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SHERWOOD THE GREAT.

Musical Event of the Season in Realms of Pianism.

Gottschalk, Mason and Sherwood are names familiar to all who have interested themselves in music and especially in the study of the piano. Gottschalk came first to this trio of American pianists and was perhaps the greatest of the three. Gottschalk was received with acclaim everywhere the world over, and truly did he deserve it. He was a great performer. As a composer for the piano he took high rank. There was much poetry about his compositions and in most instances a vein of melancholy, of sadness—a plaintiveness so unutterable that one seemed to breathe it. But poor Gottschalk came to an end in South America while on tour and before his time. His death was a loss to the musical world.

To Dr. William Mason fell the mantle of Gottschalk and nobly did he wear it for long years crowded full of industry in art. He gave to piano literature more than any other native-born pianist in the way of instructive works. He was a pupil of Liszt, the wizard of the piano. This brings us to Sherwood, the last of the trio of gifted pianists to whom all who delight in the production of the home land can point with pride.

Sherwood played in this city Thursday evening, March 21st, in the Armory, under the auspices of the OAC School of Music. This department at the college certainly had courage to undertake to play such a man, and Prof. Taillander, the director, is to be congratulated. So are all who assisted him. For a place the size of Corvallis, also considering the weather, there was a splendid audience. The attention given the performer could scarcely have been better and the applause which greeted, while quite generous, would have been warmer had the building been more heated.

Before certain of his numbers Mr. Sherwood gave a short descriptive talk of an analytical nature. This was interesting and of especial value to the student. The program commenced with the "Appassionata" sonata by Beethoven. There is no greater sonata for the instrument and it was superbly rendered. This was followed by compositions of lesser seriousness, but of unusual interest from every standpoint. Every mood, every emotion was touched—there was the gay and the sad, the sublime and the serious—the intellectual—the ridiculous and grotesque—the clownish. All magnificent.

In interpretation Mr. Sherwood seems to lack nothing, he is a master. In technic he is finished, brilliant—the virtuoso. His scale runs, his passage work, his octavo playing, his trill are all as nearly perfect as it seems possible for the mind to conceive. He is the product of American soil and a credit to his native land—let all do him honor.

Aside from a very liberal recital program, the same as he had previously played in Portland, he gave two very interesting encore numbers. One was "A Norwegian Bridal Party Passing By," by Grieg. It was a beautiful little conception in joyful mood and a little in the style of a patrol. The second encore was "The Tremolo," by Gottschalk. Here was a bit of something far above the ordinary. Half hidden was a theme of un-

usual beauty. A greater exhibition of style in tremolo playing on the piano we have never seen. Mr. Sherwood went back to Portland, Friday, where he was billed to play a return date that evening. In all probability it will be a long time before Corvallis is again favored by a pianist of the magnitude of Sherwood.

Another Strange Case.

A case similar to that of Walter Miller, the 14 year old Corvallis boy who experienced such an extraordinary growth and who died some time ago in Portland after puzzling the medical fraternity for over a year, is related in Saturday's Oregonian as follows.

Roy Fifield, 5 years old, and one of the most remarkable human monstrosities on record, was taken before the County Court, yesterday, and adjudged insane, after a close medical examination. To the layman the case is infinitely pathetic and to the medical man it is one of unusual interest.

At the age when the normal child is leaving short dresses Roy has grown to the physical proportions of a lad of 18, while his mind has failed utterly in its growth. With a head that requires a hat too large for the average man, the child has nothing but confusion and idiocy in the interior and is devoid of intelligence. Notwithstanding the absence of mentality he has shown a tendency to forms of degeneracy. Dr. Joseph, who conducted the mental examination, pronounced the case one of the most remarkable that has ever been brought to his attention. The hapless freak was taken in custody by the authorities, at the instance of his father. Following the examination the boy was sent to the State Insane Asylum.

Death of B. F. Hyland.

The funeral of Benjamin F. Hyland was held at the residence at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. S. M. Woods. Mr. Hyland died Thursday evening. He has been in poor health for a long time but his last illness was of brief duration. The ailment was heart failure. Interment was in I. O. O. F. cemetery where brief services at the grave were conducted by Rev. Woods.

Benjamin Hyland was about 78 years of age and first came to Corvallis in 1852, crossing the plains in pioneer fashion. He later returned to Vermont but came back to Corvallis in 1874 where he accumulated considerable property and continued to reside until his death.

His son, Eugene Hyland, arrived from Tacoma Friday noon. Other relatives present at the funeral were Mrs. Mary Dinges, a sister of Corvallis, who had cared for Mr. Hyland the past few years of his life; Burham Hyland, a brother, from Eugene; Mr. and Elmer Dinges of Shedd's and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dinges of Monroe.

Mr. Hyland had been twice married. The first wife and three daughters reside somewhere in the East and they must be located before a division of the property can be made. The second Mrs. Hyland died in this city five or six years ago.

The old soldiers' and sailors' monument association held a called meeting, Saturday evening, and elected the following officers: S. L. Kline, president; S. H. Horton, vice president; M. L. Hubler, secretary.

The G. A. R.'s are planning to give a big entertainment and supper next Saturday evening, from 5 to 10 o'clock, at G. A. R. hall. The public is invited and a good time is assured.

Fred Paul and family were moving yesterday in a house near the college.

GONE TO CHICAGO.

To Witness Test of Agricultural "Auto."—W. P. Lafferty.

W. P. Lafferty, one of Corvallis' best known and most energetic citizens, departed Saturday for Chicago. He has been elected by the stockholders of the T. J. Thorp manufacturing company to visit Chicago and witness the test of the Agricultural Automobile, which is now finished and ready for the test on street and field with a view to locating a plant to manufacture the entire group of self-propelled machines, invented by General Thorp. This group includes a farm locomotive, commercial truck, harvester, mower and rake combined, harrow and cultivator combined, road wagon, tourist car, traction wheels, steel spoke machine and wagon tongue machine.

Few people who have heard of these inventions realize the importance of this great enterprise which, should it prove successful, will revolutionize the farming industry of the country, as well as the transportation.

The machine now finished must plow, harrow and seed 20 acres of land in ordinary condition in 10 hours, and all this under the operation of one man. The locomotive may be backed into the angle of the field and made to plow every square yard of ground, no matter what shape the field may have. The locomotive can be turned at any angle by the engine. It will do good work on side hills and up steep grades by reason of its four massive drive wheels where horse gangs will fail.

The agricultural implements can be detached in thirty minutes, when the machine can be used as a commercial truck hauling heavy loads with good speed, and it can be turned on the ground it stands on.

Each machine in the group is a new and distinct invention of General Thorp, who has spent 15 years of deep study to bring them to perfection. He has proved himself a man of genius and indomitable will power, knowing no such words as fail. Some of the best experts in the United States who have watched his inventions and their development for the past two years have made reports and say there is no question of the success of the entire group.

The Thorp Manufacturing Co. was organized about two years ago and is composed of live, enterprising business men, who have stood by General Thorp loyally, spending their money without faltering, and it is a cause for rejoicing that the day of prosperity for them seems near at hand.

W. P. Lafferty has been untiring in his efforts in assisting in the enterprise, and his selection as the man to go to Chicago to witness the final test shows that the company appreciates his work.

Christmas Goods Arriving.

Christmas goods which should have been sold during the holidays four months ago, have not yet arrived in Portland. They were ordered more than a year ago.

Unless something unforeseen occurs, local merchants have hopes of receiving the merchandise in time for the holiday trade of 1907. Some few shipments have been straggling into the freight yards during the past week, but these are only a trifling part of the amount bought and paid for.

Despite the inconvenience and the loss of time, money and temper, the business houses which have suffered through having their Christmas freight held up can take no action against the railroads and there is no way for them to be reimbursed. All the merchants can do is to smile and

look pleasant. They are doing so although it requires an effort.

Goods for the Christmas trade are manufactured almost exclusively in Europe. This applies to toys and all manner of holiday material, including fancy cloths. Of all the imported holiday goods, fully 75 per cent comes into the United States through New Orleans, with Baltimore and Newport News also well represented.

Holiday goods are ordered in January and February, and when they pass the customhouse at New Orleans it used to be that the Portland merchants could depend on their arrival here in 25 days.—Telegram.

THE KING OF TRAMPS.

To Be Given at the Opera House Tonight.

"The King of Tramps" which will be seen at the opera house tonight, contains nothing whatever that can offend the most exacting critic. Every line, situation, musical number, song and dance is given with a view to attracting people who uphold all that is refined in legitimate comedy. The play is fairly alive with snappy action, amusing twists and tangles, worth three hours of any amusement seeker's time. It is especially recommended for children from six to sixteen.

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Mr. Callahan's Side of It.

In our last issue we published what may be termed a sidewalk episode under the caption, "Callahan's Sidewalk." Mr. Callahan assures us that some of the points of the article were incorrectly stated. In the first place, on being stopped from putting down a board walk within the limits of the "concrete walk ordinance" he says he consulted members of the council and saw two of the three who compose the street committee.

These gentlemen are said to have given their consent for him to put in the new board sidewalk temporarily, as the old board walk was in a condition of disrepair. That it was understood that so soon as the weather settled sufficiently the walk recently laid was to be swung around along the west side of his lots, where at present there is no walk, and he would then put in a concrete walk on the north side.

Mr. Callahan further states that the board walk was laid between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock in the morning and that there was nothing in the dark about the process or progress of the work. He says he has always kept what property he has possessed in good repair, which is true, and has always endeavored in the past to prove himself a law-respecting citizen—also true.

Having no desire to cast any reflections upon Mr. Callahan, nor to side with either party in the controversy, the Gazette will continue in the future as in the past to publish what it considers from an unprejudiced standpoint to be legitimate news, and shall endeavor to give its readers as correct a version of the outcome of this matter as it is able to obtain.

The latter part of April there is to be a meeting in Corvallis of the East Willamette Association of the Congregational churches of Oregon. This association includes the towns of Corvallis, Albany, Eugene, Salem, Ashland, and Oregon City, and many delegates are expected to be in attendance at the meetings, which will probably be held on the 25th and 26th. Among former Corvallis ministers who have signified their intention of being present are Rev. P. S. Knight of Salem and Rev. Edward F. Green of Ashland. Rev. Clapp of Forest Grove will also attend.

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Dated March 22nd, 1907. J. W. HANDY, Administrator of the estate of Albert Deany, deceased.

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