

# Metropolitan Star Presents Concert To Raleigh Crowd

Pianist and Flutist Assist in Program

Patrice Munsel, young coloratura soprano of the Metropolitan Opera, presented an interesting concert in Raleigh on October 11. She was assisted by Betty Wood, flutist, and Stuart Ross, pianist.

Contrary to program notes, Miss Munsel began her program with the "Alluejah" by Mozart, rather than the piece of the same name by Handel.

Perhaps because of a severe cold and sore throat, ease and flexibility did not come until her second group which was composed of French songs. A number to be especially noted in this group was the "Chanson de Marie Antoinette" by Jacobson, which was pleasingly executed.

The "Mad Scene" from "Lucia di Lammermoor" was a flat disappointment to the majority of the audience. Here, a great deal of dramatic feeling and interpretation was lacking. Whether this insufficiency came from a



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lack of study or general immaturity could not be determined.

Of the arias, the "Ah fors e lui" from "La Traviata" was not only the most familiar number, but decidedly one of Miss Munsel's best. With this number her voice reached a surprising degree of flexibility.

Ross, who had a portion of the program, was much more exciting in the role of accompanist than in that of soloist.

On the whole, the audience was rather unresponsive, which fact might easily be explained by the fact that Miss Munsel, in spite of all her opportunities, etc., has yet a period of maturity to reach before she can compete with long-standing veterans of the Met.

The TWIG staff needs typists to work for one or two hours on the Saturday mornings before the TWIG goes to press on Monday. Anyone interested should see either the editor or managing editor.

## Book Review

Rosamund Lehmann: *The Ballad and the Source*. Reynal & Hitchcock.

In *The Ballad and the Source*, Rosamund Lehmann gives the life of an enigmatic woman Sybil Jardine. Through the mind of Rebecca, the reader's conception of Mrs. Jardine changes and grows. By various methods, Rebecca tries to harmonize her conflicting ideas of Mrs. Jardine. In person, Mrs. Jardine seems to be only a fascinating woman, a friend of Rebecca's grandmother. But the girl's father will not allow his mother's friend in his house, and Rebecca overhears his expressed fear for the woman's influence on his daughters. Old Tilly questioned almost to the point of collapse, paints a vindictive picture of "Miss Sybil" as a girl. From Maisie, Rebecca learns something more of Mrs. Jardine, her husband Harry, and her missing daughter, Ianthe. Over a period of years, before and during the first World War, Rebecca stores her information. For her the last pieces of the puzzle are filled in by Maisie after the death of Ianthe. At the conclusion, the reader may or may not have a definite opinion of Mrs. Jardine. Miss Lehmann maintains interest and a great deal of suspense throughout the story. An unusual trick of writing is her inclusion of many abstract word paintings, imaginative impressions quite characteristic of a child such as Rebecca. The book includes many interesting and mysterious characters.

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## Library Offers Interesting Material On Current Events

By MARILYNN FERRELL

"President Says U. S. to keep Secret of Atomic Bomb," "London Conference a Failure," "Russia Demands"—these are headlines which have appeared recently in our papers, focusing our attention on the numerous and serious problems which face the world today. Lengthy debates are being carried on as to the advisability of keeping the atomic bomb to ourselves, the manner of setting up the international government, and the question of compulsory military training. Now of all times it is imperative that every person acquaint himself or herself as fully as possible with all phases of current affairs, the problems which face us and how best to solve them in the light of history.

The fact that our Meredith Library recognizes this need to acquaint ourselves with current affairs is shown by the tremendous amount of highly informative and intensely interesting amount of literature on current affairs which our library has to offer. Of course all students are acquainted with local newspapers, even though they may read only the headlines, but how many of us are familiar with such large newspapers in the library as "New York Times," its editorials, features, and straight news which can go a long way towards helping us to know and understand our world?

Magazines, too, are of immense value in acquiring knowledge of present day events and problems. Such magazines on current affairs as "Time," "Life," and "Newsweek" are familiar to all of us, but how many of us know about such magazines as the "Nation," the "New Republic," the "Christian Century," "Foreign Affairs," the "Inter-American," and the "Congressional Digest?" These magazines not only give the news, but they offer intelligent interpretations of world problems and lay the foundation for an understanding with other nations. The library also offers a number of miscellaneous magazines which are sent from various organizations, including pamphlets on British-India Relations, on Africa, and on the Federal Bureau of Investigation. These miscellaneous magazines

are to be found on the shelves in the magazine room next to music magazines. A new source of material on current events has been offered this year by the library. These are the Public Affairs pamphlets which are kept on the table next to the east entrance to the library. These pamphlets treat such vital subjects as the question of race riots and the racial problem, postwar aviation, the disabled veteran, cartels, and free enterprise, and unemployment. Written in a clear and interesting style, these pamphlets cannot fail to interest those who are concerned with current problems. One of the most important sources of material on present day events and problems is to be found in the alcove to the left as one enters the library from the east. In this alcove are located the International Relations Club books. These books are obtained through the Andrew Carnegie Fund which was established to help all International Relations Clubs throughout the nation. Each year the most important books concerning international problems and relations are obtained through this fund, and the collection of I.R.C. books in our library covers every conceivable phase of international affairs. There are books on every country from India, China, and Russia, to the South American countries. The problem of an international government is discussed in such books as "The Great Decision," by James Shotwell, while there are also discussions of Judaism, of propaganda and dictatorship, and of the Russian Revolution and its results. These books are most important in giving students the background of and the possible solution to the problems which face us.

Various other sources or guides to current affairs are to be found in the library. For example, there is the Current Biography, issued every month, which gives pictures and information about people in the present-day news—information which cannot be found in encyclopedias. The Book Review Digest on the Dictionary stand in the main room gives a digest of the new books published, and the Readers Guide and International Index furnish information and a guide to magazine articles on current affairs. With so much interesting material in our library, we students should make use of this material to become intelligent in regard to our world's affairs and problems.

## BSU Party Features Classroom Theme At Gathering In Hut

The B.S.U. gave a party for the faculty and administrative staff on Friday evening, October 19, in the "Hut." The theme of the party was "School of Larnin" and the idea of the classroom was carried out. Frances Thompson, chairman of the B.S.U. social activities, was the teacher of the elementary school composed of the B.S.U. Council and also teachers of the kindergarten composed of the faculty. The sections were divided into two groups, morons and geniuses. All students were compelled to go to the school. The courses offered were as follows: Short course in Modern English Literature (comics), Drawing Lesson (of a popular song), Singing Lesson presenting the songs "Apple for the Teachers" and "I can't Learn My ABC's." Recess time was taken up with sitting-up exercises. Dr. Mary Lynch Johnson won

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