

GERMANY LIKES PRES. WHEELER

Benjamin Ide Wheeler Attains Great Popularity in Berlin Educational Circles.

Berlin, Feb. 11.—President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of California, now filling the Roosevelt chair in the Berlin university has achieved popularity in Berlin by his ready acceptance of German customs. An instance is the "beer evening" to which the American educator invited those who have been attending his lectures on American universities and other educational questions.

The large attendance of guests proved the popularity he has obtained during the short time he has been at Berlin university. Professor and Mrs. Wheeler did the honors of the evening and everything passed off merrily. By Professor Wheeler's request, only German students' songs were sung.

The Californian has attended several similar entertainments and enjoys them thoroughly. He can say "prost" with quite the correct accent now. The Kaiser has been particularly friendly to the Wheelers, and has had several informal talks with the American professor, quizzing him about America and American life in a way which indicates that his majesty would be able to make a fine living as an interviewer should it ever become necessary.

New German University.
The list of German universities is to be increased by a first class university at Frankfurt-on-Main. The necessary endowments are in hand and it will take high rank. Today there are no fewer than 21 universities in Germany. The oldest is Heidelberg (1386 A. D.); the youngest Strassburg, which was created after the Franco-Prussian war. The others are Leipzig, Rostock, Greifswald, Freiburg, Tübingen, Marburg, Königsberg, Jena, Würzburg, Gießen, Kiel, Halle-Wittenberg, Göttingen, Münster, Erlangen, Berlin, Breslau, Bonn and München.

The greatest university of Germany is Berlin. It musters over 7000 students, and has a magnificent professorial roll, including men like Wilhelmowitsch-Moellendorf, in the classical department; Fischer, one of the greatest of living chemists; Nernst, in physics; Dantsch, in oriental philology; and the great Barnack lectures on church history. Here at least one year of the student's life should be spent. But it would be as well not to pass the first year here, or at least before the student is a fair master of the language, otherwise one is apt to get lost. Choosing then a small university like Heidelberg, which is the German university town in perfection, or the lovely town of Friburg, in the black forest, one would commence one's student's life under the most favorable circumstances. Munich, also, is quite a desirable university, and is second to Berlin in size.

ONLY DEER FARM OUT WEST.

Unique Experiment by Hunter Shows 100 Money Making Animals.
Des Moines (Iowa) Correspondent of the New York Sun.

Twenty miles southwest of Mason City, Iowa, is the only deer farm in the west. It is operated by John W. Griggs, a hunter and trapper of pioneer days, who has a herd of 100 deer, from which he yearly realizes a good profit. Griggs' farm has been a zoological resort for years. First he raised wolves, then wild geese, then antelope, then elk and now deer. He began 15 years ago

MUSIC GIVES SURCEASE TO SORROW

Myrtle Elvyn's Work Has Improved Since Her Last Visit to City.

By G. L. W.
Miss Myrtle Elvyn is here looking handsomer than ever in her mourning robes. While her vivacity seems to have been somewhat overshadowed by her recent loss her sweetness has grown proportionately.

There is a current opinion among musicians and critics that one cannot reach one's best work until one has suffered. Then surely Miss Elvyn's work must have grown in beauty because the death of her father three weeks ago is an ever present thought with her. Her father, she says, was everything to her, father, brother, sweetheart and guide, and she finds it impossible to keep from talking of him. She tells of being in Austin, Texas, with her mother, when the telegram announcing his serious illness arrived; how they drove madly for the station and caught the train because it was late; how a kind man on the train, learning of their distress, telegraphed to San Antonio to hold the train for two Chicago women in trouble; how they were met by a cabman who told them not to fear and whipping his horses took them at a mad pace through the streets to their train which was awaiting them; and how they arrived in Chicago a day too late.

Miss Elvyn did not abandon her tour and it is probably the only thing that saved her from a nervous breakdown. Her friends persuaded her that it was her father's wish since he had sacrificed all for her career, that she continue in that career of which he was so proud.

"At first," she says, "I thought I could never play again and my first concert after his death, given in Butte, was a terrible ordeal. I thought I should never get through. It was the first music I had heard since my father's death and I cried like a baby when the chorus began to sing. But now I find my music is my only consolation and I feel that I am talking with my father when I play. I love to play his favorites because he seems to be standing beside me then and guiding my hands. I feel that I can play better than I ever did before."

Miss Elvyn has just returned from concerts in Eugene and Salem where she had most enthusiastic audiences.

with a pair of Virginia deer, and has experimented with white tails, black tails and other hybrids, but the climate of Iowa has evolved a type of the northern deer as the breed hardly enough for all purposes.

Griggs pays as much attention to the breeding of the deer as the average farmer does to the breeding of his horses. This is necessary to prevent inbreeding, which means scrubs. The mating season is in November, the fawns are born in May or June and by fall the spots have all left the fawns and their normal coat of hair appears.

Deer in captivity bred as well as in the wild state. Young does usually give birth to a single fawn, but the older does usually have twins. Last year Griggs' 35 does brought him 55 fawns. These require no care.

The deer corral, which includes a large piece of woodland, is surrounded by an eight-foot woven wire fence, doubly strengthened as to posts. The natural food of deer is the green bits of the forest, but they can be taught to like corn, white alfalfa and clover as delicacies that appeal to their appetites.

Griggs markets yearly all the deer he



Miss Myrtle Elvyn.

Intellectual and appreciative. From here she goes through the northwest, then to Salt Lake and into California. In March she has been reengaged for Texas where she had to cancel her dates. She has already played the larger cities of the east and the middle west and in June plans to go abroad to concertize next season. She believes that the mission of an artist is to go to Europe at least every two years in order to keep one's hold on the people.

Miss Elvyn, who was heard here last year with the Chicago orchestra, will play a recital program tonight at the Bungalow.

Last week a judge of the United States court rendered a decision which will be far reaching. It is in connection with the long drawn out "Heir to the Hoarah" suit. By this decision Dorothy Dorr wins \$100,000. Miss Dorr's late husband, H. J. W. Dam, wrote a short story in "The Smart Set" in 1905. The story was copyrighted. Paul Armstrong saw it and dramatized it into "The Heir to the Hoarah." Then he sold the play to the Kirks La Shellie company for \$15,000. The play was sent on tour and has since rolled up profits of more than \$100,000. The circuit court has just decided that Armstrong had no right to infringe on the Smart Set copyright, and awards Dam's widow every cent of the profits made by the play from the very beginning.

Visits back and forth of business men of neighboring towns are doing good.

MORGAN AT HEAD OF GREAT BANK

King of Finance Announced as Guiding Hand of Pan-American Bank.

New York, Feb. 11.—The domination by J. Pierpont Morgan of the American financial situation has again been demonstrated in the announcement semi-officially made that he is to be the head and front of the great Pan-American bank, the mission of which is to strengthen the commercial position of the United States throughout the American hemisphere.

The great banking house of Spoyer & Co., which had marked this as one of its own plums, has been quietly superseded and while I understand they were offered a share in the project but were not satisfied with it and are now left out entirely.

This Pan-American bank scheme will have the active interest of the United States government back of it, as it is felt that with an American bank handling the finances of South America not only will American trade be greatly benefited but the chances of complications because of the Monroe doctrine will be greatly reduced.

Prepare for Spring Season.

New York merchants are after their share of trade and exceptional preparations have this year been made by New York's great distributors of merchandise for an active spring season. The Merchants' association of New York has arranged for an extension of the lower merchants' transportation rates both as to territory and time. The additional selling dates of special merchants' excursion tickets to New York in trunk line territory: February 19 to

TREES AND SHRUBBERY FOR ALAMEDA PARK

CONTRACT LET FOR TREES AND SHRUBBERY—OTHER IMPROVEMENTS GOING FORWARD—PRICES ADVANCE MARCH FIRST.

Contract has just been let to J. B. Pilkington, the well-known nurseryman, for ornamental shade trees and shrubbery to be placed throughout Alameda Park free of expense to lot-owners. A comprehensive plan has been drafted along the most artistic lines in which flowering hawthorn trees will be used with great effect.

To Elwood Wiles, the municipal street contractor, the contract has been let for cement walks and cement curbing and gutters throughout the tract. This work will go forward rapidly to make way for parking and hard-surface paving.

Work on the extension of the Broadway line on through Alameda Park will start in the very near future—it is believed within 15 days. Definite word on this point will be forthcoming in a few days. However, the present direct Broadway service to the Park makes this slightly residence addition but five minutes' ride from the heart of the best residence section of the East Side, where prices are double, and more than double, those asked at Alameda Park at this time. And yet Alameda Park is view property, with higher building restrictions and better improvements in course of construction. This is too good a snap to last. Prices will advance March 1. Alameda Land Company, owners of Alameda Park, 322 Corbett building.

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From the New York World.
In the eyes of the Russian government, Tolstoy's moral and religious teachings are vicious. He was ostentatiously excommunicated by the synod in 1901. His political writings are openly revolutionary. His social doctrines are hostile to the authorities. Against church, state, society, law and government he has for many years raised his voice in scorn and denunciation. Against the most cherished institutions of the world as they exist today he has been the fearless preacher of revolt. Many very respectable people outside Russia regard him as an anarchist and apostle of all that is evil. Yet no officer of the police or the courts in any circumstances is permitted to molest him in his home at Yasnaya Polyana. The most that the government ventures to risk doing, in its hope of suppressing free speech, is to prosecute the publisher of some of Tolstoy's pamphlets.
Never before in modern times has the individual commanded such universal respect. In many ways Tolstoy's social ideas are impracticable or visionary. He has exercised no substantial influence upon the laws or customs of his contemporaries. But he has preached the gospel of peace and good will and of labor and simple living, and in his intense faith, he lived a life of sincerity in a way that has stirred the hearts and imaginations of millions of people not in accord with him. If not to the man's character to the immeasurable force of the world's opinion the czar's government has been compelled to pay the reluctant tribute to respect by preserving Tolstoy against his own despotism.

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