

CONCERTS ARE VERY POPULAR AT RAVINIA

Monday Night Concert-Recitals Arranged by Eckstein Please Everyone

So great has been the interest manifested by the public in the series of Monday night concert-recitals which Louis Eckstein has arranged as a special weekly feature of Ravinia Opera and Concerts, that there is every reason to believe that the plan meets with the enthusiastic approval of all music lovers. These concerts, which were inaugurated last Monday night, are given jointly by the Chicago Symphony orchestra, under the direction of Eric DeLamarter, with one of the leading artists of the opera forces appearing as soloist in an extensive recital program. Next Monday evening, July 19, Mme. Elisabeth Rethberg, dramatic soprano, will be heard in a generous program and the Chicago Symphony orchestra will, as usual, present a brilliant program. All seats are free for these concerts, the general admission at the gate covering everything.

Mme. Rethberg, who holds a firm position as one of the world's greatest dramatic sopranos, has won the whole hearted approval of every Ravinia patron who has heard her in the monumental operatic roles which fall to her lot at Ravinia. Her voice is unusual in that it is of beautiful lyric quality, yet it has a power that permits this singer to achieve the greatest climaxes with consummate ease. Mme. Rethberg is fully equipped both vocally and histrionically for the most exacting operatic work, but she likewise has the personality which makes her a great concert singer and as an interpreter of pure song, she is just as successful as she is as an exponent of dramatic singing. On Monday night she will appear five times, two of her numbers being well known arias—one from "Der Freischütz" and the other from "Le Mariage de Figaro." In addition to these she will present three song groups, the first consisting of three songs in French, the second, four songs in German and the last, four songs in English.

Will Present "Aida"

Sunday afternoon, July 18, the Chicago Symphony orchestra will be heard in concert under the direction of Mr. LeLamarter. All seats are free for these concerts. Sunday night, July 18, Verdi's masterpiece, "Aida" will be the offering and in the title role of this opera Mme. Rethberg will have one of the most dramatic roles ever written for a soprano. Opposite her will be Martinelli as Radames, an artist who enjoys the distinction of being the world's greatest interpreter of this role. Danise will likewise be heard in one of his finest roles, that of Amonosro, while Miss Alice Gentle will be cast as Amneris. Leon Rothier, basso, is to be Ramfis, which offers opportunity for fine singing, and Louis D'Angelo will be the King. Mr. Papi will conduct.

Monday evening, July 19, will bring the second of the concert-recitals in which Mme. Rethberg as soloist will appear with the Chicago Symphony orchestra as announced above.

Tuesday night, July 20, has been set for the first performance this season of "Don Pasquale" one of the lighter works which proved to be highly successful when restored to the Ravinia repertoire last season. Mme. Bori has one of her delightful parts in this merry work and opposite her will be Mario Chamlee in the lyric tenor role. That droll comedian of opera, Vittorio Trevisan, will be heard—and seen—in the title part, and Mario Basiola will have splendid opportunities, as will

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Try Out New Way of Re-Surfacing Concrete Streets

The Winnetka street department is conducting an interesting experiment in repairing asphaltic concrete pavement on Birch street at the present time, according to an announcement made by Village Manager H. L. Woolhiser this week.

The pavement of Birch street, which is in poor condition, is being re-surfaced from Spruce street to Pine street by a new method of rebuilding old pavements which has been found very successful in Minneapolis and other cities. The work is being done under the supervision of Frank Windes, village engineer.

He is making a special report on the methods and specifications used on this job with a view to adopting the new paving process for general use in the village. It is probable that other west side asphaltic concrete streets will be improved in the same manner soon, it was said.

Rev. Joseph Clark Sails for England on July 31

Mrs. Robert Coit Meleney, 1097 Oak street, Winnetka, has been entertaining her mother and father, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Clark, Baptist missionaries in the Belgian Congo, who will leave the United States, sailing for England, July 31. Rev. Clark is going as a delegate to the All-Africa conference in Belgium, sailing in September for Africa.

While in the states, Rev. and Mrs. Clark have traveled from the east coast to the west, visiting California, Washington, and many other cities. While in Europe they will visit in Scotland, and England.

The trip to their post in the Congo takes five weeks from England, as they have to go a long way inland.

Thomas J. Lynch Returns From Vacation Motor Trip

Thomas J. Lynch, the tree surgeon of 564 Lincoln avenue, Winnetka, returned Monday from a most delightful vacation in Wisconsin. His report as to the "catch" in fishing is the same alibi which others are bringing back—"the muskellunge season is late and they weren't biting." Nevertheless, the trip, which was made by motor, was delightful, except for a little misfortune to his car on the return which necessitated a day's delay for repairs. Mrs. Lynch and their son, Thomas, Jr., Mr. Lynch's sister, Miss Margaret Lynch, of New York and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ilg, Sr., the florist, of 845 Pine street, Winnetka, Mrs. Lynch's parents, accompanied him.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kudner, 16, Warwick road, will leave Winnetka Saturday, July 24, for a week-end house party at Charlevoix, Mich. They plan to go by boat from Chicago.

Miss Mary Hewes and Miss Charlotte Wittstein, librarians of the Winnetka Public Library, will return to Winnetka to resume their duties on July 19, after a month's vacation in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Haskell of Winnetka are the parents of a baby daughter born at the Evanston hospital, June 30. Mrs. Haskell was Miss Harriet Allport.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. M. Miller, 936 Elm street, and their son and his wife have gone to northern Wisconsin. They will return about July 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnum of Winnetka and their two children have gone to their camp at Land O'Lakes, Wis., for the remainder of the summer season.

VOTE STORM DRAINS

Board of Local Improvements Approves Ordinances for Storm Water Sewers

The Winnetka Board of Local Improvements, at a special meeting held last Tuesday evening, approved ordinances providing for the construction of storm water sewer systems in Hamptondale avenue, Hibbard road and Chatfield road, and in adjacent locations. This matter will be brought before the Village council at the next meeting, Tuesday, July 20.

Complaints have been received from residents of the vicinity for some time especially from residents of Hibbard road, who assert that every time there is more than a normal rainfall their basements are flooded and the sanitary sewer backs up into them. This is caused by the low elevation of the land at the side of Hibbard road.

The present arrangement is to drain the surface and storm water into the sanitary sewer, but it is said that this is not effective, because the sanitary sewer cannot handle the volume of water in storm conditions. Surface drainage systems have also proved to be ineffective in this location, it was said.

According to Village Manager H. L. Woolhiser, when the new storm sewers are put in, all residents on the streets in which they are located will be required to connect the downspouts and all other storm water drains of their houses to the sewer. This requirement is obligatory on the part of the village, it is said, because of its contract with the Sanitary district. It is expected that work on this improvement will be started in the near future.

Hunting Should Be Good in Fall From This Report

Illinois hunters should have unusually good shooting this fall, according to hundreds of reports made to William J. Stratton, director of the Department of Conservation, from all sections of the state.

A great increase in the supply of quail and pheasants is predicted by sportsmen who have been making recent inspections throughout the state. The unusual numbers of nesting quail found is attributed to two causes: first is the importation and distribution of ten thousand "Bob Whites" from Mexico last year. These birds have thrived and mixed with our native birds, producing larger, more vigorous and more prolific quail.

The other reason for the large stock of adult quail is the generous and widespread response by farmers, sportsmen, and even the children to Mr. Stratton's appeal to feed the birds. This appeal was made by radio and through the newspapers of the state last March when an unprecedented snow and sleet storm covered the ground so that quail and other birds were facing starvation.

Pheasant hunters will come in for a good share of sport as a result of the distribution of almost two hundred thousand pheasant eggs in the past three years.

According to reports more than eighty per cent of these eggs have been hatched and the birds successfully raised and liberated. This should furnish an adequate foundation stock for some time to come as each adult hen pheasant will raise from twelve to fifteen young each year.

Through the outstanding conservation legislation passed by the 53rd and 54th general assembly and the efficient administration by Director Stratton this work has all been accomplished and paid for by revenue from hunting licenses without one cent from general taxes.

BOY CAMPERS RETURN FROM CHIEF'S CAMP

Report Good Time at Indian Hill Camp; Girls Now in Possession There

We heard a terrible howl at the North Shore station last Saturday morning, and the howl turned out to be the greeting of the boys returning from Indian Hill camp—Chief Davies' camp. We wanted to hear about the last day of camp and the return trip, so we talked to one of the older boys and this is what we heard.

"The last day of camp dawned dull and dreary, and it tried to rain, but finally gave up and the sun came out. In the afternoon we played off a tie in the baseball series, the Wild Cats showing their supremacy by swamping the Tigers. Everybody wanted a last swim in the good old lake, when a wild shout went up that the baggage boat was on the way.

"Boys aren't like girls, you know, and we hadn't packed anything. We scrambled to throw our stuff together, and then discovered that the boat went somewhere else. However, our fast work showed our good training during the three weeks.

"Inspection showed clean tents and decks, the latter quite an unusual event.

"We ate our last meal with many songs and cheers. Final inspection of camp was made after lunch. We felt glad to be going home but a pang at leaving the good times and friendships.

"The 'angry mob' finally got on the boat and left Indian Hill pier with a 'raspberry,' and echoing 'WOW,' finishing with a 'Boom-jigga-boom.' Chief stood on the pier leading the yell, and I think I noticed a tear in his eye. It must be a funny feeling to have a family of thirty-two boys and lose them all at once.

"In town we lined up along the counter for the yearly bout against old banana split. Ludington sure knows when the boys leave camp.

"Bob Reschke, Bill Brackett, Ben Whelan and Eugene Thomas, possessors of the enviable record of having the best tent inspection average in camp, were treated to the first round of splits amid cheers of the multitude.

"Those chronically troubled with insomnia on the boat were finally lassoed and a watch kept for an hour. The water was smooth, much to our disgust. Next morning the North Shore electric was waiting for us and we arrived in Winnetka with a howl and a cheer.

"Most of us are anxiously waiting for next year's camp and planning to go. It was great." The girls have arrived at camp, and are reported to be having a great time.

Improvement Board Votes Water for Subdivisions

At a special meeting of the Winnetka Board of Local Improvements held last Tuesday evening ordinances providing for water mains for the Alles and Daughaday subdivisions were recommended for passage by the Village council. These two subdivisions are recent additions to the improved property of the village and have no water or sewer connections as yet.

They are located north of Hill road and west of Birch street. In providing water mains for these subdivisions it is the plan of the Board of Local Improvements to build sections of ten inch main to complete the west side ten inch feeder line from Tower road south to Hill road.

This plan would result in a continuous ten inch main for that distance. The Council will probably act on the matter at its next meeting, to be held Tuesday, July 20, it was said.