

# SINGERS HOLD BIG JUBILEE

## American Singers' Union To Meet in Chicago

"Every appreciator of choral singing in Chicago and vicinity," reads a notice, "is getting ready for the seventy-fifth annual reunion of the North American Singers union, which is to be held at the Coliseum, Chicago, June 11, 12 and 13. While the meetings held every year in some important center of the country are always interesting and largely attended, the diamond jubilee of the foundation of the organization, which is to be celebrated this year, gives it special significance. In every part of the United States, in large cities and small communities, members of the North America Singers' union are preparing for the jubilee, and the Chicago committee, which is in charge of the arrangements for the event, is convinced that at least 20,000 members of the union will be in attendance.

"The elaborate programs which have been months in the making, will be participated in by 8,000 singers, and the feature of the Saengerfest will be the amalgamation of the male choruses of the various individual societies into a monster chorus which will be the largest ever brought together in any one spot in the world. This chorus will give a program of four-part songs, in which the German tradition of singing without instrumental accompaniment will be observed. However, several of the programs in which women's, men's and mixed choruses will be heard, will have the Chicago Symphony orchestra, one of the world's most noted permanent symphonic bodies, to supply the musical setting.

"There will be scores of soloists, some of the greatest singers holding membership in the North American Singers' union having been assigned places on the several programs, and in addition to these there will be an array of special talent chosen from the ranks of the Chicago Civic Opera company. One program will be devoted to the presentation of American folk-songs, all of these being manuscript compositions entered in the prize contest inaugurated by the North American Singers' union over a year ago. Since the contest was given initial announcement, expert judges have been receiving and passing on the compositions submitted, many of which it is said possess unusual merit. "The North American Singers' union is the oldest musical organization in the United States, having been found-

ed at Cincinnati in 1849. Its annual reunions have been held in many parts of the country and in 1899 the golden jubilee was held in the city of its inception. The last Chicago meeting was held in 1881 when the organization was thirty-two years old. During the last twenty-five years, the membership of the union has more than trebled, and it is expected that the diamond jubilee celebration will be the greatest event in the history of music in America."

## LOCAL CATHOLICS AID IN CHARITIES DRIVE

His Eminence, Cardinal Mundelein, asks the full co-operation of local Catholics in his plans for raising funds to care for the thousands of needy children, destitute widows, and other unfortunates who annually appeal to the archdiocese of Chicago for aid. It is estimated that \$1,000,000 will be required to meet the demands for the next twelve months, even though, under the direction of the Cardinal, the work of collecting funds, supervising service and distributing funds has been co-ordinated under one head, The Associated Catholic Charities, which has as directors, D. F. Kelly, Robert M. Sweitzer, Joseph F. Conery and other successful Chicago business men.

These men have operated the charities at from one-third to one-sixth of the administrative cost of similar agencies, it is stated. A factor in this low cost, it is explained, is the large number of sisters who receive no money for their services and the nearly 3,000 laymen who voluntarily aid in bringing the needs of the poor of their neighborhoods to the attention of the charities. All the Catholics of Dupage, Kankakee, Lake, Will and Grundy counties, which with Cook make up the Archdiocese, will be given an opportunity to contribute to this work at their local churches, Sunday, June 8, it is announced.

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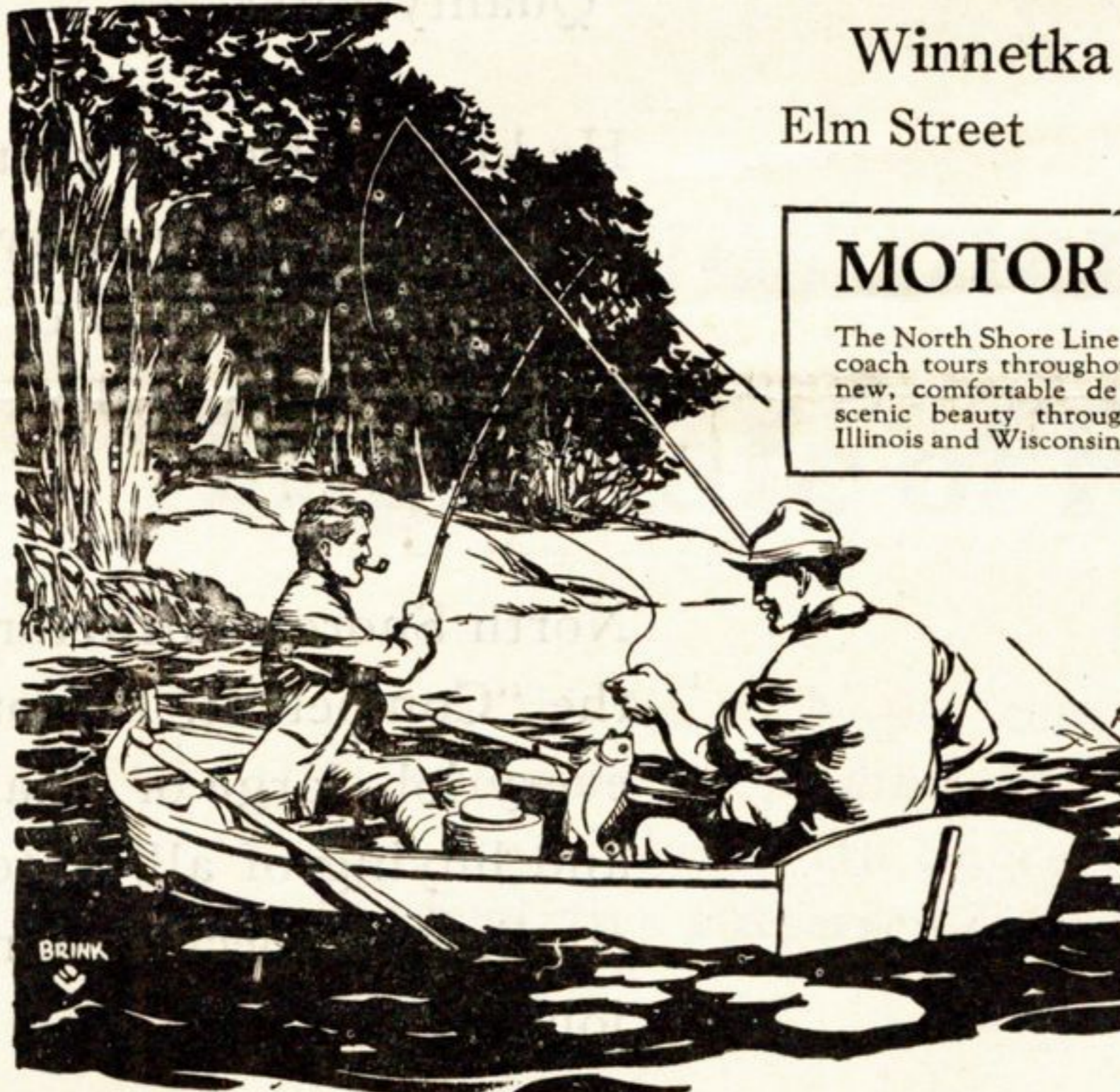
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