

## GIVE PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL AND PARK CONCERTS

Twenty-Four Arranged for March, April, May and September.

The program for the combination concert course will be held during March, April, May and September under the joint direction of the park and school boards was announced yesterday.

Twenty-four concerts were included in the program—six to be given during March, April, May and September.

The course will open March 4 with a band concert in Town Hall. The band will be made up of 110 students of Technical and Manual High schools. All concerts will be free to the public.

### INCLUDES TEA ORGAN RECITALS.

Ten organ recitals are included in the program, all of which will be held in the Christ church. Arrangements have been made to hold these recitals during the noon hour so that business men and those working in the business district may have an opportunity to attend. Various organizations of the city and some from outside will be selected and permitted to choose their own programs. The Community Service has joined hands with the civic organizations in charge of the affair and has agreed to share the financial burden attached to the organ recitals. The first organ recital will be held March 20.

Four band concerts will be in the program. Community sings will be held in connection with each one. Ralph W. Hill, song leader of the community service, will lead the singing.

Officials in charge of the course are now considering the question of delaying the oratorio scheduled for April 25-26, which includes the *Hora Novissima*. It is planned to hold the oratorio in June in connection with the centennial program.

### DENVER'S SUCCESS

The underlying idea of the concert courses is to educate the general public in music and to stimulate a general interest in musical offerings of a classical nature. This plan has proved effective in many other cities in the country, especially in Denver, Col., where concert programs have been held on a large scale. It has now become possible in Denver to hold a series of ten concerts, in which such artists as John McCormack, Galli-Curci and Teatrino appear, for a total charge of \$2.50 for the entire series.

School children from the seventh grade through the high schools will take part in the course. Instruction is now being carried on in the musical department with a view of familiarizing students with the music to be offered before they attend the concerts.

A memory contest is to be held near the close of the program which will be open to the public. Those taking part in the contest will be furnished with writing material and asked to write the names of pieces and composers after hearing the musical renditions of various numbers on phonographs. It is planned to award prizes to the first, second and third in the number of musical offerings.

The program was compiled by James H. Lowry, superintendent of the park board, and Clarence E. Crippen, president of the school board, and has been approved by both boards. Edward Birge will direct the instruction of school children during the course and will also direct the high school band students.

Only thirty high school students will take part in the general memory contest. They will be selected after a preliminary contest in the schools, the ten reaching the highest percentage in each of the three high schools being selected.

## VALENTINE BABY FUTURE CLOUDED

Woman, Said to Have Conspired for Infant, Changes Mind.

Who wants a wee baby girl with blue eyes, a few auburn hairs and a perfect health and who has learned to coo in gurgly fashion at the tender age of 10 days?

Several prospective parents have volunteered but the precious prize has not been awarded.

It is the "Valentine baby" who needs a home. She is the daughter of a 17-year-old school girl of a small Illinois town and was left on the steps of the W. E. Draper home, 3715 East Madison street, Thursday night. Since then it has been learned that Mrs. Draper conspired with the mother of the child to have it left at the door.

Mr. Draper, who is many years his wife's senior, says they can not assume the responsibility of raising the little one. Mr. Draper has been married before and has two grown children. Mrs. Draper is in her early twenties.

"Baby Valentine" has demonstrated her ability to subsist on artificial baby food and is in a flourishing condition, nurses at the Indianapolis Orphans' Home say. Officers of the juvenile court are puzzled over certain legal aspects of the baby's presence at the Orphan Home. Since it is not legal to care for it with Marion county funds. On the other hand to send it and the mother back to their Illinois home would prove embarrassing to the mother and, perhaps, in after years to the child. Common charity demands that some provision be made to care for the little one here.

The mother is living at the home of friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jinnett, 2023 East New York street. She was found there by Miss Elizabeth Whiteman and Miss Irene Byers, policewomen who traced her through a birth certificate filed at the City hall Valentine day.

The mother is a high school girl and her appearance and conversation give evidence of refinement. She has always lived with her mother, who is separated from her father.

Mr. Jinnett told the policewomen that the child was advertised for adoption last Tuesday. Nine letters came in answer to the advertisement. Mrs. Draper wrote that she had been longing for a baby and had wished one might be left at her doorstep. Later she called at the Jinnett home and it was arranged that the baby would be left at her home on Thursday night. Mrs. Draper hoped her husband would consent to an adoption under such circumstances.

"Baby Valentine" is enjoying a normal growth. It was said at the Orphans' home and seems not displeased with the attention lavished on it by nurses.

The unconventional nature of her vagabond life will never rest in injury on the little lad; if she only finds the sort of home a comely and healthy infant is entitled to.

## Stringer's Slayers Begin Prison Term

Alie Spaulding and Earl McCay, colored, who were sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of Detective Lee Stringer on Oct. 30, 1919, yesterday began the serving of their sentence at Michigan City prison.

Sheriff Miller used twice as many guards in taking the two negroes to prison yesterday. Miller said the trip was uneventful.

## TRADED HIS GUN TO OBTAIN GAS

Borrows General's Car to Get Supply for Tank.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—In the ordnance department's accounts show (among other things) a deficit of one army automatic pistol (which they do), it is because Lieut. Hillesley was badly in need of gas to drive the American "heavy" tank into the already pent Hindenburg line in the summer of 1918.

Lieut. Hillesley begged the chauffeur of an Australian commanding general's beautifully upholstered limousine for the loan of his car for thirty minutes—the longer time being necessary. The chauffeur consented, after pocketing the American's big "45" automatic and Hillesley returned with the car full of brimming gasoline and oil cans.

The general was mad, but Hillesley made his niche in the Hindenburg line, and no court-martial followed.

## WAGNER AGAIN DELIGHTS ROME

Joy Is Tempered by Rude Conduct of New Rich.

ROME, Feb. 24.—After four years' exile German opera has made its first peace-howl to a Roman audience, and the Cossacks' "The Horse" chosen for this art festival was Wagner's "Valkyrie," and the occasion was universally hailed by music lovers as the greatest operatic event of the present season, and one that insures the musical season's success.

Prof. Vitale, who knows more about Wagner than any other man in Italy, led the orchestra exceedingly well. Sara Cesari made a good Brunhilde in the interpretation of Latin mentality, but Varian Stehle, the soprano, was forced to sing if she were singing on the banks of the Rhine. Watan was sung by Nazarene De Angelis and pleased the house greatly.

New faces filled the fashionable part of the auditorium. Many Americans who have been constant subscribers to the grand tier of boxes were missing; most of them have returned home; others are in Paris and Monte Carlo. Their places have been taken by the less fortunate, who mostly entered late, after keeping the theater waiting for them more than an hour, and made up for it by leaving very early with still more serious.

The remainder of the audience, who had come to enjoy Wagner, protested a clasp holding up the performance because "she" was late for dinner. Vitale excuses himself by saying, with a very expressive shrug:

"What could I do? The whole theater was empty and so were the stalls. Their occupants are our most profitable subscribers; I had to wait for them."

They showed gratitude by keeping up a constant come and go and a noisy one at that the whole evening. The peanut gallery, the greatest number of the lower classes, who sit at the "sharks" or "sharks" shouted: "Rough brutes, will you be quiet?" But the Roman wealthy rich only attend opera because it is supposed to be a fashionable amusement, and behave as if they were expecting a jolly evening at a vaudeville show.

## SOVIETS RULE NORTH RUSSIA

LONDON, Feb. 24.—All of northern Russia is now in the hands of the soviet forces said a Reuters despatch from Copenhagen yesterday afternoon.

The foregoing cablegram, if true, means that all the territory won by the British and American troops, and by the Russians who established local governments under protection of the allies, in the Archangel and Murmansk areas, is now held by the soviet army.

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