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## NEW PROGRAMS DAILY IN RAVINIA'S FIRST WEEK

### Louis Eckstein Has Herculean Task in Arranging Operas for Inaugural Week

Seven different operas and one concert—this is the program outlined for the first eight days of Ravinia opera and concerts as the introduction of the new season, which is to open Saturday, June 26. The undertaking is herculean, for Louis Eckstein has so arranged it that during this period there will be no repeat performances and nearly every one of the artists, old and new, will be given opportunity to appear in a favorite role. Here is the list of works which Mr. Eckstein has chosen for this initial period:

Saturday night, June 26, "Manon Lescaut," by Puccini; Sunday night, June 27, "Madame Butterfly"; Monday night, June 28, Concert by Chicago Symphony Orchestra with soloists chosen from the orchestra and opera company; Tuesday night, June 29, "Romeo and Juliet"; Wednesday night, June 30, "Rigoletto"; Thursday night, July 1, "Faust"; Friday night, July 2, "Martha"; Saturday night, July 3, "Aida."

### Sing Favorite Roles

When one takes into consideration the world famous artists whose names are on the Ravinia roster this season and then examines the list of operas scheduled for performance during the first eight days of the season, some interesting facts come to mind. Many of these artists are to be heard in roles which they rightly consider as peculiarly their own. In one or two instances two stars, each noted for a particular role in a given work will be found vis-a-vis thus giving unusual strength to the casts and making for what may be called perfect balance in production. One Ravinia artist during this opening week will resume a role in which he was long famous, but which he has not sung for several seasons.

Thus it may be seen that it is not merely a week of opera that has been planned, but a veritable music festival, and that it has been designed to meet every variety of taste. It is the standard repertoire that is given largest representation, but there are several novelties in store which will be brought forth during the course of the season. But here is the opening list, and it is well worth examining each of these works and its cast:

### First Week's Program

Opening night, June 26: "Manon Lescaut" by Giacomo Puccini, with Mme. Bori, Giovanni Martinelli, Ina Bourskaya, Louis D'Angelo, Desire Defrere, Paolo Ananian, Giordano Patrineri. This Italian treatment of the "Manon" romantic tragedy so familiar in the French version by Massenet, was one of the outstanding features of the last Ravinia season. It pulsates with life and color and in it Mme. Bori, Mr. Martinelli and in fact all the members of the cast have every opportunity for the display of unlimited vocal and histrionic genius. Puccini, whose untimely death a little more than a year ago deprived the world of its greatest modern composer, is revealed in the height of his creative power in this work. Genaro Papi will conduct.

Sunday night, June 27: "Madame Butterfly" with Elisabeth Rethberg singing the title role in which she has won the laurels of the world's greatest opera houses, and Mario Chamlee, one

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## TO SHRINERS' SESSION

A. Lee Adams, Popular Druggist, to Attend Conclave at Philadelphia Next Week

A. Lee Adams, of the Adams pharmacy, 784 Elm street, Winnetka, will leave Sunday morning on the pilgrimage of Medinah Temple, Chicago, to the fifty-second annual Imperial Council session of the A. A. O. N. M. S., at Philadelphia, June 1 to 3 inclusive.

Mr. Adams goes as a member of the Medinah brass band, one of the finest organizations of its kind in the country, and with which he has been affiliated since 1919. There are 120 musicians in this band.

The Shriners will leave Chicago in special trains, from the new Union station, Sunday morning. Six special trains, designated as the "Red Special," the "White Special," the "Blue Special," the "Orange Special," the "Green Special," and the "Brown Special," include the elaborate preparations which have been made for the comfort of the Nobles and their families and friends who will make the pilgrimage from Chicago.

The party will remain in Philadelphia Monday, May 31, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 1, 2 and 3, during which time the visitors will be given an opportunity to visit the Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition, celebrating 150 years of American Independence. Upon leaving Philadelphia, early Friday morning, June 4, stops will be made at Atlantic City, Jersey City, New York City, thence up through the Adirondack mountains, with a brief stop at Fort Ticonderoga built in 1756 and on up to Montreal, Quebec, Niagara Falls, and thence back to Chicago, where they are scheduled to arrive at 9 a. m., June 9.

## Choir Boys in Concert for Summer Camp Fund

The choir boys of Christ church will give a concert at the Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall, Friday evening, June 4 at 8:30. The proceeds are to go towards the boys' camping fund. Tickets can be procured from Mrs. Arch Shaw, Mrs. Raymond Durham and Mrs. Ralph Hobart.

The patronesses for the concert are Mesdames Godfrey H. Atkin, Hermon Butler, Frank W. Blatchford, Ernest Ballard, Arthur Cox, Victor Elting, Frank Fulton, Robert Gay, E. Ashley Gerhard, William MacIlvaine, John Metcalf, Oliver Picher, James Prindville, James Simpson, Hathaway Watson, Townner Webster and Mrs. William Woolfolk.

Those not able to use their tickets are requested to please send them to Miss Mabel Holgate at Christ church Parish House.

## Pupils to Stage Pageant on Village Green June 4

The Horace Mann school is planning to hold a pageant on the Village Green, Friday, June 4, the exact hour of which has not been determined. It will be an accumulation of songs and rhymes which the children have learned during the past year, and will be under the direction of Miss Jean Hislop and Mrs. Phillip Starr. The children will be simply costumed to represent the various parts to which each has been assigned.

## Women Voters of State to Convene in Session Here

The Illinois League of Women Voters will hold the June meeting of the state board in Winnetka on Tuesday, June 1. Mrs. Walter L. Benson, who is the treasurer of the state league, will be the hostess at her home, 671 Lincoln avenue. The meeting will open at 10 o'clock in the morning and continue through the entire day. A buffet luncheon will be served at noon.

Among those attending will be Mrs. James W. Morrisson, president; Mrs. Florence Peterson of Winnetka, second vice president; Mrs. W. W. Ramsay, third vice president; Mrs. A. G. Smith of Peoria, recording secretary; Mrs. A. M. Morse of Wheaton, corresponding secretary; Miss Mabel Linn, auditor; Miss Edith Rockwood, director of field work; Mrs. William G. Hibbard, national regional director; Mrs. Henry W. Cheney, Mrs. A. A. Carpenter, Mrs. Willa B. Laird, Miss Mary McDowell, Dr. Rachelle S. Yarros, Mrs. Catherine Waugh McCulloch, and Miss Elizabeth Perry.

In addition to the members of the board, there will be present Mrs. Mark Cresap of Kenilworth, who is president of the newly organized Kenilworth league. She will present the petition of the Kenilworth members.

Mrs. Arthur Byfield will be there to make plans for a study group of Highland Park, with the idea of that being a nucleus for a future league.

Mrs. John Vander Vries, the newly elected president of the Winnetka league, will assist Mrs. Benson in welcoming this gathering of representative Illinois women to Winnetka.

## Playfield Announces Memorial Day Events

There will be a number of special golf events at the Skokie Playfield course on Saturday, Sunday and Monday afternoons, May 29, 30 and 31, it was announced this week by Walter Stelzel, professional. Players who wish to participate in the matches, for which prizes are to be given, must become members of the Playfield association. For some of the matches entrance fees will be charged. On Monday afternoon there will be driving and putting contests for men and women. No entrance fee will be charged for this, it is said. Entrance fees and Playfield dues will be taken at first tee. There will be a meeting of the association on Tuesday, June 8, in the Community House at which the woman's committee will discuss plans. All members are invited to attend. Further information can be obtained from Mr. Stelzel, telephone Winnetka 264.

## Skokie School to Give Annual Concert June 4

The fourth annual concert of the Skokie school musical organizations will be held in the Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall Friday, June 4. The glee clubs and orchestra will present numbers, and in addition this year there will be one or two individual numbers illustrating the type of instrumental instruction that is being carried on at Skokie. The banjo-mandolin club will probably make its first appearance at this time.

## WINNETKA IN TRIBUTE TO WAR DEAD MONDAY

### American Legion Post to Conduct Services on Common; Judge Thomson Gives Address

The annual Winnetka Memorial Day ceremonies will be held on the Common at 10 a. m. Monday morning, May 31. The parade will be led by ex-service men. All veterans of the Civil, Spanish and World wars are invited to take part. Others in the parade will be the Reserve Militia, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Sea Scouts, Pathfinders, Camp Fire Girls, and fourth, fifth and sixth grade school children.

After the playing of patriotic airs by the band and the invocation by the Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard, rector of Christ church and a chaplain in the World war, William H. King will give an address as representative of the Legion.

The address of the day will be delivered by Judge Charles M. Thomson. The Roll of Winnetka's dead will be read by A. C. F. Gedge, vice-commander of Winnetka Post and the answers will be made by Robert E. P. Elmer.

### Girls to Place Wreaths

Camp Fire girls will then place wreaths at the memorial trees for those who died in the World war and at the flag pole for Thomas Campbell and Fraser Hale, who died during the past year. After the firing of a salute, the assembly will face east in a moment of silent tribute. The benediction will be pronounced by the Rev. F. J. Haarth, of Sacred Heart church.

Winnetka's gold star heroes are as follows: Died in Civil war, Charles Davis. Died in the World war: Dinsmore Ely, Roswell Hayes Fuller, Vincenzo di Giorgio, Wesley Magor Juleff, James Edward Hayes, George Raymond Kelly, Fletcher Ladd McCordic, Pasquale Salerio, Philip Comfort Starr, Charles Douglas Weart.

### Memorial Program

The Memorial Day program follows:

Parade. 9:45—10 a. m.  
Selection of Patriotic Airs.  
The Band.  
Invocation.  
Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard.  
America.  
The Assembly and the Band.  
Address.  
Judge Charles M. Thomson.  
The Battle Hymn of the Republic.  
The Assembly and the Band.  
Assembly of the American Legion.  
The Roll Call. . . . . The Answer.  
Placing of Wreaths.  
Benediction . . . . . Rev. F. J. Haarth.

Those not taking an active part in the balance of the exercises are asked to remain in the vicinity of the grand stand.

It will be noted that the ceremonies are held in the morning and not, as has been customary in past years, in the afternoon.

Men who were in service during the war are urged to wear their helmets. For those who may not have helmets the American Legion post announces that it can provide about 50 of them. Anyone wishing to get one can apply to any of the post officers, it was said.