

**MUSIC AND MUSICIANS**

(By Clarence Desdunes.)

**THE PROBLEMS OF TECHNIC**

All technic must conform to its instrument. The violin was made to suit the hand, not the hand to suit the violin, hence its technic must be based on a natural logic of hand movement. The whole problem of technical control is encountered in the first change of position on the violin. If we violinists could play in but one position there would be no technical problem. The solution of this problem means, speaking broadly, the ability to play the violin. Violin playing is really no abstract mystery. It's as clear as geography in a way. One might say the whole art is bounded on the south by the G string, on the north by the E string, on the west by the string hand, and that is about as far as the



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comparison may be carried out. The point is, there are definite boundaries, whose technical and esthetic limits may be extended, and territorial control. To me violin playing means taking your fiddle in your hand, and doing just what you want with it. And that means having the right finger on the right place at the right time; but don't forget that to be able to do this you must have forgotten to think your fingers as fingers. They should be simply unconscious slaves of the player's psychic expression, absolutely subservient to his ideal. Too many people reverse the process and become slaves to their fingers. And if the violin is not held at the proper angle, it is just as though a piano were to stand on a sloping floor. Too many students play with the violin on the bow, instead of holding the violin steady and letting the bow play.

Next week: The Staccato Bowing.

**JUDGE ARTHUR G. WRAY** independent candidate for Governor, will speak next week as follows:  
October 26, 8 p. m., City Auditorium, Lincoln.  
October 28, 8 p. m., City Auditorium, Omaha.

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Judge Wray is not the candidate of any party, but of all the progressive voters in all parties. After his name on the ballot will appear the words "by petition." In an interview on the Negro question he said:  
"I favor absolutely equal political rights for Negroes. The Constitution does not recognize the color line and as Governor I would not. My appointments would be made on the basis of merit alone and a colored man and a white man would stand on exactly the same plane, no more and no less."  
"The Omaha mob of one year ago is the foulest stain on the white page of Nebraska history. While I am Governor there will be no mobs or lynchings in Nebraska. In 1912 I assisted Theodore Roosevelt in organizing the Progressive party, and like him I believe in using the 'big stick' if necessary to enforce law and order."

**INTELLIGENCE CONTEST NO. 9**

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1. Who was reputed to be the strongest man in Biblical history?
2. What did Queen Isabella have to do with the discovery of America?
3. Who wrote "The Waverly Novels"?
4. Who is the author of "Rip Van Winkle"?
5. What soldiers in the great war were called: Doughboys? Poilu? Boche?
6. Who was "Jeff" Davis?
7. With what invention were the Wright Brothers connected?
8. Which American league baseball team won the pennant this year?
9. Which baseball team won the world series this year?
10. How many games were played in the world series this year? Which of the games were won by the Cleveland American league team?

Next week is the last series of this contest. Send answers in promptly.

Rules: Be as brief as possible. No answer will be accepted unless accompanied with coupon containing questions.

All answers must be in the Monitor office not later than one week after date of issue on which same appear.

A political meeting was held at St. John's A. M. E. church last Friday night. The Rev. J. H. Mixon, D.D., of Selma, Ala., a presiding elder of the Methodist church, was the speaker.

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**INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE for GOVERNOR**

**TO THE VOTERS OF NEBRASKA:**

As the Independent Candidate for Governor, I will greatly appreciate your support.

I was born, reared and educated at York, Nebraska. My people came to York county in 1869. I have served as Judge for York county, Mayor of York, President of York Welfare Board, President of York Parents-Teachers Association, and President of The State Social Workers Association. At the present time, I am chairman of the General Child Welfare Committee of the Children's Code Commission.

If elected, I will be obligated to no organization, political party, political boss or machine, and I will be absolutely free to serve the best interests of the state without fear or favor. I will wage a war without quarter on profiteers. My appointments will not be influenced by color, race, religion, wealth, political party or social standing. Each applicant will stand or fall on his own merits.

It may be considered old-fashioned but I believe that more Christian men and women should be elected and appointed to office. Mrs. Wray and myself are the parents of three children. We want them to grow to manhood and womanhood in a state where Christian principles in government prevail. Money making is important but clean living is even more important.

ARTHUR G. WRAY.

**15,000 Number Changes in New Telephone Directory**

More than 15,000 changes have been made in the numbers listed in the October telephone directory, which is now being delivered.

All the former two and three-figure numbers have been prefixed with ciphers, as for example, Harney 90 is now Harney 0090. To get this number, for example, you should call "Harney oh-oh-nine-oh."

All former one-figure numbers have been changed entirely to four-figure numbers.

These changes have had to be made to prepare for the installation of automatic service in the downtown district. At that time all numbers must contain four figures.

And a large number of other changes in numbers has been necessary in all the central offices because of moves and new installations.

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