

RAVINIA OPERA OPENS JUNE 27

Entire Repertoire Completed
for Current Season of
Operas and Concerts

MANY STARS RETURN

Unusual Variety Promised in
Season's Program

Preparations are now well under way for what gives promise of being the greatest season of Ravinia opera and concerts ever presented at that north shore music shrine. After months of preliminary work, Louis Eckstein has engaged his artists for the coming season, which is to open June 27, and has outlined a repertoire of operas which could not be surpassed at any of the world's great opera houses. Ravinia has long held rank as one of the three great opera houses of America, and it has focused the attention of the entire musical world on the north shore. There is every indication that this year it will attract larger crowds, not of north shore people alone, but from the entire Chicago district, than in any season past, and as in other years, there will likewise be hundreds of visitors from all the music centers of the United States.

Many Artists Reengaged
Most of the artists who helped to make the season of 1924 memorable have been reengaged for the present season, and in addition to these, Mr. Eckstein has placed under contract a number of artists who, although they have been heard at Ravinia in seasons past, have not appeared there for several years, and others who will sing at Ravinia for the first time. The complete list of artists follows: in alphabetical arrangement:

Sopranos: Lucrezia Bori, Helen Freund, Margery Maxwell, Rosa Raisa, Marie Sundeilus.
Mezzo-sopranos and contraltos: Merle Alcock, Ina Bourskaya, Anna Correnti, Philine Falco, Ada Paggi.
Tenors: Mario Chamlee, Giovanni Martinelli, Giordano Paltrinieri, Tito Schipa, Armand Tokatyan.
Baritones: Mario Basiola, Louis D'Angelo, Giuseppe Danise, Desire Deifere, Giacomo Rimini.
Bassos: Paolo Ananian, Virgilio Lazari, Leon Rothier, Vittorio Trevisan.

Notable Conductors
Conductors: Louis Hasselmanns, Genaro Papi, Wilfrid Pelletier, Giacomo Spadoni, Eric DeLaMarter, concert conductor; Armando Agnini, stage director.

The repertoire will be unusually broad including not only those standard works, which form the back bone of every opera season, but also some notable revivals of works which have not been given for several years past and the presentation of other works which are entirely new to the Ravinia list. Some of these, although popular in Europe, are seldom brought to performance in this country. The entire repertoire follows:

"Martha", "La Traviata", "Cavalleria Rusticana", "Rigoletto", "Aida", "Mignon", "Lucia", "Tales of Hoffman", "Carmen", "I Pagliacci", "Madame Butterfly", "Faust", "La Tosca", "The Jewels of the Madonna", "La Boheme", "The Secret of Suzanne", "Manon" (Massenet), "Romeo and Juliet", "Il Trovatore", "The Barber of Seville", "Fedora", "L'Amico Fritz", "Le Chemineau", "Samson and Delila", "Fra Diavolo", "Andrea Chenier", "Manon Lescaut" (Puccini), "Masked Ball" and "The Jewess."

Promise Wide Variety
In choosing his artists this year, Mr. Eckstein kept in mind the policy inaugurated several seasons ago of having several artists on the roster capable of singing the same role. This gives the opportunity for variety in the casting of repeat performances, a matter which is highly pleasing to all discriminating opera patrons who know that the same opera may take on many different shades of meaning when sung by different artists. Since all the principals engaged for Ravinia are artists of world-wide reputation, they

will offer splendid studies in interpretative technique as they are heard in the various parts assigned them.

Elect Fred G. Harbaugh to College Honor Frat

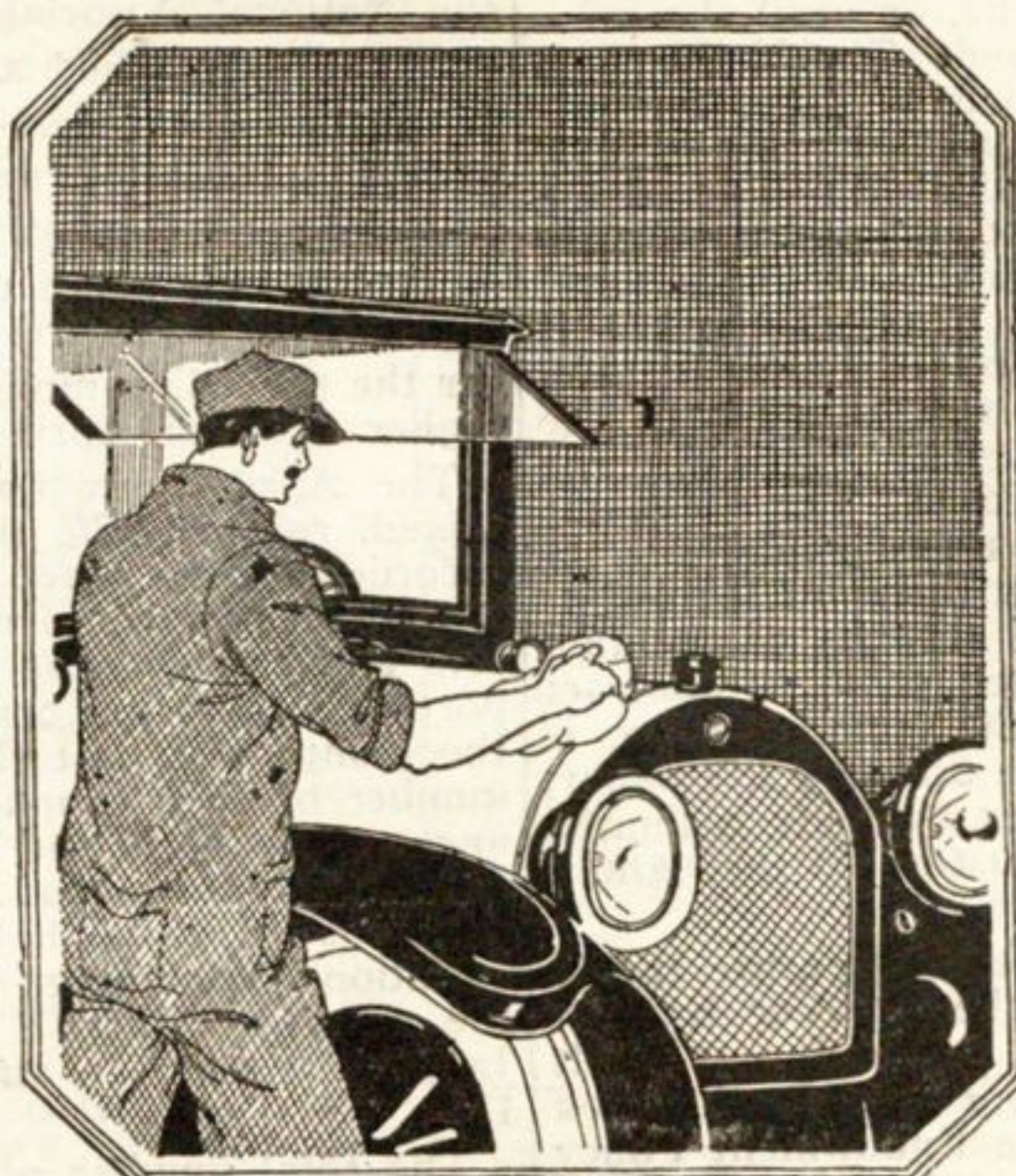
Alpha Zeta, honorary agricultural fraternity at Iowa State college, has elected Fred G. Harbaugh of Wilmette and 17 junior and senior students to membership at a recent meeting. Membership in this organization is limited to those who are in the upper two-fifths of the class in scholarship, and consideration is also taken of activities, leadership and personality.

Kenilworth Children in Annual Field Contests

Pupils of the Joseph C. Sears school at Kenilworth held their annual field day last Friday afternoon, under the direction of Robert Townley, director of physical training at the school. More than 200 prizes in the form of ribbons and badges were awarded winners of various events. The boys and the girls each were divided into two teams—the Blues and the Reds—which held a tug-of-war as the final event of the program. The winners were the boys' Blue team and the

girls' Red team. According to Mr. Townley, individual stars of the meet were Margery Thorsen, Eunice Wilson, Marguerite Kerr and Jane Lytell, and Albert Richards, George Saxon, Robert Hutchens and George Scott. Richards broke the shot-put record for the school by throwing a distance of 32 feet, six inches. Hutchens and Scott broke the high jump record.

The Northmoor Golf Club is formally opening its summer social season with a dinner-dance on the evening of Decoration day.



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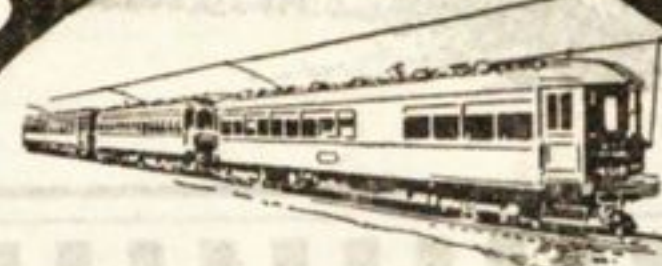
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