

JUDGES REVIEW NAMES FOR SKOKIE STATIONS

More Than 75,000 Names Submitted in North Shore Line \$1,000 Award Contest

Approximately 75,000 names for the nine stations along the new Skokie Valley route of the Chicago, North Shore and Milwaukee railroad were submitted by entrants in the \$1,000 award contest, which closed December 1. A large staff of clerks is now tabulating names, from which will be selected the nine most appropriate for the new stations. The awards of \$100 each for the nine names to designate the new stations, and \$100 for the best among all names submitted, are scheduled to be announced December 15.

Many of the suggestions show considerable thought and investigation on the part of the entrants. It is the aim of the North Shore line to secure names to be used in conjunction with the names of the suburbs, with a view of distinguishing the new Skokie Valley stations from those on the Shore Line route. The committee of judges, who will choose the ten winning names from the vast number submitted, is composed of the following prominent persons: S. Charles Iversen, president of the Chicago Real Estate board; William L. Bailey, professor of sociology, Northwestern university; Frederick Rex, municipal reference librarian of the City of Chicago; Miss Caroline McIlvaine, librarian of the Chicago Historical society, and Daniel H. Burnham, chairman of the Chicago Regional Plan commission.

Construction work on the new Skokie Valley route continues to progress at a satisfactory pace, according to North Shore line officials. Everything indicates that the new line will be completed and in operation ahead of the date originally set. Work is now under way on erection of the five substations to relay electric power along the line. Construction of the new stations is expected to start in the near future. Winter weather is in no way impeding activities, it is explained.

One of the main objects of the North Shore line in rushing the new Skokie Valley route to completion is to have it in operation for handling its portion of the vast throng that will attend the International Eucharistic Congress, to be held next June at the Catholic Seminary at St. Mary's of the Lake, Mundelein. It is estimated that close to one million followers of the Roman Catholic faith will attend the Congress, taxing all forms of transportation between Mundelein and Chicago, where the majority of the delegates and visitors will of necessity make their headquarters.

With the new Skokie Valley route in operation, those attending the Eucharistic Congress will be furnished high-speed electric transportation direct from Chicago to Mundelein and return. They will also be able to visit various points along the Skokie valley, and enjoy the benefits of a reduced running time on trips between Chicago, Waukegan, Zion, Kenosha, Racine and Milwaukee, it is pointed out.

FACULTY GIVES PARTY

The executive committee of the North Shore Country Day school gave a dance for the scholars at the school gymnasium Friday evening of this week. The chief feature of the evening was an operetta given by members of the faculty, parodying the operetta "The Gondoliers," which was presented by the students last year. Some surprising acrobatics were revealed in last night's production and the party was judged a great success by scholars and faculty.

Coming in Recital



Dusolina Giannini, dramatic soprano, who gives the next concert in the Winnetka Artist Recital series at New Trier high school auditorium on January 8, is having phenomenal success in Europe. Her manager reports that she is booked for 30 operatic and concert appearances there for next season. Since her debut as a vocal artist in New York in March, 1923, Miss Giannini's career has been one continued series of brilliant successes. She scored a decided hit in London when she made her first appearance there in June, 1924. Some of the critics hailed her as a second Patti. In September, 1925, in Hamburg, Germany, she sang the principal role in Aida. She carried the house by storm, receiving 27 curtain calls.

Garden Returns to Civic Opera Roles Tuesday, Dec. 15

The seventh week of the Civic Opera season the week before the Christmas holidays set in will introduce to the music lovers of Chicago many noteworthy events.

The first of these will be the special performance of "Die Walkure," Sunday afternoon, December 13. The cast will include the same stellar artists that recently gave one of the finest presentations of German opera ever heard in Chicago on the occasion of the first rendition of the year of "Walkure." Miss Wan Gordon, Olga Forrai, Augusta Lenska, Forrest Lamont, Alexander Kipnis and Edouard Cotreuil make up the cast. Polacco will conduct.

Another event is the return of Mary Garden, who comes from Europe to appear with the Chicago Civic Opera company for the first time this season in the role of "Werther," which will be presented Tuesday night, December 15. The third unusual event will occur on Thursday night when W. Franke Harling's opera "A Light from St. Agnes" will have its world premiere. This opera's presentation has long been awaited and is sure to attract a capacity house if for not other reason than the composer's popularity.

O. E. Tronnes Heads New Building Rental Service Corporation

Real estate promotion, a service designed to secure immediate and maximum rental revenue, particularly for new buildings, is a new line of business inaugurated in Chicago by the O. E. Tronnes organization, which has established headquarters at 711 London Guaranty building, 360 North Michigan boulevard.

The service seeks to minimize and eliminate costly vacancy losses and to increase in general the attractiveness of investment in real estate for leasing purposes. The plan embodies carefully worked out publicity and advertising campaign co-ordinated with a fully qualified rental organization. The service begins to function early during the construction of a new building, to the end that upon completion a full quota of satisfactory tenants is ready and waiting.

The plan has been thoroughly tried and proved particularly successful in the case of apartment hotels, office buildings and stores.

According to Mr. Tronnes, the service is of equal value to owners, builders and financing agents, as it insures the fundamental factor, of rental revenue in the amount budgeted and required to make any building project financially successful.

Santa'll Be There! We Mean at Frolic for Masonic Kiddies

Next Saturday will find Santa Claus in town for a brief spell when he arrives at the Masonic temple to attend the Children's party planned jointly by the three Masonic bodies of the community: the Winnetka Masonic lodge A. F. and A. M.; Winnetka chapter, Order of Eastern Star, and Skokie chapter, Royal Arch Masons.

The event has become an annual occasion of festivity for the children of Winnetka Masons and a variety of entertainment, including the mysterious antics of a magician, will augment the general distribution of good things to eat and some genuine surprises.

When interviewed regarding the party—which, by the way, begins at 2:30 o'clock—J. F. Nelson, who is one of the leaders in perfecting the plans, gave positive assurance that Santa Claus would be there, that jovial old soul having communicated his intention to stop off in the village at least long enough to see that all the youthful participants at the party receive all the nice things allotted to them.

Every child of a Mason residing in Winnetka, whether or not affiliated with the local bodies, is invited to attend the party. It is anticipated that all youngsters who can walk or be conveyed to the temple, will be on hand at 2:30 o'clock.

Chicago String Quartet Giving Chamber Music

The Chicago String Quartet is giving a series of delightful programs of Chamber music in Winnetka during the winter months. Arranged by a group of Winnetka women, five monthly concerts, commencing in November and continuing through March, are taking place in private homes before a limited audience.

The first of these affairs was held at the home of Mrs. Horace Armstrong. The second occurred Sunday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. August C. Magnus, with Leo Sowerby, one of the most gifted of young American composers, the guest-artists. January's concert will be given at the home of Mrs. John W. Scott, February's, at the home of Mrs. William Sherman Hay, and Mrs. William B. Hale will be hostess for the concluding program.

Announce St. John's Services and Meetings

Services and meetings for Sunday and the ensuing week in the parish of St. John's Lutheran church have been announced as follows by the pastor, Rev. Herman W. Meyer:

Services:
Third Sunday in Advent—
9:30 a. m. Sunday school and Bible classes.
9:45 a. m. First service and sermon.
11 a. m. Second service and sermon: "The Christian Life."
Meetings Friday, December 11, at 8: Senior Walther league.
Monday and Friday at 4: Children's classes.
Friday, December 18 at 8: Junior Walther league.

During the reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding Coffin from 4 until 7 o'clock Thursday, at their residence on Locust road, to introduce to society, their daughter, Miss Rosamond, the Misses Beatrice Burnet, Jane Linn, Isabel Scott, Martha Thomas, Elizabeth Clore, Judith Boddie, Jeanette Reynolds, Catherine Putman, Jane Story, and Mildred Allen assisted. Following the tea, Mr. and Mrs. Coffin gave a dance for the assistants and their escorts at Indian Hill club.