission in this respect.

At present the commission is busy in conjunction with the C. & N. W. in removing some of the shrubs on the west side of the station, to make the vehicle approach larger, thus lessen the chance for accident.

The Commission will be glad to receive suggestions tending to make the city more attractive, and will be glad to render such service as they can to citizens who wish to consult them. The members of the Commission are, Mr. Everett L. Millard, Mr. Jesse L. Smith, and Mr. W. C. Egan.

CADETS ON WAY TO COAST

Alumni Association Give Banquet to Col. Davidson and the Boys

Last Thursday at one o'clock, 24 cadets of the Northwestern Military and Naval Academy left the Union Pacific Hotel, Chicago in their eight new Cadillac cars, bound for the San Francisco fair. Directly preceding the start on the western trip, the Alumni Association of the Academy gave a banquet to Colonel Davidson and the boys. The cars are very complete and fully prepared for the trip. Among them are: Officers reconnaissance car, two wireless cars, a field hospital ambulance car, a balloon destroyer car and an armored car. The party will follow the Lincoln Highway route, stopping off at Denver, Stockton, California, and going through the central part of the state to San Diego where they will stop for a few days before going up the coast to San Francisco where the cars are to be left for exhibition. The cadets accompanied by Col. Davidson will return about August first. Lieut. George Arneemann of San Antonio, Texas of the 28th Inf., U. S. A., is in the party.

WILLIAM ELLIOTT AT LOCAL THEATRE

Two Splendid Pictures to be Shown Sunday and Wednesday

"When We Were Twenty-one" will be shown in motion pictures at the Highland Park Theatre Sunday, June 20th. This picture was produced by the Famous Players Film Co., in which William Elliott, a popular element of prominent Broadway stars, makes his first appearance in motion pictures. By many who saw "Madame X" he will be remembered as the actor who took the part of the impassioned young defender of the accused woman. Several years ago the Alumni Association of D. S. H. S. gave this play at Ravinia Park as their annual performance.

On Wednesday evening, June 23, Betty Bellairs in "The Spanish Jade" by Maurice Hewlett will be shown. This is a fascinating Spanish tale of love and tragedy, with unique costumes and scenes of that quaint country.

Two shows, one at seven o'clock and one at nine o'clock on both evenings. Tickets five and fifteen cents.

LOCAL REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Property Exchanges Record During Past Two Weeks

Daniel Pease and wf to Lewis A. Pease, lot 4, (ex 150 ft S 175 ft W 351 ft), Bentley's sub, Highwood. W. D. \$100.

Clarence F. Manahan and wf to Claus Dressen, lot 8, blk 2, Lloyds resub. Highwood. W. D. \$1600.00.

Thomas S. Duffy and wf to Lillian Duffy, E 1/2 lot 6, blk 13, Exmoor add to Highland Park. W. D. \$1.00.

Llewellyn H. Lloyd and wf to Axel Johnson, lots 30 and 31, blk 2, Boyd's resub in Highwood. W. D. \$400.00.

HEALTH OFFICER BUSY

Is to Make Thorough Inspection of Catch Basins, Etc., and Report on Same

The official annual inspection of the city has been ordered by the Board of Health. All persons renting or owning property or their agents should have the catch basins cleaned and garbage, tin cans, etc., taken care of as soon as possible. The health officer is expected to make a thorough inspection and report on conditions.

NEARBY NEWS ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

WESTERFIELD INDICTED BY GRAND JURY

Well Known Supervisor Passed Away. Waukegan Ball Team Lose to Evanston. Dr. Brown Exonerated

Two Indictments Against Westerfield
Carl P. Westerfield, former county treasurer; Frank G. Smith, business manager of the Waukegan Daily Sun, and William J. Smith, editor of that publication, were named in a true bill returned by the special session of the grand jury before Judge Claire C. Edwards in the circuit court last Thursday charged with conspiracy. Westerfield was charged with having paid to the Sun Publishing Co. \$1,300 for printing in excess of the amount allowed by law for such work. The ex-treasurer was also named in a second indictment Friday when the grand jury filed before Judge Claire C. Edwards and returned fourteen true bills. Charges of padding the pay roll of the county treasurer's office are made in the second indictment returned against the former county official. The amount mentioned in this charge is not known at the present time, owing to the fact that the state's attorney refused to give out the indictment until service had been taken on the man, but it is declared that the amount runs over \$1,000, alleged to have been received in this way by the former official during the last year as county treasurer.

Waukegan Lose to Evanston
After winning seven in a row the Waukegan City team met its first defeat at the West Side park Sunday by the Evanston Federals. To make matters worse, the Waukegan end of it was a goose egg while a trio of errors and a few bone plays presented the visitors with a quartet of runs. Each team made the same number of errors though those made by the locals cost three of the four runs. Heath pitched excellent ball for Evanston, and at the finished looked strong enough to do it all over again. He held the Westiders to four hits, two of which were made by McGire, while Harley and Reed shared the remaining two.

Supervisor Brooks Passes Away
Supervisor Eugene W. Brooks, Waukegan's leading citizen and prominent man for years, died yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock following a sickness from paralysis of the heart which dated from January 10th, last. In his demise Waukegan loses a man who had held more offices than any resident of the village or township, among them being: Village president, village trustee, village postmaster, town justice of the peace, and town supervisor. He was president at his death of the Waukegan bank, a private institution which he organized some years ago. At the time of his death he was supervisor of Waukegan township, having been elected to that place some five years ago.

ANNUAL ALUMNI BANQUET

Daniel Cobb, of Class of 1905 Acted as Toastmaster. Many Good Speeches

The high school was very pretty in color and artistic decoration, last evening when the Alumni Association held its annual banquet and business meeting in the lunch room. The tables were arranged in the lunch room which thus proved a very adequate place to give the banquet. The table decorations were pink and green being carried out in pink peonies and pink and green favors in the shape of tiny nut cups. Eighty gay banquets enjoyed the banquet which was very good and nicely served. Pritchard's orchestra played attractive music during the meal. The toastmaster of the evening was Mr. Daniel Cobb, '05, who kept everyone in a very good humor by his witty remarks. Other speakers were Paul Barker, '15, Miss McElrath of the faculty, William Wrenn, '09, and Mr. Sandwick.

A quartette composed of all 1914 boys, Phillip Spieled, Harry Eichler, Leslie Schaufier, and Edwin Gilroy furnished highly amusing music to the enjoyment of every one.

A short business meeting followed the banquet at which time the following election took place: for president Miss Adelaide Inman; for first vice president, Harry Eichler; second vice president, Edwin Gilroy; secretary, Gertrude Zahnle; treasurer, Phillip Spieled; historian, Dr. Earl Fritsch.

A dance followed in the boys' gymnasium which was artistic in colors of green and white, festooned from the ceiling and making a subdued light which made the dancers very pretty and attractive. Much credit is due all those people who made the banquet and dance such a success which has crowned a very pleasant year of social activities.

AUTOMOBILE OWNERS ASKED TO PAY TAX

WOULD HELP KEEP STREETS IN REPAIR

City Council is Today Mailing out the Following Letter to Owners of Pleasure Automobiles and Vehicles

Dear Sir:
In order to repair and keep the streets of our city in a passable condition for automobiles, it is found necessary for the City Officials to ask owners of pleasure vehicles to pay into the City Treasury the vehicle tax which heretofore has been collectable under the laws of our state. All funds collected from this source are used in the improvement of our streets and although the law authorizing the collection of same has been declared illegal, our citizens generally, are responding cheerfully to the fund.

Our formal notice requesting the payment of this tax was sent out under a misapprehension and that the proposed new law would be operative at once, but it is to be hoped that our citizens will not take advantage of this action of the Court in its recent decision.

We desire to impress upon all automobile owners the necessity of this fund and respectfully request a prompt remittance of the tax in order that our roads may be placed in condition for this summer's travel.

Very respectfully,
SAMUEL M. HASTINGS, Mayor
WARD W. WILLITS
FRITZ BAHR
E. G. HUBER
H. H. HITCHCOCK
Commissioners.

FIREMEN MAKE RECORD TIME

Thursday Night Drills Accomplishes Much for Department

Last Thursday evening while the firemen were enjoying a game of pool, at the fire station, an alarm was turned in by the Chief and a run was made to the Mayor's residence, three hundred feet of large hose and one hundred feet of chemical hose was stretched. Total time of making run and stretching hose was four minutes and ten seconds. Marked improvement in the department is shown since the drills were inaugurated. Tonight a run will be made to Commissioner Willitt's residence on S. Sheridan Rd.

NEW AUTOMOBILE CLEANER

Sprayer Given Free by Local Manufacturer of Nu-Finish

A new method of cleaning automobiles without the use of water is being introduced by D. C. Purdy & Sons. A special sprayer for Nu-Finish throws a fine mist on an automobile and a cloth removes all dirt and dust leaving the surface looking like new. As an auto-body polish Nu-Finish has met with great success and with the new method of applying it will become still more popular. The sprayer is to be given free with Nu-Finish.

BUSINESS MEN TO HOLD OPEN MEETING

Mayor and Commissioners to be Present. Public Invited

The Highland Park Business Men's Association have called a special meeting to be held at the Masonic hall at eight thirty Friday evening to which the Mayor, Commissioners and all who are interested in the welfare of Highland Park are invited. It will be an open meeting and the needs of Highland Park will be discussed generally. Your suggestions are invited.

PRESS AWARDED RAVINIA CONTRACT

Will Print 10,000 Forty-Page Programs Weekly, During Season

This Press has again been awarded the contract for Ravinia Park printing which includes their attractive forty-page program, there being 10,000 copies printed weekly. This is the fourth season that we have handled the Park's printing and which necessitates the doubling of our working force.

NEW HEATING AND PLUMBING SHOP

To be Located at 227 West Park Ave. George Prichard, Manager

On another page of this issue announcement is made of a new plumbing establishment to be located at 227 W. Park Ave. and known as the Highland Park Plumbing and Heating Co. Mr. George Prichard, the manager has been in the employ of a local plumbing for the past four years.

IMPROVEMENT TO BE RUSHED

Board of Local Improvements to Hold Meeting Friday Afternoon

The paving of Skokie, St. Johns and Linden Avenues and Wade and Beech Streets having been confirmed by the county court, will be rushed with all possible speed. The Board of Local Improvements will hold a meeting Friday afternoon at four forty-five for the purpose of getting these improvements under way. Property owners representing 5282 feet frontage on South Green Bay Rd. have petitioned the board to resurface the road from Central Ave. to the southern limits of the city with machine fixed asphaltic macadam, also to put in curbs. The city engineer has been instructed to make an estimate of the cost.

It would seem that how is the time for those living on North Green Bay Rd. to make the same move. This cost would be comparatively small at this time while the road is in fairly good condition. In a few years more a new road would be necessary, which would cost at least double the amount.

NINETY-NINE YEAR LEASE

1816 Was a Summerless Year. 1916 May Also be if History Repeats

According to the following, a clipping from a recent newspaper of an eastern town, it may be imagined that the weather man has a ninety-nine year lease on good weather and that it has just expired! "1816 was the 'summerless year,' and if history repeats itself every century, anticipations for next year may be dreadful." The article goes on to state that January was so mild that fires were allowed to go out and that February was also warm. March was warm and spring-like, while April was cold, and efforts to plant corn and other seeds were absolutely abandoned. In June, snow, ice and frost were so prevalent as roses and buttercups usually are, and overcoats and buffalo robes were in vogue. On the glorious Fourth of July, ice as thick as window glass formed throughout New England and Pennsylvania. Strangely enough September was warm and by the next year 1817 the elements had found their proper place and were once more back in their normal order.

REGULAR'S OPPONENTS FAIL TO APPEAR

Will Play "I Will" Council of North American Union, Sunday

By "Regular Fan"
The Pirates did not put in an appearance Sunday and hence the fans were disappointed, and did not have their Sunday afternoon enjoyment. It is to be regretted that this happened, but it was not through any fault of the local management, and they wish to thank the great number of fans who came to Central Park.

On Sunday June 20th the Regulars will play the "I Will" Council No. American Union, who are one of the fastest tree lance teams on the prairies, and extend an invitation to all local fans to attend and see the improvement in the team. The management is sparing no expense to make the Highland Park team the strongest in the county and to do so they must have the co-operation of the public. So Sunday let everyone come out and root for the Regulars.

FOR MUSIC LOVING PEOPLE

A Rare Treat is in Store For You at McAlpine Hotel Thursday Evening, June 24th

Mr. William Montague Joller who offers Mr. Feldes, the eminent American baritone, assisted by his talented pupil, at the Moraine Hotel, on the evening of June 24th, will give the music loving people of Highland Park a rare treat. Mr. Feldes who just returned from Italy where he studied for three years under the celebrated teacher Signor Lombardi is considered by New York Impresarios to be one of the finest singers in America and has been called the Scotti of America. Every resident of Highland Park who can possibly do so should attend as this recital will be one of the features of the season. Tickets on sale at hotel office and Schumacher's Drug Store.

EXTRA PAPERS PRINTED THIS WEEK

Historical Sketch of Highland Park in this Issue Creates Large Demand

On pages five and six of this issue of THE PRESS will be found an Historical Sketch of early Highland Park, which was compiled and read by Mrs. Sewall Truxton Monday afternoon at the Old Settlers Meeting of the D. A. R. at the Trinity Parish House. Owing the large advance demand for copies of THE PRESS containing this sketch we printed several hundred extras and will be able to supply all demands.

CITY OWNS PROPERTY VALUED AT \$257,500

POLICE COMMISSION MAKES REPORT

Rouse, Meyer and Grant Reappointed Police Officers. Charles L. Boyd Appointed Marshal. Arnswald and Lindstrom Firemen

By the Publicity Committee

The last council meeting at which the Mayor and four Commissioners were present and in their seats at five, went through its paces in the usual rapid and business like manner. In less than an hour all commissioners gave their reports, Corporation Counsel Holmes made a statement on the C. & M. E. situation and other important matters. Complaints and requests were read, invitations for at least two entertainments received and accepted by the Mayor and Commissioners, who, by the way, seem to enjoy the social side of their office as well as the business end. At least one of our Commissioners has already earned a vacation, though we have not heard that he is ready to take one. Commissioner of Finance Hitchcock had practically straightened out the city accounts, paid all bills up to June 1st, has money in hand for current expenses and has turned over all data connected therewith to the city clerk for edification of those who may wish to inspect the city's accounts.

The outside of the city hall with its flower beds and window boxes is so attractive and the council chamber so comfortable and appropriately furnished that we hope Commissioner Hitchcock will find enough surplus money in the treasury to give us some new window shades, three of these at least are so shabby that they spoil the general effect of the room.

We think we heard Mayor Hastings inquire as to the whereabouts of the leper, but Commissioner of Health Huber, who was busy at the time, evidently did not understand the question, or else we failed to catch the reply, and we trust the unfortunate leper is enjoying a little sunshine in his own fair Italy.

The bid of THE HIGHLAND PARK PRESS for the publication of all notices, ordinances, advertisements, reports, proceedings, etc., was accepted and THE PRESS made the official paper for the city.

Commissioner Willitts presented a report of the special committee appointed to appraise city property. A summary of same was as follows:

Real estate	\$114,426.00
Buildings	49,950.00
Intake pipes	37,000.00
Settling well	5,000.00
Stand pipe	5,000.00

Personal Property

City hall	691.00
Fire department	6,797.00
Police department	456.80
Street and alley department	840.50
Sewer and water department	728.20
Water works department	16,547.00
Public Library	20,064.00
Total	\$257,500.50

Commissioner Willitts moved that the inventory as made by the committee be accepted and the figures used as a basis for ledger accounts. Motion prevailed.

The police commission submitted report as follows:
To the Honorable Mayor and Commissioners,

Your police commission makes the following recommendations:
First. The acceptance of the resignation of Marshal Geo. Wing to take effect at 9 a. m. Monday, June 14.

Second. The appointment of Charles L. Boyd of 1020 N. Green Bay Rd. for the position of marshal to take effect at 9 a. m. Monday, June 14.

Third. The appointment of Officers Rouse, Meyer and Grant to be in force at once.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY H. DOTY,
J. P. SMITH,
J. A. PUTNAM,
Police Commission.

The report was accepted by the council and recommendations concurred in.

Commissioner Huber moved that Fred Lindstrom and Carl Arnswald be appointed to the position of day and night firemen at the fire station. Motion prevailed.

A. E. Smith, Justice of the Peace, reported that he had collected \$13.00 in fines and penalties during the month of May, which amount had been paid to the city collector.

An invitation for the council to attend a meeting of the Business Men's Association next Friday evening was accepted.

The boys' band was given permission by the council to give concerts on the streets.