ALFRED WOOLER'S **VOCAL STUDIO**

In Which Two Scholarships Are Offered in Tribune Educational Contest.

OPPORTUNITY FOR VOCAL ADVANCEMENT

The Many Advantages of Voice Culture-Mr. Wooler's Musical Standing-Recognized as One of the Leading Music Teachers in Northeastern Pennsylvania—Where He Has Studied, with Letters from His Instructors-Some Flattering Press Notices-His Position as a Soloist. His Work as a Composer-A Long List of Published Compositions. What the Tribune Offers to the Contestants in Its Educational Contest-Progress of the Contest and Advances Made by Contestants Yesterday-Only Nine Days Left in Which to Enter.

THE TIME was when music was looked upon as an ornamental accomplishment, something nice to have, but not essential to character-building, nor in any helping one to meet the struggles and realities of life. This view is fast becoming obsolete, and people are awake to the fact that music is a part of human nature, and to have a wellrounded character one must not neglec this branch of his education. Parents and educators are recognizing the re fining influence of music. They realize that a young man who sings has a potent safeguard against the allurements of coarse company. This recognition is only the first step in the right direction. Much more could be made of music than is being done. "Vocal music is the natural product of human nature, and its function is to express and excite feelings." "Religious song is the voice of the soul." Most people possess a good natural singing voice which, by proper care and cultivation, would inspire the highest pleasure. Moreover, singing is conducive to the best of health, provided the vocal organs are properly used.
Oliver Wendell Holmes once wrote:

"Alas for those that never sing, but die with all their music in them." Mr. Wooler, the subject of this sketch certainly will not be included among those whom the above quotation has reference to, for he not only sings a great deal, but he gives vent to his musical nature in composition as well

Mr. Wooler's Musical Standing. Mr. Wooler is recognized as one of the leading music teachers in Northeastern Pennsylvania. He is also tenor

almost nine years, always giving the utmost satisfaction. Voice Culture and Singing.

In voice culture and singing, Mr. Wooler endeavors to make his instruction interesting and truly educational ever seeking to cultivate thoughtfulness and aesthetic appreciation by emphasizing the beauty and expressive power of music, vocal music especially. He desires his pupils to become discriminating and independent critics of themselves and of their work, and he spares no effort in bringing about this result; ever striving for independence rather than imitation. He believes that one who understands the art of producing tones properly, will retain a musical voice unto old age, that every person possessing a good voice should have it cultivated, and that perseverance in study will bring success.

Wooler is most thorough and painstaking in cultivating the art of enunciation, articulation, perfect breathing, flexibility, correct intonation, facial expression, posture and interpretation. His success as a teacher is the result of his conscientious work and excellent method (as is shown by the way in which his pupils' voices are developed), and an instinctive faculty of divining the best capabilities, with the gift of putting those characteristics in the most effective light before the public, He has perfected a system based on a careful classification of consonants and gradation of differently-colored vowel-sounds, whereby the greatest purity and resonance of tone, with a perfect evenness throughout the entire

compass of the voice, is obtained. The mode of production taught by Wooler preserves the voice fresh and unworn for future use, whilst developing its utmost sonority and carrying power. This is strikingly noticeable in his own voice. He cultivates the different timbres of the voice so as to aid the singer in expression, phrasing and diction in both florid and declamatory singing. Among Mr. Wooler's students are some local instructors who

are taking advanced courses. Mr. Wooler's Studies.

Mr. Wooler studied voice culture and singing both in England and in this country. His principal teachers were Mr. Robert Bradley, Bradford, Yorkshire, England, and Mr. William Courtney, New York. The following letter was given Mr. Wooler on leaving England for this country:

Alexandra Road, Shipley, Aug. 10, 1899. To Whom It May Concern: Mr. Alfred Wooler studied under me in singing about four years; during that time he made great progress and was three years one of the principal singers in St. Paul's church, Shipley, I consider him a good musician and he consider him a good musician and he pos-sesses a fine tener voice; he would make a good teacher in music, in all its branches. I wish him well in all his undertakings, as I know he has a kind dis Robert Bradley.

In addition to his studies in voice culture and singing. Mr. Wooler has made a thorough study and has a profound knowledge of the theory of music, having completed harmony, counterpoint, canon, fugue, form and composition under Dr. Hugh A. Clarke, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, after which he received the following letter:

Philadelphia, February 10th, 1898. My Dear Mr. Wooler:

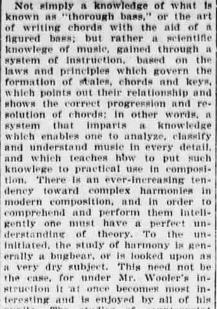
musical attainments at any time. I feel sure that you are in every respect thor-oughly qualified to fill any responsible position where musical knowledge is re-

position where musical knowledge is repuired. Sincerely yours,
H. A. Clarke, Mus. D.
Prof. of Music, University of Penna.
The following letter was recently re-

It gives me genuine pleasure to bear testimony to Mr. Wooler's ability and musical knowledge. Mr. Wooler went

of writing chords with the aid of knowlege of music, gained through a system of instruction, based on the laws and principles which govern the shows the correct progression and reand understand music in every detail gently one must have a perfect un-derstanding of theory. To the uninitiated, the study of harmony is genthrough a course in composition with me and mastered the art of harmony and counterpoint so thoroughly that he is also the case, for under Mr. Wooler's inready making his mark as a composer.

Mr. Wooler has of late given evidence of his fondness for the study of everything connected with his art, by investigating the subject of musical notation, and composition follow that of har-

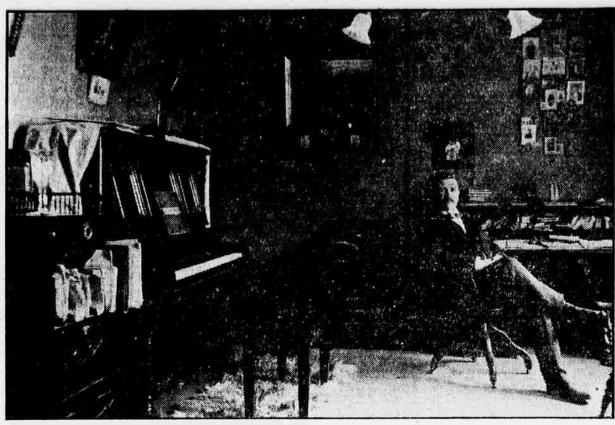




The Reach of Contestants Who

May Not Yet Have Entered.

The Tribune was pleased to include among the thirty-three special rewards in its great Educational Contest two scholarships in Mr. Wooler's Vocal Studio, so fully described above, as such scholarships are entirely new to these contests and are particularly desirable. There are many young men and women who would be glad to im-prove their voices if they could afford to pay the cost of tuition, but this instruction is too often looked upon as a



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its history and its diversities. As a singer and teacher Mr. Wooler is too well known to be in need of any commenda-

tion from me. Prof. of Music, University of Penna..

Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Wooler located in Scranton in 1893 and opened a music studio in the old Powell building on Wyoming avenue. Mr. Henry P. Dreyer, who is becoming amous as a baritone vocalist, was among his first year's pupils, which were few. Mr. Dreyer studied voice culture and singing under Mr. Wooler for two years. Each year the number of pupils increased, until now his whole ime is almost taken up giving instruction to a large class. During the year of 1898 Mr. Wooler, in addition to his own private work, was one of the faculty of the Sernaton Conservatory of Music, having charge of the classes in sight-singing and harmony. This posoloist at the Elm Park church, a posi-tion which is the first of its kind in sition he resigned to accept a similar Scranton. This position he has held for one in the Jervis-Hardenbergh School of Music, which position he held until the fall of 1899, when the work in his own studio became so extensive that it required his whole attention. following letter was given to Mr. Wooler when he resigned:

To Whom It May Concern: Mr. Alfred Wooler taught sight-singing and harmony in the Jervis-Hardenbergh School of Music during 1899 and his work was very satisfactory. We found Mr Wooler to be an excellent musician and R very successful teacher, who has the faculty of interesting his pupils. He has accomplished marked results in a con

paratively short time.
S. Louise Hardenbergh,
P. V. Jervis. July 28th, 1839. Jervis-Hardenbergh Schol of Music,

Carter Building, Scranton. Mr. Wooler as a Soloist.

Mr. Wooler holds an enviable position in Scranton as the leading tenor soloist. His proficiency and popularity are best attested by the fact that on December 1, this year, he will begin his tenth year at the Elm Park church Mr. Wooler sings in many concerts and has refused several flattering offers from other churches in Pittsburg. Elmira and New York city. He has also had opportunities to travel in opera, in which he would no doubt d well, but he has decided to make Scranton his home. Following are a few of the many press notices regarding Mr Wooler's concert work:

Press Notices.

"Mr. Wooler possesses the very qualifi-cations which go to make an enjoyable vocalist. His voice is pure tenor; he has culture, artistic feeling, a fine physique (which menus so much to a professional ringer), and withal seems to be devoted to his art for its own sake."-Syracuse Standard, February 7, 1897.

"The tenor singer was Mr. Alfred Wooler, of Jamestown, N. Y. and we must say that the gentleman acquitted himself nobly; his extended range, distinct enunciation, clear tones and the touching pathes evidenced in his songs. was such as completely entranced his audience."Bradford Star,October 21, 182, "The singing of Mr. Wooler charmed the audience, his selections giving scop to his clear and cultivated tenor voice His enunciation was distinct, which add ed much to the pleasure of his listeners. -Olean Herald, May 21st, 1892, "Mr. Wooler, tenor, was something grand, his full rich tones echoing musi-

cally throughout the vast edifice."-Con dersport, Pa., Aug. 18, 1895.
"Mr. Wooler has a magnificent tenor voice of sympathetic quality, rich and pure; and his solos were received with a spontaneous burst of applause that was an honest tribute of delight."—Jamestewn Morning News, March 31st, 1893.

Harmony, Counterpoint and Compo

sition. "Music born of cultured harmony, wor for the listening, rapt, estatic spirit, an insight and an entrance into realms which the outward eye hath not seen."-J. 11.

Every musician, vocalist or instrumentalist should take up the study of harmony, as it is impossible to attain patience I know of." to the highest proficiency and become a thorough musician without a knowledge of its principles. No greater error could be made than to suppose that a knowledge of harmony is necessary only to those who wish to compose

Every music teacher should be thoroughly acquainted with this most imwill be pleased to testify to your portant subject.

mony. Several of Mr. Wooler's pupils are making a name as composers. Special mention may be made of George Dudley Martin, whose compositions appear so frequently in the "Etude."

Mr. Wooler's Compositions.

Mr. Wooler is looked upon by most of us as a musical genius, but he himished compositions, which receive his attention from time to time. He also writes the poems to many of his songs, lower half of the table. In fact, he The following is a list of his compositions that are published:

'Rise, Glorious Conqueror''-Song Oliver Ditson Co "My True Love's Eyes," -Song. Oliver Ditson Co

"A Many Years Ago"—Song. Oliver Ditson Co

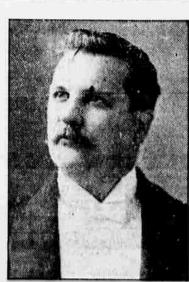
Hear My Prayer"-Mixed Quartette 'Sweet Little Mary'-Song. Oliver Ditson Co

'Dear Adeline''—Song...Oliver Ditson C "Dear Adeline" — Song... Oliver Ditson Co "Hearts so True" — Song... Oliver Ditson Co "Sallor Maid" — Song... Oliver Ditson Co "Life and Death" — Sacred Song... John Church Co "Why Art Thou Cast Down, O My Soul" — Sacred Song.... Hatch Husic Co "Dearest Flower, Forget-me-not" — Song.

Hatch Music C For plano, March—"The Little Cavaller, For piano, Rondo—"Golden Sunset,"
Hatch Music C.
Breeze, For piano, Sonatina-"Autumn Breez Hatch Music C Mollie, I Love You"-Song

Affred Wooler Co 'America, O Glorious Land"-Patri-Christmas Again'-SongTheo. Presser
'Life's Mirror'-SongTheo. Presser
'Come Unto Me. When Shadows
Darkly Gather'-Song...Theo. Presser
'Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken,'' Love's Whispering"-Song. Theo. Presser

Mr. Wooler is of a genial disposition. "He is kind, but firm, and his patience seems exhaustless," is the way one of his pupils so tersely put it. When asked how he accounted for his great pa-



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ience, Mr. Wooler replied: "You see, during the summer vacation, I do considerable fishing at Lake Winola, and fishing there is the best cultivator of

Mr. Wooler's Studio.

In describing the studio, we might say ly artistic, and at the same time it gives one the impression of business. It is centrally located, being on the second floor of the Carter building, corner of Adams avenue and Linden street.

and is valued at \$80. The other is exicily the same except that but one leson is given each week, and is worth

price charged by Mr. Weoler, are well lown in the list offered by The Tribune, but they are none the less important and may be selected by some contestself says: "I always thought I was ants much nearer the top than they are rather stupid, for I have to work so placed. However, they are quite within hard to accomplish anything, and any the reach of some contestants who may success I may have achieved, either enter between now and October I, when as a singer, teacher or composer, I at- the entries close. It would only take a tribute to hard study and work." Mr. few points to get within the table, and Wooler has a large number of unfin- then a new beginner would have an equal opportunity with many others who are very close together would probably have a better chance, s some of these have apparently exhausted their resources. As an example of what a beginner can do, read in the report below of what Mr. Bates has accomplished in the last two days.

HAVENSTRITE GOES TO ELEVENTH PLACE

Brought in Thirty-one Points Yesterday-Lewis Bates, Who Entered Thursday, Scored Again.

Standing of Contestants

1. A. J. Kellerman, Scranton.747 2. Charles Burns, Vandling. 576 3. William T. S. Rodriguez, Scranton461 4. Oscar H. Kipp, Elmhurst...427

5. Herbert Thompson, Car-6. Albert Freedman, Belle-7. Wm. Sherwood, Harford. .377

8. Fred K. Gunster, Green Ridge339
9. Maxwell Shepherd, Carbondale281 10. Chas. W. Dorsey, Scranton.218

13. Harry Madden, Scranton . 121 14. Hendrick Adams, Chin-15. Homer Kresge, Hyde Park. 87

11. J. A. Havenstrite, Mos-

16. Frank B. McCreary, Hall-17. Miss Beatrice Harpur, Thompson 76
18. Don C. Capwell, Scranton. 75

19. Miss Jane Mathewson, Factoryville 74 20. William Cooper, Priceburg 58 21. Louis Gere, Brooklyn.... 49

22. Walter Hallstead, Scran-23. Fred Kibler, South Scranton 44 24. Lee Culver. Springville 40 25. Miss Edna Coleman,

26. Grant M. Decker, Hall-... 38 29. Hugh Johnston, Forest 30. Eddie Morris, South Scran-

31. A. L. Clark, Green Grove. 28 32. Harry Danvers, Provi-. 26 33. Arthur J. Thayer, South Scranton 25

There was one very important change tmong the leaders in The Tribune's contest yesterday, J. A. Havenstrite, of Moscow, scored thirty-one points and took eleventh place away from L. E. Stanton, who he now leads by twenty points. He also made a decided gain on Charles W. Dorsey, who holds the next position above, hat it is bright, pleasant and extreme- however, scored nine points and will probably make a strong effort to retain tenth place.

Fred K. Gunster, of Green Ridge brought in twelve points and materially strengthened his good hold on eighth Dressing the Boy

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Lewis Bates, who entered Thursday and brought in ten points, scored an dditional eight yesterday. Yesterday norning he was in thirty-ninth place, today he is thirty-fifth. Another day like yesterday and he will appear among the table of leaders, holding thirty-second position.

Yesterday's results in detail are a

J. A. Havenstrite, Moscow.......31 Fred K. Gunster, Green Ridge 12 Charles W. Dorsey, Scranton 9 Lewis Bates, Scranton..... 8 Elmer Williams, Elmhurst...... 1 Among the ten leaders for the Sepember prizes there was only one hange. Mr. Havenstrite made an advance of three places, holding fifth position by a good margin.

SEPTEMBER LEADERS.

First Prize—
A Mandolin, valued at \$10. Second Prize-No. 2 Brownie Camera.

Third Prize— No. 1 Brownie Camera, Fourth Prize— No. 1 Brownie Camera

1. Herbert Thompson101 2. Wm. T. S. Rodriguez...... 98 3. A. J. Kellerman 6. William H. Sherwood...... Don C. Capwell 63 Albert Freedman 10. Charles Burns 48

NEW MILFORD. Special to the Scranton Tribune. New Milford, Sept. 19 .- Mr. and Mrs. Walker Sherwood, of Binghainton, are

visiting in town. J. W. Jay, of Binghamton, was town Thursday on business. Mrs. S. V. Trumbull visited her sister t Heart Lake Wednesday.

George Murphy, of Scranton, was guest of friends here Thursday. Miss Grace Golden, of Cohocton, spending a few days with her aunt Mrs. Charles Quinn.

Miss Nettle Stillwell and Miss Maud Trumbull attended the Teachers' association at Foster Friday evening and Mr. Miles, a workman of the Posta

Telegraph company, was seriously injured Thursday afternoon by falling from a telegraph pole to the stone sidewalk in front of Van Buskirk's livery barn. He was taken to his home it Owego on train No. 5 Thursday even-

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kennedy, of Binghamton: Mr. William Rosengrants from the West, and Miss Williamson of Tunkhannock, are guests of Mrs. D.

Rev. W. J. Crane, of Uniondale, was a pleasant caller in town Friday. The children of the primary department of the Methodist Sunday school will pienie on Saturday afternoon on the parsonage lawn. Mrs. James Coleman and daughter Minnie, of Great Bend, visited in town Friday.

HAWLEY.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Hawley, Sept. 19 .- J. Benjamin Robinson, of Honesdale, was in town

Thursday on business. The Keystone Knitting Mills pany, composed of Messrs, Wall, Murphy and Branning, is now getting nice-iy under way. They have several frames running and are getting in shape to do a large business.

William Watts, of Honesdale, will occupy the new frame building recently erected on Fifteeneth street by Wall & Murphy, and will conduct an up-todate hardware store. Wangum lodge, No. 448, Independent

Order of Odd Fellows, of Hawley, was visited Wednesday evening by a dele-gation from Wallen Paupack lodge, of New Foundland. During the evening, the degree staff of Wangum lodge con-

visitors expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the work and more ment. The foundation of the new Baptist

church is now completed and is a very creditable piece of work. A very substantial foundation is being aid for the new bank building. The contractors seem to be pushing it along

ery rapidly. E. von Eckartsberg has nearly comdeted the foundation for his new hotel, which, when completed, will be the inest hotel in this part of the state. It is to be a three-story brick, heated by steam and lighted by electricity.

AVOCA.

A splendid convocation of the Degree of Naomi was held in Finley's hall on of Pittsburg, grand commander, conferred the crown degree on twenty-eight past commanders. The following occupled chairs: Grand Commander Sister Steele, Grand Vice Commander Sister Kegerman, Grand Conductress Sister Acker, Junior Past Commander Sister Greenslade, Grand Guard Sister E. A. Richens, Grand Sentinel Sister Lange, Grand Chaplain Sister Bradbury. After business was transacted the guests enjoyed a trolley ride to Petersburg, where they were entertained by Magdalene assembly. A sumptuous spread was prepared in their rooms.

The marriage of Miss Edith Richens, of Vine street, and Joseph Tyson, of Taylor, was solemnized on Thursday afternoon at the M. E. parsonage in Archbald by Rev. James Walker. The bride was attired in a pearl grey cloth gown with mohair and medalline trimming. She was waited upon by Miss Anna Tyson, sister of the groom. Albert Richens acted as best man. After the ceremony they came to Avoca,

where they will reside. P. B. McKean, of Salt Lake City, is he guest of his mother on Grove street Mrs. George Carey, of Lincoln Hill, is critically ill of stomach trouble. Charles Otto, timekeeper at the rapid ransit bridge, will leave today to re-

sume his studies at Cornell university. J. H. Christian, an old veteran of this own, has, for the first time since th war, been unable to attend the annual reunion of Ricketts battery, which took place at Reading this week. Mr. Christion was wounded the third day of the battle at Gettysburg. His trip to the reunion has been his greatest pleasure, but failing health prevented him from meeting his old comrades this year. Misses Celia McGlynn, Elizabeth Manyan, Nellie Dougherty, Kate Burns, Sarah Mechan and Mr. James Walsh enjoyed a trolley ride to Scranton on hursday evening and were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. James O'Malley, of the West Side.

TAYLOR.

The Taylor Reds met defeat yesterda; in an interesting game by the Gibbons team, of Scranton, by a close score Weisenfluh twirled for the home team and struck out nine batsmen and allowed but four hits. His support was very poor, otherwise he would have won his game

ham and Graham. Umpire-Griffiths.
Miss Lulu Jones, of Taylor street, wa tendered a pleasant surprise party at her home on Thursday by many young friends. Miss Jones was taken by com-plete surprise, but soon realized her po-sition, assisted by her mother, Mrs. Jones, made the evening a most enjoyable one for all. Games were played and musical selections rendered. At a retiring hour re Maria Tubbs, Frances Watkins, Davies, Mary Thomas, Blanche Davis and Masters Stanley Tubbs, Harry Watkins Arthur Davis, Eilsworth Davis, Out-of-town guests were: Taylor. Out-of-town guests were: Jessie and Ellen Davenport, Jessie Scam, Mabe Foster, Della Davis, Garretta Freeman, Margaret Jones, Ethel Nichols and Mas-ters Percy Thomas, Robert Rundle, Elmer Scam, Sam Corvitury and Evan Da vis. all of Scranton.

Misses Lucy Winters and Edith How is visited friends in Providence yester-

the degree staff of Wangum lodge con-ferred the second degree on two candi-dates in a very creditable manner. The parsonage on Thursday. Miss Edith

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Richens, of Avoca, and Joseph Dyson, or Scranton, were united as one by the pas-tor. Rev. James Walker. Miss Dyson sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Albert Richens was the best man. After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents a Avoca, where a sumptions repast was served. The many friends of the young couple unite in wishing them much hap-

piness and joy in their married life