

REWARDS TO AMERICAN TALENT

Native Composers Recognized in Awards to Be Made by National Federation of Musical Clubs—Music in United States.

The express companies are fighting the parcels post. The banks are fighting the express companies on account of the business they are doing in money orders. Mr. Haskin will tomorrow sketch the lines of these two wars. He will also relate in his most interesting style the story of the rise and growth of the express business in America and the rest of the world.

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Washington, May 25.—These are red letter days in American music. The National Federation of Musical Clubs is meeting in the sixth biennial session at Grand Rapids, and the expectation is that there will be more women in attendance than ever before gathered together on a musical mission before. Founded by Mrs. Theodore Thomas at the Chicago world's fair, the federation has grown in numbers and influence.

Coddling the Stomach.

Do not pamper the children with hot-house methods; there is a common-sense method. If the children or the man or woman show a tendency to be "off their feed," if they begin to lose flesh, their stomach should be toned up with a harmless tonic which will increase the secretions of the digestive tract. A tonic made of native medicinal roots which will invigorate the stomach into greater activity and increase the secretion of the phosphates from the food—a remedy which will do this is one which has stood the test of public approval for nearly forty years, and contains no alcohol or narcotics. We refer to Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It can be given to the smallest child with perfect freedom. If the blood is impure, if pimples, boils, headaches occur, if the stomach is weak—first eradicate the poisons from the blood.

AN Imitation of NATURE'S METHOD
of restoring waste of tissue and impoverishment of the blood and nervous force is used when you take an alternative extract of native roots, made without the use of alcohol, like Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This vegetable medicine coaxes the digestive functions and helps in the assimilation of food, or rather takes from the food just the nutriment the blood requires.

Along with its use one should take exercise in the outdoor air, get all one can of God's sunlight and air; practice a deep breathing exercise every day. This "Medical Discovery" gives no false stimulation, because it does not contain alcohol or a narcotic. It helps digestion and the assimilation of such elements in the food as are required for the blood. Unlike a cod liver oil, against which the already sensitive stomach will declare open rebellion, this tonic has a pacifying action upon the sensitive stomach and gives to the blood the food elements the tissues require. It maintains one's nutrition by enabling him to eat, retain, digest and assimilate nutritious food. It overcomes gastric irritability and symptoms of indigestion, and, in this way, fever, night-sweats, headaches, etc., are done away with.

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until today it is one of the greatest factors operating in the music world. It is pledged to the cultivation of musical taste in the public schools, and to the advancement of American music in every branch.

The most interesting feature of this gathering of the 182 clubs represented in the federation will be the awarding of prizes. It was announced last year that \$2000 would be given for the best compositions—\$1000 for the best orchestral composition, \$500 for the best piece of instrumental music and \$500 for the best vocal selection—each to be the product of an American author. In response to this offer more than 100 manuscripts were submitted. Most of them by prominent composers. The judges have finished their work, but the results of the contest will not be known until later in the session, when the winning selections will be sung and played. It is said the prize winners are splendid examples of American music, and that the decisions of the judges are popular with all who are in the secret. The funds for these prizes were raised by free will offerings on the part of the clubs constituting the federation.

Bridge Opened With Music.
Another great musical event will be the celebration on Long Island in honor of the opening of the new Queensboro bridge. It is proposed to have three of the regimental bands of the New York National Guard massed on the roadway of the bridge, the whole aggregation to sing the national anthem. When he raises his baton the signal will be flashed to every village on Long Island and 500,000 voices will join him in singing Home, Sweet Home. Elaborate preparations for the event are being made, and all Long Island will ring with song.

Northeastern Federation.
The twenty-second triennial convocation of the Northeastern Federation of Singing societies will be held at Madison Square Garden in June, and it will be one of the great musical events of the summer. Many splendid prizes will be contested for, among them a splendid little statue of a German minesinger, given by Kaiser Wilhelm himself. The German emperor has always taken a deep interest in the children of the Fatherland in America and feels the keenest pleasure in the efforts they put forth to keep alive the songs of the homeland. The northeastern federation has a membership of more than 100,000, of whom more than 10,000 are active singers. The feature of this meeting will be a chorus of 6000 male voices.

A Leaderless Choir.
One of the most remarkable choral societies in the world is the Reading Church Choral society. It is made up of mixed voices, but has no leader. The head of the society presides at the organ when it sings, and it is said that the members have so mastered their work that they can sing together as well as if they were following the most skilled leader in the land.

The Price of Grand Opera.
The great mass of singers belong to singing societies, but of course grand opera must ever remain to the musician what Hamlet is to the playgoer. The money invested in the production of grand opera amounts to more than a king's ransom. In the two weeks' season in Chicago this year the receipts amounted to more than \$200,000, a single house bringing \$18,000. The Metropolitan opera house closed the New York season with a deficit of \$25,000. During the days of Grau the Metropolitan was able to supply its conductors for \$25,000 for the season, but owing to the competition of the rival opera houses the prices have been forced upward until now a single conductor gets that much. In the earlier days the singers had to seek the impresario, but now the impresario has to seek the singers—has to ransom Europe for them, carrying a lot of certified checks, and spending money in a way that would break the heart of most multi-millionaires. Twenty thousand dollars a week for a whole season has been paid to a single singer.

America to the Front.
The day when France and Italy had a monopoly on the production of grand opera singers has passed. Each year the list of Americans who sing in grand opera is enlarging, and the singing teachers of Paris are all but living on the shreds of their former way through the American students. And those students have formed the habit of walking away with the prizes. In fact, the Grand Prix of the Paris conservatory was being awarded to America with too great regularity to suit the French. Result: Americans debarred from contesting for the Grand Prix. Now it is proposed to establish an American conservatory in Paris, and practically the last essential detail has been arranged for.

No accurate census of the Americans studying music in Paris has yet been made, but it is said that there are more than 2000 teachers who practically live off the fees derived from Yankee students. It is estimated that no woman ought to think of attempting to get along on less than \$2000 a year, or of completing her work under six years.

Canada Wakes Up to Music.

Canada has been awakening to the need of good music with a rapidly awakened witness in a new country. Montreal is preparing for a 10 weeks' season of grand opera next winter. Toronto exempts her music hall from taxation, and the Toronto orchestra finds ample patronage for its popular concerts at 25 cents admission. Throughout the Dominion musical interests are looking up, and the Canadian musicians see great encouragement for the future.

It is said that the people of English speaking North America now excel every other nationality in the high standard of amateur singing. The excuse "out of practice" is now heard much less frequently in their drawing rooms than in any other part of the world. The number of women who study under the best teachers with no intention of becoming professionals is annually increasing. Great revivals of old fashioned singing are reported from the country districts. In many cases whole counties joining in an all day meeting at some central point. Church music predominates in nearly all of these old fashioned singing bees.

No More Graphophone Piracy.
There will be much rejoicing by the composers of music after July 1. Hereafter the publishers of mechanical music could take all compositions without let or hindrance, and publish as many records therefrom as they pleased. All they had to do was to buy a single copy of the music. But congress has at last recognized the claim of the composer for payment when his music is mechanically reproduced, by authorizing a royalty of 2 cents for each disc, perforated sheet, or cylinder sold. Congress recognized music in another way last winter by appropriating \$42,000 for the further study of Italian music.

A Poisoned Pipe Organ.
The makers of organs in Great Britain are rejoicing over the fact that England won over America in securing the contract for the installation of the organ in the American Episcopal cathedral in Manila. Bishop Brent selected the English manufacturer because he had made the one in St. Margaret's church, Westminster, which the Churchman considers the sweetest toned instrument in the world. The organ will be remarkable in its construction. The leather and the wood will be soaked in poison so as to render it free from being attacked by ants, and many of the parts will be made detachable, so that they may be the more easily sent to London for repair. Much speculation is being indulged in as to whether or not the organ will be admitted free of duty. It is hardly probable that it will, since the United States congress has uniformly refused to admit even church bells free.

Pipe Organs in Homes.
There is a certain pipe organ manufacturer in New York whose office is filled with pictures of pipe organs he has installed in the homes of New York millionaires. John D. Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie, Charles M. Schwab and dozens of others have fine pipe organs in their homes, and employ the finest organists in New York City. In addition to this some of them will pay a

great singer as much as \$3000 for a single hour's entertainment. Schwab and Rockefeller have organs with key-bards in different parts of the house. Andrew Carnegie gives an average of 10 small organs a week to struggling churches throughout the country.

A Blind Writer of Hymns.
America's most famous living hymn writer, Fanny Crosby, recently celebrated her eighty-ninth birthday. She had written a special hymn for the occasion, which was sung by the assembled guests. She has been blind from infancy, yet has produced more hymns than any other hymn writer in American history. It is said that the records of the music publishers show a gradual improvement in the public taste for music. The songs about mother and the old home still find a greater sale than any other class. Next in favor are high grade love ditties. The coon song has lost its grip on the public and millions of copies promise to remain unsold forever.

DOUGLAS CRIMINAL DOCKET DIMINISHES

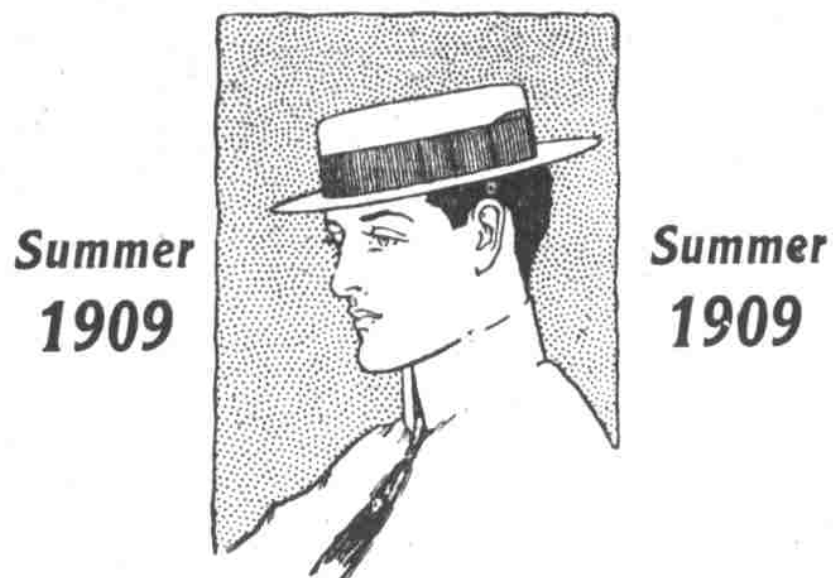
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Roseburg, Or., May 25.—The circuit court is rapidly disposing of the criminal docket. Six of the list have received sentences. J. R. Wilson and L. L. Merritt, five years each for burglary; Ed Tracy, three years for grand

larceny; James J. Johnson, one year for larceny; Frank Pink and H. Roberts, each 30 days in the county jail for simple larceny. James J. Johnson, who was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary, was just past 17, and the youngest person ever sentenced from Douglas county to the pen.

COUSIN OF CURZON GOES BROKE COURTING

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, May 25.—Arthur N. Curzon of Ontario, Canada, who claims to be a cousin of Lord Curzon, former viceroy of India, is the defendant in a suit to foreclose a mortgage of \$250 brought in the superior court in this city by E. C. Bonelli. Curzon recently married Mrs. Evelyn Pittman. Lavish expenditures during the courtship are said to be responsible for the present court action.

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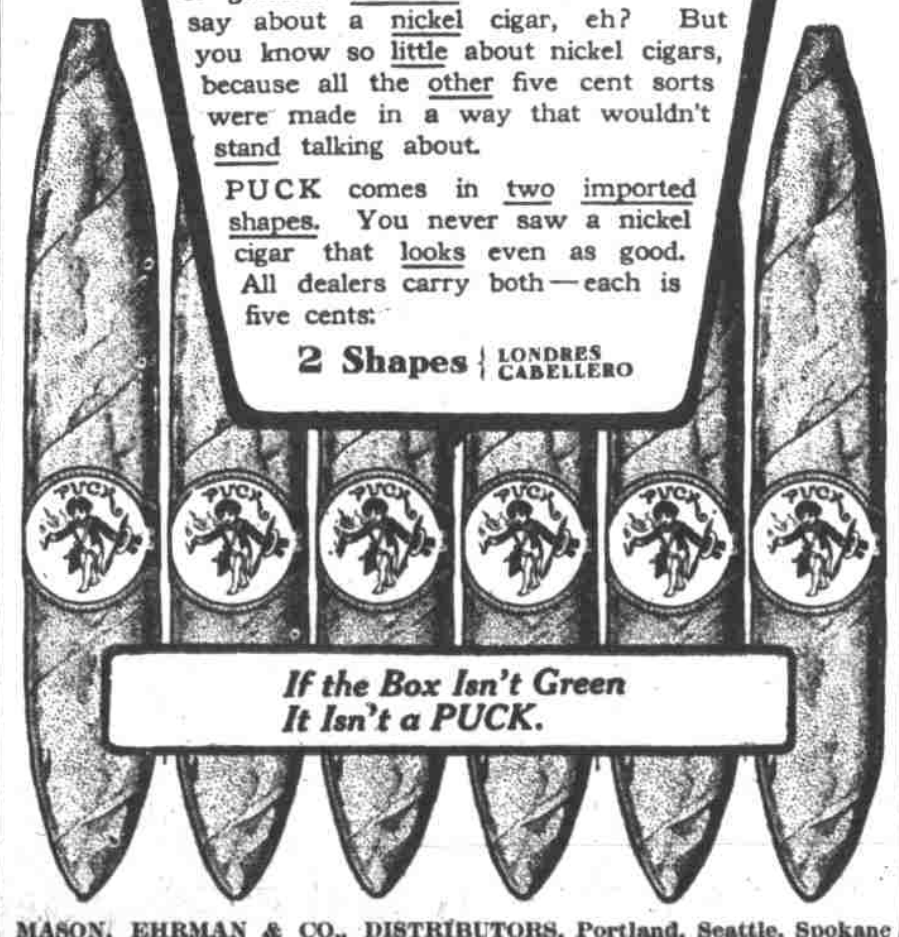
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- 27-inch 85c Japanese Silks, priced at.....65c
- 27-inch \$1.00 Japanese Silks, priced at.....75c
- 27-inch \$1.25 Japanese Silks, priced at.....95c
- 27-inch \$1.50 Japanese Silks, priced at.....\$1.00

Tussah Pongee Silks at 75c
A sale of 27 inch Tussah Pongee Silks, warranted all pure silk, has a high brilliant finish and is always in style; comes in colors, gray, black, natural, slate, taupe, rose, light blue, pink, wistaria, reseda, brown, etc.

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