JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Nancy Wynne Talks of Society's Doings for Next Week for the Debutantes—Many Teas Scheduled

THE Dunning tea was lovely yesterday and Nancy looked awfully cute. She is rather small you know, and very vivacious and sweet.

Today's tea will be for Florence Griffith, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Oglesby Griffith, and a cousin of Florence Paul Kane, who is also a debutante of this year. The tea will be at the Griffith home in Chestnut Hill.

And after a slight let up on teas during the past week let us see what we have to look forward to next week, in the way of parties and entertainments. On Monday there will be a theatre party for Josephine Thompson given by Judge and Mrs. William W. Porter, of 135 South Eighteenth street, and no tea for that day, but there will be two teas on Tuesday of interest, though both will not be given here. Elizabeth Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ross, of 1721 Spruce street, will be introduced by her parents here, and in Trenton Roxalene Howell Dickinson will be given a tea by her grandmother, Mrs. S. Meredith Dickinson.

ON WEDNESDAY Evelyn Smith, the younger sister of Mrs. Tommy Hart, and daughter of Mrs. Harry Clifton Adams, will make her debut at a tea at the Bellevue-Stratford; and Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Mikle Fox will introduce their daughter Sarah Valentine Fox, at 400 Locust street.

I cannot place any debutante party for Thursday, so think something must be wrong, don't you? How could anyone let such a thing as a day pass without a party when the H. C. of L. means so much?

But cheer up, my friends, we turn to November 14, next Friday, and here we have a tea for Mary Fahnestock and a dance for Mary Norris in the evening, given by Mr. and Mrs. James Frederick Fahnestock and Mrs. Dobson Altemus, respectively.

While for the school set that night there will be the first meeting of Mrs. Charles Stewart Wurts's dancing class at the Bellevue-Stratford. And many and numerous dinners will precede that.

Then on Saturday Rosalie Voorath will make her debut at a tea. Some busy little week, don't you think?

I WAS interested yesterday to hear that Anne Cruger, of New York, who is a cousin of Mrs. Rod Wanamaker, is to marry Alex Paternotte, second secretary of the Belgian embassy. The wedding is to be at the Wanamakers' home, in New York, and will take place next Saturday. The Crugers are of old New York stock and very smart. Mr. Paternotte is an extremely popular young man and was the only member of the embassy stag to attend the dinner given for the king and queen of the Belgians during their stay in Washington. He is a new member of the staff, over here since the armistice.

I HEAR that the welfare dance at the Bellevue next Saturday evening will be for the benefit of the Association of Day Nurseries. There are twenty-three nurseries in the association, you know, and the women interested are all determined to make a good showing at the dance. From all I hear of those who are going, it will almost be a ball. The committee in charge includes Mrs. Stacy Lloyd, Mrs. Henry Sulger Jeanes, Miss Joan Zimmerman, Miss Weston and Mrs. Joe Leidy.

I never think of the Day Nurseries without remembering the wonderful work the late Mrs. W. W. Frazier did in their regard. She was interested in the day nurseries up to the time of her death and was president of the association for a number of years. She was the mother of Benjamin B. Frazier, William West Frazier, Jr., and John Nalbro Frazier. And a lovely woman she was!

I WAS sitting at the orchestra yesterday and two girls in their teens, who have yet to come out, but have reached the stage of allowances, were talking back of me. This was during an interval and even though I did not mean to listen, I could not quite help it. They were evidently talking about their accounts which seemed to mix them greatly and Molly said to Katherine, "What's a debit?" and Katherine said, "Oh, that's somethin' that's owin'!"

NANCY WYNNE.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. and Mrs. Ledyard Heckscher, will give a party for their son, Master Charlie Heckscher, on Saturday, December 6, at Bolingbrooke, their home in Radnor. Their daughter, Miss I. Virginia Heckscher, who is attending school in New York, will spend this week-end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Armitt Brown, of St. Davids, will entertain at dinner this evening at the Philadelphia Country Club, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hamilton, of New York, who will spend the week-end with them. The other guests will include, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gratz Fell, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hamilton and Mr. Lionel Willing.

At the dinner which Mrs. Paxton Deeter, of Bryn Mawr, will give this evening at the Philadelphia Country Club, for Mrs. Priest, the guests will be, Mr. and Mrs. H. Norman Thorne and Mr. Lothrope Lee.

Miss Catharine C. Lea, of Devon, and her guest, Miss Helen James, of New York, attended the Harvard-Princeton game at Princeton, this afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Lea, will give a lunch of 50 covers tomorrow in honor of Miss James, of Westthorpe Farm, their home in Devon.

Dr. and Mrs. Norris W. Vaux, of 8901 Germantown avenue, Chestnut Hill, have closed their home and will live permanently at 1807 Walnut street.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Stotesbury, who have spent some time at Palm Beach, returned home the beginning of the week.

Mrs. George R. Van Dusen and Miss Catharine Van Dusen, of North Evergreen avenue, Chestnut Hill, will go to the Aldine Hotel on Saturday for the winter.

Mrs. Clayton Platt, Jr., of 8715 Crefeldt street, Chestnut Hill, who has been visiting her father, Mr. William McAdoo, in New York, has returned home.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Rose Elaine Staman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Staman, of South Graham street, Pittsburgh, to Mr. Robert B. Drob, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Jacob Drob, of this city.

ALONG THE MAIN LINE

An informal reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Peters, Narberth, on Wednesday evening, November 5, in honor of their son, Mr. Lester Peters. The guests were Miss Eleanor Reiss, Miss Catherine Turner and Mr. Elwood Reiss, of Narberth, Pa.; Miss Marion Robertshaw, Miss Catherine McGinnes, Mr. William A. Temme, Jr., Mr. Edwin Newman and Mr. Joseph Wagner, Jr., of this city.

Mr. George W. Kendrick, of Villanova, will leave for White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., next week.

ALONG THE READING

The Woman's Club of Wyncote held its meeting in the clubrooms on Wednesday. Mr. Warwick James Price was the speaker, choosing for his subject, "Setting the World's House in Order." The afternoon's talk was only an introduction to this comprehensive subject, which Mr. Price intends to develop in subsequent lectures to the club during the winter. Following Mr. Price's talk was the report of Mrs. W. C. Kent, the delegate to the Eastern State Federation of Pennsylvania Women held in Scranton. Mrs. Kent gave a comprehensive idea of what transpired at the convention and brought fresh ideas to the club in the matter of its usefulness along the lines of state legislation. The meeting closed with an informal tea.

GERMANTOWN

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Pauline Rogers, 281 Mount Pleasant avenue, and the Rev. John Robbins Hart, Jr., 5706 Locust street, on Wednesday evening, November 5.

The marriage of Miss May E. Mallon, of 5213 Greene street, and Mr. Charles C. Palmer, of 3062 Harrville street, took place in St. Francis Assisi Church, Logan and Greene streets, at 9 o'clock Thursday morning, November 6. A wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride immediately after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Palmer then left on a wedding trip.

WEST PHILADELPHIA

Miss Elizabeth Happersett, of 1315 South Fifty-eighth street, and Mrs. Van Kirk, of New York as her guest for the week-end. Miss Happersett has just recently returned from a visit to New York.

Miss Caroline Karskaden, of Fifteenth and Walnut streets, is visiting in Boston for several weeks.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA

The Collins Athletic Association will give a dinner on the second anniversary of its organization as an athletic club. Those who will be present are: Mr. Anthony Oliveri, Mr. Louis Bentzley, Mr. Joseph Guida, Mr. Vincent Clements, Mr. Benjamin Dragonetti, Mr. Joseph Dragonetti, Mr. Connie Blumenstein, Mr. Leon Oliveri, Mr. James Guida, Mr. Clarence Woodcock, Mr. Charles Feola, Mr. Harold Augestine, Mr. Ralph Corelli, Mr. Tom Feola, Mr. William Nutmegal, Mr. Louis Saponaroli, Mr. Tom Carr and Mr. James J. Graham, who has managed the club successfully since its organization. The banquet will take place on November 15.

The Tau Phi Gamma Sorority is having a reception at the home of one of the members, Miss Margaret McAllister, of 1603 Lindley avenue. Other members of the sorority who will attend are: Miss Helen Brooks, Miss Lillian Brooks, Miss Helen De Long, Miss Lillian Penrose, Miss Gertrude Penrose, Miss Lucille Penrose, Miss Alma Penrose, Miss Gertrude Garrod, Miss Mable Tollard, Miss Mildred Gallagher, Miss Dorothy Harris, Miss Margaret Llewillen, Miss Mildred Meehan, Miss Helen Ticard, Miss Mary Pettit, Miss Helen Lewis, Miss Estelle Picard, Miss Helen Bilzer and Miss Elizabeth Kneezler.

NORTH PHILADELPHIA

The cast of the annual vaudeville entertainment of the Alumnae Association of the William Penn High School for Girls, which will take place on Monday and Tuesday evenings in the Academy of Music, will include Miss Esther Aleinikoff, Miss Rose Applebaum, Miss Tillie Barnack, Miss Edna Berlinger, Miss Ethel Brewer, Miss Tillie Bernhang, Miss Florence Brill, Miss Ella Brodsky, Miss Anna Blume, Miss Edna Cox, Miss Frances Cox, Miss Margaret Clark, Miss Jean Clark, Miss Marian Creamer, Miss Loretta Daly, Miss Sophia Ernst, Miss Alice Elsasser, Miss Bertha Forney, Miss Idaline Gartman, Miss Ethel Gelbach, Miss Tedney Gruninger, Miss Maud Howard, Miss Bernice Hallowell, Miss Alma Hille, Miss Emma Hille, Miss Irene Hertz, Miss Clara Hirsch, Miss Hazel Heath, Miss Harriet Hall, Miss Eveyline Hamerton, Miss Edna Hill, Miss Estelle Kornbaum, Miss Mildred Kornbau, Miss Reba Klein, Miss Eleanor Kervin, Miss Ellen Kronenberger, Miss Mary Lemmerhirt, Miss Heloyse Levy, Miss M. Lazarus, Miss Clara McCall, Miss Eleanor MacCardle, Miss Rose Meyer, Miss Florence Messinger, Miss Rae Messinger, Miss Maybelle Baretta Marston, Miss Christine Mosler, Miss Elsie Raith Mooney, Miss Sylvia Morris, Miss Gertrude Muir, Miss Edith Muir, Miss Clare Meyer, Miss Anna Wirth Nell, Miss Elizabeth Paschall, Miss Emma Pike, Miss Dorothy Rudder, Miss Mabel Robinson, Miss Beatrice Robinson, Miss M. Risley, Miss Mary Stout, Miss Irene Stroup, Miss Edna Speidel, Mrs. L. J. Spacter, Miss May Smith, Miss Edith Sharp, Miss Eleanor Thompson, Miss Elsie Thatcher, Miss Minnie Thoenebe, Miss Claire Vincent, Miss Ida Weeks, Miss Eleanor Wallin, Miss Marie Morton Wass, Miss Anna Washingel, Miss Helen Wallis, Miss Florence Webb, Miss Helen West, Miss Anna West, Miss Bessie Weiss, Miss Ida Willinsky, Miss Minna Ketterer, Miss Bessie Reeve, Miss Pauline Rosenberg, Miss Jennie Yaspam, Miss Rose Yaspam and Miss Dora Schultz. Mr. E. Walter Wroe is directing the show. The entertainment, which will be followed by dancing, is in charge of Miss Ellen Kronenberger, president of the Alumnae Association, Miss Margaret C. Clark, Miss Alice A. Elsasser, Miss Harriet Hall, Miss Eleanor C. Kervin, Mrs. Joseph Crosson, Miss Reba Klein, Miss Dorothy Lee, Miss Heloyse Levy, Miss E. Ray Messinger, Mrs. William R. Mooney, Mrs. Reinhard Nell and Miss Helen M. West. This year the Santa Claus Club of the Public Ledger, will share the proceeds with the association.

TIOGA

The wedding of Miss Frances V. Grosh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Grosh, of 3254 North Carlisle street, and Mr. Ralph Shaw Byram, of Mount Airy will take place on Tuesday evening, November 25, in the First Presbyterian church of Germantown, High street and Germantown avenue. The bride will be attended by Miss Bertha Gunther, of Baltimore, Md., as maid of honor; Mrs. Charles J. Friend, matron of honor, and Miss Hannah A. Grosh, her sister, bridesmaid. Mr. F. Spencer Byram will be his brother's best man; and the ushers will include Mr. Robert McDonald, Mr. Harold Parkin, Mr. Joseph F. Hickey, and Mr. Charles J. Friend.

Mrs. Frank Barras, of 2328 West Tioga street, will entertain at luncheon and cards on Tuesday at her home, when her guests will include Mrs. Rowland Pegley, Mrs. Walter Doscher, Mrs. Harry Painter, Mrs. John C. Allen, Jr., Mrs. Clement A. Alderfer, Mrs. Benjamin Foster, Mrs. Oscar Voekler, Mrs. Louis Guckes and Mrs. George Lord.

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MRS. B. G. BLOOM

Mrs. Bloom was Miss Edith Lloyd, of this city. Her marriage to Mr. Bloom took place on October 23

MISS NEWHALL TO WED MR. SELFRIDGE

Quiet Wedding Takes Place in Old Valley Forge Church

The wedding of Miss Eleanor Newhall, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Newhall, and Mr. Duncan Selfridge, son of Admiral and Mrs. Selfridge, took place very quietly today at noon at Valley Forge, in the Washington Memorial Chapel. The Rev. W. Herbert Burk performed the ceremony. Only the immediate members of the families were present. Mr. and Mrs. Selfridge will make their home in the suburbs of Boston after their wedding trip. There was no reception.

KEITH—CUMMINGS

Miss Elizabeth Stetson Cummings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Howell Cummings, will become the bride of Mr. Frederick Walter Keith, of Chicago, at 6 o'clock this evening in Calvary Presbyterian Church, Fifteenth and Locust street. Miss Marie Richards Cummings will act as maid of honor and the bridesmaids will be Miss Eleanor Cummings, Miss Elizabeth P. Buchanan, Mrs. David Adler, Jr., a sister of the bridegroom, and Mrs. Arthur A. Burrows, both of Chicago. Mr. J. Howell Cummings, Jr., will act as best man and the following gentlemen will be ushers: Mr. J. Howard Burton, of Mount Vernon, N. J., Mr. Oakley J. Wollard, of Bayport, L. I.; Mr. Edmund B. Wright, of Cincinnati; Mr. William A. Fuller, of Chicago; Mr. William Holliday, 2d, of Indianapolis, and Mr. George D. Scott, of St. Louis. A reception will follow at the Bellevue-Stratford.

SIMONS—BIEGEMANN

An interesting wedding will take place this evening in the Tabernacle Methodist Episcopal Church, Eleventh and Oxford streets, when Miss Helen Elizabeth Biegemann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Biegemann, of 2346 North Nineteenth street, will be married to Mr. J. Martin Simons. The ceremony will be performed at 7 o'clock by the Rev. C. W. Kitto and will be followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents. The bride will wear a white satin gown made with braided panels, a tulle veil caught with orange blossoms and will carry a shower of Bride roses. Miss Myrtle Scott, of Trenton, N. J., will be maid of honor and will wear a gown of Nile green satin and will carry white chrysanthemums. The bridesmaids, Miss June Atwood and Mrs. Voorhees Anderson, will also wear satin frocks, the former in blue and the latter pink, and each will carry Ophelia roses. Their large hats are of black velvet. Miss Viola Parker, the little flower girl, will wear a white organdie frock and her flower basket will hold rose pink rosebuds and rose petals. Mr. Simons will have for best man Mr. Walter L. Biegemann, the bride's brother, and his ushers will include Mr. Edwin W. Scott, Mr. Louis M. Case, Mr. Henry Levy and Mr. Ernest Ridings. The bridegroom and bride will leave on a fortnight's trip and will be at home after November 22 at 2346 North Nineteenth street.

ROBBINS—DORN

A pretty wedding will be solemnized this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Church of the Resurrection, Broad and Tioga streets, when Miss Olga Jeanette Dorn, of 3233 North Sixteenth street, will become the bride of Mr. Charles H. Robbins, of Boston, with the Rev. James O. McIlhenny officiating. The bride will wear her traveling suit of blue silvertone cloth with a velvet hat, and will be attended by Mrs. Harold F. Watson as matron of honor, in a coat suit of midnight blue and a black velvet hat.

Mr. John Hancock will be the bridegroom's best man, and the ushers will be Mr. Phillip Dorn and Mr. William Daniels. The service will be followed by a small reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Dorn, 3236 North Sixteenth street. After their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Robbins will live in Boston.

LITHGOW—FISHER

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Clara H. Fisher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Edward Fisher, of 1939 North Camac street, and Mr. Earl Lithgow, of 5119 Wayne avenue, Germantown, on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Forrest E. Dager, D. D., rector of St. Paul's Reformed Episcopal Church, Broad and Venango streets. Mr. and Mrs. Lithgow left on their trip immediately after the quiet service. They will be at home at 1939 North Camac street after January 1.

KITCHIN—SHEDWICK

The wedding of Miss Elizabeth Hall Shedwick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Shedwick, of 618 North Thirty-fourth street, and Dr. E. Paul Kitchin, of 314 North Tabor road, Olney, took place at the home of the bride last evening. Mrs. Charles B. Hollis was matron of honor and Mr. Charles B. Hollis was best man. The little flower girl was Miss Florence B. Williams and Mr. Harry Russell acted as usher. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Courtland Robinson, of Northminster Presbyterian Church.

Musical Events of the Coming Week

Sunday, Oct. 9.—Chamber Music Association, Bellevue-Stratford, 4 p. M., Letz Quartet.

Tuesday, Oct. 11.—D'Annunzio Orchestra and singers, Metropolitan Opera House, 8.15 P. M.

Wednesday, Oct. 12.—Cello and piano recital, Hans Kindler and Ellis Clark Hammann, Witherspoon Hall, 8.15 P. M.

Cantor Joseph Rosenblatt, recital, Metropolitan Opera House, 8.15 P. M.

Thursday, Oct. 13.—Organ recital, Charles M. Courboin, Wanamaker Store, 8.15 P. M.

Vocal recital, Elsa Warde, Art Alliance, 4 P. M.

University Extension Orchestra, Witherspoon Hall, 8.15 P. M. May Hotz, soloist.

Lapitino popular concert, Academy of Music, 8.15 P. M.

Friday, Oct. 14.—Philadelphia Orchestra, Academy of Music, 3 P. M. Margaret Matzenauer, soloist.

Saturday, Oct. 15.—Philadelphia Orchestra, Academy of Music, 8.15 P. M. Margaret Matzenauer, soloist.

SWARTHMORE

Five couples are being entertained this evening at a dinner given by Mrs. Edward Alexander Stockton. Those present are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Boyer, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander A. Torchiano, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Downs and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Simpers.

A "Syncopated Dance" is being held at the Woman's Clubhouse by the younger people of Swarthmore tonight. Many Swarthmore college couples will be present to enjoy the somewhat violent music.

Mrs. Le Roy Carlton, of Baltimore, is spending several weeks as a guest of her mother, Mrs. Edwin H. Buckman, who is arranging several social affairs for the entertainment of her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Drain, with their daughter, Miss Mildred Drain, left today for Philadelphia, where they will spend the winter.

A two-months' absence was started by Mrs. Robert G. Gilfillan last Wednesday, when she left for her daughter's home in Cleveland. After a few weeks stay with Mrs. Barton Hooper, 3d, she will go to Red Jacket, W. Va., to visit her sister, Mrs. William Cummings. Mrs. Gilfillan will return to Swarthmore December 1.

The Friday afternoon reading circle met at the home of Mrs. Charles Joyce this week. A paper on English writers was presented by Mrs. William Walters.

Mrs. William I. Hull spent part of the last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Clothier, in Wynnewood. Mr. Clothier celebrated his eighty-second birthday anniversary on Wednesday.

Next Tuesday the Woman's Club will give a luncheon and reception to the presidents of the twelve Delaware county clubs. The reception will be followed by an educational meeting.

ROXBOROUGH

The members of the Roxborough branch of the Needlework Guild will hold their annual tea and exhibition of garments on Tuesday afternoon, November 18, from 2 to 5 o'clock, in the Leverington Presbyterian Church, Ridge and Leverington avenues. Mrs. Oliver S. Keely, the president, will preside, and addresses will be made by Mr. Edwin D. Solenberger, general secretary of the Children's Aid Society, and Miss Katharine Earl, superintendent of St. Timothy's Hospital. The musical numbers on the program will be by Mr. Lawrence Miller, violinist. Mrs. Frank Lackey and Mrs. C. C. A. Baldi will pour tea and will be assisted by Miss Helen Haig, Miss Anna Yahn, Miss Dorothy Keely, Miss Katharine Littlewood, Miss Eleanor Littlewood and Miss Isabelle Foulkrod. The affair is in charge of the president; Mrs. William H. Stafford and Mrs. L. H. Goshow, vice president; Mrs. John Lawson, secretary; Mrs. Robert Hays, treasurer; Mrs. John J. Foulkrod, Jr., Mrs. Richard Hey, Mrs. John Dearnley, Mrs. Charles Gauger, Mrs. R. M. Yahn, Mrs. S. S. Foulkrod, Mrs. George R. Moore, Mrs. George B. Bostwick, Mrs. Charles E. Myers, Mrs. George Littlewood, Mrs. Thompson Littlewood, Mrs. C. J. Thompson, Mrs. Edward H. Preston, Mrs. William H. Beatty, Miss Anna Fussell, Mrs. O. R. Davis, Mrs. George Hardman and Mrs. J. W. Keely.

CONSHOHOCKEN

Mr. and Mrs. David Schultz, of Marklesburg, Pa., announce the wedding of their daughter, Miss Cora Mae Schultz, to Mr. Cloyd Lamp, of Johnstown, Pa., Saturday, October 18. They were married at the Bethany Reformed Church, Twentieth and Dauphin streets, Philadelphia, by the Rev. H. H. Hartman.

The Critic Talks to Music Lovers

Weekly Comment on Things Musical for the Discriminating People of Philadelphia

AGAIN there is a "shake-up" in the viola players of the leading professional string quartets, and this time because of it Philadelphia loses probably its best viola player, as Emile Ferir, solo viola of the Philadelphia Orchestra, leaves to become a viola player in the Berkshire Quartet. Louis Bailly, who left the Flonzaley Quartet last summer to go with the Berkshire Quartet this fall, returns to the Flonzaleys, as Ugo Ara found himself unable to continue in that position.

Mr. Ferir has had a long and distinguished career as a viola player, having been solo viola of the Boston Symphony Orchestra for a number of years before he came to Philadelphia, which was a little more than a year ago. He has had a large experience in string quartet work, having played in the quartet of Willy Hess and Anton Witek in Boston, while those violinists were filling the position of concertmeister of the Boston Symphony, and also in the Rich Quartet of this city, last year.

He is one of the few men who made the viola their special instrument from the start, as he always intended to become a viola player and did not go to that instrument from the violin as do nine hundred and ninety-nine out of every thousand viola players. Louis Bailly is another who made the viola his special instrument.

Most viola players, as has been said, begin with the violin and then go to the viola for any one of a number of reasons. Louis Svecenski, viola player in the Kneisel Quartet from the day it was organized until Mr. Kneisel disbanded it, a period of almost thirty years, was one of the finest viola players in the world, but he came to this country to be one of the first violins of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. He took up the viola at the combined request of Mr. Kneisel and Mr. Gericke, then conductor of the Boston Orchestra, Mr. Kneisel because he wanted him in the quartet he was about to organize and Mr. Gericke because he needed him for solo viola of the orchestra. His experience has been that of most of the great viola players.

In the leaving of Mr. Ferir the Philadelphia Orchestra and the musical life of the city suffer a severe loss.

MR. MONTEUX, in the opening concert of the Boston Symphony Orchestra at the Academy of Music last Monday evening, completely reversed the form he showed as the conductor of the first concert here last season when he led the orchestra until Mr. Raband arrived in this country. At that time he gave the Cesar Franck symphony, and, as was mentioned in these columns, his reading was a marvel of detail. The intensely complicated architecture of the symphony, especially the last movement, which is a wonderful mosaic of the themes of the previous movements, combined with the new thematic material in the last movement itself, was brought out with a keen sense of values architectural, thematic and dynamic, but especially architectural.

Naturally one expected something of a similar reading of the Schumann B-flat symphony last Monday evening, even allowing for the fact that, compared to the Franck symphony, the Schumann is simplicity itself in so far as construction goes. But the very reverse occurred. Mr. Monteux paid but slight attention to the detail of the work and even less to the dynamics, although the symphony is not one of contrasts. Was one of the finest