

RAVINIA OPERA CLUB BEGINS ACTIVITIES

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being as a result of Mr. Eckstein's belief that a social need of today is provision for the education of the on-coming generation along artistic lines, to be varied with entertainment that will keep interest alive. These Thursday afternoon programs, consisting of good music and entertainment that will keep interest alive. These Thursday afternoon programs, consisting of good music and entertainment, have been highly popular ever since their inauguration.

The Chicago Symphony provides the musical part of the programs, Eric DeLamarter conducting. The Ravinia management bears the expense and the Ravinia Opera club has supervision over these events. Thus it is made possible to give free admission to the youngsters who attend in large numbers. About 3,000 little ones are present every Thursday, while the carnival, which marks the peak of the season, attracts at least 5,000 youngsters.

These concerts are not merely matters of the moment, heard today and forgotten tomorrow. The children always look forward to the final concert when the orchestra will play selections from among those given throughout the season. Then the little ones have opportunity to prove what they have learned, for they will be called upon to name the piece played and to tell who composed it.

Features of Concerts

Thus these children's concerts, which form another phase of Ravinia Opera serve a purpose of such importance it is almost inestimable. The concert part of the Thursday program over, the children give themselves up to entertainment. It may be a magician or a dog and pony circus or a singer of jolly songs with accordion accompaniment. Miss Ruth Page and members of the Ravinia Opera ballet have regaled these juvenile audiences with dances in which wonderful fairy tales were unfolded. It matters little what the entertainment may be, it is appreciated by the children and is the sugar plum which caps the climax of an afternoon otherwise given to seriousness.

Annual Carnival

The annual carnival is an event to which every child looks forward with interest. No two of these carnivals have ever been the same, but it is possible to point to one regarded as typical. It was a folk festival in which hundreds of children participated, and was so inspiring it intrigued the interest of several hundred adults. Brilliant costumes, interpretative dancing, quaint folk music, all combined to form an esthetic exhibition scarcely possible without the foundation having first been laid through the weekly concerts which serve to bring thousands of children of the Chicago metropolitan district to an appreciation of the better things of life and a sense of combining art with play.

Young Mayor Is Legionnaire

Versailles, O.—Raymond J. Marker, for three years commander of Post 435, the American Legion, is the youngest mayor ever elected for the city of Versailles.

Feed the Grass If You Expect Weedless Lawn; Soils Often Starved

Maintaining a beautiful lawn—one free from blemish of pesky weeds—can be a very simple matter, or it can involve a lot of back-breaking labor by removing the weeds one by one as they appear. The fact that weeds are always with us should be borne in mind, and that any method which concerns only their temporary removal is doomed to failure. No matter how carefully we keep the weeds plucked, they are going to continue to show up when conditions are favorable for their growth.

Another method which is used to remove them temporarily is to apply strong chemicals. When we do, however, we run the risk of injury to the grass. This method will kill the weeds that are growing, but a new crop will soon take their place and for these reasons it is not advisable to employ this method.

The most satisfactory of all methods and the only one which will assure a weedless lawn is to produce a mat of grass so thick that weeds cannot get a start in it, or if they do get started they will soon be choked out by the heavy growth of grass with its deep closely matted root system. Grass will not make a good growth unless it is grown on a soil which is rich in plantfood.

Most of our soils have been depleted of much of their fertility by plants grown year after year on them, and before grass will make a satisfactory growth, plantfood must be added to the soil. Best results are produced by using a complete scientifically balanced plantfood, applied at the rate of four pounds per 100 square feet at the time the grass is starting growth in the spring, and making additional light applications at intervals of six weeks to two months during the growing season. Such plantfoods are sold in convenient sizes by hardware stores, seed stores, and florists. You will not go wrong by choosing a brand made by a reliable manufacturer.

Character to Be First Essential of Students

The proposed Abraham Lincoln university to be built in Westchester county, New York, will be unique in the respect that students will be selected with character as the first essential, it was revealed following a dinner meeting of the Abraham Lincoln foundation. At the outset the student body will be made up of two students from each state and two from each foreign country. Dr. John Dewey of Columbia university will head the board of trustees, it was announced.

Woman Slightly Injured When Auto Skids off Road

Mrs. Lanagan, riding with Mrs. Roam of 102 Grand avenue, Deerfield, suffered a cut on the forehead, May 19, when the car skidded off the pavement on Green Bay road, about 50 feet south of Homewood avenue, in this city, and struck a telephone pole. The injured woman was taken to the hospital.

LEAGUE OF WOMAN VOTERS HEAR RADIO

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ica lived in comparative isolation. When one looks back on the tremendous strides taken by an infant nation during that period one may proudly speak of 'splendid isolation.'

"But today we are confronted with a new situation. America, in the words of a famous French author, has come of age. It is able, unafraid to take its place at the council tables of the world. Europe requires American co-operation, and the United States possessed of an ever expanding export trade, cannot continue to increase its prosperity without European Friendship and good will.

Europe Wondering

"At the present moment Europe is wondering which road America is to follow—that of isolation or co-operation. She has done everything possible to facilitate co-operation. The United States in applying for membership in the world court has objected to certain provisions in the constitution of the court. The nations of the world have accepted the American objections in a special protocol, and agreed to allow us to join virtually on our own terms. The United States Senate this fall will be asked to approve the protocol by which this nation becomes a member of the Permanent Court of International Justice. Its approval will definitely start this nation along the road of world co-operation. Its rejection will mean that this nation is once again following the eighteenth and nineteenth century paths of isolation—an isolation which will certainly be regarded by all other nations, and by those in this country who have the best interests of the country at heart, as not splendid but sinister."

Airport Boosted in Iowa

Oskaloosa, Ia.—Harry L. Henderson Post, the American Legion, is backing a movement for an airport here.

Legion to Save Tree

Columbus, O.—The county council of the American Legion has taken steps to preserve a historic giant elm tree that is showing signs of decay.

One of the monotonous things about marriage is that there is no time off for good behavior.—Hartford Courant.

Boy Bitten by Dog; Animal Under Guard

Jesse J. Johnson, Jr., whose home is on McDaniel's avenue, was bitten by a dog last Friday and was attended by Dr. Jacks. The injury was not regarded as serious, and the dog was ordered under observation and taken to the Butterworth kennels for that purpose.



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