

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Varney of 535 Cherry street and Mrs. Varney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lowrey of Wilmette, left Tuesday for Atlantic City to attend the annual meeting of the Imperial council of the Mystic shrine. They will visit in New York before their return.

### Clark-Fulkerson Receives Many Kashmir Embroideries

An interesting shipment of Kashmir embroideries has recently been received by Clark-Fulkerson whose interior decorating shop is at 1636 Chicago avenue, Evanston. The rich oriental colors and designs lend a peculiar charm to the entire collection. The larger pieces fit into our American homes as charming hangings and bed spreads and the smaller ones make attractive table covers and cushions for the summer porch. These are being offered for sale at very moderate prices and anyone interested in them is invited to stop in and look them over.

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## RAVINIA READY FOR 1927 OPERA SEASON

Louis Eckstein Announces Repertoire for First Week Which Opens June 25

With the final touches given to all details, the artists reporting singly and in groups for rehearsals, which begin Saturday, June 18, the box-office men well prepared for the ticket sale, which starts on that date, everything is in readiness for the opening of the 1927 season of Ravinia opera and concerts, which will take place Saturday night, June 25. The first eight days of the new season is of such magnitude that it will long be remembered by all opera enthusiasts. Louis Eckstein has left nothing undone that would add to the gratification of his patrons, and as one contemplates the schedule of operas announced to date, the many months of hard work he has devoted to prepara-

tions are plainly apparent on every hand.

Here is the schedule:

Saturday night, June 25, "Andrea Chenier," by Giordano, with Elisabeth Rethberg, Giovanni Martinelli, Giuseppe Danise, Ina Bourskaya, Gladys Swarthout, Desire Defrere, Louis D'Angelo, Paolo Ananian and Louis Derman. Gennaro Papi, conductor.

Sunday afternoon, June 26, concert by the Chicago Symphony orchestra. Alfred Wallenstein, cellist, soloist.

Sunday night, June 26, "Romeo and Juliet," by Gounod, with Lucrezia Bori, Edward Johnson, Leon Rother, Margery Maxwell, Desire Defrere, Jose Mojica, Anna Correnti, Louis D'Angelo, Giordano Paltrinieri. Louis Hasselmans, conductor.

Monday night, June 27, concert by the Chicago Symphony orchestra. Eric DeLamarter, conductor. Gladys Swarthout, mezzo soprano, and Jacques Gordon, violinist, soloists.

Tuesday night, June 28, "La Boheme," by Puccini, with Lucrezia Bori, Giovanni Martinelli, Margery Maxwell, Mario Basiola, Desire Defrere, Virgilio Lazzari, Palo Ananian, Giordano Paltrinieri. Gennaro Papi, conductor.

Wednesday night, June 29, "Martha," by Von Flotow, with Florence Macbeth, Mario Chamlee, Ina Bourskaya, Virgilio Lazzari. Vittorio Trevisan. Louis Hasselmans, conductor.

Thursday afternoon, June 30. Children's concert by Chicago Symphony orchestra, with explanatory lecture by Eric DeLamarter. Followed by entertainment.

Thursday night, June 30, "Faust," by

Gounod, with Elisabeth Rethberg, Giovanni Martinelli, Leon Rother, Gladys Swarthout, Philine Falco, Desire Defrere, Paola Ananian. Louis Hasselmans, conductor.

Friday night, July 1, "L'Amore dei Tre Re," by Montemezzi, with Lucrezia Bori, Edward Johnson, Giuseppe Danise, Virgilio Lazzari, Jose Mojica, Gladys Swarthout, Philine Falco. Gennaro Papi, conductor.

Saturday night, July 2, "Aida," by Verdi, with Elisabeth Rethberg, Giovanni Martinelli, Julia Claussen, Giuseppe Danise, Leon Rother, Louis D'Angelo and Giordano Paltrinieri. Gennaro Papi, conductor.

Every Sunday afternoon during the season a concert of lighter music will be given by the Chicago Symphony orchestra, while on Monday nights, except for special occasions, there will be a concert of more pretentious works by this same organization, with soloists selected from the ranks of the opera company and orchestra. The Children's concerts and entertainments will be given, as usual, on Thursday afternoon, Mr. DeLamarter giving the explanatory talks to his young auditors.

It has been fully demonstrated throughout the years that the opening of Ravinia season is a matter of special moment in the music world. Mr. Eckstein has never permitted himself to become bound by those traditions which have limited a comparatively few works as initial offerings. Rather he has always scheduled an opera having an unusual aspect. This rule has been adhered to for the season of 1927, and in selecting "Andrea Chenier" as the first offering of the season he has chosen a work which, although it forms a part of the standard repertoire as standards are judged at Ravinia, it is not a standard in the sense that it has been worn threadbare by constant repetition. This Giordano opus came into popular favor at Ravinia some seasons ago, and last year it assumed an entirely new aspect when Giovanni Martinelli was heard in its title role and Elisabeth Rethberg was cast as Madeleine. Giuseppe Danise has also added much to the popularity of this opera as it is given at Ravinia.

Mr. Martinelli sang the role of Chenier at Ravinia for the first time in his career, thereby adding one of his greatest creations to his already long repertoire. This highly dramatic opera gives him every opportunity for a display of his vocal power, for it demands not only singing which is intensely dramatic, but also calls for tone quality. The same demands are made upon the soprano, and it is well known that Elisabeth Rethberg, in addition to being one of the world's greatest dramatic singers, has a sweetness of tone which has won her world-wide acclaim. As Gerrard, Mr. Danise displays his bel canto quality to full advantage.

Rev. Charles Gorman, chaplain of the Philadelphia county jail, Philadelphia, Penn., has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. McKenney of 752 Foxdale avenue. He assisted at the services when Rev. Luke McKenney read his first mass at the Sacred Heart church in Hubbard Woods, Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hamburger of 502 Willow street, with their daughters, Jane and Ruth, are motoring today to their cottage at Grand Haven, Michigan. They will stay there a week. Miss Ruth Hamburger was graduated yesterday from New Trier and plans to go to Ward Belmont next year.

Mrs. L. A. West of 860 Pine street entertained at luncheon Wednesday of this week in honor of Mrs. Ann Clark, Mrs. C. E. Lucas, and Miss Florence Bowlby, of Olney.

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