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Sacred Cantata Proves Big Treat.

The music lovers of Cresco enjoyed a thorough treat on Monday evening last when the Congregational choir, assisted by outside talent, under the excellent direction of Mrs. M. O. Swenson presented a sacred cantata "The Holy City" by Alfred R. Gault.

It has long been the custom in our larger cities to present at this season of the year oratorio or sacred concerts, and Cresco not to be out-rivalled, has arisen to the occasion and presented an artistic production of real merit.

The chorus of twenty-four voices showed decided talent, ample training and able direction. The voices, contrary to the general rule of amateurs, rose as a unit, filling the auditorium with floods of harmony. Mrs. Etta Abbott delighted her hearers with a selection from Gounod "O Divine Redeemer." Mrs. Abbott is an artist whom Cresco is proud to claim as a former resident and it is a rare privilege to hear her again. The soprano solo "My Soul is Awaiting for God" as sung by Mrs. Haven, displayed in the best manner the ability of the singer. The contralto solo "Eye Hath Not Seen" by Mrs. Allen received a liberal reward of applause. The sweetness of the tones and the beauty of the composition made a lasting impression upon her audience. "Come Ye Blessed", a contralto solo by Miss Kratz was remarkable for sweetness of tone and distinctness of enunciation. The tenor solo "No Shadows Yonder" was sung by Cresco's favorite Mr. Will Patterson, in his usual artistic manner. The bass solos by Mr. Hicks and Mr. Nichols were well received and showed marked ability. The climax of the evening's entertainment was reached when Mrs. C. C. O'Malley, Cresco's former musical celebrity, thrilled her audience with "Air di Lia" and gracefully responded to an encore with Jocelyn's "Lullaby".

The High School Orchestra with Miss Berenice Laidlaw at the piano contributed their share to the evening's entertainment and reflected credit upon the training of Miss Ruth Connolly whose talents are well recognized.

It is indeed a pleasure to the people of Cresco to be able to boast an organization of such ability. Special praise must be given to Mrs. Swenson for the organization and development of this musical treat and leads us to hope that some time in the near future Cresco may boast a fully developed Choral club which will reflect credit upon the musical talent of our little city.

Changes at the Court House

Yesterday afternoon the Board of Supervisors met and after J. W. Conway, the new member qualified, they organized by the election of Chas. H. Wallace as chairman.

Their first official act was the approval of the bonds of the county officials thereby at once placing them in full authority. Sheriff Ferris has appointed Will Roberts, of Lime Springs, as his deputy. Chris Fortnum will continue as deputy auditor and clerk, and Miss Ione Kacac will continue as deputy treasurer.

MARRIED

At 5 o'clock in the afternoon on New Year's day at the home of the bride, Dr. D. T. Robertson officiating, Miss Ethel B. Friend was united in marriage to Vernie C. Hardy. The wedding was witnessed by only a few immediate relatives of the contracting parties. They will reside in Cresco for the present and will probably locate here permanently, the groom following the occupation of carpenter and contractor. The Plain Dealer extends congratulations.

Robbed in Sight of Diners.

Shank Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 31.—The police have failed to apprehend the thief who entered a Chinese restaurant in Shank Ste. Marie, Ont., and robbed the proprietor, Sing Lee, of \$150 while the place was occupied by half a dozen or more diners. A youth entered the place, leveled a revolver at the head of the Chinaman and after forcing him to walk into the kitchen robbed him of \$150 and fled out the same door by which he entered.

Taft to Stop at Havana.

Washington, Dec. 30.—President Taft, who is on the Arkansas sailing homeward from Panama, has introduced a change in his itinerary and will stop at Havana for a few hours.

Farmers, Attention!

We have just received a nice lot of oil meal and tankage and can now supply you with all you want in the line of feed at the right prices. SANBORN'S FLOUR AND FEED STORE.

For Sale.

Corn fodder with corn in the shock, two miles from Cresco. Enquire of Geo. H. Owens, Cresco, Iowa.

Trappers and Farmers, Attention!

See me before selling your Furs. Will pay the best price. Phone 376. SAM FELDSTEIN.

For Sale—A go-cart, cheap, phone 296.

Meda and Dona Black visited in Chester yesterday.

Miss Sophia Gunderson was up from Ridgeway Tuesday.

Miss Reta Stevens was down from Lime Springs yesterday.

Mrs. O. Anderson and son were up from Ridgeway Tuesday.

Mrs. James Schwartz of Conover was a Cresco visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. M. E. Butz was up from Ridgeway between trains Tuesday.

Edward Germann, of St. Benedict, Iowa, is a guest of Lee Kapler.

Miss Gertie Steinmetz returned yesterday from a visit at Calmar.

Wanted—A good second hand piano. Write to lock box 706, Cresco.

Charles White returned yesterday to Minneapolis after a visit at home.

Furnished rooms to rent. Enquire of LEO J. GLASS.

For Sale—Two 8 feet extension dining tables nearly new. E. W. Hess.

FOR SALE—One red boar. Enquire of R. S. CAWARD.

Willard Webber returned yesterday to Cedar Rapids after a visit at home.

Mrs. S. H. Lapham and Lila Bowden of Bonair were Cresco callers yesterday.

Mrs. Ben Logsdan returned yesterday to Decorah after a visit with relatives here.

B. P. Norton will have an auction sale, Tuesday, Feb. 25th. Watch for bills.

Miss Laura Becker returned yesterday from a visit with relatives in Riceville.

Mrs. L. P. Barth and children went to Bonair yesterday to visit Mrs. Jas. Nichols.

Mrs. J. G. Roberts and daughter Irene were down from Lime Springs Tuesday.

"Mound City "Horse Shoe" Pain wears longest, looks best. P. A. Clemmer.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sherriff left Tuesday for a visit with the latter's uncle C. E. and Henry Miller at West Union.

For sale, or trade for wood, good cutter, tongue and thills. W. E. Howard, Phone 361.

Mrs. J. G. Roberts and daughter Maria of Lime Springs were Cresco callers yesterday.

Mrs. Nellie Ohl, who has been here visiting relatives, returned to her home in Madison, S. D.

If you want a farm loan at a low rate of interest, see American Loan & Trust Company, Cresco, Ia.

For Sale—A 7-room cottage on the South side, also four other houses. Enquire of A. J. Evans.

Mrs. W. L. Richards left yesterday for Farmington Minn. for a visit with her daughter Mrs. Dr. Sanford and family.

Walter Rice, of Minneapolis, came down to spend his vacation at the Julius Kaatz Sr. home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilhelm and daughter Hazel spent a week visiting with relatives at Chester.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Johnson and little daughter Mariac came down from Bonair Tuesday afternoon.

Herman Mader returned yesterday to his home near St. Paul, after a visit at the Fred Rassman home.

Mrs. Margaret Beveridge came from Mason City yesterday for a visit with relatives and friends.

Edwin Church, attorney at law, new office rooms over Bank of Cresco, in rooms formerly occupied by Wm. Wilbraham.

Mrs. M. Askelson returned Tuesday from a visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Emery at Decorah.

Forty acres of land to exchange for hogs and cattle or town property. Address Bert Gribben, Rt. 1, Cresco.

Mrs. I. L. Eaton and little son went to Chester yesterday to visit Mrs. Francis Hubbard and other friends.

For Sale—A big Poland China boar 2 1/2 years old, registered. Write or Phone C. A. Wells, Rt. 2, Cresco.

Jas. Luak, who has been visiting with his mother, Mrs. Wilson, returned yesterday to his home near Chester.

Will Daskam arrived Saturday from Monticello, Minn., for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Susan Daskam and family.

Miss Eva Gosman returned Tuesday to her home in Decorah, after a visit with her grandmother, Mrs. McLaughlin.

Mrs. O. Melass came up from Decorah yesterday for a visit at the Gilbert Melass home and with other relatives here.

WANTED HAY AND STRAW.—Those that have hay and straw to sell, notify J. H. JONES, phone 42, Lime Springs, Iowa.

Sygne and Karon Larsen returned Tuesday to their home in Decorah after a visit with their brother Rev. Larsen and family.

Miss Margaret O'Malley returned to St. Paul yesterday after a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. O'Malley.

Mrs. W. Dickinson who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. O. H. Stevens, returned yesterday to her home in Decorah.

New sewing machines for sale and rent—also repaired. JNO. J. VAN SLYKE, Singer Sewing Machine Agent, Cresco, Iowa; Phone 15.

Mrs. and Mrs. Jas. Walton arrived Tuesday from Monticello, Minn., called here by the serious illness of the former's father Joe Walton.

For noon only, Wednesday, Jan. 8, is the day to see Dr. Weber, the Eye and Ear Doctor who cures. At Strother House. Examination free.

The Misses Mabel Houn and Freda Kamps returned yesterday to their home in Calmar, after a visit at the home of their uncle Will Foels.

Madames Henry and Joseph Riehl who have been visiting at the Ed. and Joseph Harold homes, left yesterday for their home in Fort Atkinson.

Frank R. Carmen and little son of Webster S. Dakota who have been visiting at the N. S. Rowley home, left yesterday for a visit in Des Moines.

Mrs. Erick Soride and daughter Martha and Mrs. H. Rosendahl returned yesterday, to their homes in Decorah after a visit at the John Hattiestad home.

L. G. Fiske has bought the Mrs. Mullen home near the M. E. church and is tearing down the old residence preparatory to building a brick apartment house.

Mrs. Dan Farrel and daughter, Mrs. Guy Pollitt and little daughter Vera, spent New Years with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Farrel near Bonair.

For Sale—Some extra good, full blood Duroc-Jersey brood sows. Also a span of black geldings coming three years old. Phone Kendallville 22. Otto Soltow.

Mrs. James C. Evans returned to her home at Caledonia, Minn., yesterday, after a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Evans. She was accompanied by her nephew, Lloyd Evans.

There will be a box social and picture entertainment at the Libbey school house on Saturday evening, Jan. 11th, at 8 o'clock. Each lady will be weighed and the gentlemen will pay for the box at 5c per pound.

Mail Boxes for city free delivery will be ready for distribution about Jan. 20th. If you have not already ordered one see me at once and prepare for mail delivery which begins Feb. 1st Robert Phelan.

FOR SALE—Some full blood Duroc Jersey brood sows with plenty of length and bone; bred for April farrow, to a big bone, lengthy bore. Papers furnished. Phone Rumsey 18. GEO. S. BARKER.

Hog cholera is rampant all over Iowa and is now devastating the herds in Winnebick county. Isabel's Hog Cholera Remedy, known and recommended by many local hog raisers, may be procured at the W. F. Milz Drug Store.

Joseph Walton passed away at 11:30 New Year's night at his home in Cresco, after an illness of several months, aged 80 years. The funeral will take place on Saturday at the M. E. church. The deceased was one of the old residents of this vicinity and was one of the most honest, honorable and respected of the community. In our next issue we will publish an obituary of the deceased.

OPENS SATURDAY, 9:00 A. M.

Forced to the Wall!

THE NICHOLS CLOTHING CO.

have been compelled by the peculiar circumstances of the season and other things beyond their control to put their entire

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<p>200 Men's Suits All Sizes and Styles, worth from \$8 to \$10—while they last \$1.95 AT CRESCO, IA. Opens Saturday, January 4th for 10 Days</p>	<p>OPENS! SATURDAY, JAN. 4th \$30,000 Worth of Overcoats, Suits, Furnishing Goods, Hats and Shoes for the Entire Family to be sold at less than the actual cost of the raw material.</p>	<p>OPENS! 175 Men's Fine New Winter Overcoats Worth up to \$10 \$2.49 AT CRESCO, IA. Sale opens Saturday, Jan. 4th at 9 a. m. and lasts 10 days.</p>
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Below we Quote a Few of the Many Thousands of Bargains to be had at this Great Sale!

Men's Suits	Men's Furnishings	SHOES	Men's Overcoats
A fine suit of clothes all to match in plain and fancy mixed effects, worth \$10. SALE PRICE..... 1.98	Fancy bordered hemstitched handkerchiefs, worth 15c. Sale Price..... 1c	Men's Work Shoes, heavy grain worth \$2.50. Sale Price..... \$1.39	Men's Fine Overcoats, good length, made of good, wearable cloth, different colors, worth \$10. SALE PRICE..... \$2.49
Men's fine suits made up in conservative styles, in plain and fancy patterns, worth \$12. SALE PRICE..... \$4.95	Men's Heavy Work Sox, worth 4c. Sale Price..... 4c	Men's \$3.50 Dress Shoes SALE PRICE..... \$2.19	Men's Fine Overcoats in Oxford, Beaver Meltons, worth \$12. SALE PRICE..... \$6.95
Men's Worsteds Suits, all sizes and assorted patterns, worth \$15. SALE PRICE..... \$7.95	Men's Fleece Lined Underwear worth \$1.00, Sale Price..... 33c	Men's \$4.00 Dress Shoes SALE PRICE..... \$2.89	Men's Swell Dress Overcoats worth \$15, all lengths, assorted patterns, latest styles—at this great sale \$8.95
Men's Fine Worsteds Suits, this suit the peer of any you see elsewhere at \$17.50. SALE PRICE (Latest style and patterns, all sizes) \$9.95	Men's \$1.00 Dress Shirts Sale Price..... 39c	Ladies' Shoes worth \$3.50. Sale Price..... \$1.79	Men's Overcoats of Carr's Melton, standard kerseys, all lengths, handsomely trimmed, worth \$20—Sale Price..... \$11.95
\$20 Swell Worsteds All Wool Suits, black, brown, some solid worsteds in gray, all the most desirable and newest shades all superbly tailored, perfect fit guaranteed. Values equal to suits selling for \$20—SALE PRICE \$11.95	Men's 35c Suspenders Sale Price..... 15c	Ladies' \$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes Sale Price..... \$1.19	Another high grade Coat in new effects, 52 inches long, some satin lined, in different shades, worth \$25, for \$13.95
\$22.50 Men's Suits, \$13.95; this amount entitles you to choose a suit from many lots as finely made and as elegantly finished as the most fastidious dresser could desire. Fine home and foreign suitings of style and tone, garments of faultless fashion, in worsteds, chevots, tan mixtures, tan and fancy designs, all this season's styles—Sale Price \$13.95	Fine Neckwear, worth 75c and \$1.00. Sale Price..... 39c	Hats and Caps	Suit Cases, Hand Bags and Trunks at Prices Less Than Wholesale Cost.
LADIES' CLOAKS ALMOST GIVEN AWAY.	Large blue and red handkerchiefs, worth 10c. Sale Price..... 1c	Men's and Boys' Caps worth 35c SALE PRICE..... 19c	Men's Pants
	Men's 50c Fancy Hose Sale Price..... 19c	Men's and Boys' Caps worth 75c SALE PRICE..... 38c	Men's Work Pants, worth \$1.50 SALE PRICE..... 79c
	Men's heavy re-inforced work Shirts, worth 75c, Sale Price..... 39c	Men's soft Dress hats worth \$2 SALE PRICE..... 79c	Men's fine Dress Pants, worth \$2.50. SALE PRICE..... \$1.19
	Men's 35c Gloves and Mittens Sale Price..... 19c	Men's Soft and Stiff Hats SALE PRICE..... 98c	Men's Dress Pants, worth \$3.00 SALE PRICE..... \$1.69
	Men's Fine Dress Hose, worth 15c, Sale Price..... 3c	Boys' Knee Pant Suits	Men's Swell Dress Pants, all patterns, latest effects, worth \$3.50 SALE PRICE..... \$1.98
	Men's Wool Hose, worth 35c Sale Price..... 19c	Boys' Knee Pant Suits, worth \$3.00, SALE PRICE..... 98c	
	Men's \$1.50 Wool Underwear Sale Price..... 69c	Boys' Knee Pant Suits worth \$3.50, SALE PRICE..... \$1.98	

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