

Metropolitan Basso Concludes Artist Course

It will be difficult for those who heard William Gustafson here Friday, March 2, to determine whether it was his engaging personality, his vocal ease, his ability to dramatize, or the balance of his tuneful program, arranged to bring selections into sharp contrast with each other, which made that evening one to be remembered with pleasure.

An audience slenderer than any this year was present to see Gustafson swing onto the stage, a Viking in evening dress, huge of shoulder and chest with the waist of a swimmer, and long, strong legs that strode easily in six steps from the corner of the stage up to the footlights. "Power to burn," as the slogan has it; that registered before he had taken his sixth stride; and the twinkle that wrinkled his eye- corners, the mellowing of the muscles as the grimness of his mouth began to disappear, completed the conquest of at least the gallery. One could see the audience settling back, already expectant.

Mr. Gustafson is primarily an operatic singer. He acts as naturally as he sings. His program evidently was selected to show something of his dramatic range. He leered as Mephistopheles, glowered as Vulcan, was quietly majestic as Jupiter, sneered cheerfully in "Captain Stratton's Fancy," panted as the escaping traitor in "Verrath," bubbled over as the student about to set out on his "Fussreise."

His program was the opposite of heavy. It was built to contrast slow melody with quick, cheerfulness with grimness; but every selection had its appeal to the ear that enjoys without training to appreciate. It was tuneful, colorful, made to listen to.

A slight huskiness, apparently caused by a trace of a cold, was noticeable; but it did not seriously mar the richness of his tone nor interfere with the admirably effortless escape of his voice.

One gracious informality of his proved immediately popular: before the three operatic arias, Vulcan's Song and the Slumber Romance, from Philemon and Baucis, and Mephistopheles Serenade, from Faust, he briefly explained the action supposed to be taking place on the opera stage. The applause at the end of this section of his program was terrific, something of an indi-

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Music Department Faculty Will Present Program

A faculty recital is being planned by the members of the music department, to be given in the school auditorium, March 8, at 8:15 P. M. Miss Fern Ammon, Miss Ivah Whitwell, and Mr. Carroll R. All will present the following program:

Sonata, E minor Op. 7....Grieg
Allegro moderato
Miss Ammon
Come to the Fair Martin
Miss Whitwell

a. Prelude Mendelssohn
b. L'Alouette (The Lark) Balakirew
Miss Ammon

a. The Cloths of Heaven... Durhill
b. Open Thy Lattice Gregh

c. The Three Cavaliers .. Schirdler
Miss Whitwell

a. Waltz—G flat Chopin
b. Nocturne—F sharp major.Chopin
c. Soaring Schumann
Mr. All

Sheep and Lambs Homer
Miss Whitwell

a. Capriccio—F sharp minor,Brahms
b. Allimaranade and Gavotte.d'Albert
Mr. All

a. The Old Refrain .. arr. Kreisler
b. Take Joy Home Bossett
Miss Whitwell

a. Caprice Viennois Kreisler
b. Scherzando Beecher
Miss Ammon

I.K.U. Annual Convention Will be Held At Grand Rapids

The International Kindergarten Union will hold its thirty-fifth annual convention at Grand Rapids, Michigan, from April 16 to 19th.

Invitations have been sent to the World Federation of Education Associations, National Education Association, National Congress of Parents and Teachers, General Federation of Women's Clubs, and to the National Council of Primary Education, urging them to send representatives.

All the nations of the world; it is expected, will send representatives to this convention.

The four-day plan will be carried out as previously with preliminary committee meetings preceding convention week.

The program will include aspects of the nursery school and parental education. Grand Rapids offers excellent opportunity for observation of the former unit. Helpful, worth-

while observations are being carefully planned by Elizabeth Webster, assistant supervisor in kindergarten-primary grades.

Such topics as: Beginnings of Education; Teacher Guidance; Supervision and Training in Nursery-Kindergarten-Primary Education; Kindergarten and Primary Education; Classroom Learnings in Nursery will be discussed.

The speakers will include leaders in education, such well-known persons as Patty Smith Hill, Leslie A. Butler, Clarence Cook Little, A. H. Hughey, Caroline T. Hedger, and many others. They will appeal to the interests of teachers in many fields, to parents, and to students.

Representatives to this convention for our school have not as yet been chosen, but will be in the near future.

Marked Originality in Praeco Plans Says 1928 Staff

There will be so many new features in the general layout of the forth-coming Praeco that it will appear to be an entirely different book according to the staff members after the last staff meeting. New and more campus views, a senior page arrangement never before attempted, the use of color-prints, an alignment by classes on a full college basis: these are among the many changes.

Jerry Jones has submitted and had accepted a full page design for the background to be used on every page of the senior section, over which will be printed on the left hand pages fourteen senior photographs, the write-ups appearing printed over the same design on the opposite right hand pages. The effect will be greatly different from any previous Praeco arrangement, the idea being an adaptation of one used in a big Middle-West university. In her design she has included suggestions of the main entrance, the light-standards flanking the main walk, the sweeping curve of the roadway, and the play of clouds over the arc of the sky seen from the main approach.

The senior pictures and the names and writeups of the other classes will not be arranged simply in alphabetical lists, as formerly. Instead the classes will be arranged in accordance with their curriculum grouping. With one or two exceptions the senior photographs are all in, and proofs of the new plates are expected from the engravers within the week.

Faculty photos have all been taken. Their section will include a new feature of real souvenir value, which Sherman Francisco refuses to do more than hint at. He wishes it to come as a surprise to book purchasers, and as a regret to the few who may miss their opportunity.

Books will not be ordered, says Business Manager Artley, except for those who have placed their order early and have included a deposit of at least one dollar with the order. No extra copies will be ordered; last minute wishers will have to be weepers.

The advertising staff began work this week on the "Second Semester Directory. No advertisements will appear in Praeco, as last year; that feature was too good to change. The ads will be used instead in this di-

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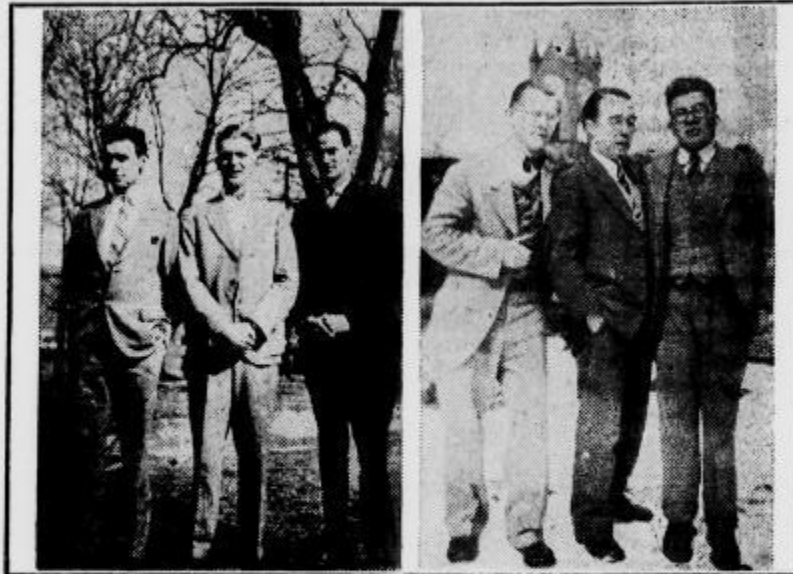
Ladies and gents I'm gonna relate how near I was to becoming great. Well, it seemed to me that now-a-days people have thought up lots of ways of gaining renown just over night and have caused the world to shake with fright, while they ate five dozen eggs a day or flew non-stop to Bengal Bay. Now folks, I was thinking up a ruse to get in on all this front-page news so I goes and buys them funny things I guess that you call them water-wings. And I sets out for the British Isles to try my luck with those thirty-miles.

My friends said I was taking a chance to swim from England to sunny France. But I said, "How can you say such things; don't you see I've got water-wings?" In England I trained for several days and I really learned to swim a ways. I didn't have very far to go since I could swim ten yards or so. The fatal morning dawned clear and fair and all the dukes and the lords were there. And when I gazed on that great big crowd, I certainly did feel awfully proud. My friends had chartered a little ship to bear me company on my trip, and a band was always to be near to keep me happy and full of cheer. I donned my wings and I started out and the crowd all gave one mighty shout. Then the band struck up that famous tune: "You're going to be a dead man soon." So I swam and swum and swam and swum, and folks, for me that was swumming some. With my trusty wings I swam all day and boys! how that old jazz band did play. I was nearly put into a sleep with "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep." And when they rang of old "Davy Jones" I contracted pain in all my bones, and I thought for sure that I would fall, but I caught sight of a fishes' tail and I struck ahead so brave and bold and managed at last to grab ahold. As we swam along, that fish and me, I thought of Lindbergh, his plane and "We", and I dreamed of how the "Daily Screech" would write up about my famous speech, and how the Director Saumel Wood would ask me to come to Hollywood to play the part that guy Ben Hur at a hundred fifty thousand per. And when at last we sighted land, I certainly did feel big and grand. But as we drew in a little near, the landscape struck me as rather queer. I took one look and fell down flat. I was back just where I started at! And now John Bull's landed me in jail for pulling the little fishes' tail.

If you want to play around during study hour, you have only two things to do. First you must prepare your lessons one day ahead; and second, you must be quiet so that you don't attract the attention of "the monster." Try this plan and see how much you will enjoy your work.

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At the left, in order, are the three tallest men on the campus: Earl Smith, of Sinnemahoning, dramatic star, Y worker, general assistant, and always ready; Paul Durner, of Boalsburg and the Pennsylvania State Highway police, to whom life is a serious proposition; and Brown Boesert, long enough to curl himself around a bull fiddle, but content to stroke sweet harmony from his educated violin. Our photographer had to keep backing away and backing away, trying to get them all in one picture; not one of them will ever see six feet again.

The longest and the shortest men who walk our halls; hence interesting, extremely.

By way of contrast, on the right are the three first choices for our pony ballet, no part of them very far away from two feet or from anything else likely to be stirring on campus. Reading in order—they seem to be, for the moment, in order—they are Christian Felt, trained in Kane to manage anything in need of a manager; Henry Myers, one of Mill Hall's first and most successful upsettlers; and Norman Morgain, Flemington's nearest neighbor, who looks simply stunning among all his Derbies.

Pennsylvania Day Celebrated at C.S.T.C.

Since there was too much to be said about Pennsylvania to be covered in one Chapel period, the authorities of the school decided to extend it over three days. It was announced on Wednesday, the first day set apart, that we had speakers eminent enough, to address us. Sterl Artley, Lenore Sharp and Sara Felix being chosen as speakers. Miss Felix was unable to address because of illness. Mr. Sullivan proved a worthy substitute, when he appeared on Friday morning with an explanation of a story of our state from a movie reel.

Mr. Artley spoke on "The Life and Ideals of the Founder of Pennsylvania." He started with the early life of the founder, so that we could appreciate more fully the ideas Penn had in view when he decided to accept the land grant in America.

Penn had his own ideas about founding a colony, and the laws which should govern such a settlement. He was very steadfast in his opinions. His father, in his early

life had tried to shatter his learnings toward the Quaker religion, but he was unable to do so, even though he tried by educating his son in a school very worldly, and by traveling.

Penn received little sympathy from his father, the admiral, because he could not comprehend the stand which his son had taken, this made him realize the fact. But to Penn's persistent and eager efforts to aid the Quakers, of whom he was leader we find him beginning a settlement which had grown into the glorious state of Pennsylvania.

Miss Sharpe, the other student speaker, helped us to carry our appreciation of Penn further in her speech the following morning, when she spoke of "The Holy Experiment." This was the name given to Penn's planet government, which he had received from the King of England in payment of a debt owed to his father.

One of the outstanding points of the colony he founded was that it

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Teddy told me yesterday that he had been spending his money like a fool. I said, "Well, Ted, I never had that guilty feeling anymore when I'm buying a hat. The styles are adorable, but the prices low at



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Editorials

"The type of person who 'would cheat in playing solitaire' is of course not fitted either to teach or examine pupils."

When we stop to consider the real truth in such a statement, we wonder what some people are doing in a teachers' college. We may not wonder why they *came* in the first place, but we do wonder why they are *still here*. At least by the second year they have heard enough of the value of a teacher's own ideals, her own stability of character, her need of a true sense of fair-play, to know that one who cannot be true even to himself can never be true to others. They surely have heard that children are the best of character-readers. They need no "crystal ball" to determine whether this particular teacher knows her own mind, is fair, is considerate, or is just "wishy-washy" and bored to tears by what she is doing.

If you are the type "who would cheat in solitaire," why continue to be? Desist from doing it just once and it will be twice as easy to play fair the next time. Make a decision you know is right, although it may not be pleasing, and the next time it will be easier to hold your own. Be selfish enough to do what you know is right, rather than please your friend by doing what is wrong. Your friend will admire you more if that friend is "a friend." If you try this unflinchingly for—say a dozen times—, you'll never again be "the type of a person who 'would cheat in playing solitaire' ." Try it.

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cation of the willingness the student body to listen, whenever they have some little idea of what to listen for.

This group or arias, oddly, was placed third on his program. His first group were evidently intended to appeal quickly, his last group also, while the group which made the greatest demand on his auditors was sandwiched between. We have been accustomed to getting that group first. The psychology of the change seems good: why not win the entire audience early, and establish an appreciative situation at the outset?

Mr. Gustafson enjoys singing. Perhaps that accounts for much of his audiences enjoyment. His friendliness, his complete refusal to be "upstage," contributed much. His willingness to give encores results from both quality. No singer this year has been so generous. Once after the first group, twice after the second, once after the third, and four times at the close of his program, he was generous. His last encores were sung to an audience half standing; applauding, but believing that he had already been more than generous.

Mandalay and Danny Deever, those hardy perennials; the Gypsy Love Song; Masefield's Cargoes; these were among his added numbers.

Mr. Frederick Bristol provided his piano accompaniment.

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rectory, giving the advertisers a real return for their money in advertising value.

Many of the organizations have had their pictures taken, the favorite location being the front steps. It appears as though there would be no so-called "individual pictures" in this year's book, an advance along collegiate yearbook lines over last year's prize-winner.

Mr. Brion has been about the campus several times, taking scenes entirely new scenes never before photographed for the year-book.

The calendar and snap-shot sections will be combined so that snap-shots will be used to illustrate the years' events. "Rather a pictorial almanac" as Mr. Trembath puts it.

Edythe Hoy is now working on the staff taking charge of the faculty write-ups. Helen Westrick has been added to the staff as Assistant Business Manager.

Jokes

Absent-minded professors are in the bud already. Take note of Rosa Lee Hinkley who bravely started out for class carrying a hand-mirror in place of her fountain-pen.

There is another case on record of a girl using tooth-paste on her face, mistaking it for vanishing cream. Wow!!

Gym Meet Will be Held Early

Have you heard about the gym meet? It comes early this year—March 30th, is the date set.

The program has not yet been definitely arranged but there will be marching and exercises first. Each class will give a Folk Dance and an English-Morris Dance.

Selected teams from both Junior and Senior classes will play Dodge and Volley Ball. Other games have not been decided upon.

All these activities will be competitive. While the judges are making their decisions, there will be some stunts, pyramid building and fancy marching.

The Patriotic Farm

Standing back from the road against the side of a mountain, down in a little hollow, is the so-called patriotic farm. The picture that presents itself is that of a red, white and blue house with a small garden and several fruit trees in the front yard. The house is white with bright red door and roof, blue steps and trimmings around the windows. Sammy lives here all alone, supporting himself by selling his fruit and vegetables.

But why the color of the house? Sammy has told his story often. He was sixty-five years old when the World War was calling for men. Sammy enlisted, fully expecting to go, but because of his age and physical condition, was rejected. All attempts to go failed, so he moved out to this little house and started a war garden. Sammy felt it would be patriotic to paint his house in the colors of his country, so that is what he did. The vegetables and fruits were sold and the money was sent to the Red Cross or to the Training Camps to be used for the soldiers.

Elizabeth Watkins

Us and Others

Lil Smith, Reba Johnson and Edna Mae Turney spent the week-end at their homes in Altoona.

Peg Beeson spent the week-end with a friend, Ruth Stuart, in State College.

Breth's Peg was home—Cresson. Jerry Jones "did" Williamsport this week-end.

Helen Williams and Mary Young spent the week-end at their homes in Williamsport.

Peg Melvin had as her guest for the week-end, her twin sister, Madelyn.

Peg Miller went home—to Tyrone. Connie Newcombe and Kay Hall went home too, to Huntingdon.

Dot Lawrence spent the week-end at her home in Canton, Pa.

Ann Gillcogley, Helen Horan, Helen Carden and Catherine Bennett spent the week-end with an uncle of Ann's in Williamsport.

Jule Gibbons and Lib Bressler spent the week-end at their homes in Williamsport—yeh—Billtown.

C. S. T. C. Loses Both Games

West Chester boys walked off with the laurels Saturday night, March 2. Although Central State's team worked with might and main, the bigger West Chester lads made a score of 58-23. Vonada, Mack, Coleman, Parsons, and Robb started the game, with Poorman, Plummer, Bohn and McMullen substituting. Central State was going good during the first half, getting the bulk of their score during that period.

A preliminary game between the Junior Varsity team and the Harmony Club team from town ended with a 13-19 score in favor of the town team. Renninger, Kitko, D. Powser, Quigg, and Zaner started the game for the Junior Varsity.

Play Ball

You may play with a volley ball, a basket ball, or a tennis ball. What will you have? It is a little late to decide to play basketball or volley ball, as teams are picked and a series of games has started. The day-room basket-ball team, with Charlotte High as Captain, has played and won two games with the dorm team, captained by Verna Mae Kurtz.

In the game between the Junior and Senior teams, the Juniors won. Irene Purkiss is the Junior captain, and Dorothy Killen, the Senior captain.

Beginners also have teams, with Alice Baumgarner captain of the Reds, and Esther Kamperin, captain of the Whites. The Whites won the game played between these teams.

There will be other games between Juniors and Seniors, and between Reds and Whites. The teams winning two games out of three will play each other for the championship.

Tennis Tournament Will Be Held

Miss Dixon is planning a tennis tournament to take place after Easter vacation. She will post papers and anyone wanting to play may sign. In the order signed, names will be posted and anyone may challenge anyone above him in the list. The winner takes the higher place. From these preliminaries, players for the finals will be chosen. Instead of challenging, these players will draw numbers. Elimination games will be played in May.

Get in practice. Start Training now. Who will be the future tennis champion of C. S. T. C.?

Boyer Tells a Story

"All right, fellows. Sit down, everybody. I'm going to tell you a
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was established upon the principles of democracy, one of the outstanding features being, religious freedom.

The speaker of this morning brought out the fact that even though titles of the land in Pennsylvania were clearer than those in any other state, since Penn was so fair in his treatment of the Indians, he bought the land the second time. In the early history no provision was made for self protection. Abolition from oaths, also was characteristic of early Pennsylvania. Only after we see those things can we appreciate the step taken by Penn when he founded that state we all love.

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The Three Sororities Met

Monday afternoon, the three sororities, Alpha Sigma Tau, Beta Sigma Chi, and Rho Omega Lambda met in their respective rooms and discussed matters of importance to themselves.

Alpha Zeta Pi Transacts Important Business

In the evening, the members of Alpha Zeta Pi assembled in the Normal Times room and puzzled their brains for means of bettering the school paper. Esther Keyser was added to the staff. Elizabeth Spotts and Dorothy McCloskey were delegated to see that the papers get into the post office boxes on time.

Y. M. Does Not Meet

Wednesday evening the boys were unable to hold their Y. M. services because of the disorder in the rooms due to re-wiring.

Y. W. Installs Officers

The members of the Y. W. C. A. met in Price Hall to view the candlelight services for the installation of officers. Kathleen Spengler, the

former president, had charge of the services. Dorothy Bastian led in prayer and Katherine Warfel read the Bible.

All of the old and new officers and members of the cabinet dressed in white and carrying lighted candles, marched into the room by twos. The old officers took their places on the platform while the new members stood along the front row. However, they soon changed places and the new members were recognized. Doris Mattern is the new president, Peg Beeson, vice-president, Evelyn Bosworth, secretary and Gerry Greaser, treasurer. Sara Wilson, Myrna Miller, Thelma Moore, Iva Thompson, Alice Pearsall, Dorothy Lawrence, Gertrude Haight, Chrissie Lambert, and Catherine Cook made up the new cabinet.

Art Club Is Interested In Pins

Wednesday night the Art Club met and discussed the matter of pins. A new kind has been chosen. Mowrie Ebner was elected as a representative to the Alma Mater Song Committee.

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story. Hobba will lend the dramatic effect." Boyer, with his famous derby pulled almost over his eyes, began thus:

"'Twas a dark and stormy evening."

"Crash! crash!" came from Hobba.

"The waves were beating on the rocks."

"Splash! splash!" from Hobba.

"The wind was whistling through the trees."

"Whee-w-eee!" whistled Hobba.

"In a dark and lonely cave sat three notorious robbers. Low-card, High-Card and Antonious, the Leader. Said Low-card to Antonious, 'Tell us one of your famous stories.' and he began thus:

"It was a dark and stormy evening."

Hobba crashed again.

"The waves were beating on the rocks."

Again Hobba splashed.

"The wind was whistling through the trees."

Hobba whistled.

And thus the story did not end. Had anyone stayed to listen Boyer would be talking yet. And the story would be telling would begin thus:

"It was a dark and stormy evening."

—Ted Bray

Exchanges

"Rock-a-bye Freshie, on the tree top as long as you study

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