DANCE AND MUSIC AID SICK SOLDIERS

Sketch by Caruso Feature of Matinee of Special Relief Society.

DUKE—BIDDLE WEDDING TO-DAY

Miss Helen Le Roy Miller to Become Bride of Malcolm E. Smith This Afternoon.

Under the auspices of the Special Relief Society a matinee dansante et musicale was given yesterday at the Maxine Elliott Theatre for the benefit of convalescent soldiers abroad and unemployed at home. Maurice and Miss Florence Walton were seen in modern and costume dances and they also gave a one-act dance sketch written for them by Enrico Caruso, with scenic decorations by Baron de Meyer and costumes by Lady Duff Gordon. Others on the programme were Lawrence Haynes, tenor; John L. Thomas, barytone; Romayne Simmons, pianist; Mr. Dohnin, violinist, and the entire Chez Maurice Orchestra.

Miss Mimi Scott, Miss Alexandra Emery, Miss Elsie Stevens, Miss Beatrice Fratt, Miss Katharine Porter and Miss Muriel Winthrop sold cigarettes, candy and flowers given by the society.

Several luncheons were given before the entertainment, the hostesses including Mrs. William Alexander, Mrs. Charles A. Van Rensselaer and Mrs. Ormond G. Smith.

Among those who had boxes were Mrs. M. Orme Wilson, Mrs. Alexander D. B. Pratt, Mrs. Burke Roche, Mrs. William Alexander and Mrs. Ormond G. Smith. The patronesses, most of whom were present, included Mrs. I. Townsend Burden, jr., Mrs. John Jacob Astor, Mrs. William H. Bliss, Mrs. Allen Gouverneur Wellman, Mrs. T. J. Oakley Rhinelander, Mrs. Frederick Y. Dalziel, Mrs. Charles de L. Oelrichs, Mrs. Frederic Foster Carey and Mrs. James Brown Potter.

The marriage of Miss Helen Le Roy Miller, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Norton Miller, to Malcolm E. Smith, of Smithtown, Long Island, will take place this afternoon in the Church of the Heavenly Rest. A reception will follow at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Miller, 811 Madison Avenue.

Miss Frances A. Dallett, daughter of John Dallett, jr., will be married to William Thorne Kissel, son of Mrs. Gustav E. Kissel, this afternoon in Grace Church. The reception will be held at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Joel Frances Freeman, 410 Park avenue.

In Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, this afternoon Miss Cordelia Biddle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Drexel Biddle, will become the bride of Angier B. Duke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin N. Duke, of 1076 Fifth Avenue.

Miss Elinor Lee will be married to Malcolm D. Sloane on June 3 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Lee, 24 Gramercy Park. The wedding will be small and quiet owing to the recent death of Mr. Sloane's father, William Douglas Sloane.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard M. Thomas are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son on Monday at their home, 12 East Eighty-seventh Street. This is the second child born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, the first one also being a boy. Mrs. Thomas was Miss Blanche M. Oelrichs. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Oelrichs.

In aid of the Blue Cross Fund for alleviating the suffering of horses in the European war a the dansant will be held to-day at "Castles in the Air." Among those interested are Mrs. James Speyer, Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt, Mrs. M. Orme Wilson, Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, Mrs. E. French Vanderbilt, Mrs. Lawrence L. Gillespie, Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Reginald de Koven, Mrs. Cortlandt Van Rensselaer and Mrs. James B. Duke.

The annual meeting of the Army Relief Society will be held this afternoon at 3:30 at the home of Mrs. Daniel S. Lamont, 2 West Fifty-third Street.

Mrs. Ernest Iselin and Mrs. Grace Eaton Schoonmaker are in charge of a bazaar, called the Vanity Fair Shop, which will open to-day at 627 Madison Avenue for the benefit of the unemployed of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt have left their apartments at the Hotel Vanderbilt for Oakland Farms, their place near Newport, where they will remain until Friday. Mr. Vanderbilt sails for England Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt returned to the city yesterday from White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Harriman and Miss Miriam Harriman will go to Bernardsville, N. J., early next month for the summer.

Mrs. Frederic P. Sands and Miss Elizabeth Sands, who were at the Hotel Vanderbilt for a few days, have returned to Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman D. Kountze have gone to White Sulphur Springs for three or four weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bird have returned from Aiken and are at the Hotel Gotham.

CAPITAL SEES DRUG PLAY

"Opium Pipe," by Mrs. Hemmick, Presented for Charity.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, April 27.—The Belasco Theatre was filled to-night with Washington society to witness the presentation of "The Opium Pipe," a drama of ancient Persian life, written by Mrs. Christian D. Hemmick, of Washington, and presented for various charities of the city. It dealt with the drug habit and weird songs, dances and revels were introduced.

The Persian Chargé d'Affaires trained the women and men for the Persian dances and assisted in designing the costumes. Mme. Ali Kuli Khan and the legation staff also aided. The principal male roles were taken by Mr. Hemmick, Dr. Bardie Hopkins, A. Robert Elmore, George Oakley Totten, Milton J. Bryan and Louis Thompson.

The box holders included Mme. da Gama, Mrs. Marshall Field, Mrs. Clarence Moore, Miss Frances Moore, Mrs. Walcott Tuckerman, the Assistant Secretary and Mrs. Carl S. Vrooman, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Brooke, the Postmaster General and Mrs. Burleson, the Misses Burleson, William P. Eno, Mr. and Mrs. George Eustis, Mrs. Gibson Fahnestock and Mrs. John C. Fremont.

Mrs. Thomas Ewing entertained a large luncheon party to-day.

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Bryan will go to New York on Thursday to remain for a short time.

Mrs. Josephus Daniels was guest of honor at a luncheon given to-day by Mrs. J. Willard Ragsdale. The guests included Mrs. Adelaide Worth Bagley, Mrs. W. C. Braisted, Mrs. William P. Malburn, Mrs. Rufus Day and Mrs. N. E. Mason.

MISS CORDELIA BIDDLE.

DECLARE PELLAGRA NOT CONTAGIOUS

U. S. Surgeons Also Explode Theory That Damp Corn Is Cause.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, April 27.—That pellagra is not infectious or contagious has been demonstrated by the United States Public Health Service, after many months of experiment in attempts to infect all kinds of animals. One hundred and twenty-five monkeys on a farm near Savannah have resisted all the efforts to infect them, even injections failing to develop the slightest trace of the disease.

As a result of the investigation, Assistant Surgeon General J. W. Kerr said to-day that it had been definitely demonstrated that pellagra is not a germ disease.

"We have clearly demonstrated," said General Kerr, "that it is impossible, through contact, or any of the usual methods, to infect a monkey or any of the other animals we have tried. The answer is quite simple. The disease is not conveyed by a germ. It must be the result of some other cause than germ activities.

"In the opinion of the surgeons working on the case, the disease is caused by food eaten by the victim. We have not proved anything clearly about this, though we are hoping, inside of a year, to be able to point out exactly its cause, and probably its cure or how to prevent it.

"Experiments with that end in view are now being carried on. We have a hospital at Spartanburg, in which patients are being studied, in addition to our experimentation. I wish to emphasize, however, that our work shows there is very little in the theory that damp corn causes the disease. We can find nothing whatever to bear that out.

"As nearly as we have worked it out, pellagra is caused by a diet not sufficiently diversified, and therefore does not properly nourish the body. As I have said, however, we hope to complete our work and clear up the whole problem in possibly a year."

SPRINGS HAS NEW TRAIL

Path to Bald Knob Opened and Named for J. J. Van Alen.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Hot Springs, Va., April 27.—Named the Van Alen Trail, in honor of James J. Van Alen, of Newport, who suggested its route last winter, a new saddle path running up into the mountains from Hot Springs was dedicated to-day. It leads from the top of Delafield Mountain to Bald Knob, 950 feet higher than Flag Rock, heretofore the highest accessible peak in the locality. The trail has just been finished by the engineering department of the Virginia Hot Springs Company, and Mr. Van Alen, by invitation, was the first man over it, leaving at 6 o'clock this morning and returning at 12:30.

When Mr. Van Alen and a riding master reached the top of Delafield Mountain, named after Richard Delafield, president of the Park National Bank, New York, a thousand feet above the Homestead Hotel, where the new trail starts in, the riding master drew a bottle of champagne from his saddle bag and, shattering it against a rock, cried in a loud voice: "I christen thee, Van Alen Trail." Mr. Van Alen appeared greatly pleased by the attention.

O'Donnell Iselin and his daughter, Miss Adrianna Iselin rode their saddle horses to the foot of the trail later in the day, the same ride being taken by Mrs. George T. Perkins.

MISS MARTIN A BRIDE

Becomes Wife of L. B. Cruden at Home Ceremony.

Miss Adele Stirling Martin, daughter of Mrs. Thomas Betts Martin, was married to Leonard Busby Cruden last evening at the home of her mother, 204 Washington Park, Brooklyn. The Rev. Dr. St. Clair Hester performed the ceremony. The house was decorated with a variety of roses, Taft roses being used in the drawing room, pink ones in the library, yellow ones in the hall and white ones in the dining room.

The bride wore a gown of white satin embroidered in pearls, having a full court train draped with old duchesse and rose point lace. Her tulle veil was edged with point lace and she carried a shower of orchids and lilies-of-the-valley. She was attended by her sister, Miss Florence Martin, and Miss Emilie Burrows. The bridesmaids wore frocks of pink satin clouded in tulle in the pastel shades and carried Taft roses.

Mr. Cruden, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Cruden, of 137 Prospect Park West, had as best man Theodore Jones. The ushers were Edward Cluff, and three brothers of the bride, Stirling Martin, LeRoy Martin and Clyde Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Cruden, when they return from their wedding trip, will live at 469 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn.

GROUP OF DEATH WINS FIRST PRIZE

Louis Urich's Conception of War Feature of Young Sculptors' Show.

PLEA FOR PEACE SECOND WINNER

American Girl, Barred from Third Award by Birth, Takes Mrs. H. P. Whitney Prize.

The jury of awards chosen by the 123 sculptors who competed for the prizes offered by members of the Friends of Young Artists Society made its selections yesterday from the collection of clay and plaster models, each depicting "War" in some form, on exhibition in the Reinhardt Galleries, 565 Fifth Avenue, for two weeks beginning yesterday.

Louis Urich, a young sculptor, who won the Helen Foster Barnett prize at the Academy this year, was declared the winner of the first prize. His conception of the theme "War," for which he receives $200 from Helen Foster Barnett, is expressed in a study in clay, mounted on an oblong base, the side panels of which show battleships and artillery in action, each corner bearing a figure of a man or woman seated and in an attitude of dejection.

Urich's work lends itself particularly to the titanic struggle now in progress in Europe. The group shows three war horses madly galloping over a battlefield strewn with skulls. A German cavalryman, sword aloft, and wearing the typical spiked helmet, rides the centre horse, while pressing close to its flanks are steeds, astride of which ride figures with death's heads. The outstretched hand of one is touching the German's shoulder. It holds a flaming torch. The group as a whole is a spirited example of action on the battlefield. A smaller group in front of the large one shows a little girl clinging in despair at the knee of her mother, who, seated, is nursing an infant and weeping over both.

Birth Bars Girl from Prize.

The second prize of $150, offered by the Society, went to Anthony De Francisci, who took the Preta Roma prize in Rome last year. His subject is a plaster figure of a man with right hand upraised and head thrown back, as if beseeching his Maker for peace. Tightly clutched in his left hand, against his thigh, is a skull and broad dagger, while his arm is encircled by a snake that has almost reached his shoulder. The third prize of $100, offered by I. Sanford Saltus, open only to artists of foreign birth, would have been awarded to Alice Morgan Wright, but as she is American born the prize went to James Novelli, whose group in plaster, colored in bronze, shows an old peasant mother and her daughter standing with bowed heads in the foreground, while close behind them stand a team of oxen yoked together. The younger woman holds a baby to her breast.

Miss Wright's work, which might appropriately be called "The Dogs of War," took one of the ten prizes of $25 each that Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney gave. Her example in plaster shows the figure of a giant seated on a globe throwing the bodies of men slain in battle from the war dogs in front of him to the vultures behind him.

The winners of the nine other Whitney prizes are: Paul Bayerman, who shows in clay a nude woman standing, her face buried in the hollow of her left arm, while her right hand grips the thigh bone of a man. The base upon which she stands, in the shape of a globe, has figures in bass-relief of an elephant, camels, refugees, horsemen, snakes and warriors with shields.

C. S. Pietro, the sculptor, who was the principal promoter of the plan for assisting the young artists, won a Whitney prize. His conception of war was a group of eight men—a gun's crew—straining every muscle to get a heavy gun to the front. The other winners were J. Berdy, Miss Kathryn Deming, whose effort shows an eagle swooping down upon a nude mother and babe; its title is "Food for the War"; Miss Grace Hoerger, C. Jennenin, Arthur Lorenzani, Gaston Nys and Emilio Cyapek.

Those Who Competed.

Miss Marie Brunner, Miss Virginia Mannion, D. H. Velerian, Adolpho Ramon and E. A. Dossert are in charge of the exhibition at the Reinhardt Galleries.

A complete list of the sculptors who competed follows:

J. Accardi, Miss F. Allerhand, Miss Marie Apel, Tomas Badiar, Miss Edith Baldwin, Paul Bayerman, Leo Bayman, Miss Jeanne Bertrand, J. Berdy, B. Bella, O. Bjorkman, J. Bossetti, Leopold Brancusy, J. Bridge, Olympic Brindisi, Augusto Brunelli, Ivan Bulimbasic, Felix Cabello, Charles Carlotti, Gaetano Cecere, F. Cerracchio, Antonio Corso, Clyde Criswell, Peter Dalton, Miss Helen Davis.

Anthony De Francisci, Miss Kathryn Deming, Walter Desmondi, Angelo Emilio, S. J. Farnham, Miss Lillian Ferris, John Fiorita, Joseph Fiori, David Fraikel, M. L. Freelich, R. Gage, Paul Graham, William Goldman, Aaron Goodelman, Charles Gruber, Paul Gruppe, Charles Hafner, Tryque Hammer, B. Harmon, Miss Genevieve Hair, Miss Elsa Hasbrouck, Paul Herzel, Miss Grace Hoerger, Miss B. Hoover.

C. Eugene Horten, Albert Humphrey, Miss A. Ivaldi, Miss Anita Jacobs, C. Jennenin, J. Johnson, M. Kalish, I. Kaplain, Miss H. Kelleher, J. Lang, Norman La Plant, J. Lambert, M. Louis, Arthur Lorenzani, Alfred Leal, William Meserole, Lawrence Maldarelli, C. Marshall, Richard Massood, H. Maynard, Miss Marjorie Murphy, Miss Gwendolin Noble, James Novelli, G. Nys.

Telemaque Paladini, Rudolph Parducci, Christian Petersen, L. Potter, Nathan D. Potter, W. J. Potter, Henry Price, Gaspare Puccio, A. Ramon, A. M. Wright, Miss Blanche Roberts, Robert Rockwell, Nicola Rodino, Miss Sophie Rosenthal, L. F. Rosenthal, A. Rosenthal, John Ruhl, Eugene Romeo, G. Sanders, Vincent Sangiliano, Carl Schwendner, Miss Helen Stulfis, Joseph Speisl, Miss Jessie Stagg and Cesar Stea.

Lindsay Morris Sterling, Nelsaro Sterna, Vincent Salerno, A. Terrozzi, Nicola Tocco, Louis Ulich, James Vaccaro, D. Valerian, Miss L. Von Wetter, Miss A. Walsen, Miss Valine Waller, Miss J. von Wildenrath, Miss A. Wright, Z. Yoshioka, Alexander Zeitlin, Marello Zulutto, M. L. Freelich, Paul Graham, Joseph Krupka, Pietro Manfredi, Nelle L. Thompson, A. Dreyfus, Emilio Cyapek, Joseph Blafera and Irene Marcellus.

FIFTH AVENUE'S LOSS CALLED NEW YORK'S

Association Discusses at Luncheon Measures to Repulse Materialism.

The glories that are Fifth Avenue and the dire fate that awaits that thoroughfare if the cloak and suitmakers are not thwarted in their attempt to establish lofts there formed the topic of debate at a luncheon of the Fifth Avenue Association at the Hotel Manhattan yesterday.

Due to the efforts of the association inroads of merchants have abated somewhat and yesterday's discussion of the problem was centred about measures aimed to drive the wholesaler away from the avenue entirely.

Rabbi Joseph Silverman, of the Temple Emanu-El, said in his address that Fifth Avenue must be preserved from the inroads of materialism. Other members of the association, which includes most of the large dry-goods store owners, agreed with him.

Any injury to Fifth Avenue would be a loss to the whole city, Arthur Williams, general manager of the New York Edison Company, asserted. If measures were not taken at once to drive out the wholesalers, he said, ten years would find the thoroughfare given over entirely to loft buildings below Fifty-ninth Street. Criticism was also aimed at the erection of buildings of the skyscraper type along the avenue.

Junior War Relief Society Gives Bronze to Louis Sherry

Figure by Scarpitta, Appreciation for Weekly Use of Ballroom—Women of California Raise $15,000 More for Belgians by Energetic Campaign.

A bronze, representing a wounded soldier attended by an angel of mercy, was presented to Louis Sherry by the Junior War Relief Society yesterday afternoon at Sherry's. It is a creation of Cartalno Scarpitta, and is an appreciation from the members of the society for Mr. Sherry's giving them the use of one of his ballrooms one day each week.

Organized last November by Mrs. Walter Eyre Lambert, the society now numbers 340, and the average attendance at the weekly meetings has been 150. Hospital supplies, surgical dressings and many articles for the relief of soldiers and Belgian refugees have been made, and altogether 13,703 articles have been shipped to England, France, Serbia and Belgium through the St. George's Society and the Vacation War Relief Society.

At the weekly meeting every Tuesday morning music has made the work easier, among those giving their services being Miss Elsie de Wolfe, Miss Enid Harrison, Mrs. Elliot Langstaff, Mrs. Mary Hatch Williard, Miss Lucille Thornton, Mrs. Roger Bacon, Miss Elizabeth Jones, Mrs. Heller, Mrs. de Coursey Brown, Mme. Grouitch, Miss Hazel Moore, Mrs. Tappin Fairchild, Miss Claire Van Lennep, Mrs. Taylor Moore, Miss Abbott, Miss Olive Archer, Mrs. Reggie Bonner, Josef Martin, Alexander Wemple, Stuart Baird, Lawrence Butler and M. Wegerlin.

The officers of the Junior War Relief Society are Mrs. Walter Eyre Lambert, president; Mrs. Markham Marshall, treasurer; Mrs. James Warren Lane, purchaser; Mrs. Samuel C. Van Dusen, secretary; Mrs. L. R. de Cravioto, assistant secretary, and Mrs. E. R. L. Gould, preparer of work.

Others who have served as heads of tables and assistants are Mrs. Henry Alkers, Miss Flora Benjamin, Miss Barbara Brewster, Mrs. Edward Brown, Mrs. Hunter Brown, Miss Betty Collamore, Mrs. George Ethridge, Mrs. Tappin Fairchild, Mrs. De Witt C. Falls, Miss Margaret French, Mrs. Lowry Gilett, Miss Mildred Harbeck, Mrs. Henry M. Johnson, Miss Kearney, Miss Bessie Martin, Mrs. W. A. Minott, Mrs. Henry Bucknall, Miss Helen Oakman, Mrs. Rufus Patterson, Miss Henrietta Porter, Miss Mary Post, Mrs. W. A. Post, Mrs. Langdon Roper, Miss Katherine Sands, Miss Laura Shannon, Mrs. A. A. Stewart, Mrs. John Terry, Mrs. J. Allen Townsend, Mrs. Samuel Valentine, Miss Mollie Wagstaff, Miss Margery Wainwright, Mrs. Bertram Work and Mrs. Charles Bowring.

Under the auspices of the women's section of the Commission for Relief in Belgium there will be an exhibit today at the Colony Club, 122 Madison Avenue, of Belgian laces, old and new. The executive committee, of which Mrs. Linden Bates is chairman, will be in charge of the affair.

Mrs. Bates announced yesterday that the women of California, not satisfied with sending a carload of food to destitute Belgians, had raised about $15,000 by a series of fairs, selling Belgian flags, holding a flower fête, selling postcards and cigarettes an a house-to-house canvass.

Emerson Millin yesterday gave $1,000 to the Belgian Relief Fund, and other gifts amounted to $119.55.

Robert Hoe and "A Friend of Mme. Sembrich" yesterday subscribed $100 each to the American Polish Relief Committee, 8 East Forty-seventh Street, and other gifts aggregating $215 brought the total of the fund up to $51,401.75.

The British American War Relief Fund yesterday received from Miss Caroline L. Morgan $500. The entertainment by the Newport (R. I.) branch of the organization netted $355, and the proceeds of a lecture were $370. Other contributions brought the total up to $1,347.86.

Mrs. Whitney Warren, for the Committee for the Relief of Destitute Women and Children of France, yesterday received $175 in gifts, the total of the fund now being $71,550.15.

Spencer Trask & Co., for the Persian War Relief Fund, acknowledged gifts of $455, which swells the fund to $26,149.71.

The Boston committee of the Serbian Agricultural Relief Committee of America yesterday turned over $5,000 in gifts to the agricultural fund. Other additions to the same fund amounted to $46.20. Ten dollars was sent in for the Sanitary Relief Fund. The total collected to date is $47,756.20.

NEWS OF PLAYS AND PLAYERS

Warfield's Farewell in 'The Auctioneer'—Miss Kingston in Shaw Play.

David Warfield acted Simon Levi for the 1,400th time last night at the Manhattan Opera House. This is his farewell week in "The Auctioneer," in which he first appeared under the management of David Belasco on September 23, 1901. From Hartford, where he produced "The Love Thought" on Monday night, Mr. Belasco sent the following telegram:

"The 1,400th night of 'The Auctioneer,' and fourteen years of association has only increased the friendship, the admiration and the affection I have for you, dear David. All my heart and soul is in our new play. I am more ambitious for you than for myself. I am so proud. God bless you, David."

The Neighborhood Playhouse will have an attraction of more than usual interest when on Friday Miss Gertrude Kingston, the actress-manager of the Little Theatre, London, will appear there in Bernard Shaw's "Captain Brassbound's Conversion." This is Miss Kingston's first appearance in New York, although earlier in the season she played a special engagement at the Toy Theatre, Boston.

Owing to the necessity for further rehearsals, the Bramhall Players have postponed the production of "The Lost Corespondent," Butler Davenport's farcical comedy, until Monday evening, May 3. The tickets issued for Wednesday evening, April 28, will be good for Monday evening.

It has been definitely decided to close Hammerstein's Victoria Theatre after the Sunday night performance. The remodelling plans are completed. High class vaudeville will be resumed as soon as alterations are finished. The artists on the bill this week are arranging surprises to spring Sunday night to fittingly mark the closing day.

Margaret Anglin received a telegram yesterday from Professor William Dallam Armes definitely fixing the dates for her Greek performances at the Greek Theatre of the University of California. Miss Anglin will begin her series of three plays on August 14 with the "Iphigenia in Aulis" of Euripides. The "Electra" of Sophocles will be given on August 21, and the festival will terminate on August 28, with the "Medea" of Euripides.

Mr. Lou-Tellegen, who is appearing in "Taking Chances," following the close of that play for the summer, intends reviving the masterpieces of Corneille, Racine and Molière for presentation in the open air theatres of the various Eastern colleges.

The Strand Theatre will present the following attractions: David Belasco's "The Woman," with a star cast; Mary Pickford, in "Fanchon, the Cricket"; Elsie Janis, in "Betty in Search of a Thrill"; Blanche Sweet, in "Stolen Goods"; Marguerite Clark, in "The Pretty Sister of Jose"; Mary Pickford, in "Rags"; Edgar Selwyn, in "The Arab," and Marguerite Clark, in "Mice and Men."

An addition to Arnold Daly's company, which is moving to the Park Theatre to open with Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man," on May 3, is Fania Marinoff, who is to play the part of Louka.

SCHWAB TO GO TO COAST

Will See Exposition and Inspect New Drydock.

South Bethlehem, Penn., April 27.—In a palatial combination train of four cars, Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Schwab, with the steel magnate's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schwab, of Loretto; several of Mrs. Schwab's sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Johnston and a party of New York friends will start on Thursday on a three weeks' trip to the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

One of Mr. Schwab's objects in making the trip is to inspect the large drydock which he is building for the United States government at the Union Iron Works at San Francisco. This dock will be 1,000 feet long and the largest in the United States. Its cost will be more than $3,000,000 and its capacity more than the size of the largest vessel afloat. It will be placed at one of the entrances to the Panama Canal.

WILSON TO BE GODFATHER

Will Attend Sayre Christening at Williamstown.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, April 27.—Baby Sayre, only grandson of President Wilson, will be christened next Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bowes Sayre, at Williamstown, Mass. The President will leave Washington Friday evening to be godfather at the ceremony and will return to Washington Monday morning.

The name of Baby Sayre will be changed to Francis by this ceremony. The name was selected when the little chap was about a few days old. He is not to be named for his father, for the Wilson family oppose the use of "junior" as a suffix, and for this reason the father's middle name of Bowes will not be added. The President, it is understood, urged that his own name be not used, at least for the first born of the Sayre family.

President Wilson's plans for going to the summer White House at Cornish, N. H., depend on developments in Europe and Mexico. He said to-day, however, that members of his family would go to Cornish.

SURROGATE FOWLER ON HEALTH QUEST

Attendance in Court Irregular for Weeks, He Leaves the City.

Inquiry yesterday about the condition of Surrogate Robert Ludlow Fowler, who has been away from his duties for five or six weeks, elicited the information that he has been more seriously afflicted that has been heretofore known. It was also learned that he and his wife left this city about a week ago for their country place at Frederick, Md.

Surrogate Fowler returned from Europe in the fall and served alternately in the special and trial parts of the court until February. Since then his attendance has been irregular. It was understood that he was suffering from grip. While confined to his home, he signed several orders.

Dr. E. L. Partridge, of 19 Fifth Avenue, who has been treating Mr. Fowler, said yesterday that his patient was suffering from overwork and nervousness. He advised the trip to Maryland, and the Surrogate was on the mend when he left New York.

W. S. Groesbeck Fowler, of 64 Wall Street, a son of the Surrogate, said his father was simply worn out. He had a long vigil at the bedside of the son, who was ill several months with pleurisy.

Surrogate Fowler was appointed by Governor Dix to succeed the late Surrogate Thomas. He was later elected for the full term of fourteen years. Mr. Fowler is a member of the Metropolitan Club.

His son, Robert Ludlow Fowler, jr., married Miss Charlotte Cram, a niece of J. Sergeant Cram. His daughter, Miss Elizabeth B. G. Fowler, married Dawson Coleman Glover. The wife of W. S. Groesbeck Fowler was formerly Miss Katherine Delafield Hall.

N. Y. WOMEN WINNERS

New Amsterdam Whist Club Takes Honors at Congress.

Boston, April 27.—Keen play marked the opening rounds in the several competitions of the annual congress of the Woman's Whist League of America today. The forenoon matches were for the Washington, Cavendish and Boston trophies, in which the respective honors were won by the New Amsterdam Club, of New York; the Modern, of Boston, and the Narragansett, of Providence.

Top scores in progressive pair play were made by Miss Belle McCord, Mrs. W. A. Barnum, Mrs. F. A. Winslow and Mrs. R. R. Mabie, of New York; Mrs. H. C. Campion, and Mrs. J. W. Vogdes, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. J. W. Gates, of Chicago.

SMITH—EMERY.

Montclair, N. J., April 27.—Miss Helen Emery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson Emery, of 75 North Mountain Avenue, and Dyer Smith were married this afternoon. The Rev. Dr. Charles S. Mills, pastor of the First Congregational Church, performed the ceremony. The bride was attended by Mrs. Harold J. Howland as matron of honor and Miss Katrina Bradley, of Washington, and Miss Phyllis Stansbury, of Newark, as flower girls. John Sherwood, of Brooklyn, was best man, and Richard A. Tissington and Edward Whitby were the ushers.

DIRECT TAX WASTE, SAYS MAYOR AGAIN

Supply and Appropriation Bills Mutilated and Mauled, He Declares.

PICKS FLAWS IN SENATORS' STATEMENT

Asserts Only Chosen Few Knew What New Burdens Were Pasted Upon the People.

Mayor Mitchel issued a detailed statement last night in reply to the statement signed by all the Republican Senators from the Greater City controverting the charges of the Mayor that the Legislature had been extravagant and wasteful of public money in appropriating a $19,000,000 direct tax. The Mayor declared that the figures submitted by the Senators did not alter his conviction that the direct tax was excessive and unnecessary.

Before taking up the statement of the Senators in detail the Mayor called attention "to a situation which typifies the attitude of the present Legislature toward this city and the state in the matter of taxation." He declared that the supply and appropriation bills had been jammed through the Senate and Assembly in a "mauled and mutilated" condition on an emergency message from the Governor certifying to the necessity of their immediate passage.

"And only the chosen few who were called into conference by the legislative leaders," said the Mayor, "knew what new burdens had been pinned and pasted upon the people of the state."

He declared that no one, including the members of the Senate and Assembly, had copies of the actual bills that passed the Legislature Saturday night, having obtained merely preliminary drafts, and that intelligent discussion of actual appropriations was impossible under such circumstances.

"I have seen no disposition to meet my criticism of the appropriation of millions of dollars for canal construction out of current revenue," said the Mayor. "There has been no attempt to avoid a direct tax by making canal appropriations dependent upon a referendum at the next election, as I suggested. There has been no attempt to amend the obnoxious features of the $6,000,000 appropriations for highway maintenance."

Referring to the contention of the Senators that the new clerical positions created in the office of the Attorney General was in accordance with the policy to do away with special counsel, the Mayor declared that this would not prevent the Attorney General from hiring special counsel, if counsel are willing to take chances on the next supply bill.

The Mayor disputed the assertnio that the creation of new positions in the Excise Department, not amenable to the civil service law, was made necessary by any difficulty in enforcing the law, "which is effectively enforced at present with the ordinary force of special agents."

He pointed out that if the $316,000 for the Educational Department for teachers' quotas was needed, as the Senators said, the quotas had been increased since the department reported to the Legislature last year, and in so doing the department had violated the law.

Referring to his former statement that $1,500,000 has been appropriated for highway maintenance in excess of the legal and ordinary requirements, which was disputed by the Senators, the Mayor explained that what the Legislature had really done was to add a large part of this amount to this year's tax, which would lie idle without interest for two years before it could actually be used.

Appropriations for the completion of Mohansic State Hospital, the tuberculosis hospital at Clinton Prison, and other hospitals, the Mayor contended could be materially reduced with equal effectiveness.

Finally, the Mayor characterized the contention that $900,000 was needed this year for locktenders and repairs on the canals as "absurd." As there are only one-fifth as many locks on the new canal as on the old, he said, there is necessity for only one-fifth as many locktenders, but instead of a reduction in the force, an appropriation was made for an increase of $75,000 to go to pay additional employes, where fewer are really needed.

INTEREST IN GREEK PLAY

Mayor's Committee to Aid Barker Productions Meets.

The committee appointed by Mayor Mitchel to co-operate with the trustees of City College and the committee of university professors in making a success of the productions by Granville Barker of "Trojan Women" and "Iphigenia in Tauris" at leading Eastern universities met yesterday at the City Midday Club at a luncheon given by Otto H. Kahn, Bernard M. Baruch and Paul D. Cravath.

The Mayor, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia, Chancellor Elmer E. Brown of New York University and President Mezes of the College of the City of New York were present. Otto H. Kahn, whom the Mayor appointed as chairman of the committee, presided.

Mayor Mitchel expressed his interest in the proposed productions and praised Adolph Lewisohn's generosity in presenting the new stadium to the city. Mr. Barker explained that the performances were to be held late in the afternoon in accordance with the Greek custom.

WHAT IS GOING ON TO-DAY.

Free admission to the American Museum of Natural History, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York Zoological Park, Van Cortlandt Park Museum and the Aquarium.

Address by Miss Eleanor E. Miller, on "The Institution Farm as a Means of Reform," at the meeting of the Bedford Farmers' Club, reformatory, 2 p. m.

Meeting of the Army Relief Society, 2 West Fifty-third Street, 3 30 p. m.

Meeting of the Board of Education, hall of the board, Park Avenue and Fifty-ninth Street, 4 p. m.

Meeting of the City History Club, New York School of Applied Design for Women, Lexington Avenue and Thirtieth Street, 4 p. m.

Addresses by Mayor Mitchel, R. A. C. Smith and M. B. Mallile on "The Government of the City of New York: Transportation, Port and Terminal Facilities," Columbia University, 4.15 p. m.

Dinner of the Twilight Club of New York for Thomas Mott Osborne, Hotel McAlpin, 7 p. m.

Dinner of the New Jersey Medical Club, Hotel Manhattan, 7 p. m.

Dinner of the Unanimous Club, Hotel Manhattan, 7 p. m.

Meeting of the Association of the Tuberculosis Clinics, 105 East Twenty-second Street, 8 p. m.

Meeting of the Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities, Temple Beth Elohim, Garfield Place and Eighth Avenue, Brooklyn, 8 p. m.

Public lectures of the Board of Education, 8.15 p. m. Manhattan—"Polynesia: An Unbeaten Track," Mrs. Lillian G. Fisher, Seamen's Church Institute of New York, 25 South Street; "How the Constitution Was Written," Dr. Robert W. McLaughlin, Institute Hall, 216 East 106th Street; "Night in the Forest," James A. Cruikshank, Public School 95, West Houston and Clarkson Streets, near Varick Street; "Life with the United States Census," Francis Bolt Wheeler, Ph. D., Public School 164, 115th Street, west of Lexington Avenue.

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RIVERHEAD'S TAFT DEAD

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Riverhead, L. I., April 27.—William H. Taft, a justice of the peace, died at his home here last night, aged eighty-two. He was known to every man, woman and child in Riverhead. He was born at Fresh Pond, near Balting Hollow, Riverhead Township, July 7, 1833, the son of Henry and Hulda Horton Taft. In his early manhood he taught school in Long Island villages. He engaged in the store business half a century ago and of late kept a little place on the walk in front of the Riverhead Savings Bank.

For many years he was a member and lay preacher in the Methodist Church here. In politics the justice was a stalwart Republican. Five children survive him.

FREDERICK W. R. ESCHMAN.

Frederick W. R. Eschman, president of the Arlington Chemical Works, of Yonkers, died suddenly at his home, 27 Lake Avenue, yesterday. He was born in Hanover, Germany, sixty-three years ago. Coming to the United States when seventeen, he went to Washington and Louisville before he reached Yonkers, in 1886, and began manufacturing medicines and chemicals. He was chairman of St. John's Riverside Hospital board. He leaves a wife. The funeral will be held to-morrow.

MRS. LEWIS J. MULFORD.

Montclair, N. J., April 27.—Mrs. Caroline Toles Mulford, wife of Lewis J. Mulford, died last night at her home, 73 Plymouth Street, after an illness of several months. She was seventy-nine years old, and had resided in Montclair nearly thirty years. She was an active member of the First Congregational Church of Montclair and a charter member of Sorosis of New York, in which city she was born. Besides her husband she leaves two sons.

DAVID BRUCE MITCHELL.

David Bruce Mitchell, at one time superintendent of racing of the Western Union Telegraph Company, died yesterday morning at his home, 23 Maple Avenue, New Rochelle, aged sixty-five years. For twenty years he was president of the Serial Building and Loan Association of New York City. He leaves a wife. He was a member of the Royal Arcanum and the New Rochelle Republican Club.

GEORGE WASSON.

George Wasson, captain of Engine Company 2, Hoboken Fire Department, died yesterday at a sanatorium in Corona, Long Island. He was one of the early members of Elysian Engine Company 4 of the volunteer forces in Hoboken. He was also a charter member of the paid department. He had been a captain since 1911. His wife and two children survive him.

ALEXANDER N. SCRIABIN.

Moscow, April 27.—Alexander Nicholaevich Scriabin, the Russian pianist and composer, died to-day, from blood poisoning, at the age of forty-three. Scriabin was the prize pupil of the Moscow Conservatory in 1892. In 1903 he began devoting his time to composing choral symphonies and sonatas and other piano works.

THOMAS CURRAN.

Thomas Curran, Chief of Police of Nyack, is dead from apoplexy, with which he was stricken at a baseball game. He was about fifty-six years old and had perform