

# SECOND SYMPHONY IS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL

By G. I. W.

"Second" was a magic word to jubilate with last night. The second concert of the Portland Symphony orchestra achieved a great success for every one concerned. The second number, the "Peer Gynt" suite, scored the greatest success, and the sibilant whispers of even the most unmusical were hushed for a brief moment during the second movement of that second number.

Mr. Dierke, as conductor, showed to the very best advantage last night. The only fault that might have been criticized at the last concert had been corrected, and the enthusiasm which he naturally felt over the success of his organization did not show itself during the playing of a number. With strictest attention the orchestra he brought out their best work and they responded instantly to his slightest gesture. It seemed to me that his most interesting work was done in the Hungarian dances, where his quick eye and ready hand led with certain masterly touch the orchestra. In the general ensemble and the orchestra played well and easily together.

The mountain king motif gives the crash of doom where Peer is finally vanquished by the mountain spirits, a splendid interlude. The whole suite was played excellently.

The "Brahms" fantasia, full of color, typical of the modern Italian school is well arranged, bringing in most of the best of the opera which is generally conceded to be Puccini's masterpiece. It followed the same lines of composition in writing his later opera, "Madama Butterfly" which has in so short a time reached such marked popularity, and the resemblance in some of the motifs is strong.

An intermezzo written by M. B. Palacios, a member of the orchestra, called forth a great deal of applause and the composer had to come out twice to bow. It was a beautiful little number and thoroughly pleasing to the ear. Such introduction of local talent adds interest.

The two Hungarian dances of Brahms so well known and yet always popular and not so easy to play either were played with a number of new players so well sustained that a good many felt surprised. The sixth with more sinuous movements and an occasional dashing finish was charming.

For the soloists a little more could be asked. Mr. Bettman filled the most sanguine expectations of his admirers. The "Wienlawski" polonaise was excellently interpreted with a good sense and rapid light fingering. The support of the orchestra was not as unflattering as most of its other work. His encore was "Abendlied" (Schumann), into which he put a good deal of feeling.

One of Mr. Bettman's likeable points is his singing. The sixth which fairly shines forth in his simple recognition of honors due him. Mrs. Walter made new admirers last night. "Ah Rendini," one of the best things she does, was sung even better than usual with the orchestral accompaniment. She rose well to the dramatic heights and still retained the even tenor of her work. "A Woodland Scene" (Mascagni) was a lovely thing of light, bright Italian life. Her encore was "La Danza" (Chadwick). E. E. Garsen played on the piano the accompaniment for the encore. Mr. Reed was fairly smothered with gorgeous flowers. The first movement of the concertmaster was John Marquardt who has been playing in symphony orchestras with marked success abroad. Mrs. Marquardt is to be the harp soloist at the next concert.



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## WHY UNIVERSITY SHOULD PROSPER

### Newcomer to Oregon Gives Argument in Support of Appropriation From State

Brownsville, Or., May 5.—To the Readers of the Journal: I should like to give some reasons why it seems to me every voter should rally to the support of the bill making an appropriation for the state university of Oregon.

The writer is an eastern man, and has no local, property, or sentimental interests influencing what follows. The writer is a teacher and has invested enough in Oregon bonds and stocks to be able to view the question from the standpoint of a taxpayer as well as a teacher.

First—Oregon should adopt a permanent and liberal policy toward her educational institutions. It is gratifying to anyone interested in education to know that the State Agricultural college is on a sound financial basis. It is a shame to a prosperous commonwealth that its state university is being weakened by a narrow and parsimonious policy.

Second—The high school system of Oregon has come to stay. It has proved its right to live by giving boys and girls training which a few years ago they could receive only by going to educational centers at great expense.

To have effective high schools we must have well-trained teachers. The state should provide a school equipped to furnish strong instructors for her high schools. Many of our high school pupils are ambitious to get a university training. Their parents should not be smothered, neither should it be necessary for them to go to some other state to find a well-equipped state school.

The state university has aided largely in developing the high school system. It has been largely instrumental in organizing a state high school debating league.

These are good seeds. Its hand should be strengthened in this kind of work.

Third—The State university is a warning to the common school. It has advanced the interests of the public school whenever it could do so. To raise the standard of the common school, its own existence depends on the public school. This is the source from which it must draw its new streams of life. Many those who are opposed to the appropriation appeal to prejudice by declaring that the money should be withheld and given to the common school. The entire appropriation scattered over the state would give very little aid to the public school. The influence of the University has had and will have in lifting the common schools to a higher plane is worth vastly more than the money outlay. The high schools furnish a summit to which every true teacher delights to lead the pupil. There are a few warm friends of the common school who will vote against the appropriation for the university, but we believe they are working against their own higher interests and mark this, every opponent of a progressive public school policy is lined up against the university. The friends of the common school who are fighting the university are with the wrong crowd. They should come over with those who favor a progressive school policy from the kindergarten to the university.

Fourth—The appropriation of \$125,000 annually is not excessive. Salaries in many instances are now unpaid. This is unjust. New equipment is continually needed. Laboratories should be supplied with the latest apparatus. Oregon is in that stage of development where a strong school is needed—one that will compare favorably with the universities of other states. To put our university in that class, it must be generously supported. The board of regents are men of integrity and business capacity. They can be trusted to use the money wisely.

Fifth—The east is looking toward Oregon, watching to see whether the state is to be progressive or retrogressive. When the returns are canvassed in the June election, they should show such an overwhelming majority for the cause of education that all doubt as to the wisdom of the state should be removed. Then an invitation can be sent to the sons and daughters of the east to come to the state which can furnish them the best of everything—education not excepted. Is the citizenship of Oregon awake to her educational needs? We believe it is. There should be no halting or backward step. The cause of education demands our best gifts. They should be tendered gladly.

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## "CHEER UP" CLUB MOTTO

### Miss Helen M. Moore Starts Movement to Prevent Self-Destruction—Money Will Be Advanced to Fight Suicide.

New York, May 5.—Aroused to action by the alarming and ever increasing number of suicides in New York recently, a number of young men and women, well known for their philanthropic and religious work, are banding themselves together to discourage self destruction. The person responsible for the movement, and probably the most enthusiastic of them all, is Miss Helen M. Moore, of 146 East Fifty-second street, an instructor of Sunday school.

The aim of Miss Moore's Anti-Suicide society, differing so far from that of the Salvation Army, which has already made some steps in that direction, is to prevent despondency rather than to reclaim those already in despair. After a sufficient number of members have been enrolled they intend to raise a fund to be used at the discretion of the society for becoming downhearted young people from taking their own lives. This is the suggestion of Miss Gorteva Reia, of the Rescue street, who has already made some steps in that direction, and it has seemed to me that the whole problem has no solving until we can convince people of the utter cowardice of it all. The rush of the times is a never-ceasing hurry and bustle of the modern New York, which is merciless in its treatment of the weak and will allow only the survival of the fittest—is to blame for the deplorable condition in which the masses of the poor, despondent, hopeless, creature to suicide.

"We Are Swamped by Missions." "We are swamped by rescue leagues and missions—there is no room for people who never have been in the position in which they find themselves. But where, in all New York, with its millions spent yearly in charity and its philanthropic purposes, have we an organization for preventing the suicides which are so daily occurrences—suicides which are so frequent—of young people tired of the unequal struggle, in which they are so often the victors, and where no one will give them a chance? This, then, is my idea: Why not obtain a fund, from which young men and women, without too much red tape, can draw certain sums, with the smallest possible amount of interest, to be paid back to the fund? The chances are that the chances that anything would be lost would be small, and that the benefits would be large and substantial. I do not believe that it is the happy, proficient worker who ever thinks of suicide."

"I am simply appalled when I read, day after day, the notices of suicides which the newspapers carry. Every day it is on the increase, and no one seems to be made by any church or anybody to stop it, or to influence would be suicides against self-destruction."

"True, the Salvation Army made some sort of move in that direction, and I am sure, accomplished and accomplished much good among the class of people with whom its members come in contact. But why would not an organization on a broader basis, an organization wherein all the churches and church workers unite, be of vastly greater benefit?"

Need of Organized Effort. "I am heartily in favor of some organized effort along broad lines to aid these people who need it so much. I meet many in my work who are of the same opinion, and I am sure that if some intelligent effort was made, we could get together an earnest body of men and women into an anti-suicide organization, which would render that service which would mean life itself to many unfortunates."

Miss Eli Jackson, of No. 4 John street, and Miss Mira Hall, of No.

## DOLLAR WHISKEY FOR NEGROES

### United States Colored Soldiers Boycott Saloons That Raise Prices.

Watertown, May 5.—Enlisted men of the two battalions of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, negro, stationed at Sackett's Harbor, 11 miles from here, openly announced today that they will boycott Watertown. They say that when they need anything that they cannot buy in the military village, they will wait until they can get two or three days off and then go to Syracuse.

The hatred of Watertown started immediately after the arrival of the regiment when signs were posted in drinking places that prices were subject to change without notice. The object of this was to advance the price for negroes.

To them the price of beer was 50 cents an whiskey cent 21. Added to this was the breaking of the glasses in the presence of the negro soldiers. The regimental band was brought here when Governor Hughes was the recent guest of honor of the chamber of commerce at its annual banquet. When some of the members went to get a drink they received their first notice of the great advance in price. Very few of the negroes visit this city and little trading is being done here by them.

The merchants in the village of Sackett's Harbor declare that no regiment was ever stationed there that spent more money, nor was there ever a more orderly outfit in the post than the negro regiment. Not the slightest disturbance has been made here by any of the soldiers, and not one has been arrested for intoxication, while a number were always arrested when former regiments were here immediately after payday.

John street, two young women who are well known for their religious work, are vitally interested in the anti-suicide movement. Miss Jackson expressed her willingness to interest herself to any extent to further the cause.

Others who have expressed a willingness to aid in forming the club are Miss Clara Clarke of No. 341 Lexington avenue, A. Thresher of No. 29 Broadway, a consulting engineer; E. L. Bennett of No. 737 Carroll street, Brooklyn, and almost all of Miss Moore's pupils.

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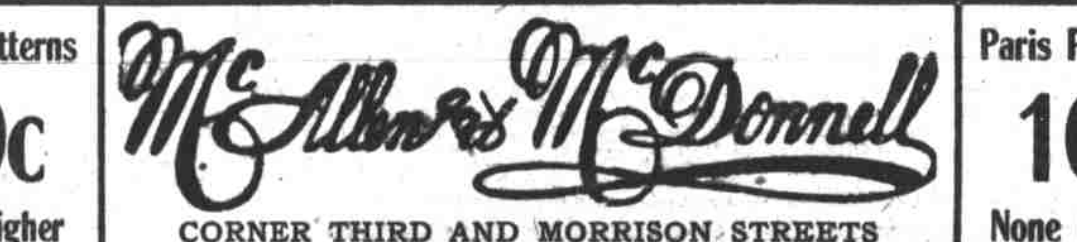
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## BUILDING BOOTHS FOR THE SIDESHOWS

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The object of the carnival is to raise funds to pay for the new \$25,000 club building upon which the finishing

touches are being put. This building, which is a handsome three-story structure, is to be further equipped with a large swimming tank and additional gymnasium apparatus.

Among the attractions which are to be features of the carnival are the principal enclosure, the stadium in which Hunt's dog and monkey circus will perform daily; Yojl, the king of all freaks; an electric fish theatre, a ghost show and a big amateur boxing tournament are some of the attractions which will also be put on during the 10 days from May 16 to 17 inclusive, during which the carnival will be held.

### JEWISH WOMEN ELECT NEW OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the Council of Jewish Women at Selling-Hirsch hall yesterday afternoon, officers were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Max S. Hirsch; vice-president, Miss Ella Hirsch; treasurer, Mrs. Gustav Simon; recording secretary, Mrs. Maurice Goodman; directors, Mrs. Ben Selling, Mrs. I. N. Fleischer and Mrs. Bertha Myers.

The report of the retiring president, Mrs. Ben Selling, gave a resume of the work accomplished in the various lines. The council holds monthly meetings, with papers and addresses on subjects of importance and a resume of current events, and also maintains a Bible study class under Rabbi Jonah B. Wise. The principal activity of the council is the settlement work at the Neighborhood house, where classes are maintained in sewing, cooking, kindergarten, manual training, gymnasium work, as well as the night school for foreigners, taught by Miss Carrie Meyer. Reports covering this work were heard from Miss Mayer, Mrs. Herbert Judge, Mrs. R. Altman, Mrs. Ben Selling, Miss Germaine Samuels, Mrs. Leon Hirsch and Mrs. S. M. Blumstein, the superintendent of the Neighborhood house.

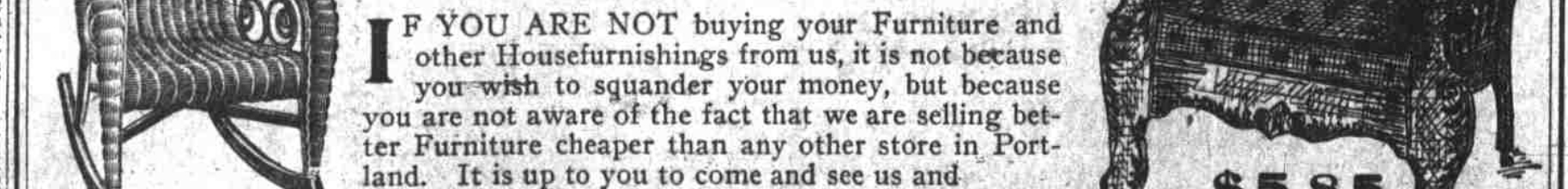
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