Schmedtgens Find Venice Unchanged in Its Beauties

Word was received this week from William Schmedtgen, north shore artist, who with his family is touring Europe. Mr. Schmedtgen writes from Venice, enclosing some pictures of beautiful scenes there, and wishing all of his friends a fine Christmas. The Schmedtgen home is at 710 Greenleaf avenue, Wilmette. Part of his letter follows:

"Am enclosing a few views of Venice taken several days ago. This is a grand old place and one of the few places not changed for 25 years-when we were here last Have made many water color sketches and hope to have something to show when we get back to the well-lighted town of Wilmette.... There is very little of a story to write except the unusually cold winter. We had snow yesterday and the tides are so high that the water comes into some of the hotels so you can almost take a gondola to your bedroom.

The Schmedtgens have been touring the beauty spots of Europe since last September and are expected to return to Wilmette about the last of April.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Bennett and the Misses Dorothy and Ainslee Bennett of the Belmont hotel, formerly of Kenilworth, will move to Pittsburgh to live after the first of the year.

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tieth century, will be used this Christmas to bring cheer to the World war veterans scattered in hospitals throughout the country. A special program for them, featuring Kathryn Browne, contralto of the Chicago Civic Opera, 'The Voice That Cheered The Boys in France," will be broadcast from the Stewart-Warner station WBBM, Chicago, between 8 and 9 o'clock Christmas night. Because of the large number of sets that have been installed in government hospital in recent months through the efforts of newspapers and other public spirited individuals and groups, it is expected that more wounded veterans will hear Miss Browne in this program than were able to hear her during her 150 concerts overseas.

Songs of war such as no A. E. F. member can ever forget and songs of peace symbolical of Christmas, will be included in the program by Miss Browne, who was the only American woman on the operatic stage to sing to the boys in France.

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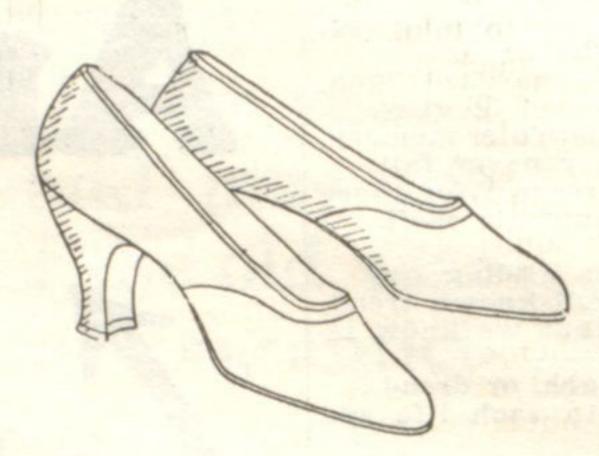
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