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Children's Department

The Newberry Medal which is given every year for the most outstanding contribution to juvenile literature has just been awarded Kate Seredy for her "White Stag." "The White Stag" is the legend of the origin of Hungary. In a great epic tale, yet intensely human in its appeal, Miss Seredy relates the story of Nimrod the mighty hunter, his two sons who became the fathers of the Huns and the Magyars and their wanderings towards the promised land. She tells of Attila, the scourge of Europe, forced by destiny to plunder and ravage yet strangely sympathetic

portrayed, who finally brings his people to the goal led by the shining "White Stag."

The beauty of the language, each sentence a gem of poetic value, is reminiscent of the chanting of an old ballad, and the illustrations, powerful, inspiring, follow the words.

Born in Hungary, Miss Seredy is now an American. She studied art in Italy, France and Germany. After war service she came to America and lives now near New York—among the hills, the trees and other things near to nature which mean so much to her.

Books by Kate Seredy:
Good Master
Listening

The Caldecott Award
This year, for the first time the Caldecott Medal was awarded for the best illustrations of a juvenile book.

As the Newberry Medal is given in memory of genial John Newbery, pioneer among publishers, the Caldecott Medal is given in memory of Randolph Caldecott, a pioneer among illustrators of children's books.

Dorothy P. Lathrop received the award for her "Animals of the Bible." The text, selected from King James version by Mary Gould Davis of the New York Public Library, includes big and small creatures from both the Old and the New Testament. The lovely illustrations are presented in black and white, showing an accuracy in regard to details which can only come from close association with, and genuine love for animals. There is delicacy and beauty in her drawings, imagination and dramatic action giving an impression of a certain magic touch which is characteristic of her art.

Many beautiful books have been created in Dorothy Lathrop's studio in Albany, New York. She is equally well known as author and illustrator. Her illustration for "Hitzy" by Rachel Field contributes greatly to the success of that book.

Books written by Miss Lathrop:
Bouncing Betsy
The Fairy Circus
The Little White Goat
The Lost Merry-go-round
The Snail Who Ran
Who Goes There?

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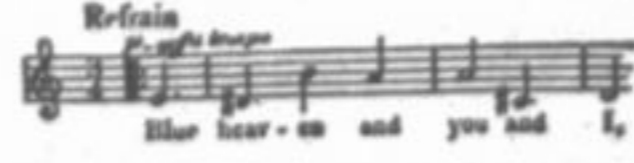
Thursday, July 28: Women's Federation meeting at St. John's church in Highland Park.

SPEECH

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WHO WROTE IT?

"The Desert Song"



ALTHOUGH he comes of a musical, literary and artistic family, his parents wanted him to be an engineer. His mother was a well-known novelist, who wrote under the name of Clara Berg. His father had two famous cousins; one, Alfred Gruenfeld, renowned pianist, the other, Adela Strauss, third wife of Johann Strauss.

At the age of seven, he started to study the violin, and in a few years had mastered not only that instrument, but the piano, trumpet, drums, cello, and other musical instruments. At fourteen he was conducting school orchestras and bands. He came to America at the age of twenty-two, and went to work in a pencil factory for \$7.00 per week. In three days he had found a job as a pianist in a cafe for \$15.00 per week and all the goulash he could eat. Within a few days, the conductor at Pabst's Harlem Restaurant, N. Y., offered him \$25.00 per week and chicken. At the end of the year he was earning \$45.00 per week.

He left his last restaurant job in December, 1913, on the day of the dress rehearsal of his first Broadway show, "The Whirl of New York," presented by the Shuberts at the Winter Garden. He wrote sixteen Winter Garden shows in a row and six other Broadway productions by 1919. He is the composer of "Maytime," "Blossom Time," "Student Prince," "Desert Song" and "New Moon."

With these hit productions, he became a member of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, and has been for the last six years an officer and director of that organization. He was for five years president of the Song Writers Protective Association. He is a member of the Dramatists' Guild, the Masonic Order, Rotarian, Lambs, and other clubs. He has been married for twelve years to Lillian Harris, a non-professional, of Washington, D. C. He has been on the air the last three years and is now producing musical films.

His name is **Sigmund Romberg**
(Music Features & Photo Syndicate)

Do You Know Illinois?

Q. May a child under 14 years of age be employed legally in the State of Illinois?

A. No one under 14 shall be employed at any gainful occupation, place of amusement, mercantile institution, store, office, laundry, manufacturing establishment, cannery, factory, or workshop in the State of Illinois.

Q. When is the consent of a child necessary for adoption in Illinois?

A. If the child is of the age of 14 or upwards the adoption shall not be without his consent.

Q. How many scholarships does each county receive from the University of Illinois?

A. One four year scholarship for each county annually, the recipient to be determined by examination.

Q. How old must a nurse be before receiving a certificate for practice in Illinois?

A. 21.

Q. Over how long a period may a mother receive relief for the support of a child?

A. Until the child reaches the age of 16 unless a court gives further dispensation.

Q. Is an alien eligible for relief?

A. Not unless said alien has applied for papers of citizenship.

Q. When was the Bureau of Labor Statistics established in Illinois?

A. July 1, 1879, by act of the 31st General Assembly.

Q. Has Illinois ever had a law barring the Governor from being elected for two successive terms?

A. Yes, under the Constitutions of 1818 and 1848. This prohibition was removed under the Constitution of 1870 under which the State now operates.

Q. What two U. S. Senators for Illinois were the last to be elected by the General Assembly rather than directly by the electorate?

A. James Hamilton Lewis, and Laurence Y. Sherma.

Early History of Illinois Records Low Food Prices

Some early food prices prevailing in Illinois before the days of railroads have come to the attention of research workers of the Federal Writers' Project, W.P.A., in the

course of collecting historical data about the State. The following quotations are taken from price lists at Galesburg, in 1852; eggs, 10-12 1/2 cents per dozen; butter, 12 cents per pound; chickens and turkeys, 12 cents per pound; beef, 4-4 1/2 cents per pound; pork 8-9 cents per pound; and potatoes, 50 cents per bushel.

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Plowing Contests Are Annual Event

Plowing contests are held annually in several Illinois farming communities, research workers of the Federal Writers' Project, W.P.A., have learned. It is said one such match took place in Wheatland Township, Will county, as far back as 1877. Big Rock, Kane county, adopted the custom in 1895. Contestants are judged for speed and skill in turning the soil into neat, even, open furrows. Hand and horse-drawn plows have rapidly given way to modern tractor-drawn gang plows. A radio-equipped tractor appeared for the first time in the Wheatland match in 1935. Unless postponed by rain, these events usually occur about the fourth Saturday of September.

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