

Lawrence Tibbett Says Musical Career to Him Is Having a Good Time

Lawrence Tibbett, probably the most successful all-American opera star, refuses to believe that he is a "success." He's just being paid for having a good time, he insists, in the American Magazine.

Rupert Hughes, noted American writer, wrung from the young star of the Metropolitan Opera and later the taking pictures, the secret of why he wanted to appear in operatic roles.

"Singing," Tibbett replied "is just about the best fun that a human animal can have. It is a gorgeous sensation, simply because a tone is the most perfect expression of emotion. Because of its very lack of articulation you can give yourself completely to it."

"Even as a writer you hesitate to articulate all you feel. Every now and then you come to an emotion that you have to work around. But express it in a brilliant high note—not connected with a concept—and it's the most brilliant expression life holds."

After facing the utmost difficulties, he was given a role in the Metropolitan Opera in New York, and sang with the celebrated Scotti. The audience cheered and he took one bow with the veteran star. Then he fled. In the meantime the audience went into a frenzy over the young singer.

Tibbett even failed to read the headlines detailing his success and the huge income he now commands is still to him "just pay for having a good time."

Hawaiians Pay Homage

Washington, D. C.—A Hawaiian delegation recently placed a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, carrying out their part of a national program of the American Legion which provided for a pilgrimage to the tomb by every state, or department, of the Legion. The Hawaiian pilgrimage was directed by H. Edmund Bullis, chairman of the national committee of the Legion having the pilgrimages in charge.

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With the increasing popularity of camp life, brought about by additional mileage in the paved highway system of Illinois, the state fair encampment has increased annually, according to the register maintained at the camp.

Facilities

Electrical connections, an adequate supply of filtered water, rest rooms and police protection will be available in ample time for the influx of visitors at the opening of the fair.

Camping spaces are assigned upon request, without charge, to all patrons of the fair, who purchase season tickets, at reduced prices—\$2 for adults and \$1 for children between ages of 16 and 13 years. Children under 12 years are admitted free.

For the accommodation of all who enjoy life in the open, under ideal conditions, but who lack the essential camp equipment, arrangements have been made whereby tents of various sizes, cots, blankets, pillows, kitchen furniture and in fact, any part of a complete temporary household, can be rented for all or any portion of the week at nominal rental fees, which includes the installation or delivery and removal.

Social Features

The camp, adjacent to the attractions that the state fair presents also offers social features of its own. Around its campfires in the evening, citizens of Illinois, from Galena to Cairo, mingle with the visitors from distant states. Police supervision prevents intrusion and annoyance, and the camp, in former years, has proved so pleasant that the same patrons return and bring their friends and neighbors, year after year.

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