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TEN MILLION DOLLARS IS SPENT FOR ORGANS

CENSUS REPORTS FOR 1923

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Being 1,712. Nearly ten million dollars was spent for pipe organs in the United States in 1923, according to a report of the bureau of the census of the depart-ment of commerce at Washington, is-sued late in September. The biennial census of manufactures in the musical instrument industry reveals a number of facts of interest to organ devotees. The record shows that in 1923 1,712 Type organs were built in the United States and that their aggregate value was \$9,653,690. This compares with a total of 1,949 organs, valued at \$8,-717,057, manufactured in 1921, the year of the last preceding census. In 1919 1,151 organs were made, valued at \$4,185,535, and in 1914 1,185 consti-tuted the total output, the value of the product being \$3,620,210. Thus the value of the organs built was more than doubled in 1923 over 1919—four .-maged in building pipe organs in 1923. In 1921 there were fifty-six and in 1919 is five one. Of the fifty-nine factories five dia a business of more than \$500,-000, twenty reported a total business five dia a business of more than \$500,-000, twenty reported a total business five dia a business of more than \$500,-000, twenty reported a total business five dia a business of more than \$500,-000, twenty reported a total business five dia a business of more than \$500,-000, twenty reported a total business five dia business of more than \$500,-000, twenty reported a total business five dia business of more than \$500,000 and twenty-five dia a business ranging item is and wages aggregated \$3,397,-392, devia the year averaged 2,211. Salaries and wages aggregated \$3,397,-392, devia the year averaged 2,211. Salaries and wages aggregated \$3,397,-392, devia the year averaged 2,211. Salaries and wages aggregated \$3,397,-392, devia the year averaged 2,211. Salaries and wages aggregated \$3,397,-392, devia the year averaged 2,211. Salaries and wages aggrega

An interesting light on the decline of the reed organ industry is cast by the figures, showing that whereas in 1923 7,772 reed organs were made, valued at \$538,614, the output of the factories in 1914 was 40,533, worth in the aggregate \$1,718,011.

YON RETURNS FROM ITALY

Takes up Work in New York and Plans Three Recital Tours. Pietro Yon has returned to New York after a three months' vacation spent mostly in his native Italy. While im Rome he played at several of the elaborate jubilee year functions held at St. Peter's; had a private audience with the pope and visited many dis-tinguished prelates in and about the Vatican, where he is a familiar figure. Only a small company of American students accompanied Mr. Yon this year, for he wished to rest and devote his time to composition and research work. Several new offerings of his own for the organ will be presented this season. this season.

Another item of interest to Mr. Yon on this trip was the inspection of a inve-manual organ under construction in Italy for the Dominican Church of St. Vincent Ferrer, Lexington avenue and Sixty-sixth street, New York City. This instrument has been built by N. Balbiani & Co., of Milan, according to Mr. Yon's plans and specifications. Mr. Yon is feeling greatly refreshed after his trip. His plans for the season include an early public appearance in New York City, three concert tours (fall, winter and spring), covering the country, and teaching a large follow-ing of advanced students at the Yon studios, Carnegie Hall, New York.

For the purpose of assisting in the purchase of an organ for the high school of Ocean City, N. J., the Allegro Club of that city has raised \$1,000 and has turned the amount over to the board of education. The organ is to be purchased as soon as sufficient money is in sight.



HOLLINS HERE THIS MONTH

HOLLINS HERE THIS MONTH Will Play First Recital in New York at Wanamaker's Oct. 7. Alfred Hollins, England's famous blind organist and composer, will make his New York debut in the Wana-maker Auditorium Oct. 7 at 2:30 p. m. In addition to numbers by Bach, Men-delssohn and other classic composers, Mr. Hollins will include a number of his best-known compositions on the program. He will also present one of his remarkable improvisations on themes to be submitted to him on that occasion by well-known organists. During a recent visit to Scotland Dr. Alexander Russell, concert director of the Wanamaker Auditorium, spent sev-eral hours with Dr. Hollins and sends back enthusiastic reports of his play-ing. In July Mr. Hollins completed an

In July Mr. Hollins completed an In July Mr. Hollins completed an annual series of recitals at St. George's Free Church in Edinburgh, which at-tracted large audiences. Among these were several recitals given especially for children, which proved of such pop-ularity that he will repeat them next season. In America Mr. Hollins is al-ready booked for New York, Philadel-phia, Washington, Wilmington, Water-town, Asbury Park, Andover, Atlantic City, Dartmouth, Princeton, Indianap-olis, Montreal, Chicago, Edmonton, Vancouver, Victoria, Portland, Walla Walla, Spokane, Helena, Fort William, Winnipeg, Hamilton, Kansas City and other cities.

Reception for Alfred Hollins. A reception for Alfred Hollins, the noted English organist who has come to the United States for a recital tour, will be held by the National Associa-tion of Organists for its members and friends at St. Thomas' Episcopal

Church, New York, Monday evening, Oct. 5. It is expected that Mr. Hol-lins will play informally in the course of the evening on the splendid organ at St. Thomas'. All organists will be welcome on this interesting occasion, at which the organists of New York will greet the distinguished visitor.

SIXTEEN DAYS AT DALLAS

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 Charence Eddy Will Play Daily Recital on New Barton Organ.
 Programs for his sixteen-day appearance at the state fair of Texas, in Dallas, Oct. 10 to 25, when he will dedicate the Barton organ in the new Fair Park Auditorium, have been submitted to state fair officials by Clarence Eddy.
 Mr. Eddy will give the initial recital at 2:30 p. m. Saturday, Oct. 10, opening day of the state fair. Throughout the remainder of the exposition he will be heard each forenoon, probably from 11 to 12 o'clock. Bach's Prelude and Fugue in D minor and Pietro Yon's "Hymn of Glory," dedicated to the American Legion, are features of the dedication program, which contains ten numbers. A cursory study of the programs submitted showed such selections as Nevin's "Tin Soldier" Suite and Dudley Buck's arrangement of "Tannhäuser"; Henry Coleman's "Londonderry Air" and the Handel Largo; Rossetter Cole's "Summer Fancies" and Mr. Eddy's own conception of the "Pilgrims' Chorus.

Following a long controversy be-tween Dr. R. Mills Silby, organist at St. Cecilia Cathedral, Omaha, and Rev. Father George A. Smiskol of the cathedral, Archbishop J. J. Harty has accepted the resignation of Dr. Silby, while Father Smiskol has been trans-ferred to North Bend, Neb.

CANADIAN ORGANISTS

HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

FRICKER MADE PRESIDENT

Edwin Arthur Kraft, R. Tattersall, Harvey Robb, Ernest MacMillan and T. J. Crawford Are Heard in Recitals.

By H. G. LANGLOIS.

The annual convention of the Cana-dian College of Organists was held in Toronto Aug. 31 to Sept. 2. The coun-cil meetings and general business meetings were held in the parish-house of the Church of the Redeemer, Bloor and Avenue road.

house of the Church of the Redeemer, Bloor and Avenue road. The convention was opened very pleasantly with a luncheon at the King Edward Hotel for members of the local center. The first meeting was a council meeting at 2:30 p. m., Aug. 31. The president, C. E. Wheeler, took the come to the council and delegates, re-quested the secretary to read the min-utes of the last council meeting. It was then moved by Dr. Ernest Mac-Millan and seconded by Dr. Healey Willan that the draft of the amended by claws be read and considered clause by claws be read and considered clause by claws by the council. This was done and after a few changes the by-laws as amended and changed were approved by the council. The secre-tary was asked to read them to the general meeting on the following day for their approval. It was moved by Dr. H. A. Fricker that the thanks of the col-lege be extended to the committee in charge of drafting the by-laws. The secretary's report follows: "I have pleasure in presenting to

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The secretary's report follows: "I have pleasure in presenting to you the annual report of the secretary-treasurer of the Canadian College of Organists for the season 1924-5. I will not attempt any detailed state-ment, but will only refer to the out-standing matters. Like most organ-izations, we have had our ups and downs; we have lost a few good men, but have gained others. A great sup-porter and an original founder of the college was removed by the death of Dr. Illsley. We all feel the loss of his cheerful good will and his sound com-mon sense, advice and judgment. "It will not be necessary for me to

cheerful good will and his sound com-mon sense, advice and judgment. "It will not be necessary for me to dwell on the activities of any one center, as the local secretaries will pre-sent their reports. Toronto center was separately formed last fall and their secretary and committee have guided the course of events in Toron-to. The headquarters executive com-mittee has met regularly at least once a month, sometimes oftener, to dis-cuss business of the college. The meetings have been taken up mostly with two phases of college activity— the revision of the by-laws and the publishing of the official bulletin. Of the first I can vouch for the careful thought which was given to this mat-ter by the committee and especially by the committee on revision. The results of their deliberations are embodied in the paper you have before you entitled 'Proposed R e v is i on of By-Laws,' which has been approved by the com-mittee and awaits your ratification. "The publishing of the bulletin, which, it is hoped, will appear regular-ly every quarter in future, was the other principal matter discussed. The first number, which you have probably read, speaks for itself, and while by no

other principal matter discussed. The first number, which you have probably read, speaks for itself, and while by no means complete or perfect, even as a record, it is a departure which has met with the commendation of many and it is hoped the approval of all. The sup-plying of material, however, is largely in the hands of local chapters and the ubliching committee would urge local publishing committee would urge local secretaries to send in official reports as frequently as possible. All communi-

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DOUBLE TOUCH IS USED ON STOPS IN NOVEL WAY.

FOUR-MANUAL HALL ORGAN

Extra Pressure on Stopkey Will Cancel All Registers Except One Put On-Features in Organ for Bronxville, N. Y.

Christ Church at Bronxville, N. Y., of which Frank Howard Warner is organist and choirmaster, has given the Hall Organ Company the con-tract for a large four-manual organ. It will be placed in two adjoining chambers in the chancel, the entire organ, excepting the great diapasons, being under expression. The front will be an elaborate Gothic design of carved oak and the pipes will be of burnished zinc.

will be an elaborate Gothic design of carved oak and the pipes will be of burnished zinc. Of interest to organists in general will be the rather unusual method of double-touch cancellation. By extra pressure upon any one or more stop-keys all other stops are thrown off, leaving on only the stop or stops upon which this extra pressure is exerted. A unique feature also is the dual use of the echo organ for a Sunday-school organ, which will be played as a single unit upon the fourth manual of the church organ, and also upon a sepa-rate two-manual movable console in the Sunday-school room below. The chest and pipes of this echo division will be in a separate chamber in the Sunday-school and the tone will be carried up through the chancel floor by means of a specially-designed tone duct. A melody bass is a feature of this Sunday-school organ. This division is also arranged to be used for special services in the mortu-ary chapel adjoining the Sunday-school room, and separate expression shutters will open into this chapel. The specifications which follow are the result of collaboration between Mr. Warner and C. B. Floyd of the Hall Organ Company: <u>GREAT ORGAN.</u> Duble Diapason, 16 ft., 87 pipes. Contra Gamba, 16 ft., 85 pipes. The sunday and the sunday set ft 78

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GREAT ORGAN.	The Midmer-Losh Company is to
Double Diapason, 16 ft., 97 pipes. Contra Gamba, 16 ft., 85 pipes. First Diapason, (38 scale), 8 ft., 73	build the Bryan Memorial Temple or- gan at Coconut Grove, Fla. William J. Bryan was chairman of the organ
pipes.	committee when he died and, although
Second Diapason (42 scale), 8 ft., 73 pipes.	a Presbyterian himself, was a trustee
Third Diapason, 8 ft., 73 notes. Erzähler, 8 ft., 73 pipes.	and organizer of this Methodist church, which is built on a part of
Viola da Gamba, 8 ft., 73 notes.	
Gamba Celeste, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Flauto Major, 8 ft., 73 pipes.	his estate. The negotiations for the
Clarabella, 8 ft., 73 pipes.	organ were well advanced at the time
Octave, 4 ft., 73 notes. Harmonic Flute, 4 ft., 73 pipes.	of Mr. Bryan's death.
Harmonic Flute, 4 ft., 73 pipes.	The instrument is to be unique in
Twelfth. 2 2-3 ft., 61 pipes.	that it will have seven octaves and be
Fifteenth, 2 ft., 61 pipes. French Horn, 8 ft., 73 pipes.	equipped with two consoles, being ar-
Tuba, 8 ft., 35 pipes.	ranged to play both for indoor and
Tuba Clarion, 4 ft., 73 notes.	outdoor services, as the church has an
Chimes, 8 ft., 25 bells.	
Harp and Celesta, 8 ft. and 4 ft., 61	inside auditorium seating 1,000 and an
notes. SWELL ORGAN.	outdoor cloister seating 3,000 and is
Bourdon, 16 ft., 85 pipes.	altogether a building of unique archi-
Horn Diapason (40 scale), 8 ft., 73	tecture and practical arrangement.

pipes. Gedeckt, 8 ft., 73 notes. Viole d'Orchestre, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Voix Celeste, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Acoline, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Salicional, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Guintadena, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Sultadena, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Violetta, 4 ft., 73 pipes. Violetta, 4 ft., 73 pipes. Violetta, 4 ft., 73 pipes. Flauto Traverso, 4 ft., 73 pipes. Nazard, 22-3 ft., 61 pipes. Tierce, 13-5 ft., 61 pipes. Tierce, 13-5 ft., 61 pipes. Dolce Cornet, 3 rks., 61 notes. Contra Farotio, 16 ft., 97 pipes. Obce Octave, 4 ft., 73 pipes. Vox Humana, 8 ft., 61 pipes. Termolo. Tremolo. ations Tremolo. Unison Release

Unison Release. CHOIR ORGAN. Contra Duciana, 16 ft., 97 pipes. Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 notes. English Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Doppelfičte, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Unda Maris, 8 ft., 61 pipes. Viole d'Amour, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Flute d'Amour, 4 ft., 73 pipes. Dulce, 4 ft., 73 notes. Piccolo (harmonic), 2 ft., 61 pipes. Dulcet, 1 ft., 49 notes. Harp and Celesta, 8 ft. and 4 ft., 61 Otes. otes. Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Tremolo. Unison Release.

Tremolo. PEDAL ORGAN. Resultant, 32 ft., 32 notes. Diapason, 16 ft., 56 pipes. Bourdon, 16 ft., 56 pipes. Bourdon, 16 ft., 56 pipes. Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 notes. Dulciana, 16 ft., 32 notes. Dulciana, 16 ft., 32 notes. Violone, 16 ft., 32 notes. Violone, 16 ft., 32 notes. Cello, 8 ft., 32 notes. Gedeckt, 8 ft., 32 notes. Flauto Major, 8 ft., 32 notes. Flauto Major, 8 ft., 32 notes. Fagoto, 16 ft., 32 notes. Fagoto, 16 ft., 32 notes. Fagoto, 16 ft., 32 notes. Tuba, 8 ft., 32 notes. Tuba, 8 ft., 32 notes. Tubia Clausa, 16 ft., 32 notes. Still Gedeckt, 16 ft., 32 notes. The Sunday-school organ wil 32 notes. The Sunday-school organ will be installed this autumn and the church organ next May.

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cations for the bulletin should come from the local secretaries. "It has been felt rather a stumbling block in the past that the council has been self-appointed, and to remedy this, a ballot system has been intro-duced on the authority of the council meeting last year. Besides the candi-dates for office approved by the nom-ination committee local chapters have

dates for office approved by the nom-ination committee, local chapters have had the opportunity through their secretaries to make nominations for council and officers. "I do not know that there is any-thing further for me to add, except to thank those who have co-operated with the secretary in carrying on the work which is becoming heavier year by year. Particularly, I would like, if proper, in this report to thank Mr. James and Harold Corner for under-taking my work during my two months' absence last spring." The registrar's report was then read, showing a gratifying increase in mem-bership. Three candidates were re-ported to have passed the examination

persnip. Three candidates were re-ported to have passed the examination for associateship. The treasurer's re-port showed a very favorable balance. These reports were adopted by the council.

In the evening, a splendid recital was given in Westminster Presby-terian Church by Edwin Arthur Kraft, was given in Weshminster Fresby-terian Church by Edwin Arthur Kraft, guest of the convention and official delegate of the National Association of Organists. Mr. Kraft displayed splendid technique and colorful regis-tration in the exacting program con-taining the following numbers: Molto Moderato, Second Sonata, in C minor, Op. 44, Renner; Chorale Prelude, "Hark! A Voice Said All Are Mortal," Bach; Chorale Prelude, "O Gott, du Frommer Gott," Karg-Elert; Prelude and Fugue in A minor, Bach; Minuet, C. P. E. Bach; Intermezzo, Bonnet; Heroic Piece, Cole; "Elfentanz," John-son; Caprice ("The Brook"), Dethier; Toccata, "Thou Art the Rock," Mulet; "In Memoriam," Bourdon; "Ride of the Valkyries," Wagner.

On Sept. 1 a general meeting of all members was held, at which the amended by-laws were again read and approved by the general meeting. It was moved by Dr. MacMillan, second-ed by Mr. Crawford, that the amended by-laws as read to the general meet-ing and approved by it be adopted as

the by-laws of the Canadian College of Organists. It was moved by Mr. Corner, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, that Dr. Ham, in recognition of his services so freely given to the Cana-dian College of Organists from its very beginning, be made a life mem-ber of the college. This was unani-mously carried. Certain correspondence was then

Certain correspondence was then read and dealt with by the meeting and the business was concluded with the election of officers for the coming year. The vote was by ballot and the following were elected: Honorary Patron—His Excellency, Baron Byng of Vimy, Governor Gen-eral of Canada.

eral of Canada. Patrons—Professor Joseph Bridge and Sir Hugh Allen. Honorary President — Dr. Albert Ham, F. R. C. O. President—Dr. H. A. Fricker, F. R.

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C. O. Vice-President—Charles E. Wheeler. Council—J. W. Bearder, F. R. C. O.; G. M. Brewer, F. R. C. O.; A. H. Egerton, F. R. C. O.; Dr. E. Mac-Millan, F. R. C. O.; W. A. Montgom-ery, Mus. Bac., F. R. C. O.; Dr. A. E. Whitehead, F. R. C. O.; U. A. Montgom-ery, Mus. Bac., F. R. C. O.; J. Craw-ford, Mus. Bac., F. R. C. O.; H. C. Ross, F. R. C. O.; Harvey Robb; Dr. Healey Willan, F. R. C. O.; Dr. H. Sanders; W. H. Hewlett, Mus. Bac.; J. T. Martin; Dr. R. Horner, and Otto James, A. R. C. O. Registrar—L. G. Starling. Secretary-Treasurer—H. G. Lang-lois.

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In the afternoon two interesting re-citals were given—one by R. Tatter-sall at Old St. Andrew's Church, at which he played the following num-bers: Chorale Preludes, "All Glory, Laud and Honor" and "Rejoice, Be-loved Christians," Bach; Sonata in C (first movement), Bach; Meditation in A, Hillemacher; Intermezzo from Symphony 6, Widor; Adagio from Symphony 3, Vierne; Finale from Symphony 1, Vierne. The second recital, by Harvey Robb, was played at Westminster Church, with the following numbers: Sonata, "The Ninety-fourth Psalm," Reubke; "Claire de Lune," Karg-Elert; "Divertissement," Vierne.

In the evening the annual dinner was held at the National Club, about fifty members and guests being pres-ent. The usual toasts were proposed, commencing with the toast to the king, followed by the toast to the col-lege and to our guest, Edwin Arthur Kraft, who responded with greetings from the National Association of Organists

Organists. The evening ended pleasantly with a theater party at which the organists forgot all about super couplers, uni-fication, mixtures and all such serious

matters, and enjoyed an evening of lighter amusement.

A general meeting was held Sept. 2 at the Church of the Redeemer. The incoming president, Dr. H. A. Fricker, occupied the chair and spoke of his deep appreciation of the honor con-ferred upon him in being elected presi-dent for the year. He assured the members he would do all in his power to further the interests of the college. Dr. Fricker then spoke of the amend-ed by-laws in which the principle of balloting for officers and members of the council was introduced for the first time. These by-laws had to be very time. These by-laws had to be very time. These by-laws had to be very carefully gone over and he mentioned that although the phraseology might not be perfect, the intention was quite clear. The various centers were to be given an opportunity to make nomina-tions for offices in future, so that the council would not be a self-perpetuat-ing body.

council would not be a self-perpetuat-ing body. After a few preliminary remarks the president introduced the principal speaker, Dr. A. S. Vogt, who gave an interesting talk on the condition of church music in Canada and also in England at the present time. Dr. Vogt was somewhat pessimistic in his views and stated that at the present time, from his own experience, he con-sidered church music on the downviews and stated that at the present time, from his own experience, he con-sidered church music on the down-grade. He did not feel that the tone of church music either in England or here compared in dignity and quality with that which he had formerly ob-served. On returning from Germany in 1888 after four years of study there he had heard in England such men as Stainer and Bridge at Westminster and St. Paul's and he was doubtful if the men occupying similar positions at this time were of the same stature. It was his opinion, however, that music in general had advanced greatly in England and that the reason church music had not advanced in proportion was that the finest composers had turned from that mode of expression towards secular, choral and sym-phonic music. Dr. Vogt had ex-pressed this view to an eminent Eng-lish critic, Harvey Grace, who took issue with him, as he felt that music in England, at least, was as good as it had ever been and that the general character in the average parish church was better than at the period men-toned. Dr. Vogt was sure that the influtioned.

tioned. Dr. Vogt was sure that the influ-ence of the Royal College of Organists had been most beneficial in advancing the general status of British church music and he looked to the Canadian College of Organists to exert a simi-lar influence in Canada. It is also true that congregations and people as a whole are not moved in the direction of appreciating really fine church of appreciating really fine church music, their interests being more taken up with concert and chamber music. Also he said that the volunteer choir

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presents a much more serious problem today than twenty years ago. At that time the choir was one of the greatest musical activities in the community, but today it is harder to interest young people in church music, in view of the competing attractions. On his return from his last visit abroad Dr. Vogt was convinced that in the matter of organ construction Canada has nothing to learn from any country in the world. He was sorry, however, that many of the bright young men who had interested them-selves in the study of the organ were now concentrating on other branches. The teaching of organ in Canada, he said, is fully on a par with that of any other musical department and we are second to none in the number of emi-nent organists and fine instruments nent organists and fine instruments both in our large cities and smaller towns.

The president then called on Dr. Healey Willan for a few words about English choirs and organs as he found them on his recent trip. Dr. Willan agreed with Dr. Vogt that the quality of church music even in England was not what it used to be. As to organs, while the tone of the best English organs was unsurpassed, they are still far behind America in the matter of mechanical appliances and electric ac-tion and touch. The tendency in Eng-land was to retain large and awkward drawstops and the advantages of the concave, radiating pedalboard did not seem to be appreciated as much as here. here.

here. The meeting closed with an inter-esting technical talk on the unified organ by C. F. Legge, who specializes in building organs of this type. He took for his basis of comparison a small church organ costing about \$5,000 and in defense of the unifying principle pointed out that more devi-\$5,000 and in detense of the unitying principle pointed out that more flexi-bility and a greater number of differ-ent effects could be obtained with fewer pipes. The matter was then left open to discussion and an expres-sion of opposing opinions was heard.

Later in the afternoon the members were entertained at tea at Hart House, University of Toronto, by Dr. A. S. University of Toronto, by Dr. A. S. Vogt. An interesting tour of inspec-tion of the building was made under the guidance of the warden of Hart House.

The concluding event of the conven-tion was an organ recital in St. Paul's Church, Bloor street, by Dr. Ernest MacMillan, F. R. C. O., and T. J. Grawford, F. R. C. O. The following program was given by Dr. MacMil-lan: Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor, Bach; Pastorale, Cesar Franck; Scherzo from Symphony 4, Widor; Toccata, Georges Krieger. Mr. Craw-ford played: Toccata in F major, Bach; Chorale Prelude on "St. Peter," Darke; Prelude, "Fervor," Bossi; Tragic Overture, Op. 81, Brahma. The concluding event of the conven-

GIVES SUMMER SERIES IN FLORIDA UNIVERSITY WORK OF ELLA S. OPPERMAN

Dean of School of Music at State College for Women Invited to Gainesville to Play Series of Programs.

Ella Scoble Opperman, dean of the school of music at the Florida State College for Women at Tallahassee, has College for Women at Tallahassee, has done a novel work this summer in act-ing as guest organist for eight weeks during the summer session at the Uni-versity of Florida, in Gainesville. The recitals were played on the new four-manual Skinner organ. Miss Opper-man has given a regular recital every Sunday afternoon, besides twilight recitals on weekdays. At the twilight recitals she experimented in training in organ appreciation and had some



ELLA SCOBLE OPPERMAN.

gratifying results. She gradually classified different groups of stops and told some of their uses. Before play-ing each composition she would tell the general lines of registration and give a reason for her choice. After each program the students were given the opportunity to come up and ask questions.

After a few weeks' vacation in the north Miss Opperman will return to her position at Florida State College, where she has been dean of the school of music for fourteen years. She now has a faculty of fourteen music teachers

teachers. The following are some of the pro-grams played by Miss Opperman: July 19—Fourth Symphony, Widor; "Harp of the Woodland," Easthope Martin; "The Whippoorwill," Karolyn Wells Bassett; "Marche Religieuse," Guilmant; "Piece Heroique," Cesar Franck Guilman Franck.

Guilmant; Franck. July 26—"Where Wild Judea Stretches Far," Stoughton; Christmas Chorale, "Good News from Heaven the Angels Bring," Pachelbel; "The Holy Night," Dudley Buck; "Christ-mas Bells," Lemare; Christmas Pas-torale, Karg-Elert; "Resurrection Morn," Johnston; Berceuse, Chopin; "Love's Pleadings," Kinkel; Sixth

Morn," Johnston; Berceuse, Chopin; "Love's Pleadings," Kinkel; Sixth Sonata, Mendelssohn. Aug. 2—Prelude, D minor, Cleram-bault; Aria (Suite in D major), Bach; Fugue, C major, Buxtehude; First Sonata, Borowski; "Messe de Mari-age," Dubois; "Variations de Concert," Bonnet.

Nordens Lose Their Only Child.

Nordens Lose Their Only Child. Helen Virginia Norden, only child of Mr. and Mrs. N. Lindsay Norden, passed away at the Manheim Apart-ments, Germantown, Philadelphia, Sept. 9, after an attack of infantile paralysis. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Norden will sympathize with them in their loss. Virginia was a bright and beautiful child. She had returned to Philadelphia only a few weeks ago from a trip with her parents to Jasper National Park and other places in the west.

Well-Known Voicer Engaged as Head of Department in Factory. R. P. Elliot, vice-president of the Welte-Mignon Corporation, makes the announcement that David Arthur of North Tonawanda, N. Y., has been engaged as head voicer and is already at work in the New York plant. Mr. Arthur is an artist of international rep-utation, having served his apprentice-ship with the firm of Henry Willis & Sons, London, under the supervision of Vincent Willis. Incidentally, Mr. Arthur is Vincent Willis' brother-in-law. Following his many years with the old firm, Mr. Arthur worked for a time with J. J. Binns and with Abbott & Smith, and then conducted a busi-ness of his own in South Africa before coming to this country in 1912. On this side he joined Mr. Haskell in the Estey Organ Company for a year or more and then went with Robert Hope-Jones as experimental voicer, remain-ing with the Wurlitzer firm as head reed voicer up to the present time. Mr. Arthur is engaging associate voicers to occupy the new studios be-ing built on the fifth floor of the Welte plant. Two of these rooms are 20 feet high to permit the handling of 16-foot pipes in a vertical position. The Spen-cer Turbine Company is supplying a pair of compound blowers, providing for a large volume of air up to seven-teen and one-half inch wind and a smaller quantity up to thirty-five inch wind, meeting all voicing and testing requirements. A pair of the new Spencer exhausters have been installed for testing the reproducing consoles and for use in connection with the bat-tery of electro-pneumatic music roll-

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BIGGS POPULAR IN FLORIDA

Engaged for Third Recital at Miami-Series of 25 Booked for U. S.

Series of 25 Booked for U. S. Down in Florida they are enthusias-tic over the playing of Richard Keys Biggs of New York—just as they are wherever that artist has been heard in recital. Since January Mr. Biggs has had three engagements at Miami and he is to give another recital at the Jesu Church Nov. 23. The first recital at this church was played Feb. 16 on the new Midmer-Losh organ. The second performance was at the Central Christian Church April 23, dedicating the first of the seven-octave

Central Christian Church April 23, dedicating the first of the seven-octave Midmer-Losh organs. Organists will take interest in the fact that the churches which had Mr. Biggs took in a total of \$1,980 through these recitals. Mr. Biggs' season will include twenty-five recitals in all parts of the United Context of the United States.

Palmer Christian Opens Season.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Christian have returned to Ann Arbor from a motor trip to New York and Vermont. Mr. trip to New York and Vermont. Mr. Christian played two recitals at the Lake Placid Club in the Adirondacks Aug. 18 and 25. As was the case last year, Mr. Christian's teaching time in Ann Arbor will be full this season and in addition to the weekly recitals at the University of Michigan, which be-gan Sept. 30, he has many bookings for concerts throughout the country. In October he will play in Ann Arbor with the New York Symphony Or-chestra and on Oct. 23 will give a dedicatory recital in Youngstown, Ohio. Ohio.

Ohio. **Large Audience for Seibert.** Thenry F. Seibert, the New York concert organist, who gave the open-ing recital on a Möller organ at Ports-mouth, Ohio, in September, drew an audience of 2,000 people to his per-formance and the result must have been gratifying to those who brought him to Portsmouth, for he was imme-diately re-engaged for a second recital early in January. Mr. Seibert is planning a tour of Florida and has been engaged for two appearances early in December at Lake Worth. The University of Florida also has in-vited him to play there. Among other engagements made early in the season are recitals at Wilmington, Del, Sept. 28; Reading, Pa., Sept. 29; East Stroudsburg, Pa., Oct. 6; Trinity Church, Reading, Pa., Oct. 28; Wash-ington, D. C., Nov. 12, and again at Reading Nov. 29.

Well-Known Voicer Engaged as Head of Department in Factory. First Recital at Westminster Cathe-dral, London, Early in October.

First Recital at Westminster Cathe-dral, London, Early in October. Charles M. Courboin, as has been announced, will make a tour of the British Isles in October and Novem-ber of this year. The first recital will take place on the Westminster Cathe-dral organ in London early in October, followed by recitals in Northampton, Manchester, Liverpool, Cathedral (on the famous new Willis organ which was completed in Sep-tember), the Isle of Man, Dublin, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Newcastle, Lei-cester, Cranbrooke and other places. Previous to his English tour, Mr. Courboin will play in Belgium at Ant-werp, Brussels and Mechlin. At the close of his English tour he will re-turn immediately to America for re-citals in Scranton, Amsterdam, New York City and return engagements with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra under Gabrilowitsch. His Pacific coast tour will start about the middle of January, taking him from the At-lantic to the Pacific and back within three months.

Among the many appearances of Courboin during the coming season are eight with symphony orchestras, a number which is said to be a record among organists.

Miss Helen Hogan Returns Home. Miss Helen Hogan of Providence, R. I., returns to this country the lat-ter part of September after spending last sixteen months in and England. During France the last Italy and England. During her stay she has given recitals in most of the principal cities and has the distinction of being the first woman ever to have played a recital in an English cathe-dral, which she did in Lincoln last March.

New Organ at Oak Park, Ill. The organ rebuilt by the Hall Organ Company for the First Presbyterian Church of Oak Park, Ill., was dedi-cated Sept. 21, with Edgar Nelson, or-ganist and choir director of the church, at the console. The instrument is now a four-manual of fifty-one stops, and a total of 2,924 pipes, with new console, chests, etc., and a number of additional stops, as well as an echo division, placed in the basement of the church.

The four-mannual Austin organ built for the First Presbyterian Church of for the First Presbytenian Church of Williamsport, Pa., was opened Sept. 10 by Thomas Challenor. The organ is a gift to the church by J. Walton Bow-man in memory of his wife, Elizabeth Geiger Bowman. The specifications of the instrument appeared in The Diapa-son May 1 son May 1.

A. W. Brandt of Pittsburgh has been A. W. Brandt of Pittsburgh has been appointed representative of the organ department of the W. W. Kimball Company in the Pittsburgh territory. Mr. Brandt has been well known in Pittsburgh for a number of years, be-ing an expert repair man.

Franklin W. Krieger, formerly of St. Paul and Minneapolis, has been appointed organist of the First Con-gregational Church of Eau Claire, Wis., where he presides over a large three-manual Skinner organ.

DAVID ARTHUR WITH WELTE COURBOIN'S ENGLISH TOUR PORTLAND CONCERTS COMPLETE 13TH YEAR RECITAL FOR ANNIVERSARY

Charles R. Cronham Gives Brilliant Program, Assisted by Vocal Art-ists—Largest Crowd on Record at a Summer Concert.

The thirteenth anniversary concert of the municipal organ series at the Portland, Maine, City Hall Aug. 21 was characterized as a remarkable oc-casion. The concert was marked by the largest house ever seen at a Port-land summer concert by a program land summer concert, by a program of rare merit, and unusual enthusiasm. In addition to the organ program offered by Charles R. Cronham, there were two vocalists of brilliance and at

In addition to the organ program offered by Charles R. Cronham, there were two vocalists of brilliance and at the close of this rarely enjoyable event only words of enthusiastic praise were heard. So large was the crowd that it was necessary to open the main body of the hall to accommodate the big attendance of home people and summer tourists who came to do honor to the anniversary occasion. During the thirteen years of munici-pal music in Portland the Kotzschmar memorial organ has been presided over by four performers—Will C. Macfar-lane, who inaugurated the organ; Irvin J. Morgan, Edwin H. Lemare and Charles R. Cronham. At present, it is felt that the needs of the city are best met by the system of giving free Sun-day concerts for the people and daily summer concerts, at a small charge, for the benefit of home music lovers and the large number of summer guests who desire to hear Portland's municipal instrument. The plan today is working well and Mr. Cronham is an all-around favorite. The program Aug. 21 opened with the brilliant Festival Toccata by Fletcher, bringing the full organ into play. Boex's Rustic March had color and life and pleased the audience im-mensely. A charming and fascinating piece was the Cantilene from "Prince Igor" (B or o d i n). Contrasting in character was the "Piece Grotesque" which followed, this work being by Organist Cronham. The name fitting-ly describes its character. The next offering on the program was a group of songs by Charles Har-rison, lyric tenor. Macfarlane's Scotch Fantasia came next on the program and again pleased the listeners. E. H. Lemare's familiar Andantino was another tribute to

Macfarlane's Scotch Fantasia came next on the program and again pleased the listeners. E. H. Lemare's familiar Andantino was another tribute to former municipal organists. May Korb, the soprano artist of the afternoon, is the charming young wife of the municipal organist, and she attracted the audience instantly by her winsome personality. A group of at-tractive songs was rendered in a de-lightful way. In response to round after round of applause, the young soprano came back to sing "Hayfields and Butterflies," by del Riego, as an encore. encore.

encore. Three organ numbers closed the pro-gram. The "Etude for the Pedal-board," by de Bricqueville, was fol-lowed by the "Song of the Breeze," by Meale, and the Finale from the "Sym-phony from the New World," by Dvorak.

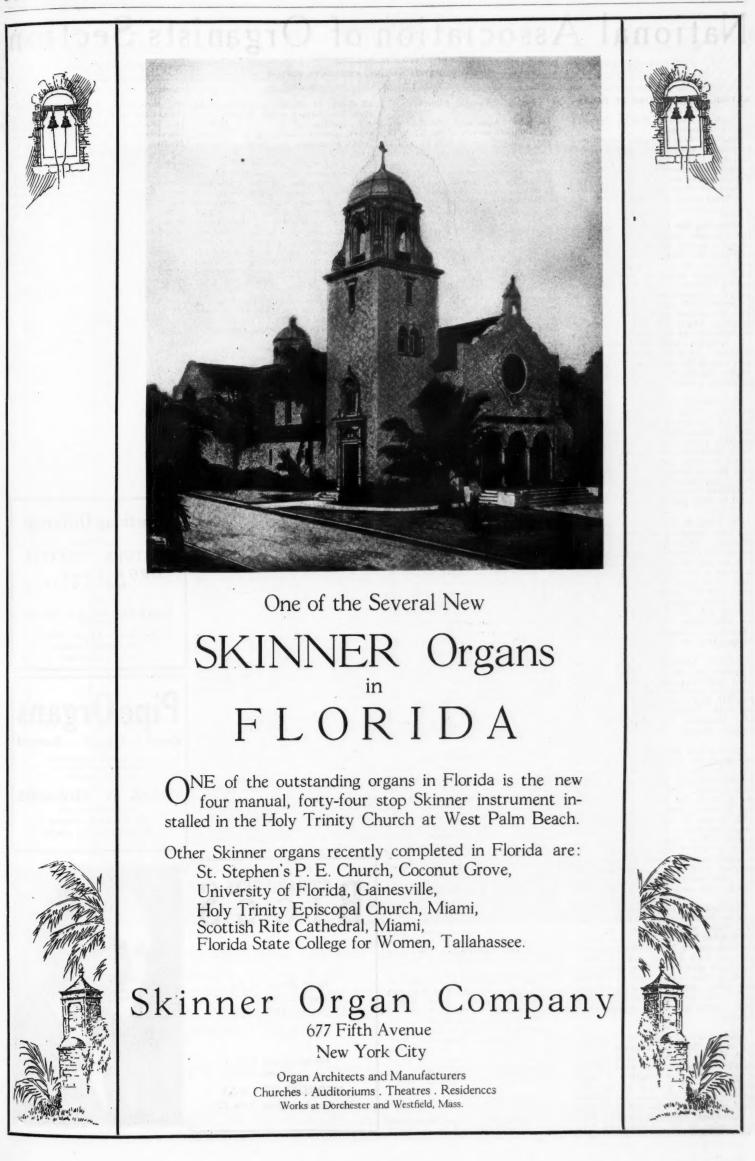
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ty-seventh street, New York City.

Following the Cleveland convention the Camden chapter of New Jersey issued a special edition of the Cipher in which Mr. Tussey gave a very fine account of our annual meeting. This local chapter magazine seems to be a strong influence in the continued growth of that chapter. October will mark the first appear-ance of another local news sheet, the

October will mark the first appear-ance of another local news sheet, the Keynote, which will give a report of the activities of the Central New Jer-sey chapter, with headquarters at Trenton. As given elsewhere, the re-port sent in this month by Mrs. Myers shows that the Central chapter is an-ticinoting a remarkable winter essen ticipating a remarkable winter season.

We heartily commend these two projects of the New Jersey chapters to all of the newly proposed chapters, and to those already organized. The monthly papers, full of details of their local activities, are proving a vital factor in their success. We believe that the secretary of either the Cam-den or the Central chapter will be glad to furnish complete information in re-gard to their publications. gard to their publications

Dr. Percy B. Eversden of St. Louis has been appointed state president for Missouri. Those who met Dr. Evers-den at the Cleveland convention know that he will leave nothing undone to build up a strong organization in that state. His tentative plans are sure to meet with the approval of all, and we urge every organist in Missouri to co-operate with him. According to pres-ent plans there will be several local chapters in connection with the state headquarters at St. Louis.

Maurice Davis has been elected president of the Kentucky council. That state organization has a brilliant record of achievements and undoubt-edly Mr. Davis will carry on the splen-did work. William E. Pilcher, Jr., the past president, was responsible for much of this success. much of this success.

Next month we hope to be able to announce the formation of four new chapters—one in the west, one in the middle west, one in the east and one in the south. The good work which the N. A. O. can do seems to be gain-ing in favor with each new season. The increase in our membership con-tinues and those who are in our organ-ization tell us that they derive pro-nounced benefit from their own local associations. If you are not already a member, send in your application and join your nearest chapter or organize one in your own section of the state. Next month we hope to be able to

Headquarters is planning a recep-tion for the Westminster Choir of Day-ton, Ohio, when it makes its New York debut Nov. 12. The choir, under the direction of Mr. Williamson, who gave us such a good talk in Cleve-land, will give three New York City concerts—two in Brooklyn, on the 11th and 15th, and the one mentioned above. The singing of this choir ought to be a great inspiration to every choir director.

Alfred Hollins, who comes to Amer-ica under the joint auspices of the N. A. O, and Dr. Alexander Russell, is already here and busy at work making records. The tour, which will begin in October, will give us an opportu-nity of hearing this most remarkable blind organist play his own delightful compositions. Headquarters will hold a reception to Mr. Hollins Oct. 5 at

The new "Aims and Objects," giv-ing a complete survey of the N. A. O., is available and can be had by writing to headquarters. Increase our mem-bership by giving one of these to each organist in your community. Following a general request there will be a reprint of the talks given at the Cleveland convention. As soon as they are ready due notice will be given.

Everything points to a splendid sea-son for the N. A. O. The organiza-tion, with its increasing expansion, has undertaken many new plans and a large part of them are assured of suc-cess. The culmination of many of these plans will come with the 1926 convention, to be held in Philadelphia. Every member must feel responsibility and work. If you do your part, no matter what that may be, there will be a just satisfaction in knowing that you have done your duty in helping to build a greater N. A. O.

Missouri Council. Under the leadership of Dr. Percy B. Eversden the Missouri council be-gins the year with energy and enthu-siasm. The leading organists of St. Louis are giving the N. A. O. their strong support and the next thing we expect to hear of a state convention in the southwest. At a chapter meeting held Sept. 20 it was decided to arrange for a Hollins recital Dec. 10. Much enthusiasm was shown and several new members were received. The next meeting will be held on Oct. 4 and an interesting pro-gram is being arranged.

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Van Dusen Heads Illinois. ank Van Dusen of the American Van Dusen Heads Illinois. Frank Van Dusen of the American Conservatory has been elected presi-dent of the Illinois council for the en-suing year, taking the place of John W. Norton, who has served three years in this position with distinction. Mr. Van Dusen takes up his work with en-thusiasm and plans several important activities for the council this year. The full roster of new officers of the Illinois council is as follows: President—Frank Van Dusen. Vice-Presidents—Irene Belden Zar-ing and George H. Clark. Secretary—Samuel Kenison. Treasurer—Albert Cotsworth. Executive Committee—William H. Barnes, Calvin Brown, Alice Deal, S. E. Gruenstein and Francis Heming-ton. Frank

ton.

Dr. Wolf Is Re-Elected. Dr. William A. Wolf was re-elected president of the Lancaster chapter of the National Association of Organists at the annual meeting of the organizaat the annual meeting of the organiza-tion at St. James' parish-house, Sun-day afternoon, Sept. 13. Other offi-cers elected were: Vice-president, William R. Lantz; secretary, Charles E. Sieber, Jr.; financial secretary, Donald Nixdorf; treasurer, William Z. Roy. These officers will compose the board of directors.

Central New Jersey. Plans have been made by the exec-utive committee of the Central New Jersey chapter for several activities in the coming year and members may look forward with renewed interest to the programs planned. A brief out-line of some of the important features follows: follows

follows: 1. The first project to be taken up this fall will be an intensive campaign to have every member of our chaptes become a member of the N. A. O. 2. A campaign thoroughly to or-ganize each of the four counties of our territory—Somerset, Hunterdon, Mid-dlesex and Mercer. To have a center of activity in each county, but all to be a part of the Central chapter. To have one or more chapter rallies yearly.

yearly. 3. Establishing of a "substitute

4. Appointment of a chapter his-torian, whose duties will be to collect

all events of interest and incorporate

them in a history of the chapter. 5. Issuing of a printed bulletin every quarter containing news items, recital programs, etc., from our entire territory

recital programs, etc., from our entire territory. 6. Drafting of a letter to be sent to the pastors and chairmen of the music committees of the Protestant churches of Trenton urging more sub-stantial remuneration for organists and choir members. In this letter we plan to bring particularly to their atten-tion the expenditure of money and en-ergy required to fit one's self for a tion the expenditure of money and en-ergy required to fit one's self for a church position, and the time and en-ergy required in maintaining one's technique, as well as money expended in the purchase of new music from time to time. 7. Organization of a choir league in Ternton to be composed of the vari-

Trenton, to be composed of the vari-ous choirs in the city. The same plan to be suggested to the sub-chapters of

to be suggested to the sub-chapters of our territory. 8. There will be two artist recitals —one in November by S. Wesley Sears, organist and choirmaster of St. James' Church, Philadelphia, and the other in April by Firmin Swinnen, con-cert organist for Pierre S. du Pont. 9. Fourth annual banquet in Feb-ruary for members and their friends. 10. Third annual joint members' recital in March. 11. Third annual festival musical service by the combined quartet choirs of Trenton during national music week.

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E. G. MYERS, Secretary,

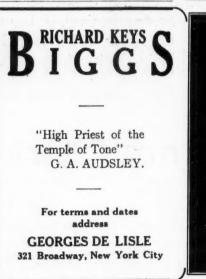
Executive Committee Meeting.

The first meeting of the executive committee was held at headquarters Monday, Sept. 21. There was a good attendance for this first meeting after the vacation period and, after routine business, attention was given to the appointment of state presidents, the formation of new chapters, the prize composition contest and the receptions to the Westminster Choir and Alfred

to the Westminster Choir and Alfred Hollins. The balance in the treasury con-tinues to be high and all reports at this meeting gave an indication of growth. Those present were: President Fry, Chairman McAll, Miss Whittemore, Miss Carpenter and Messrs. Hammond, Richards, Noble, Biggs, Ambrose, Priest and Nevins.

Delaware Chapter.

Delaware Chapter. The first round-table dinner of the Delaware chapter will be held Oct. 1 at the Rodney Square Inn. T. Leslie Carpenter, president, is planning an active season and we expect the chap-ter to increase in membership. A series of recitals will be given on the new St. Paul's organ. One will be given by Mr. Carpenter. This organ, just completed by M. P. Möller, is the largest in Wilmington, and the only one of its type in Delaware. It is elec-



tric throughout, four manuals, with chimes and harp, and really consists of two separate organs controlled from one console. The organist, Miss Sarah Hudson White, has held this post for ten years and is well-fitted to continue with the larger organ, being one of Wilmington's most accomplished or-ganists. She is the first and only woman organist in Wilmington to win the A. A. G. O. of the Guild and also to pass the examinations of the Amer-ican Organ Players' Club. She is a to pass the examinations of the Amer-ican Organ Players' Club. She is a graduate of the school of fine arts, music department, University of Penn-sylvania, is treasurer of the Delaware chapter of the N. A. O. and a member of the Delaware State Music Teachers' Association Association. WILMER CALVIN HIGHFIELD.

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Gold Medal Prize.

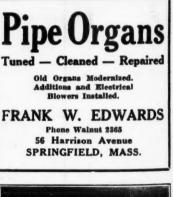
Gold Medal Prize. The executive committee voted at one of the Cleveland meetings to offer a gold prize for the best organ com-position submitted to the committee of judges before the Philadelphia con-vention. A similar prize will be given for an organ and orchestral composi-tion. Full details will be announced in the near future.

Union-Essex Chapter.

The Union-Essex chapter will hold its annual fall dinner at the Florence Moore tea-room in Elizabeth Monday evening, Oct. 12.

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New Organ Compositions by Charles Marie Widor

Charles Marte VV idor When Albert Riemenschneider of Geveland presented the entire series of Widor's ten organ symphonies sev-eral times last season at the Cleveland Museum of Art and at the Baldwin-Wallace Conservatory of Music at Berea, the master wrote him a letter in which he stated that he felt com-pendent of the symphonies were the case of it. The promised compositions have materialized in the form of a series of six under the title "Bach's materialized in the form of a series of six under the title "Bach's materialized to the great choruses. The workmanship shown in these ar-rangements is superb and several piano preludes to the great choruses. The numbers are as follows: 1. The "Pastorale" is the third movement of the well-known organ pastorale. Only the upper voice is retained, the pedal and left-hand parts ing newly added in a most interest-ing newly. 2. The "Miserere Mei Domine"

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2. The "Miserere Mei Domine" presents the most radical change. The original is the D minor prelude, number six of part 1 of the "Well-Tempered Clavichord." It has been transposed to F sharp minor in order to accommodate the adaptation of the main motive to the pedal. M. Widor writes concerning this number that he has long had the desire to invert this prelude, assigning the main movement to the pedals, assuring a more intense presentation of the "Miserere" M. Widor writes: "All my life the Clavecin Prelude has haunted me with its depth, which the original instrument cannot portray and to realize which the organ ismple presentation of the E minor prelude of part 1 of the "Well-Tempered Clavichord."
3. The "Aria" is a simple presentation in organ idiom of the E minor prelude of part 1 of the "Well-Tempered Clavichord."
4. The "Night-Watchman's March" is an arrangement of the same section of Bach's cantata, "Sleepers Wake," which Bach himself used for his arrangement of the chorale prelude of that name. The march introduces the well-known chorale and is full of color and exhilaration.
5. The "Sicilienne" is drawn from

of that name. The march introduces the well-known chorale and is full of color and exhilaration. 5. The "Sicilienne" is drawn from the six sonatas for flute and is a selec-tion of chaste beauty and simplicity much in the same style as the famous "Sicilienne" in C minor from the fourth sonata for harpsichord and vio-lin-perhaps, however, even surpass-ing the latter in loveliness. 6. The "Final" is an arrangement of the last chorus from the "St. Matthew Passion," and presents this famous old chorus in a new light. Mr. Riemenschneider will give the first American rendition of this series at the Cleveland Museum of Art and Baldwin-Wallace Conservatory in re-cital early in October. This seems especially appropriate. M. Widor played the entire group at the opening recital of the new organ at the Amer-ican Conservatory at Fontainebleau.

The Illustrated Official Journal of July 29 contains these particulars as to a patent issued to F. P. Walker of Walker & Sons, Ltd., the English or-gan builders: "In order to produce echo and like effects with a pipe or-gan out or more microphones are gan builders: "In order to produce echo and like effects with a pipe or-gan, one or more microphones are fixed to a closed or closable chamber containing pipes and are connected un-der control, through amplifying means such as thermionic valves, to loud speakers, which may be placed in other parts of the auditorium. The control of the loud speaker may be a simple switch, or a variable resistance giving crescendo and diminuendo effects, op-erated at either keyboard or at a dis-tance. A sub-switch may be arranged so that the loud speaker control is in-effective until the swell shutters are wholly or partly closed. A loud speak-er may be placed in the chamber con-taining the microphone, or in another chamber. The swell shutters may be arranged to cut a series of resistances out of the loud speaker circuit as they are closed. A tremolo effect may be produced in the loud speaker by means of a rotating disc which carries a slider contact to and fro over resist-ance studs. By varying the dimen-sions of the diaphragm or reed in the loud speaker, or by varying the posi-tion of the magnets, or by the use of sions of the diaphragm or reed in the loud speaker, or by varying the posi-tion of the magnets, or by the use of adjustable pads applied to the dia-phragm, the harmonics, and therefore the character of the stop as reproduced in the loud speaker, may be varied. The arrangements may be used with vocalists or instrumentalists perform-ing in the pipe chamber. A principal swell-box may have subsidiary swell-boxes communicating with it through swell shutters, each box having its own microphone. The loud speaker may be provided with a sound re-flector."

Novel Plan Uses Loud Speaker.

Lemare Acclaimed on Coast.

Lemare Acclaimed on Coast. Edwin H. Lemare, at present city organist of Chattanooga, Tenn., where he presides over the large new Austin instrument, made a tour to the Pacific coast in September and was received with acclaim at San Francisco, where for a series of years he presided over Auditorium. Mr. Lemare gave his re-cital at San Francisco before an audi-ence of 10,000 people on Sept. 15. Refern Mason, critic of the San Fran-cisco Examiner, in reviewing the per-formance, said among other things: "There are few organists who can hold 10,000 people throughout a long re-cital. Lemare has mastery and the people sense it. In that fact is the secret of his appeal." Before return-ng to Chattanooga for his regular re-citals there Mr. Lemare planned to usist Redlands, Los Angeles and Holly-wood and to give recitals in these

Van Dusen Back at Work.

Frank Van Dusen has returned from Frank Van Dusen has returned from his summer vacation, spent with Mrs. Van Dusen in Michigan and Wiscon-sin, and has resumed his teaching at the American Conservatory and his organ position at Fourteenth Church of Christ, Scientist, Chicago. The sum-mer term was an unusually busy ses-sion for Mr. Van Dusen. His teach-ing schedule was crowded to the ex-tent that he was not able to care for all the pupils who made application for lessons. His class included pupils from twenty states.



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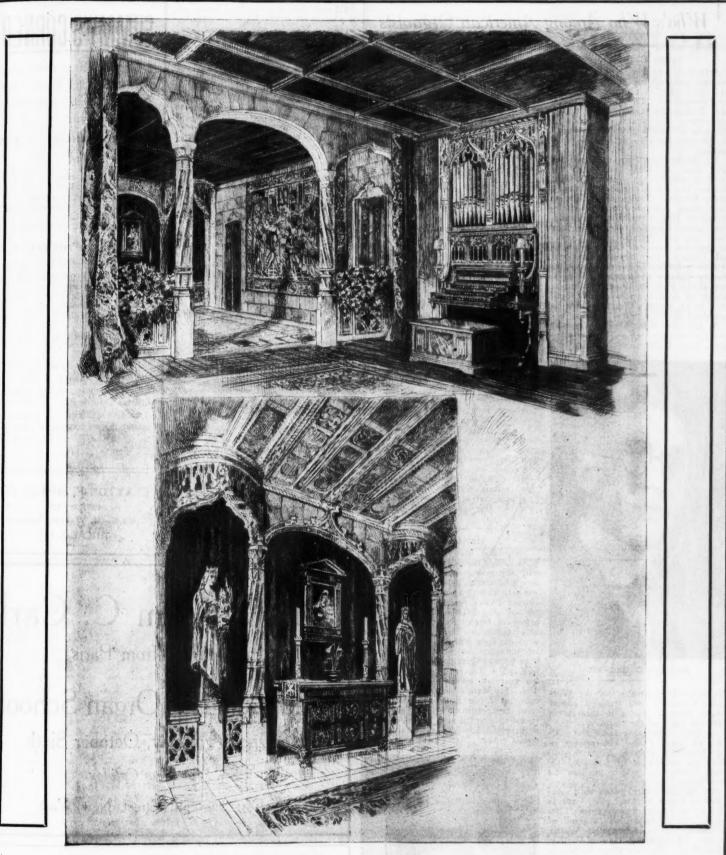


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Who's Who Among American Organists

Arthur C. Becker.

Arthur C. Becker. Arthur C. Becker is one of the younger generation of Chicago organ-ists who have steadily made places for themselves that are prominent. Mr. Becker has achieved distinction not only as the mcumbent of one of the largest Catholic church positions in the city, but also as a pianist and teacher. teacher

in the city, but also as a pianist and teacher. Mr. Becker was born in Louisville, Ky., Sept. 20, 1895, and began the study of music at six years of age. At thirteen he took up the study of organ under Frederic Cowles, the following year being appointed organist-choir-master of Holy Cross Church, Louis-ville. He remained there for four years and then became acting organ-ist and choirmaster of Calvary Episco-pal Church, the largest Episcopal church in Louisville, for a year. After leaving Calvary he accepted the posi-tion at the First Presbyterian Church, which he held for two years, going then to St. Brigid's Church, where he remained for four years. At the same time Mr. Becker was organist at the Alamo Theater, play-ing a large Wurlitzer instrument. He

ARTHUR C. BECKER.

became a demonstrator for the Wur-litzer Company and traveled exten-

became a demonstrator for the Wur-litzer Company and traveled exten-sively, opening organs in theaters in different parts of the country. In April, 1918, he accepted the posi-tion of organist and choirmaster of St. Vincent's Church, Chicago, and dean of the school of music of De Paul University, which position he now holds. now holds.

Mr. Becker studied piano with Con-stantine Leber of Louisville, Georgia Kober of Chicago and Josef Lhe-vinne. In organ he was a pupil of Frederic Cowles, Louisville; Walter Keller, Chicago, and Gaston Dethier, New York. He has given recitals in Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, and many smaller cities and towns. Mr. Becker is actively en-gaged in teaching organ and piano at De Paul University. He received the degree of bachelor of music from Sherwood Music School in 1918 and the master's degree from De Paul University the following year. He is an associate of the American Guild of Organists. Mr. Becker studied piano with Con-

Charles Galloway.

Charles Galloway. Outstanding among the names of prominent organists in the central west is that of Charles Galloway. Mr. Galloway has established himself thor-oughly in St. Louis and has shed lustre upon his profession and ad-vanced the art of organ playing for a long period. He began as a boy prodigy, continued his studies here and in Paris, returned with a fine record and has since then enhanced his repu-tation from year to year by his splen-did work both as a performer in recital

and as a teacher. He was one of the most talented pupils of Alexandre Guilmant and when you look at your copy of that master's Seventh Sonata you will find that it has been inscribed

copy of that master's Seventh Sonata you will find that it has been inscribed to Mr. Galloway. As a young boy Mr. Galloway held various positions as organist in St. Louis. Prior to going to Paris in 1894 to study under Guilmant Mr. Galloway received a thorough ground-ing on the piano for seven years under the late William Robyn, father of Alfred G. Robyn. During two of his four years abroad he held the impor-tant position of organist of the Amer-ican Church of the Holy Trinity in Paris, winning the position over three competitors.

Paris, winning the position and competitors. For the last twenty-five years Mr. Galloway has been organist and choir director of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in St. Louis. For twenty years he has been conductor of the St. Louis Apollo Club (male chorus) and for the past seventeen years conductor of the Club (women's Seventeen years conductor of the Morning Choral Club (women's chorus). He is the official organist at Washington University and gives regu-

Washington University and gives regu-lar recitals there. A former pupil, in an article, once wrote this tribute: "But fate was beckoning, with stern, inevitable fingers, and so, in due time, just as every serious organ student in the vicinity of St. Louis does, sooner or later—as the lodestone draws the needle—he became a pupil of Charles Galloway, that giant of the organ world and one of our few really great teachers, revered by organists as a man and musician of remarkable power and attainments." Mr. Galloway has given innumer-able recitals, not only in and about St. Louis, but in different parts of the country. He gave recitals at three world's fairs.

Harold Tower.

Harold Tower. There are many organists whose work brings them into close fellowship with the young men of their parishes and who might be classified as social workers almost as much as organists. Harold Tower, organist and choirmas-ter of St. Mark's Episcopal Pro-cathedral, Grand Rapids, Mich., might be placed in this class, for the splendid work he does with his choir boys and his influence for good in the parish have brought him pronounced recogni-tion. Mr. Tower recently completed have brought him pronounced recogni-tion. Mr. Tower recently completed ten years of service at the procathe-dral. St. Mark's has a beautiful choir camp at Little Bostwick Lake. The camp comprises eighty-five acres sur-rounding a small lake and is equipped with splendid buildings and a concrete tennis court. Mr. Tower takes great



HAROLD TOWER.

interest in the work among the boys of Grand Rapids and has done much in developing the summer camp. Mr. Tower was born at Union City, Mich., May 18, 1889. He was gradu-

ated from the Oberlin Conservatory in 1911 and then was for four years or-ganist at St. Paul's Church in Minneganist at St. Paul's Church in Minne-apolis, where he was for three years secretary of the A. G. O. and on the examining board of the State Music Teachers' Association. Since moving to Grand Rapids in 1915 he has been for ten years accompanist of the Schu-bert Club and nine years director of the St. Cecilia Chorus. In recent years he has restricted his teaching to ten organ pupils a week and has spent much more of his time doing work with the choir—organizing a girls' church school choir and a choir alumni glee club. He is a member of the Grand Rapids Rotary Club and of the University Club.

Grand Kapids Rotary Club and of the University Club. In making note of Mr. Tower's tenth anniversary in St. Mark's Her-ald, the parish paper, the rector paid him a tribute, a part of which is as follows:

him a tribute, a part of which is as follows: "It would be difficult to exaggerate the influence that Mr. Tower has had in the musical life of Grand Rapids. As director of the St. Cecelia Society he has been a mighty influence with the great number of women of the city who are interested in good music. As pianist to the Schubert Club, the men of the city, who, week by week, have been learning some of the great songs of all nations, he has made a positive contribution. His skill on the organ has made the music in St. Mark's a delight. His great work has been teaching boys. I believe it would be fair to say that no work has made such positive contributions toward character building in the life of the boys as has St. Mark's choir under Mr. Tower's direction and in-spiration. The boys have learned music, but even more than that, they have been under the intimate personal leadership of a man of noble charac-ter, high ideals and gifted power of ex-pression."

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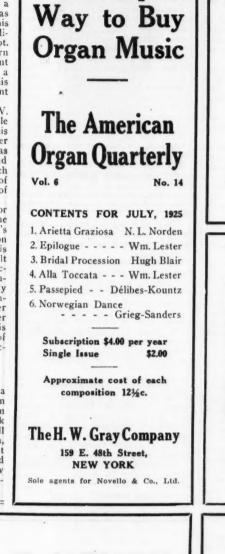
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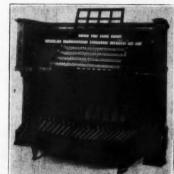
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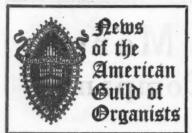
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Report of Examination Committee. Examinations were held for the fel-lowship on May 14 and 15 and for the associateship on May 28 and 29. There were seventeen candidates for the fel-lowship, of whom eight passed. The successful candidates were: William S. Bailey, Macon, Ga. Ida M. Ermold, Baltimore, Md. Gladys Hollingsworth, San Diego, Cal.

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al. Ernest M. Ibbotson, Detroit, Mich. Charles H. Marsh, Redlands, Cal. Willard Sektberg, New York. Virginia Carrington Thomas, New

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York. Ernest Mark Wisdom, Detroit. Of those who passed three took paper work only, having previously passed the organ section. The Estey prize was awarded to William S. Bailey, who gained the highest marks in the paper work. There were seventy-six candidates for associateship, of whom forty-five passed. The successful candidates were:

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Flavella Stockton, Winston-Salem, N. C. George William Volkel, New York. Stanley Wartenberg, Brooklyn, N. Y. Raymond White, San Francisco. Mary Minge Wilkins, Washington. M. Emett Wilson, Chicago. Of those who passed fifteen took paper work only, having previously passed the organ section; two took organ work only, having passed the paper work in 1924.

Report of organ examiners:

With a view to the guidance of future candidates, and the enlighten-ment of those who failed, the examin-ers have written reports of their im-pressions. These reports are founded

upon sound judgment and a kindly interest in the candidates.

Here are some reflections upon the recent examinations from the stand-point of an examiner in work at the organ

In the first place let me say that as a whole the candidates were better prepared than in most previous years, with a better understanding of the re-

with a better understanding of the re-quirements. Little need be said of the playing of the prepared pieces. These as a rule have been acceptably done, and when a candidate has failed in these it has meant unfitness throughout. It is the remaining tests that stir the souls of the examiners, and of these I wish to speak. Aside from the trio to be read at sight (usually well done) the average in these tests has always been poor, and this year is no exception. As to the score reading, this seems to me a very practical thing, something any organist should be able to do easily and fluently at any choir rehearsal. It would be a serious handicap to any choir to have it done as it was by most candidates at the recent exami-nations. nations

nations. Candidates for fel'owship may say that the use of the C clef for alto and tenor parts is no longer practical— they never find it in music for choir. This is true, but a fellow should be a musician of wide experience. We ex-pect of him a little extra knowledge. He might have to read an orchestral score in a pinch, where the alto and tenor clefs are always used. The transposition (better than usual) still leaves much to be desired. A

The transposition (better than usual) still leaves much to be desired. A candidate for associateship, holding a church position, should be able to transpose a simple chant or hymn-tune without question, and when he can do it readily and easily, as all in the day's work, this test will have no terrors for him. him

The test in which candidates make the poorest showing is the harmonizathe poorest showing is the harmoniza-tion of the given melody. Not over two candidates in New York did it well. The failure here is in musical thinking—the ability to grasp har-monies consecutively and in groups. Nothing but more practice and experi-ence will right this. In the same category fall the modu-tations for associateshin and the im-

ence will right this. In the same category fall the modu-lations for associateship and the im-provisation for fellows. We have a right to demand that the modulations should be made in a musical fashion, as they should be in any service. Pos-sibly one or two in New York met this test as it should be met. The candi-dates for fellowship showed the usual weakness in improvisation. Too little attention is paid to this in this coun-try. It is a matter for continual train-ing and hard work. The whole moral of the situation is that many candidates come to the Guild examinations without adequate preparation. In a sense one should not prepare for an examination. It is not something that can be done quickly or hurriedly. If one has gone through the years of necessary study, training and experience, the examination may follow as a matter of course. The Guild examinations demand a well-rounded musicianship, and it is as an incentive to attain this that they have their greatest value. SAMUEL A. BALDWIN. their greatest value.

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CHARLES H. DOERSAM. Report of examiners of paper work: Careful preparation by candidates for the fellowship examination was quite generally indicated by the papers as submitted to the examiners. There were several cases of excellent musi-cianship indicated by the working of unsuccessful candidates were evidenced in answers to various questions; but there was a general lack of musical invention shown in the treatment of the ground bass. Attention of candi-dates to this form of composition is strongly advised by the examiners. The paper work of associateship candidates gave the impression of in-sufficient preparation. Some candi-dates who passed or failed by narrow magins showed evidence of latent taents which should be developed by unter study. The paper work on the average a fair-by good conception of the subject.

Those who failed seemed to have little or no idea of the subject. In this con-

or no idea of the subject. In this con-nection it may be stated that some candidates' knowledge of the alto and tenor clefs was very hazy. Fugal answers: A remarkable igno-rance was shown by a number of can-didates concerning the principles of fugal response. Intelligent study of

fugal response. Intelligent study of organ fugues should result in a better understanding of their construction. Future candidates are advised to study fugues with more analytical attention. Harmonization of a melody was one of the weak spots in the paper work. With a few exceptions the harmoniza-tion showed little musical imagination, and the melodic flow of the added voices was at times sadly lacking. The same general criticism applies to the unfigured bass.

The same general criticism applies to the unfigured bass. The figured bass was generally cor-rectly done; such mistakes as were shown appearing in the use of disson-ances in harsh positions. Many candi-dates seem unable to hear what they write write.

The completion of a musical sentence

The completion of a musical sentence showed lack of melodic invention and failure to appreciate the necessity for a good bass. While the examiners of paper work kept in mind the fact that they were not judging composers, they did ex-pect a musicianly facility in four-part writing writing.

The examiners recommend more serious study of harmony and counter-point before attempting the Guild xaminations.

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Western Pennsylvania. The Western Pennsylvania chapter opened its season Monday evening, Sept. 21, at the Central Y. M. C. A., Pittsburgh, with one of the best at-tended dinner meetings in the history of the chapter. Thirty-one members and three guests were present. The chairman of the program com-mittee, William H. Oetting, announced attractive plans for coming public services and recitals. This was the first meeting presided

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16. *Vox Humana, 8 ft., 73 pipes. 17. Tremolo.

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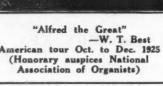
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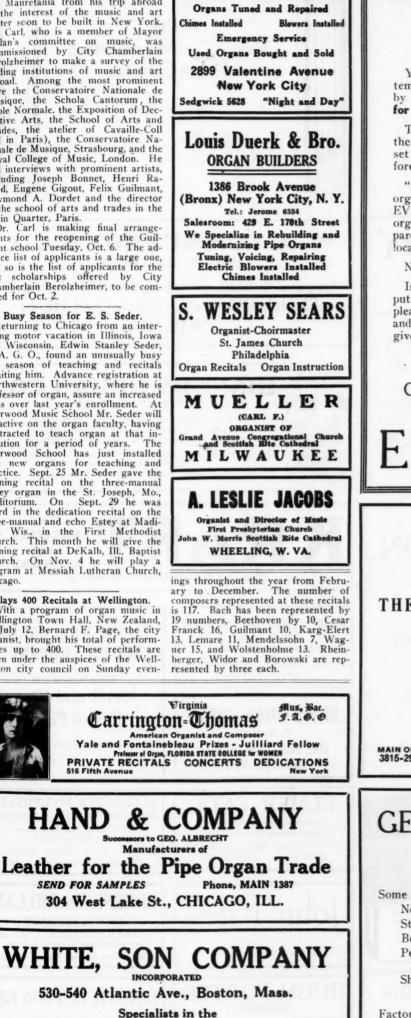
DR. CARL BACK FROM EUROPE

DR. CARL BACK FROM EUROPE Made Survey of Foreign Institutions for New York Mayor. William C. Carl, director of the Guimant Organ School, returned on the Mauretania from his trip abroad in the interest of the music and art center scon to be built in New York. Dr. Carl, who is a member of Mayor Hylan's committee on music, was merolzheimer to make a survey of the leading institutions of music and art art abroad. Among the most prominent were the Conservatoire Nationale de Musique, the Schola Cantorum, the Ecole Normale, the Exposition of Dec-rative Arts, the School of Arts and Trades, the atelier of Cavaille-Coll (all in Paris), the Conservatoire Na-including Joseph Bonnet, Henri Ra-tand, Eugene Gigout, Felix Guilmant, Raymond A. Dordet and the director of the school of arts and trades in the and, Eugene Paris. The School Tuesday, Oct. 6. The ad-mant school Tuesday of the Guil-mant school Tuesday of the Guil-tuesday of the the school school to the the school school to the the scholarships offered by

Busy Season for E. S. Seder. Returning to Chicago from an inter-esting motor vacation in Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin, Edwin Stanley Seder, F. A. G. O., found an unusually busy fail season of teaching and recitals awaiting him. Advance registration at Northwestern University, where he is professor of organ, assure an increased class over last year's enrollment. At Sherwood Music School Mr. Seder will be active on the organ faculty, having contracted to teach organ at that in-stitution for a period of years. The Sherwood School has just installed two new organs for teaching and practice. Sept. 25 Mr. Seder gave the opening recital on the three-manual Estey organ in the St. Joseph, Mo., Auditorium. On Sept. 29 he was heard in the dedication recital on the three-manual and echo Estey at Madi-son, Wis., in the First Methodist Church. This month he will give the opening recital at DeKalb, Ill., Baptist Church. On Nov. 4 he will play a program at Messiah Lutheran Church, Chicago.

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HUGH PORTER IN NEW WORK.
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The David Mannes School of Music announces the engagement of Hugh Porter as teacher of organ in the school. Until a year ago this position was held by David McK. Williams organist of St. Bartholomew's Church. Melville Smith, now of the faculty of the Eastman School at Rochester, held this position during the last year.
Mr. Porter will continue his connection with New York University, where he will be in charge of all the music courses and the men's choir at University Heights.
The closing season at Chautauqua, N. Y., has been a successful one. In a series of ten organ recitals which were given on Sunday afternoons, the auditeness the first to over 2,000 at some of the successful one. In a series of ten organ recitals which were and the first to over 2,000 at some of the successful one. In a series of ten organ recitals which were as the direct of the recitals and the first to over 2,000 at some of the successful one. In a series of ten organ recitals which were as additional practice organ. The ninety-five stop memorial organ is used only for the recitals and organ solo work in the amplitheater.

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Introduction to Third Act, "Tristan and Isolde"; arranged by Fricker; published by G. Schirmer.

There is no more beautiful passage in the whole four hours of "Tristan and Isolde" than the orchestral inter-lude which raises the curtain on the wounded Tristan waiting for the ab-sent Isolde in his lonely castle garden overlooking the sea. The music is sent isolde in his lonely castle garden overlooking the sea. The music is saturated with melancholy and loncli-ness and sighs unutterable desolation. The transcription by Mr. Fricker is admirably done and the music well suited to the modern organ with its pungent string tone and the orchestral surgery of the modern reds. The tune quality of the modern reeds. The tune of the shepherd's pipe should be played by the cor anglais, but, lacking that, the oboe or the clarinet may be used. A splendid number for recital!

Unfinished Symphony, by Schubert; arranged for organ by J. Stuart Archer; published by W. Paxton & Co., Ltd., London.

Los, Ltd., London. Last month we reviewed an organ transcription of the first movement of Schubert's "Unfinished," made by Mr. Lemare. Now comes an arrangement transcription of the first movement of Schubert's "Unfinished," made by Mr. Lemare. Now comes an arrangement of the whole symphony made by J. Stuart Archer. Mr. Lemare made some cuts in the first movement; Mr. Archer transcribes the whole thing. The first movement is a bit long for ordinary use, but the transcriber has done his work so well that there is no part of it but what can be played on the organ with splendid results. Either of the two movements may be used at a church service, as the exalted mood in which Schubert penned these im-mortal measures is sufficiently re-ligious to make the music not out of place. The second movement is espe-cially suited for church use, although the first may be used for that purpose also. Needless to say, both movements will be found admirable for recital use. And it is also needless to say that the transcriber has done his work well.

Compline and Canon-Scherzo, b Stuart Archer; published by Paxton & Co., Ltd. by J. v W.

Two short pieces under one cover by an English composer who has an eye on the American market. The Compline is pleasantly suggestive of vesper bells and is harmonically quite interesting. It is very brief, covering only two pages, and uses only the most delicate registers

only two pages, and uses only the most delicate registers. The Canon-Scherzo is not unlike the familiar B major Canon by Schumann. It is bright and vivacious and its canonical character is handled so deftly that there is not the slightest suggestion of pedantry.

Bernard Johnson; published by W. Paxton & Co., Ltd. Sonata di Camera in F

Paxton & Co., Ltd. A three-movement sonata to which one is tempted to apply the adjective "intellectual." By this it is meant that the music makes its appeal through the clarity and skill with which its ideas are developed and put together rather than through the emotional con-tent of the ideas themselves. The first movement, allegro vivace, four-two time, is a well-written, though not

startlingly original, movement. The first theme is bold and sharply out-lined and the second theme is appro-priately suave. The development is very well done and both the beginning and the ending of the movement are impressively massive, especially at the end, where there is a descending pas-sage for octave pedals which brings the movement to a thunderous conclu-sion. The second movement is an in-termezzo in nine-eight rhythm and is quiet throughout. The finale is a toccata with the usual characteristics of such pieces. such pieces.

New Anthems. Published by the Arthur P. Schmidt 'He Shall Come Down," Charles H.

Morse. "Rise Up, O Men of God," T. Tertius

"Come, Ye Blessed," W. J. Marsh. "Benedictus es Domine," F. M. Michell.

"More Love to Thee," Chester Nord-

man. "O Love of God Most Full," Charles P. Scott.

Published by G. Schirmer, New York: "The Lord's Prayer," Edward K. "Ine Lorge Macrum. "Let All on Earth Their Voices Raise," Clarence Robinson. "Declare His Glory Among the

"Declare His Glory Among the Heathen," Gottfried Federlein. "For He Shall Give His Angels Charge over Thee," John R. Van Vliet

Published by the Oliver Ditson Com-

pany: "In Him We Live," H. Leroy Baum-

gartner. "God Is Love," William Arms Fish Beloved, Let Us Love One An-

other," Bruce Steane. "Lord of the Worlds Above," Mrs. H. H. A. Beach. "Father, Whate'er of Earthly Bliss," Edward Shippen Barnes. "Sing, O Daughter of Zion," E. S.

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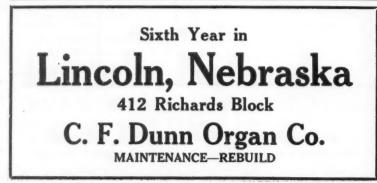
dlyn. "The Virgin's Slumber-Song," Max

Reger.

"I Hear the Soft Note of My Savi-our's Voice," Arthur Sullivan. The fall output from the Arthur P.

The fall output from the Arthur P. Schmidt Company is admirably con-trasted. There are examples of vari-ous types of anthems suitable for vari-ous types of choirs. The Charles H. Morse "He Shall Come down like Rain" is a very good "hymn anthem," simple and melodious and admirably suited to a quartet. In fact, it is one of the very few anthems available which seem to have been composed with a quartet in mind, and this in spite of the fact that there are no solo passages. passages

passages. Tertius Noble's "Rise up, O Men of God" is one of those unaccompanied choral compositions that he does so well. His earliest work in this line (published a number of years ago in England) set a high standard which few contemporary writes are able to England) set a high standard which few contemporary writers are able to attain and when we say that he has lived up to his own high mark we are saying about all that can be said. As befits the words, the music is vigorous and energetic. Admirable use is made of the male section of the choir. The music requires a chorus, as its effects are massive and harmonious rather than melodic, and the score calls for at least two voices on each part. at least two voices on each part. "Come Ye Blessed," by W. J.



Marsh, is fluently melodious is a soprano solo which leads directly to a tenor solo. The choral portion is very easy, part of it being in unison; an anthem admirably suited to the average chorus average chorus.

average chorus. F. M. Michell has made his setting of the "Benedictus es, Domine" a very good example of service music for chorus choir. The canticle has been set to dignified but simple music which will not worry choirmasters and will produce an adequate and musical result result.

"More Love to Thee, O Christ," by Chester Nordman, is another of the tuneful pieces which are called "hymn anthems." There is a very good solo for a soprano or tenor and considerable

for a soprano or tenor and considerable unison for the chorus. This piece is quite suitable for quartet use. Charles P. Scott has used a Scandi-navian melody for the basis of the anthem "O Love of God Most Full." We feel tempted to call this a tune rather than a melody and we can recommend it to those choirmasters whose music committees call for "tunewhose music committees call for "tune-ful music." But we advise all choir-masters with a sense of humor to be careful. Only the strictest self-disci-pline will keep this composition in the realm of church music. The slightest deviation from solemnity will make jazz out of it. With a very little doc-toring it makes an admirable foxtrot. Enough said! whose music committees call for "tune-Enough said!

Among the Schirmer anthems we find a very admirable setting of the Lord's Prayer by Edward K. Macrum. This is one of the best settings we have ever seen and we recommend it highly to choirmasters who can make use of it. Mr. Macrum has done espe-cially well in co-ordinating the word and note accents and his phrases are beautifully turned and capable of pro-ducing the finest musical and devo-tional effect. Beginning very gradu-ally, the music builds up to a splendid climax. The middle portion is chanted and a fine crescendo comes at "Forgive us our trespasses," building up in in-tensity to a climax on the word "glory," then broadening out to a pianissimo ending. Clarence Robinson's "Let All on Earth Their Voices Raise" is a fine praise anthem for a choir of average ability. It is not difficult. There is a bass solo which really is bass and not

bass solo which really is bass and not baritone.

baritone. Federlein's "Declare His Glory among the Heathen" is dramatic in style and should be tremendously effective with a large chorus. Its text and style make it especially good for synagogue use. The effects are some-what similar to those achieved by the Bussians and the harmonic color is Russians and the harmonic color is rich and varied. There is a solo for alto, with the chorus singing pianis-simo. A fine example of dramatic music for the church.

The most interesting and significant anthem in the Ditson list (and the most interesting and significant an-them of the month) is H. Leroy Baum-gartner's "In Him We Live." This is the composition which was awarded the American Guild of Organists' prize for 1924 and was sung at the Guild service at St. Luke's Church, Evans-ton, III., at the Guild convention last June. The composition made a decided June. The composition made a decided impression in performance and the favorable impression has been strengthimpression in performance and the favorable impression has been strength-ened by an examination of the score. It is an admirable work, full of emo-tion and feeling, skillfully contrived for both the voices and the organ. It is not overly difficult, although it will stand careful rehearsing to bring out the dramatic qualities to the full. The words are biblical and the composer has selected and arranged them with an eye to their dramatic values, which he has heightened and intensified with the music to which he has wedded them. There is no organ prelude, the alto solo beginning at once a recitative, "lento espressivo," with a simple chordal accompaniment. The tenor solo follows in a splendid bit of writ-ing and the alto soloist then repeats a variant of the opening phrase. After this beginning the entrance of the chorus is very effective. The choral part is carried on to the end with un-tailing interest. The Guild prize has been awarded

to some very worthy compositions in the past, but we are sure it has never found a more worthy client than the present one. Last year William Arms Fisher in-troduced a new idea in the church music world with his "Biblical An-thems for Minister and Choir." In these works he endeavors to discourage the old notion that music is merely an adjunct to the church service and to encourage the recognition of music as an integral part of the service itself. In these anthems the composer seeks to unite the pulpit and the choir. The scriptural reading by the clergyman, or an asistant, is as essential as the music that is interwoven with it. The works therefore demand the sympa-thetic co-operation of the minister and choir thus brought together in pro-claiming the message each anthem voices. voices.

The fourth and latest number in the The fourth and latest number in the series is an anthem for general use, "God is Love." Of the music it may be said that it is fully up to the com-poser's own high standard, and that is saying a great deal. There are solos for all the solo voices and the music is constantly fresh and interesting and yet

for all the solo voices and the music is constantly fresh and interesting and yet always very singable and effective for the average church congregation. A very interesting experiment this of Mr. Fisher's, one that we are watching with a great deal of interest. Mrs. H. H. A. Beach belongs in the front rank of American composers but she has written little for church use. Her anthem "Lord of the Worlds Above" is a fine bit of writing, espe-cially interesting on the harmonic side. There are solos for soprano, tenor and bass and at the end the chorus in-tones impressively the first phrase of Martin Luther's "Ein' Feste Burg." Edward Shippen Barnes' "Father, Whate'er of Earthly Bliss'' is a simple American anthem for chorus. E. S. Hosmer's "Sing, O Daughter of Zion" is a pleasing anthem quite within the powers of the volunteer chorus, with a soprano solo which may be sung by all the sopranos. George B. Nevin's "God Will Make All Things Right" is one of those sentimental and melodi-ous anthems that always make a great appeal to congregations. Nobody can write them better than Mr. Nevin. There are short solos for alto, tenor and bass and the anthem may be sung either by a chorus or quartet. Mr. Candlyn has gone outside of his either by a chorus or quartet.

Mr. Candlyn has gone outside of his usual orbit in writing a Tantum Ergo for the Catholic service, but there is no touch of unfamiliarity in the music. It is characteristically Catholic in the It is characteristically Catholic in the best sense of the word and Mr. Can-dlyn writes like one brought up in the traditions and atmosphere of that faith. His Tantum Ergo is beautiful music and, as it is provided with an English text in addition to the Latin, we hope it will find a use outside of the Cath-olic communion. olic communion.

The name of Max Reger usually brings visions of a cascading torrent of sixteenth notes pouring tumultuous-ly out over a chorale theme. Complex-ity seems to be his natural habit and ity seems to be his natural habit and it is, therefore, surprising to find a sim-ple little "wiegenlied" under his name. This "Virgin's Slumber-song" is as simple as a folk-tune. It has been ar-ranged for three women's voices by Anton Beckers and no doubt will ob-tain a hearing during the Christmas season.

We have reached the end of the list and in contemplating the last number the typewriter stutters and the mind reels. The name of the anthem is "I Hear the Soft Note of My Saviour's Voice" and the composer is none other than Arthur Sullivan, who wrote some good church music in his day, as well as some good music of another kind. As we read the words and music of this "anthem" the picture which flashed before our mind's eye was not of a chancel and the faint odor which mem-ory called up was not the odor of sanc-We have reached the end of the list chancel and the faint odor which mem-ory called up was not the odor of sanc-tity. In place of the words on the printed page we seemed to hear: For the pain that is almost a pleasure will change To the pleasure that's almost pain. And never again my heart will range From that old, old love again. Of course, the music itself is all right, but are there any congregations any

but are there any congregations any-where which never heard "Patience?" Some day we are going to compile a Dictionary of Bad Taste and when we do—!!!!

FINE WORK AT ASBURY PARK

FINE WORK AT ASBURY PARK Herbert S. Sammond Fills First M. E. Church for Musical Services. The First M. E. Church of Asbury Park, sometimes spoken of as the cathedral of Methodism, has drawn people from all parts of the country by its special summer musical pro-grams. These musical services in past years have been in charge of Mrs. Bruce S. Keator, organist of the church, who has made them note-worthy through the presentation of programs of exceptional interest. In the summer just past Mrs. Keator has been abroad taking a course of study under Marcel Dupre. During her ab-sence the services have been kept up to their high standard through the en-gagement of Herbert Stavely Sam-mond, organist of the Middle Col-legiate Church, New York, and con-ductor of the Elizabeth, N. J., Ora-torio Society, the Spring Lake Choral Society and the Morning Choral of Brooklyn. Mr. Sammond has had in addition to the large mixed chorus and male choir, composed largely of members of the

Brooklyn. Mr. Sammond has had in addition to the large mixed chorus and male choir, composed largely of members of the Apollo Club of Asbury Park, of which he is the former director, a double quartet of soloists. Excerpts from many of the standard oratorios have been given throughout the summer and two new compositions by Mr. Sam-mond—"Supplication," for quartet and chorus (dedicated to Mrs. Keator and the Asbury choir) and "Meditation," for violin and organ, and a choral ar-rangement of Sibelius' "Finlandia," made by Mr. Sammond, have been fea-tures of these services. "The Crown of Life." by George B. Nevin, and Gaul's "Creation" and Mendelssohn's "Eli-jah" were given in part. Every avail-able space in the church building, in-cluding Sunday-school room, galleries, pulpit and aisles, was filled morning and evening, hundreds were turned away for lack of room and many came an hour before the service to be sure of a seat. Mr. Sammond has returned to his Mr. Sammond has returned to his sure

church work in New York and to the choral societies he directs. He has been invited by Walter Damrosch to have his Brooklyn Morning Choral take part in two Wagnerian concerts with the New York Symphony orches-tra in New York this season.

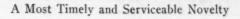
Mead Goes to Denison University.

Mead Goes to Denison University. Edward Gould Mead this year goes to Denison University, Granville, Ohio, as head of the organ work. He will also be organist of the Baptist Church of Granville and expects to do considerable recital work during the season. Mr. Mead has returned after a summer passed in Europe. He visit-ed Fontainebleau, where he studied last year, and heard the new organ. On July 13 Mr. Mead gave a recital at the Church of St. Michael, Corn-hill, through the courtesy of Dr. Harold Darke, the organist and choir-master, and played the following pro-gram: Prelude and Fugue in A minor, Bach; Andante Religioso, Liszt; Canon in B minor, Schumann; Medi-tation (from Suite in G minor), Tru-ette; "Piece Heroique," Finale from First Organ Symphony, Vierne.

One View of the Organ.

One View of the Organ. Sir Frederick Cowen's "Music as She Is Wrote" offers the following passage on the organ: "A very powerful instrument used by composers when a big modern orchestra by itself is not noisy enough for their purpose. It is an instrument full of very curious anomalies. For instance, it is often combined with other instruments, but is never 'coupled' with anything but itself; its 'stops' are the means by which it goes on; it can 'tie' any chord, but has no strings; its beautiful sounds are caused entirely by its 'bellows'; when its notes do not act properly it is of no consequence—in fact, it is a mere 'cipher'; and although there is a great its notes do not act properly it is of no consequence—in fact, it is a mere 'cipher'; and although there is a great deal of the 'swell' about it, it occupies itself largely with 'manual' work. An organ is very useful as a decorative background to a concert hall."

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Let us call the attention, especially Let us call the attention, especially of theater organists, to a valuable reg-ular feature which has been added to the columns of The Diapason in the last few months. The special articles by John Priest, organist of the Colony Theater in New York City, are filled with good ideas for the "movie" player and much can be found in them which applies to the work of every organist. and much can be found in them which applies to the work of every organist. Mr. Priest not only ranks as one of the foremost picture players of the United States, but is in every sense a musician of the first rank. The Dia-pason feels that it is adding much to its monthly offerings through the con-tributions from his pan tributions from his pen.

IS THE SMALL TOWN SO BAD?

Our recent plea on behalf of the nall town as a field for the organist, small small town as a held for the organist, and in opposition to the segregation of musicians in the large cities, has evoked an answer from one young and ambitious organist who can't see the thing at all in our way. He is at pres-ent in a small place in the middle west and admits that his aim is to get to a here of the association are an opening trelarge city as soon as an opening pre-sents itself.

large city as soon as an experimental sents itself. What this young man writes is in-teresting—and unfortunately much of it is true. Our only answer is that the city has many of the same discourage-ments and others distinctly its own. Starving to death is not much pleasure in a large or small community. The best men need not do it in either place. Our contention is that the difficulties can be overcome. It is the same with the obvision or the lawyer in the small Our contention is that the difficulties can be overcome. It is the same with the physician or the lawyer in the small town and in the great city. The ground is about equally fertile wherever you go. The argument we have tried to make is against the inclination of a great majority to look for a yield in one place, neglecting the fields that lie outside.

But to quote our correspondent:

outside. But to quote our correspondent: I have read your editorial, "Calling from Macedonia," and am amused, to say the least. Have you ever lived in a small town? How many places has Illinois with a population of 50,000? Let me call your attention to some of the conditions the wonder why people are going to the citles. The musician, in order to live, gives fessons for 50 cents, against competition prices of 25 cents, charged by some girl. or by a housewife whose husband will not support her and who would rather do that than do the washing and scrub the foors. People drive up in Cadillacs who do not pay their bills for three or four months. The village parson expects re-duced rates. Some of the pupils expect you to supply them with music free. The states and and expect you to enter whole-heartedly into it from "Christian duty." The trusnees will not let you give should not be debased by a mercenary transaction." (This in a town of 20,000.) Some of the organists cannot even play is prices to hear mediocre chautauqua jent to base or of some or the some of the out on the organist cannot even play by prices to hear mediocre chautauqua is prices to hear mediocre chautauqua is practices for a church wedding

and after giving a recital and devoting twelve to fifteen hours to it gets in re-turn six 8-cent handkerchiels thrown on the front porch! The inhabitant's idea of orchestra mu-sic is either jazz or Sunday-school orches-tra music. The hymns are of the Moody-Sankey type. No good artists or organi-zations come to town and one has dif-ficulty in going to the city to hear them because of poor train service. The school plays and pay their way in at the same time. Persons' ideas of the greatest pi-anist are agreed upon Snodgrass. Et cetera ad infinitum. One theater pays \$12 a week for thirty hours' playing. You may think me a liar, but I am not. While these conditions are true, never-theless there is an element which wei-comes and loves good things, but only a small minority. While the possibilities of development are great, and occasionally a good man comes along and works won-ders, yet he does not stay long. He is seized upon by a larger city and goes there. The student of present-day eco-nomic conditions knows that the true dis definitely toward the city-sad, but true. Soon 'twill all be country and city. The small town is dying. People would rather be poverty-stricken in the city than be so in a small town. Quite some jeremiad! We could paraphrase it and make it fit New York

Quite some jeremiad! We could paraphrase it and make it fit New York or Chicago. How many really good organists' positions are there in either of these great centers? They may not give you any 8-cent handkerchiefs for playing at a wedding in the cities, but the amount of appreciation sometimes would be adequately measured by just such a remuneration. And the comthe amount of appreciation sometimes would be adequately measured by just such a remuneration. And the com-petition for pupils! Why talk about it? There is a happier side to the situa-tion. The only way to improve con-ditions is to educate the people. It has to be done right along in the cities. It can be done in the country. The man with a vision, with energy and capa-bility, eventually will win in the small city. This is true no matter what his profession. If he is a better doctor or a better minister than the average he will attract notice and consequent re-ward. It may not be a great reward, but commensurate with living condi-tions. Not all the people are so fool-ish—even in a "hick" town—that they will not see the difference between a 25-cent lesson and the instruction given by a man who knows his busi-ness. Good organ playing eventually must put in the shade the other kind— it does it in the big city and it will do it in the village, for the people are about the same and have the same average intelligence and tastes. Lonah wouldn't go to Nineyeh. He verage intelligence and tastes. Jonah wouldn't go to Nineveh. He

could see no chance of converting the people. He didn't like the place. The outlook was hopeless in his eyes. He overlooked his big chance. We know the result. When we go to the small city and see the good done by the able clergyman, the devoted physician and the intelligent country newspaper edithe intelligent country newspaper edi-tor we realize that the world and all happiness are not centered in the metropolis.

SWELL-BOXES FOR PIANOS

Adaptation of the principle of the swell-box to the piano has been car-ried out by the noted engineer, John Hays Hammond, and the result seems to have aroused a great deal of inter-est in musical circles, especially in the east. It is interesting for those devot east. It is interesting for those devot-ed to the organ to note the possibili-ties claimed for the new idea by its inventor and others, and to see what a contribution to the construction of the piano the organ is thus able to make. The invention is described as the greatest achievement in piano con-struction in a century. As a matter of fact, The Diapason made mention not many years ago of a previous adaptation of the swell-box principle by the house of Mehlin in its pianos. In a demonstration of the Ham-

In a demonstration of the swell-box principal by the house of Mehlin in its pianos. In a demonstration of the Ham-mond device at the home of the in-ventor at Gloucester, Mass., recently, Lester Donahue is said to have dem-onstrated that Mr. Hammond's inven-tion "mot only increases the negociety tion "not only increases the pianoforte tone to the volume of music played on an organ, but that the skillful perform-er on the improved instrument is able

delicately to control volume and nuance of tone even after notes are struck." A New York Times report of the demonstration said:

demonstration said: In an explanatory talk which pre-ceded the recital Mr. Hammond said that his purpose had been to give to the player control over the notes after the keys had been struck. By the use of re-flectors set inside the instrument and controlled by a fourth pedal it had been possible to build up a tremendous sonor-ity and the tones might be allowed to escape with any degree of subtlety. In

other words, unlike the notes in an ordi-nary plano, which gradually fade after being struck, those from an instrument fitted with the Hammond pedal may be sustained and even increased in volume many times. The results are such that experts feel the invention may result in a new type of musical composition.

"In describing the genesis of his in-vention," continued the Times report, 'Mr. Hammond said that it developed as the result of working for more than six years on the construction of a large organ in his home."

large organ in his home." The main elements of the piano-forte, he went on, have continued es-sentially unchanged since its invention by Cristofori in 1709. Its evolution had been in details rather than in prin-ciple and had been largely concerned with obtaining more sustained tone and power. This had heretofore been achieved by greater rigidity of frame and power. This had heretofore been achieved by greater rigidity of frame and higher tension of the strings, which had been more than doubled in the last hundred years. During this period of development many attempts had been made further to modulate and control the tone, but always un-successfully.

and control the tone, but always un-successfully. "When a player hit the keys of a piano," Mr. Hammond continued, "the resultant energy was strong enough to be measured in foot-pounds. In the ordinary piano once the keys were struck this energy could not be con-trolled by the player. It was impossi-ble for him to build up tone and then allow it to escape as he might desire." allow it to escape as he might desire. To overcome this limitation, M Hammond conceived the idea of re Mr re flectors which should cover the entire top of a sound-proof case. The reflec-tors are parallel revolving slats which can be opened or closed at the will of

can be opened or closed at the will of the player by an extra pedal. It will certainly be interesting for those of us who have used the swell pedal nearly all our lives to watch the developments in the piano world and to see whether the new device will be generally adopted. Pianists will begin to realize some of the work an organ-ist does when he plays as they begin to operate the extra pedal and find themselves confronting the necessity of learning to control a mechanical de-vice which requires artistic handling.

In view of the really universal vogue for a number of years of Lemare's Andantino it will be interesting to or-Andantino it will be interesting to or-ganists to know that a clever arranger has made the popular piece into a pop-lar song, with the permission of the composer. The rather prosaic title of "Andantino in D flat" has been changed into "Moonlight and Roses" and the words fitted to the music are sentimental enough to meet any and all demands. And the sale of the piece in its new form is reported as very large. large.

From tin cans discarded by the camp cooks a sergeant of the quarter-master's corps on duty with the Amer-ican forces in China has built a pipe organ. Thus the soldiers and the poor, long-suffering heathen in Tient-sin are favored with "canned music," according to a dispatch from the Orient which one of our readers is good enough to clip from a newspaper and send us. Installed, after elaborgood enough to clip from a newspaper and send us. Installed, after elabor-ate camouflaging, in the chapel of the camp, this unique creation is luring with its dulcet tones greater and greater numbers of doughboys to the chaplain's service, the dispatch sets forth. The soldiers have heard noth-ing like it since they left the States, the chaplain says. Our sympathy to the soldiers. the soldiers.

Orange Organist Weds. Douglas M. Perry, organist of the Palace Theater, Orange, N. J., and Miss Esther Wilmot of the same city were united in marriage at St. Mark's Episcopal Church recently. William H. Meeder, under whom Mr. Perry is studying, was at the organ. Mr. Perry is a graduate of New York University.

Paul Esterly, artist-pupil and assist-ant teacher of Frank Van Dusen, has been engaged as organist at the new Diversey Theater, Chicago, where he has a three-manual Wurlitzer organ. Mrs. B. W. White, pupil of Mr. Van Dusen, has been engaged as organist at the Strand Theater, Cumberland, Md. at Md.

The Free Lance

By HAMILTON C. MACDOUGALL

September, I take it, is the time when choirs, organists and musical di-rectors make to themselves fresh promises of increased efficiency in their work. There is, of course, a little rusti-ness after the summer's rest, and it is not always easy—although many times delightful—to look up new sacred songs, anthems, cantatas and vesper organ pieces, as well as to refurbish some of the old tried-and-true war horses of vocal and instrumental suc-cess. I pity a man or woman to whom the prospect of another season in church work seems dreary, especially if it comes from a feeling that the whole thing is a sort of treadmill— much motion and little progress. I was struck with the remark made ises of increased efficiency their in

I was struck with the remark made me by a prominent and successful business man who has been in the United States two or three months. I said to him: "What is your impres-sion, so far as you have gone, of the morale in business and in the musical world?" "Well" he said "I hate to say it

Well," he said, "I hate to say it, well," he said, "I hate to say it, but since you have asked me the ques-tion I will answer it frankly: I have been profoundly saddened by the re-mark I have heard made time and time again—namely, 'I think I can get by with it."

with,it." "Getting by" is by no means the product of laziness, though laziness will stimulate it. I hate to admit it, but I am afraid there is a class of pro-fessional men, musicians among them, who pride themselves on their skill in doing little and getting much; it is very much like bragging about an in-vestment that brings one in 7 per cent. There is another class of "getting-by-ers" recruited from the singers and organists who have become discour-aged because of the non-recognition of their artistry and of their effort to give satisfaction; you can't blame those musicians if they say: "I can't see that it makes any difference whether I do or do not my best; I get no recog-nition; I'll do just enough to get by."

nition; I'll do just enough to get by." An interesting book came my way a few weeks ago—"Winchester Cathe-dral Statutes." It contains the Latin statutes of the noble church at Win-chester as given by Charles I., with an English translation; it is edited by the assistant librarian and by the dean of the cathedral. It is published by the Clarendon Press. There are some quaint bits in it. It seems that Winchester Cathedral had to have sixty-three officials of varying degrees of importance from the Bishop down to the Undercook. There were to be two Porters, one of whom was to be a Barber, and two Ministers to ring the bells and set other things in order. The musical force was to consist of one Organist, ten Lay Clerks (pronounce "clarks," if you please!), one Master of the Choristers and six Choristers. Every-one Tardy at an ordinary service was Choristers and six Choristers. Every-one Tardy at an ordinary service was to be fined one penny, or twopence if it was a Sunday or a Feast Day; if anyone paid scant heed to the common prayers and lessons by reason of mu-tual converse with others he was to be fined as absent. It was also ordered that "the Sacrist shall have under him decent men who * * * shall keep

that "the Sacrist shall have under him decent men who * * * shall keep Dogs from the entry of the cathedral, bring to order and restrain * * * boys making a noise round about." As to the organist, the statutes say: "We will that there be chosen * * * one who is of honest repute and un-corrupt life, skilled in singing and playing upon the Organs, who shall apply himself zealously to playing at the right times and to singing of divine Offices; also to teach and train the Choristers." The Appendix VI. has a valuable

The Appendix VI. has a valuable discussion of the present position of the organist in a cathedral.

'The text of our Winchester statutes shows how unimportant the position of the organist was in the seventeenth century. I fancy * * that even now no real power is given to the musician at all. The choir is not his

Of course, that is quite right: choir. it belongs to the cathedral, not the or-ganist or choirmaster. But the posi-tion of the musician * * * needs non or the musician * * * needs at the present day very greatly to be raised." There are liberal quotations from references to the "Report of the Archbishops' Committee on Church Music"; I wonder how many even of our Episcopal brethren know this re-port. port.

port. It is well to be humble. It is well to be humble at the very moment when one has reason to be proud. Many years ago, when I was giving a series of free organ recitals in Provi-dence, I had worked up a piece in the toccata style to a point where I fan-cied myself as really "quite some." The next recital program included it, and I played it with what I thought considerable success. There was a large audience, but applause was frowned upon. In the silence follow-ing the last massive full organ chords I heard a child's voice say very dis-tinctly and plaintively: "Hat! Go!"

Word from Mr. Christian.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Sept. 24.—Editor of The Diapason: Since reading the printed version in the September Dia-pason of my paper on the "Develop-ment of Music" for organ and orches-tra, which was presented at the Cleve-land convention of the N. A. O., I realize with the keenest regret that some inaccuracies, or at least a lack of complete statements, crept into the some maccuracies, or at least a lack of complete statements, crept into the paper. Two that come to mind at once are the omission of the names of Eddy and Middelschulte, both of whom have had orchestra appearances

in years gone by. Those who heard my verbal expla-nation before reading the paper will remember that I explained how it had to be prepared in somewhat of a hurry --which was bound to result in some -which was bound to result in some deficiencies. To others I hope it is unnecessary to say that there was nothing intentional or personal in the failure to make an *absolutely* complete record. Very truly yours, PALMER CHRISTIAN.

"Organ and Orchestra" Omissions.

Oshkosh, Wis., Sept. 10.—On page 19 of the September number of The Diapason, Palmer Christian mentions a number of organists who re-cently played with orchestra. No doubt the reader will have noticed the preponderance of visiting talent. It is true, Mr. Christian has a dis-tinct recollection that some time pre-vious to the war someone. he does not

It is true, Mr. Christian has a dis-tinct recollection that some time pre-vious to the war someone, he does not recall who, had played Widor's "Sin-fonia Sacra" with the Chicago Sym-phony Orchestra, and we wonder if he ever heard of the name "Middel-schulte"? Perhaps Mr. Christian was present when Wilhelm Middelschulte played the Widor symphony. The fact is that Widor's "Sinfonia Sacra," having as its principal theme that grand old hymn of the fourth cen-tury, "Veni Redemptor Gentium" ("Savior of the Heathen, Come!"), was played for the first time in Amer-ica by Dr. Middelschulte in 1910 with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and has not since been played by anyone else in this country, and another work by Widor, "Hymnus," for organ and brass orchestra (trumpets and trom-bones), was played with the same or-ganization in 1917 by someone, a dis-tinguished American citizen, who, ac-cording to the editorial in The Dia-pason of April, 1925, was invited to conduct a master class in Berlin-Wil-helm Middelschulte. If the war so stumed the memory of our American musicians and musical perusal of the pre-war-period pro-grams of the above-named organiza-tion might reveal names of other or-gan works played by a very eminent American master. THEO. G. STELZER.

Middelschulte with Orchestra.

Kingston, N. Y., Sept. 9, 1925.— Editor of The Diapason: A list of organists who did their share to pro-mote the use of the organ with orches-tra is incomplete if it does not men-tion the name of Dr. Wilhelm Middel-

schulte. It was Middelschulte who played Widor's "Sinfonia Sacra" and "Salvum fac Populum" for the first time in America. Besides these two compositions, The Diapason of De-cember, 1919, names the Bach-Middel-schulte Chaconne in D minor, Klose's Frelude and Double Fugue, Liszt's Fantasie and Fugue on the Chorale "Ad Nos ad Salutarem Undam" and Middelschulte's Passacaglia in D minor, as having been played by Middelschulte as official organist of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra for the first time in America. It is somewhat surprising that Palmer Christian failed to mention Middelschulte in the organ and or-chestra paper at the N. A. O. conven-tion. I remember when both men appeared in concert at Medinah Tem-ple, Chicago, about ten years ago.

appeared in concert at Medinah Tem-ple, Chicago, about ten years ago. Palmer Christian played a group of organ selections and Middelschulte gave the Rheinberger F major Con-certo with his own inimitable cadenza. The orchestra that evening was direct-ed by Dr. J. Lewis Browne and con-sisted of members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Incidentally, Dr. Russell might do well to engage Dr. Middelschulte, ac-claimed by some in Europe "the world's greatest," to appear in the Wanamaker stores of New York and Philadelphia. The work of this rare artist deserves to be better known here in the east.

here in the east. HERBERT D. BRUENING.

PROBLEMS IN SCOTLAND.

Arthur Collingwood, correspondent of Musical Opinion in Scotland, writes interestingly of the organ recital situation in that country in the September issue of the London publication. He

says: "Organ recitals are a form of musical enterprise which are attended with a very varying measure of success. This variation cannot be explained by This variation cannot be explained by estimating the quality of programs and the ability of the performer. The same program and the same performer in different centers of Scotland would be attended by a different measure of success in each center. It is one of those problems of public support and public appreciation which are impossi-ble of solution. Dr. Alfred Hollins, of Free St. George's, Edinburgh, and Herbert Walton, of Glasgow Cathe-dral, have known nothing of these problems: in their regular series of recitals they captured their public from the outset. Dr. Hollins has just concluded a series of twelve weekly recitals at Free St. George's, which have been attended by large audiences. In addition to the recognized classics have been attended by large audiences. In addition to the recognized classics of the recital repertoire, there was a liberal representation of contemporary British composers, Cesar Franck and Louis Vierne being the outstanding representatives of the French school. At the last recital of the series Dr. Hollins was joined by F. Heddon Bond in a program of pianoforte and organ duets, which included the Schu-mann Concerto for piano and orches-tra, the orchestral parts being played

mann Concerto for piano and orches-tra, the orchestral parts being played on the organ by Mr. Bond, the Liszt Fantasia on Hungarian Airs, and a 'Polonaise Brillant' by Dr. Hollins, the solo piano part in this number being played by Mr. Bond. "A welcome innovation was the special recital for young people. A well-chosen program, each item com-mented upon in an informal but defi-nitely informative fashion, assured the interest and enjoyment of Dr. Hollins' youthful audience. "This month Mr. Walton com-menced his twenty-eighth autumn series of recitals at the cathedral, Glas-gow. The cathedral recitals form a prologue to the regular musical season

gow. The cathedral recitals form a prologue to the regular musical season and have become an established fea-ture in the musical life of the city. Mr. Walton has no audience problem here. The only problem is that of arriving at the cathedral sufficiently early to secure a seat."

The Skinner Organ Company has under construction for the First Pres-byterian Church of Marion, Ohio, a large three-manual, presented by Mrs. Clara V. Koogler and Mrs. Marion Koogler Phillips, in memory of Dr. M. A. Koogler. John A. Bell of Pitts-burgh drew up the specification of the burgh drew up the specification of the instrument.

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THAT ORGAN AT SYDNEY.

Oak Park, Ill., Sept. 5 .- Editor of Oak Park, Ill., Sept. 5.—Editor ot The Diapason: In your current issue Mr. F. L. Seely writes: "If you will turn to the January issue of The Dia-pason of 1911 you will find a story about one of the greatest organs in ex-istence, the Town Hall organ at Syd-ney, N. S. W., having six manuals and being built by Hill of London. I am afraid Mr. Matthews of Guernsey does not post himself properly before he criticizes."

criticizes." The above in answer to a communi-cation in the August Diapason from Mr. J. Matthews of Guernsey, Eng-land, in which he wrote: "One can only view with amazement the ab-surdity of the projected six-manual or-gan and its perpendicular top key-board."

and and its perpendicular top key board." As my library contains a complete file of The Diapason I referred to the January, 1911, issue and found a quota-tion from an article in the New York Sun by James E. Dale in which he stated that "this organ [the Sydney organ] contains six manuals, as fol-lows: Great organ, 28 stops; swell or-gan, 24 stops; choir organ, 20 stops; solo organ, 21 stops; echo organ, 8 stops, and pedal organ, 26 stops; mak-ing 127 stops. Count the manuals, Mr. Seely, and I submit that it is rot-ten English to include a pedal clavier as a "manual." Now turn to your Diapason file and

as a "manual." Now turn to your Diapason file and find my list of the "Great Organs of the World" published in the March, 1914, issue, in which this organ is credited with 127 stops and 8,804 pipes, and is classed as at that time the fifth largest organ in the world. While Mr. Dale and I agree on the number of stops, he gives the number of pipes as 8,745, or fifty-nine pipes less than my record shows, but as I have a letter from the Hill factory giving the number shown in my list I feel it must be correct. May I offer one more reference? Turn to page 316 of C. F. Abdy Wil-liams' intensely interesting "Story of the Organ" (Scribner) and read in re-gard to this organ: "It contains 126

speaking stops distributed between five manuals and one pedal clavier." Now may I quote from Mr. Seely's last paragraph, changing name and residence: "I am afraid Mr. Seely of Asheville does not post himself properly before he criticizes." I do not believe there exists an or-

I do not believe there exists an or-gan having more than five manuals, al-though I have a somewhat hazy recol-lection of having seen a photograph or drawing of a projected or completed console showing seven manuals, two of them hanging overhead, an "ab-surdity" indeed. I shall be very glad to hear of it if I am mistaken to hear of it if I am mistaken. WILLIAM H. SHUEY.

Sidney Organ Has Five Manuals.

East Orange, N. J., Sept. 5. Editor of The Diapason: In support of Mr. Matthews of England I would fike to correct the statement of Mr. F. L. See-ly in your September issue. I have in ly in your September issue. I have in my possession the original specifica-tions, photo of the organ and console of the fine Hill organ in Sydney Town Hall, N. S. W., together with the re-port of the official opening in the fall of 1890 by W. T. Best. This organ, the only one containing a sixty-four-foot pipe, has "one hundred and twen-ty-six speaking stops distributed bety-six speaking stops, distributed be-tween FIVE manuals and one pedal clavier." I do not have a copy of the January, 1911, issue of The Diapason, but apparently, if the organ was given as having six manuals, the correspond-ent was not well enough up on facts. Very sincerely yours, ERNEST H. SHEPPARD.

The seemingly increasing popularity of "Will o' the Wisp," by Gordon Balch Nevin, is evidenced by its ap-pearance on a large number of recital programs in the last year, the Clayton F. Summy Company, the publishers, report. It is a number that always brings a recall.

Larry Jean Fisher, the Texas theater organist, is now at the Strand Theater, Muncie, Ind., to which he went from the Indiana Theater at Bloomington, Ind.

TAKES CLEVELAND CHURCH

Albert Riemenschneider Organist at Calvary Presbyterian. Albert Riemenschneider has accept-

Calvary Presbyterian. Albert Riemenschneider has accepted the position of director of music and organist at Calvary Presbyterian Church, Euclid avenue and Seventy-ninth street, Cleveland. The organ is a large four-manual and echo, also in-cluding a chancel and tower great, built by the Austin Organ Company. Mr. Riemenschneider will have an ex-cellent quartet for his morning serv-ices and a choir of sixteen professional singers for the evening musical serv-ices from November until Easter. Mr. Riemenschneider opened the new organ at Immanuel Presbyterian Okurch, Cleveland, with a recital on Sept. 22. Oct. 7 he will give a recital at the Cleveland Museum of Art and on Oct. 14 the inaugural recital on the organ of the Reformed Church at Lorain. This church was demolished in the cyclone last year. On Oct. 19 he will open the new Austin organ in the dregan at his residence, and Oct. 22 will open the new Austin organ in the Methodist Church at Appleton, Wis. His regular series of recitals at Baldwin-Wallace Conservatory will bein in October and will take the form of "composer recitals," a special feature being the entire organ works of Cesar Franck. Other composers represented will be Rogers, Widor, Bachard Dure.

Sees Skyscraper Churches.

Sees Skyscraper Churches. Elsie MacGregor, organist of In-dianapolis, has returned to her duties after a vacation spent touring the south. She reports that three sky-scraper church buildings are going up in Florida for the Baptist denomina-tion alone—one at Jacksonville, one at St. Petersburg and the third at Miami. Miss MacGregor gave a recital at St. Petersburg in the new First Baptist Church, which boasts of a fine three-manual Austin organ. Following is the program, which was given Aug. 26: Sonata Romantica, Yon; "Varia-tions de Concert," Bonnet; "Claire de Lune," Karg-Elert; Sketches of the City, Nevin; "Song of the Basket-Weaver," Russell; Finale from Son-ata in F minor, Mendelssohn.

night: "I Hear You Calling Me," "The. Indian Love Call," from "Rose Marie"; "Just a Song at Twilight," Molloy; Second Hungarian Rhapsody, Liszt; "The Storm," Lemmens; Over-ture to "Poet and Peasant," Suppe; Overture to "William Tell"; Largo, Handel; "The Virgin's Prayer," Mas-senet; "On the Road to Mandalay," Speaks; "Kiss Me Again," Herbert; improvisation on "Lead, Kindly Light"; "Old Pal of Mine"; "Loch Lomond" and "The Holy Night," Dudley Buck. Early in the season Mr. Hansen was asked to play the Toccata and Fugue in D minor by Bach. Bach.

Plans for M. T. N. A. Meeting.

President Leon R. Maxwell of the Music Teachers' National Association, while spending his summer vacation at Marlboro, Maine, kept up cor-respondence with the officers and while spending his summer vacation at Marlboro, Maine, kept up cor-respondence with the officers and members of the executive committee, preparing for the annual session of the association to be held at Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 28, 29 and 30, with head-quarters at the Hotel Miami. The fol-lowing chairmen of the standing com-mittees have been appointed: Ameri-can music, Henry V. Stearns, Wash-burn College, Topeka, Kan.; organ and choral music, Palmer Christian, Ann Arbor, Mich.; community music, P. W. Dykema, Columbia University, New York; history of music and li-braries, William Benbow, Buffalo; na-tional conservatory, J. Lawrence Erb, New London, Conn.; colleges and uni-versities, A. J. Bellamann, New York City; tests in musical intelligence, Har-rison D. LeBaron, Delaware, Ohio; fiftieth anniversary of M. T. N. A., Charles N. Boyd, Pittsburgh.

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Organ Music for Easter. It is harder to find music appro-priate to Easter than it is to discover Christmas music. This is as true of organ music as of anthems. It is, therefore, of special interest to find the choices of some seventy-eight leading American organists in answer to my questionnaire. I have indicated those compositions which received more than one vote: Andrews-March on Easter Themes. (G) 2. Bartlett-Easter Molectre (D)

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"Worgan" ("Jesus Christ Is Risen To-day"). (G) 3.
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Agni," in Village Organist, volume 45. (N) Yon—"Cristo Trionfante." (F) 3.

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This list answers some of my cor-This list answers some of my cor-respondents who wrote in reply to my questionnaire that there was no music for organ specially suited to Easter. Apparently there are three main types of piece used—a loud, triumphant piece on any theme: a composition based on a traditional Easter melody or melo-dies, particularly upon the "O Filii," and a quiet piece of the spring song

and a quiet piece of the spring song variety. The Ravanello number is an easy first, you will observe. It is one num-ber in a book of pieces by the com-poser published by J. Fischer in this country. Certainly it appears every year on a great number of service lists; nearly everyone in the neighbor-hood of New York plays it. It really calls for a four-manual organ, though I suppose that it might go on a three-manual instrument if there was a good manual instrument if there was a good tuba. It piles up to a mighty close. The rugged theme is repeated a good many times, but it need not become

many times, but it need not become tedious. The Dubois "Alleluia" is second, with half as many votes. It is easier and will go on an old-fashioned organ. It is rhythmical and buoyant. The Dubois "Hosannah" is more difficult and more massive, calling for a good-sized organ. Widor's music has the élan so appropriate to Easter, and one is not surprised to find his things men-

sized organ. Widor's music has the élan so appropriate to Easter, and one is not surprised to find his things men-tioned again and again, particularly the immortal Toccata. For those who are looking for easy numbers I suggest the ones of Baum-gartner, Hollins, Kinder (first), Mal-ling, West and Willan. The Willan number is particularly fine, I think. You will note the popularity of the Johnston number; it is not difficult and it expresses the joy of Easter in varying moods. Those looking for something more difficult and perhaps not well known will see the numbers by Bimboni, Bossi, Guiraud, Karg-Elert and Quef. All will find a num-ber of favorites here, such as the elo-quent Gigout number and the noble Franck compositions. The new Jen-kins piece is descriptive and shows Franck compositions. The new Jen-kins piece is descriptive and shows off a modern organ well. Lutkin's so-called transcription is very well done, indeed, and makes a good prelude on the most popular of English Easter hymns. Yon's "Cristo Trionfante" is new or it would undoubtedly have re-ceived more votes. It is not so fine as ceived more votes. It is not so fine as his Christmas numbers, but it is not unlike the Ravanello composition, which is so very popular. With the hints given in these lists

regarding type of composition to be sought, it would not be difficult to add a great many spring songs and joyous marches and finales from symphonies. Surely there is organ music specially appropriate to Easter.

MORE MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS

Boston, Mass., Sept. 7.—Having looked over in the September issue of The Diapason the articles on organ music for Christmas and organ music with chimes, we venture to submit for your attention two lists, as supple-mentary to the material previously mentioned.

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CHRISTMAS ORGAN MUSIC. George A. Burdett-A Christmas Medi-tation on "The First Nöel" and "Holy Night." Meditation on "Veni Emmanuel" (O Come, O Come Emmanuel). Theodore Dubois-"'Hosannah!" (Chorus Magnus). William Faulkes-Paraphrase on a Christmas Hymn ("O Little Town of Bethlehem"). Op. 128, No. 1, Festival March in D. Arthur Foote-"Christmas." Festival March. Rudolf Friml-"Hymne Coloris".

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Adjustable Combination Pistons of the Modern Organ By HAROLD FUNKHOUSER

Hand in hand with the improvement the key and stop action of the or-n has gone the improvement of the of gan mechanism for the control of the speaking stops and couplers by pistons and pedal studs, adjustable at the conand pedal studs, adjustable at the con-sole by the organist. Improvement along this line has been much more marked and more rapid in this coun-try and in Great Britain than on the continent. Until very recently little has been done in France and Germany toward controlling the stop mechanism by these means. Pedals (called "ven-tils") are used in France for shutting off the wind supply from certain tils") are used in France for shutting off the wind supply from certain soundboards, so that certain stops, while visibly drawn, and apparently in action, cannot speak until the wind is admitted by the action of the appro-priate pedal. "Registres des combinai-sons," or stop-knobs which, while al-lowing the combination of the moment to stand effective, shut off the action of the other stops of the manual and allow a future combination to be pre-pared and brought on when required by drawing a single knob, are also by drawing a single knob, are also used.

the old tracker organs a certain In the old tracker organs a certain fixed selection of stops was controlled by a pedal stud, and this action offered on an average of two combinations to a manual, usually a "piano" and a "forte" combination, with no effort to provide for special solo combinations. These pedal studs visibly brought on such stops as they affected, and re-tired from use such stops as were not included in the combination, but they included in the combination, but they were not adjustable, being set by the builder at the time of the erection of the organ, and were relatively un-changeable without the assistance of the builder, and some financial exof pense.

With the advent of the tubularpneumatic and electro-pneumatic ac-tions, greatly increased facilities were placed at the disposal of the progres-sive organ builder. But even with the nons, greatly increased facilities were placed at the disposal of the progres-sive organ builder. But even with the flexibility which these actions offered, for a long time the combination pistons, while increased in number, and adjustable by the organist, were "dead," or "blind," not moving the stop-knobs, and necessitating that the organist carry in his memory just what he had set on each piston. The piston either remained in when operat-ed until canceled by another piston, or a special cancel piston, or the piston returned to the original position, and a numbered indicator came into view behind an aperture in the front of the console devoted to the combination in-dicators, or a tiny electric light il-luminated a numbered window in this indicator board. indicator board.

These pistons were of two varieties -(a) single-acting and (b) double-act-ing. Single acting pistons merely brought on a pre-arranged combination of stops, and any combination previously in use by the organist re-mained in force. So the organist might press a piston which controlled the aeoline, but if the open diapason stop-knob was out the result was a combination of the two stops, not the acoline alone, as the piston might indiaconne arone, as the piston might indi-cate. Double-acting pistons, on the other hand, temporarily took over en-tire control of the stop action, and could be affected only by another pis-ton of the same manual, or a cancel ton of the same manual, or a cancel piston. With this system, although all of the stops of a manual might be drawn by hand, if the piston con-trolling the aeoline were pressed, the other knobs, while remaining out, be-came inactive, and the aeoline alone responded to the keys. In some re-spects this action was very useful, as it permitted the organist to continue playing on a combination operated by a piston, while he could set up at his own convenience a totally different combination by the stop-knobs, which would become effective when the can-cel piston was pressed, somewhat after cel piston was pressed, somewhat after

the manner of the French "registres de combinaisons." In some of the ear-lier tubular and electric organs in which the stop-knobs were not visibly affected by the pistons, two pistons, labeled respectively "single action" and "double action," were provided, so that the organist could alter the en-tire combination action, selecting the type most applicable to the needs of the moment. It is interesting to note in this connection that at least one in this connection that at least one wery large organ has recently been constructed in which both "blind" and "active" eletters

constructed in which both "bind" and "active" pistons have been incorpo-rated in the scheme. In most of the "blind" systems the combinations were set on their re-spective pistons by switch-boards lo-cated either in the depths of the or-gan case or in alcoves in the sides of the console or in little drawers placed above or below the stop-jambs.

The next most pronounced improve-ment in the adjustable combination action was the placing of pneumatic bellows in the console, one for each piston, which visibly indicated which stops were in action by actually push-ing "on" the stop-knobs to be affected and retring those not included in the ing "on" the stop-knobs to be affected and retiring those not included in the selection affected by the piston. These pistons were really adjustable at the console by one of the following mechanisms:

mechanisms: (a) Special knobs labeled "combina-tion 1," "combination 2," etc., placed over the regular stop-knobs, which, when pulled out, automatically at-tached the selection of stops which the organist had previously set to the picton of the corresponding number

the organist had previously set to the piston of the corresponding number, and released the stops of any previous combination which it had controlled. (b) A piston usually placed under the lowest manual, known as the "set-ter piston," which performed the same function as the above-described "com-bination stops," but which had the added simplicity of action in requiring only the one setter piston for all the combination pistons of the instrument. (c) A third type of adjustable com-bination piston, which has made its ap-pearance in the last few years, and is usually applied to the stop-key va-riety of stop action, in which neither of the above varieties of control for setting the pistons is utilized. The se-lected piston is pushed in and held with one hand, and the other hand is used to push down such of the stopwith one hand, and the other hand is used to push down such of the stop-keys as are required for the proposed combination, and to push up all stop-keys not desired. At the end of the operation the piston is ready to bring on the combination last set and to cancel all stops not included in that combination combination.

It is the opinion of the writer that this last type of combination action is a step backward, rather than a step forward, and is to be deplored and dis-couraged rather than to be encouraged and universally adopted, even though its vogue at present is great in certain couraged rather than to be encouraged and universally adopted, even though its vogue at present is great in certain quarters. For example: Let us con-sider an organ of sixty or seventy speaking stops, a moderate-sized organ in these days of mammoth organs of 150 to 250 stops. Such an organ will require nearly 100 stop-keys to con-trol the speaking stops, couplers and tremulants. Suppose that the organist is about to set a general piston, con-trolling all divisions of this organ. This piston already has a combina-tion he at last arrives at a combina-tion made up of stops and couplers of the entire organ, imitating perhaps some orchestral tone color. To set this combination on the piston, he pushes in the piston, and immediately the combination which he has just set up with infinite care and experimenta-tion of that piston takes its place. Now the organist has to hold the pis-ton in with one hand, push off the un-desired stops, bring on those required, and after some "try-outs" he may at last succeed in reconstructing his new combination. To form the combina-tion in the first place he had to handle last succeed in reconstructing his new combination. To form the combina-tion in the first place he had to handle probably 100 stop-keys, he was then obliged to allow the piston to cancel this combination, and then again han-dle the 100 stop-keys finally to get it set on the piston.

How much simpler is the action of

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the "setter piston!" At the end of the first half of the former operation, the adjustment of the combination to suit him, the organist can touch the setter piston, touch the piston to be affected and automatically the new combination is ready on that picton and the last and automatically the new combination is ready on that piston, and the last combination which it carried has been dropped, all the work of an instant of time. During the selection of the combination he has had both hands free, and he does not have to rely upon his memory to recall the exact final result of his experimentation, the omis-sion of a single stop or coupler from which might change the entire effect of the combination. He has not been obliged to alter an old combination into the new one, or first to cancel everything from the piston, in which case the piston will again cancel his carefully prepared combination when he is at last ready to set the piston, nor need he utilize one hand for hold-ing in the piston and the other for setis ready on that piston, and the last nor need he utilize one hand for hold-ing in the piston and the other for set-ting the stop-keys. Another point in favor of the setter piston is the fact that during the performance of a com-position any combination, no matter how intricate, to which the organist wishes to return before the close of the comparison can be set upon a set the composition can be set upon a se-lected piston in the instant which it takes for one hand to slip down to the lected piston in the instant which it takes for one hand to slip down to the setter piston and the other to the piston selected. Without the setter piston he would be obliged to interrupt the playing of the composition to use one hand to push in the piston, and the other to push off all stop-keys not de-sired, and to secure again the com-bination just used, taxing his memory to arrange out of the 100 stop-keys the exact combination needed; this combination may differ materially from what he may have planned to use at that particular point when practicing alone in the empty building, the changed acoustics of the crowded church or concert room having neces-sitated a decided alteration in his original plan, all of which may be diffi-cult to recall in the instant which he has at his disposal. The unintentional addition or omission of a single stop or coupler may ruin the effect to which he wishes to return, but he has no aid from the pistons definitely and with-

or coupler may ruin the effect to which he wishes to return, but he has no aid from the pistons definitely and with-out the change of a single tone color to file it away for future use. The setter piston obviates all of this repeated handling of the stop-keys, as the half of the manipulation devoted to pushing off the stop-keys not re-quired and the entire operation of setquired and the entire operation of set-ting the combination desired to the piston is performed for the organist by the mechanism within the console, in-stead of by his own hands, and he is spared the additional tax on his mem-ory of recalling the exact position of each of the 100 stop-keys.

The marvelous flexibility of the electro-pneumatic action of the modern organ offers such temptation to the builder to overload the organ with mechanical devices that it would seem wise that such mechanical devices as are added should offer real aid to the player in his exposition of the mas**OCTOBER 1, 1925**

OCTOBER 1, 1925 ter works for the instrument, and not complexity. The builder, before in-cluding such a device in the instru-ment, should ask himself—and, what is more important, should ask men with actual practical experience in playing the organ in church and concert— whether the proposed device will add to the simplicity of control, and be an improvement over former methods, or will make it more complex, and whether the device, while possibly new, may not in reality be a step backward, rather than forward, in the mechanical appointments of the organ of today. It is encouraging to note that one of our best American builders, known in-ternationally for his splendid instru-ments, has steadfastly avoided this newer system of combination action, and has retained the setter piston to the sublers, while pro-ducing organs of wonderfully beauti-ful tone quality and entire reliability of key and stop action, have discarded the setter piston and have adopted this pernicious system, apparently just because it is new, or because, with the stop-key systems so much exploited during the last few years, it may be a little easier to build. In the last analysis neither of these considera-tions should carry weight in the pro-duction of an instrument which must be in use for many years before being replaced. The newest is not always the best and ease of manufacture to the builder should be subservient to case of manipulation by the organist, upon whom rests the responsibility for the full exposition of the beauties of upon whom rests the responsibility for the full exposition of the beauties of both composition and instrument.

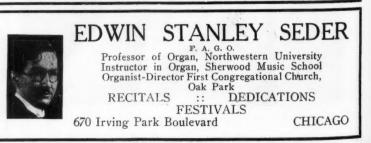
Maitland Back from Europe.

Maitland Back from Europe. Rollo Maitland, concert organist, has returned from his European trip and is preparing for a busy season of oncerts and teaching, in addition to his duties as organist of the Church of the New Jerusalem, Philadelphia. Mr. Maitland visited England, France and Switzerland. In recitals given in the Hope Street Church, Liverpool, and the Cathedral of Lausanne, special mention was made of his mastery of the instrument and of the warmth and emotion of his playing. At the Schola Cantorum in Paris Mr. Maitland made a special study of Frederick Schlieder's new method in the teaching of musical interpretation, creative harmony and improvisation. In this method the stu-bus to consciously through acquiring the ability to create rhythmic im-pulses and express them from within. It is a method of self-expression through improvisation and composi-tion, but offers as much to the inter-preter as to the creator. Mr. Maitland intends to specialize in the teaching of this work during the coming season.

Guy C. Filkins, A. A. G. O., organ-ist of the Central Methodist Church at Detroit, announces the opening of his new and larger studio in the Glad-win building, 1564 Woodward avenue, Sept. 6. Here he teaches piano, organ and theory.

JENNINGS RECITALS Arthur B. Jennings, Jr., of Sewickley (Pa.) lived up to expectations, sprang into first class at a bound and swept all before him in a burst of technical proficiency and electric fervor that shattered all reserve and brought him universal tribute.

(Comment from "The Music News," Chicago, on recital at the A. G. O. Convention in June.)



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- the organ:
- e organ: Double Open Diapason, 16 ft., 73 pipes. First Open Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Second Open Diapason, 8 ft., 61 notes. Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Tibia Plena, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Flauto Traverso, 4 ft., 61 notes. Frincipal, 4 ft., 61 notes. Genshorn, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Melodia, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Melodia, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Tuba, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Tuba, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Chimes. Tremulant. SWELL ORGAN.

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 SWELL ORGAN.
 Bourdon, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
 Open Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
 Stopped Diapason, 8 ft., 61 notes.
 Violin, 4 ft., 73 notes.
 Salicional, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
 Cornopean, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
 Viole d'Orchestre, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
 Piccolo, 2 ft., 61 notes.
 Volx Clester, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
 Piccolo, 2 ft., 61 notes.
 Voix Clester, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
 Posaune, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
 Quintadena, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
 Oboe, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
 Vox Clester, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
 Zart Flöte, 4 ft., 61 notes.
 Vox Humana, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
 Celesta Harp.
 Tremulant.
 CHOR ORGAN.

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- rremulant. CHOIR ORGAN. English Open Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Concert Flute, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Doppel Flöte, 8 ft., 73 notes. Solo Flute, 4 ft., 61 notes. Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 notes. French Horn, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Unda Maris, 8 ft., 61 pires. Clarinet. 8 ft., 73 pipes. Tremulant. ECHO

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- b) Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
 Tremulant.
 ECHO ORGAN.
 Echo Flute, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
 Forest Flute, 4 ft., 61 notes.
 Viole Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
 Viole Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
 Vox Humana, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
 Chimes, 20 tubes.
 Pedal Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
 PEDAL ORGAN.
 Diapason Resultant, 32 ft., 32 notes.
 First Open Diapason, 16 ft., 44 pipes.
 Second Open Diapason, 16 ft., 32 notes.
 Bourdon, 16 ft., 44 pipes.
 Lieblich Gedeckt, 16 ft., 32 notes.
 Posaune, 16 ft., 32 notes.
 Bass Flute, 8 ft., 32 notes.
 Octave Bass. 8 ft., 32 notes.
 Another large Möller contract is for 48
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Another large Möller contract is for three-manual organ for the Norwood hristian Church. Norwood, Ohio.

a three-manual organ for the Norw Christian Church, Norwood, C The specification is as follows: GREAT ORGAN. 1. Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 notes. 2. Doppel Flöte, 8 ft., 75 pipes. 3. Violoncello, 8 ft., 73 pipes. 4. Major Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes. 5. Melodia, 16 ft., 73 notes. 6. Diapason, 4 ft., 73 notes. 7. Melodia, 2 ft., 61 notes. 8. Melodia, 2 ft., 61 notes. 10. Tuba, 8 ft., 73 pipes. 11. Clarinet, 16 ft., 61 notes. 12. Chimes, 8 ft., 20 notes. Tremolo. 5. WELL ORGAN.

Tremolo. Tremolo. SWELL ORGAN. Quintacoline, 8 ft., 85 pipes. Salicional Celezte, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Gedeckt, 8 ft., 97 pipes. Viole d'Orchestre, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Viole d'Orchestre, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Viole d'Orchestre, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Viole d'Orchestre, 16 ft., 61 notes. Gedeckt, 16 ft., 73 notes. Gedeckt, 2 ft., 61 notes. Gedeckt, 2 ft., 61 notes. Gedeckt, 13/5 ft., 61 notes. Chope, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Oboe, 16 ft., 61 notes. Tremolo. CHOIR ORGAN

Tremolo, CHOIR ORGAN. Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Melodia, 8 ft., 75 pipes. Diapason, 8 ft., 55 pipes. Violoncello, 8 ft., 73 notes. Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 notes. Tuba, 8 ft., 73 notes. Harp. 4 ft., 61 notes. Harp. 2 ft., 61 notes. 36 37 38 39 PEDAL ORGAN. Gedeckt, 16 ft., 44 notes 40.

Melodia, 16 ft., 44 notes. Doppel Flöte, 16 ft., 44 notes. Tibia Clausa, 16 ft., 44 pipes. Gedeckt, 8 ft., 44 notes. Resultant Tibia Clausa, 32 ft., 44 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. note

There are twenty-six couplers and sixteen adjustable combinations.

Harold Tower Back at Post.

Harold Tower Back at Post. After three months spent in study with Lynnwood Farnam in New York, and a trip to Europe of three months, Harold Tower, organist and choir-master of St. Mark's Procathedral at Grand Rapids, Mich., returned home in time to take his choir out for the annual encampment of eight weeks at Little Bostwick Lake. During Mr. Tower's six months' leave of absence the choir was successfully managed by Walter Blodgett, 17 years old. Young Blodgett began piano lessons as a choir boy under Mr. Tower, who dis-covered his interest in the organ and who has for several years given him instruction. Having graduated from high school in June, Mr. Blodgett will enter Oberlin College this fall.

Death of William W. Pratt.

In the death of William W. Pratt, which occurred in Brooklyn May 15, one of the veteran organists of Greater New York was removed from the ac-

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tivities of the choir loft. Mr. Pratt, who was a member of the National Association of Organists, passed away after an illness of five weeks. Up to the time of his illness he was actively engaged in church work, holding a position in Brooklyn. Had he been spared a few months longer he would have completed fifty years of unbroken service as a church organist and choir leader, having served in that capacity in several prominent churches, includ-ing the Washington Square M. E. Church of Manhattan and the Hanson Place Baptist and the Throop Avenue Presbyterian in Brooklyn. He played many of the largest organs in the country and was a pupil of the late Professor George W. Morgan, who was at one time termed the "king of organists." Two daughters survive Mr. Pratt.

Rochester Organ Is Revoiced. Rochester Organ Is Revoiced. George Henry Day, F. A. G. O., organist and choirmaster of Christ Church, Rochester, N. Y., •had the large organ of fifty-six stops in that church entirely revoiced during the summer, the work being done by Mr. Blashfield of Buhl & Blashfield, Utica. Dr. Day is planning a series of special musical services during the winter with the aid of his choir of sixty-five men and boys.

Mr. Pratt. men and boys.

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PROGRAMS RECITAL

Ernest Douglas, F. A. G. O., Los An-geles, Cal.-In a recital Aug. 28 on the Marr & Colton organ in the Vermont Square Methodist Church Mr. Douglas offered this program: "Grand Choeur," Guilmant: "Soeur Monique, "Couperin; Fugue in C major, Buxtehude; Minuet, Bach; Chorus from "Israel in Egypt," Handel; Alla Marcia, from the Ten Medi-tations, Rheinberger; Andante con moto, Douglas; Theme and Variations and Fi-nale from the Organ-Orchestra Suite in E minor. Douglas; "The Holsworthy Church Bells," Wesley; Toccata from Fifth Symphony, Widor.

Hamlin Hunt, A. A. G. O., Minneapolis, Minn,-Mr. Hunt will play the following programs in a series of three recitals at Plymouth Church on Monday evenings in October:

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Det. 5.--Spring Song, Bonnet; Song with-Outworks, Bonnet; Song Thee Songs, Cas: "Song of the Easket-Weaver." Kussel: Gavotte, Martini; "Piece Heroique," Cole: Andante in B major, Franck.
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Det. 1.--WTu es Petra," Mulet; "Song of the Symphony, Widor; "Coronach," Bart, "Kargeler; Wann to the Stars," Kargeler; Songer, Mong, Widor, "Coronach," Bart, "Menuet Francais," Trembly, "A Song of the Night," Wilkey; Scherzo in G micr, Bossi; "Noel Breton," Que; Concert, Oronach, "Baptist Church of Stater, Mo., on at Saptist Church of Stater, Mo., on at Saptist Church of Stater, Mo., on at Songer Haspitst Church of Stater, Mo., on at Songer, His program was as follows: The Magie Harp, Meale; "Will of the Rest," Karget, "Milled," Stoughton; Theme and Variations in E flat, Faulkes; Russtie, March, for the Pedale, de Bricqueville; "Will of the Wisp," Nevin; Humoresque, Dovas, and the Millet, "Scherz, Woll School, Aug, 20, "The Magie Harp," Meale; Ethospitst, and church of Stater, Mo., at Songer, The Magie Harp, Meale, Ethospitst, and church of Stater, Mo., and Songer, The Magie Harp, Meale, Ethospitst, and church of the Pedale, de Bricqueville, "Mill of the Wisp," Nevin; Humoresque, Dovas, 20, "That March of Atlantic City, who stater of St. James' Episcopal Church, provide Millauer, Concert, Wanger, "Liebestod," Wing, School, March, Stater, Mo., and Stater, Mo., and Stater, Mo., and Stater, Mo., and Stater,

"Rienzi." Wagner. Lucien E. Becker, F. A. G. O., Port-land, Ore.-Mr. Becker gave the opening recital on a two-manual Kilgen organ in the First Evangelical Church of Port-land Sept. 11, playing this program: Med-itation, Edward J. Sturges; Overture, "William Tell," Rossini; "Pilgrims' Chor-us," from "Tannhäuser," Wagner; Rondo Amabile, Boelmann; "To the Rising Sun." Torjussen; Fugue, G minor (three-part), Bach; Fountain Reverie, Fletcher; Ritornello, Lucien E. Becker; "Triu-merei," Schumann; Grand March from "Aida," Verdi.

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Carmen Adele Saracco, New York City "Miss Saracco, a pupil of Melchlorre Mauro-Cottone and a member of the A. G., gave a recital at the Presbyterian Church of Monroe, N. Y. Arag, 23, playing these selections: "filmembranza," Yon; "Aria con Variazioni." Martini; Sonata 2 (Allegro, Largo and Vivace). Bach: "Alleluia," Bossi.
Miss Saracco was invited to give two recitals at this church in January and also to play before the Study Club of Middletown, N. Y., in February.
Carl G. Schoman, Canton, Ohio-Mr. Schoman, organist of Trinity Lutheran Church, gave the following program at the First Evangelical Church, Sept. 6: Grand, March ("Aida"). Verdi; "Ave Maria," Schubert; Scherzo (Sonata in E minor). Rogers: Evensong. Johnston; "The Magic Harp," Meale: Minuet. Boccherini: "Pilgrims' Chorus" ("Tannhäuser"), Wagner; "Hymn of Glory," Yon; "Gesu Bambino," Yon; Allegretto, Woistenholme: "Flat Lix," Dubois: "Ton Act 3; "Lohengrin," Wagner.
Charles Corson Bonte, Lyons, N. Y.-Mr. Bonte, organist of trin Hoduciton to Act 3; "Lohengrin," Wagner.
Charles Corson Bonte, Lyons, N. Y.-Mr. Bonte, organist of the First Presbyterian Church of Lyons, gave the following program in a recital at the Methodist Church of Walworth. N. Y. Aug. 2: Finale in A, Harris; "In Summer," Stebins: Romanza, Reiff: "The Primitive Organ," Yon; "Gestal March, West; Orperander, Yon; "Stebins: Romanza, Reiff: "The Primitive Organ," Yon; "Gestal March, West; Orperanta Stecten in Canhor, Bird; "Night," Jenkins; "Finlandia," Sibelius.

Jenkins; "Finlandia," Sibelius. Mrs. Sam Kellum, Tampa, Fia.-Mrs. Kellum, formerly Myrtle Lackey, gives semi-monthly recitals at the Tampa Heights Presbyterian Church and draws large audiences to hear her. Recent pro-grams have included the following: Aug. 2-Grand Chorus in E flat major, Hosmer; "In the Garden," Goodwin; "The Last Hope." Gottschalk - Gaul: "The Rosary." Nevin-Goss-Custard; "Will o' the Wisp." Nevin; Andantino In D flat. Lemare; "Under the Leaves." Thome;

"Pilgrim's Song of Hope," Batiste; "Pil-grims' Chorus," Wagner-Williams. Aug. 16-Prelude and Fugue in G major, Bach: "Hymn of Nuns," Lefebure-Wely; Largo from "Xerxes," Handel; Adoration, from "The Holy City," Gaul; Cavatina, Raff; Cradle Song, Spinney; Variations on a Scotch Air ("Annie Laurie"), Buck; "O Thou Sublime, Sweet Evening Star," Wagner, "Jerusalem, the Golden," Sparks. a Scoten Thou Su Wagner, Wagner,

Wagner, "Jerusalem, the Sparks. Aug. 30-Prelude and Fugue in B ma-jor, Bach; Andante Pastorale, Alexis; Spring Song "From the South," Lemare; "Aloha Oe," arranged by Lemare; "Sol-ace," Sibley G. Pease: "Kamennoi-Os-trow," Rubinstein-Gaul; "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," arranged by Le-mare; "O Sanctissima," Lux; Miserere, from "Il Trovatore," Verdi-Whiting.

from "II Trovatore," Verdi-Whiting. John Harms, Savannah, Ga. – Mr. Harms, assisted by Sara McCandless, so-prano, gave a recital Sept. 22 at the Lutheran Church of the Ascension. The organ selections included: Fantasie in G major, Bach; Adagio from Concerto in G minor, Camidge; "In Paradisum" and "Fiat Lux," Dubois; Sonata 6 (Varla-tions, Fugue, Finale). Mendelssohn; "Soeur Monique," Couperin; "Moment Musical," Bonnet; "Variations de Con-cert," Bonnet, Harry Austin was the ac-companist. companist

Musical," Bonnet; "Variations de Concert," Bonnet, Harry Austin was the accompanist.
Andrew Baird, A. A. G. O., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.-Mr. Baird, who is private organist for Mrs. E. H. Harriman at Arden House, has given the following programs there recently:
Aug. 17.-March, "Pomp and Circumstance," Elgar; "Lamentation," Guilmant; "The Question" and "The Answer," Wolstenholme; Minuet in D, Mozart; Fountain Reverie, Fletcher; "Grand Choeur," Dubois; "Swing Low, Sweet Charlot," arranged by Diton; Offertory in D minor, Batiste; "Echo Bells," Brewer; "Chansonette," C. G. Banks; Symphonic Poem, "Les Preludes," Liszt.
Aug. 24-Russian composers: "Marche Slav, "Tschaikowsky; "Hymn to the Sun." Rimsy-Korsakoff; Prelude in C sharp minor, Rachmaninoff; Serenade, Rachmaninoff; Andante from "Pathetique Symphony," Tschaikowsky; "Hale to Act 3, "Prince Igor," Borodin; "At the Convent." Borodin, "Marche Triomphale," Rubinstein; "Orientale," Cui; Nocturne, Arensky: "Adoration," Borowski; "Salut d'Amour," Elgar; Gavotte, Marthii, Sonata in C minor, Mendelssohn; "Reverie Triste," Diggle; "Sunset and Evening Bells.", Prysinger; "A song of Joy," Frysinger: "The Lost Chord," Sulvan, Shenz, "Devotie, Gaul, "Finlandia," Sibellus.

Shelius, Shelinke, Gadi, Finlandia, Shelius, Speit, T.-Sonata in A minor, Borowski; "In a Mission Garden," Diggle; Inter-mezzo, Callaerts; Berceuse, Dickinson; "Marche Nuptiale." Rubinstein; "Vision." Rheinberger: "Agnus Dei," Bizet; Offer-tory in E flat, Wely; Pastorale, Wely; "Annete de Lubin," Durand; Old Songs-"Annie Laurie," "Coming through the Kye" and "Love's Old Sweet Song"; Over-ture to "Oberon," Weber.

Rye," and "Love's Old Sweet Song"; Overture to "Oberon," Weber.
Arthur G. Colborn, Stapleton, England-In a recital at St. Paul's Church, Jersey, Sunday evening, Aug. 23. Mr. Colborn offered this program: Offertoire. Thomas; "Legend." Federlein; "Sospirs," Jose M. Padro; Melody in E, Colborn; "Soaring," Smart; Nocturne, Colborn; Pedal Study (Handelian), H. C. Macdougali; Reverie, silver; "Epithalamium," Woodman.
Charles R. Cronham, Portland, Maine-In his final recital of the summer season at the Municipal Auditorium, where he presides as city organist, Mr. Cronham on Sept. 4 gave a request program, which follows: "Marche Slav," Tschaikowsky; "Peer Gynt" Suite. "In the Morning" and "Anitra's Dance," Grieg; Oriental Sketch, Bird; Symphony in B minor (Allegro Moderato), Schubert; Etude for Pedal-board, de Briequeville; Meditation from "Thais." Massenet; "Romeo and Juliet." (Overture-Fantasy), Tschaikowsky.
Other September programs were as fol-lows: Sept. 2-Swedish Wedding March.

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stein. Frank W. Asper, Salt Lake City, Utah —Among Mr. Asper's programs at the Salt Lake City Tabernacle in September have been the following: Sept. 7-Allegro from Fifth Symphony, Widor; Andantino, Lemare; Adagio from Symphony 5, Widor; Toccata from Sym-phony 5, Widor: Toccata from Sym-phony 5, Widor: Toccata from Sym-phony 5, Widor: Manager from Sept. 11-Introduction and Allegro from D minor Sonata, Guilmant; Intermezzo

from "Cavalleria Rusticana," Mascagni; Spring Song, Mendelssohn; "Fiat Lux." Dubois. Sept. 14—Passacaglia in C minor, Bach; Barcarolle, Offenbach; Minuet, Beet-hoven; Toccata in F sharp minor, "Thou Art the Rock," Mulet. Sept. 18—Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Bach; Largo from "New World" Symphony, Dvorak; "Salut d'Amour," El-gar; Grand March from "Die Meister-singer," Wagner. Tracy Y. Cannon, Salt Lake City. Utah

singer," Wagner. Tracy Y. Cannon, Salt Lake City, Utah -Mr. Cannon has given these programs at the Tabernacle in September: Sept. 8-Andante Seraphique, Debat-Ponsan; Cantilene. St eb b in s; "Ave Maria," Raff; March in C, Faulkes. Sept. 10-Festival Hymn, Bartlett; Ber-ceuse, Chauvet; Idylle, Lefebure-Wely; "Christus Resurrexit!" Ravanello. Sept. 15-Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Bach; Moderato, Mendelssohn; Elegie, Massenet; "Grand Choeur," Rogers.

minor, Bach, Moderato, Mendelssohn; Elegie, Massenet; "Grand Choeur," Rogers. Sept. 17—Prelude and Fugue in D minor, Bach; "Vision." Bibl; "Songs in the Night," Spinney; March in D, Guil-mant.

mant. Ray Hastings, Los Angeles, Cai.-Dr. Hastings gave a recital on the Marr & Colton organ in the Vermont Square M. E. Church Aug. 21, playing as follows: Creation Hymn. "God in Nature," Bee-thoven: "O Star of Eve" (from "Tann-hiluser"). Wagner; Largo, Handel; Inter-mezzo, "A Dream." Creatore; Serenade, Toselli; Sextet from "Lucia." Donizetti; "Welcome!" Impromptu and "Immortal-ty." Hastings: "Love in Idleness," Mac-beth; "The Lost Chord." Sullivan; March, "Torchlight." Clark. Edward P. Kimball, Sait Lake City.

"Torchlight." Clark. Edward P. Kimball, Sait Lake City, Utah—Among Mr., Kimball's programs in the Tabernacle recitals have been the following. Sept. 9—Prelude in E flat, Bach: "The Rosary," Nevin: "To a Wild Rose," Mac-Dowell; Slumber Song, Parker; March in

B 'lat. Hammerill. Sept. 12—"Prelude Heroique," Faulkes; "The Sirens" (from "Sea Sketches"), Stoukhton; Gavotte in G minor (ar-ranged by E. P. K.), Bach; Largo (from "Xerxes"), Handel. Sept. 16—Festival Hymn, Bartlett; Minuet in Olden Style, Boccherini; Inter-mezzo ("Cavalleria Rusticana"), Mas-cagni; Fanfare, Dubois. Sept. 19—Fugue in E minor, Handel; "Con Amore," Dethier; Toccata from Sonata, Op. 40, Rene L. Becker.

Eddy Plays 15 Recitals on Tour.

Clarence Eddy will return to Chi-cago in time to play at the opening services of the People's Church Oct. 4 cago in time to play at the opening services of the People's Church Oct, 4 after a western tour on which he is giving fifteen recitals. Every avail-able date on the trip was filled and Mr. Eddy has played at Burlingame, Long Beach, Los Angeles, San Fran-cisco, Berkeley and Stockton, Cal.; Portland, Ore., and Tacoma, Pullman, Spokane, Cheney, Yakima, Walla Walla and Long View, Wash. He gave the dedicatory recital on the four-manual Reuter organ in the First Pres-byterian Church of Tacoma, playing the following program Sept. 18: Prel-ude and Fugue in D major, Bach; "Afterglow," Groton: Concert Over-ture in C minor, Hollins; "An Indian Serenade," Vibbard; "Heroic Piece," Cole; An Algerian Sketch, Stoughton; Fanfare Fugue, Lemmens; "The Cur-few." Horsman; "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," Diton; "Hymn of Glory," Yon; Berceuse, Eric Webster; Toccata in F major (from Fifth Symphony), Widor. in F n Widor.

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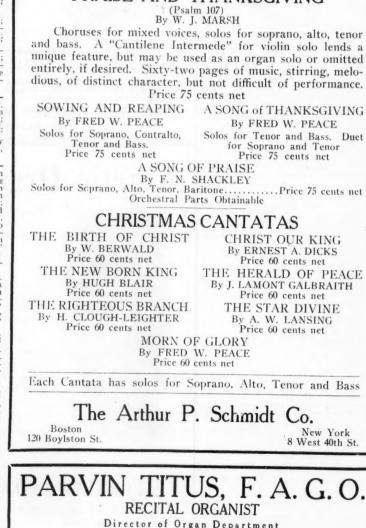
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MRS. V. C. THOMAS IN FLORIDA

MRS. V. C. THOMAS IN FLORIDA MRS. V. C. THOMAS IN FLORIDA Magnetic for Year at State College. May favorable comments have for Women at Tallahassee, where Mrs. Virginic Carrington-Thomas, F. A. 6. O., has taken up her duties as professor of organ and theory. Mrs. farington-Thomas has been given favor of absence from the Church of the Saviour, New York, for the year. Sides a series of recitals on the new hree-manual Skinner organ at the prior bilder, Skiner organ at the for hicago, New York, Philadel-phia, Washington, and a number of the farger cities of the south. Mrs. Stately Smith and Harry B. Jepson, She a Fellow of the American Guild organists, a member of the N. A. and of the Society of Theater Or-and of the Society of the sute under the darger of the south at year under the darger of the south and the south and the south and the stately Smith and Harry B. Jepson, She is a Fellow of the American Guild of Organists, a member of the N. A. and of the Society of Theater Or-pand of the Society of the sute or-the south and the south at year under by and of the Society of the sute or-son and the society of the sute or-son and of the society of the sute or-son and the society of the sute or breater or-son and the society of the sute or breater or-son and the society of the sute or breater or breater or breater or breater or-son or breater or breater or breater or breater or breater

Opens Four-Manual at Okmulgee. The four-manual Reuter organ built for the First Presbyterian Church of Okmulgee, Okla., was dedicated Sun-day evening, Sept. 13, with a recital by Professor Charles Sanford Skilton of the University of Kansas. The complete specification of this organ appeared in The Diapason for May, 1925. Professor Skilton played a pro-gram which included: Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Bach; Pastorale, Widor; "Christus Resurrexit," Rava-nello; "In Moonlight," Kinder; Alle-gretto, Mendelssohn; American Hymn Offertory, Walter Reynolds; "Echo," Yon; Concert Etude, Yon.

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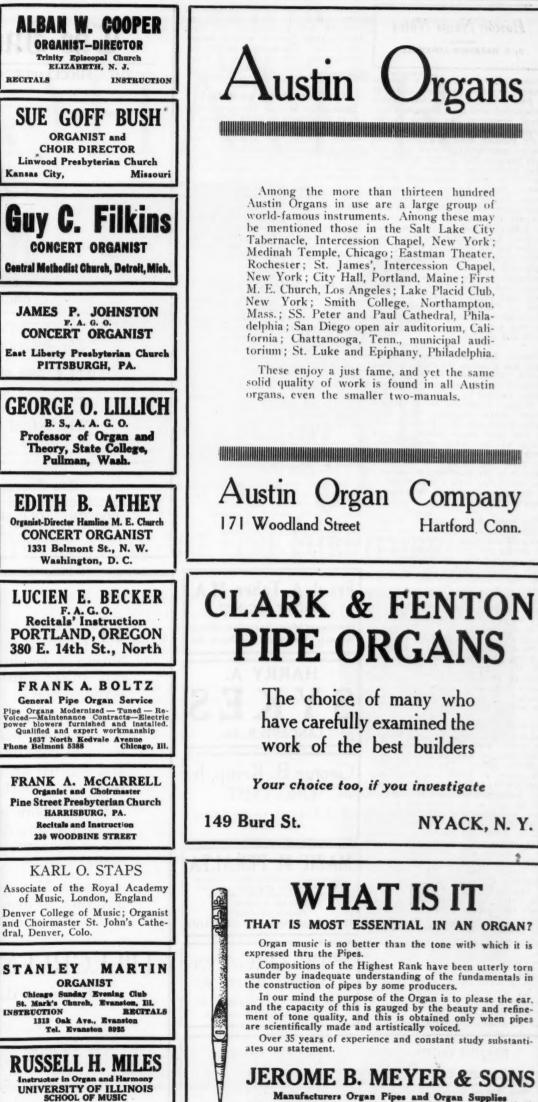
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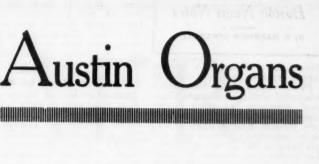
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Boston News Notes By S. HARRISON LOVEWELL

Boston, Mass., Sept. 22.—A. Vincent Bennett, organist and choirmaster at St. John's Chapel, Cambridge, which is connected with the Episcopal Theo-

St. John's Chapel, Cambridge, which is connected with the Episcopal Theo-logical Seminary, has given up his position to accept one at the Church of the Messiah, Boston, where he will have an opportunity to work with stu-dents living in that section of the city. For twelve years Richard G. Appel, head of the music department at the Boston Public Library, was at St. John's Chapel. Although organist-choirmaster at St. John's Church, Roxbury Crossing, he will return to St. John's Chapel for the morning services. Last season Mr. Appel was lecturer for the symphony talks at the public library, organ soloist for the Eighteenth Century Orchestra and conductor of the Harvard alumni chorus, had charge of the community music and pageant service, and lec-tured on "Music in the Bible" and "Evolution of Musical Instruments." He was a pupil under Rheinberger, Wolle and Kinder.

Wolle and Kinder. During July and August special music was given by the choir at Grace Church, Salem, under the direction of Harris S. Shaw, organist and choir-master, assisted by extra soloists such as William Gustafson of the Metro-politan Opera Company, Miss Mar-guerite Porter and Miss Louisa Wood. He also gave organ recitals for the benefit of the north shore colony. Grace Church under its present rector has made big strides in attracting attention to the excellence of its serv-ices, and it has been a wise move to do this, especially during the summer, when the tourists are many.

when the tourists are many. The new and beautiful Temple Mishkan Tefila in Roxbury has been dedicated and made available for serv-ices during the Jewish holiday season. It is reported that the building cost nearly a million dollars and has occu-pied nearly three years since the in-ception of the plans. Governog Fuller and Mayor Curley attended the dedi-catory exercises, held Sunday evening, Sept. 13, and delivered addresses. The music was directed by J. F. Hartwell, organist, and was elaborate, some in Hebrew and other parts in English. including "The Star-Spangled Banner" and "My Country, Tis of Thee." The initiatory recital on the four-manual Frazee organ has not yet been an-nounced. It will attract much atten-tion among Boston musicians.

It was reported several months ago that the South Congregational Society has united with First Church. The vertex organ at South Congregational church will be moved to First Church will be used as an antiphonal instru-ment in conjunction with the Austin organ in the gallery. The two choirs will be united and will number about or Sundays will be directed by William E. Zeuch, who will resume thursday afternoons Professor John P. Marshall, organist emeritus, will give recitals and special music. Evi-dently the union of these two religious is the sear advancement in Boston in the years to come. It was reported several months ago

A new organ given by James Brown, president of the Hotel and Railroad News Company, in memory of his wife, was dedicated Sunday evening, Sept. 13, at the Presbyterian Church, Brookline. Dana S. Burdett,

organist and choirmaster, directed the music. Sept. 17 E. Rupert Sircom, organist and choirmaster of First Parish, West Newton, gave a dedica-tory recital. The organ is an effective two-manual built by Hook & Hast-ings. Mr. Sircom was assisted by the Schubert Male Quartet of Boston.

New Three-Manual for P. M. I.

New Three-Manual for P. M. I. Pittsburgh Musical Institute, whose organ department includes William H. Oetting, Charles N. Boyd and Albert Reeves Norton, has awarded a con-tract to Leonard Peloubet of Pitts-burgh for a new three-manual Möller organ, which will be installed in the institute recital room by Jan I. The plans for the new instrument have been drawn with reference to all the needs of concert playing and teaching. Practice facilities are afforded also by the two-manual organ and a pedal piano already in use at the institute, and a certain amount of time will be available to students for practice on the larger instrument.

Music Guide for Teachers.

Music Guide for Teachers. The Arthur P. Schmidt Company has done something practical for the benefit of teachers of music in issuing a pamphlet entitled "Schmidt's Music Teachers' Guide," containing well-selected lists of music for piano, voice, etc., as well as for organ. Instead of a catalogue of thousands of composi-tions, the matter has been brought down to a useful size. The pamphlet gives a selected list of practical teach-ing material, all of which has been tested under the most rigorous condi-tions, showing at a glance the grade, price, style and technical points of each composition, eliminating guess-work and providing a ready supply of music to fit special purposes.

Helen W. Ross, the Chicago organ-ist who has been studying in Paris, has lengthened her stay and will not leave France before November, re-turning to Chicago before Christmas. She has been taking work with Joseph Bonnet and has had a number of in-teresting musical experiences.



RECENT COMPOSITIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS by N. LINDSAY NORDEN "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place," high voice (violin and harp ad lib.); enediction," and "Who is Like Unto Thee." arranged from old Hebrew (chorus). Prayer" (from the Norwegian); "The Lord Is My Shepherd" (both chorus); ong Without Words" and "Arietta Graziosa" (both violin, harp and organ). All H. W. GRAY COMPANY, 159 East Forty-eighth Street, New York City

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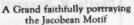
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Improvisation and Published Compositions.

We do not believe in accompanying feature film by improvisation only, s there are certain characteristic endencies in every player that mark is individuality and when iterated a tendencies his individuality and when iterated and re-iterated by improvisation they are inclined to become monotonous. Many organists get into the habit of these become a fixture in their minds, and are heard repeated over and over these and a again in improvisation.

again in improvisation. There are places in many films, however, in which it seems that the assembling has been done in a helter-skelter manner, and here is where it is necessary to improvise. Again there are spots in which the action changes decidedly several times, and the length of time on the screen is from fifteen to iorty-five seconds only. It is the

of time on the screen is from fifteen to iorty-five seconds only. It is the organist who can accompany these faithfully and smoothly. A film illustrating the foregoing was "The Knockout," starring Milton Sills. After the latter part of the fourth reel, where MacMahon has his adventure with the skunk (where Lannin's new "Marche Fantastique" fitted well) the opening scenes in the fifth reel showed him trying to board the train for New York. The fade-out merged into an interior cabin scene with Leary writ-ing a letter. Dyck's "Bonheur In-time" (Leduc) was used until title: After the busy winter, when improtime" (Leduc) was used until title: After the busy winter, when impro-vising, in a bright, joyous manner, was interpolated until shortly after the title: There's Black Jack. Here an-other interior scene showed an old time clog dance. A few measures of "The Arkansas Traveler" or Mills' "Whistling Rufus" until Black Jack enters cabin A sharp nause and a other interior scene showed an old time clog dance. A few measures of "The Arkansas Traveler" or Mills' "Whistling Rufus" until Black Jack enters cabin. A sharp pause, and a few bars of heavy dramatic music as he throws the liquor on the floor. Next the men seize poles and ap-proach the river. Modulating from F minor (which by the way is a good proach the river. Modulating from F minor (which, by the way, is a good key to use for this style of dramatic action) to A major, the player is ready for "Le Tourbillon" ("The Tor-rent"), a piano piece by C. Sternberg, excellent to accompany rushing water scenes. (Registration: Strings, oboe, harp and flute.) Breaking into these scenes at the title: The Reception Committee, the skunk appears again excellent to accompany rushing water scenes. (Registration: Strings, oboe, harp and flute.) Breaking into these scenes at the title: The Reception Committee, the skunk appears again to harass MacMahon and in the same key a short twelve-eight comedy burlesque was used. As the flashback to the river comes, continue the previous number. Without any warn-ing of title or fadeout is shown an interior scene with Jeannie seated at a cabinet organ, with Sandy (Sills) in the background. A love song until MacMahon knocks on the door, and hen a bright, lively piece like Had-ley's "Marguerites" from his "Ballet of the Flowers." This was continued mto the sixth reel until Jeannie says: "So that is why." Zameenik's "Vio-lence" followed beginning softly and working up to a climax as Sandy and Plack Jack have a long fight. After Sandy has triumphed, the first section of Berge's new "Dramatic Scene" (re-peated) is good. The remainder of the picture is highly dramatic.

New Photoplay Music.

New Photoplay Music. Scandinavian: Jean Sibelius' latest opus is a suite, "Incidental Music for King Christian II," which he wrote for a tragedy by the Swedish dra-matist, Adolf Raul. It is published in four parts (C. Fischer) and the "movie" players will find little diffi-culty in adapting them to the organ, owing to the many orchestral cues, (1) The first division has an "Elegie," "Musette" and "Minuet." The theme of the first is solid and scholarly. The second is written in a charming style, while the last needs no comment

(2) "Nocturne" is somewhat rhap-sodical in character, the broad, flow-ing melody being especially adaptable to the organ. Suitable for a long, tense, dramatic, quiet scene. (3) "Serenade" begins with a horn duo, after which the registration should in-clude clarinet, strings, oboe and flute. A second section in the unusual meas-ure of nine-four is more robust. (4) "Ballade" is the most lengthy of all, a weirdly picturesque movement of indistinct form.

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of indistinct form. Several new pieces are published in organ solo form (Presser) suitable for bright and neutral scenes. "Medi-tation," by E. S. Hosmer, is charac-terized by the simplicity of its theme. "Reve d' Amour," by R. M. Stults, a graceful andante, will go well on many quiet films, as will Cummins' "Adoration," in which those who revel in thirds and sixths will find their taste satisfied. G. B. Nevin has arranged Saint-Saens' Romance in B minor skillfully, assigning the melody to the strings, oboe and vox B minor skillfully, assigning the melody to the strings, oboe and vox humana. "Souvenir Joyeux," by R. Diggle, is joyous and cheery in style, and in gavotte form.

and in gavotte form. E. H. Lemare has written a set of seven "Melodie Sketches" in organ solo form, evidently with film accom-paniment in mind, and these are pub-lished in the convenient loose-leaf edi-tion that is becoming so popular (S. Fox). (1) Valse in C is the right length for the usual society or recep-tion scene. (2) "Night-Fall" portrays that solemn mysterious hour of tion scene. (2) "Night-Fall" portrays that solemn, mysterious hour of hushed twilight, accompanied by the occasional notes of the birds in the trees. (3) "Barcarolle" is a welcome addition to sea music. Two themes, in A flat and E. (4) "Love Duet Theme," (5) "Renunciation," a tragic love motif in F minor, and (6) "A Reminiscence" are all very short, while the exhilaration of (7) "Rondo Capriccio" will commend itself at once. In a separate cover the same composer's "Slumber Song" in B flat is issued. It is a melodious lullaby in six-four measure. tion scene. that solen six-four measure.

Correspondence.

G. F. B., New York City.—We can recommend "Organist's Photo-Play Instructions" by May M. Mills, which you can secure through your local music dealer. This book and the one you mention are the only two we know published on this subject.

know published on this subject. H. A., Menominee, Mich.—At the outset we will say that some of your questions would require very lengthy answers, all of which we have covered in articles in the last three years in this paper. By all means buy piano accompaniments, as they are fully cued in with orchestral instruments, and you are able to know what tone color the composer had in mind when he wrote the piece. Another reason color the composer had in mind when he wrote the piece. Another reason is that the orchestral style of com-positions seems to be more agreeable to film accompaniment than organ solos, as the style is altogether differ-ent. Also it pleases the public and the managers better. Still another point is the fact that if you desire to use the piece you will find it in the same key in which the leader has his orchestra-tion, whereas if you have a solo edi-tion this will probably be in a different key, with an entirely different ar-rangement, parts omitted here and tion this will probably be in a different key, with an entirely different ar-rangement, parts omitted here and there. Your second question was covered in an article "Classifying and Indexing the Musician's Library," published in this column in The Dia-pason for February, 1923. Yes, a cue sheet usually comes with all feature films, but none are available for the short reels, weeklies, scenics, cartoons, comedies, etc. These cue sheets are not very good, as the makers seem to think that the music should be changed every fifteen to forty-five think that the music should be changed every fifteen to forty-five seconds, or one minute, and the result is that one fairly gets started on a number when the cue sheet calls for a change. Generally speaking it is not necessary to change so often, although there are exceptions. We do not necessary to change so often, although there are exceptions. We do not know of a treatise on the subject you inquire about. As a rule only one theme is used, the love theme. Some-times we use a tragic theme for a heavy, villainous character. We sug-gest you obtain, if possible, back is-sues of this paper for three or four vears vears.

Improvising By JOHN PRIEST, S. T. O.

Of all the ingredients which go to make up a competent theater organist none is more nearly indispensable than the ability to improvise. Every once in a while I am asked to advise an aspiring player as to what chances he or she has to make good in a theater position. Invariably my first question is: "Can you improvise?" Sometimes, position. Invariably my first question is: "Can you improvise?" Sometimes, like the young lady who was asked whether she played the piano, they will answer: "I don't know, I never tried." Or, again, while frankly ad-mitting inability to extemporize, they are under the impression that the need for it can be circumvented by the pos-session of a comprehensive library or a memorized repertoire. While I have never been able to

a memorized repertoire. While I have never been able to understand how a serious musical stu-dent of piano or organ can arrive at years of discretion without instinc-tively developing some faculty of ex-pressing his own fancies in the idiom of his instrument, the fact remains that the close intimacy with his me-dium which improvising tends to foster, and which no amount of play-ing only from the printed page can possibly achieve, is of the utmost value in theater playing, where the work of in theater playing, where the work of following the screen action demands instantaneous and spontaneous re-sponse musically to the dramatic situa-tion.

tion. There are frequently short frag-ments, or whole episodes, in a picture which simply cannot be scored satis-factorily by the customary patchwork method. Either original music must be composed (a necessity for perform-ance by an orchestra) or the organist must improvise. Now original music is result, out of the mustion. It inance by an orchestra) or the organist must improvise. Now original music is usually out of the question. It in-volves considerable time and money. Few theaters can afford the services of a permanent composer and arranger, in addition to the rest of the musical staff. The plan adopted in most cases is to write a few bars here and there to cover up awkward modulations is to write a few bars here and there to cover up awkward modulations from one piece to another, and where the picture is very much cut up with frequent flashbacks, etc., to keep play-ing the same piece, by judicious use of fortes and pianos shaping it to corre-spond roughly to the changes on the screen. When the organist comes across a passage of this character, he is in the happy position, pro-vided he is qualified musically and temperamentally, of being able to dis-card the printed score, and by impro-vising, faithfully to mirror the screen action. action.

action. The ideal picture accompaniment is one which is so closely knit to-gether, not patched, that it approxi-mates the highest type of improvisa-tion. The score composed for "The Thief of Bagdad" by Mortimer Wil-son was excellent in this respect. The score of "Puritan Passions" by Fred-erick Converse was nearer still to the style of an improvisation, though less impressive than the Wilson score.

Some of the best picture playing is ex tempore, and much of the worst. If a player has a genuine creative flair, an ear for modern harmony and dramatic coloring, he is justly entitled to make full use thereof, whenever by so doing he can better achieve artistic results than by following any set piece. And right here it should be stated that by improvisation I do not mean what is called "faking." "Faking" implies something counterfeit. The common-est form of "faking" is that of the player who endeavors to play some-thing either by ear (having never studied a printed copy) or by relying on a porous memory. I have heard organists attempting to perform any-thing from a dance by German to the "William Tell" Overture with home-cooked harmonies, in a manner to make one despair of the profession. That is really and truly "faking," and should be condemned by every musi-cian. It constitutes atrocious musical impertinence, and some of the most guilty are the modest gentlemen who Some of the best picture playing is tempore, and much of the worst. cian. It constitutes atrocious musical impertinence, and some of the most guilty are the modest gentlemen who tour the country heralded as the "world's greatest organist," "world's highest-paid theater organist," and

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similar pet names.

similar pet names. Improvisation is a distinct art. It may be good, bad or indifferent, but it is at least creative, while "faking" is destructive. First of all it should have structure. Aimless meanderings, have structure. Aimless meanderings, without form and void, are an abomi-nation of desolation. The highest compliment that can be paid to an improvisation is that it shall not sound like one. Use a set theme, a few notes, or a few measures, and weave around it. Remember, too, there should be rigid adherence to bar divi-sions and definite rhythmic outline. Much improvising is as invertebrate as a protoplasm and as impenetrable as a tropical forest. Avoid sequences, also the dimin-

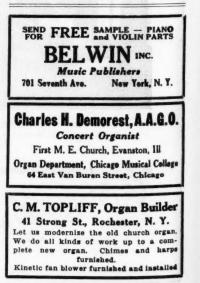
as a tropical torest. Avoid sequences, also the dimin-ished seventh. Both are a refuge for the intellectually destitute. Study modern harmonies and idioms and employ them whenever possible, although mental vacuity is not to be camouflaged by whole-tone progres-sions sions

sions. Often I have been asked by a fellow musician toward the end of the week the identity of a number used at a cer-tain part of the show. The fact that it had been improvised had not been evident, owing to the structural and melodic features being preserved pretty well intact. I have had this experience frequently with scenics, which I al-most invariably improvise. We should hear fewer complaints about the organ fewer complaints about the organ droning, anu es, if playhear fewer complaints about the organ sounding monotonous, droning, and other disparaging attributives, if play-ers took their improvising, be it for mere momentary filling in or for long sketches of descriptive accompaniment, more seriously. The celebrated organ-ist whose fingers, wandering idly over the noisy keys, accidentally landed on one colorful chord, which he was never able to recapture, would be a total loss if he had to play twenty-eight shows a week. Such as he would better stick to the script. hear to the script.

Seibert Opens Möller Organ.

Seibert Opens Möller Organ. Henry F. Seibert of New York gave the opening recital on the three-manual organ built by M. P. Möller for Trin-ity Methodist Church at Portsmouth, Ohio, on the evening of Sept. 13. The program presented by Mr. Seibert was made up as follows: "March of the Priests," Mendelssohn; "Ave Maria," Schubert; "Will o' the Wisp," Nevin; Caprice, Sturges; Largo, Handel; "Chinoiserie," Swinnen; Italian Rhap-sody, Yon; "Finlandia," Sibelius; "The Musical Snuff-Box." Liadoff-Heinroth: Schubert; Caprice, Sturges; Land "Chinoiserie," Swinnen; Italian Marker sody. Yon; "Finlandia," Sibelius; "The Musical Snuff-Box," Liadoff-Heinroth; "To the Evening Star," Wagner; "Al-legro Vivace (Sonata I), Mendelssohn; "The Lost Chord," Sullivan; "Marche Champetre," Boex; Concert Study for Pedals, Yon.

Miss Nancy G. Campbell, formerly at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C., is this year head of the piano depart-ment, teaching piano and theory, in the Westminster Choir School at Daythe Westminster Choir School at Day-ton, Ohio, of which John Finley Wil-liamson is the director. David Hugh Jones, F. A. G. O., is head of the organ department. Miss Campbell is enthusiastic over her new work and over the future of the school conduct-ed by Mr. Williamson.



Johnston's "Evensong."

Johnston's "Evensong." To the editor of The Diapason: In the splendid list of organ compositions introducing chimes which appeared in the September issue of The Diapason, so ably compiled by Mr. Caspar Koch, 1 sincerely regret what no doubt proves to be an unintentional omis-sion. It certainly cannot prove to be the case that the present generation of organists has already forgotten about the existence of the late Edward F, Johnston's "Evensong," a composi-tion which Clarence Eddy successfully introduced not so many years ago and introduced not so many years ago and which almost immediately was taken up by every American organist of any up by every American organist of any importance. Applying to the pub-lishers for information, I am told that their printing records show that Ed-ward F. Johnston's "Evensong" still proves to be one of their best sellers. In other words, it has lost none of its popularity, and apparently not only the organists, but also their audiences, are clamoring for it. Please, Mr. Editor, permit this cor-rection to be printed in the next issue of The Diapason and thereby oblige one who enjoyed the friendship of the late Edward F. Johnston, composer of "Evensong," "Resurrection Morn" and a number of other frequently played compositions.

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Death of Henry E. Browne.

Death of Henry E. Browne. Henry E. Browne, a Brooklyn organ-ist for fifty years and a founder of the American Guild of Organists, died in his eightieth year at the home of his daughter, 1382 East Twenty-seventh street, Sept. 25. While Henry Ward Beecher was pastor of the Plymouth Church Mr. Browne was organist there, and he played in the Brooxlyn Taber-macle when the Rev. T. De Witt Tal-mage was pastor. At other times he was organist of the Hanson Place Meth-odist Episcopal Church, the Clinton Ave-nue Congregational Church and the Church of the Pilgrims. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Charles H. Poptele and Mrs. M. G. Avery.



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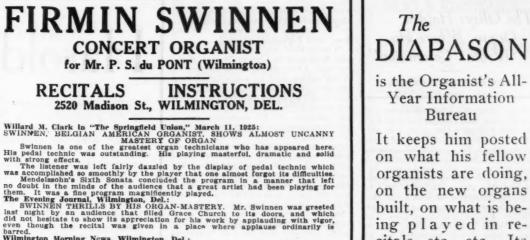
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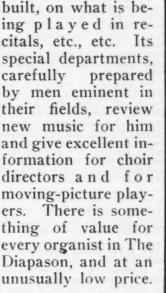
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A few days ago I was speaking with a clerk who had always lived in Bos-ton, and although the store was only a short distance from the old state-house, where the provincial congress met, and a historic place second to none in the city, this young man said he never had visited the building and was wholly unfamiliar with the re-markable collection of which the Bos-tonian Society is custodian. I doubt whether Boston musicians have done much better than the clerk, and for that reason I am prompted on his birthday anniversary to write briefly about Oliver Holden and the organ he used when he wrote his hymn-tune "Coronation."

"Coronation." Not long ago an organist, a passing tourist, stopped in at the old state-house and, being interested, began playing "Coronation" on the Holden organ. As the tones resounded through the halls and corridors, people began to gather to listen to the fa-miliar strains. Presently the room was filled with a reverent assemblage, and that the opportunity might not be neglected, the musician organized a chorus, and the whole hymn with its music was stung lustily. It is likely that this was the first and only time choral music has been sung in the old state-house. state-house.

As a whole the instrument, which looks like an old-fashioned secretary, or bookcase, is in good condition. Some inexpert tuner has, unfortunate-ly, sadly abused the metal pipes, but the wood pipes are fluty and very mel-low in tone. Naturally the general ensemble is of comparatively small volume. And noone would attempt to play solo selections, for this is a house organ and suitable chiefly for simple forms of sacred music.

organ and suitable chiefly for simple forms of sacred music. From records sent to the Bostonian Society by the British Museum, it has been learned that Astor & Co., 79 Cornhill, London, built the organ about 1788. This was a firm of instru-ment makers, and afterward music dealers. It is inferred, but not demon-strated, that John Jacob Astor, head of the famous New York family, was a kinsman of the Londoner, but of that it is unwise to say much.

of the famous New York family, was a kinsman of the Londoner, but of that it is unwise to say much. In his generation Oliver Holden was held in the highest esteem and his life's story gives a certain thrill today. He was a real composer, and one who wrote rapidly and well. Before his death he addressed his daughter Ann (Nancy) with the words: "I have some beautiful lines in my head, if I only had strength to note them down." But even his time was given strongly to commercialism. Soon his volumi-nous writings were superseded by those of Lowell Mason and by those of William B. Bradbury. The volume entitled "The Jubilee" contains a multi-tude of hymn-tunes and anthems by Bradbury; a goodly number by Mason, and only "Coronation" by Holden. To learn at first hand of Holden it is necessary to go to "American Har-

and only "Coronation" by Holden. To learn at first hand of Holden it is necessary to go to "American Har-mony" (1792), "Union Harmony" (1795), "Sacred Dirges" (1800) and other collections of which Holden was both the principal composer and the editor-in-chief. Unfortunately, be-cause, as a rule, he failed in these collections to designate clearly the names of the composers represented, there is no exact way of determining the selections composed by Holden. Possibly this could be accomplished by a careful study of his style. So far as Holden was concerned he worthily succeeded William Billings, the tanner-eomposer, who published in 1770 "The New England Psalm Singer, or Amer-ican Chorister." There seems to be no evidence that Holden learned musical art from Billings. It would be inter-esting to find by investigation the sources of Holden's excellent treatises on the rudiments of music, tone pro-duction, etc., forming the introductions to certain of his collections. In no essential are these treatises antiquated.

Among other music—and what he wrote was voluminous, for he wrote very rapidly—Holden composed "Myr-tle," "Lodi," "Lynnfield," "Para-dise," and "Mount Vernon." "Coronation" was composed in 1793 and published in 1795 in "Union Har-mony." The original is in the key of A flat major, and as a whole is more effective than the version used today. For one thing, he preferred to avoid the incessant and commonplace use of the seventh of the dominant chord. His harmonization is stronger than the harmonizations found in our church hymals. He indicated piano and forte passages, and these are disre-garded by our congregations. He ascribed the words to the Rev. Mr. Medley; but recent investigation shows that the hymn was written by the Rev. Edward Perronet, Shoreham, England. "Sacred Dirges" was written in com-memoration of Washington, and the work complete was sung at Washing-ton's memorial service, held Jan. 9, 800, in the Old South Church. This ond would stand a public hearing, that his style and musical art might be bet-ter understood and appreciated.

The father of Oliver was Nehemiah. Nehemiah lived in a very attractive homestead house at Shirley, Mass. Elizabeth, the mother of Oliver, had been the adopted daughter of the Earl homestead house at Shirley, Mass. Elizabeth, the mother of Oliver, had been the adopted daughter of the Earl of Carberry. Instead of marrying ac-cording to social precedents, she married the Earl's "handsome young gardener," a fellow named Mitchell, so some report (others say differently), whom Holden met at the Siege of Louisburg. When she became a widow, Nehemiah married her. Ro-mance was Oliver's inheritance from his mother. He was born in Shirley Sept. 18, 1765. He died in Charles-town Sept. 4, 1844. He married Nancy Rand, daughter of the ferryman of Charlestown, and in the old mansion, now the Oliver Holden School, there grew up a family of six children. At the age of 17, near the close of the Revolutionary War, he enlisted as marine on the frigate Hague for serv-ice in the West Indies. During his year on shipboard four British prizes were captured, so that there could have been no lack of adventure. No-one seems to have stated who taught him music. He was a carpenter, or joiner; but in his first published col-lection of sacred music he entitles him-self as "music teacher." When the Rev. Jedediah Morse, father of the in-ventor of the electric telegraph, moved to Charlestown, the Holdens did the same. But the sweet voice of young Oliver had already brought him into public notice. In 1789 he trained a chorus of forty voices and greeted the father of his Country in an ode by Wilson. Washington shed tears. He then complimented Holden personally. Oliver Holden has been described as a "tall, slender man with silver-gray hair combed back." In any generation he would have been distinguished. If has was a joiner and music teacher, he also was a large landholder, a justice of the peace, a Baptist (a founder of the second Baptist society on more rationalistic lines), a Mason, a choir director, an organist, a member of the general court; but, above all, a serious-minded composer of genuine merit.

minded composer of genuine merit. The little pipe organ has a compass of fifty-two keys. It has but a single keyboard, but division of registers into treble and bass makes solo and accom-paniment a possibility. The console folds up. The two front doors swing open and disclose the pipes; but when the case is closed its resemblance to a bookcase is increased by red damask curtains. Noone at first glance would surmise that this choice piece of furni-ture, an antique, was an instrument of music. Its real purpose is artfully con-cealed. It is blown by a single pedal. To play "Coronation" requires adept-ness of foot motion, although it is pos-sible to keep up the wind after one knows how. On each jamb there are two registers, those on the left being "Principle" Isic!] and "St. Bass"; and those on the right hand being "St. Treble" and "Op. Diapason." The Bostonian Society received this unique house organ in 1898 from Oliver Holden's grand-daughter, Mrs. Nancy Tyler.

Harold Gleason

"The series of organ recitals for the college made possible "The series of organ recitals for the college made possible by the generosity of Mr. Edwin Farnham Greene, president of the Wellesley Board of Trustees, came to a brilliant con-clusion with the program played by Harold Gleason, Mr. George Eastman's private organist, and professor of the organ in the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York, in Memorial Chapel on April 23.

"Mr Gleason is one of the younger school of American organists, quite capable by reason of education and skill of ranking with Lynnwood Farnam, Palmer Christian, Charles Courboin, Pietro Yon, and others. A glance at his program will show its variety and range of school. The Campus Critic has never been able to interest himself overmuch in Franck's A minor Chorale, but the organist of last Thursday evening gave it an **expressiveness and depth of feeling** that even the gave it an **expressiveness and depth of feeling** that even the somewhat tawdry brilliance of the Franckian rapid passages could not lessen. The Bonnet Variations in E minor, too, al-though a purely virtuoso piece, made for display and with very little inward content, **blazed with virtuosity**—and that at the end of the long list of pieces, all played from memory. Mr. Gleason, however, is equally good when playing smaller pieces, as for example the 'At the Convent' of Borodin or the Scherzetto by Vierne, for he plays them as if he loved them and not in the condescending way that virtuosi often approach 'trifles'; in art there are no trifles."

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Southern California News

By ROLAND DIGGLE, Mus. D.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 22.—Amande Tremblay, who has been organist and choirmaster at Our Lady of Angels. Church at San Diego, has accepted a similar position at St. Vincent's Church in Los Angeles. Mr. Tremblay, formerly of Ottawa, Ont., is a thorough musician. His suite for organ, published by J. Fischer & Bro. last year, deserves a wide hearing. St. Vincent's is a magnificent church, costing well over a million dollars, and the large Kilgen organ will be heard to advantage in the recitals which are planned.

The first recital at St. Vincent's Church was given by Clarence Eddy Tuesday evening, Sept. 8. The church, which seats 1,400 people, was filled. Mr. Eddy had planned his program so as to demonstrate the organ to the layman; hence it contained little of interest to the local organists. The recital closed with the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the choir assisting, with Mr. Tremblay at the organ.

Mr. Eddy gave a recital in the First Presbyterian Church at Long Beach Sept. 4 before an audience of about 2,000. His program was interesting and was played in his usual fine way.

The Marr & Colton organ in the Vermont Avenue Methodist Church has been installed and recitals given by Ernest Douglas, Arnold Dann, W. F. Skeele, Ray Hastings and Arthur Blakeley.

It looks as though there would be very few changes in the churches for the coming season and the majority of the organists are back on the job, getting ready for the season's work. As long as would-be tenors and baritones with little or no musical training can bluff the churches into making them "musical directors" at salaries two or three times as large as the organists,' who in most cases are welltrained musicians, conditions cannot improve.

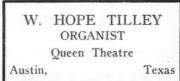
Harold F. Schwab of Boston, an old Los Angeles boy, took Mr. Skeele's place at the Ninth Church while Mr. Skeele was on his vacation in Colorado. Mr. Schwab is a brilliant organist whom we look forward to hearing in recital.

Stanley W. Williams, the Kimball representative for southern California, has returned from the east and has finished the installation of a beautiful little organ in the Church of the Redeemer, Los Angeles. The opening recital will be given next month.

Mark Andrews' cantata "Galilee" was sung at St. John's Church Sept. 27 under the direction of Roland Diggle.

New Factory at Van Nuys, Cal. Work on the \$200,000 improvement to the Robert-Morton organ factory at Van Nuys, Cal., is half completed, and it is stated that as soon as the new building now going up is ready for occupancy the Berkeley plant will be merged into the new factory. When the improvements are completed, it is stated that this organ factory will be one of the best appointed in the United States.

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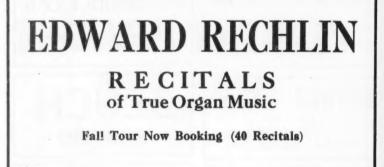
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Homer Whitford gave a recital Aug. 14 on the new organ in the First Bap-tist Church of Bellevue, a suburb of Pittsburgh, and Aug. 30 he was heard in a program at the Congregational Church of Bridgewater, N. Y. Mr. Whitford resumed his work at Dart-mouth College in September.



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be prepared for in the console, play-able from the great manual.

Closes Denver Daily Recitals. Clarence Reynolds. city organist of Denver, concluded the summer series of free noonday recitals on the organ in the city auditorium Sept. 12. For several years these daily recitals have formed one of the chief attractions for visitors, as well as the city's regular

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Miss Lillian Sandbloom Married. The marriage of Miss Lillian Sand-bloom to John Wright, Jr., of Des Moines, Iowa, occurred on June 3 in the chapel of Tabor College, Tabor, Iowa. Three hundred guests were present. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. John Wright, father of the bridegroom. The wedding music was played by Miss Helen Laird, an organ pupil of the bride, who gave a fifteen-minute recital. The four brides-maids were all pupils of the bride. The bridegroom, a talented baritone, as well as Mrs. Wright will continue their studies at Drake University this year and are at home at 3903 Uni-versity avenue, Des Moines. Mrs. Wright taught piano and organ at Tabor College for three years and was also organist of the Congregational Church of Tabor. She has been ap-pointed organist and director at the Winsor Presbyterian Church of Des Moines. Miss Lillian Sandbloom Married. Moines.

Takes University of Chicago Post. Mack Evans, formerly of Knox Col-lege and also formerly assistant to Herbert E. Hyde at St. Luke's Church, Evanston, has been appointed organ-ist and choir director at the University of Chicago. He will preside over the organ in Mandel Hall until the great Rockefeller Chapel is completed. In this edifice the university is planning to install one of the largest organs in the city. Mr. Evans succeeds Robert Stevens, who resigned at the close of the summer quarter. Takes University of Chicago Post. the summer quarter.







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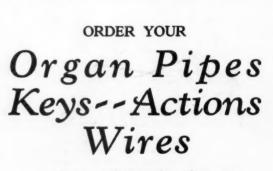
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