

BENEFIT CONCERT'S SUCCESS ASSURED BY GREAT ARTISTS

Schumann-Heink, Godowsky and Cornfeld to Be Heard Tonight at the Metropolitan.

Madame Schumann-Heink will sing to-night at the concert for the benefit of the Home Relief, French, Austro-Hungarian and German funds of the Emergency Aid Committee at the Metropolitan Opera House.

The program is of great enough interest to attract music lovers quite apart from the benevolent nature of the enterprise.

At a Godowsky recital the intervals between such performances would be filled by lesser artists.

Mme. Schumann-Heink will sing "My Heart Ever Faithful," by Bach; "Raffa's Sei Still," Krebs; "Our Father" and the "Agnus Dei" of Bizet.

Among those who have either retained or purchased tickets for boxes are Mrs. E. T. Stotesbury, Mrs. John Converse, Mrs. Charles Fraser, Mrs. J. Bertram Lippincott, Mrs. Harry Thayer, Mrs. Arthur Thompson, Mrs. Andrew Wheeler, Mrs. Barclay H. Warburton, Mrs. Arturo de Hoeren, Mrs. A. K. Fischer, Mrs. Arthur Maudra, Mrs. Horace E. Smith, Mrs. William Warden, Jr., Mrs. John Deaver, Mrs. Walter Thomson, Mrs. Otto T. Malery, Mrs. Ehrlich, Clark Thomson and W. Blabon.

HIDES HER DAINTY ANKLES FOR SAKE OF THE JUDGE

New York Woman Sues for Separation Annuity.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Rachelle N. Ducas was again in the Supreme Court yesterday to set aside the separation agreement she made with her husband, Benjamin P. Ducas, president of a chemical company, under which she agreed to accept \$5000 a year for the support of herself and her 10-year-old son.

The last time Mrs. Ducas was in court she offered the dignity and sense of propriety of Justice Gavegan by unwittingly showing a pair of a pair of light gray silk hose—that is, the Justice, who was facing Mrs. Ducas, thought there was too much ankle exhibited.

Mrs. Ducas said that she was induced to accept the \$5000 allowance from her husband on his representation that he was earning \$20,000, when, as a matter of fact, his income was more than \$60,000. The couple were married in 1900, and Mrs. Ducas said she was compelled to leave Ducas because he was cruel to her. She said that after they were married he promised to make her the richest woman in the family, but when they moved to the Hotel Savoy he had a change of heart and became more particular about his expenditures.

BET ENDS IN DEATH

Victim Accepts Aiming Challenge and Is Killed.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—"Bet you a dime I can shoot that pipe out of your mouth," challenged W. T. Campbell to Al Brand, in a grain elevator at 12th street and the river. Campbell had a .22-caliber rifle. "I'll take the bet," said Brand.

Campbell aimed and fired. The bullet struck Brand in the temple. He died in an hour.

DELAWARE FARMERS PROTEST

Want Ordinance Requiring Screening of Exposed Products Amended.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 4.—Acting under instructions of the Farmers' New Castle County branch, a committee will call on city Council this week and ask that a hearing be given on amendments to the new pure food ordinance passed by the Council recently before the ordinance is put into effect.

There is considerable objection to the ordinance on the part of the farmers who sell in the street markets in this city because it would compel the screening from the weather and dirt and dust of all foodstuffs exposed for sale.

At the recent meeting of the national grange in this city, a resolution was adopted favoring the screening of all foodstuffs which are exposed for sale and the members of the Council will use this as an argument in favor of the new ordinance.

CATTLE DEALERS ARRESTED

Charged With Violating Quarantine in Moving Stock Without Permit.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 4.—The first arrests made through violation of the State's cattle quarantine because of epidemic fever were made today on persons by Lancaster, Pa. Police and William Hoffman, Lancaster county health officer, who accompanied a state patrol with a permit to move cattle over a state road without a permit.

JERSEY HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE INCREASED

Assistant State Commissioner Makes Report on Secondary Education. TRENTON, Dec. 3.—A. B. Meredith, Assistant State Commissioner of Education, today submitted to Calvin N. Kendall, State Commissioner of Education, a statistical report covering some of the subjects relating to secondary education for the year ending June 15.

Meredith shows that the total number of approved four-year high schools in the State in 1914 is 127, as against 121 in 1913; total number of registered three-year high schools in 1914 is 15, as against 13 in 1913; total number of two-year registered high schools in 1914 is 11, as against 17 in 1913; total number of registered one-year high schools in 1914 is two, with the same number in 1913; total enrollment in high schools in 1914 is 25,000, as against 23,142 in 1913; total enrollment of State in 1914 is 406,829, as against 378,035; total number of pupils attending high schools from adjoining districts in 1914 is 975 and in 1913 922; number of high school teachers (men) in 1914 is 341, as against 338 in 1913; number of high school teachers (women) in 1914, 967, as against 947 in 1913.

The report further states that the amount expended for school teachers' salaries in 1914 was \$1,285,225, as against \$1,570,726.88, an increase of \$284,483.37. The average salary per year for men teachers in 1914 was \$1,542.41, as against \$1,662.50 in 1913, an increase of \$120.09. The average salary per year of the women teachers in 1914 was \$931.11, as against \$960.43 in 1913, an increase of \$22.68.

BLIND "SEE" PLAY

1200 Sightless Persons Witness and Enjoy Performance.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Perhaps the most unusual audience which ever attended a theatrical performance was present at a special production at a Broadway house when 1200 blind persons, many of them children, "saw" the play, "The Business" of the piece was emphasized by some clever changes. Doors that ordinarily close softly were fitted with springs.

The blind audience of the entry and exit of characters, "Goody-byes" were also added to the lines of the players and that helped immensely. In the third act the carpet was removed from a staircase which ascended many times. The sense of hearing came to the aid of the sightless spectators and they followed the action of the play without trouble.

Before every act a blind lawyer, who was one of the audience, explained the act about to follow. Some of his descriptions were humorous, a society man in the play being dubbed as a young one with a mustache the size of a small eyebrow.

The enjoyment of the "spectators" was unmistakable.

SHIP FIRE SAID TO HAVE DESTROYED PAINTINGS

Agents of Line Deny Loss of Treasures Worth Millions.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—A fire in the hold of the French line freight steamer Mississippi shortly after that vessel had left Havre early in November, is said to have caused the loss of old paintings valued at \$1,000,000.

The vessel reached here November 27, but news of the fire was kept secret until yesterday. Agents of the line say that such a fire took place and that Captain Lehou ordered steam and water turned into the hold of his ship extinguishing the fire. Either would have been sufficient to ruin the pictures, but the agents disavow knowledge of such a loss.

IS A BILLBOARD A BUILDING?

Wilmington's City Solicitor Asked for an Opinion.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 4.—Does a billboard constitute a building? Is the question which has been referred to City Solicitor Hastings for an opinion. Complaint was made by residents that billboards close to their property depreciated its value, and the matter was referred to Building Inspector Anderson to ascertain if he had granted a permit.

The company owning a billboard has a lease for the land on which it is erected. It holds that a billboard is not a building, and therefore it is not necessary to take out a permit; also, that should it be compelled to take down the board it would lose the amount which it had paid for the rent.

A POSSIBILITY



Just a Moment! We Aren't Quite Prepared.

TIGHT SKIRT IS DOOMED AND WALKING WIDTH WILL REIGN

Styles This Season Will Be Seen and Not Heard.

The skirt that clings and interferes when walking seems to be a thing of the past. By Easter morn, dispatches say, will be completely vanished. From hints let loose and given out in certain convention talk.

This much became known today just prior to the opening of the 25th semi-annual convention of the National Cloak, Suit, Skirt and Dress Manufacturers' Association here.

The Style Committee will report to the convention tomorrow. Today there was a broad hint that "Made in America" clothes for women will now be fashioned in severe lines. Laces and furbelows will be tabooed. Skirts will be fuller and flare out from the waist line in plaits with a good six inches from the ground marking the southern boundary.

"Dattleship gray" is the popular color. About 300 delegates were scheduled to arrive today. Pretty models wearing "the latest" will parade before them tomorrow.

PHONE CLUE IN MYSTERY

Police Seeking Sender of Message on Day of Buff Murder.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Detectives are endeavoring to establish why one man connected with the poultry trade, who was in the habit of leaving the Jersey City yards where poultry is unloaded in the neighborhood of 5 o'clock every afternoon, decided to remain across the river on the night of the Buff murder. It is said that, after the deed had been committed, this man received a telephone message, when he hurriedly left for Manhattan.

The police are anxious to learn whence this message came and who was the man on the other end of the wire. Despite many "clues," no important arrests in the case have been made, all of the prisoners taken into custody on suspicion having been released for lack of evidence. There are persistent rumors of friction between the police department and the District Attorney's office.

GRANGE FOR WOMEN FARMERS

New Jersey Organization Would Train Them in College.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 4.—The New Jersey State Grange passed a resolution advocating the admission of women to the Agricultural College at New Brunswick on an equality with men, and also indorsed equal suffrage at its closing session last night.

The grange will try to get an appropriation of \$50,000 from the next Legislature to establish a sub-experimental station which will do for farmers in the southern part of the State what the one at New Brunswick does for those in the northern part.

RELIGIOUS

Jewish RODEPH SHALOM (SEEK PEACE). Services Saturday, 10 a. m., s. e. corner Broad and Mt. Vernon streets. The Ideal Congregation, by Rabbi Henry Berkowitz. All welcome.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

PHILADELPHIA Both Sexes Civil Service, shorthand, bookkeeping, English. Miss Mason, 528 Lafayette Bldg., 5th & Chest.

JOY RIDERS, DESIST! AUTO OWNERS' EYES ARE EVERYWHERE

The A. O. I. B., Inc., Promises Harassed Employers Sleep Untroubled by Dreams of Accidents.

Automobile owner, does your chauffeur take the cook out joy-riding in your \$1000 plush-lined limousine? Where is your car right now? Is there you think it is?

This is the spirit of a letter being sent broadcast to automobile owners in all the large cities of the country by the Automobile Owners' Information Bureau, Inc., of New York.

For the sum of \$20 a year the bureau offers to keep careful watch on your motorcar and to report its whereabouts day and night. The "Our-eye-on-your-car" seal of the bureau, to be pasted on license number plate, is calculated to instill such moral fear in the bosoms of your chauffeur and other persons that alert eyes are just hankering for your car to send it skimming over the highways of the countryside in the fresh air of the early morn.

The moral effect—that is what the bureau emphasizes to its potential clients. Of course, at present no such effect is exerted on chauffeurs or others, because there are only three operatives of the bureau at work now in New York.

The possibility of the car's climbing a locomotive or trolley car while you are soundly sleeping would thus be greatly diminished. Much oil and gasoline and the wear and tear on tires which you yourself do not use would be saved.

The mental satisfaction, too, of knowing that alert eyes are just hankering for your car to be seen in use without your permission or knowledge is described as being very gratifying.

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PROTESTS ALIEN LABOR LAW

British Consul in Arizona Acts in Behalf of Countrymen.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—A protest from the British Consul at Bisbee, Ariz., acting for British residents, to the embassy against the Arizona "80 per cent alien labor law" was transmitted to the State Department today by the British Ambassador.

The Arizona law provides that no person or corporation employing more than five persons shall have in its service less than 80 per cent American citizens.

RESORTS

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SERVIANS HAVE LOST ONE-THIRD OF ARMY

Austrian Sweep of Country Predicted to Follow Belgrade Capture.

BERLIN, Dec. 4. Nineteen thousand Serbian prisoners have been taken since the Austrians began the present offensive movement, according to a report received here today from Vienna.

News from other sources indicates that Serbia's casualties since the beginning of the war will reach about 100,000, or virtually one-third of its entire strength.

Reports of further Serbian defeats to the east of the Kolubara and Ljilj Rivers tend to confirm the prediction of military observers that the end of Serbian resistance cannot be far off.

BUDAPEST, Dec. 4.

The city of Belgrade was taken by storm at the point of bayonets. The Austro-Hungarian troops approached the city from the westward and rushed the defenses. After their vigorous assault they marched into the city, cheering loudly.

JAPANESE BLAME OKUMA

Declare That England Gets Lion's Share of War Spoils.

TOKYO, Dec. 4. Political circles are greatly perturbed. The Seiyukai (the Constitutional party), which has some 200 of the 331 members of the House of Representatives, seems bent on passing a vote of "No confidence" in the Okuma Cabinet. The leaders complain that the Government is going to turn the Island of Yap over to England and Kiao-Chau to China, and that the northern half of the Tientsin-Nanking Railroad, hitherto within the German sphere of influence, is on the point of falling into the hands of England also.

Okuma openly says that if a vote of lack of confidence is passed he will dissolve the House.

1400 RADIO PLANTS CLOSED

U. S. Admiral Declares Wireless Stations Broke Neutrality.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—Admiral C. F. Pond, supervisor of the 12th Naval District, said today that since the beginning of the war 1400 wireless stations had been closed under orders of the Navy Department.

Scores of stations are being investigated every week upon charges of neutrality violations.

SHIFT BULGARIAN DIPLOMATS

SOFIA, Dec. 4.—Bulgaria has made a shift in its diplomatic service that is significant. M. Tcheff, a former Cabinet Minister, is being sent to Vienna, and M. Kulochev, former Bulgarian Minister to Montenegro, has been instructed to go to Constantinople.

CITY NOISES CHIEF CAUSE OF INSANITY, MRS. OAKLEY SAYS

Philadelphia Woman Urges National Civic Association to Wage Campaign on Nerve-racking Sensations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Imogene B. Oakley, of Philadelphia, discussed before the final session of the American Civic Association Convention today "Public Health and the Noise Nuisance."

She told what had been done in Philadelphia to prevent noises near hospitals, and said there was still much to be accomplished. Stronger legislation was advocated by the speaker.

City noises are responsible for much insanity, declared Mrs. Oakley, in a plea for an anti-noise campaign. She urged the association to try to reduce the amount of noise in American cities for the following reasons:

"First, because it is certain noise increases the sick rate by preventing sleep. Second, because noise increases the death rate by destroying the vital and imperative powers of the sick. Third, because noise dulls and brutalizes the nervous system."

"Apologists for noise say that those who differ with them are nervous cranks," said Mrs. Oakley. "They say they imagine discomfort when none exists. John E. Lathrop presented a paper, illustrated with stereopticon slides, for Mrs. Flora Spiegel Berg, of New York, on garbage and waste collection and disposal. The pictures showed the garbage system in Fuerth, Bavaria.

Jesse Lee Bennett, of Baltimore, outlined progress made the last two years in the campaign for the removal of billboards from cities. He said:

"The movement against outdoor advertising may well be considered a manifestation of the general conservation sentiment of recent years. It has been an attempt to conserve our resources of natural and municipal beauty against the standard which so affects them. Probably the only good thing that can be said for the signboard is that it is essentially American—a proof of a most prodigally vigorous race, which could have evolved or endured anything so blatantly nerve-racking."

BOBS

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