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Novelties, 'Firsts' Mark Ravinia Summer Festival

More than a dozen novelties and several midwestern "firsts" distinguish the programs to be presented during the six weeks of symphony music planned for the tenth annual Ravinia Music Festival, which begins June 30.

The first of these will be included in the Thursday, July 5, program of the Chicago Symphony orchestra with Arturo Rodzinski of the New York Philharmonic symphony as guest conductor.

Rodzinski has chosen music from Gioacchino Antonio Rossini's comic opera "Italian in Algiers" and Heitor Villa-Lobos' "The Little Train to Capira" for that evening.

The Rossini Overture to "The Italian in Algiers" has been played only once previously by the Chicago Symphony in Orchestra hall.

The Villa-Lobos works marks the Brazilian composer's first appearance on a Ravinia program.

Rodzinski has also selected a little-known work by a Polish composer, Ladislav Zelenski, for his July 8 program. Rodzinski has listed this work as "W. Tatrach."

Dorothy Maynor, the noted Negro soprano, will introduce two works to Ravinia audiences which have not previously been heard there, and are seldom heard in the mid-west. They are Beethoven's incidental music from Goethe's "Egmont," which she will sing under the baton of Erich Leinsdorf on Tuesday evening, July 10, and Duparc's "L'Invitation au Voyage," which was programmed by the Chicago Symphony during its 27th season in Orchestra hall.

Leinsdorf will present Arthur Benjamin's "Cotillon" at the July 12 concert. This music based on a dance theme, also marks the composer's debut in the Ravinia repertoire although it was played in its American premiere by the Chicago Women's symphony.

When Massimo Freccia of the New Orleans symphony takes over the Ravinia podium on Tuesday evening, July 24, he will include in his program Giuseppe Martucci's "Noturno" from "Piccolo Pezzi" which has not previously been played at Ravinia.

At the July 28 concert Freccia will present Castelnuovo-Tedesco's "Overture" to "The Taming of the Shrew." This will be the Italian composer's first Ravinia programming and a first performance of the work by the Chicago Symphony orchestra.

Erica Morini, Austrian violinist, who is the soloist of the evening, will add to the Ravinia repertoire Glazunov's "Violin Concerto."

On Sunday afternoon July 29, Freccia will conduct the first Chicago performance of the contemporary Spanish composer Joaquin Turina's string quartet "La Oracion del Torero."

Leonard Bernstein, the brilliant young composer, pianist and conductor, has included a suite from his own ballet "Fancy Free" in the program he will conduct Thursday evening, August 2. This Ravinia premiere will be in strong contrast to that of his "Jeremiah" symphony which he conducted last year when he made his debut as conductor in the mid-west.

The ballet was commissioned by the Ballet Theatre and, with Bernstein conducting, had a number of performances during the Ballet Theatre season in the Metropolitan last Spring and was later directed by Bernstein in Hollywood Bowl.

Pierre Monteux, San Francisco's famed French conductor, who will conduct the sixth week of symphony music, has included two novelties on his August 9 program. One is the Handel-Akon "Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor" which has not been played before in Chicago, and Paul Creston's "Pastoral and Tarantella" which was presented in 1942 by the Illinois symphony.

Classes in Maternal and Infant Care to be Held

Classes in maternal and infant care will be given at Barwell Settlement, 555 S. Genesee St., Waukegan as follows: June 15, 21, 26 and 29, at 1:30 p.m. The lectures are given by the maternity nursing service of the Illinois State Health department. The course consists of four lectures, demonstrations and movies.

Lake county new mothers and expectant mothers are invited to

Women Voters League Endorses the OPA

Here is the problem: Public confidence in the need for price control is wavering. The end-of-the-war psychology has a great deal to do with it. Food is scarcer than it has been at any time during the war. Pork production has decreased, because of feed shortages. Fighting men eat more. Proper distribution has been difficult.

Here are the facts: The record proves that in spite of the tremendous pressure against it, OPA has kept prices under control. Mistakes have been made; certainly price controls are difficult to devise and carry out. OPA is, of course, an organization of human beings, and therefore fallible. But, it has done its job — prices have been stabilized. From the start of the war to the end of 1944, living costs rose 28.8%. In a comparable period after the outbreak of World War I, living costs rose 84.4%.

Here are the consequences: Family incomes are much greater than they were in pre-war years; many who had no income before the war are earning large amounts. Money is burning holes in their pockets. They do not remember the principles they learned at the beginning of the war about what inflation means.

It means the money they get back from their war bonds will buy less than the money they paid for them. It means ruinous decreases in the value of savings accounts and insurance policies and payments. It means prices rising faster than wages and salaries can keep pace. It means bank failures, and the wiping out of family security.

Here is the solution: Responsible citizens, the League of Women Voters urges to express their support of price control (OPA) so that Congress will not succumb to the wave of antagonism that has recently been stirred up.

The question of the continuance of OPA will be voted on shortly. You can help by writing your congressman that you want OPA continued without crippling amendments. If he is against it, letters like yours may carry some weight. If he is for it he will be glad for your support of his position.

United States Senate: C. W. Land Brooks, Republican; Scott W. Lucas, Democrat.

House of Representatives — Ralph E. Church, Republican; Emily Taft Douglas, Democrat.

Senators and representatives when Congress is in session, may be addressed at Senate Office Building and House Office Building, Washington, D.C.

(Signed) League of Women Voters.

Chamber of Commerce Hears J. P. Ringley

The Chamber of Commerce met on Tuesday, June 12, for the last time until next September, at the Sunset Valley club house, where they enjoyed a roast beef dinner which was followed by the regular meeting.

Mr. James P. Ringley, executive of the Commonwealth-Edison Company and vice-chairman of the Governor's Committee on Veterans Rehabilitation and Employment spoke on the problems confronting the returning of servicemen to civilian life. Mr. Ringley is also a past state commander of the American Legion.

The annual golf outing of the organization will be held some time in August.

Ravinia, Lincoln, Sunset Playgrounds to be Open Evenings at 6:30

Here is good news for the older boys and girls, as well as to adults. Three playgrounds will be open evenings from 6:30 to 9, and organized games such as softball and volleyball and horseshoes will be featured. Why not come over to Ravinia, Lincoln or Sunset park and get in the play. Playgrounds are open evenings, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Additional information can be secured by phoning Majestic 4163 or writing to Maternity Nursing service at 20 S. Utica St., Waukegan, Ill.

PLAN FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL TO ENJOY RAVINIA CONCERTS

To make sure that as many servicemen and women as possible enjoy music under the stars at Ravinia this summer, the Ravinia Festival association is asking for donations to a fund to purchase tickets for them to the concerts to be held during July and August at the North Shore park.

With funds received the association will purchase tickets at the servicemen's special price of 40 cents and distribute them to various service and recreational centers in the city and the suburbs, to be given to members of the armed forces.

Mrs. Ernest C. von Ammon, chairman of the Ravinia coupon book sales committee, who is in charge of the servicemen's fund, asks that all contributions be sent to Ravinia Festival association offices at 231 S. LaSalle street, with checks made payable to the Festival association. Mrs. von Ammon reports that last year's fund amply provided free entertainment for hundreds of soldiers, sailors and marines, as well as for women of the armed services.

The tenth Ravinia season opens Saturday evening, June 30, with a gala performance of the Chicago Symphony orchestra, to be conducted by Desire Defauw and with Musician 2/c Oscar Chausow, violinist on leave from the Chicago Symphony orchestra, and Musician 2/c Frank Miller, cellist on leave from the NBC Symphony, as soloists.

Concerts of the Chicago Symphony orchestra under six guest conductors will continue for six weeks, the season coming to a conclusion with a series of four chamber music concerts by the Pro Arte quartet.

Mayor and City Council Make Recreation Board Appointments

At the June 4th meeting of the city council recreation board, appointments were made by the mayor and the council.

Art Olson was re-appointed to the Playground and Recreation board for a five-year term. W. J. Hodge was appointed for a one-year term on the board to fill the remaining portion of Mrs. Carroll Binder's term.

Mrs. Binder has resigned from the board and moved to Minneapolis. At the last meeting of the board the members presented to Mrs. Binder a beautiful colonial brass door knocker. Her great interest in the recreation movement and in the organization of municipal recreation for Highland Park were gratefully acknowledged by the members of the board.

Other members of the Playground and Recreation board are: Mrs. David Levinson; Mrs. E. T. Skidmore and Mr. George Hartman.

RED CROSS OFFICE MOVES

It has been announced by Mrs. Joseph Redlich, Highland Park Red Cross senior staff assistant, that the Home Service office of the American Red Cross has moved from 716 S. Michigan avenue, Chicago, to Red Cross headquarters at 529 S. Wabash avenue. The phone number of the office has been changed from Harrison 5910, extension 51, to Wabash 7850.

All Red Cross departments are now located in the same Chicago office.

William Einbecker To Speak to Rotary Club

The speaker for the June 18 meeting of the Highland Park Rotary club is to be Mr. William Einbecker of the Highland Park high school faculty. His subject is to be "Polarized Light, Its Nature and Application." Rotary club meets Mondays at the Sunset Valley golf club.

NOTED BALL PLAYER TO VISIT TED BENUVENTI

Chief of Police Ted Benuventi, of Highland, has received a telegram from Ray Starr, of the Pittsburgh Pirates, stating that he and his friends will be the guests of Mr. Benuventi on the 20th of this month, following the Chicago game between the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Chicago Cubs. Starr and Benuventi are old school pals.

Who rises from prayer a better man his prayer is answered. — George Meredith.

Father's Day Observance On Sunday, June 17th

Sunday, June 17, will be observed as Father's Day in churches throughout the United States. Because of the ravages of war not only physically but also in the spirit of mankind Father's Day, 1945, has a special meaning and a special place in the church.

It is not mere gift-giving that has won for Father's Day a permanent niche in our calendar; the desire to show the head of the family that at least one day of the year we honor him — even if we forget that attention every other day — has made the occasion a lasting event. As such, it is a matter of the spirit, and perhaps the most appropriate way of observing the day is in the House of God.

It was a mother who originated Father's Day. The founder is Mrs. John Bruce Dodd of Spokane, Wash., a writer of Indian stories. Inspired by the love and sacrifices of her own dad, William Jackson Smart, a Civil War veteran, who reared his motherless family of six children, and struck with the need for a day to honor fathers, she proposed the idea 35 years ago.

Mrs. Dodd's dream was realized when her cause won the interest of the Spokane Ministers alliance. The Spokane Young Men's Christian association actively supported the idea, and Spokane, in 1910, was the first city to set aside a day to honor father. In the years following Mrs. Dodd received great appreciation for her efforts.

Gradually the idea for a Father's Day spread not only throughout this country but also to foreign lands. It became the custom for children to wear a white rose for remembrance and a red rose for living tribute on Father's Day.

Transformation of Soldier To Civilian Shown in Public Service Window

Fort Sheridan. — The direct opposite of a display shown last year in cooperation with Fort Sheridan army officials, a current exhibit in the windows of the Public Service Company in Highland Park, pictures the process of separation from the army under the point system. The previous window showed the transformation from civilian to soldier at Fort Sheridan while the present one shows by charts and symbols the soldier becoming a civilian again.

Approximately 400 men per day are being separated at Fort Sheridan, their eligibility being determined by a raw score based upon total months of service length of service overseas, honors, battle participation, and dependent children. Veteran status of those discharged is indicated by a small label button, an enlargement of which is the focal point of the current display.

Within 36 hours of arrival at Fort Sheridan the veteran eligible for discharge is again a civilian, his physical condition carefully checked, his final pay arranged, his rights and privileges explained, his future employment advised, and the winged emblem of service stitched over his right uniform pocket to protect his status until he is able to purchase civilian clothes.

The display, designed by Jack Craig, display director for the Public Service Company, was arranged through the courtesy of Col. George H. Cushman, post commander.

Legion Past Commanders Entertain War Veterans

On Thursday, June 14, at 8:15 p.m., at Legion hall, after a brief meeting, the past commanders of the post sponsored an evening of entertainment and refreshments for the veterans of Wars I and II. Many old acquaintances were renewed and new ones formed.

Charlie Rudolph, chairman of the newly organized bowling league, wants more applicants for his teams. He already has six complete teams but wants many more. There is still time to register.

Plenty of hustling is necessary to get rid of the grand award tickets. Those on hand should be sold and more applied for.

H. P. Social Service Summer Office Hours

Week days (except Saturday) 9 to 12 and 1 to 2:30.

Saturdays—9 to 12.

Necessary appointments can be made for afternoons; or emergency telephone calls will be answered to 4:30 p.m.—H. P. 6099.

'Mail-It-In' Feature Most Successful In Fund Drive

Highwood Citizen Speaks

(Different viewpoints on any subject are always of interest to the reader. Below is the reply to an article appearing in this publication on May 31, written by a patron of the USO-Salvation Army in Highwood.—Editor.)

It is commendable that certain interested parties wish to perpetuate the life of the USO club operated by the Salvation Army in Highwood. Nothing could be finer but, in espousing the movement to keep the club open, someone (see page 1 May 31 issue of THE PRESS) finds it necessary to drag into the picture references to "lavish programs, frilly dances and blaring bands," very obviously directed to the other club in Highwood, operated by the National Catholic Community Service.

I can only hope that the remark was not intended as a disservice to that center, which in its sphere has been doing as great a job as any. Aside from that, however, the comment only served to cloud the one, most important fact which is deciding the issue and ironically is never mentioned.

And this is it. It is well known and has been for more than a year, to those who cared to inquire, that USO contemplated closing rentals first in its inevitable retrenchment program, rather than government buildings, which are leased for the insignificant sum of \$1 a year.

In the second place, it is a crying shame that any so-called thinking American cannot take up the cudgel for a cause without involving innocent persons—by that I mean the citizens of Highwood. I have nothing but contempt for anyone who would speak for such a noble cause in one breath and, in that same breath, stop to make a snide remark about "tavern-conscious Highwood." The jibe struck deep. Regardless of personal feelings on taverns, the issue should never be obscured by such a matter, which is, after all, one for the individual conscience.

For a long time, although taverns are legal businesses, Highwood has been the butt of jokes and insults on that subject and we residents have borne them in silence. But I, for one, cannot contain myself.

Do we carp on taverns? No, we don't even know they exist. But apparently some outsiders, who have no earthly concern in Highwood affairs, are "tavern-conscious." At least, they are the ones who support them with their patronage. And that is a fact easily discernible to any person with an open mind. This, however, would not be readily understood by the outsider who wrote this prize sentence: "We in Highland Park don't consider a tavern very home-like." (The writer is not even a resident of Highland Park and therefore not qualified by any stretch of the imagination to make that broad statement.)

Hypocrisy is no laughing matter. Would he want his home town besmirched without reason? Isn't freedom to earn one's living one of the things we're fighting for? Or am I deluded?

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Big Splash at High School Pool

Summer school registration at Highland Park high school started with a big splash when 330 elementary and high school pupils signed up for sixteen lessons during the eight weeks between June 11 and August 3. This is the largest registration for the most popular summer activity in Highland Park. Many youngsters had to be turned away when every one of the eleven swimming classes were filled to capacity.

Registration for the more academic subjects began at 8:00 a.m. Monday, June 11, and by noon on Tuesday about 260 pupils had completed registration. American history, English, and Mathematics all proved popular this year. This is the next to the highest registration in the history of the summer school, being exceeded only by last year when pupils from North Chicago and Waukegan also came to Highland Park for summer school.

Figures released at bond headquarters in the City Hall this week indicated that the "mail it in" feature of the city's 7th war loan campaign has proven an outstanding success. These figures show that a large percentage of the members of the community have preferred to mail in their subscription blanks and pink credit slips, rather than wait for the call of their block chairman.

Highland Park's 7th war loan committee, headed by Milton E. Souther, chairman, and Moses E. Shire, co-chairman, wish to thank the community for its whole-hearted cooperation in helping to simplify the procedure in conducting this drive by sending in their subscriptions by mail. The committee, from the very inception of the campaign, was of the opinion that the "mail it in" idea was feasible, but there was always a doubt as to how many people would take advantage of it. The number of returns received to date, in proportion to the mailing list, now has dispelled this doubt.

At this writing all names of those citizens who have not mailed in their subscriptions or pink credit slips are in the hands of the block workers who will now proceed to call on them personally. The war loan committee is anxious to clean up these calls within a week's time. The committee wishes to urge all block workers to lose no time in completing their schedule of calls so that a complete canvass of the city can be made at an early date.

While the outlook for the success of the campaign is definitely good, the war loan committee wishes to point out that the city is far from "over the hump" on its "E" bond quota. The "E" bond quota in this drive is \$475,000, a figure substantially higher than that for the 6th war loan, when the quota for this classification was not reached until the last few days of the campaign. It will thus take earnest cooperation on the part of the public, and hard work on the part of the block workers, to attain this quota before the campaign closes on June 30th.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Beginning Monday, June 18, the Highland Park Public Library will be open the following hours:

Monday through Friday, adult department, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Monday through Friday, juvenile department, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, both departments, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Please take special note of the fact that the library is open on Wednesday afternoons and evenings so that people who are free at this time may use it.

The building is cool and attractive. The shelves are well stocked with all sorts and kinds of books and magazines, also a good collection of music.

During the summer months many of the children are enthusiastic readers. Come in with them. Share in their pleasure.

5-6-7 Year Old Playschool Still Taking Enrollments

For 5-6-7-year-old youngsters there is a fee play school as follows: mornings 9 to 11 at Elm Place and Ravinia schools; afternoons, 1:15 to 3:15 at Lincoln and Green Bay schools. Miss Irene Jones of the Elm Place school faculty cares for the Elm Place and Green Bay schools; and Miss Dorothy Westfall of Elm Place school cares for the Ravinia and Lincoln schools. This program is a request one and is offered over and above the regular summer playgrounds and therefore a fee is charged to help pay for the leaders' salaries. Call the Community Center, 2442, or go to the play school for more information.

BETHANY PHILATHEA CLASS MEETS JUNE 9

The Philathea class of the Bethany Evangelical church will meet at the home of Mrs. Earl Fritsch, 336 Orchard, on Tuesday, June 19, at 8 p.m. Assistant hostesses will be Mesdames Judson Wells, B. D. Greene and Elmer Hecketzweiler. Members are asked to bring pot holders to this meeting.

The man who has begun to live more seriously within, begins to live more simply without.—Phillips Brooks.