Illinois Opera Guild Reports Activities For Past Season

The Directors and Advisory Couneil of the Illinois Opera Guild, that new but extremely active organization to which so many from Highland Park have given their support, met on Monday morning at the Guild office in the Civic Opera building. Mrs. James G. McMillan, the president, congratulated the North Shore on its representation of over 300 members.

In summing up the activities of the Guild at the close of the opera season, Mrs. McMillan reported six general meetings which included a style show at the Esquire theatre, a bridge breakfast, a musicale and tea at the home of Mrs. Jason F. Whitney-wife of the president of the Chicago City Opera company, a lecture in the Civic theatre on "The Italy that Is in Opera," Mrs. Eleanor Everett Freer's operetta - "The Brownings Go to Italy," and a tour of the Opera building conducted by Mr. Dudley Crafts Watson. Two lecture courses on "The Operas of the Week" were also held during November.

energetic members of the Guild 305, an eleven-month gain of \$12,gave during the summer and fall 34 885,398. parties for the benefit of the Student Opera Fund. One of the loveliest parties was that given at the beautiful home of Mrs. L. Lewis Cohen, 266 Hazel avenue. These parties were so successful that the proceeds enabled the Illinois Opera Guild to purchase 37 boxes at the Opera for each Thursday night during the 7 week season. These were presented to various schools, our own Highland Park High school being one.

Committees from the Opera Guild have also been busy selling subscriptions and coupon books as the slogan of the Guild is "Every seat filled at every performance." Serving on the Highland Park committee were: Mrs. Harry Weisbach, chairman; Mrs. Charles Mason, co-chairman;

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liam Alexander, Mrs. George Mason, Mrs. Ernest Sundell, Mrs. Carl Bingham, Mrs. Herbert Smith, Mrs. John Oliver and Mrs. L. Lewis Cohen. **Impressive Gains**

Made in 1939 in Savings Investments

Mrs. Ross Beatty, Mrs. Harry Can-

mann, Mrs. John R. Todd, Mrs. Wil-

Community leaders in savings investments and home ownership financing, the federal savings and loan associations of Chicago and Cook county made impressive gains during 1939, according to an annual review released by the Illinois Savings and Loan Council today.

The review disclosed that private capital invested-meaning savings placed in investment accounts-increased more than 50 per cent despite the fact that the number of federal associations remained stabilized at exactly fifty.

The fifty associations, serving virtually every community in Chicago and Cook county, were in a strong position with \$22,009,907 in private share capital on December 31, 1938, yet on November 30, 1939, the in-Besides this active program the vestment had jumped to \$34,895,

> In their other important service, loan for building, buying and improving homes and for other home uses, the associations also made strides. Mortgage loans grew from Lord hath comforted his people, he \$44,361,589 on December 31, 1938, to \$55,899,006 eleven months later. Assets gained in the same period from \$50,430,872 to \$63,159,046.

Abel DeHaan, president of the Illinois Savings and Loan Council, said the significance of the 1939 growth was in the indications of greater activity by local associations in spreading knowledge of their services, of a growing tendency by the thrift-minded to invest their savings with the associations, and of an accelerating use of the associations financing resources for home ownership purposes.



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Sunday school is open to pupils up to the age of 20 years, and is held Sunday morning at 9:30. The text of next Sunday's Lesso sermon, "Christ Jesus."

A free public reading room maintained by this church at 43 N. Sheridan road which is open daily from 9 o'clock in the morning to 6 in the evening. On Sunday the reading room is open from 2:30 to 5:30. Here the Bible and all authorized Christian Science literature may be

Church News

First Church of Christ, Scientist

Highland Park, Ill., 387 Hazel ave-

nue, is a branch of The Mother

The Sunday morning service is

held at 11 o'clock, and the Wednes-

day evening meeting, which includes

testimonies of Christian Science

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healing, is at 8 o'clock.

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read, borrowed or purchased. All are cordially invited to attend the services and make use of the reading room.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

"Christian Science" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 24

The Golden Text was, "Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the hath redeemed Jerusalem" (Isaiah

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "For ever. O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven. O how love I thy law; It is my meditation all the day. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalms 119: 89, 97, 105)

The Lesson Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook. 'Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Jesus once said of his lessons: 'My doctrine is not mine, but His that sent me. If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself" (p. 109)

Deerfield Presbyterian Church Rev. W. F. Weir, D.D., Pastor and Women's Bible classes; 11:00-Weir on "A Year in the Life of a Shore are arriving every day; there Church."

of the public worship. elected a member of the board of great tree in the living room-with trustees to fill a vacancy caused by fifty stockings "hung by the chim-

Bethlehem Evangelical Church Rev. Earl J. Bruso, Pastor 815 Rosemary Terrace Deerfield

Orsborn.

Sunday, December 31, 1939, Sunday school, 9:45 a.m. Arno A. Frantz, Supt.

Morning worship 10:55 a.m. Spe- noon. cial music by the church choir The New Year's sermon. Reverend the beautiful dinner given by the Bruso in the pulpit.

There will be no Sunday evening fellowship this week.

Weekday activities, Choir reheardirector, Mrs. Ambrose Cox, and Christmas Carol," in the movies. will be followed by a party for the members of the choir.

Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Mrs. John Stryker, presiding.

7:55 p.m. Continuation of study, Mrs. Robert Gregory, Miss Anna "The Church in Social Action."

January 4th, 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the church. Miss tion; time, noon. Marolyn Gagne is the counsellor.

Holy Cross Catholic Church Deerfield

Rev. J. V. Murphy, Pastor Sunday masses: 7, 8:30, 10, and 11:30. Catechism after 8:30 mass. Daily masses at 7:30 a.m. Devotions each Tuesday at 8 p.m. Confessions each Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

First United Evangelical Church Green Bay Road and Laurel Ave. Rev. F. S. Robinson, Pastor

Sunday school 9:30 a.m. Raymond Fidder, superintendent. Morning service 10:45 "Facing the New Year with a Smile."

Christian Endeavor 6:45 p.m. Evening service 7:45 p.m. The young people will present a New Year's candle light service. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

Choir rehearsal Thursday evening. Rev. Q. A. Deck of Canton, Ohio, will speak on Friday night of this week at 7:45 p.m. on the subject "The Signs of the Time, in the Light of Present Day Events." The address will be illustrated by life size stereoptican news. The public is in-

Highland Park Presbyterian Church Laurel, Linden and Prospect Aves. Rev. L. W. Sherwin, D.D., Pastor

Church Phone 683 Sunday, 9:30-Church school. The Junior and Young People's departments will present a Christmas program in the Assembly room.

10:00-The Juniors will return to their departments where Mrs. Earl

Gsell will tell a Christmas story and their Christmas party.

11:00-Church school for the Beginners and Primary children. The Ravinia. Primary children have planned a special Christmas program. Morning worship. A Christmas program with lovely music by the choir quartet. Dr. Sherwin will Church, the First Church of Christ, preach,

> 5:00-An informal carol singing service at the church. 7:00-Tuxis members will gather

at the church and then go caroling.

Highwood Methodist Church Highwood Ave. and Everts Place

Rev. E. Fredrickson, Pastor Sunday, Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve). Sunday school as usual, 10:30 a.m. Evening service at 9 p.m. Special program. Refreshments served in basement followed by a midnight Everybody welcome.

Redeemer Lutheran Church West Central at McGovern Rev. W. F. Suhr, Pastor

Sunday at 9:30 a.m. — Sunday school; 10:30 a.m.-Service, observing the end of the year. Monday, 10:30 a.m. - New Year's service. There will be no service on New Year's Eve.

The Bethany Evangelical Church Laurel and McGovern Rev. H. F. Siemsen, Pastor

Rev. L. W. Hansen, Assistant Thursday, 7:45 p.m.-The choir will meet for rehearsal in the Memorial room.

school; 11 a.m.-Morning worship, the pastor will preach, the choir Christmas gift from the union, Edwill provide special music; 4:30 p.m. -A Candlelight Vesper service with special music and message. There will be no evening services.

Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.-Mid-week service; 8:45 p.m.-Official board. Thursday, 7:45 p.m.-Choir rehearsal.

Mission-The National Week of Prayer mission, January 7 - 14 with Dr. R. H. Mueller as special speak-

Christmas Activity for Arden Shore Winter Camp Boys

Arden Shore, the winter camp just Baylor of the grammar schools. The north of Lake Bluff, where fifty boys letter comes from John A. Wieland, Sunday, Dec. 31, 10:00 - The from Chicago's under-privileged dis- director of the state department of Church school; 10:15-The Men's tricts are taken care of each year. Gifts from generous friends in The public worship. Sermon by Dr. town and up and down the North law on junior colleges stipulates

are numerous parties on the calenhare in the hanging of the Christ-Mr. C. E. Barrette has been mas wreaths and trimming the depart for bed.

Admiral William Carleton Watts, popular new commander at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, has invited all the boys up to the station for Christmas Day, to make a tour of the grounds and buildings and then join in a grand Christmas dinner celebration at

Other December parties include Winnetka committee, of which Mrs. Thaddeus R. Benson is chairman, at the home of Mrs. Ernest Ballard; and the trip en masse last week sal, Friday, 7:30 p.m. The rehear-sal will be held at the home of the Lake Forest to see Dicken's "A

January twelfth has been set as the date for the Arden Shore Woman's Missionary society, Board's annual meeting and luncheon. Mrs. John E. Davis, president, will preside, and there will be talks The midweek service, Wednesday, and reports by honorary president Belle Ferrier, executive head of the Semper Fidelis club, Thursday, camp, and the various chairmen. Place: the Chicago Athletic Associa-

Mrs. Samuel H. Bingham, Jr., is Charles Bates is chairman for the prospect of financing the erec-

Neighboring Jowns

Miss Anna M. Johnson, of 52 East Illinois road, a lifelong resident of Lake Forest, retired from the Chicago school system Friday, December 15. She has taught at the Henry school for the past 31 years and for the last five years has served as assistant principal.

A graduate of Ferry hall, Miss service to greet the New Year. Johnson taught for a short time in Lake Bluff before beginning her career in the Chicago school system.

> The Peter C. Conrad residence, 556 Chestnut street, an old landmark now in the business section of Winnetka, was sold last week by Mrs. Conrad and is to be torn down to make room for a modern commercial building to be occupied by the Atlantic and Pacific Food Stores.

Mr. Conrad, a pioneer teaming and excavating contractor of the village, passed away in 1932. Mrs. Conrad, upon completion of the sale, moved to 918 Linden avenue, Hubbard Woods.

Eighty-one members of the Plas-Sunday, 9:30 a.m. — Sunday terers' and Cement Finishers' union in Lake county received a \$10 ward Williams, Highwood, president his understanding of and attitude of the union announced last week.

Williams said that the bonus was voted at a meeting of the union held in Waukegan Monday night.

Jess Willard, former world heavyweight boxing champion, was reported to have registered in last Wednesday night at the Newcastle hotel, Libertyville. Willard has retired from active ring competition, according to reports, and is working as a referee of athletic events.

Hopes for a junior college in Libertyville dimmed this week with information obtained in a letter re-These are exciting days up at ceived by Superintendent Carl W. education, at Springfield.

Director Wieland states that the that the higher institution of learning must be established by a school The trustees will meet at the close dar, and Friday night the boys will district already in operation. It was the hope of Mr. Baylor and the Lake County Council of Parent-Teachers associations that a junior college for central and western Lake the resignation of Mrs. Edna Mae ney with care," when they finally county might be formed by the establishment of a new taxing body.

Due to the fact that local school the boys and girls will conclude with | chairman of the Highland Park Ar- | districts are already using all funds den Shore committee, and Mrs. available for school maintenance tion or establishment of a junior college here seems remote at this time, Mr. Baylor said.

Population of the area which the new junior college would propose to cover is adequate for such an institution, Mr. Baylor's study revealed. Recently a junior college was opened at Des Plaines in Maine township and was reported to have been started by the Maine township high school district.

The grade school board of education, at a special meeting last night, voted to make a payment o f\$1,300 to Charles E. Fitzgerald of Lake Forest as soon as two new stokers ordered by the board have been delivered to the Andrew Cooke school and have been duly inspected.

Installation of the stokers will be started on Dec. 26 while the school is closed for the Christmas holidays.

Jens Jensen Writes **New Garden Book**

Announcement is being made of the publication of a new book entitled "Siftings" by Jens Jensen, noted landscape architect, who for many years has made his home in Highland Park.

The publication of this important book has long been anticipated with interest by those who love nature, our native landscape, gardening and the out of doors. On its pages are set forth the author's philosophy, toward nature, and his theories and practices of landscape gardening. It would be hard to find an authority on these subjects who could write so interestingly about them or one whose theories are so constructive and vital.

His work as a planner and creator of landscape gardens and city parks has blossomed into important realities. His whole life has been spent in the sincere study of the out of doors, in man's relation to nature and how he may learn to gain strength for present day living by turning to nature.





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