

Sacred Christmas Concert Sunday Evening
Taxas Capacity of First Methodist Church

Doors are Closed By Ushers Shortly After 7:30 o'clock and All Standing Room Taken; Program Is Excellent

By AUDRED BUNCH

The seating capacity of the First Methodist church could not accommodate the immense crowd that thronged the doors Sunday evening for the sacred Christmas concert by the choir. The ushers were forced to close the doors shortly after 7:30 o'clock, leaving a large group in both the balcony and auditorium standing throughout the evening. Others who gave up getting even a glimpse of the singers through the doors were content to listen from the rear of the vestibule and the stairs where they gathered.

The appropriately lovely strains of Dudley Buck's "Noel," with Professor T. S. Roberts at the instrument, afforded the organ prelude which opened the concert. Foray's melodic number "Christmas Bells" brought out the resonant harmony of fifty singing voices tuned to the baton of Professor E. W. Hobson who, with eminent success, has for the past number of years directed the choir.

Miss Trista Wenger put an unforgettable quality into her singing of "There's a Song in the Air," and made it an unforgettable number. The "Jesu Bambino" (Pietro Yon), with its sweet, swaying refrain, the choir sang. Joe Nee, a singer greatly approved by his audiences, took the solo part.

"Songs of Praise the Angels Sing" was fitting for Miss Bross's and Miss Wenger's beautifully rendered duet. The plaintive strains of the "spina" was felt throughout in Det's number, "Listen to the Lamb." Miss Faye Sparks' soprano voice took the incidental solo. Dvorak music given by the "Hinda Lament," a violin number which Mr. Miller Chapman played with fluency of feeling. Mr. Miller as a second number, later in the evening, played Cair's "Oriental." The accompaniments for both numbers were pleasingly well played by Miss Jean Hobson.

Christmas carols, "Three Kings Have Journeyed" and "God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen." The familiar refrain, now swelling, now modulated, "Star of Wonder, Star of Light," was singularly effective as it followed the baton of the director.

There is something that makes one want to rise instinctively to his feet at the first chord of grandeur in the "Hallelujah Chorus," and as for a national air, the audience Sunday night rose, and remained standing. The melody and meaning of this tremendous chorus mounted until the air outside sang with the words.

A personnel of fifty voices makes up this choir which Professor Hobson directs and for which Professor Roberts plays. The names are: Soprano: Margaret Arnold, Irene Beckley, Flora Bieber, Josephine Bross, Lucia Card, Louise Findley, Gladys Gilbert, Lena Gilbert, Lillian Gustafson, Hulda Hagman, Alice Judd, Gladys Kearns, Alberta Koontz, Esther Lisle, Helen Lockwood, Gladys McIntyre, Gladys Morton, Elizabeth Silver, Adelaide Smith, Phoebe Smith, Fay Sparks, Fay Spaulding, Evelyn Travis, Josephine Zimmerman.

Alto: Elois Heineck, Ruth Heineck, Myrtle Hobson, Francis Hodge, Volga Jenks, Elsie Lippold, Edna Miller, Mary Spaulding, Mildred Tucker, Trista Wenger, Marian Wyatt. Tenor: H. McKee Bell, Stanley Emmel, Milton Gralapp, Donald Heath, Bruce Spaulding, Clarence Phillips, Arnold Taylor, Jack Vinson.

Bass: Richard D. Barton, Delmar E. Bond, H. M. Bross, H. Deal, Percy Hammond, Wm. Joe Nee, Treval Powers, John P. Russell, Loyd E. Thompson, Paul G. Trueblood.

Hug to Play Football

Nearly 50 of the old Oregon veterans are to play in the Christmas football game in Portland between Mike Moran's all-stars and a team composed of old U. of O. football men. The game is to be a benefit for Tiny Shields, injured veteran of the Oregon team.

George W. Hug, city superintendent of schools, has consented to play in the game.

Woman Attempts Suicide

An unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide was made by Mrs. Marie Hayes, of Nampa, Idaho, about 5:30 o'clock Sunday morning when she jumped into Mill creek. Clad only in her nightgown, the woman left her mother's house. Her screams awakened the neighbors, who rescued her and rushed her to the hospital. The only ill effects will be from the exposure, it was said. Mrs. Hayes is said not to be normal mentally and has been talking suicide for several months. Her mother is Mrs. Mary Van Every, of Route 7. Mr. Hayes and their son arrived last night.

Several Births Recorded

Birth certificates for five children were filed with the city health officer yesterday. They are for the birth of a baby son to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Senses of 920 Commercial. Richard Leo is the name chosen for the new arrival. Wayne Miller is the name given to a baby boy born to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Miller at the Salem hospital. Glen Everett Blanton is the name given to a son born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond C. Blanton at Brooks on December 9. Helen Bartoz was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Bartoz December 11, and Maynard Olsen is the baby son born to Mr. and Mrs. M. Olsen of 626 South Capitol, December 13.

Merchants Busy With Shovels

Snow was being shoveled from the sidewalks in front of various business firms yesterday following the snow which blanketed Salem. The streets were easily cleared and after the snow had stopped falling, the sidewalks were cleared in the majority of cases. There was, however, trouble with the drainage systems. The snow had stopped up the drain holes and the water stood in the gutter, oftentimes where pedestrians stepped in water above their shoetops.

PERSONALS

Bob Dearmond, of Independence, was in Salem yesterday on business.

Mrs. E. A. Billings was in Salem from West Salem yesterday. Deputy Sheriff Craven of Dallas was in Salem yesterday.

Lester Bilyeu of Out Bank, Montana, is visiting relatives and friends in Salem during the Christmas holiday. C. A. Kells, secretary of the Salem YMCA, was a Portland visitor yesterday.

"WEDDING BELLS" TO RING FRIDAY

High School Will Present Three-Act Comedy in School Auditorium

"Wedding Bells," a three-act comedy by Salisbury Fields, is to be presented by the associated student body of the Salem high school Friday night.

The cast, which has been selected from the student body of the high school, is rounding into shape and the players speak their parts like veterans. Under the coaching of Mrs. Brazier Small they have been practicing regularly during the past weeks. She has coached the high school plays during the past three years and every one has scored heavily, and much praise has come to her by the showing of the casts.

"Wedding Bells" is full of situations that keep one in laughter. Reggie Carter, the leading part, is played by Vernon Perry, and Mildred Gilbert, who plays opposite, takes the part of Rosalie. The play is centered around Reggy, who is about to be married, and Rosalie, a former spouse. The complications which result when Reggy is about to marry Mildred are interesting. In the end, however, Rosalie plans to use the second wedding journey ticket, which Reggie has in his possession.

Leroy Grote, forensic manager of the student body, is also manager of the play. He is assisted by Stuart Kibble, Garnet Hara is publicity adviser. Tickets are on sale at the high school.

Church Plans Concert

Centennial Congregational church choir, under the direction of Alvin Meade will offer a Christmas concert Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. Several special numbers by soloists will be added to the regular program of choral anthems. Miss Lucille Anderson will be at the piano.

Evans Bible Class Holds Best Meeting of Season

What may be considered as one of the best meetings of the year was held Sunday morning at the John J. Evans Bible class at the Bligh theatre. Special musical numbers by the Willamette university male quartet were offered, while the singing was led by Joe Nee, popular Willamette university student.

The Bible class is organized with the purpose of reaching every man in the community. It is designed to be a Bible study class that is non-denominational, to have no cliques of religion which cause the average men to be drawn away from the organization. In whole the committee in charge wants to secure a Bible study class to which every man is free to come.

For the future meetings special musical numbers have been arranged. Outside talent is to be brought into the city and local talent is also to contribute to the entertainments.

The meetings are scheduled for each Sunday at the Bligh theatre.

SNOWY MANTLE FALLS UPON WHOLE VALLEY (Continued from page 1)

tributed throughout the day. Street cars operated as usual, and even with a freeze anticipated, will continue to run, according to T. L. Billingsley, superintendent. Salt was sprinkled over all the switches and the snow has not yet reached a depth to threaten operation. Trains on both the Southern Pacific and Oregon Electric arrived on schedule, until a train wreck at Grants Pass interrupted through service on the Southern Pacific.

Snow, rain, sleet and walks were made all day and it was early afternoon before the city scraper got into action and men cleared the crossings. Some difficulty was experienced in shoveling the snow from the gutters and keeping the sewers open to take care of the rapidly melting

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show. A mixture of light snow and rain fell for a short time a little after 7 o'clock last night.

PORTLAND, Dec. 15.—With a slowly falling temperature, which was expected to hover about the 20 degree mark before morning, Portland experienced its first snow and cold weather of the winter today and tonight. The cold snap followed ten days of mild weather which brought spring blossoms into bloom.

Traffic on the main line of the Southern Pacific was delayed about nine hours today following a freight train derailment at Dimmick, a few miles north of Grants Pass, about 3 a. m. Eleven cars left the track and wrecking crews were dispatched to the scene from Ashland and Roseburg. The train, a southbound freight, was badly smashed up, it was reported. The cause of the wreck had not been determined. No one was injured.

SEATTLE, Dec. 15.—Snow covered western Washington during the last 20 hours today following a depth of five to 12 inches and in cities caused numerous automobile accidents, broke high power tension lines and delayed trolley, interurban and steam railway service, according to reports received here tonight. The United States weather bureau in Seattle recorded a snowfall of nine inches.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 15.—With no hope on forecasts of relief before Wednesday, this section of Montana will be plunged tonight in the coldest snap of the winter. At 8 p. m. the mercury said 24 below and was falling rapidly, old-timers predicting 30 or more below before daylight.

Gas on Stomach Made Her Nervous

For many years Mrs. Cook had gas on the stomach and was nervous and short of breath. Finally she took Alderika and it did her a world of good. Alderika helps any case of gas on the stomach unless due to deep-seated causes. Because it is such an excellent intestinal evacuant it is the very best remedy for constipation—it often works in one hour and never grips. J. C. Perry, druggist, 115 S. Commercial St.

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