

CITY PAINTERS WIN AT ART EXHIBITION

Emily Drayton Taylor and Alfred Hayward Are Among Prize Getters

REUTERDAHL ALSO HONORED

Two Philadelphia artists, Emily Drayton Taylor, 1504 Pine street, a painter of miniatures, and Alfred Hayward, 200 South Fifteenth street, were among winners of prizes at the annual water-color and miniature exhibition of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts.

To Emily Drayton Taylor, who has a number of miniatures on exhibition, falls the coveted miniature painters' medal of honor. This is awarded for "high achievement" at the discretion of the officers of the Pennsylvania Society of Miniature Painters and may be awarded only once to the same person.

Other holders of the medal are Laura Combs, whose "Lily May Stanton and Margaret Foster Hawley," which has been reproduced in color.

The Philadelphia Water-Color Prize of \$200, was awarded Childe Hassam, of New York. This prize is awarded to that American or resident foreign artist showing the strangest water-color or group of water-colors in the exhibition. Mr. Hassam's group of pictures which were for him the honor comprise a series of five paintings of Rockport Quarry.

Lieutenant Commander Henry Reuter, U. S. N., famous marine artist, won the Dana Water-Color Medal. The Dana medal is awarded for the best work in water color, and is based on boldness, simplicity and frankness of expression.

The one of Mr. Reuter's pictures on exhibition of the navy during the war which won the honor for him is entitled "The Destroyer Patrol."

It shows an American destroyer patrolling off the British coast in the North Sea. The little craft is fighting its way through a heavy sea.

Prizes for the water-colors were awarded by the following jury of selection of the Philadelphia Water-Color Club: Arthur C. Carles, Charles DeMott, John J. Dull, William P. Gray, E. Walter Taylor and M. W. Zimmerman.

The jury of selection which awarded the miniature painters' medal of honor consists of Alexandria Robertson Harris, Jean Williams Lucas, Rebecca Peale Patterson, Edna Heustis Simpson and E. Walter Taylor.

SISTINE SINGERS DELIGHT

Bring Music Usually Associated Only With Ancient Cathedrals

The Sistine Quartet brought to a large audience in the Academy of Music last night the sort of beauty that one associates with the impressive, resounding, mysterious spaces of a great cathedral.

A male soprano and a male contralto are rarities to the concert stage of this country. However, the mellowness of Senor Luigi Gentili's contralto and the rich vigor and bell-toned soprano of Senor Alessandro Gabrielli proved as delightful as most rarities are.

The art of the Sistine Quartet is very striking and very unusual, and the numbers of their concert were carefully selected. The program was divided into two parts. During the first part the quartet appeared in crimson vestments. The selections in the second half were pastoral.

"Palestrina's 'La cruda mia nemica,'" which is the lament of a youth over the coldness of his sweetheart, held within it the grief of all lovers. It was sung with high charm.

But the "Mottetto" by Vittoria, which is sung on Holy Thursday, and which is a cry of grief of the Virgin Mary before the lifeless body of Christ, surpassed the Palestrina selection in poignant charm. It is significant that the ecclesiastical selections in every instance seemed far superior to the lay lyrics.

Muller's "Il ritorno del grege," a concluding number of the program, was a tone picture of the return of sheep to the fold. The sound of tinkling bells about the sheep's necks is pictured with delightful color in this poem.

A novelty which paired in a fashion with "Il ritorno" was Lasso's "La Canzone del Follone," a madrigal, throughout which one hears the beating of a worker in felt on the cloth with his stick.

The concert ended with "The Star Spangled Banner" sung in Italian.

"SANSEVERIA" SHIRTS NEXT

Commercial Museum Shows Rotarians New Yucatan Fiber

A new fiber which may take the place of silk, cotton or linen was brought to the attention of members of the Rotary Club today by their luncheon at the Bellevue-Stratford by Dr. William P. Wilson, director of the Commercial Museum.

The new material, which is known as "sanseveria," comes from Yucatan and Brazil. It aroused considerable interest among the Rotarians, and many predicted that it would help to deal a hard blow at the high cost of living.

Doctor Wilson exhibited pieces of the fiber in the raw and refined state. It has the luster of silk and the durability of fine linen, he said. He predicted that it would revolutionize the fiber industry. The natives of Yucatan and Brazil, he said, were the only people who cultivated the fiber at present.

The Commercial Museum, he said, served as a model for similar institutions in Mexico, Brazil and China. Recently, thirteen tons of samples were sent to the museum in China for exhibition purposes.

Franklin V. Shannon, formerly a member of the Shannon Hardware Co., died Monday evening at his home, 5417 Pine street, following a long illness. Mr. Shannon retired from active business in 1916 on account of poor health. He is survived by a son, William, a member of the bar, and two sisters in Washington, D. C.

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LAUNCHING AT HOG ISLAND WILL BENEFIT CHARITIES

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Several Catholic institutions benefit by the will of Jane McGinniss, 323 South Nineteenth street, which was admitted to probate today.

The will leaves \$1000 to St. John's Orphan Asylum, \$500 each to the St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, St. Joseph's Home for Boys, St. Vincent's Home and St. Vincent's Home and Maternity Hospital and \$200 to the Little Sisters of the Poor, Eighteenth and Jefferson streets. The remainder of the \$300,050 estate goes to relatives.

Other wills probated were those of William S. Breckford, former cashier of the Quaker City National Bank, who died in the Samaritan Hospital, leaving an estate valued at \$29,000 to relatives; John Leighland, Forty-sixth and Maplewood avenue, leaving an estate of \$16,500 to relatives; Samuel Andrews, 5311 Warren street, \$13,800 to relatives; Charles B. Stillwell, Bryn Mawr Hospital, \$10,000 to relatives; Ernest G. Miller, 4542 Mitchell street, \$8800 to relatives; Martha Beatty, Episcopal Hospital, \$2605 to relatives; and Walter Shine, 3214 Ridge avenue, \$3500 to relatives.

The estate of William W. Carr, former judge of Common Pleas Court No. 1, has been appraised at \$6132.06.

WOMEN POLITICIANS QUIET

Three Leave Club Because of Mrs. Harmon's Aspirations

Three "charter members" of the Women's Republican Club resigned last night in the wrangle over the political aspirations of Mrs. Archibald R. Harmon, and it is reported today that two others intend to retire from the organization.

The three who sent their resignations to the meeting of the club at the Adelphi Hotel last night were Mrs. C. Stanley Harburt, Mrs. E. M. Moll, and Mrs. M. V. Smith.

The two who may resign are Mrs. George W. Urquhart and Mrs. C. G. Fraser.

Mrs. Urquhart said that to remain a member would be an insult to her womanly intelligence.

Open attack upon Mrs. Harmon was made in the letter of resignation sent by Mrs. Smith.

Camden Boy, Aged 9, Hurt by Auto

Durham Baidel, nine years old, 938 Cooper street, Camden, was struck by an automobile this morning at Eighth and Cooper streets, Camden, and cut about the head and body. He was taken to Cooper Hospital by Herbert Tarels, 230 Cedar street, Camden, driver of the car, who told the police the boy ran directly in front of his machine. The boy's condition is not serious.

Donations Solicited

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MOTOR DEALERS RUSHED

The greatest volume of Christmas season business in Philadelphia's history is forecast by the Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank in its report on conditions throughout this reserve district. The report was made public today.

In a review of numerous branches of commerce, the Reserve Bank's investigations disclosed that "retail sales are large and show no tendency to fall off. High-priced goods and luxuries command much attention. Clothing sales have shown particular increases. The price tendency in nearly all lines is steadily upward, but this is particularly true of textiles, and many retailers are predicting large advances in the spring."

One index to the general business prosperity is found in the reports of collections in this reserve district. The bank found that accounts of local and foreign firms are exceptional. Purchasers in many lines, it found, are availing themselves of every possible discount.

Motorcar Men Scampered

Automobile dealers are being swamped with business, according to the bank officials. Pleasure car dealers are said to be far behind in their deliveries. Cars of every quality are being purchased by the public in great numbers.

Discussing building conditions in this city, the Reserve Bank pointed out that during the month of October last 1190 building permits were issued here. The permits represented an estimated building cost of \$4,840,005, compared with 333 permits in October, 1918, with a total estimated cost of \$846,529.

Food Demands Heavy

The present sugar shortage, bank officials believe, will not be relieved until February next. Discussing the foodstuffs situation, the report stated:

"The demand for commodities is unusually heavy and people seem to buy without much reservation. Prices have not shown much change within the last three months. Most goods can be secured with a fair degree of ease, though some popular brands are not in sufficient supply. The sugar situation has been especially serious and shipments have not in any way been commensurate with the demand. It is expected to last until February of next year, at the least."

Meat prices, according to the report, are lower than the prices prevailing a month ago. The meat shortage, which manifested itself to some extent was attributed to labor troubles at various packing plants.

62,000 Work in Shipyards

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Discuss Civil Service Men

Charles Neeld, a merchant who lives in the Forty-third ward, and Register Commissioner Woodruff are mentioned for the civil service commission which the new Council will elect. The commission will be composed of three members and will have full say over the army of city employees under the civil service provisions. Mayor-elect Moore recently announced that these provisions would be adhered to rigidly.

Boy Wanderer Returned Home

William Smith, thirteen years old, 2602 Salmon street, returned home yesterday after a trip as far as Bowling Green, O., proved to him that he was not cut out for the life of a wanderer. Tired and hungry the boy was picked up by the police of that city. He said he ran away from home. He was returned home last night.

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SOCIALIST METHODS URGED FOR CHURCH

Chicago Clergyman Tells Methodist Episcopal Missions Board That Work Must Speed Up

The Methodist Episcopal Church needs to be speeded up by methods such as used by the Socialists and Laborites.

This was the thought expressed at the annual meeting of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the church, held in the Wesley Building, 1701 Race street, by the Rev. John Thompson, of Chicago.

Mr. Thompson recommended that such methods be used after a report read by Dr. G. G. Dean, of the conference committee, showed that Socialists and Laborites had improved their strength by 100 per cent during the last year, while the Protestant Christian church showed a growth of 22.5 per cent.

"I have worked and spoken among Socialists and Laborites and the church could be improved by the introduction of their co-operative and efficient manner of working," he said.

The Rev. Dr. G. Vogel said that a more determined effort should be made to win the working men and women of the country.

The Rev. Dr. Edgar Blake, executive secretary of the conference, said that but half of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church had contributed. If all had contributed the rate of 1 per cent of their income, the desired sum would have been over-subscribed, he said.

The church will hold a campaign to get 1,000,000 new members between January 1 and June 20 of next year.

BELL CO. CUTS SIXTH FROM PHONE BILLS

Public Gets First Benefits This Month From Rate Ruling of Service Commission

Thousands of Bell Telephone subscribers who received their monthly bills today or yesterday found a welcome rubber stamp notation on the bills deducting one-sixth of the amount owed.

The deduction was the result of the Public Service Commission's recent order restoring the pre-war rates for Bell Telephone service. Under government control the rates had been boosted 20 per cent.

Service was billed at the war-time rates, with an added notation that one-sixth of the total amount was deducted. Because of the flood of bills which had to be gone over in a few days some errors crept into the notices sent out. One subscriber, whose pre-war rate was \$1.50 a month, and who was paying \$5.40 a month under the revoked rates, was billed at \$5.

In such cases where clerical errors occur the company explained today that the subscriber need pay only the amount of the revoked rate, less one-sixth of the total, thus bringing the rate back to its pre-war status.

Cold Delays "L" Service

Elevated-subway train service was delayed about five hours this morning about 7 o'clock because the compressed air pipes had frozen on cars that had stood all night at the Sixty-ninth street terminal. The pipes were quickly thawed and the usual morning service was begun. There was no other interruption due to the cold weather.

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