

## CHRISTMAS SEASON AT CITY CHURCHES

### Special Services Being Held for Highland Park Congregations

Highland Park's churches are observing the Christmas season with dozens of special services, some of which began early this week, and many of which will occupy much of next Sunday, Christmas day. The congregations and all classes of the Sunday schools of the local churches are participating in these Christmas programs, which are listed in detail in other articles in this week's issue of The Highland Park Press.

The Bethany Evangelical church is a place of many activities this week, in preparation for its Christmas celebration. The church program began with a young people's party on Monday evening, and will extend through the 4:30 vesper Sunday afternoon, when the combined choirs of the Bethany Evangelical church and the Bethlehem Evangelical church, of Deerfield, will present the Christmas cantata, "Tidings of Great Joy."

The Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran church will celebrate Christmas at three services, one on Christmas eve and two on Christmas day. The service Saturday evening will be the annual children's service, beginning at 7:30. On Sunday, there will be an early morning service at 6:30, and a main service at 10:30.

Trinity Episcopal church will have its midnight choral communion service on Christmas eve, beginning at 11 o'clock, and there will be two celebrations of the Holy Communion on Christmas morning, the first at 7:30 and the second at 10:30.

A special service of Christmas music is planned for Sunday morning at the Highland Park Presbyterian church, under the direction of Horace Whitehouse. Dr. L. W. Sherwin will deliver a short Christmas sermon.

### Marriage Licenses Issued

Harold Shelton, 22, Kahoka, Mo.; Frances Thomas, 18, Highland Park; Frederick Boynton, 22, Highland Park; Margaret LaShelle, 22, Highland Park. Issued at Lake county court house, Waukegan.

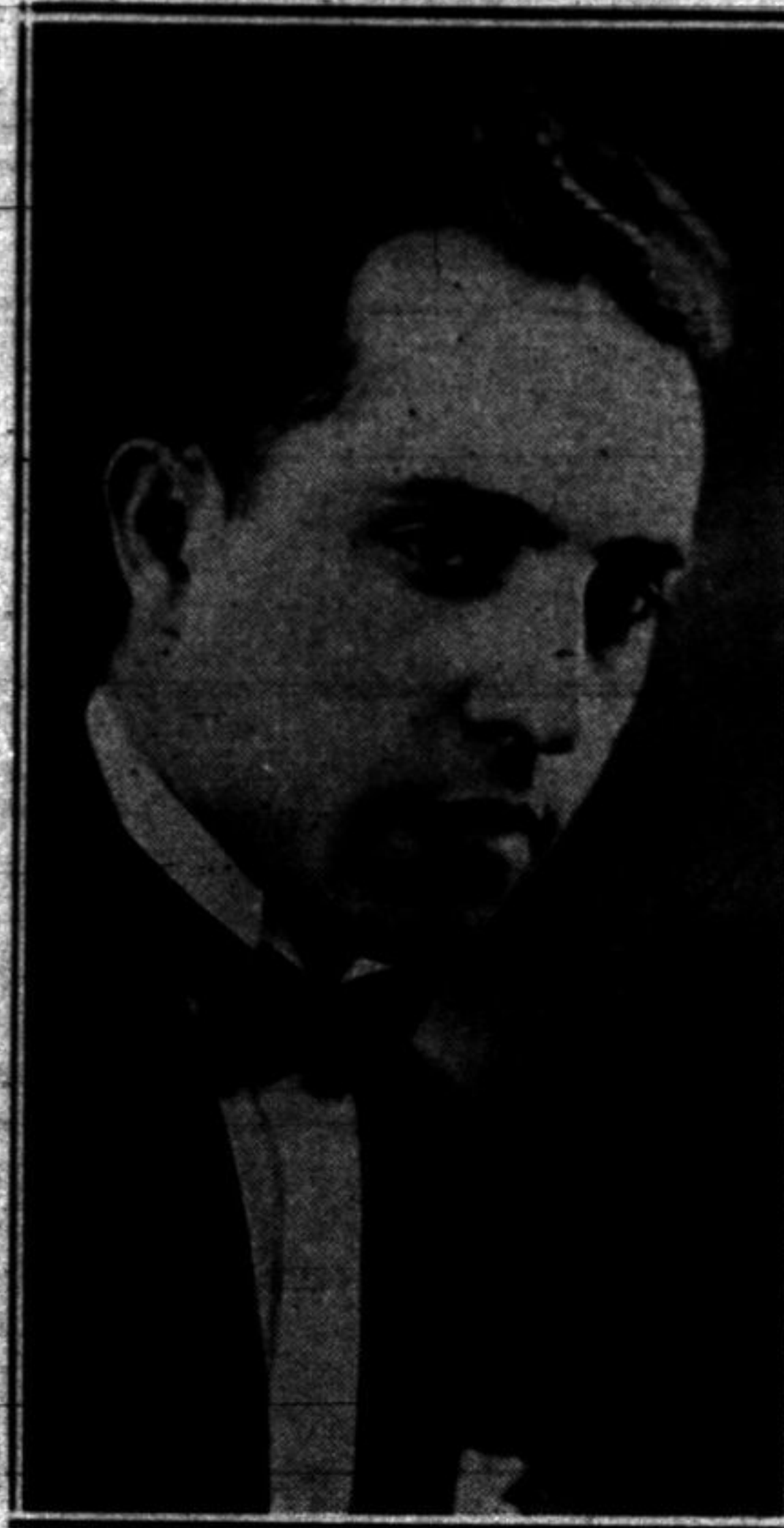
### Return Performance

"At Madame Delgay's," the sparkling comic-opera given in Ravinia ten days ago, will possibly be secured for a return performance in the Deerfield-Shields high school auditorium on Friday evening, Jan. 20. The show was written by two Highland Park residents, the music by Jerome Ruger, the book by Henry Hammer.

The opera is characterized by its originality, its rollicking humor, and colorful settings. There are thirty members in the cast and ten members in the orchestra, all residents of Highland Park but one who is a resident of Evanston.

The proceeds of the performance will be used for the Deerfield-Shields student relief fund.

## LUIGI RUFFINO



Luigi Ruffino, a young Italian tenor, who has been visiting his native land for the past year, is returning to Highland Park where he has been a resident for some time, and may be heard here in a concert soon.

Mr. Ruffino has a beautiful voice and agreeable concert personality. He received his musical education in this country, under Maestro Recconi, of New York.

This week he will sing "La Traviata" and "La Boheme" at the Teatro Massimo of Palermo, and then he will sail for this country.

### Highwood Indians' New Year Dance at Fort Sheridan Gym

Due to the closing of the Oak Terrace school in Highwood, the scene of the Highwood Indians' third annual New Year's dance shifts to the Fort Sheridan gymnasium. This change is necessary because the heating plant at the school is not in operation.

Nello Mordini, chairman of the Indians' dance committee, expects to decorate the gymnasium in keeping with the holiday spirit. The dance will feature many celebrities, and there will be prizes and favors given by I. H. Nemeroff, of Highland Park.

Music and other forms of entertainment will be furnished by "Mel" Morchardt's Syncopators, direct from the Knickerbocker hotel.

### Mrs. Harvey S. Pardee Passes On Sunday

Mrs. Harvey S. Pardee of Cary avenue, passed away Sunday at her home following a prolonged illness. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock with burial near Edenton, N. C. Besides her husband she leaves two daughters to survive her.

### Local Legion Officials Rescue Polo Ponies In Fire At Insull's Farm

Six Highland Park and Deerfield American Legion officials were the discoverers of a fire in a huge stable on Samuel Insull's famous Hawthorne farms, on the outskirts of Libertyville, in which 20 valuable polo ponies were burned to death late Friday night. The Legion officials were returning from a Legion meeting at Antioch when they saw the flames from their cars on Milwaukee road.

The local men rescued four colts from an adjoining stable after it had caught fire from the large building, and a nearby farmer rescued two others from the main building, but in spite of their frenzied work, 20 other animals perished.

Tightly fastened and locked box stalls hampered the work of the rescuers, and the building in which the 20 ponies perished was destroyed, despite all efforts of the Legion officials and farmers to save it before firemen arrived.

The big estate is now operated by the Northern Trust company. The ponies were being cared for by those in charge of the estate for independent owners.

Legion officials who took part in saving the animals were Charles Kapschull, of Deerfield, vice-commander of the Illinois department; Dan Hunt, Deerfield, vice-commander of Lake county; William Cruickshank, commander, and Carl Stadler, a member of the Deerfield post; and Philip E. Cole, commander, and Miller Schriener, adjutant, of the Highland Park post.

### Volleyball Class to Meet at Elks Club

Starting tonight, Thursday, Dec. 22, at 8 o'clock, the Business and Professional Mens Volleyball class will hold sessions at the new Community Center now being sponsored by Community Service, Inc. The center is located on the southeast corner of Laurel and McGovern streets, the Elks building.

This class formerly met in the gym of Elm Place school. Classes for mens volleyball will be held every Thursday evening at 8 p.m.

Do you like to play volley ball? Do you get enough exercise. What form of winter exercise is replacing your summer game of golf or tennis? Why not get a pair of gym shoes and come down to the Community Center tonight and every Thursday night for a lot of good fun and exercise!

Thursday evening at 8 p.m. As an after thought—bring along a friend—is the invitation of Community Service.

### Christmas Party, Friday

The annual Christmas party of the Mothers' Club of the YWCA will be held Friday, Dec. 23, at 2:30 o'clock at the YWCA. Santa Claus will be there with candy and a gift for all children of ten years or under.

## "THE SWAN" TO BE GIVEN IN JANUARY

### Woman's Club Play Held Off Because of Scarlet Fever

"The Unexpected Always Happens."

So "The Mimes," the drama class of the Highland Park Woman's club, are thinking these days. Who could have imagined that Francis Ronan's slight cold on Friday evening could have meant a case of scarlet fever?

So it proved, however, and only two hours before the curtain was scheduled to rise on the matinee performance of "The Swan" on Saturday, Dr. D. E. Rossiter was obliged to place the entire cast in "moral quarantine" for one week.

However, it takes more than a mere quarantine to subdue the spirit and determination of "The Mimes," and they are already planning to give the play in January, probably early in the month. Further announcement will be made when a date can be definitely fixed.

### Musical Comedy To Be Given For Relief Fund at High School

Mrs. W. E. Rutledge of Hazel avenue is chairman of the committee for the Deerfield-Shields high school P.T.A., which is arranging a list of patrons and patronesses for the musical comedy *At Madame Delgay's*, which is to be given at the high school auditorium in January.

Even at this early date, there has been a cordial response from the social and civic leaders in the community who have been asked to sponsor this musical show, proceeds of which are to go to the student relief fund at the high school.

Assisting Mrs. Rutledge on her committee are Mrs. Frank Mercer, Mrs. Hiram Kennicott, Mrs. Warren Danley and Mrs. George Gaidzik.

### NOT TOO LATE! THERE IS STILL TIME!

Attention, fathers and mothers, uncles and aunts, friends and well-wishes of Highland Park children! You can still procure a season ticket to the Children's plays in time for a Christmas gift! And this ticket means three Saturday afternoons both of superior entertainment and of good fun for the children.

These plays are sponsored by the Literature committee of the Highland Park Woman's club, and are to consist of "Tom Sawyer," Jan. 7; "Hans Brinker," Feb. 25;—both to be produced by the Children's theatre of Evanston. The third play of the series is to be given by the local grammar schools in March, and the title is to be announced later.

Three afternoons of fun for the nominal price of 75 cents! Order your tickets now! Mrs. J. Stuart Mouat (H. P. 2713) will be glad to see that tickets wanted for Christmas gifts will be delivered in time. Don't delay!

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