

NEW OPERAS PUT ON METROPOLITAN LIST

Gatti-Casazza Announces Also Some New Singers for Next Season.

HE SAILS ON WEDNESDAY

Aida, Bori, Farrar, Destinn and Hempel Among Favorites Who Remain.

Giulio Gatti-Casazza, general manager of the Metropolitan Opera Company, who will sail for Europe Wednesday on La Provence, has announced his plans for next season so far as they have matured.

Other novelties under consideration are "Francesca da Rimini," by Zandonai, which recently was produced in Turin.

Novelties of Two Schools. The management of the opera house is anxious to produce some novelties of the French and Slav schools.

Among the revivals under consideration in addition to "Carmen" are Weber's "Euryanthe," Mozart's "Le Nozze di Figaro," Beethoven's "Fidelio," Wagner's "Siegfried," "Samson et Dalila" and Verdi's "Falstaff."

Singers for Next Season.

As announced, the artists engaged for the coming season are as follows: Sopranos—Francesca Biondi, Anna Case, Louise Cox, Vera Curtis, Emmy Destinn, Geraldine Farrar, Rita Formis, Johanna Gauski, Frieda Hempel, Alice Nielsen, Maria Rappold, Leonora Starna and Hovanna Van Dyck.

Mezzo sopranos and contraltos—Mariska Aldrich, Emma Bonizigia, Sophie Braslavsky, Maria Duchene, Louise Homer, Helen Mapleson, Marie Matfield, Margaret Matzenauer, Marguerite Ober and Lila Robinson.

Tenors—Paul Alkanoff, Pietro Audisio, Angelo Bada, Julius Biedler, Leo Bismantini, Enrico Caruso, Edoardo Ferrario, Riccardo Martin, Giovanni Martinelli, Albert Reiss and Jacques Ursul.

Barytones—Isabelle Amato, Bernard Begun, Hugh Gilby, Robert Gottschalk, Leonard, Vincenzo Reschikan, Carl Schlegel, Antonio Scotti and Hermann Well.

Basses—Paolo Ananias, Carl Braun, Adamo Didur, Marcel Reiner, Giulio Rossi, Leon Rothler, Basy Ruyssdal, Andres de Siquiera and Herbert Wittespoon.

Conductors—Alfred Hertz, Giorgio Polacco and Arturo Toscanini, conductors and assistant conductors, Richard Hageman and Hans Morgenstern; assistant conductors, Giuseppe Hambroek, Friedrich Jacoby, Genaro Papi, Francesco Romel and Wily Troller.

Chorus masters—Giulio Setti, Hans Steine, technical director, Edward Siedle; stage managers, Jules Speck and Louis Taylor.

New artists who have been engaged are: Melanie Kurt, soprano of the Royal Opera, Berlin; Elizabeth Puritz-Schumann of the Stadt Theater, Hamburg; Nabel Garrison, American soprano; Alfred Piccaver, American lyric tenor, of the Imperial Opera, Vienna; Arthur Middleton, American bass-baritone.

The management is negotiating with other important artists.

A SISTER PLEADS.



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MAY DAY PARADE PLANS.

Unions Arrange for Speeches in Five Languages in Union Square. The committee of arrangements for the May day demonstration of the labor unions in the United States and the different branches of the Socialist party agreed yesterday on the route for the parade, which will be followed by a mass meeting in Union Square.

The parade will start at 1 P. M. Friday, the labor unions marching from Irving place, and the different branches of the Socialist party, a number of fraternal organizations and the students of the Rand School from Nineteenth street between Third and Fourth avenues.

Wireless Call From Iverna for One of Two Sea Babies. Among the passengers on the steamship Iverna, which docked yesterday, were Mr. and Mrs. Ovie Bates. Mr. Bates is a Boston archaeologist, who had been making researches in Egypt.

On April 20 little John Bates was born. He did not do very well yesterday, before the boat reached New York, Mr. Bates sent a wireless message for an ambulance with an incubator to meet the steamship. They were at the dock and the mother was taken to a hospital. The ship's physician, Dr. T. M. Bellow, believes the boy has a good chance to grow up if he receives expert medical care.

Sculptor Ezekiel Here. Comes From Rome—On Way to Unveil Monument. Sir Effie M. Ezekiel, sculptor, came from Rome to New York yesterday, arriving on the Iverna. He intends to go at once to his former home at Cincinnati and there will attend the unveiling of a statue he sculptured in memory of the Confederate dead at Arlington, Va.

Polk Out for Drive in Park. Wounded Corporation Counsel DeLays Start for Adirondacks. Frank L. Polk, Corporation Counsel, who was wounded in the jaw by the bullet meant for Mayor Mitchell, is now at his home, 129 East Thirty-sixth street, weak from his injury, but in good spirits.

Engagements Announced. Mrs. Alfred M. Hoyt of 1934 Fifth avenue has announced the engagement of her granddaughter, Miss Rosina Hoyt, to Edgar Farrar Watson. Mr. Hoyt is a Yale man of the class of 1909. He is a son of Charles E. Bateson.

Industrial Exhibit Remains Open. The managers of the Exhibit of Better Industrial Relations have decided to extend the sessions until Friday because of the interest shown by the public.

Weather at Spring Resorts. ASHLEY PARK, April 26.—Temperature, 47. ASHVEILLE, N. C., April 26.—Temperature, 77.

GEORGE F. BAER DIES OF UREMIC POISON

Effort to Revive Reading Road's President, Following His Collapse, Fails. WAS J. P. MORGAN'S FRIEND

For Many Years He Was Late Financier's Confidential Representative.

PHILADELPHIA, April 26.—George F. Baer, president of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, succumbed to uremic poisoning at 7:43 o'clock tonight in his home, 1718 Spruce street. He was 72 years old.

Head of the Reading-Jersey Central system and head of the anthracite coal combination, he was one of the most powerful and best known financiers in America.

Mr. Baer was stricken in Walnut street near Fifteenth street on Saturday morning while walking to his office in the Reading Terminal.

When his death came, Mrs. Baer, his daughters, Mrs. Emily Baer Conrad of Reading, Mrs. William Grissom Cox of Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Heber L. Smith of Reading, Mrs. William N. Apple of Lancaster and Mrs. Isaac H. Muehlenberg of Reading, a lifelong friend.

E. T. Stotesbury arrived at the home shortly after Mr. Baer died. Mr. Stotesbury had called repeatedly and when told that his friend was dead he was visibly affected.

He had known him for a great many years. He said to reporters, "and I had a profound respect for his business judgment. He evinced a remarkably intense interest in every project that he undertook and his chief concern was always the welfare of stockholders of companies with which he was connected. A good husband, father and friend, he will be missed throughout the country. The loss will be especially felt by those who went to him for advice."

Friends of Mr. Baer recalled that to-day marked the fiftieth anniversary of his admission to the bar. The occasion was celebrated Thursday night at a family dinner.

Began as Printer's Apprentice. The rise of George Frederick Baer from a printer's apprentice in a small Pennsylvania village to the head of one of the most important of the Eastern railroad systems is a remarkable example of energy, determination and great innate ability.

Mr. Baer was born near the village of Lavaca, Somerset county, Pa., on September 28, 1842, a son of Major Solomon Baer and Anna Marie Baker Baer. His earliest American ancestor was Christopher Baer, who came to this country from the Duchy of Zweibrücken prior to 1740.

Within a short time his father rented a farm close to the village, and George grew older he had an opportunity to attend the district school. Later his parents moved into the village and the son went to a high school.

When he was 13 years old he became an apprentice to the printer, Mitchell, owner of the Somerset Democrat, and worked in the Democrat office for two years. He studied at night and went to Franklin College, where he obtained a bachelor's degree in 1861.

He was one of the youngest officers in the Union army and the youngest to obtain the rank of Major, with which he retired from the army. He had, at one time, a study of law with his brother, William J. Baer. He was admitted to the bar on April 26, 1864, and in commemoration of his half century as a member of the bar a banquet was given in his honor at 418 Spruce street, Philadelphia, on April 23, two days before he was stricken.

The small Somerset county town offered little opportunity for young Baer's energy and ambition. He remained there for four years and then moved to Reading, where he put up his shingle and straightway began to make a name for himself. When he was not devoting his time to his law books he was out making friends, and within a few years he stood out as one of the leading lawyers in that city.

He received several cases against the Reading Railroad which he fought with a skill and a knowledge of the law that not only won victories for him but convinced the officers of the railroad company that it would be much wiser to retain him as their attorney. He accepted the company's retainer soon after having earned a fee of \$5,000 in a single case, an unusual sum for a young lawyer.

Mr. Baer's association with the railroad began in 1870 and continued with one break up to the time of his death. He rose to the presidency of the Reading served as a section head, foreman of a gang or in other similar capacities, but having once entered the service of the road he attracted attention through his ability to master details of railroad organization and to develop a policy that worked for prosperity.

In those early years he displayed a remarkable belief in his own ability, a determination to accomplish despite all odds what he set out to do. He became a director of the old Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, but he disagreed with the policy of President McCool and asked to be relieved of his duties.

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GLIMPSES OF JUNGLE IN NEW AFRICAN HALL

Animal Life to Be Shown in Groups at Natural History Museum. C. E. AKELEY SHOWS MODEL

Four Elephants, Trophies of Hunt, Form One Striking Exhibition. A model showing the new plan proposed for the African Hall of the American Museum of Natural History has recently been completed under the direction of Carl E. Akeley, who conducted an expedition to the African jungles several years ago in quest of big game in the interests of the museum.

The African Hall will afford a comprehensive reproduction of the animal life of the jungles and will contain at least forty habitat groups, with panoramic background illustrating the landscape and various scenes in the dark continent. In the center will be installed a group of four elephants, trophies of the hunt, and on either side of this group will be placed the white and black rhinos, specimens captured by hunters of big game.

Four more groups of specimens of big game will be placed in the corners of the hall. Before the elephant group the bronze figure of a native African will stand on guard. A series of twenty-four panels in bronze also will be placed within the hall, illustrating the story of the native's life, one of these will show a Doolittle family group. A model for a group of African lions has been completed by A. Plimister, Professor, a New York sculptor, to fill one of the spaces.

The four elephants represent the skill of Carl Akeley not only as a hunter of big game but as a taxidermist. The model of the largest elephant is of a giant specimen more than eleven feet high, exceeding in stature the famous Jimbo. This model was made by the taxidermist in clay and is practically life size.

The sketch models of the black and white rhinoceros group were prepared by James L. Clark, and the hippopotamus group, the Kikuyu elephant tracker, a fountain and the Kavandji girl, "Over There," also a Kavandji, are by Carl Akeley. Among other bronzes and models displayed in the tower room of the museum, where the work of preparing specimens for the new hall is in progress, are a group of African lions, an elephant group, "The Charging Herd," "Buffalo and Lion," "At Day," "A Primitive Expedition," "The Jungle Pathmaker" and "Jungle Man," the African Hall will be the central feature of a building scheme which the trustees have adopted and for which Henry Fairfield Osborn, president of the museum, has asked an appropriation to finance the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of the institution in 1919.

Unostentatious in Manner. Mr. Baer was not a man of large stature, being only about 5 feet and 6 inches in height, but he was of very build with a well-poised head. At first sight he gave no indication of the tremendous mental and physical energy that he possessed.

In manner he was quiet and unostentatious, but at times, but always gentle, he would burst into a fit of temper. In the winter Mr. Baer lived in Philadelphia, but in the summer he spent much time on a farm near Reading, Pa. He played golf for exercise, devoted much time to the reading of books, especially those dealing with philosophy, and was an admirer of Epictetus, so often quoted by Mayor Gaynor. He was a Democrat in politics. In 1902 when Senator Quay was urging him to settle the coal strike and threatening a Democratic victory, Mr. Baer smiled and said he was glad of it. I have been a Jerry Black Democrat for forty years."

THOMAS J. BARRATT. Chairman of the Peers Company Dies in Rome. Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.

LEWISBURG, April 26.—Thomas J. Barratt, chairman of A. & F. Peers, Limited, of Melbourne, New York, Chicago, Bombay and London, Fellow of the Royal Microscopical and Statistical societies, died here to-day. He was born in London in 1841.

Daniel J. Coss. EAST ORANGE, N. J., April 26.—Daniel J. Coss, formerly secretary of the Larkin Soap Company, died at his home, 73 South Parkway, East Orange, last night, owing to failing health he retired from business a year ago. He was 65 years old. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. George Luckey of Morrisania, two brothers, William H. Coss of New York and John E. Coss of White Plains, N. Y.

Puneral services will be held in St. Vincent's Catholic Church, Madison Sq. S. Y., tomorrow morning. The body will be placed in the family vault in St. Vincent's Cemetery.

Frank D. Conger. NEWARK, N. J., April 26.—Frank D. Conger, a lifelong resident of this city, died at his home of religious subjects, died at his home this morning after a long illness from a complication of ailments. He was 74 years old. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. M. P. Van Horn, Mrs. E. L. Harris and Miss Nettie M. Conger, all of Newark.

Catholics Will Discuss I. W. W. The eighth annual convention of the New York county federation of the American Federation of Catholic Societies, which will be held to-night in the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Madison Square, will devote much time to the activities of the I. W. W. Among those who will be present are Mr. Lawrence, Justice Corbett, Mrs. M. P. Van Horn, Mrs. E. L. Harris and Miss Nettie M. Conger, all of Newark.

DIED. ALLEN—Joseph Rosman, Funeral from THE FUNERAL CHURCH, 241 West Twenty-third street (Frank E. Campbell Bldg.), Monday afternoon, 2 o'clock.

BEETS—Mrs. Saturday, April 25, 1914, at 154 East Seventy-second street, Mrs. P. Henrietta Beets, daughter of the late Walter and Henrietta Beets. Private funeral.

CHESLUM—Funeral on Saturday, April 25, 1914, 10 o'clock, Rogers, daughter of one late of Louisa and Bessie Cheslum, in her ninetieth year, at 18 East Fifty-third street. Notice of funeral hereafter.

HAY—At 972 Fifth avenue, on Saturday, April 25, 1914, at 10 o'clock, Mrs. D. C. widow of John Hay. Funeral Tuesday at Cleveland, Ohio. Cleveland papers please copy.

LANE—At Roosevelt Hospital, April 25, in her ninetieth year, Mrs. Charlotte Taylor, daughter of the late John Henry Lane, M. D. and Frances Jones Lane. Funeral services will be held at Calvary Church, Fourth avenue and Twenty-third street, on Monday, April 27, at 10 o'clock. Interment at Lancaster, Mass. Boston papers please copy.

SHEA—Funeral on Saturday at her late residence, 424 West 142d street, on April 25, 10 o'clock, Mrs. of the late David Shea, aged 76.

Second requiem mass at the Church of St. John the Baptist, 110 West 110th street, on Monday, April 27, at 9 A. M. Kinty and family.

WALTERS—On Saturday, April 25, Charles A. Walters, of the Hotel de France, English papers please copy.