

# GALLI-CURCI HAS GOTHAM AT HER FEET

Gets 20-Minute Ovation When She "Trills Like Bird" in Debut There.

Madame Galli-Curci, the celebrated Italian soprano, took New York by storm Monday night when she made her debut there with the Chicago opera company as Diorah in the opera of the same name.

She won a far greater ovation from the musically-blase Manhattan audience than she did from the audience of last spring, when she sang in the Coliseum here in recital.

Richard P. Aldrich, the distinguished music critic of the New York Times always conservative in his estimates of new artists, pays the most glowing tribute to Galli-Curci. He sees in her a new Patti, a greater than Melba or Sembrich. The head lines in The Times and the body of the critic follow:

"Mme. Galli-Curci trills like a bird; Chicago opera soprano lifts vast throng to its feet at her debut here in 'Diorah'; ovation of twenty minutes; breaks the ice with Breton's 'Maiden's Little Lullaby' and brings outburst with top note."

## SETS 4,000 ON FEET.

Galli-Curci, trilling like a bird at the Lexington last night, set 4,000 New Yorkers on their feet in response, with an ovation this town has not seen the like of in a good many years, an ovation as fairly and honestly won as it was frankly given. It carried the oldest inhabitant back, perhaps, to another opera house, the old Academy, two miles south in a direct line, where Patti first sang in 1859, the same year last night's opera, "Diorah," also made its appearance in Paris. In Manhattan Island yesterday were already two of the greatest coloratura sopranos who ever lived—Melba and Sembrich. It is no disloyalty to say that the newcomer has some qualities no other in the last generation has possessed. Take the trill—a juggling of full tones, "round," like marbles, as they said of the trill of Adeline as a girl. Even here there was a difference: Patti had more "diablerie," Galli-Curci has more poesy.

She broke the ice—and it was Knickerbocker ice, too—with a little lullaby at the nervous start of the evening. She came romping back and played echo to a foolish piper's flute, a little more confidently and brilliantly. She casually took the first-act curtain with a topnote literally off a roof—such is the libretto story of the madcap goat-girl—and there were twelve or fifteen hearty recalls when she came down after that first act. The big scene in the second act started the twenty-minute ovation. Had Pavlova as the Dumb Girl of Portici forsaken her toes and found a voice, it would have been Galli-Curci's. She sings the old-time music as Heifetz plays it, only she has not only dignity but humor, a woman's wit and intuition for each sentiment, a born actress' endless ways of expressing endless by-play.

## A VOICE THAT "FLOATS."

The voice that this shouting audience heard for the first time is one of those voices that "floats," and one that in "floating on the breath" seems to exist as a thing apart from its physical means, giving the listener the charm of constantly varied illusion and occasional miracle. At the end of its principal demonstration last night it wasn't a woman's voice, but a bird's swelling throat, whether the canary in his cage singing a lost freedom, or the lark that sings at heaven's gate and leaves the world behind, still listening, for more. In the limelight of the "Shadow Song" it was bottled moonshine. An extraordinary feat it was to repeat the air before the dropped curtain, when the applause would not let the opera go on. This had none of the make-believe of a girl playing with her shadow: it showed instead how real was the skill behind such singing and how truly, unfailingly she could do it in sober earnest twice over.

The Chicago Opera association's zeal in showing New York, by a series of performances now current at the Lexington theatre, built by Oscar Hammerstein, how the West fares for grand opera since the Metropolitan acquired the Eastern field exclusively reached a climax last night in the Campagni organization's presentation of an old opera, introducing for the first time on a local stage that company's reigning star, already widely known in America. Between two winters of opera in Chicago she had sung concerts in upward of sixty other cities, and the mere reproductions of her voice on American talking machines, at the present rate of public demand, were due to pass the million mark some time next June.

# NEWPORT BLAST NOT ENEMY ACT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The recent explosion at the naval torpedo station at Newport, R. I., was not the work of an enemy, naval officials are now fully convinced, after a careful investigation. Reports to the ordnance bureau show 135 pounds of fulminate of mercury were destroyed by the explosion, which occurred in the dry house located in a former bomb proof.

"The relatives and friends of the men killed must appreciate the fact that they have given their lives for their country in a manner deserving as much praise as if they were in the trenches opposite enemy forces," said Rear Admiral Earle, chief of ordnance, in a letter today extending the government's sympathy and condolence to the families of the men.

## Y. M. C. A. to Give Course in Higher Accounting

The Y. M. C. A. offers a course in higher accounting, including auditing, business law and practical accounting problems. The texts used are the same as those of the University of Pennsylvania, Columbia University and New York University.

Technical training necessary to prepare the student for certified public accountant is one of the benefits to be derived from the course.

L. A. Newgard, of the High School faculty, a certified public accountant, will have charge of the work. Persons interested will meet Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. All information pertaining to the work may be secured from Acting Secretary Schwan.

## 22 MEN PASS PHYSICAL TEST

Twenty-two of the forty registrants in class one who were examined by Dr. F. W. Krueger and his assistants, were accepted Wednesday.

Fourteen of this number were rejected and four taken under advisement. The board expects to examine about fifty men, in class one, every day with the exception of Saturday, until all in that class have been examined.

Following is a list of those examined Wednesday afternoon:

Carl Glidewell, Green Parks, Lee M. Green, William Tracey, William Kramer, Harry S. Nicholson, Carl McClain, Benjamin Jones, Paul J. McCarthy, Ollie Peyton Milton, Carl E. Vance, Bernard Lahman, Gus Powell, Benjamin Tompkins, William McNutt, Karl Wilkemeyer, Walter Neubauer, Clell Oler, Earnest M. Sheffer, Frank Genn, Morris Gay, Edgar C. Hirschfield.

Those rejected were Sherman Kortright, David Morrison, John Edward Hart, Frank Snyder, Kenneth Harkelroad, Frank O. Mook, Frank Schmeddinghoff, Harry V. Hufford, Edwin S. Shawhan, James Thomas, Benjamin L. Moore, James Carroll, Herbert Bradley, Leonard Baumen.

## MISSIONARY SOCIETY WILL MEET FRIDAY EVENING

The Young Women's Missionary Society of Reid Memorial church will meet at the home of Miss Mary Hill, 211 North Eleventh street, at 7 o'clock Friday night. Miss Esther Wilson will be the leader for the evening. Papers will be read by Miss Wilma Willett and Miss Esther Jones.

## Father of Roy Lazarus Dies in Indianapolis

John S. Lazarus, formerly president of the Indianapolis Board of Trade and father of Roy G. Lazarus, of Richmond, is dead at his home in Indianapolis according to word received here Thursday. Mr. Lazarus was 77 years old.

Mr. Lazarus, who was president of the Columbian club of Indianapolis at one time, was born in Pennsylvania and spent his earlier days in that state.

Roy Lazarus of Richmond is a travel agent of the International Harvest Company.

## German Aliens Must Register

Between 600 and 700 German alien enemies in Richmond will be compelled to register their names, and facts concerning them, at police station, beginning February 4.

All citizens or subjects of the German empire, being males of the age of 14 and upward and not naturalized as American citizens are compelled to register, or be penalized by the United States government.

Chief of Police Gorman will be in charge in the city building. Aliens will be allowed to register between the hours of 6 o'clock in the morning and 8 o'clock at night.

All of these persons must be registered not later than February 9, or they will be taken into custody by police authorities.

Any alien, who has declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States by taking out his first naturalization papers, but who has not obtained his second papers, making him an American citizen, must register.

Registration shall be made by affidavits, accompanied by four unmounted photographs of himself. These photographs must be on thin paper, with a light background. The photographs must be brought to police station when he registers.

Persons required to register should understand that in so doing they are giving proof of their peaceful dispositions and of their intention to conform to the laws of the United States.

Every registrant should read carefully the form of registration affidavit handed to him and ask the registration officer for explanation on all points not clear to him before attempting to fill out the blanks. Registration officers are instructed to give registrants all possible aid in the way of explanation and advice.

Each registrant is required to furnish four unmounted photographs of himself, not larger than 3 by 3 inches in size, on thin paper, with light background. All four photographs should be signed by the registrant across the face of the photographs, so as not to obscure the features, if the applicant is able to write.

Three blank forms of registration affidavit must be completely filled out by the registrant or his representative (with the exception of the blanks indicated to be filled out by the registration officer and the description of the registrant and the placing of finger prints on the blank) and must be produced by the registrant personally to the registration officer and be signed and sworn to by the registrant in the presence of and before the registration officer, who will fill in the description of the registrant and supervise the fixing of the finger prints and the attaching of the photographs. If the registrant can not write he must make his mark in the signature space and affix his left thumb print in the space provided opposite the signature space.

The finger printing is a method of identification and follows the practice observed in the military and the naval service of the United States.

The registrant is hereby informed that he must again present himself before the registration officer who took his oath after ten days but before fifteen days from the last day fixed for registration in his registration district to obtain a registration card, upon which he must sign his name, or make his mark, and place his left thumb print in the presence of the registration officer.

## CANTATA TO BE GIVEN BY CIVIC CHORUS OF 75

### Churches and Schools of Centerville to Unite in Big Affair.

CENTERVILLE, Ind., Jan. 31.—An Easter cantata, to be given by the school, three churches and community is being planned and will be under the supervision of Miss Vesta Rollman, music teacher of the school here. Miss Rollman expects to have seventy-five singers, and to make the service one of the best in this line ever given. An invitation is extended to everyone who will assist in this singing to come to the M. E. church next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.... Misses Harriet and Pearl Williams moved to Richmond Wednesday. The home here will be sold.... Miss Alice Medaris spent Wednesday in Richmond.... Miss Mildred Lyons has come to live with her sister, Mrs. Robert Bertsch and has entered High school here. She is a member of the Senior class.... Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McMinn spent Sunday with Mrs. McMinn's mother north of Centerville.... John Moulton and daughters Louise and Elizabeth will leave the latter part of next week for Ft. Dodge, Iowa, to visit his sister. The little girls will remain with her for several months.... Mrs. Daisy King will give a school party Friday afternoon in her room in honor of Louise Moulton who is leaving next week. Games and music will furnish the enjoyment of the hour.... Mr. and Mrs. Bert Riffner are moving from the Commons property on Spruce street to the McConaha farm south of town.... Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dunkle entertained to dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Ruby, Malcolm and Melville Ruby and Miss Thelma Wilson.... Miss Vivian Myers is staying with Taylor McConaha and wife and attending the Richmond High school.... Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gattett spent Wednesday with their parents Nate Lamott and wife.... Gordon Reavele and wife of Richmond spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lashley.... Benjamin Ahl received a bad cut over the face Wednesday evening while coasting on the McConaha hill, caused from being hit by a sled runner.... Fred Bond and Foster Scott Hurst returned from Cincinnati Tuesday where they had gone to have Foster Scott's eyes examined.... Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Walkup and children of Dayton spent several days of last week with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cook.... Mrs. Nelson Charleston will entertain the Needlecraft next Monday afternoon.... The Missionary society of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. John Miller, next Wednesday.... Miss Marjorie Hurst is confined in the hospital at Earlham with measles.... Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bertsch will occupy the Moulton residence when vacated by Mr. Moulton.

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## City Statistics

### Deaths and Funerals.

GIBSON — Jefferson Gibson died Wednesday morning at his home, 612 North Nineteenth street. He is a veteran of the Civil war and was a member of the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Volunteer Infantry. Funeral services will be conducted Thursday afternoon at Doan and Klute parlors. Burial will be in Earlham. Funeral will be private.

### Home Guards to Help Unarl Service Flag

Captain Myron Malsby requests all members of the Home Guards to meet at the Coliseum Monday morning at 11:50 o'clock to participate in the parade in connection with the war celebration and service flag unfurling at Eighth and Main streets at 12 o'clock.

Members of the organization will usher at the Coliseum afternoon and evening.

### "I Will Sit Tight for Boat is Sound"

#### Wires President

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 31.—Governor James E. Cox today sent the following telegram to President Wilson:

"Just sit tight in the boat. The refection now concreting, will overwhelm those whose politics has engulfed their patriotism."

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### AT HENDERSON'S

Regular mid-week prayer meeting of the Central Christian church will be held at the home of W. F. Henderson, 100 North Nineteenth street, Thursday night.

## STREET LIGHTS ON ALL NIGHT

Superintendent Kleinknecht of the Municipal light plant told the board of works that he believed final relief from the acute coal situation has been obtained. Ninety cars of coal has been contracted for he said.

City Engineer Davis laid plans before the board for the repair of the coal conveyor at the power plant. At present it is difficult to store coal.

The only two practical methods to remedy the present situation is either the building of a trestle to connect with that at the gas plant, a distance of 110 feet; or the building of an elevator at the center of the two mountains, where the coal could be elevated and shot by force of gravity into the bins.

The building of the trestle would mean the expenditure of a large amount of money, but would aid in storing, during the summer months, a winter supply of coal, as it could be more quickly unloaded into the bins which hold 200,000 tons.

The engineering department has prepared a plat for the laying out of lots, street and alleys in the vacant land adjoining G street, where a bridge will be built sometime during the next two or three years, and along the river where it is possible that a boulevard will sometime be built. This plat will be submitted to the board.

The purpose of this plat is to keep the land grabbers, who are sure to buy the land, from laying the lots out, with narrow street and no alley, as they do in many places, thus making a place very undesirable for home building.

The street lights are to be left on all night until further notice. Many men and women, who go to and from their work during the night, made complaints about the darkness.

### Red Cross Notes

A class in surgical dressings met Wednesday at the Red Cross rooms. The members are Mrs. I. F. Burns, Mrs. Olive Van Nys, Mrs. Clifford Piehl, Mrs. Mable Cunningham, Mrs. Annabel Anderson, Mrs. William Dietemer, Mrs. O. G. Murray, Miss Marion Scott, Mrs. Joseph Kuppin, Mrs. Richard Schilling, Mrs. Walter Daley, Mrs. Cora Clark, Mrs. C. R. Woodhurst, Mrs. William Dudley Foulke, Mrs. W. P. Robinson, Mrs. C.

F. McGraw, Mrs. Tressa Sharp, Mrs. Anna Clark, Mrs. H. F. McMinn, Mrs. William Urban, Mrs. Edward Treffinger, Mrs. G. A. Righter, Miss Constance Bell, Mrs. Miriam McDivitt, Mrs. Jeannette G. Leeds, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Julian. The class is under the direction of Mrs. Olive Allison and meets each Wednesday and Friday afternoon.

Forty-nine women worked at the rooms Wednesday and made 334 muslin dressings by hand and 45 ambulance pillows.

A meeting of the supervisors will be held Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the rooms.

The work room will be open all day Monday and on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

The women of St. Mary's Catholic church will work Thursday evening.

### Fuel Economy School Will Be Established

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—A constructive fuel economy school is to be established at the College of the City of New York, commencing on February 4, to which all the janitors of public school buildings in this city will be sent for instruction, it was announced today. The school will be in charge of an engineering expert employed by the board of education.

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