

BELL ORCHESTRA'S CONCERT EXCELLENT

Swedish Ringers Prove Popular in Program at Congregational Church

By Rosella Funn... An excellent concert, both unique and educational, was given last night at the First Congregational church in Salem by the Swedish-American Bell Orchestra of Seattle, Washington before a capacity audience.

The program offered by the troupe of five masters of the ancient art of bell ringing, under the capable direction of O. E. Swanson, was of great diversity, ranging from simple, homely melodies to the most difficult opera selections.

The program opened with the "Kronobergs Regimentes March" (Latann) which was played with four-part harmony in perfect rhythm and with extraordinary tone shading.

The greatest enthusiasm was evidenced following the playing of "The Sunny South" (Hodenwald Lampe), a group of old southern plantation songs, familiar to everyone, but rendered in a manner that was a revelation to all in attendance.

"Hercules" from "Jocelyn" (Goussard), played with purity of tone, displayed some beautiful full organ harmony.

Two more selections on the glassophone, with bell accompaniment were "Romance" (Prince Gustaf) and "Har Ar Gudagott Att Vara" (Wennerberg).

The numbers from Peterson Berger: "Summer Song and 'Going to Church' were notable for the charming and delicate musical tone and harmony.

The program closed with that most popular of American marches, "The Stars and Stripes Forever" (John Philip Sousa), played in a thrilling manner by these five adept orchestral artists.

This novel program—a veritable symphony of bells—was received with decided approval and keen appreciation by the music loving public of Salem.

SUES GRID STAR FOR HEART BALM



Ethel Jean Masden, of Chicago, has sued Edgar English Murphy, captain of the Purdue University football team in 1922, for \$50,000 as balm for a broken heart.

Wildest of All Wild West Outdone in Chicago Holdup

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—(AP)—The wildest wild west holdup in the history of Chicago night clubs resulted in the death of one person and the wounding of eight others shortly before 3 a. m. today when half a dozen masked robbers invaded the Parody cafe in North State street and fought with pistols, shotguns and machine guns against a half dozen policemen who happened to be guests white-200 panic stricken merry makers threw themselves on the floor to save their lives.

"When they say hello, they mean hello—" sang two girl entertainers above the moaning of saxophones and laughter of guests in the packed and dimly lighted cafe as the leader of the robbers appeared suddenly closely followed by four others.

"Hands up," the leader shouted, brandishing his weapon. Police Sergeant Charles Cohen snatched his wife under a table, drew his pistol, fired and missed. The gang leader turned and fired but missed the policeman as one of the girl entertainers slumped to the floor.

Then there was a fusillade of shots as other policemen joined the fight. In the melee the lights went out. When the shooting ended and the lights came on, a waiter lay dead in a corner, killed as he raced for the street to summon help. In the middle of the dance floor was huddled the crumpled form of the girl entertainer; nearby at another table another wounded woman screamed.

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BLIZZARD HITS MONTANA
Storm Felt As Far West As Pendleton, Where Snow Falls

PENDELTON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—The first snow of the season fell here tonight. It melted as fast as it fell.

SHELBY, Mont., Dec. 5.—(AP)—Twenty-five men, members of the Hope Engineering crew that is constructing a pipeline from Great Falls to Shelby, were lost in a blizzard, seven miles from here late tonight.

Several unsuccessful efforts have been made to rescue the men but none of the rescue parties have been able to get more than two miles beyond Shelby.

At 10 o'clock tonight another crew equipped with two trucks, shovels, blankets and food, had started in the direction of the camp.

The snow was falling so fast that it was impossible to see more than a few feet and the thermometer had dropped below zero.

Investigations has shown that the average man's ability to learn is best at the age of twenty, and thereafter declines very slowly, according to an answered question in a library.

2 NEGROES KILLED HUSBAND IS STORY

Mrs. Margaret Lillendahl On Stand Relates Account of Slaying

MAYS LANDING, N. J., Dec. 5.—(AP)—Garbed in her widow's weeds, Mrs. Margaret Lillendahl told between sobs on the witness stand today her story of the manner in which two negroes killed the aged husband with whose murder she is charged.

Willis Beach, the elderly chicken farmer who is jointly charged with the widow and whose infatuation for her is put forward by the state as the motive of the crime, listened to the testimony which characterized him as innocent with a twisted smile on her pallid lips.

From almost the beginning of today's session Mrs. Lillendahl occupied the stand in her own defense and when court adjourned for the day she had not yet completed her ordeal.

The cross examination of Mrs. Lillendahl followed the direct. Once she tied a handkerchief about her face like a robber's mask to show how the negroes had looked when they first "boarded" the Lillendahl automobile like marauding pirates.

Again she held up against her the blue print dress she had worn on the day of the killing and demonstrated how one of the negroes, she said, grabbed the garment at her neck and pulled it almost from her body.

"We were driving along the Alton road very slowly," she said in a choking voice, "when suddenly two masked negroes boarded the car, one jumping to each running board. 'Drive in that lane,' the one on my side said, 'and don't yell.' I don't know whether I steered the car up that lane or whether it was guided for me.

"But I remember stopping in the lane. The door on my side was opened and one of the negroes grabbed me by the V-neck of my dress. As he hauled me out of the car I heard a shot and then I fainted."

Mrs. Lillendahl was overcome with emotion the moment she was called to the stand and she wept at intervals all day. She was calmer, however, under cross examination than under the questioning of her own lawyers.

POULTRY, STOCK SHOWN

1400 Furred and Feathered Aristocrats Gathered

PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Several hundred more humans paid dutiful homage here today to 1,400 furred and feathered aristocrats holding court this week at the 18th annual exhibition of the Oregon Poultry and Pet Stock association.

Included among the 1,000 chickens were many outstanding birds, some of them valued at \$75. Rabbits in the show are valued as high as \$50. Relative merits of the creatures will be decided by Wednesday night or Thursday when the judges complete their work.

FARM CONDITIONS POOR

Speaker Tells Bureau Federation of Status in Speech

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BANK HEAD SENTENCED

Seven Year Prison Term and \$2500 Fine Given; New Trial Sought

PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Convicted of misapplication of funds of the Bank of Kenton, now defunct, J. V. Burke, president of the institution, was sentenced to seven years in state prison today, and fined \$2,500. Commitment under the sentence, however, was stayed pending arguments on a motion for defense for a new trial, based on alleged irregularities in the trial.

DISCORD GREAT WHEN 70TH SESSION OPENS

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was deferred until later in the week by an agreement between the republican and democratic leaders, but a chaplain was elected. The Rev. Z. B. Phillips, rector of Episcopal church here, was selected to succeed the late Rev. J. J. Muir.

"WHO'S COFFEE CHAMPION? I AM!"



In spite of claims from Akron, O., Ferguson Falls, Minn., and Corpus Christi, Tex., Joseph Peeler, Newark, N. J., school janitor, claims the coffee drinking championship. He says unless he drinks six cups of coffee daily he can't sleep.

Vare met with disappointment. Instead of a spectacle they saw only a very tame proceeding, which lasted exactly thirty five minutes.

On the other hand those who comfortably filled the house galleries, but without any idea of anything unusual awaiting them, ran into a partisan battle in which the seat of Beck, former solicitor-general of the United States, became involved.

Beck Takes Oath
Beck was given the oath after the motion to prevent him from doing so had been rejected by a vote of 243 to 157. Subsequently, without a roll call, the house referred to an elections committee the question of whether he was a legal resident of Pennsylvania at the time he was elected to the house in a special election last month.

After a first session lasting only a little more than two and one half hours, the house adjourned with the appointment of the republican and democratic leaders, Tilson of Connecticut and Garrett of Tennessee, as a committee to act with a similar one from the senate, Curtis of Kansas, majority leader, and Robinson of Arkansas the minority leader, in notifying President Coolidge the new congress was ready to receive his message.

Dawes Opens Senate
In the senate chamber there was an air of expectancy as Vice President Dawes opened the session with a vigorous bang of the historic ivory gavel. Dr. Phillips offered the invocation, senators joining with him in repeating the Lord's prayer, and then there was the usual call of the roll of senators who held places in the last congress. This call developed there were only three absentees—Du Pont of Delaware, Jones of New Mexico and Walsh of Montana, all of whom are detained by illness.

Then came the roll call of the senators-elect. The senators-elect were called up in groups of four, and five such groups had taken the oath before Smith's name was reached.

Smith Fight Started
Smith, with his colleague, Senator Deneen of Illinois, started toward the dias but was stopped by a resolution by Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, which would declare him ineligible alike for the oath of office and his seat.

Vare was halted before he even made a start, as there was no move on his part to leave his seat. Both senators-elect were directed to stand aside and later the senate agreed to take up their cases tomorrow. Only routine work followed and there were audible sighs of disappointment when the senate adjourned 35 minutes after convening on motion of the republican leader.

5000 Bills on Hand
The bill room was deluged with upwards of 5,000 bills that during recent weeks have been sent to the clerk of the house for introduction on the first day of the session. These were supplemented by several hundred other measures which members placed into the hopper at the right of the speaker's chair.

The bills touched on all legislative problems, several proposing a referendum on the eighteenth amendment while others presented plans for farm relief, flood control, veterans legislation, public buildings and the like.

The new \$236,000,000 tax reduction bill and the nearly \$200,000,000 deficiency appropriation bill will not be introduced until tomorrow.

STATE SALARY ATTACK FARCE SAYS T. B. KAY

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penation of the state treasurer was placed at \$800. The state treasurer and secretary of state now receive \$4500 a year, while the governor receives \$7500.

Cites Similar Case
In commenting on the proposed litigation State Treasurer Kay pointed out that the constitution also provided for three members of the state supreme court who were

to receive salaries of \$2000 a year. The legislature later created two additional judgeships, and subsequently two more justices were added to the court. The court is now composed of seven judges, with salaries of \$7500 a year.

Mr. Kay said that while it was true that the legislature had increased the salaries of the governor, secretary of state and treasurer without amending the constitution, the action was taken to remedy a vicious practice which prevailed in this state many years ago.

Used to Keep Fees
It was pointed out by Mr. Kay that the constitutional salaries paid to the secretary of state and state treasurer in the early days was only a small part of the money they received. The secretary of state, in addition to receiving a salary of \$1500 a year, was allowed to retain certain fees which boosted his income to more than \$25,000 a year.

There was little, or no restraint placed upon the state treasurer and he was allowed to loan the public funds and pocket any amount of interest he received. The state treasurer's salary was estimated by Mr. Kay as \$20,000 a year.

Mr. Kay also referred to the office of state printer, which he said was one of the most sought after public jobs in the state. Through the fattening of legal forms and liberal allowances of the state and government, this of-

ficial received as much as \$30,000 in a single year.

Because of these abuses Mr. Kay said he prepared and introduced in the legislature many years ago a bill known as the salary law. He declared that certain state officials fought the bill bitterly, but that it finally was adopted. The bill eliminated the fee system, and prevented the state treasurer from receiving any part of the interest accruing from public funds. Under this law all fees and interest was credited to the general fund for current expenses.

Mr. Kay said that the enactment of this law saved the taxpayer's of the state hundreds of thousands of dollars.

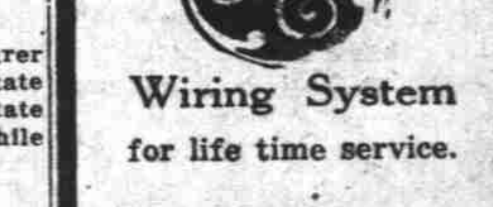
The state treasurer said the supreme court at one time held that the legislature had authority to increase the number of justices of the state supreme court, and fix salaries commensurate with their duties. It was Mr. Kay's opinion that a similar ruling would be made by the supreme court in event the suits now proposed by Mr. Watkins are appealed to that court for final consideration.

Neither Governor Patterson nor Secretary of State Koser would comment on Mr. Watkins' announcement.



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