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GREAT SINGER

PASSES AWAY

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forty years ago, she first appeared in public as soprano soloist at Grace Church in Boston. Nordica and Eames—although the latter was born of American parents in far-off China—were of old New England stock, both claimed by the state of Maine, and they made up a notable American contribution to the operatic world. A farm house built by the prima donna's great grandfather on a hill just outside the village of Farmington, Maine, was Nordica's birthplace, in 1859. Her true name was Lillian Norton. She changed it to the Italian, Nordica, 20 years later, when she began to study in Italy for an operatic career.

After her graduation from the New England Conservatory of Music at Boston, and successful singing of the leading roles in several of the oratorios given by the Handel and Haydn Society, she went to Europe, in 1878, as a soloist with Gilmore's band. She clung tenaciously to classical music, and was well received by audiences in the Crystal Palace, London, and the Trocadero, Paris. She went to Milan and became a pupil of Sangiovanni, and within six months she had mastered ten operas. Her debut in opera was at Brescia in 1879 in "La Traviata." After a trip to St. Petersburg she appeared for trial before Ambrose Thomas and the impresario, Vanocbell, who engaged her for the Grand Opera House in Paris. Her first appearance there, in 1882, as "Marguerite," in "Faust," was a triumph. The critics observed her American accent, but said it gave piquancy to her tone, and her acting was lauded as equal to her singing.

She returned to America and toured this country with great success. In the succeeding years she appeared in opera or concert in almost every city of musical culture in the world. Her repertoire included more than fifty operas. Her success with Wagnerian roles became the pinnacle of her fame. At Bayreuth in 1894 she appeared as Elsa in "Lohengrin," and she is, perhaps, best remembered in that part. She received decorations of various sorts abroad, and gifts without number from friends at home. The stockholders of the Metropolitan Opera House presented her with a diamond tiara.

Her matrimonial ventures numbered three. She was first married in 1882 to Frederick A. Gower, a wealthy electrician and a native of her state of Maine, whom she met in Paris. Shortly after she had begun separation proceedings in 1884; Gower disappeared. He attempted a balloon trip across the English channel. Although the balloon was later found, nothing was ever heard of or seen of him.

In 1896, Mme. Nordica married Zoltan Doeme, a Hungarian army officer and singer, from whom she secured a divorce in 1905.

Her third marriage was in London, in 1905, to George W. Young, a wealthy New York banker. It was announced at that time that Nordica would retire from the stage, but after a honeymoon spent in part at the old Norton home-stand in Maine, she decided upon a farewell concert tour of the world. It was while making one leg of this trip on the Dutch steamer Taaman that the vessel ran ashore on Thursday Island in the Antipodes. The shock of the accident and exposure brought on pneumonia. Mme Nordica's admirers felt it to be a particularly tragic circumstance that the famous singer should have fallen dangerously ill on the other side of the world.

Her body will be brought directly to this country and buried near the old home-stand in Maine.

The Nordica fortune must be large. It was published as a fact in 1909 that she had made \$128,000 during that season alone. Much of her money went toward realizing her dream of "a Bayreuth in America." She bought a large tract of land along the Hudson near Ossining, and, with great enthusiasm, sketched plans for a great musical institution. It was said a million dollars was back of the scheme, but it was never brought to full realization.

COURT MARTIAL IN COLORADO

Investigation of Men and Officers in Strike Trouble Begun Today at Golden

DENVER, Colo., May 11.—A general court martial of all officers and enlisted men of the militia who participated in the Ludlow battle, was begun at Golden today. The court martial is a result of recommendations by the military commission.

THE OTHER JOHN.

Capt. Anderson of the Randolph sadly shook his head when tendered congratulations in Port Orford last week over the reported advent of a son. Two John Andersons got mixed, and it was the other fellow. The Capt. and his wife have been married over 20 years and are still alone.—Port Orford Tribune.

FLORENCE ROCK SLIDE.

At the rock quarry below Mapleton a large mass of rock weighing several hundred tons slid from the bank above into the quarry and knocked down one of the derricks Wednesday afternoon.

F. M. FRIEDBURG

PASSES AWAY

Well-known Marshfield Man Succumbs to Heart Trouble in California

F. M. Friedberg, for many years a well known resident of Marshfield, died suddenly yesterday at Long Beach, Calif., of heart trouble. He had been ailing for the past few years and with Mrs. Friedberg and their adopted son had been spending the winter in Southern California. Judge John P. Hall today received a telegram from Mrs. Friedberg stating that the funeral would be held Wednesday at San Francisco and would be conducted by the Odd Fellows. It is presumed that burial will be at or near Napa where his parents and a brother are buried.

News of his death came as a shock as the last word from Mrs. Friedberg indicated that he was getting along fairly well and that they were planning to come to Coos Bay. However, he had suffered from heart trouble and other ailments for quite a while and realized that permanent recovery was impossible.

Here For Many Years. Mr. Friedberg was fifty years old. He came here late in 1892 or early 1893 to take charge of the old Coos Bay Electric plant which Mr. Carlson, who had installed it, had turned over to the General Electric Company. He managed the property for the company a few years then bought it himself. He made a success of it and some money out of the property, later selling to E. C. Drews, who later transferred it to Seymour Bell and Henry Hewitt, who sold it a few years ago to the present owners, H. M. Byllesby and Company.

After retiring from the electric business, Mr. Friedberg devoted his efforts principally to real estate. He was pretty well to do, his wealth being estimated at from \$30,000 to \$50,000. He owned three lots on South Broadway, some Coos River property, a block of property in West Marshfield, a residence and two lots in West Marshfield and had \$6000 or \$7000 out at interest.

Mr. Friedberg was a member of the Odd Fellows and of the Masons and carried \$2000 insurance in the Workmen. Whether he had any other life insurance is not known.

Raised Three Boys. Although he never had any children of his own, Mr. Friedberg was very fond of children. He and his wife reared one of her nephews until he reached maturity and later reared Charlton Lee, a son of the Rev. Lee. A couple of years ago they adopted a young boy who is now only four or five years old. Mr. Friedberg had a sister in California, but left no other close relatives.

It is expected that Mrs. Friedberg and their adopted son will return to Marshfield to make their home.

JULIUS THOM

PASSES AWAY

Resident of North Bend for Six Years—Funeral to be Held Tomorrow

Julius Thom, of North Bend, aged 78, died yesterday. Mr. Thom has been an invalid for some years. He was born in Germany in 1836 and was married there 58 years ago. Mr. Thom is survived by his wife, Willamina, five sons and four daughters. They are Mrs. J. L. Terrell, of Marshfield; Mrs. Frank Sherman, of North Bend; Mrs. Ledgerwood, of Spokane; Mrs. Kate Dunn, of Spokane; Gus and Peter Thom, of Wisconsin; Charles and Wm. Thom, of North Bend and John Thom of Roseburg. The funeral services will be conducted at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Thom came to the United States in 1889 and has been a resident of Oregon for 12 years. He has made his home in North Bend for the past six years. Mr. Thom has more than thirty grandchildren in Oregon and one great grand-child, Mrs. Blanche Ritchey.

TEACHERS AT FLORENCE

FLORENCE, Or., May 11.—At a meeting of Florence school board the following teachers were elected for next year: Prof. J. F. Santee, principal of the high school. Miss Grace East, teacher of the primary department. She has had charge of the intermediate room this year. Miss Jennie McVicker, teacher of the advanced grade department has not been selected yet. This is the room which has been under the direction of Miss Bosen for the past three years.

Prof. Santee has had eleven years' experience in school work and has taught in Kansas, Washington and Oregon. At present he is connected with the commercial department of Oregon Agricultural College.

STABBING AT FLORENCE

Having stabbed a neighbor, W. M. England, through the lung with a knife and being held without bail on the charge of assault with intent to kill, Thomas E. Russell, a resident of Florence, is in the county jail in Eugene. The stabbing was the result of a quarrel between Russell and England, who live close to each other on the lower Stuslaw.—Eugene Register.

WILSON PAYS

HIGH TRIBUTE

President Eulogizes Dead at Vera Cruz in New York Address Today

NEW YORK, May 11.—In the funeral services here today for the U. S. Marines who were killed in occupying Vera Cruz, Secretary Daniels read to President Wilson the list of names of the nineteen dead, including the two who died since the other bodies left Vera Cruz. The President's reply was delivered with slow impressiveness, his voice low and fervent and his face grave. "Mr. Secretary, I know that the feelings which characterize all about us are not the feelings that can be expressed in eulogies or oratory. The feeling is mostly one of profound grief that these lads should have gone to their death. Yet I feel profound pride and envy that they should have been permitted to do duty so nobly."

"Their duty is not an uncommon thing," said the President. "Men are performing their duty in ordinary walks of life, but what gives these men peculiar distinction is that they did not give their lives for themselves but gave their lives for us because we as a nation called on them. Are you sorry for these lads? Are you sorry for the way they will be remembered? I hope to God none of you join the list, but if you will, you join an immortal company, and while there goes out from our hearts an affectionate sympathy for them, we know why we do not go away with hearts cast down, but with confidence that all will be worked out. We have gone down to Mexico to serve mankind if we can find a way. We don't want to fight the Mexicans; we want to serve them. War aggression is not a thing in which it is proud to die, but war service is war in which it is a proud thing to die." The President referred to the cosmopolitan personnel of the victims. "I listened to the list with a profound feeling, because they were not Irishmen, Germans or Hebrews when they went to Vera Cruz. They were Americans and no matter where their people came from, they did things that were to Americans not war—only a sort of dramatic representation, a symbol of the thousand forms of duty. I have never been in battle under fire, but I fancy it is just as hard to do your duty when men are sneering at you, for when they shoot at you they take your natural life and when they sneer at you they wound your heart. As I think of these spirits that have gone from us, I know the way is clearer for the future, for they have shown us the way."

Smoker Tonight.—The Millicoma Club this evening will tender a reception and smoker for Tom Richardson, Engineer Potter, Capt. Reed and other officers of the dredge Michie will also be guests of honor.

UNITARIANS HOLD SESSION

Rev. Sargeant of North Bend, Takes Part in Big Conference at Portland

PORTLAND, Or., May 11.—With delegates present from Washington, Oregon, California and British Columbia, the twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Pacific Coast Conference of Unitarian Churches opened today. The morning was devoted to officers' reports and the appointment of committees. At the afternoon session Rev. Marshall Dawson of Tacoma was to speak on the social problem and Rev. A. H. Sargeant of North Bend, Oregon, was to open the discussion.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

CHARLES MAHAFFY of Coos River is a visitor today.

J. F. R. WEBBER will leave on the Drain stage tomorrow.

NINIAN WEBSTER of South Coos River, came in this morning on the Alert.

REV. ROBERT BROWNING will leave on the Drain stage tomorrow for Gardiner.

MRS. REBECCA LUSE-STUMP and daughter, Catherine, returned from South Coos River this morning.

RICHARDSON

SEES COUNTY

Speaks at Coquille, Bandon and Myrtle Point—Finds County Roads Good

At a smoker to be held at the Millicoma Club tonight, Tom Richardson will lead a discussion on the formation of a representative committee of Coos County citizens to take under consideration a plan for locating colonies of working people on small tracts in this section of the state. Members of the club and other prominent citizens will be present at the meeting.

Richardson, who returned yesterday after covering the county, says that the co-operation of the Oregon Agricultural College, the Portland Commercial Club and the Department of Agriculture at Washington, is desired in bringing the people together on the tracts that are open for cultivation.

"Since leaving Marshfield last week I have toured the county by rail, boat and auto," said Mr. Richardson today. "The people of this county are trying to do many big things without paying much attention to little matters that are of equal importance. Coos County owes it to itself and to the state of Oregon to get some good-sized colonies on the small tracts. Not only should they get them there, but they must nurse them to success. And through their success others will follow them."

Richardson said that while the roads in this county are not the best in the world they are much better than he expected to find. Since he left here last week he has been the principal speaker at booster meetings held at Coquille, Myrtle Point, Bandon and other places. He will leave here tomorrow morning at 6 o'clock for Gardiner. From there he will go to Florence.

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WHO ARRESTED

EDWARD LAGUS

Officer Doane Claims the Honor, But Chief Carter Says "Nix."

In the arrest of Edward Lagus on Saturday evening, charged with riding a bicycle without the necessary illumination, to protect him from the clutches of the police and conform with the law, Officer J. C. Doane showed that he holds no respect for the name of his superior officer, J. W. Carter, who brought the offender, Lagus, to the police station and was credited with the arrest of the books at the police station.

Shortly after the arrest, Doane appeared at the police station and after a few words with Gordon Smith, the booking agent on the Hotel de Carter circuit, had the name of Carter removed from the record and inserted his own, claiming to have made the arrest, although Carter brought the man to the station.

Chief Carter has taken an optimistic view of the arrest of Lagus, saying that while he does not like to have his name held in disrepute by Officer Doane, he will drop the matter and not present it to the City Council. "If Doane was a sensible man, I would talk to him," said Carter today, "but a man who can see any glory in scratching out my name and substituting his own, is sadly lacking." "When I first saw Lagus Doane was standing about ten feet from me, and may have assisted in the arrest by his presence, but not otherwise, as I claim the honor of escorting the prisoner to the city jail, that is, if you can see any honor in that proceeding, although I don't."

REV. BROWNING ON GOOD WORK

Delivers Able Sermon on Good Citizenship—Circulates Prohi Petitions

Rev. R. E. Browning of the Marshfield Episcopal Church yesterday at the morning service, delivered a very eloquent and forceful sermon on Christian Citizenship, emphasizing the point that the Kingdom of God was not meant to be a hazy dream of the life hereafter, but a constant striving to better conditions of this world life. Mr. Browning has been very active in the work of securing signatures for the prohibition amendment petitions and in closing, made an eloquent plea to the mothers and fathers of the congregation to realize the importance of this measure and invited all who had not signed the petitions and who wished to do so to remain after the service to sign one of the petitions which was ready in the vestry room. Mr. Browning has given the members of his churches in Empire and Gardiner and North Bend this same opportunity.

MINES CLOSED IN COLORADO

Sec. Garrison Will Not Permit Them to Re-open Until Settlement is Made.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—No mines will be permitted to re-open in the Colorado strike district for the present, Secretary Garrison announced today. Secretary Garrison denied that orders were issued forbidding the importation of strike breakers, but explained that while the situation remained threatening, the mines not already running probably would be kept closed until assured the opening would precipitate no further trouble.

FREE LABOR LEADERS NOW

U. S. Supreme Court Sets Aside Conviction of Mitchell, Gompers, Et Al.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—The contempt sentences imposed by the district supreme court on Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, labor leaders, were set aside by the U. S. Supreme Court for a second time as barred by the statute of limitations.

SILLIMAN DETAINED

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—American Consul Silliman is still imprisoned at Saltillo, according to a dispatch from the Brazilian Minister at Mexico City, who reported to the State Department that he was making the strongest representations possible for the release of the American. Silliman's clerk was set at liberty and left for Vera Cruz today.

CORRESPONDENT ARRESTED

Lieutenant Maigne is Taken on Return to Vera Cruz. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—First Lieutenant Charles M. Maigne, U. S. A., retired, who went through the Mexican lines at Vera Cruz as correspondent for a Washington newspaper, was arrested on his return to Vera Cruz. It was feared he would be taken for a military spy.

COLONEL MAYO DEAD

NEW YORK, May 11.—Colonel John C. Calhoun Mayo, Democratic National committee man from Kentucky, died today after a brief illness.

LIGHTHOUSE IS ALSO TAKEN

ADMIRAL MAYO TAKES POSSESSION OF LOBOS ISLAND ON MEXICAN COAST—PROTEST MADE BY HUERTA.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—The Navy Department has called on Rear Admiral Badger for a complete report concerning the unofficial statement that American forces have landed on Lobos Island and taken possession of the lighthouse there. Secretary Bryan indicated that the seizure of the Mexican lighthouse at Lobos Island by Admiral Mayo had been made subject to protest by Huerta. Secretary Bryan said that the matter was called to his attention by the South American mediators at the direction, he assumed, of Huerta.

Advertisement for Tea Garden Syrup. Text: 'LET the children have all the Tea Garden Syrup they want. It is pure, healthful, delicious and nutritious. Scientifically refined from the choicest imported sugar. At all reliable grocers.' Includes an illustration of a child and a box of syrup.