

Melville Augdahl is expected to return home from Red Wing seminary in Minnesota today to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Augdahl, 909 Cherry street.

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**Robert B. M. Wilson, World War Vet, Dies**

Funeral services were held in the Graceland chapel Monday last afternoon for Robert B. M. Wilson, who died last Saturday at 839 Park avenue, Wilmette, where he had been residing with his mother, Mrs. Amelia D. Wilson. Mr. Wilson was 46 years old. He was formerly a major of the 311th Engineers, A. E. F., and, until six months ago, had been in charge of engineering work for the Southern Pacific interests in Mexico. Before the World war he was a mining engineer in that country.

**HAS LEAD IN SENIOR PLAY**

Miss Elizabeth Freudenreich, 314 Abbottsford road, Kenilworth took the leading part in the Roycemore Senior play which was given at the school last Friday evening. Miss Freudenreich has a beautiful speaking voice and was very charming in her part. Previous years the Roycemore Senior play has been Shakespearian but this year it was a Chinese drama.

Mrs. Gordon W. Daly and baby daughter of Brookline, Mass., are visiting Mrs. Daly's parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Honnold. Mr. Daly will join them for the Christmas holidays. Virginia Honnold arrived home yesterday from Wellesley college for the Christmas vacation.

**Christmas Address**



Dr. Herbert L. Willett, minister of the Kenilworth Union church and member of the faculty at the University of Chicago, will deliver a Christmas message at the Wilmette Sunday Evening club December 23. Dr. Willett ranks with the leading divines of the country.

**Xmas Week Opera Bill Promises Big "Feast of Music"**

The Christmas week bill of fare for opera-goers, announced by the Chicago Civic Opera company, contains a veritable feast of music.

Christmas Eve will be celebrated by the presentation of "Die Walkyrie," the Wagnerian work which, at its first appearance this season, displayed the talent of Mme. Frida Leider, the new German soprano, and that of the remainder of the cast so effectively that a record was set for artistic production of the spectacular opera. With Mme. Leider, Mme. Maria Olszewska, Forrest Lamont, Edouard Cotreuil and Alexander Kipnis, the original cast is retained.

Christmas night has been considered an appropriate time for the injection of comedy into the bill and "The Barber of Seville" is the work chosen for an audience wearied by the demands of the holiday. The cast is exceptionally well balanced, Margherita Salvi, new Spanish coloratura soprano, having the part of Rosina, and Tito Schipa that of Count Almaviva. Constance Eberhart, Lodovico Oliviero, Vittorio Trevisan, Virgilio Lazzari, Richard Bonelli, Eugenio Correnti and Gildo Morelato make up the remainder of the cast.

The holiday program now announced will close with the gala performance on New Year's Eve of "Norma" with Rosa Raisa in the title role and Charles Marshall in the part of Pollione, Coe Glade, Alice d'Hermanoy, Lodovico Oliviero and Virgilio Lazzari also having parts in the delightful old work of Bellini.

Aside from the presentations selected for the actual holidays, the principal event for the week will be the first production, on Thursday evening, of "Der Rosenkavalier," the third of a cycle of German operas arranged for the present season. Frida Leider will appear again in the work of Richard Strauss, with Edith Mason and Maria Olszewska, in the three leading female roles. Robert Ringling and Alexander Kipnis will sing the leading male roles and the remainder of the cast will be made up of Alice d'Hermanoy, Irene Pavloska, Lodovico Oliviero, Jose Mojica, Antonio Cortis, Antonio Nicolich and Louis Derman.

The week begins with the Sunday matinee performance of "Carmen," which will be made distinctive by the initial appearance of Coe Glade, Chicago soprano, who has scored distinct successes in "Aida," "Faust" and "Boris Godunoff." Miss Glade's characterization of the famous gypsy will be the second offered by the Chicago Civic Opera company this season, Maria Olszewska having formerly sung the part.

Wednesday evening, the day after Christmas, will be given another presentation of "The Tales of Hoffman," one of the most colorful works from both a musical and scenic standpoint that has been given this season. Rene Maison will again be in the role of Hoffman while Marion Claire and Helen Freund will portray the three loves of the poet. Vanni Marcoux sings the four roles of the arch plotter against Hoffman and Irene Pavloska has the attractive part of Hoffman's companion, Nielaus. Ada Paggi, Desire Defrere, Edouard Cotreuil, Barre Hill, Lodovico Oliviero, Jose Mojica and Antonio Nicolich are assigned to fill the other parts.

At the Saturday matinee a second performance of Halevy's powerful drama, "The Jewess," will be given with Frida Leider and Charles Marshall in the roles of Rachel and Eleazar. Alexander Kipnis sings the part of Cardinal Brogni, Alice Mock that of Princess Eudossia, and Jose Mojica that of Prince Leopold.



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