

J. P. Craig has Grove farm to Mrs. ...  
 ...entertained Circle ...  
 ...society on Fri- ...  
 ...on Deerfield avenue ...  
 ...W. L. Rogers and ...  
 ...who have been living ...  
 ...Savage's apartment ...  
 ...for the summer ...  
 ...this week to their ...

...received by friends ...  
 ...of Harvey, Ill. ...  
 ...Falls and various ...  
 ...Mr. and Mrs. Nor- ...  
 ...and Mrs. Max Euler ...  
 ...ocker) in Kitchener.

...ives on Sunday to at- ...  
 ...go Junior school, lo- ...  
 ...south of Elgin. Jack ...  
 ...summer camp of the ...  
 ...e has been visiting ...  
 ...the past two weeks ...  
 ...parents, the F. C. Bie- ...  
 ...erfield and the Gibbs ...  
 ...at the summer home ...  
 ...arl Gibbs in Munde

...Scully and Mrs. Wal- ...  
 ...three children spent ...  
 ...their sister, Mrs. Fred ...  
 ...hurst.

...Krause has returned ...  
 ...the Schaumberg home

## WITHERSPOON WRITES OF OPERA IN MUNICH

**Tells of Performances There; Meets Charles Hackett; Finds New Tenor**

Munich, July 31, 1931

"Dear Mr. Clayton:  
 "I arrived in Munich yesterday morning, where I found Maestro Egon Pollak and our agents, Mr. Erich Simon and Mr. Andre Mertens. I found conditions in the musical management much changed in Germany. The government decided last week not to permit any more private agencies for the engagement of artists. Therefore, these two gentlemen are appointed by the government as the two chief officials for the department which will care for the



engagement of artists.  
 "The same change is imminent in Italy and no one knows just what the future conditions will be. I hope it may result in better singing.  
 "Munich is the same lovely city as of old. Last night I heard a performance of "The Marriage of Figaro" conducted by our own Maestro Egon Pollak, and it was one of the best performances of this work musically that I have ever heard. Even as old a veteran as Richard Aldrich of the New York Times came up to me with the utmost enthusiasm to find out who was this conductor, who gave such a musical reading of this lovely work. We can indeed be proud that we have such a splendid conductor in our Civic Opera.

"I also found Charles Hackett and his charming wife here in Munich and have just finished a delightful visit with them at lunch. They both look well. Mr. Hackett is here for two months to study on his repertoire. In the performance last night we heard our favorite baritone, Herr Nissen, as the Count, and his performance was perfect. After the opera we had a real *gemuetliche Abend* with many artists and conductors and much discussion of interesting artistic matters.  
 "I heard this morning a beautiful tenor voice which I hope to bring to America in the near future, because I think we can make a great artist of this man. I will not tell you his name, because some day I want to bring a little surprise; he would make a splendid Walter von Stolzing, a fine Siegfried, a splendid Lohengrin. Tonight I shall hear a performance of "Die Meistersinger," and tomor-

row morning Maestro Pollak and I go to Bayreuth to hear "Tannhaeuser" and "Parsifal" conducted by Arturo Toscanini, with whom I sang so many times at the Metropolitan in years gone by.  
 "Monday we shall be in Salzburg to hear "Don Giovanni," and Tuesday we shall leave for Vienna, where I shall have auditions with many singers. We will return to Salzburg on August 8 to hear "The Magic Flute." If I find, as I hope, a fine coloratura soprano in Berlin, I shall be able to give you a promise of some performances of "The Mage Flute" next season. Curiously enough, this opera has not been performed by the Chicago company since its inception.  
 "This morning I heard Robert Steel, the American baritone, who is now engaged at Wiesbaden. He has improved very much.  
 "I am beginning to feel happy about the coming season and I feel sure we are going to give the Chicago public many interesting features.

"Sincerely yours,  
 "Herbert Witherspoon."

## "Cusses" Hoover and U. S.; Man Is Jailed and May Be Deported

John Ozimkilwicz of Chicago, who was sent to the Lake county jail last week on charges of disorderly conduct, may become a man without a country.

Like Phillip Nolan, sentenced to spend the remainder of his life at sea, forbidden to land and prevented from even hearing the name of his native land, Ozimkilwicz cursed state policemen who jailed him near Libertyville for reckless driving, swore at Justice C. C. Hoskins and courtroom attendants, railed at the United States government and cursed the name of President Herbert Hoover.

"I'd rather die than live in such a damned place," he shrieked as he was taken to the county jail. "Find me a rope and I'll hang myself!"

Authorities, puzzled at his strange actions, are investigating the case. It was reported that he might be deported, although officials were unable to learn his native land.

## Railroad Squatter May Keep Home He Built

Stanley O'Carroll, who built a home on the right of way of the defunct Palatine, Lake Zurich and Wauconda railway, only to have the land sold out from under him to the Cook County Forest preserve, still has an outsider's chance to remain on the land, it was admitted last week by Attorney Paul MacGuffin, of Libertyville, counsel for the receiver, Myron H. Detrich, of Wauconda.

O'Carroll, it is understood, has had charge of one of the camps in the forest preserve and his work, which has been donated, has been greatly appreciated by members of the Cook county board. On the other hand there are members of the board, it is said, who are displeased because one of the camps is being closed in the preserve and they are opposed to O'Carroll remaining.

The lease of the squatter has expired.



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