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## THE CLIMAX OF FOUR SEASONS

"The Barrere Ensemble" is Considered Such—Appears on March 19th.

It seems incredible that a great metropolis like New York City can't have a really choice and rare musical titbit, but our local manager at Webster City must hunt them out and include them in our local season of musical diversissements. It really isn't fair to little old New York to take away her exclusiveness in that way, but the west is no longer satisfied with the discards of Gotham. We have the appetite and the wherewith to pay for what is fine and delightful in music and, no doubt, the local manager will feel amply repaid for bringing the "Barrere Ensemble" into the course, as a brilliant finale thereto. This great concert will be given on Thursday evening, March 19th, in the Methodist church.

Certain residents of Webster City had heard the Kneisels before their first appearance here, but the Barreres come as an entire novelty as, in fact, they recently were even in the east, where the people are delightedly learning of the beauties of certain musical instruments, heard heretofore only in great orchestras; and which they had regarded as merely effective as parts of a huge organization, but which they are discovering to have possibilities new and beautiful, in the hands of finished players and in new (smaller) combinations of instruments—for which music of the most beautiful charm had been written, mostly in the old world.

The Barrere organization having now been in New York four or five years, American composers have begun to write music for "pastoral" instruments; i. e. "woodwind" instruments, such as clarinets, oboes, bassoons, flutes, etc., to which Mr. Barrere adds, in his assembly of wind instruments, a couple of French horns (brass), since his establishment in America. George Barrere was (for the establishment of a similar organization in Paris, France) decorated by the French government; from which the reader may gather something of the importance of the Ensemble as a musical body, across the water. As for the estimation in which the Ensemble is held in America, the New York Sun says: "These unique concerts have brought a new joy into the life of the local concert goer."

France's most distinguished musician and composer, Saint Saens, writes: "My Dear Mr. Barrere: In continuing in New York the work of 'La Societe Moderne d' Instruments a Vent' which you so successfully founded in Paris, you will contribute to the development of musical art in America, by introducing to the American public many highly interesting works too little known in that country. My wishes are with you; I have no doubt your enterprise will be crowned with success. Most devotedly,  
Camille St. Saens.

We have had (in The Kneisel String Quartet) the world's best chamber music and are now to have chamber music on "Instruments a Vent" (instruments played by means of "vents"—wind instruments). Verily our good money need not be misspent upon music of the second class and verily our studious children need not lack models and encouragements and inspiration in their musical studies; for such a concert, as we may feel assured will be given, by the Barrere Ensemble, will be worth a term of lessons to each who listens.

Learned critiques have written columns concerning the playing of the Ensemble, the printing of which would be impracticable in this paper; suffice it to say our local management's contract calls for the identical instrumentalists whose names appear upon the programs given by the Barrere Ensemble in Belasco's and Carnegie Hall in New York City. This, of course, costs money, but money which the west willingly spends for a good thing, provided it is unquestionably good. Witness: Lincoln, Neb., is having

the Ensemble and they will stop, returning east, at Detroit, Mich.

As usual, Webster City is the only diminutive city commanding the services of a company so rare and costly. We don't know that our community is so much more intelligent, appreciative and liberal than the average. It is probably more likely that the experiment of engaging metropolitan artists was tried and persisted in, and that, eventually, they will become actually remunerative, as the average patron discovers that good music is worth the price it necessarily costs. Subscribers to the course should select their seats at Teed's on Monday, March 16, as it is proposed to open the general sale of reservations on Tuesday, the 17th.

## UNION TEMPERANCE MEETING CROWDED

Large Concourse of People Listen to Address of Last Evening on Temperance.

The union temperance meeting at the Congregational church Sunday evening was a great gathering. The church was packed to the doors and quite a number failed to gain admittance. The meeting was held under the auspices of the local Women's Christian Temperance Union and the speaker of the evening was Mrs. Ida B. Wise-Smith, president of the state organization. Mrs. Smith gave a very interesting talk. The meeting was held in the interest of the nation-wide prohibition movement. Mrs. J. C. Robison, president of the local W. C. T. U., presided at the meeting and some of the local pastors also took part in the services. Splendid music was furnished by the large chorus choir of the Congregational church and Dr. Ward Hannah also sang a solo. It was a great meeting and cannot help but have a wide influence in the interest of temperance in this community.

Sunday morning at the Congregational Sunday school, Mrs. Ida B. Wise-Smith gave a splendid talk before the members of the Sunday school while her husband, Malcolm Smith, delivered a similar address at the Baptist Sunday school.

## SOME BASE BALL SPECULATION

Manager Kearns Receives Inquiries From Players—Question of Salaries Up.

Manager Kearns has received several letters from base ball players who wish to know what salary their contracts would embrace in case they should make good this spring. Casey Coffin, who played here the last part of last season and who goes to Sioux City next week for a try out, has signified his wish of returning to this city and is anxious to know what salary would be offered him. Coffin would be a great addition to the team as his work of last year demonstrated.

Chas. Bainebridge of Alvin, Ill., has also written Manager Kearns asking that he and a pitcher of that city be given a workout, and wishing to know what terms would be given them. While the officers of the base ball association have not met in session in regard to salaries for the coming season they will no doubt place a limit on the amount to be paid. While some fans advocate a part salaried team, like last year, the majority wish as strong a team as the season's receipts will warrant and the present financial circumstances of the association can stand. The management are receiving letters from all parts of the country, asking for terms and try-outs and Manager Kearns will have a large squad to pick from if he decides to give all applicants a chance.

The business meeting of the Plus Ultra class of the Christian church has been postponed until Wednesday evening, March 11th.

## OFFERED POSITION AS CHAMPION EDITOR

Well Known Local Woman Offered Position as Editor Temperance Paper.

Mrs. W. F. Smith, who has recently accepted the work of state evangelist for the W. C. T. U., has been offered the position as editor of the W. C. T. U. Champion, a position which has recently been made vacant by the death of the former editor, Mrs. Mary F. Williams of Mt. Vernon, Ia., at which place the paper is published. Mrs. Smith is given a month of rest and relaxation in which to accept or refuse the offer, and should she accept will make Mt. Vernon her headquarters.

## DOINGS OF THE DISTRICT COURT

A Large Assignment Made for the Coming Week—Will be a Busy Time.

The jury were dismissed last night for this week and were instructed to appear Monday morning at nine o'clock. Quite a large assignment has been made for the coming week and it is expected that court will be quite busy trying the cases.

The case of H. H. Porter vs. Austin Keiser was settled yesterday afternoon by the judge sustaining a motion for a directed verdict in favor of the defendant.

In the case of F. C. Ruegnitz vs. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mikel judgment was rendered in favor of plaintiff for \$300.

Following is the assignment for the next two weeks:

Monday—Peter Owenson vs. Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County. E. S. Thoreson vs. Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County. Andrew Owenson vs. Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County. M. O. Hovland vs. Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County.

Tuesday—Robert Imlay vs. M. J. Mansager. J. F. Bell vs. Farmers Insurance Co. of Cedar Rapids. Charles Hage vs. Walter J. Loder. Lund & Seamounts vs. W. P. Riggs, executor.

Wednesday—Charles Snow vs. H. M. Ware. Kate Naber vs. Delia Argaves, et al. C. E. Read et al vs. E. F. Koonce.

Thursday—C. E. Read et al vs. E. F. Koonce. W. E. Herrick vs. M. T. Carey. Wm. Wilke vs. Thomas Richie et al.

Friday—J. A. Carroll vs. David Maricle. J. F. Weber vs. City of Webster City. T. Thompson vs. Oscar Luglan.

FIFTH WEEK.

In re estate of J. R. Shaffer, deceased.

Wednesday—W. F. Hunter vs. City of Webster City. J. M. Blake vs. City of Webster City. C. E. Atkinson vs. City of Webster City. Millie Wood West vs. Joe West.

The J. L. Ward family, who recently sold their residence on Walnut street to Wm. Blankenbuehler, have rented the new residence of Ted Rood's on Cedar street, immediately west of the F. M. Fuller home.

## INSTITUTE TO BE HELD HERE

School of Methods to be Held in United Brethren Church.

An institute or school of methods will be held in the U. B. church beginning Wednesday evening, March 11 and closing March 12th. The following charges will be represented in the program: Ames, Ogden, Lake City, Yetter, Goodell, Stillson and

Lundgren, also two of the general officers of the church from Dayton, O., will have a prominent place in each session. The following is a list of the subjects to be discussed: "Organizing and Training the Social Church," by Rev. Earl I. Doty of Goodell; "The Pastor's Place of Leadership," Rev. U. S. Pipes of Lake City; "The World's Challenge to the United Brethren Church" by Dayton team; "Solving the Problem of Church and Missionary Finance," Rev. G. E. Fifield of Stillson; "The Stewardship of Life," Rev. R. R. Percy; "Housing the Fruitage," Rev. J. A. Mitchell of Ames. There will be a special address each evening by the Dayton team. We extend a welcome to all to attend each session. Rev. R. R. Percy.

## CONSOLIDATION AT STONEGA

Debate on the Question Thursday Night at Pleasant View School House.

A movement has been started to establish a consolidated school district between Webster City and Blairsburg. The plan is to include parts of the townships of Blairsburg, Cass and Independence, totaling about thirty-two sections of land and build a modern schoolhouse at a point on the line between the township of Blairsburg and Independence and directly north of the present Breeze Hill schoolhouse. This would be a short distance southwest of the elevator at Stonega.

A meeting to discuss the question will be held at the Pleasant View schoolhouse Thursday evening, March 12th, immediately following the session of the singing school. This meeting has been arranged by the Pleasant View Grange. The plan of the meeting will be a debate on the question, "Resolved, That a consolidated district should be formed immediately with Stonega as the center." Speakers for the affirmative will be: H. D. Blue, W. W. Matthews. Negative speakers: Irving Lasher, J. H. Bosworth. Rebuttal speeches will follow with a voluntary discussion and the decision of the judges.

## CESSNA GETS ONLY A JAIL SENTENCE

Court Room Packed With Spectators Who Wished to Hear the Sentence.

Chas. Cessna, recently convicted of assault with intent to inflict great bodily injury upon Sheriff Nelson, was sentenced at 1:30 yesterday afternoon and drew eight months in the county jail. The judge in his remarks to the prisoner referred to his actions in getting drunk and using a high powered rifle, and stated that a man who was drunk and had in his possession a firearm was the most dangerous thing known to mankind. The judge also stated that as the prisoner's family needed him and the fact that Cessna had an eleven months infant besides several other children, the dishonor of being sent to the state prison would be more of a hardship upon the family than upon the prisoner. The words of the judge brought tears of repentance to the prisoner's eyes as he realized again the depths of remorse which his actions had caused his family. However, the judge took into consideration the fact that Cessna had served four months in the county jail and the needs of his family, and decided that a lenient course would be much the best for every one. The courtroom was packed with spectators who wished to hear the sentence and the decision of Judge Wright was heartily approved by every one.

To Consult the Mayos.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Smith left Monday morning for Rochester, Minn., to consult the Drs. Mayo, in regard to Mrs. Smith's health.

## Emery Shirts for Spring Wear

We are now showing the Complete line of Emery Shirts

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## SCOUT CONSTITUTION APPROVED BY BOARD

Constitution Adopted by Local Scout Council Covers Important Points.

The local scout council which was recently formed by thirteen Webster City business and professional men drew up the following constitution which was approved by the National Board of the Boy Scouts of America, in New York City, and the approving of which makes this patrol a national organization with full power. The object of a local council is to hold up the hands of the scout master, and assist in all ways the good work of the scouts. The constitution will be of interest to the public:

Article I.—Name.  
The name of this organization shall be the Webster City Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Article II.—Object.  
The object of this organization shall be to promote the general welfare of the Boy Scout Movement, within Webster City, under the direction and with the cooperation of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Article III.—Membership.  
This Council shall be composed of twelve or more, members, representing the civic, business, educational, philanthropic, religious, and other interests of Webster City.

Article IV.—Officers and Elections.  
Section 1. The officers of the Council shall consist of a president, two vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, and scout commissioner.

Section 2.—The regular election shall be held at the annual meeting to be held on the first Monday of February in each calendar year, and all officers shall serve until the next annual election, or until their successors have been elected.

Section 3.—Any vacancies occurring in the membership of the Local Council or in the officers thereof may be filled temporarily by the Executive Committees, but shall be filled permanently only by action of the Council.

Article V.—Meetings.  
Section 1.—The Council shall hold two stated meetings in each calendar year, on the first Monday of February and October, and the meeting in February shall be the annual meeting of the organization.

Section 2.—Due notice of all regular meetings shall be sent to all members of the Council.

Section 3.—Special meeting of the Council may be called by the President upon his own authority, and shall be called by the President and Secretary upon petition of any three members of the Council, provided that notice in writing be given each member not less than two calendar days before such meeting.

Section 4.—A quorum shall consist of six members.

Article VI.—Committees.  
Section 1.—The standing commit-

tees shall be an Executive Committee, a Finance Committee, a Nominating Committee, and a Court of Honor.

Section 2.—The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Council, to wit the President, the two Vice-Presidents, the Secretary, and the Treasurer. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of three members. The duties of the Executive Committee shall be as follows:

(a). To pass upon the qualifications of Scout Masters and Assistant Scout Masters on recommendation of the proper authorities in charge of local troops.

(b). To register troops, patrols, and scouts.

(c). To award badges and other honors of recommendation of the Court of Honor.

(d). To recommend lines of instruction in Scout craft to Scout Masters.

(e). To represent generally the Council in the supervision and protection of the Scout movement in Webster City, Iowa.

Section 3.—The Finance Committee shall consist of three members appointed by the President, of which the Treasurer shall be ex-officio chairman. The finance committee shall have charge of raising funds for the expense of the Council, and shall prove all expenditures.

Section 4.—The nominating committee shall consist of three members of the Council, appointed by the President not later than one month before annual meeting. The nominating committee shall name a president, two vice presidents, secretary and treasurer, to be placed in nomination at the annual election, but the Council shall have the right to nominate and elect any other persons.

Section 5.—The Court of Honor shall consist of five members appointed by the president, of which the Scout Commissioner shall be an ex-officio chairman. It shall be the duty of the Court of Honor:

(a). To administer the tests and oaths of membership in the Boy Scouts of America.

(b). To administer the tests for all other honors and awards.

(c). To pass final judgments on appeals from Scout Masters' decisions.

Section 6.—All committees shall serve until the succeeding annual election or until their successors shall have been appointed.

Article VII.—Amendments.

Section 1.—This constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Council called for such purpose by a two-thirds vote of those present, provided that the proposed amendment shall be stated in the written notice, calling the meeting, or it may be amended at the annual meeting in February by a two-thirds vote of those present without such written notice, and provided further that such amendments shall be effective only when it shall receive the written approval of the National Council.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jenkinson have rented a part of the F. D. Young residence and will make their home there for a time.