

## Woman Producing Director



Photo by Moffett, Chicago.

KATHARINE S. BROWN.

KATHARINE S. BROWN, who organized and staged the Parish Players, who are to appear here Chautauqua week, is perhaps the only woman producing director in the United States.

An editorial note in the Green Book Magazine terms Miss Brown "an unquestioned authority," while the Chicago Examiner hailed her engagement at the Garrick Theater, Chicago, by the Western Theatrical Productions Company as "the first engagement in this country of a woman producing director." The Chicago American said: "The dramatic world turned to Chicago today to study the work and already predicted success of Katharine Brown, student, artist and actress, who has assumed the role of stage director—the only woman stage director in America. Close study of the art, philosophy and history of the drama and excellent experience in active stage work have placed Miss Brown in her present position. \* \* \* Nervous, rapid, grasping an ensemble where another would become confused over details, Miss Brown in every move gives indication of dramatic temperament."

Writing of some of Miss Brown's Shakespearean productions, the dramatic editor in a Sunday feature page of the Columbus (O.) Dispatch said, "By her unusual success as a producer of plays she has already made a place for herself that is an enviable one to those who cannot emulate her in energy, ability and thorough understanding of the requirements of the stage."

## Julia Claussen Day at The Coming Chautauqua



Photo by Matzema, Chicago.

JULIA CLAUSSEN, EMINENT CONTRALTO OF THE CHICAGO GRAND OPERA COMPANY.

THE great musical climax of the entire Chautauqua program comes again this year on the closing night, when Julia Claussen of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, whose successes of the recent opera season have even surpassed her former achievements, will appear in a concert. She will be assisted by Pierre Henrotte, concert master of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, and Marcel Charlier, also one of the leading conductors of Chicago Grand Opera.

A year ago, when Miss Alice Nielsen toured the Redpath Chautauqua, it was then widely stated in the musical journals that the Chautauqua opened a new field to the greatest musicians. The fact that another such great artist as Julia Claussen has been engaged for this season and that the assisting artists are also well known in the grand opera world at once establishes the fact that the move to give the Chautauqua the greatest music was not a spasmodic one, but permanent.

### NEWS IN CONDENSED FORM

#### Items of Interest Gathered From Over the State.

Wilkesboro will vote June 20 on a proposition to issue \$15,000 of bonds for water works.

N. E. Lancaster, a farmer who lived four miles from Clayton, Johnston county, was found dead on the railroad track near Clayton Sunday morning. Foul play suspected.

The Southern Forestry Congress will be in session in Asheville July 11-12. The Association of Eastern Foresters and the Southern Forest Fire Congress will meet with the Forestry Congress.

Catawba sweet potato growers, who ship great quantities of sweet potatoes to the Northern and Western markets in the spring, are disturbed about the price, which has dropped to about 30 cents a bushel.

Governor Craig has issued requisition papers to the Governor of Tennessee for William Mitchell, under arrest at Knoxville, and wanted in Davidson county for the alleged murder of George Fouts on the 5th of last September.

Durham and Patterson townships, Durham county, turned down by a big majority a proposition to issue \$165,000 of bonds to build an inter-urban railroad line to connect Burlington and other towns in that section with Durham.

A movement is on foot to erect an addition to the building of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home at Pomona, near Greensboro. Masons of the State will be asked for \$25,000 for this purpose. Several subscriptions have been made, and among these is one by Mr. Caesar Cone for \$500.

The last addition to the portrait hall of the North Carolina Historical Commission is a handsome oil portrait of General William P. Roberts of Gates, one of the three North Carolina generals in the War Between the States. The portrait was the gift of his family.

In Salisbury C. P. Foster attempted to start his automobile, but instead of the machine backing into the street, as intended, it went forward across the sidewalk, crashed through a big glass window and landed clear inside an insurance office, stopping only when it ran against a vault. Little damage except to the window.

The steering gear of the car of Mr. J. C. Setzer, clerk of Catawba county Superior court, went wrong Saturday and the car went down an embankment and into a creek. With Mr. Setzer were J. C. Sigmon, a lawyer of Newton, and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sigmon, Setzer and J. C. Sigmon jumped and both sustained injuries—the former a dislocated wrist and the latter a hurt back. The other occupants sat still and escaped injury.

Charles C. Latta, whose charges against the State Hospital at Raleigh several weeks ago resulted in an investigation being ordered, has been again committed to the institution. It was while he was a patient at the Hospital that Latta claimed to have discovered evidence of mismanagement. The application for his readmission was signed by his relatives. The investigation of the Latta charges were ordered for May 11 and it is said the investigation will be made, notwithstanding the charge was made by an insane man, as now appears.

In Wayne county Saturday Henry Exum, a negro, struck Clarence Smith, a young white man, with a lead pipe. Smith was thought to be fatally injured and at last account a posse was searching for the negro and there was talk of lynching.

At Jonesville a negro attacked and seriously beat Mr. Bradley Mathis, mayor of the town, when the mayor objected to the negro using city property. The mayor's assailant was released on a bond of \$600.

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### From the Woman's Club.

Two weeks ago our mayor issued a proclamation for clean up day, but as yet no action has been taken and nothing done to rid our town of the filth and rubbish which have been accumulating for years. Chautauqua is on and something must be done at once. What are you going to do with the burnt district which is a disgrace to any decent city? And the alleys which are reeking with slime and miasma from the kitchen sinks and bath tubs. Shall we allow these visitors and Chautauqua workers find us in this pitiable condition? Wake up, fellow citizens, and clean up our town within the next few days! Our main street, with its trash, papers, chicken coops and rubbish, is an eye sore, not to mention the alleys and back streets. Ordinance No. 64 says: It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to permit to remain on any street or alley of the City of Monroe any buggy, wagon, cart, hand-cart, wheelbarrow or any other vehicle under his control or owned by him, or any farming implements or agricultural machine usually drawn by a horse or mule, for a longer period than twelve hours. Any person violating this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall pay a fine of five dollars for each and every day it shall be allowed to remain on such street or alley. This ordinance is violated in hundreds of places all over our town. A lady ran into a wagon a few nights ago and had to call medical aid. Ordinance No. 70 says: No merchant, or any other person, shall place or permit to remain upon any street, sidewalk or alley of said City, any merchandise, coops, boxes, trash or rubbish. Any person violating this ordinance shall pay a fine of five dollars.

The citizens of our town have been notified of these things and asked to remove said trash, wagons, coops, etc., and have refused to do it. The Woman's Club will proceed to take legal steps to enforce these ordinances, unless something is done within the next few days.

(Signed)  
COM. FROM WOMAN'S CLUB.

#### Doomed to Death, French Flier Took Enemy With Him.

Paris Dispatch, May 1.

Details of one of the most daring aerial exploits recorded during the war have been ascertained by the Matin's correspondent at the front. The feat was achieved by a young French aviator above Muelhausen, in Alsace, on April 18 and has already been briefly mentioned in the official communiques.

A large French aeroplane squadron, which had set out to raid Muelhausen, was met by a German squadron, which included one of the powerful new German "Kampffliezzeuge," which is the name given to the latest type of the Kaiser's battle planes, equipped with a double motor and two machine guns.

A violent combat ensued between the two squadrons in the course of which the German battle plane's machine guns riddled one of the French machines with bullets. One bullet pierced the gasoline tank and within a few seconds the French machine was a mass of flames.

The French pilot, realizing that he was doomed to certain death, headed straight for the German battle plane, plunging into it with full speed and force of his own machine, whose propellers entangled in the plane dragged it along. Both machines, in flames, plunged to the ground.

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From Indian Trail Route, Indian Trail, Route 1, May 2.—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dixon and children of Charlotte are visiting home folks here.

Mr. H. C. Simpson has returned from Stanfield and reports having a nice time during Easter holidays over there.

Strawberries are now ripe. I had a taste a week ago today, who else? We are having big dust storms this week. Oats will be a failure if there is no rain soon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pressley left Sunday morning on a visit to friends and relatives in Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Pressley have returned from an extended trip to Charlotte, visiting friends and relatives.

They have organized a new class at Benton's Cross Roads Sunday school. It is called the Baraca class.

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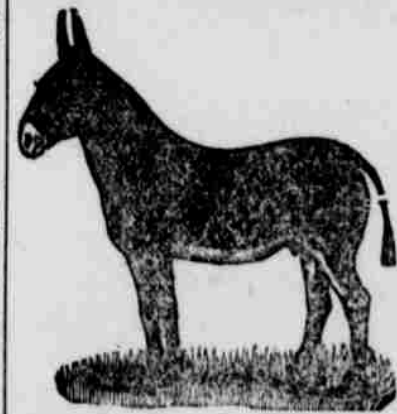
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