

# Inside Information for Buyers of Player Pianos

One of the largest player piano concerns admitted recently in an advertisement that no improvement has been made on their pianos for fifteen years.

This statement expressed not only their sentiments but those of nearly every other piano maker in America.

**The Wissner Grand Piano in Upright Form can quickly and conclusively be proven the exception**

Fifteen years ago, when other piano makers realized the futility of trying to improve the lines of piano construction that were universally followed, the inventor of the Wissner Pianos was exploring new fields and developing new ideas, which, after materialization, exceeded even his greatest expectations.

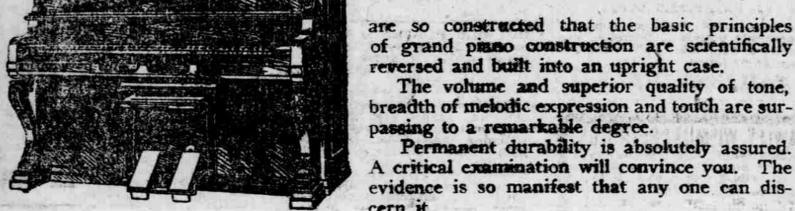
Several years of practical use, in which they have been subjected to the most severe tests, have plainly demonstrated that they will retain their inimitable tone qualities and stay in tune under the most unfavorable conditions.

Prior to our departure from the beaten paths, the Wissner Pianos had gained a very favorable reputation, but since that time their fame has spread in a manner unparalleled in piano history. To-day it is recognized as the Best Piano in existence, and the only Piano worthy a place among the representative achievements of modern times.

To substantiate our claim, we freely encourage prospective buyers to compare all other pianos—and those sold by the house that admits their product to be the same to-day as it was fifteen years ago—with a Wissner Grand Piano in Upright Form.

**THIS EXTRAORDINARY INSTRUMENT IS USED IN OUR MARVELOUS PLAYER AND PIANO COMBINATION.**

## WISSNER PLAYER PIANOS



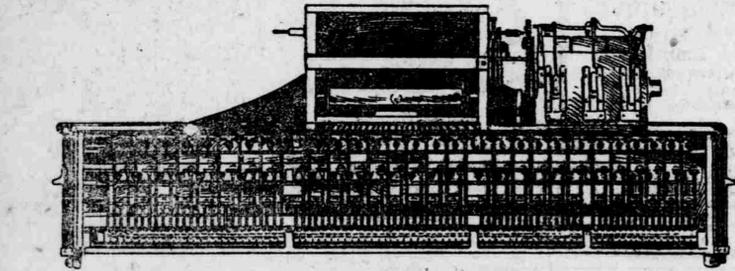
are so constructed that the basic principles of grand piano construction are scientifically reversed and built into an upright case.

The volume and superior quality of tone, breadth of melodic expression and touch are surpassing to a remarkable degree.

Permanent durability is absolutely assured. A critical examination will convince you. The evidence is so manifest that any one can discern it.

For many years the Wissner Pianos have enjoyed an immense class and been used extensively and regularly by artists and musicians of the highest class for concerts and recitals of a high order.

Frequently music rolls are marked in a manner which enables the operator to play faster or slower than otherwise designated on the music. This is supposed to be a record of the interpretation of some musical authority. While not absolutely necessary, a special attachment—the Metrograph—facilitates the reading of these markings. Purchasers of Wissner Player Grand Pianos in Upright Form will be furnished these attachments free of charge.



### THE PLAYER ACTION

The above illustration shows the front view of the Player action. The pneumatics are exposed so as to portray the manner in which they connect with the levers that actuate on the "sticker" or "abstract" of the piano action.

All lost motion between player action and piano action is easily adjusted from the front. Directly above, in the center, can be seen the boxlike receptacle for the music rolls. Operating the pedals with a slow easy motion of the feet and the levers near the keyboard with the hands—according to the taste of the performer or directions on music—is all that is necessary. Back of the boxlike receptacle can be seen the many rubber tubes. Each one is connected to a seamless brass tube and when occasion requires the entire channel board may be removed without breaking any connection or causing any leak. To the right can be seen the three point motor which, in connection with the major governor, prevents any variation of the tempo. Beneath the keyboard of the piano is the pedal action and bellows section of the player. This section is a compact part, including feeders, air chambers, gate box, governors, pneumatic valve boxes, reservoirs, etc., in all occupying four square feet.

### SOMETHING ABOUT RESULTS

Wissner Player Pianos are judged by their results—not by innumerable "talking points for salesmen" which are so conspicuous on so many Player Pianos.

Every attachment or lever absolutely necessary in the expression and rendition of any given selection is found in the *Wissner Player Piano*.

Unnecessary attachments produce unnatural effects. The buttons, levers and attachments incorporated in the construction of the *Wissner Player Pianos* make it possible for one to correctly interpret and follow the instructions on the music.

No effort is required to operate it. The extra reserve bellows obviates this common feature. It also causes the roll of music to move evenly and rhythmically, with no slackening of speed, should you hesitate or move your feet irregularly.

And should you possess a roll that does not track properly a slight variation of the adjustable tracker board will overcome this annoying feature at once.

The music rolls used are the standard nine perforations to the inch or eighty-eight note.

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## PROBER POTTER UNDISMAYED

Men Who Admitted Selling Votes Got "Cold Feet" at Inquiry

Glastonbury, Nov. 14.—The attempt of H. W. Potter, one of the grand jurors in Glastonbury, to prove that voters were bribed in the state election in Glastonbury, did not pan out in a probe Saturday night in the town hall.

Grand Juror Potter had on hand several men who, he said, reported to him that they sold their votes, but when it came to testifying before the grand jury, none of Potter's men would say that they were paid. The other grand jurors, all Republicans, then moved that the investigation be dropped for lack of evidence, but Grand Juror Potter, who is a Democrat, would not consent to this. He declared that he would get evidence later, and to enable him to do this the investigation was adjourned without date.

## "SHRINERS" TO HAVE "KATIE DID" HERE THIS WEEK

Unless all present signs fail, the annual Shriners' night which is scheduled to take place at Jackson's Theatre next Friday evening, November 18, is sure to prove a most enjoyable occasion and the gala night of the present theatrical season. Never before in the history of their gatherings has the intense interest prevailed that has been shown in this coming celebration, and this is due mostly to the fact that for this year's offering they have secured one of current season's greatest musical comedy successes, "Katie Did." As has been previously announced, this is the latest play from the works of one of America's greatest musical comedy producers, Joseph Galtes, who has to his credit such well known hits as "Three Twins", "Bright Eyes", "Girl of My Dreams", etc. In every city that "Katie Did" has been presented, it has met with great and instantaneous favor, and in many instances has been proclaimed the biggest and best thing Mr. Galtes has ever offered. As both "Three Twins" and "Bright Eyes" have been seen here and proven record breaking hits, it can be readily seen that local playgoers have an unquestionable treat in store for themselves.

"Katie Did" has been designated "a comedy with music" and is said to be fresh and pretty, funny and tuneful and has a snap and vim so seldom found in comic musicalities. The jokes are keenly witty and entirely original, the situations are extraordinarily funny, and though at times there is a dramatic situation or a tenderly pathetic line, they are introduced with a deftness and lightness which heightens their enjoyment as a contrast to the fun of a moment before. Another merit of the play is that it is absolutely clean, there is not a suggestive line or action in it. As to the girls, one critic in his review of them said, "No prettier, more youthful or merrier chorus was ever assembled." The show girls are really beautiful, yet have no lack of animation, while the girls are childishly eager and happy in their delightful songs and dances.

The book of "Katie Did" is a transposition of that enormously successful and popular farce of a few years ago, "My Friend From India" and it is said that in the transposing none of the original humor has been lost. The musical end of the play has been attended to by Karl Hoschna, who has more real money-making success to his credit than any other musician of the present day, he having written the music for "Three Twins", "Bright Eyes", "The Girl of My Dreams", "Madame Sherry", and others. His musical numbers in this new play are quite up to the standard set in these previous hits, and are of that whistable variety.

The presenting company is a large and able one, numbering well over 60 persons, and is headed by the following well known favorites: May Vokes, John E. Young, Fred Nice, Josie Intropodi, Eileen Dunsmore, Florence May, Anna Wilkes, Bert Baker, Louis Simon, Mr. Galtes has engaged to play an unsurpassed stage production, while the costume investiture is said to be gorgeous.

The box office will be opened on Monday and Tuesday for the exchange of those holding Shriners' tickets, while the general public seat sale will commence Wednesday. Judging from the widespread interest displayed in all parts of the city, an audience of mammoth proportions is expected.

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## NEWS OF BRIDGEPORT IN PITHY PARAGRAPHS

### Car Derailed.

Derailed at the temporary cross over in State street near the Seaside club, a State street trolley car tossed several passengers from the rear platform. All escaped without dangerous injuries, and when the ambulance arrived, the injured had vanished. The front truck took the cross over, but the rear truck jumped the rails. Traffic was interrupted for half an hour.

### Porch Climber at Work.

Report of the activities of another second story man was received at police headquarters yesterday when it was learned that a porch climber had been frightened at his work, and dropped into the street had made good his escape.

### Daughters of Revolution.

The regular monthly meeting of Mary Silliman chapter, D. A. R., is taking place this afternoon at Odd Fellows' hall, 1080 Broad street. A pleasing musical program has been arranged.

## DR. CRIPPEN'S DEFENSE OPEN TO CRITICISM

English Lawyers Declare He is the Victim of Legal Bungling

(Special from United Press.)

London, Nov. 14.—"A victim of legal bungling," is the epithet that might well be placed over the tomb of Dr. H. H. Crippen, when he is hanged on November 23, for the murder of his wife, Belle. In the opinion of big English lawyers, every person who followed the murder case is convinced, today, that some where along the line of the defense, a scandal is concerned. People everywhere are asking, "Was Crippen sacrificed that Ethel Clare Leneve might go free?"

When Crippen was brought back from Canada, to England, English lawyers, who will bet on anything were willing to wager to 1 that he would be acquitted. Crippen was found guilty in less than half an hour. It is hard to find a parallel for this startling reversal and there as no development during the trial, according to legal experts, that absolutely explains it.

Here are some of the important facts that are now being emphasized to support the charge of the "peculiar" conduct of Crippen's defense: Solicitor Arthur Newton, who prepared Crippen's case, was well supplied with funds, believed to have been contributed by a leading newspaper, and was well able to secure the best barristers in England to conduct the actual trial of the case. Instead of doing so, Newton went outside of London and selected A. A. Tobin, of Liverpool. Tobin is a provincial lawyer with a reputation made wholly in the handling of commercial cases. He was handicapped by the method of procedure at Old Bailey court, greatly different from those of a small town.

What the public wants to know is why Newton engaged an untried barrister for Crippen, charged with murder, and the best counsel that could be obtained for Miss Leneve, charged with the plainest form of being an accessory after the fact.

Newton prepared Miss Leneve's case for Smith just as he had Crippen's case for Tobin, and the very first thing that Smith did on the strength of the case Newton furnished him, was to refer to Crippen, in the plainest terms, as a "murderer." Dr. Crippen's appeal was still pending and it is not certain, but his own solicitor might be prejudiced in his case. When the court of criminal appeals sat to decide on a date for hearing Crippen's appeal, Barrister Huntley Jenkins, Crippen's junior counsel, asked for all the time the bench could allow him to prepare his case, because his senior, Tobin, "had

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senders and it proved most damaging to the unfortunate little doctor's interest.

## JUDGE ALLEN RE-ARRESTED

Another Count Added to Bribery Charge Against Sherman Official.

Sherman, Nov. 14.—Testimony in the case of Judge of Probate Warren C. Allen on the charge of attempted bribery of voters, was begun in the town hall Saturday afternoon before Justice of the Peace E. Henry Byrnes of New Fairfield.

The arrest of Allen some time ago followed that of Representative George A. Barnes, who was charged with having induced a minor, Charles Hetrick, to swear falsely that he was of age in order to be made an elector. Barnes is now held under \$2,000 bonds for the superior court.

### PRESS FEEDER KILLED WHILE UNDER MACHINE.

The dead body of Garmeno Giordani was found in the factory late Saturday afternoon by George Arnold, the head pressman of the Monson Box company, in Fair Haven.

Giordani was a press feeder. The sheet which he was working on became tangled up in some way and Giordani went under the press to fix it, thinking that the power had been shut off. He was back again, however, and the ink table came back suddenly and killed him.

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## KING'S DAUGHTER WEDDED TODAY TO MAN SHE LOVED

(Special from United Press.)  
Turin, Italy, Nov. 14.—Strange as it may seem, the wedding today of Prince Victor Jerome Frederick Bonaparte, the French pretender, and Princess Clementine, daughter of the late King Leopold, of Belgium, was the result of a romance of true love. The ceremony was performed in the chapel of the Royal Castle of Moncalieri and

was as unostentatious as possible, the bride being in mourning for her father. The religious ceremony was performed by the Bishop of Biella, and the civil ceremony by the Mayor of Moncalieri.

Prince Victor is 48, while his bride is ten years his junior. They met when he was visiting at Brussels several years ago, and fell in love at first sight, but King Leopold promptly vetoed the suggestion of a marriage, preferring that his daughter should marry a real king, instead of a mere pretender. For another thing, he did not care for diplomatic troubles with France, by having a pretender son-in-law plotting against France on Belgian soil.

Princess Clementine bowed to his will. She did make it plain to her father, however, that she would marry

no Prince of his selection. Then she settled down to wait.

A decade passed and Leopold died. Albert, his nephew, who succeeded him, was naturally averse to having any unmarried cousins around and the first thing he did was to let the Princess and Prince know that if they still desired to marry he had no objection. The Prince is the head of the Napoleonic branch of the Bonaparte family, being the grandson of the great Napoleon's brother, Jerome.

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