

EMMA SINGER WILL BE HEARD

Miss Emma Rempfer of the Washburn Music Department

Will Take the Alto Part in "The Messiah" Tonight.

Other Soloists are Here

The Performance Will Begin Promptly at 8 O'clock.

Full Rehearsal at the Auditorium This Afternoon.

"The Messiah" Handel's incomparable oratorio, will be sung at the auditorium tonight, beginning promptly at 8 o'clock, by a chorus of voices from the Topeka Musical Art society, assisted by the society's orchestra of fifty pieces.

The chief moment Miss Lucy Hartman, the Chinese contralto, who was engaged to sing the leading alto part, found it impossible to come, on account of the date for the oratorio having been changed after she had been engaged, and the opportunity was offered for a Topeka singer to make her debut in grand opera music for such the "Messiah" music. Miss Emma Rempfer, head of the music department at Washburn college, will share honors with the other noted singers who will be heard: Miss Bruno-Marcusson of Chicago, soprano; George Deane, Kansas City, tenor; and Joseph A. Farrell, Kansas City, basso.

Miss Rempfer has sung the contralto in "The Messiah" a number of times before and is a singer of excellent voice, range and power. She studied nearly three years abroad and upon her return to America at the beginning of the European war was offered a position with the Boston Opera company but declined it. Her home is in South Dakota. She is an enthusiastic, gifted musician and has been a member of the Topeka Musical Art society since coming to Topeka last February.

The other soloists appearing in the city today and this afternoon a full rehearsal is in progress at the Auditorium.

The seat sale has been very gratifying and practically all the private boxes will be occupied tonight by the patrons and patronesses of the society, comprising well-known Topeka ladies and gentlemen.

Dean Whitehouse, conductor of the chorus, states that the program will begin sharply at 8 o'clock, and that one will be seated during the playing of the overture.

The soloists of the Topeka Musical Art society are: Miss Bruno-Marcusson, soprano; George Deane, tenor; and Joseph A. Farrell, basso.

The Chorus.
Soprano—Mrs. Lillian M. Anderson, Marjorie M. Anderson, Nellie M. Ansel, Mrs. Grace Stover Ash, Mrs. F. Axell, Mrs. J. W. Ayres, Mrs. J. Baird, Laura Barnes, Mae Beaver, Mrs. J. H. Beckholt, Margaret Blake, Lucille Bonaguidi, Ruth Bonaguidi, Edna Bowers, Florence McDermott, Helen Lucille Brelford, Iona Buchanan, Dorothy Burnett, Florence C. Campbell, Mrs. Monica Campbell, Edna Chandler, Bertha Clinton, Marjorie Cole, Mrs. Theo. Courtney, Florence Crossen, Mrs. C. E. Davidson, Mrs. W. J. Deacon, Gertrude Dick, Creta Diekey, Gladys Dougherty, Mrs. Wm. Garrett, Elizabeth Gaine, Mrs. Gildon, Ethel B. Grant, Edith Gray, Dorothy, Mrs. J. E. Gray, Margaret Hanley, Wade Hardy, Fries E. Hathaway, Helen H. Hays, Helen Hays, Helen O. E. Hunt, Hazel Hayes, Fay Inge-keep, Meta Jacobs, Mrs. Chas. E. Jones, Mrs. J. M. Jones, Mrs. Lawrence, Martin Lindsay, Ruth Locke, Mrs. L. W. Lomaxson, Mrs. J. W. Lorraine, Mrs. Wm. McArthur, Edith M. McCabe, Mrs. Wm. McArthur, Jennie McFarland, Ruth McMontgomery, Janet McMurtrie, Atheda Mar-lain, Hazel Means, Harlan McLaughlin, Mrs. M. A. Miller, Mayme Mitchell, Lola I. Morrison, Mrs. O. J. Moulden, Winifred Naylor, M. H. Naylor, Sophie Nelson, Nina Nicholas, Jeanette Orman, Mrs. Guy E. Owens, Aedine Paxson, Hazel Patcher, Iona Peterson, Mrs. S. H. Pitzer, Winifred Pletcher, Henrietta Price, Jeannette Price, Mayme Pringle, Mrs. G. F. Rees, Zella Reynolds, Grace Riebel-bacher, Mrs. W. H. Riley, Mrs. Clem-ent, Mrs. K. Roose, Mrs. J. V. Rowles, Helen E. Searle, Martha Shaver, Helen Shiner, Myrtle Shoop, Mrs. B. E. Smyth, Imogene Snyder, Erna Strong, Mrs. Frank L. Sturges, Ellen Swanson, Mrs. H. H. Templeton, Inez Tiffany, Mrs. E. May Tipton, Addie Tullen, Ona Tweedy, Doris Weber, Elizabeth Newman, Mrs. C. Williams, Mrs. Frank Wilson, Helen Wiss, Louise Wolcott, Mrs. Henry E. Wolfe, Helen Wright, Henrietta Wright, Marguerite Wright.

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Educators in Boxes.
Chancellor Frank Strong and party, from Kansas university; Lawrence and President H. J. Waters and party, from the Kansas Agricultural college, Manhattan, will occupy boxes at the performance of "The Messiah" at the auditorium tonight.

In the Kansas colleges will be well represented, for two boxes will be filled by faculty members of Washburn college, and students of Bethany, Elizabeth Newman, Mrs. C. Williams, Mrs. Frank Wilson, Helen Wiss, Louise Wolcott, Mrs. Henry E. Wolfe, Helen Wright, Henrietta Wright, Marguerite Wright.

Old Travelling Man Dead.
Newfield, Mo., Dec. 9.—David M. Now, 72 years of age, died early this morning at St. Johns hospital of pneumonia, after a long illness. He was one of the wealthiest citizens of the city.

SEE THE

Before You Buy a Piano—Not After

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822 KANSAS AVE. P. P. WHITEHEAD MANAGER

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Governor Did Not Know It Covered Preparedness Brick.

Hastens to Denounce Policy of National Administration.

FINDS HIMSELF OUT OF LINE

Republican Leaders Promise to Give Aid to Wilson.

Gallinger Speaks for His Col-leagues in the Senate.

Governor Capper and his anti-preparedness followers went to bed Wednesday night with the deep rooted conviction that they were wrong. Long, long, from home so far as the national Republican party was concerned. Endorsement of the president is a Democrat that any policy liner on behalf of the Republican senators, left the Kansas governor severely up to the preparedness policy party and in danger of further embar-rassment when the national policies are outlined.

The situation in Kansas is viewed by politicians as one in which Governor Capper showed undue zeal in becoming a Democrat that any policy general policy for preparedness was announced, the Kansas governor walked right out and took a good swinging kick at the entire program. It was concluded that since the president had taken the lead in the matter, which a Democrat might advocate de-ferred the condemnation of the Republicans. So the governor walked bravely up to the preparedness policy—without waiting to hear its details outlined—and told the public that it was a mistake.

Waited for Developments.
While Governor Capper was telling the state and nation just how bitterly he opposed any increase in the army or navy, other Kansas politicians were sitting quietly on the sidelines. When Senator Curtis went to Washington, he sought to give the president his own plan. Other members of the Kansas delegation did the same thing. Senator Curtis indicated that the Republicans would talk it over. This was all. Then reports came to Kansas that the Republican national leaders had agreed to support a reasonable program for preparedness, but would endorse the policy in the national platform.

All of which may mean much embarrassment to the Kansas governor. His speech against national defense has been printed in the newspapers. He was against anything the national administration favored. Now he must sit back and watch the Republican members of the national congress for their assistance in framing the program under the stipulation that the military bill will not be drawn in caucus. Maybe later he must subscribe to the provisions of a Republican national platform endorsing at least a reasonable system of national defenses. All of which may leave the governor in an attitude with his party and the nation which followed his independence speech endorsing the Progressive party.

Violoncellos.
William Dalton, Phoebe Gaylord, Edwin Popenoe, William Menninger, Carl Krueger, Lawton W. Hanna.

Double Basses.
Carl Metz, Robert H. Bruce, Louis G. Kerle, Claude L. Dougherty.

Pianos.
Charles Seacat, Emil Schumann.

Organs.
Walter Fox, O. Farchio.

Horns.
Frank A. Crawford, Robert E. Abel.

Trumpets.
Walter Slagle, Arthur Champeny.

Drummers.
Ross Laybourn, Harold Temple.

Tympani.
Beatrice Clifton.

Organ.
D. A. Hirschler.

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Swedish-Russian Telegraph Cut.
London, Dec. 8.—Telegraphic communication between Sweden and Russia has been interrupted for several days by a controversy with the Swedish telegraph company from Copenhagen. The cause of the interruption has not been learned. Communication between Denmark and Russia continues normal.

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PUSH RAILROAD PLAN

Administration Leaders Will Get Behind President Wilson's Suggestions.

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Wilson's railroad program outlined in his address to Congress, introduced in congress and pushed by administration leaders. Senator Underwood, who first suggested the subject, said today that he would endorse the suggestions in a bill if some one else did not do it first. The rate making powers of the interstate commerce commission should be broadened. Senate and House bills have been introduced protecting from conflicting state and federal legislation.

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