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Administration By ROBERT C. L. PRICE Comments

This week's meeting of the council was attended by all the councilmen and was one of the longest since the present administration took office. The major portion of the time was spent on discussion of the city water.

Commissioner Sharp requested the co-operation of the local newspapers by publishing news concerning delinquent water bills. He stated that there are many delinquent accounts on the books, some running for several years. The new bills will come out August 1st and if the old bills are not paid, many people will find that their water supply will be turned off, providing immediate payment is not made. He further stated that from a financial standpoint it is absolutely necessary for the City to take drastic action to enforce the collection of these accounts.

Commissioner Gourley brought up the question of the foul odor and taste of our water. He stated that he has gone into the matter quite fully with Mr. Prindle and that the conclusion reached was that the plant needed a new carbon machine to mix carbon with the water to eliminate the disagreeable condition. Mr. Prindle was called upon to address the council on the subject. He stated that while the present condition of the water was harmless from the health standpoint, it was very disagreeable and that people would use other water, which was not healthy, in preference. He further stated that other towns using the lake water were having trouble with the bad tasting water, which was caused by the superabundance of vegetable growth; that this condition could be eliminated by powdered carbon being properly mixed with the water; that at the time our plant was constructed that the use of powdered carbon was in an experimental stage; that in 1932 a machine was purchased but that it is inadequate for our present water needs; that he had investigated a number of plants, including the one at Milwaukee, and felt that the International Filter Machine was the best one for Highland Park. The cost of this machine is \$733. He also explained the various types of machines and why he thought the International was the best for our purpose. Upon being questioned further by the council, Mr. Prindle stated that he considered the purchase as an emergency need and should be attended to as soon as possible. The council, upon motion, approved the purchase of the machine—subject to the finding of the Corporation Counsel as to the City's right to purchase the machine as an emergency measure.

Mr. Swanson announced that ten men were used by the street department last week for the purpose of cleanup week. He also requested that an ordinance be drawn or something be done to prevent residents from improperly cutting the curbing for driveways. He stated that a great deal of curbing had been spoiled by people just chopping it away to suit their individual needs. The matter was tabled for further investigation. Mr. Swanson also felt that some age limit should be set for employees of the street department. He stated that there were a number of men, who because of their advanced age were not physically able to perform the heavy duties required in the street department and that he did not feel like grading them poorly as they were doing their best. The council decided to give this age question further consideration.

Commissioner Bowes recommended that a complete inventory of the city properties and supplies be made. He further stated that there was no complete record available showing these properties and suggested that the various departments take inventory of their department.

Mr. Sharp stated that plans are being made concerning the new garbage plant and arranged an inspection tour of various well planned garbage plants for the members of the council for Friday of this week.

The contract with the State of Illinois for the maintenance of Sheridan road was approved by the council.

After a lengthy discussion the council decided to divide the city advertising business between *The Press* and *The News*—this being the fair method as the bids of the two papers were the same at ten cents a line. The plan calls for making one paper the official paper for the 1st and 3rd year and the other for the 2nd and 4th year. This plan was satisfactory to the owners of the papers. However, such arrangement is subject to the clearing of all legal aspects.

Golschmann Again This Week at Ravinia Festival

Vladimir Golschmann, conductor of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, continues on the podium this week at Ravinia, directing the Chicago Symphony in the music festival which is held at 8:30 on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings and at 4 p.m. on Sundays.

This will be Golschmann's second week at the north shore park. He will be followed by Artur Rodzinski, conductor of the Cleveland Orchestra, who will direct during the concluding two weeks of the festival.

Programs for the fourth week of the Ravinia Music Festival with Golschmann conducting and for the fifth week with Rodzinski conducting, follow:

Fourth Week Program RAVINIA FESTIVAL

VLADIMIR GOLSCHMANN Guest Conductor

Chicago Symphony Orchestra

Thursday, July 20, at 8:30

1. Excerpts from Suite "Dardanus" Rameau

a) Rondeau b) Entrée

Revised by Vincent d'Indy

(First performance in Chicago)

2. Symphony No. 2, D major, Op. 43 Sibelius

Intermission

3. Five Bagatelles for strings Van Vactor

(First performance by Chicago Symphony Orchestra)

4. Excerpts from "L'Oiseau de Feu" Stravinsky

Infernal Dance of the Katchee

Berceuse—Finale

Friday, July 21, at 8:30

1. Choral Prelude—"Vater Unser in Himmelsreich" Schmitt

Orchestrated by Leonidas Leonardi

(First performance in Chicago)

2. Symphony, D minor, Op. 40 Franck

Intermission

3. Adagio for strings Tansman

(First performance in Chicago)

4. Prelude and "Isolda's Love-Death" from "Tristan and Isolda" Wagner

5. Prelude to "Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg" Wagner

Saturday, July 22, at 8:30

1. A Short Serenade (Eine Kleine Nachtmusik) Mozart

"La Mer" Debussy

Intermission

2. Tone Poem—"Death and Transfiguration," Op. 24 Strauss

3. "The Last Spring," Op. 24 Grieg

4. Prelude to "Khoranachina" Mussorgsky

5. Wedding March from "Le Cog" Rimsky-Korsakow

Sunday, July 23, at 4:00

1. Overture to "Rosamunde" Schubert

2. Symphony No. 5, C minor, Op. 67 Beethoven

Intermission

3. Overture-Fantasia—"Roméo and Juliet" Tchaikowsky

4. Orchestral Fragments (Second Series) from "Daphnis et Chloe" Ravel

NIGHT BLOOMING CEREUS



Photo by Heeketsweller

The plant illustrated, is commonly called the Night Blooming Cereus. A desert plant belonging to the Cacti family—genus Selenicereus. One of the largest flowering plants of the Cactus family. Natural habitat—South America. This particular plant has been in the possession of Mrs. Wm. Egan for over 20 years and about 4 years ago, began to throw out large exquisite white blooms in mid-summer, and every year since.

It thrives best on an open porch, roof covered. The blooms develop from ribs of the large fleshy leaves, pendant from rich rose colored stems. The flowers open only after night fall, in the dark, and close before dawn never to reopen. They emit a noticeable sweet perfume and are about six inches across when fully open. The pistils and stamens in their hearts are unusual and interesting. No photo can do justice to the loveliness of these blossoms.

Board Picnic of Arden Shore to Be Friday, July 21

Monday's watery skies necessitated the postponement of the Arden Shore camp annual board picnic scheduled to be held that day, and now slated for Friday, July 21. Luncheon out-of-doors under the trees will be followed by a program to be presented by the campers.

North shore vegetable gardeners are earnestly entreated to remember Arden Shore when they have a surplus of vegetables. Even a small contribution of vegetables will provide the babies with necessary healthful food elements and will be appreciatively received at camp. Basking suits of all sizes are in demand, too, and any donations will be welcome.

North Shore women active in Arden Shore work include Mrs. Thomas Connors, Lake Forest chairman; Mrs. John Walbridge, Lake Bluff chairman; Mrs. S. H. Bingham, Highland Park chairman; Mrs. Charles Bates, Ravinia chairman; Mrs. Robert J. Watt, Glencoe chairman; Mrs. Thaddeus R. Lenson, Winnetka chairman; Mrs. L. T. Ellis, Kenilworth chairman; Mrs. E. R. Freeman, Wilmette chairman; and Mrs. G. H. Chamberlain, Evanston chairman.

Victory Work Shop to Sponsor Benefit Dance

Under the light of the stars, in the beautiful outdoor gardens of the Villa Moderne, there will be a gala dinner dance on Friday evening, July 21. The Victory Workshop is sponsoring the dance for the benefit of the deaf and hard of hearing.

Dinner will be served from 7:30 p.m. on. During the evening, there will be several floor shows. Many attractive door prizes are offered, including liquor, perfume and a midjet radio.

The Victory Workshop is the only organization in Chicago where deaf and hard of hearing young people who have finished their regular school work can earn money while learning a trade. The money raised at this party will be used to pay for instructors, milk, car fare, and other expenses which the school incurs during the year.

Highland Park Leads in County Building

Highland Park continued to stand at the head of Lake county building activities with \$113,965 in permit values issued last month. Lake Forest was second with \$92,932, while Waukegan was next with \$53,441.

Stimulant for the Highland Park total was again apparent in the home building activities, which have aggregated \$457,389 for the first six months of the current year, compared with \$387,981 for the corresponding period of 1938.

Lake Forest likewise found in home building its biggest boost in totals with a reported \$326,713 for the first six months compared with \$31,987 for the first half of last year.

Comparable home building figures for Waukegan gave the city \$92,515 for the first half of the year, which compares well with the corresponding period of 1938 when \$55,440 was scheduled.

In all construction work, Libertyville was in the fourth position last month with \$23,970, followed by Barrington with \$19,950; Lake Bluff, \$7,250; North Chicago, \$5,170.

The figures were compiled by the Bell Savings, Building and Loan association from its monthly survey of new building in the Chicago area.

C. of C. Tournament at Bon Air August 2

The annual golf tournament and out for members of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce and their guests is to be held Wednesday, August 2nd at the Bon-Air Country club, one mile north of Wheeling on Milwaukee avenue.

This ultra theatre country club is acknowledged to be one of the best in the country and its beautiful club house, locker room, swimming pool and inviting bars, will be a lure to all.

The evening program will be held in the main dining room where a chicken dinner will be served, and, of course, there will be a complete floor show and music by a nationally known orchestra.

Golfers can play either all day or only in the afternoon, with dinner planned for 7:30. The cost is nominal. There will be prizes for both golfers and non-golfers at no added expense.

Men's Garden Club Meets Tuesday, Aug. 1

The next regular meeting of the Men's Garden Club of Highland Park will be held Tuesday night, August 1st in the lounge of the Highland Park Women's club at 8:15 p.m. The speaker of the evening is to be Mr. David MacMillan, who comes with many years of experience as a teacher. He has also been associated with the U. S. Department of Agriculture and has a vast store of knowledge. His subject: "Lawns, Their Construction and Maintenance."

This subject was chosen in view of the fact that some 20 per cent of their membership indicated that the lawn is one of their chief problems. Prepare your questions in advance as open discussion will be held.

Put the date on your calendar now and don't miss this interesting meeting.

Schreiner Heads Legion District

Millar Schreiner of Highland Park is the new commander of the Tenth district of the American Legion. He was chosen at a meeting of the organization Friday night in Fox Lake. William Seymour of North Chicago is the retiring commander.

Elected to serve with Schreiner are Douglas Getchell, Graylake, senior vice commander, and Charles Prizer, Lake Bluff, junior vice commander.

Rev. B. B. Schlung to Occupy Bethany Pulpit

Rev. B. B. Schlung, a Methodist minister of Chicago, will occupy the pulpit at the Bethany Evangelical church on Sunday morning at 11 a. m. Rev. Schlung has many friends and relatives in Highland Park. He is well known in the circles of Bethany church. The pastor, Rev. Siemsen, is on his vacation at present. Guest speakers will occupy the pulpit each Sunday during his absence. Special music and good congregational singing will be a part of each service.

Gala Performance At Ravinia Park Friday, July 28th

An evening of Wagner and Strauss, with four internationally famous opera stars and Artur Rodzinski conducting the Chicago Symphony Orchestra will provide the gala performance at the Ravinia Music Festival on Friday, July 28.

Ticket sale for the gala has just opened and because of the great interest in the event, it is advisable to obtain seats now.

The first half of the gala program will be devoted to excerpts from Richard Wagner's great works—"Lohengrin," "Tannhauser" and "Die Meistersinger." The second half presents excerpts from Richard Strauss' "Der Rosenkavalier", including the brilliant trio in Act 3.

All the artists are pre-eminent in the operatic world—Grete Stueckgold, Eyvind Laholm, Susanne Fisher and Suzanne Sten.

Prima donna of the Metropolitan Opera and often acclaimed in her appearances with the Chicago City Opera, Grete Stueckgold has sung under the batons of the greatest conductors in America and in Europe.

Eyvind Laholm, who was born Edwin Johnson in Eau Claire, Wis., is a tenor whose opera debut in Chicago two seasons ago was outstanding. He has sung in all the music capitals of Europe and is established as a leading interpreter of Wagnerian roles. Last year he sang in an all-Wagner program with Kirsten Flagstad in a presentation of the New York Philharmonic-Symphony which was one of the great musical events of the New York season.

Suzanne Fisher, soprano of the Metropolitan Opera, is famous for her lyric roles. A favorite with the Opera Comique in Paris, she was particularly praised for her brilliant work as leading soprano in "Rosenkavalier."

A newcomer to American music, the youthful mezzo-soprano Suzanne Sten has scored many triumphs in Europe. Her debut was made with the Saarbruecken Opera, which was followed by a number of appearances with the company as well as with the opera companies in Breslau and Prague.

Cello Found in Ditch; Returned to Owner

George Sopkin, a cellist with the Chicago Symphony orchestra, was in his customary place in the pit at the Ravinia Festival Sunday, a smile on his face.

With him once again was his \$2,500 instrument, which had been stolen from his car early Saturday while he was visiting friends at 381 Comstock place, Highland Park.

Sunday morning Jeff Hill, a farmer residing near Leland, Ill.—near Aurora—saw a big black leather case lying in a ditch along a highway bordering his property.

In it was a handsome cello. A few minutes previous Hill had read in a newspaper about the missing instrument. He telephoned Sopkin, who motored to Leland, paid the farmer a reward, and returned to Ravinia in time for the concert.

Sopkin, who resides at 7601 Kingston avenue, Chicago, said the cello was made in 1730 in Italy.

Rev. Lowell Ditzen to Preach Sunday at Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Lowell R. Ditzen, who occupied the pulpit of the Highland Park Presbyterian church last Sunday, will conduct the service again this coming Sunday, July 2, and preach the sermon. His theme will be "Where Do You Live?"

Mr. James Hutton, tenor, and Mr. Ray G. Steiner, bass, members of the Orison Quartet, will sing a duet and Mr. Hutton will sing a solo. Miss Betty Lindsay, soloist from the Grlis Choir, will sing a soprano solo.

According to the summer custom the two younger departments of the Church School will meet at 11, the same hour as the church service, giving parents an opportunity to attend church. The church extends a cordial invitation to all to attend the church services.

Dog License Drive Starts Next Week

Starting next week the police department will engage in their annual drive for dog licenses. Dog owners are asked to co-operate and procure their license as soon as possible.