

LA TOSCA WINS MERITED PRAISE

De Feo Opera Company Completes Season At Grand.

Brilliant Performers Will Long Be Remembered by Londoners.

The De Feo Opera Company wound up its brief season at the Grand Opera House, Saturday night, in what might be termed a blaze of glory with the performance of "La Tosca." Puccini's sorrowful, but well-known work.

This brilliant company will long be remembered as providing London with a particularly splendid opportunity of hearing the opera, both at home and at popular prices. The only regrettable feature about their four nights' stay here was that on each occasion the house was not packed to capacity, although toward the end of the week, when the superior merit of the cast and principals had been more or less broadcasted, there was an appreciable increase in the size of the audience, and the Saturday night attendance was particularly good.

"La Tosca" was assuredly the most glowing and dramatic of the five operas given, a fact due in some measure, no doubt, that stage settings permitted of more splendor and vividness, more particularly the cathedral scene of the first act.

The costumes were much more elaborate and effective, and the voices of Madame Edith de Lys, as Tosca, were Parisian gowns of great beauty.

A radiant figure, dominating Puccini's gloomy and intensely tragic plot, Madame de Lys was superb, both in voice and in her interpretation of the emotional, passionate, yet lovable singer.

In her "Vissi d'arte e d'amor," through the medium of a golden voice, perfectly controlled, she portrayed a pathos which gave the opera its loveliest and perhaps also its most intense moment.

Alfred Goddard not only equaled, but excelled his previous brilliant appearances, handling the role of Scarpia in magnificent style and with his rich baritone at its best.

G. Martini, acceptable as Cavardosso, proving himself, on occasion, capable of dramatic intensity and a melodious and fluent volume of sound.

F. Bosza made skillful use of his brief opportunity as the assassin, and made a decided impression on his audience.

ELECT HESSEL PRESIDENT OF RAILWAY UNION LODGE

G. T. R. Maintenance Employees Select Officers for Year at Meeting.

R. H. Hessel, prominent in local labor circles and member of the maintenance-of-way protective board of the Grand Trunk System, was elected president of Lodge No. 497 of the Maintenance-of-Way and Railroad Employees at a special meeting held in the Labor Temple Sunday afternoon. Mr. Hessel will succeed J. A. Kelly to the president's chair.

Other officers elected for the ensuing year are: Vice-president, J. Bailey; financial secretary, W. Hueston; recording secretary, W. J. White; chaplain, T. R. Carter; conducting warden, J. Carrothers; inside and outside sentinel, J. McIntosh; general agent, J. Kelly; and J. A. Kelly, J. Kelly and W. White.

Mr. Hessel, the London representative of the International Organization of Maintenance-of-Way Employees, who has recently returned from a session of delegates in Detroit, spoke briefly on the work accomplished at the convention, and also told of working conditions in various parts of the country as reported by the delegates.

Although the main issue of the day, the wage question was discussed but little, as the Canadian delegates who attended the meeting at Detroit have not yet had time to convene and decide what action will be taken.

DELAY WORK ON ERECTION OF NEW REGISTRY OFFICE

City Awaits Report on Plans Submitted to Provincial Architect for Approval.

All progress in connection with the city's contemplated new registry office is halted pending the authorization of the provincial architect, explains Building Inspector A. M. Piper.

The inspector states that the plans for the new structure were forwarded to Toronto a week ago and no information that they were even received has been forthcoming, he says, although a communication was expected Monday.

One of the provincial representatives will come to the city this week, he states, before the plans are finally submitted to the board of works for final approval.

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Fifteen Lose Lives When Tenement In New York Is Swept by Flames

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Fifteen persons, most of them children, lost their lives early today in a fire, believed by city officials to be the work of a pyromaniac. The flames swept with murderous suddenness from cellar to attic of a five-story brick tenement at Lexington avenue and 110th street in the thickly-populated East Side.

The blaze apparently started in a baby carriage under the stairs of the lower hall, under almost identical circumstances as the recent incendiary fire in an upper West Side apartment house, which resulted in seven deaths. So quickly did the flames shoot through the building that a number of the dead were found in bed, burned or suffocated without the slightest opportunity to escape.

JURY TO INDICT WOMAN IN GRAY

Prosecutor Expected To Take Action in Dual Murder Today.

Private Detective Locates Men Believed Connected With Crime.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 22.—The Hall-Mills murder case has gone to the jury—with the accused as yet unnamed publicly. Grand jurors of Somerset County will be asked by Prosecutor Beekman to return an indictment on Monday against a person or persons thus far unknown to the outside world.

This seemed Saturday night the logical outcome of a sudden speeding up on the part of the prosecution. Around the identity of a woman in a long grey coat, seen at the spot where the bodies of the pastor and choir singer were found, investigation appears to center.

Certain facts that are undoubtedly in possession of the prosecutors involve this mysterious woman, and point to her as either the perpetrator of the crime or its instigator. These can be summed up briefly:

Seen Near Farm.—This woman was seen pacing the distance from Phillips' farm to the crime scene on the morning of September 14. The couple were murdered that night and two days later their bodies were found just across the county line in Somerset.

Leaving the scene of the finding of the bodies, this woman, with the body of a man, was seen near the vicinity and was not seen again. The woman into whose house the mysterious gray clad woman disappeared is believed to have furnished the authorities with definite clues as to her identity.

It was learned Saturday evening that a private detective engaged on the case has unearthed from the underworld of a far-off New Jersey city two men who are believed to have participated in the murder, or at least to have assisted in driving the murder car, seen by several witnesses the night of the crime. These men, if sufficient evidence can be obtained, are to be brought to New Brunswick on Monday to confront the woman in the gray coat after the latter's arrest.

The story of what the prosecutors have done publicly to bring to justice this woman toward whom all suspicion now turns is briefly told.

All Principal Grilled.—James Mills, husband of the slain woman; Charlotte, his daughter; Mrs. Hall, the widow of the pastor; members of her family, and servants in the Hall household, all have been questioned since Wednesday. Louise, a maid in Mrs. Hall's employ, was questioned for over two hours Saturday. She owns a light colored ulster, and this alone was sufficient to call her for a thorough examination.

Mrs. Hall was summoned to put on the coat, following a report that she had worn it the night of the crime. Mrs. Mills disappeared. Another woman of the little parish had a gray coat, which might answer the description of that seen upon the suspect.

Prosecutor Beekman has been obliged to proceed cautiously, according to his colleague, Prosecutor Stricker, because of the "danger of a false step." Stricker also hints that Beekman has let public suspicion wander in one direction while pursuing hot clues in another.

The grand jury of Somerset county was dismissed at the time of the crime, "subject to the call of the prosecutor." It has been called again. Naturally, its proceedings are secret. But why should Beekman, who has been devoting his entire time to the Hall-Mills case, summon the jurors if it has been called again? It has been called again. Naturally, its proceedings are secret. But why should Beekman, who has been devoting his entire time to the Hall-Mills case, summon the jurors if it has been called again?

It was reported here Saturday afternoon on good authority that Beekman had picked his suspect, but that he would seek to indict him before making the arrest. In this way, appeal for a writ of habeas corpus would have to be carried to the supreme court, where no local influence could affect the decision.

ATTENDING CONVENTION.—Dr. W. J. Stevenson left Saturday night for Boston to attend the meeting of surgeons of America. Dr. Stevenson will be absent from the city for ten days.

Man Convicted of Slaying May Gain His Liberty Through Medium of Radio

DETROIT, Oct. 22.—When George Rollins, convicted of murder in Massachusetts, confessed to one of the little radio set one evening recently, he heard information which may bring about his pardon.

Rollins, in his cell, was listening to the regular late news broadcast from the Amrad station at Medford Hillside. Announcement was made that Governor Sproul of Pennsylvania was to release Frank Smith, alias Jesse Murphy, who confessed some months ago to one of the two murders of which Rollins was convicted.

Two killings occurred in February for which no one has yet paid the penalty. Rollins and his brother, Charles, were both implicated and

ASKS CANADA TO HELP AUSTRIANS

Bishop Fallon Stresses Particularly Pitiful Condition of Children.

Many Forced To Sell Furnishings in Homes To Buy Food.

In an eloquent appeal on behalf of the suffering millions in Austria, and particularly the starving and half-clothed children who are facing the miseries of an Austrian winter, the Rt. Rev. M. F. Fallon, Bishop of London, urged the large congregation which crowded St. Peter's Cathedral Sunday evening, to come to their immediate aid.

The bishop stressed the almost hopelessness of the situation that the people of that country were forced to face. Everything of any value in the household had long since been sold in an effort to keep the "wolf from the door," his lordship said, and even then the tide of suffering and death was not even temporarily stopped.

His lordship stated that since the war wages have advanced 100 times, while foodstuffs and other commodities have advanced 65,000 times in price.

Have No Chance.—"Ten years ago," said Bishop Fallon, "one Canadian dollar would buy just five Austrian crowns. Today 65,000 Austrian crowns can be purchased with one dollar. Think of it. What chance has the poor working man got? Ten years ago, 65,000 crowns was a princely salary, amounting to \$13,000, now worth \$1 in our money. Can you imagine a man supporting a family of five on one dollar, or even one hundred dollars a year?"

There was no longer much difference between the middle and poorer classes, the bishop pointed out, except that even while surrounded on all sides by misery and want they were too proud to beg.

Of it is especially the sufferings of the children that I want to picture to you. I know nothing about the part the Austrian government played in forcing the late awful war. I believe that it was such a complicated affair that it would be stupendous folly to lay the blame at any one door.

"But there is one thing I do know. And that is that the Austrian children who were born four years ago had no part in the strife. They, at any rate, are blameless. In many districts the average age of every 100 died before they reached the age of one year from lack of food—in many cases from want of milk."

80 Per Cent Underfed.—The bishop said that Mr. Hoover, the secretary of commerce in the United States, had estimated that 80 per cent of the children in Austria were underfed, and were the victims of tuberculosis and rickets. Ninety-six per cent in the great cities were greatly menaced by these diseases, and that even if a child lived after having contracted these diseases he would be only a burden on the world.

The bishop read a letter from the Cardinal Archbishop of Vienna, asking for immediate assistance in charity towards the Austrians.

"One Canadian penny will feed a child in Austria for one week," said the bishop. "One penny, or certainly a 5-cent piece that we think so little of, will more than feed an Austrian baby for a week."

"All I know, and it ought to be enough for noble Canadian people to know, is that these poor Austrians are helpless in the sight of a terrible Austrian winter. And I am making this plea for the sake of every 100 Austrian children, that we may bring a little ray of sunshine into the lives of hundreds and thousands of people who are now living in a very special sense, in darkness and the shadow of death."

HOLD CHILDREN'S WORK CONVENTION

Miss M. Young to Represent London Board at Toronto Gathering.

Miss M. Young, secretary-treasurer of the London Children's Work Board, will be eyes and ears for the local association at the meeting in Toronto this week of the Children's Education Council of Canada.

The headquarters for the Children's Work Board will be in Carlton Street Methodist Church, mass meetings to take place in Massey Hall, in connection with the whole council.

Rev. T. G. Soares of Chicago, is to be the first speaker on Wednesday in Massey Hall, and his subject will be, "Religion of Children." Wednesday afternoon the subject will be "The Child and the Home." "Hymns and Pictures for Child Life" will be discussed by Prof. H. Augustine Smith, of Boston, Mass.

Thursday afternoon will be devoted to demonstrations by the Toronto Graded Union of Sunday school workers in the Carlton street church. After the children's workers' supper at 6 o'clock, there will be demonstrations of a monthly enrollment service for the purpose of a thanksgiving service in the beginning and primary departments, and junior members' drill.

On Friday city and town workers will meet in group conference, while rural workers are considering their problems in conference.

Naturally, George Rollins obtained a new lease of life when he heard the news by radio that Murphy was about to be released from the Philadelphia penitentiary and would be brought to justice in Boston.

This is probably the first instance of its kind on record when a prisoner convicted of murder heard information by radio that probably will bring his freedom.

Prefers Execution To Starving To Death in Desert.

ALPINE, Texas, Oct. 22.—Quick death on the gallows is preferable to slow starvation in a Texas desert, H. L. Hughes of Detroit, Mich., said in the jail from which he fled a week ago, after knocking down a deputy's wife in charge. Hughes, who is 21 years old, struggled into the village of Alpine, Texas, last night, told the first man he met that he was a convicted murderer dying from hunger and thirst, and asking for a place to rest.

MRS. E. A. GRAY OF CRUMLIN PASSES

Former Highly Respected London Resident, 86 Years Old, Passes.

In the death, Sunday, of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Gray, this district lost one of its oldest and most respected residents.

In 1861, Mrs. Gray and her husband, the late Sgt.-Major James Gray, came to London with the Royal Canadian Rifles Regiment.

Mrs. Gray, who was 86 years old, was an active church worker, and for years was prominently connected with the New St. James' Presbyterian Church. During the last four years Mrs. Gray had been living with her daughter, Mrs. William Smith, Crumlin, at whose home she died.

She is survived by her son, James Gray, prominent London businessman, two daughters, Mrs. William S. Smith of Crumlin, and Mrs. Rev. A. E. Irvine of Lake City, Michigan. Mrs. Sarah Blanch of this city is a sister.

The funeral will take place Tuesday, from the home of her son, James Gray, 845 Hellmuth avenue. The Rev. James McKay, of the New St. James' Presbyterian Church, will conduct the services.

URGES LABOR TO ATTACK PROBLEMS WITH COURAGE

Andrew Glen Addresses Party in Annual Convention at Toronto.

TORONTO, Oct. 22.—"Labor must assume responsibility and attack the problems of the age with courage, vigor and vision," declared Andrew Glen, in presenting the executive committee's report at the party's annual convention in the Labor Temple yesterday afternoon.

The future is rich with possibilities, the pendulum is swinging once again in favor of political action. Trade unionists, finding their organizations smashed and wrecked by the onslaught of the ruthless forces of capitalism, are looking with growing favor upon the movement to labor representatives in all strategic positions. A conservative looking backward and a decadent liberalism can no longer serve the interests of those who labor. All eyes today are turned upon the British Labor party in their great fight to free the workers from economic slavery."

TWILIGHT ORGAN RECITAL HEARD AT FIRST CHURCH

A. D. Jordan and Others Give Pleasant Musical Program Saturday.

As might be expected from the artists who were taking part, considerable success attended the twilight organ recital, given in the first Methodist Church Saturday, at 4 p.m., by A. D. Jordan, organist; Jack W. Corle, flautist, and Hilda McMillen, soprano.

In the usual brilliant style of these musicians the following program was given: Symphony No. 1, Adagio, Meditation, Marche Pontificale (Widor); Twilight (Katherine A. Glen) and Pleading (Edward Elgar), by Miss McMillen; Romance (Alfred Brumey), Mr. Corle; Prelude in E Flat Minor, Rondo Gavotte (Bach); Lo, Hear the Gentle Lark (Bishop); Miss McMillen, flute obligato, Mr. Corle; overture, "Merry Wives of Windsor" (Nicola); God Save the King.

The next recital will be given on Saturday, Nov. 18, at 4:30 p.m. The oratorio "Elijah," part 1, will be rendered by the church choir and soloists on Sunday evening, Nov. 5.

BELIEVE LINDSAY MAILMAN DROWNS

LINDSAY, Oct. 22.—Ford Creswell, a young letter carrier of this city, is missing, and it is feared he has been drowned. Saturday afternoon he started out to hunt ducks and failed to return. This morning his capsize canoe was found drifting near Ben's tannery. Creswell served overseas and leaves a wife and one child two years old.

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BRANTFORD, Oct. 22.—Three building permits were issued yesterday by City Engineer Adams. One of the permits was for the Massey-Harris Company for the erection of an addition to the plant at a cost of \$4,400. The addition has already been completed, and is used as an extension to house some of the machinery to give more room. S. B. Chesley, manager of the Massey-Harris plant, stated that no new machinery would be purchased to be installed in the addition, and that it was being used only as a means of making more room in the plant.

The other permits were issued to R. E. Ryerson, William street, authorizing alterations to the extent of \$300, and to Thomas Edgar, Darling street, for a garage, costing about \$50.

The special civic committee for the purpose of representing the city interests in the proposed new artificial ice arena, which has caused considerable interest among the sporting element in the city, met yesterday and discussed the proposition from every angle. The site in West Brantford, which has been selected as the most suitable site for the new arena, was approved by the committee, which will make their recommendations at the meeting of the city council on Monday night.

Arrangements will have to be made by the Brantford Arena Syndicate, which is promoting the rink proposition, with the city council in regard to the site, which belongs to the city and has not been turned over to the parks commission, as is generally considered to be the most satisfactory for the purpose.

Residents of Brantford early this year were asked their opinions in the matter of an enlarged police commission, but so far nothing has been done, although the people expressed themselves as being in favor of the idea.

The plan proposed was that in addition to the present commission, consisting of the county judge, police magistrate and mayor, two more members should be elected by the people at the annual municipal elections. A referendum vote was taken, which showed that the people wanted two representatives on the commission elected by themselves.

It was announced yesterday that Peterboro would unite with other Ontario cities in seeking legislation at the next session of the Legislature, giving municipalities greater control over their own police department than they enjoy at present.

DEMPSEY MUST PAY INCOME TAX

HAMILTON, Oct. 21.—C. S. Walters, Dominion inspector of taxation, called on Jack Dempsey at the Royal Connaught Hotel today in respect to income tax.

Mr. Walters stated that aliens in Canada who receive an income from their public appearances are subject to taxation, and he will collect from the champion prize fighter.

U. S. CRUISER ARRIVES AT PORT OF VLADIVOSTOK

MOSCOW, Oct. 22.—The U. S. cruiser Sacramento has arrived at Vladivostok. The vessel was sent there at the request of the United States consul. It is reported that disorders have occurred in various parts of the city. The Soviets blame the Japanese for them.

MASTER MAGICIAN COMES TO GRAND

Thurston, the Wonder Worker, Appears Tonight With Company of Thirty.

Wonder shows come and go, but Thurston, the marvellous, continues better today than at any time in his successful career. This wonder worker, now recognized as the legitimate successor to Hermann and Keller will open an engagement of three nights at the Grand Opera House this evening, with a special matinee on Wednesday afternoon, and already interest in his coming has been manifested by the large advance demand for seats for all performances.

Thurston comes direct from the Plymouth Theatre in Boston, where he amazed and mystified thousands, and where he has a return engagement, so popular were his exhibitions. The Boston Post, commenting on his performance, sums it all up in the verdict, "as bewildering as it is gorgeous," and this but faintly expresses it.

Thurston has the biggest and most pretentious show of his kind now on tour. Requiring a special car to transport the paraphernalia and mountings, he carries a company of 30 people and uses 100 birds and animals to produce his wonderful effects. His repertoire includes 1,000 separate

and distinct mysteries, by far the larger proportion of which are attempted by no other magician now before the public.

Particularly amazing is his spiritualistic manifestations in which he materializes spirit forms. This feat has been presented by Thurston before many societies for psychic research, and also for many investigations of spirit phenomena. In every way, from every angle the Thurston show is brand new, and while the great magician numbers many friends and admirers in London, he having appeared here on previous occasions, his program for this season will be found to be bigger, brighter and better than ever. Tonight will usher in three days of mystery and mirth at the Grand that is expected to prove one of the brightest spots in the whole season's bookings.

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