

Witherspoon at the Heilig Wednesday

FAMOUS AMERICAN BASSO IS TO BE HEARD IN CONCERT SONG RECITAL

PORTLAND music lovers will be given a delightful treat at the Heilig Theater next Wednesday evening, January 29, when the famous American basso, Herbert Witherspoon, will be heard in a grand concert song recital. Mr. Witherspoon is, in the happiest meaning of the name, an artist. He possesses a fine stage presence and a voice whose vibrant resonance and velvety richness is seldom heard in a bass, and of all of the resources of the executive that places him in the first rank of vocalists.

In temperament and refinement of artistic finish Mr. Witherspoon ranks with the best vocalists of the day, whether in oratorio, recital or the rendering of the most difficult arias; his voice has volume, purity of tone to an extreme degree; his phrasing is natural and his control perfect. As a builder of songs he is an adept, and gives a diversification seldom equaled by any other recital artist. He knows how to color his voice to meet the sentiment of the poem, and neither underestimates nor exaggerates that sentiment. He selects his compositions, which are among the finest examples of the different epochs of musical development. Portland is indeed fortunate to receive a visit from this singer of more than ordinary worth. The following excellent programme will be given:

- PART I.**
Old and New Airs.
(a) Recitative—"I Feel the Deity Within" (from Judas).....G. F. Hendle
Aria—"Arm, Arm, 's Brave" (from Macchabees).....G. F. Hendle
(b) "Song to the Sea".....Richard Wagner
(c) "Non plu Andrai" (from Le Nozze di Figaro).....W. A. Mozart
- PART II.**
Classical and Modern Songs in German.
Der Doppelgänger.....F. Schubert
Wer machte dich so krank.....R. Schumann
Der Knabe mit dem Wunderhorn.....Im Späthot.....E. Strauß
Waldenmücke.....Eugene Halle
Heile Nacht.....Hans Hermann
Drei Wanderer.....Hans Hermann
- PART III.**
Modern Songs in English.
Forever and Ever.....Sidney Homer
The Paper's Drive.....Sidney Homer
Pastorale.....H. Lane Wilson
Messmates.....Herman Mohr
- PART IV.**
Modern French Songs.
L'Oiseau's Fenote (Paul et Virginie).....Victor Massé



HERBERT WITHERSPOON.

- Si tu de veur.....Ch. Kocelich
Chanson (from "L'Opéra de Paris").....Harty
Black Sheela of the Silver Eye (Irish).....Mrs. Harty
Beginning tomorrow (Monday) the advance seat sale will open at the box office of the theater. Carriages at 10:15 o'clock Wednesday night.

Commission, and the "story hour" has been a source of pleasure and inspiration both at the playground and in the Institute rooms. The Sunday-school has been largely attended, stereopticon pictures adding greatly to the interest.

There are three clubs in connection with the Institute: A Sunshine Club for girls of 12 to 14 years, a Girls' Club for working girls, and a Mothers' Club, all of which have proved very successful.

In connection with the employment department positions are found for women and girls needing work; homes are found for children; cases of illness are sent to the hospital; and other cases are referred to various institutions with which the Institute cooperates. Free baths are provided for mothers and children and a supply of clothing is kept on hand to be given away or sold as the need demands. Some 25 needy families were provided with provisions, etc., at Christmas. The visiting committee of 10 or 15 ladies is an agency which enables the Institute to keep in touch with the home life of the people. As for results Miss Pritchard says:

A large share of our work, possibly the largest, consists in the unconscious influence, the results of which can only be discovered in the future lives of these children. But we have for our present encouragement the testimony of the parents and public school teachers regarding the improved character of the children. We know that they are gaining definite knowledge of better ways of living and acting, acquiring habits of industry and an appreciation of domestic work. We feel that the home conditions are in some measure being reached through the children.

We, the head of the world's work that we are doing can be counted as a segment in the great world-wide circle of human helpfulness and uplift; glad that we have entered with the best, which has entered upon a crusade of world betterment, and which has taken as the basic principle of its mission the abolition of poverty, disease and crime; has adopted as its most efficient weapon the charity that suffereth long and is kind, and beareth his brother's burden; and has inscribed upon its inviolable banner of faith "A universal belief in an age of brotherhood and peace and the kingdom of God upon earth."

Former Students of St. Michael's Meet

Graduates of Institution Now Known as Blanchet Institute Will Organize an Association.

QUITE a few of the "Old Boys," the former pupils of old St. Michael's College, now Blanchet Institute, corner Fifth and Mill streets, met at the institution last evening. The "Old Boys" were the first pupils of the Christian Brothers after their arrival in Portland in 1885. Among those present last evening were Dr. James Zan, Dr. William Trimble, attorneys Sinnott & Sinnott, Joseph O'Conner and Michael Brennan. The above named gentlemen and others spent a few pleasant hours, recalling happy reminiscences of the bygone days. They spoke kindly of their old teachers, Brothers Michael, Lactain, Zenonian and others who are still living. The names of Brothers Ulrich, Joseph Yrigoien, Lippin were also mentioned with respect for they have gone to their reward.

On behalf of the faculty brother Andrew, now director of Blanchet Institute and of the prospective Business College, welcomed the "Old Boys" and extended the hospitality of the house.

As to aspirations for this evening, he said, "and we are happy because you are with us." Continuing he said: "Go where you may and the Brothers, your teachers, are with you, recalling happy reminiscences of the bygone days. They spoke kindly of their old teachers, Brothers Michael, Lactain, Zenonian and others who are still living. The names of Brothers Ulrich, Joseph Yrigoien, Lippin were also mentioned with respect for they have gone to their reward."

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THE PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE IS DOING A GREAT WORK FOR PORTLAND'S POOR

AT the annual meeting of the Institute Club, held last Tuesday afternoon at the People's Institute, Fourth and Burnside streets, the annual report was read by Miss Valentine Pritchard, who has directed the work of the women's and children's department of the Institute since its opening three years ago, and to whose wisdom, tact, and patience much of the success of the institution is due. Miss Pritchard said in part:

We have now reached the completion of our third year in the settlement work of the Institute Club, and we have grown from a small beginning to an institution of many departments. In extent our work reaches not only the people of this immediate district, but many families in widely separated parts of the city. Financially we have been well supported, completing each year from an income which is derived entirely from subscriptions and donations. A large number of interested friends who are most loyal in their service and their support. Publicly they have given their approval of the people in general, judging from their interest and their expressions of appreciation.

always has in every good and wise movement which later has become the work of the city, the state or the Nation. This is the wider mission of philanthropy and society, to awaken and to stimulate the conscience of the city, the state and the Nation.

We see illustrations of what has been accomplished in the public playgrounds and in the domestic arts, which are slowly taking their place in the public schools. In the public playgrounds and in a long list of other public benefits which have become the province of the state or Nation after having been promulgated, demonstrated and fostered by private philanthropy. But even when the state shall have assumed its share of the work, there will be much for philanthropy to attend to, for all agencies combined cannot keep pace with the evils consequent upon this lack of industrial and moral training, nor combat the influence of disorderly, ill-kept homes, contract the physical effects of unsanitary living conditions, and overcome the demoralizing example of degraded ideals.

As an illustration of the need in our own city, I wish to give one or two facts from the splendid work accomplished by Judge Frazer in his two years as Judge of the Juvenile Court. During this time 524 children under 16 years of age were brought into court. Of this number 101 were boys, 219 were girls. The charges were principally those of theft, malicious mischief, running away from home, incorrigibility, growing up in idleness and crime, and immorality. All of these, with the exception of a small proportion who were between the ages of 14 and 16 years, were children who were attending school. The charges against the parents of these children were carelessness and neglect, incompetency and immorality.

Does not this fact alone demonstrate the need of institutions which shall supplement the inefficient training of these homes, gather the children from the streets in the hours when they are not in school, furnish them with a knowledge of better ways of living, train their hands to efficient doing, present clean, pure ideals, and so fill their minds with right thoughts and interests that there shall be no room for thoughts that are low and base. This is the work which this institution attempts to do and the reason for its aim and object which has been described.

Miss Pritchard then reviewed the various branches of the Institute work, the kindergarten, to which there are at present 67 children, leads to the kitchen garden and little housekeepers' classes, in which 35 children from 6 to 12 are taught the right way of doing things, and acquire respect and liking for domestic work. At 12 years the girls may enter the cooking school, which at present has 28 members. The workers of the Juvenile Court, report this class as being of the greatest aid in dealing with girls. Often girls of 10 and 12 have to do the cooking for the whole family, where the mother has to work away from home long hours.

The sewing school for the girls, and the gymnasium for both boys and girls, are both very successful, but the much needed work of the manual training class has had to be discontinued for lack of funds for equipment. Basket work and crocheting classes have been conducted in connection with the Summer playground on the blocks donated by the Park

agree with Brother Andrew in waiting until the new building would be in existence, but to begin to organize now. Spirited addresses were made by Dr. Zan and Trimble, Messrs. M. Brennan, Joseph O'Conner, Attorney F. J. Sinnott and Rev. Brother George. It was said that over 600 of the former students and graduates of old St. Michael's College were scattered through this city and state and an effort should be made to call them together. Accordingly a temporary organization was effected by electing Dr. James Zan as chairman and Michael Brennan as secretary. The chair appointed a committee of six to meet at Blanchet Institute on Monday evening, January 27, to discuss the plans of effecting a permanent organization. The secretary was ordered to send notices to as many of the "Old Boys" as possible to meet at the old school grounds, Fifth and Mill streets, on Sunday, February 2, at 3 P. M. A general invitation is hereby extended to all the former pupils to assemble on the above date.

The committee then examined for themselves the poor accommodations the Brothers are forced to put up with in the old building and expressed more or less indignation that such things were allowed so long to exist. They spoke of the modern buildings and proper facilities the Christian Brothers have in other cities and are more determined than ever that Portland will have a building for the Christian Brothers second to none in any city.

Brother Andrew said that he has been much encouraged in his new undertaking since the Ancient Order of Hibernians have taken the initiative in offering their assistance to build a new college. Since then other societies have signified their intention of offering their assistance and now that the "Old Boys" are to organize, gives a new impetus to the cause. Before the meeting adjourned, Mr. W. P. Sinnott prepared a vote of thanks to the Brothers for their hospitality during the evening.

CHARMING MUSICAL.

A large audience attended the eighth recital given by Eilers Piano House in their large recital hall, last Friday evening, at which Miss Kathleen Lawler was soloist. Miss Lawler's beautiful voice was heard to particularly good advantage in the numbers which she had chosen. Particularly in Chamblade's beautiful "Silver Ring" and Chadwick's "Danae," her interpretation was splendid. It is always a delight to hear Miss Lawler as she has such an easy graceful style and the beautiful quality of her voice goes to the heart of the listener at once. The Orchestral and the Pianola added largely to the success of the entertainment. The accompaniments played with the Pianola leave nothing to be desired. The next recital will be given Friday evening, January 31, at which Charles Cutler, baritone, will be the soloist.

At the Marquam.

The Burns-Moir fight films, to be presented at the Marquam, commencing with the matinee today and closing Monday night, with a special matinee Monday, are the best that have as yet been produced in moving pictures of a fistie encounter. The films, manufactured by a leading London firm, have been pronounced far superior to the Nelson-Gale pictures, which have always been considered to be the best ever produced. Each of the ten rounds of the Burns-Moir contest is shown as clearly as if the spectators were in the ring arena. The knock-out in the tenth round, the surging mass of humanity leaving the ringside, the

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The friends and students of St. Helen's Hall are to have a musical treat Thursday evening, January 29, when Miss Marjorie Miller, of Seattle, and Mrs. Goodwin Thacher, of this city, will make their first appearance in Portland at a concert to be given at that hall.

Miss Miller is a violinist of much ability and comes to Portland after having won the enthusiastic admiration of the musical critics of the Sound. She is a pupil of the famous Cesar Thomson, having spent four years in the Conservatory Royale de Musique in Brussels, from which she received a fine certificate. She possesses a remarkable technique and interprets the works of the various composers with a refinement and delicacy that has placed her among the best exponents of her art on the West Coast.

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