

BAKULE SINGERS LAUD WINNETKA

Residents Marvel at Singing of Famous Czecho-Slovakian Children's Chorus

GUESTS AT LUNCHEON

Skokie School Comes in for Share of Praise

The Bakule Chorus, sent by President Masaryk and the Junior Red Cross to show by song the gratitude of Czecho-Slovakia to America, was given a most enthusiastic welcome in the Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall in the Skokie school Monday afternoon of this week.

It was generally conceded that their's was the most beautiful child singing that any in the audience had ever had the privilege of hearing. The children and Director Bakule was encored repeatedly. A program of songs and folk dancing was followed by a demonstration by Frantik, one of the Bakule children, who was born without arms. Frantik took a note book and pencil from his inside coat pocket, wrote in the note book and replaced it; took a penknife out of a case, opened the knife and used it; took a match from a box, and struck it; and in other ways showed the remarkable skill of the feet that Director Bakule had taught to work.

Local Women

Preceding the concert a luncheon was served to the children of the Bakule group, to the North Shore Red Cross Reception committee of which Mrs. James A. Patten of Evanston was chairman and Mrs. Willoughby Walling of Winnetka representative, to the teachers of the Skokie school, the principals of all Winnetka schools, and other guests. This luncheon was prepared under the chairmanship of Mrs. Felix Balak, a Czech mother living in Winnetka, ably assisted by Mrs. Emil Soukup and a number of other generous and helpful Czech residents of the village. At this luncheon Director Bakule spoke through an interpreter. He said:

Lauds Skokie School

"We have always known that there are strong ties between Czecho-Slovakia and America. But as I have seen the Skokie school and felt its spirit, I have come to realize that there are also intellectual ties. This school is closer in spirit to the work that we have been trying to do than any school that I have seen in America. Your work shops do not look like the shops of children who are forced to do a certain specified problem in wood work, but like shops to which children go joyously to make things in which they have real interest.

Feel at Home Here

"We feel very much at home here. The welcome given to us by the Czech people in Winnetka and this luncheon fill us with gratitude. This beautiful cake which has just been presented to us is a very sweet gift. We are afraid you will spoil us with too much sweetness. We came to America to try to pay a debt of gratitude which we owe, but you are making us still more your debtors."

Thanks Red Cross

Mrs. Felix Balak, speaking as the representative of all Bohemians and Czecho-Slovakians in Winnetka, has requested the Winnetka Talk to convey an expression of sincere thanks from these residents to the American Red Cross and to Superintendent Washburne for making it possible to have the Bakule Chorus visit Winnetka. Mrs. Balak speaks in glowing terms of the Red Cross, but for the timely aid from which, she says, the children of her native country would have faced certain starvation.

Council Committee Seeks North Avenue Zone Change

The Plats and Zoning committee of the village council Tuesday evening of this week, at the regular council session, reported on the proposed amendment to the Zoning ordinance recommended to the council by the Board of Appeals, referring the matter back to the Board of Appeals with a recommendation to reconsider the area at North and Linden avenues zoned as "B" residence.

The committee recommended that the "B" Residence area be zoned "A" residence.

HONOR N. U. CO-EDS AT CAMP FIRE CEREMONIAL

For the first time in the history of Northwestern university, girl students who have completed the course in recreational leadership will be officially recognized by the National Camp Fire Girls. Sixteen co-eds will be made certificated Camp Fire Guardians at a special council fire to be held today in the Community House at Winnetka.

Mrs. E. K. Moody, Chicago executive of the Camp Fire Girls, will present the certificates. She will be assisted by Mrs. E. W. Wortley, assistant director of Community House and by Mrs. J. W. F. Davies. The students have completed the requirements of the course in principles and methods of recreational leadership under Prof. Norman E. Richardson.

The ceremonial will be symbolic of camping and other forms of recreation. Some 125 Camp Fire Girls will participate in the activities. The girls who will receive certificates are: Mary R. Appleton, Mary B. Bartholomew, Bernice Bolton, Ruth E. Burchell, Jessie M. Curry, Beatrice Davison, Eva A. Honnold, Violet W. Johnson, Marie Marvel, Ruth Pease, Orpha B. Snyder, Marion P. Stacey, Lydia M. Steckelberg, Mabel Swanson, Marguerite E. Watkins, and Clara Wilkins.

Skokie and North Shore Country Day Nines Clash

Skokie and the North Shore Country Day school broke even in the girls' baseball series last week. First Skokie scored when the Skokie Wildcats ran up 13 points in a game with the North Shore Chiefs who scored 6. Then the North Shore girls turned the tables when the Iroquois beat the Skokie Whizzes 11 to 2.

Earlier in the week the Skokie Wildcats bowed to the Skokie Eagles when the latter ran up 19 tallies to the former's 7. The Skokie Whizzes beat the Sluggers in a tight contest that ended in a 11 to 6 score.

Norwegian Congregation Plans Special Services

An especially interesting meeting of the Lutheran Norwegian congregation will be held Sunday afternoon, May 20, at 4 o'clock in Christ Church Parish House at Oak and Linden street.

Featuring the service will be a program of music given by an Evanston choir.

The service will be in the English language and every resident of the village is urgently invited to attend.

Winnetka Invited to Dorcas Home Benefit

An entertainment promising unusual interest is to be given Tuesday afternoon, May 22, at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Landon Hoyt, 435 E. Elm street, under the auspices of the Elm street Circle of the Congregational church for the benefit of the Dorcas home for children located west of Highland Park.

The program, beginning promptly at 3 o'clock, will include a reading by Miss Frances Helton Smith of Chicago; a group of songs by Mr. Ralph Leo, who has appeared in solo work with the New York, Chicago and Minneapolis Symphony orchestra, and several musical numbers by Miss Elizabeth Dallison, a concert player of distinction.

"This is an unusually fine program, a splendid cause and should have a large attendance," sponsors of the entertainment declare.

Tickets may be secured at the Adams Pharmacy, at Community House and at the door.

Greeley School Children to Produce Oriental Play

Fifth grade pupils of the Greeley school are to produce a play based on the life of Buddha, in the Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall Tuesday night, May 22. The play is under the direction of Miss Douglas Whitehead, supervisor of dramatic work in the lower grades. It is being produced for the benefit of all the fifth grade rooms of the entire Winnetka school system.

HONOR LOCAL MINISTER

At the Annual State Conference of Congregational Churches held in Oak Park during the past week, Dr. J. W. F. Davies, Minister of Education of the Winnetka Congregational church was elected president of the Board of Trustees.

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During the division period the entire school met for a rally. The band furnished music, and Athletic Director Childs, awarded the basket ball and swimming emblems.

At the junior-senior assembly the debate emblems were given to Nev Trier's undefeated champions, Dwigh Chapman, Walter Hughes, Carolin Roberts, Robert Koretz and Cabra Wortley.

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