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CIRCUIT THEATRE'S SECOND OFFERING

"The Racket to Be Given in H. P. Jan. 23 and in Lake Forest Jan. 24th

"The Racket," a gangland play, is the next offering of the North Shore Circuit theatre, to be presented in Highland Park, at the Woman's club auditorium, Friday, Jan. 23, and in Lake Forest, in Durand institute, Saturday, Jan. 24. In Highland Park tickets may be obtained at the Pease drug store, and in Lake Forest at the Krafft drug store.

J. Bradley Griffin of Chicago is director of the production. He is director of a prosperous little theatre known as the Uptown Players of Chicago, and he is well able to direct this unusual play for the Circuit theatre.

Gertrude E. Williams of Highland Park is assistant to the director. Samuel S. Otis of Winnetka is president of the Circuit theatre, John Allen Stewart of Evanston is manager. Mrs. Wilford C. Shipness is chairman in Highland Park. Mrs. Harold Ambler is chairman in Lake Forest.

Cast Is Large

The cast of "The Racket" is large, and unique in that it is made up of 19 men and but one woman. Miss Joi Sim is cast in the role of Irene Hayes, a night-club singer who is engaged to marry Joe, the younger brother of gangster Nick Scarsi. Her part is difficult, but Miss Sim brings to it a wide experience both in amateur and professional theatre, and her interpretation of Irene Hayes will be a high point of the play.

E. Grant Phillips of Evanston plays the role of Captain McPq-etao, plays the leading role of Captain McQuigg of the Police. In the role of Nick Scarsi is J. Lincoln Gibson, leading man of the Circuit Theatre company and a well known figure on the north shore amateur stage. James Witherell plays the part of Joe Scarsi, and John Graham the part of Assistant States Attorney Welch. In the newspaper reporters' roles are three who have played with the Circuit theatre before—Fred W. Bray represents the Herald Examiner, Charles J. Eastman the Tribune, and Stanford M. Sherman the United Press. The north shore has literally been combed for men to complete the cast, giving absolute proof to the Circuit theatre statement that it endeavors to use as many as is possible of the north shore people who want to act in plays.

"The Racket" is a widely discussed play. Theatre circles and critics speak very highly of it, and political and police circles have thought enough of it to frown on its production. Though it is not a lovely play in any sense of the word, it is a very interesting one. It is exciting from curtain-up to curtain-down, and is remarkable for the clarity with which it pictures conditions as they actually exist today. The Circuit theatre play-reading committee have selected this play because of its quality from the standpoint of theatrical effectiveness: they are confident that it will be popular with north shore audiences.

George Frederick Childs Funeral Held on Monday; Death Occurred Jan. 10th

On Saturday, January 10, 1931, George Frederick Childs, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Childs, passed away at his home, 850 North Sheridan road.

George was born in Highland Park twenty-one years ago on July 3, 1909, at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick M. Steele, who were residents of Highland Park at that time. He was a student at the Elm Place grammar school, then attended St. John's Military Academy at Delafield, Wisconsin, later going to the Valley Ranch School, near Cody, Wyoming. Three years ago when he expected to return, it was found that his health was not good, the trouble developing then, which finally cost him his life. Besides his mother and father, two brothers survive him, Robert Livingston and William Coffeen Childs.

The services were held at the home Monday, January 12, at two o'clock, the Rev. Christoph Keller of Trinity Church officiating, of which church George was a member.

D. A. R. Better Films Committee Review

There is so much of good to report for the coming week in our local theatre, that it is going to be difficult to place proper emphasis on the treats in store for old and young, and for those of varying discriminations and tastes.

As we are primarily interested in suggestions and recommendations for good children's entertainment, let's talk about next Saturday's offering. "The Santa Fe Trail" is a good outdoor picture with excitement and humor and a very good family picture and with its as an extra treat is a most excellent educational antarctic picture, a trip to the Polar region with shots of elephant seals, penguins, and the harpooning of a whale. An outstanding picture is "At the Bottom of the World." At the matinee only "The Indians Are Coming." Such riches for the children this week!

And for next week we rejoice to note "The Big Trail" will show for two nights, as school nights do not usually mean movies for the entire family. This is one of the most significant productions of the times. Attribute to the indomitable courage of American pioneers with magnificent photograph. Recommended heartily for all.

Then there are two splendid adult pictures. "Derelict" with Geo. Bancroft, a stirring drama of the sea, based on the rivalry between two mates. Dramatic power and realism without the sickening brutality and offensive profanity often prevalent in some recent pictures. Too mature for children. "Old English" George Arliss gives a remarkably fine screen interpretation of this stage success. Fine cast, splendid direction.

Wellesley Circle Meets

The next meeting of the North Shore Wellesley circle will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 20, at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Hubert E. Howard, 643 Walden road, Winnetka. Motion pictures of Wellesley will be shown.

TENTH DIST. CLUBS MEET JANUARY 21ST

Women's Group of District to Hold Session at Wilmette; Program

The Federation of Women's clubs of the Tenth Congressional District of Illinois will meet with the Woman's club of Wilmette, Tenth street and Greenleaf avenue, Wilmette, on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 1931.

Take North Shore line to Tenth street and Greenleaf avenue. By elevated, take Evanston Express to Linden avenue, walk one block north to Greenleaf and six blocks west to the club house. By motor take Sheridan road to Central street, Wilmette, then eight blocks west to Tenth street and one block south to the club house.

Morning Session
Board Meeting 9:30
District Meeting 10:00
"Illinois," led by Mrs. William J. Pigott
Salute to the Flag
Greetings Mrs. Harvey A. Bush
President Woman's Club of Wilmette
Response Mrs. S. W. Gibson
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President of the Tenth District
Reports of Officers
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Announcements
Fifty Word Outlines
"What my club experience has taught me."
Chairmen of Departments of the Tenth District

Roll Call
Adjournment
Conference for Department Chairmen with their Committees 12 to 12:30
Luncheon 12:30
Special note:—Reservations accompanied by check or money order must be in the hands of Mrs. John Campbell, 815 Lake street, Wilmette, Phone Wilmette 1652, not later than Saturday, January 17.

Radio Broadcasts
Jan. 22—Literature, Mrs. Whitaker, 4-4:15 WMAQ.
Feb. 5—Indian welfare, Mrs. Oele-rich, 4-5:15 WMAQ.
Feb. 26—Speaker's Bureau, Mrs. R. Ford, 4-4:15 WMAQ.

Local Schools Observe National Thrift Week

National Thrift Week which begins on Benjamin Franklin's birthday, Jan. 17, and continues through to Jan. 23 is a big week for school children who are learning all about wise spending and careful saving in their thrift education classes.

Practically every school in the Chicago region is planning a program of some sort, with plays given by the children and appropriate speeches by their elders.

Bank day during Thrift Week will be quite an event, too, for teachers will tell stories about Benjamin Franklin in the regular period set aside each week for banking and thrift work. How Benjamin landed in Philadelphia at the age of 17 with only a few pennies in his pocket, and how through thrift and industry he accumulated a fortune—retiring in his early forties—the first "self-made" man in America to give up active business at so early an age.

Compared with cities of similar size all over the country, local schools have a high average participation in school banking, according to a statement supplied by Thrift, Inc., sponsors of the local school savings bank system. Approximately 90 per cent of all children in local schools have accounts in the school bank. Their balance on deposit is \$19,833.