

LECTURE OF MATTHEW GERING AT THE PARMELE LAST EVENING

Speaks on "The Passion Play" for the Benefit of St. Mary's Guild
Lecture One of the Best Ever Heard in the City.

From Tuesday's Daily.

A large audience greeted the St. Mary's Guild at their exercises at the Parmele last evening. The address of Mr. M. Gering on the "Passion Play" was preceded by two solos by popular Plattsmouth singers. Mr. H. S. Austin sang a bass solo and Miss Lucile Bates delighted the audience with her rendition of a popular selection. Both singers were enthusiastically applauded and the audience hoped for a second number from each, but were not so gratified. The singers were accompanied by Miss Kittie Cummins, who is a superb accompanist, and never makes the mistake that some players do, in forgetting that it is an accompaniment, the piano was always subordinate to the vocalist.

At the close of the vocal numbers Mr. Gering came on the stage unattended by the presiding officer and unannounced. He invited the audience in the rear of the room to take what vacant seats were in the parquet, as he could better make them understand his address by having his audience near to him, as he expected to use the conversational tone in delivering his lecture.

Mr. Gering entered at once into his theme, and at times during his discourse the stillness in the large theater was most apparent, the speaker's matchless oratory, his splendid voice and elegant gestures never were shown to better advantage than in his description of the "Passion Play" last evening. So intensely did his auditors listen that during the whole of the splendid lecture hardly anyone shifted in their seat, and no sound was heard except the eloquent intonation of the words of the lecturer.

The lecture was begun by a quotation from Shakespeare, the immortal bard of Avon: "The play is the thing wherewith we will catch the conscience of the king." And Mr. Gering stated that he quoted these lines to show his idea of the importance of the drama, and its use in uplifting and bettering humanity. Long before Shakespeare's time the play actor was looked upon as a vagabond, and for centuries this was the attitude of society toward the play actor.

Mr. Gering then spoke of the Bavarians, the people who had for some centuries, at periods of ten years, produced this wonderful passion play. He spoke of the poetic temperament of the native Bavarians, inhabitants of the city of Oberammergau, where the play is enacted. Mr. Gering was born in Bavaria, at Kempen, a town about thirty miles from Oberammergau. On his journey from Berlin to the scene of the play Mr. Gering stopped at Rothenburg, a city of about 88,000 people, and described by Mr. Gering as one of the quaintest old places in all Europe. The wall

about this city was built more than 900 years ago, and the speaker walked about the city and on its walls and learned of its quaint legends from the residents of the city. From these he learned the important events in the history of the city.

The town of Oberammergau has a population of about 1,200 people and its citizens were ordinary citizens, plying their different trades. The city had its legend, also, and the play, which has been enacted each decade for the past 300 years, was written in conformity with a vow to God, made in gratitude for the averting of a terrible calamity which was sweeping the people of the valley to death in a rapid manner. The people of the community are Catholic and the play was written by a monk three centuries ago, and the vow was that if the plague should be averted the passion of the Lord would be enacted each ten years so long as the world should stand. For centuries this has been done, and until recent times the outside world has taken little note of the play or the players. The great audiences which greet the presentation of the play each decade are largely made up of tourists, although many come from the surrounding cities.

The play consists of seventeen acts and twenty-four tableaux, requiring 600 people to present it. The seating capacity of the auditorium is 1,200. The costumes for all of the players were designed by Anton Lang, the man who plays the Christ. The tableaux were also planned by him.

Mr. Gering then described the players and the manner of their selection for the different parts, Anton Lang, being an exact counterpart of the great paintings representing the Savior, having long brown hair, blue eyes and a face the very semblance of tenderness. Mary Magdalene and Mary, the mother of Christ, John his cousin, and Judas were described minutely, Mr. Gering having become acquainted with each, and walked and talked with them. He then described the Last Supper and Judas at the table, and the manner in which Lang girded himself to become the servant of the disciples. The scene in the garden where the Lord prayed that the cup might pass from him if it were possible, the trial before the high priest, and the crucifixion were all described vividly as the speaker appeared to see them before him.

The great play ended with the ascension, and the large audience was thrilled with the word painting and masterly oratory of Mr. Gering for more than two hours, and it was the expressed opinion of numerous persons who heard the address that it was one of the finest lectures ever delivered in the Parmele theater.

MURDOCK. (Special Correspondence.)

Dr. Jones' baby has the whooping cough.
John Gakemier was in Omaha Saturday.

Mrs. Louis Neitzel was quite sick last week.

Dr. I. D. Jones was in Omaha Saturday between trains.

Herman Kuehn and Lee Deford were in Elmwood Saturday.

Miss Selma Branckle visited with her parents over Sunday.

Jake Rheumly, jr., is here from Kansas visiting his many friends.

Milt Moore came in Saturday morning from Omaha on No. 13.

Emil Kuehn and wife went to Omaha Monday, returning Tuesday.

Miss Thorpe and Miss Albright spent Saturday and Sunday in Lincoln.

Andrew McNamara was in Elmwood this week having some dental work done.

Miss Orpha Mullen of Alvo came in Saturday evening on No. 14.

Mrs. Amy Shank returned to her home in Lincoln Saturday on No. 17.

Mr. James Brittain of Lincoln visited here Sunday, the guest of Miss Verna Bush.

Mr. Morgan, who runs the elevator here, spent Sunday with his family in Lincoln.

Miss Nellie Rush went to Lincoln last Friday morning, returning home Sunday noon.

Miss Lydia Sorick entertained a number of her girl friends at supper Sunday evening.

Miss Bertha Goehry of Omaha and Miss Anna Goehry of Lincoln spent Sunday with their parents.

Jimmie Crane went to Waverly Saturday on business, and from there he will go to Waterloo, Iowa.

Miss Casey of Omaha visited with friends here and at the Glaubtitz home from Friday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Weddell and son, Meredith, were visiting with relatives in Ashland over Sunday.

Miss Elta Sorick has finished her course in the Lincoln Business college and returned home Saturday evening.

Miss Leota McDonald, who attends school in Weeping Water, came home Thursday noon sick with the mumps.

Mrs. Oscar McDonald and daughter, Marguerite returned home last Wednesday after visiting in Murary since Easter Sunday.

Miss Minnie Guthman of Plattsmouth spent several days last week visiting at the home of her brother, Henry Guthman and wife.

Mrs. Frank Gillespie and Mrs. W. O. Gillespie attended the Ladies' Aid society dinner at Mrs. John Sollers, south of Wabash, last Thursday.

Art Bornemier accompanied his mother to Excelsior Springs, Missouri, last Wednesday. Art returned home Saturday, but his mother will remain for some time.

John Amgwert was working in South Bend several days this week. Mr. Amgwert is an experienced painter and paper-hanger and can give you certain satisfaction.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Neitzel and small daughter, Catherine, came down from Havelock Saturday noon to visit with Louis Neitzel and family. They returned home Sunday evening.

Bills have been posted which announce the coming of a big animal show to our burg. It will be held next Tuesday night, May 9. Everybody come and make this a grand success.

Several children in town are sick with the measles. Among them are: Richard Tool, Bryan and Irene McDonald, Marvel Amgwert, Gertrude, Tressa and Warren Rung and Williard and Lula Monroe.

A large crowd attended the May basket social given by the Royal Neighbors in the M. W. A. hall Saturday night. A good time was had by those present, but they had to go home early on account of the storm which came up late in the evening. A neat little sum was taken in.

Several of our young people attended the dance in Alvo last Thursday evening. The music was fine and was furnished by Bruce's orchestra from Lincoln. There was a large crowd and all report a dandy good time. Those from here who were fortunate enough to attend were: Messrs. Harry Gillespie, Jimmie Crane and Mr. Lindner; Misses Kate Amgwert and Viola Everett.

Gus Kopp, employed at the boiler shop, was compelled to lay off today with tonsillitis.

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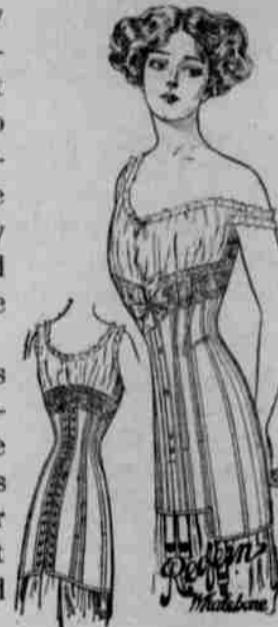
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Becomes a Citizen.

Mr. C. H. Isenhaut, the first citizen of a foreign country to apply for citizenship in this country since Mr. J. M. Robertson's incumbency in the district clerk's office, filed his first papers today. All former applicants have been subjects of foreign potentates, but Mr. Isenhaut renounced his citizenship in the Swiss government and wishes to become a citizen of the United States. He also enjoys the distinction of being the first to apply in this court for citizenship, having arrived in this country since the present 1907 naturalization law went into effect. Mr. Isenhaut resides near Murdock.

Saved Child From Death.

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Special Coach.

There will be a special coach attached to the morning passenger train over the Missouri Pacific, which arrives in this city at 10:07, on next Saturday morning, May 6th, for the benefit of those desiring to attend the eighth grade graduating exercises to be held at Weeping Water on that day. This coach will be attached to the evening train over the Missouri Pacific, arriving in this city at 5:03. 5-3-24dtw.

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day and returned this morning and will no doubt file a complaint against the man at once.

Down Hill.

A strong, healthy man, in his desire to thoroughly enjoy life, often goes too far, till he is compelled to stop. He did not mind the warning nature gave him from time to time, the indisposition after a joyful evening, the loss of appetite, which he tried to overcome by strong drinks and spicy food, the headaches and other irregularities. He did not notice that he is going "down hill." If he has a mind strong enough to stop, he may regain his strength, he may save himself. We wish to impress upon everybody to take good care of himself as soon as a slight loss of appetite appears or a decline of his usual strength and energy. He should at once use Triner's American Elixir of Bitter Wine, which will regulate the digestion, purify the blood, strengthen the nerves and cure constipation. At drug stores, Jos. Triner, 1333-1339 So. Ashland ave., Chicago, Ill.

Water Spout Near Avoca.

Lewis Dunkak of Avoca was in the city today having some repairs made to his auto at the Duff garage and he reports that last Friday afternoon and evening there was a water spout three miles northwest of Avoca that did much damage and putting the streams in that vicinity out of the banks. In some places it washed out trees that had been there for years and carried considerable debris down the streams mixed with fences, outhouses and other things. He says that some of the people in that particular section reported that over fourteen inches of water fell, as shown by vessels which were left out of doors over night. The water spout was confined to only one or two sections and wrought great havoc over the territory where it fell.—Nebraska City News.

TWO PIONEERS OF CASS COUNTY VISIT THE CITY

Came Here Before the Construction of the B. & M. Railroad Was Commenced.

Mr. T. T. Young and Mr. Fred Holka, both residents of the vicinity of Greenwood, were in the city yesterday consulting with the commissioners relative to a road in that part of the country. Mr. Holka is one of the first settlers in his precinct, going there in 1868, and settled on the farm which he still occupies.

Mr. Young came only a year or two later and was in Plattsmouth the day the first shovel was put in the ground in the construction of the B. & M. in Nebraska. This was on the 5th day of July, 1869. A large crowd had assembled, which lined the bluff on the west to witness the ceremony. Dr. R. R. Livingston, now deceased, as mayor of the city, moved the first shovel of dirt, then John Fitzgerald took the shovel and threw the second shovel. Mr. Young has since represented the county in the legislature, and is widely known and respected.

Sells Two Automobiles.

Mr. C. G. Parmele yesterday sold to Messrs. Ossenkop & Reihart, the enterprising liverymen of Louisville, his two cars, the Hupmobile and Overland automobiles, for use in their livery barn. Mr. Parmele will purchase a large six-cylinder car of either the Stoddard-Dayton or a Mathewson manufacture.

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