MEMORY OF DR. COERNE IS HONORED.

A Recent Biography is Called to Our Attention.


Washington can claim at least part ownership in Louis Adolph Coerne, one of the many distinguished composers who visited her sister, Mrs. Ella L. Coerne, for whom the new Music Hall is named, frequently until his death, September 11, 1922.

Mr. Coerne, who was born in Newark, N.J., in 1876, was the son of Apose, a Philadelphia violinist, and Elisabeth Homann Coerne. Because of the many trials and privations that faced a musician family, Mr. Coerne did not want his son Louis to become a professional musician until early youth. Louis and his sister Ella attended many wonderful concerts in Baden-Baden, where the violin so intrigued the interest of the little boy that his father had a special violin made for him in Dresden. Then the family spent some time in Stuttgart, where Louis took a liberal musical education.

In America he attended the Bowdoin Latin school and, following graduation there, went through Harvard, where he later received his Ph. D. degree.

He studied harmony and composition under John Knowles Paine, one of the earliest of well-known American composers, and he studied the violin under Kniebel. In 1890 he went to Munich, where he studied organ and conducted in accordance with the music of Meyerbeer and Rheinberger, and where he fell in love with a young women that he definitely decided to give up the life of a violinist for that of accompanist and conductor. In 1892 he returned to Boston and was conductor of the orchestra he later held, many important positions, among those the New England Oratorio Society of Trinity Church and several clubs and other musical organizations of Columbus, Ohio, in charge of music department Harvard summer school, professor of music Smith College, and director of music of Connecticut College, editor of school and college music department of the Oliver H. Ditson publishing firm.

As a conductor Mr. Coerne is perhaps best known, for during his busy life he wrote more than 2500 musical compositions. His symphonic poem, "Havannah," is generally popular. Mrs. Butler, his sister, says that he himself considered "There Was a Pillow" as one of his finest compositions.

In American opera, "A Woman of Marblehead" was eagerly awaited by music critics of the country, but he did not live to see its production. Mr. Phelpa emphasized the great importance of wearing the proper kind of shoes on such trips.

Spring Season of Sports Begins.

Everyone has missed the excitement of games since the basketball games, track and field last but again this year, tennis, cricket and track all our long custom. With our new baseball diamond in the hockey field, athletics may mean more than ever.

The schedule for games has been announced as follows:

May 15th-Juniors vs. Seniors in track.
May 16th-Junior vs. Seniors in field day.
May 17th:Full Field Day.

The final games in cricket and baseball will be played on Field Day. At the close of the biggest days this year with the interaction of track, and with the keen rivalry between classes in baseball and cricket. Tennis will, as usual, be one of the best features.

The annual A.A. banquet will take place on the dining hall Saturday night after the games. Only those who are members of A.A. under the new system of membership may attend this year, and they will be indeed privileged since this is the sum of athletic celebration of the year. The Faculty will serve according to custom. The cups and odes to overflows its bounds. With our new baseball diamond in the hockey field, athletics may mean more than ever.

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DR. GORDON SPEAKS AT VESPERS.

On Sunday, May 13, Dr. John Gordon, pastor of the Old North Church, Boston, spoke at Vespers. Dr. Gordon spoke on Excellence, taking as his text, "To the utmost, in whom is all my trust." -- J. W. Mason," and Dr. Gordon, "an unfortunately large percentage of people who are interested in improving neither others nor their own conditions. Then there are those who are interested in improving and improving their environment. The hope of all that is best lies in those who make the right decision and character and the external conditions which surround shall make such high the possible standard of excellence.

If everyone were earnestly striving for excellence a great change would be made in our own psychological features. The masters, those for whom others labor, are those who are guided by a just, and they would benefit in the end, for more problems can be solved by a just, a sympathetic heart, and a true friendship as by any other method. Those who labor, if guided by a real desire for excellence, would be more intermixed in doing their best, than in trying to avoid honest labor.

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DATE OF SCENARIO CONTEST EXTENDED.

The closing date of the Losamme Scenario Contest has been extended to June 30th. One thousand dollars will be awarded to the student submitting the best scenario, presented in short story form, from which a motion picture can be produced. One thousand dollars will also be paid to the college or university at which the winner is a student. In the event that there are stories other than the prize winning story which the company can use, they will be purchased for not less than five hundred dollars for each.

Sixteen points have been given by the scenarios critics, a few of which are necessary for the guidance of those who enter. They are given here in brief form:

1. Have you a theme or thesis?
2. Has your story a nearly universal appeal?
3. Are the premises on which the story is founded logical?
WHAT IS THE FUTURE?

Fairy-tales and folk-lore are full of magic, men look into the future through dark mirrors or the deep waters of haunted pools. Indeed the longing to penetrate the obscure, to wrest a voice from the inarticulate and to know what is to happen to us seems a constantly recurring desire among men; though perhaps it lies dormant while life runs in the smooth groove of habit. Yet when the need for a decision arises the old longing re-asserts itself.

Confronted with the necessity of choosing between A and B, the Freshman cries, "If only I knew what was going to happen to me I could decide." The appeal is made, not for the dawning of the possiblities of election despair, declaring, 
"If only I knew how to choose these I was going to need it would be so easy to choose." Sometimes she confesses, "If I had but thought the course I took this year was going to turn out as it did I should certainly have left it alone." And so we go on, uncertain, dissatisfied.

But why can we not ask the road of those who have travelled it before? There is no need to choose blindly by the catalogue. Good as that may be, it serves only as a Blue Book and who of us who have ever motored would not put more faith in a friend's experience than in the printed guide?

And is the future, after all, so impenetrable and implacable? One wrong turn does not necessitate a wreck. Perhaps the magic mirror itself would reveal but darkness, for the future is but the reflection of our present fortune by our decisions, rather than that our decisions would be determined by a magic mirror.

And what is the present and past application of this? Choose your next year's course intelligently, and if even then you should now yourself despair, declare that your despair and curse blind Fate, for "the fault, dear Brutus, lies not in our stars, but in ourselves that we are underlings."
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FOUNDLAND INTEREST-INGLY, PORTRAYED.
All those who heard Dr. Grenfell speak at a few weeks earlier, share the same idea of the kind and extent of the work being done in Labrador and Newfound-land. We have spent two summers at Poverty Cove on the west coast of Newfound-land, doing educational work.
I shall never forget the sound of utter loneliness and desolation that I felt when the good ship "Home" dropped me and my trunk, in a pour-
ing rain, upon the rocky shore in the middle of gazing, silent, crowded men, and mine, dirty, sleeping dogs. I was the first of the crowd to leave the boat, and I felt very sad when she left the wharf with all the others on board her.
For the first two weeks the people looked upon me as a strange animal; they had never had a teacher from "the States" before. School was from on
that catch till four in the afternoon, on that catch the average was six and work-
ed till twelve. The working season is very short, but very concentrated while it lasts. During the drying season they are usually busy evening. We had picturesque old square dance in one of the houses, or in-
teresting happenings of old Fiddles at the Coast.
The people are like children in many ways, due to their ignorance. They are naturally enthralled to "Cinderella" or to "what we do in the
States." They respond quickly to suggestions, and are pathetically grateful for whatever anyone does for them. The hope of their future lies
with their children; the older gen-
eration are too "set in their ways" to make any radical changes in their lives, but they co-operated wonder-
fully from the start to improve the lives of their children.

MISS HIRTH SPEAKS TO
SENIORS.
Miss Emma Hirth of the Bureau of Vocational Information spoke to the Union Bank Junior Seniors on Tuesday afternoon. In her impressively clear and
vocal manner she outlined the opportunities to school girls. Miss Hirth was originally the official of the governmental bureau.

SPANISH CLUB.
The last meeting of the Spanish Club was held May 3rd in New Lon-
don Hall. The first business before the meeting was to decide how to spend the surplus money in the trea-
sury. It was unanimously voted to spend the surplus on Spanish books for the li-
brary. The president then told the Club that she had applied to the American Consul for a student, and that she was sending letters to several of the prominent Spanish institutions in New York. The correspondence that Miss Hirth received from the Spanish Consul indicated that the American Consul was very much pleased with the work that the Club was doing, and that he was willing to send the Club books, in addition to the books already on hand. The Club has already received a large number of books, and the Club is now ready to begin its work.

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OTHER COLLEGES.

Barnard—The introduction of the "project method" of teaching is being seriously considered at Barnard, and a series of student-faculty meetings are being held for the purpose of discussing such a change. This method is based on the fact that learning is more effective if the student is actively involved in the learning process. The project method is facilitated by making the student see the importance and reality of a problem, and additionally it helps the student to solve the problem. The method used in the class-room is to divide the class into groups, each of which chooses a topic to work out.

The topic is discussed and studied before it is brought to class for further discussion. The professor, of course, may add points to the discussion and also endeavor to co-ordinate the various topics into a related whole.

Yale—Secretary Hutchins of the Yale Union is reporting as saying, "There is no reason not to get as excited about politics and public affairs as Oxford; perhaps the Oxford-type Union will help." Consequently the Yale Union is to be reorganized, and it is believed that it will resemble a similar successful organization in England. It will be divided into two political divisions, one known as the Conservatives or Right Wing, and the other as the Radical Group. Frequent meetings will be held with the purpose of giving an open forum in which discussion of topics of general interest may be engaged in by the undergraduates.

ELECTION RESULTS.

Alice Barrett, 1925, has been elected Editor-in-Chief of the Connecticut Commonwealth. The following have been elected to offices of the Student Government Association: Frank Crawford '25, Treasurer; and Katherine Bailey '24, Secretary.

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Various instruments. He used to write at the piano, strolled over his notes and surrounded by various instruments. When a passage was being written for one particular instrument, he took it up that instrument and tried out the composition until he was satisfied with it. As well as having the distinction of being the first to receive the degree of Ph.D. for his ability as master of music, Mr. Goerne was a Mason of high degree. His death was due to pneumonia. He died in the Brookline Hospital and was buried at Mount Auburn, Cambridge. He left two other sisters besides Mrs. Bartol, who resides in Cambridge; Mrs. Louis Adolphe Goerne and their son, John Turton Goerne, live in Brookline.

New York, Boston and Washington have all recently honored Mr. Goerne with a memorial window in a music shop, displaying some of his many compositions, and the St. Cecilia Club of New York city is going to sing a program of his songs in the near future.

EVENTS OF CURRENT INTEREST.

On the representations of Lucien Baines, the French Resident-General in Tunisia, the Academie des Beaux Arts in Paris has adopted a resolution requesting the French Government to "take the necessary protective measures so that the fine remains of the Arab and Roman civilization in Tunisia shall not fall further into ruin.

The French Minister of Fine Arts has promised to take the necessary steps. In this roundabout way, M. Baines hopes to secure sufficient funds to proceed with the excavation of ancient Carthage, assuring protection not only for this site, but for other known sites of ancient civilization in Tunisia. The excavations, however, which will be begun on an elaborate scale as soon as M. Baines has funds available, and is joined by the French savants who have promised their cooperation, may not confirm the founding of the city by the Phoenician Dido and her enterprising Aiaces. They are expected, nevertheless, to reveal rich relics of the city destroyed by Publius Cornelius Scipio Aemilianus in B.C. 146 and of the Roman city of Jumonic erected on its site by Gaius Marius, such as the one mentioned by Strabo.

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4. Does the story progress steadily to a climax?
5. Has it suspense?
6. Is there conflict?
7. Does the conflict lead to a definite, satisfying conclusion?
8. Are your characters real and human?
9. Have you contrasts?
10. Imagine your story objectively, not subjectively.
11. Develop your story in action.
12. Leave out all propaganda.
13. Try to avoid retrospection.
15. Is there someone to "root" for?
16. And don't permit yourself to be constrained by any barriers, even those mentioned.

Finally: Keep this list and check your story against each item.

This is an unusual contest in which any one of us is privileged to participate, and it is hoped that many will enter.

NEW STAFF HAS BANQUET.

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Divided between lines, whether e comes before i or vice-versa, and many other important details. Needless to say, our paper could be improved by such careful proof reading. After all the course was enjoyed for an hour with music furnished by various members of the staff. In the words of the rural press, "all good time was had by all." So much of a good time, in fact, that the Editorial Board almost forgot to put out the assignments for this week.

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