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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1921, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK HILL AUDITORIUM, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

PROGRAM

INTERMISSION

"Death and Transfiguration," Tone-Poem, Op. 24 Strauss

The next concert in the FACULTY CONCERT SERIES (complimentary) will be given Sunday afternoon, February 27, at 3:00 o'clock.

The next concert in the CHORAL UNION SERIES will be given by THE DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, OSSIP GABRILOWITSCH, CONDUCTOR, CYRENA VAN GORDON, CONTRALTO (CHICAGO OPERA COMPANY), SOLOIST, Monday evening, March 7.

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(PLEASE REFER TO THE BACK OF THIS PROGRAM)

Beethoven SYMPHONY, No. 2, D major, Op. 36

Adagio molto-Allegro con brio; Larghetto; Scherzo; Allegro molto.

Ludwig van Beethoven was born at Bonn, December 16, 1770; died at Vienna, March 26, 1827.

At the time this symphony was written (1802) Beethoven was battling with all the resources of his soul against the impending tragedy of his life. It had become evident that nothing could ward off total deafness, and Fate could not deal a more terrible blow than to condemn a genius like Beethoven to live in silence in a world of sound. His experiences in this and the preceding year were prophetic of that distressing occasion when, at the close of the first performance of the Ninth Symphony (Kärnthnerthor Theater, Vienna, May 7, 1824), Beethoven, who had stood during the entire performance beside the conductor (Umlauf), was turned to the audience that he might see that they were applauding. And yet this was an "Ode to Joy"! And just here a query. Can it be that physical detachment from actual sound may bring a more spiritual concept of its ultimate power? Judging from the products of his later years, in which we meet an entirely different Beethoven from the composer of the D major Symphony, this may be true. Beethoven was an ardent lover of the country, and this symphony was written in a small house in the neighborhood of the little village of Heiligenstadt, a spot sacred to his memory, for he frequently visited it that he might wander through the fields—generally bare-headed—forget the city with its bustle, and his fate. This environment may account for the fact that his score is replete with cheerfulness. Yet it was from that house and during this period that Beethoven issued that remarkable document ending "I joyfully hasten to meet death. If it comes before I have had an opportunity to develop all my artistic faculties * * * I shall be happy, for will it not deliver me from a state of endless suffering?"

The symphony with which we are now concerned received its first interpretation.

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Vienna, April 5, 1803, but the full score was not published till 1820.

Following the example of his predecessors, Beethoven begins it with an Introduction-D major, Adagio molto, 3-4 time. Just here it must be urged that Beethoven developed this inherited formal practice by transforming a treatment that was more or less perfunctory into something organic. The inexorable logic conditioning Beethoven's concept of form led him to realize that the attainment of mere contrast was not a sufficient justification for the orthodox introductory section, but that it should contain the initiative of the following movement. This point of view applied to the Coda transformed it from a formal conventionality to an organic structural factor demanded by that which preceded it. Heralded by a fortissimo unison for full orchestra, on D, the oboes and bassoons develop a quiet fourmeasure phrase, which is completed by the strings. After a short episode (four measures) a new and striking theme presents itself—B flat major, fortissimo. This is developed somewhat at length and culminates in a powerful descending sweep of the first violins to the main movement-D major, Allegro con brio, 4-4 time-the opening measures of which are herewith given.



Note carefully the first four measures, for they are structurally important. Throughout the movement they will appear in various forms, but they can easily be recognized by means of their melodic outline and impelling rhythm. Few examples can be cited which so clearly and convincingly exhibit the cumulative force of a virile rhythm as this movement. Once this four-measure rhythm has you in its grip-and it does this immediately if you

are responsive—you are driven along irresistibly—grasping the music in units of four and their multiples, anticipating the ending of each group as soon as you hear the beginning, until, at the end, you realize that you have been living the music, not merely listening to a "tale that is told" in an unknown but agreeably sounding tongue.

Through statements of the principal subject by the basses, and scale passages ending

in a striking unison passage, the second subject (A major) is reached.



Thirteen measures after the second appearance of this subject is an interesting example of the technical process known as "articulation." The sixteenth notes on the fourth beat of the first measure of the principal subject, with the quarter note following, form a figure played by the strings—pianissimo. This captivating episode leads to the closing section of the "exposition." An interesting feature of the "recapitulation" is its introduction through

the descending scale that functioned at the beginning of the movement.

The second movement—A major, Larghetto, 3-8 time—is a revelation of the power of genius to rise superior to adverse conditions. One asks: "How could Beethoven so far forget his situation as to pen such an expression of peaceful contentment?" To know the answer one must read the self-revealing letters to his intimate friends and the jottings in his note-books, and from them learn his strength of character and the nobility of his soul. Considered from a purely musical point of view, the following themes (in notation) convey an impression of the pure beauty of a movement that in some respects may be considered sui generis.

The strings announce the principal theme, retiring at the eighth measure in favor of

the wood-winds and horns.



Again the strings, followed by wood-winds and horns, both choirs uniting later in the presentation of the second section.



Alternating questioning motives between the strings and wood-winds and fortissimo proclamations (strings, flutes and oboes), answered by short phrases (oboes, clarinets and bassoons), piano, lead to the second subject—E major—with its bewitching syncopations.



The first theme is now treated in the manner characteristic of the "development" section, after which the "recapitulation" brings the first and second subjects to evidence, the latter now being in A major.

The third movement-Scherzo-D major, Allegro, 3-4 time-follows the terrnary, or A, B, A form, and the dominating character of the first subject of A is shown in the fol-

lowing excerpt.



After a repetition of A the contrasting section (B) enters. The first four measures are in terms of the principal subject of A, but in the fifth a four-measure phrase, beginning with a sustained syncopated note followed by a scale-figure, commands attention. This gives way to ten measures (developing an "articulated" motive) which lead to a restatement of A, which is now developed at considerable length. We must now consider the group A, B, C as a larger unit (A).

Following this comes the Trio, in the original key. After the oboes and bassoons have

given out and repeated the simple melody, which now engages our attention, the strings



enter in octaves-fortissimo-continuing for eight measures. In the following six measures through a descrendo they are shaded down to pianissimo, when two measures by the wood-winds trumpets and horns fortissimo lead to a repetition of the principal subject. The Trio (in the A, B, A form) now becomes B, and, with the repetition of the initial section of the larger form we have as the structural norm of the entire movement a large A,

Nothing could be more insistent in its demand for attention than the opening twomeasure motif of the last movement—D major, Allegro molto, 2-2 time. This motif, with the biting incisiveness of the first violins in the four measures immediately following, combine to form a principal subject typically Beethovenesque. Moreover, it is easily grasped.



The second subject beginning in D major



soon merges into its continuation in A major.



The themes already stated and made our own, through the "development" section reveal their manifold possibilities, after which, through the "recapitulation" and a short coda, the symphony is brought to its conclusion.

Enlarging somewhat on the compelling and propelling power of rhythm referred to earlier in this analysis, the following method of presentation of this attribute is hazarded. Representing an initial four-measure rhythm by a curve placed above it, a longer curve might enclose two shorter ones, and this process might be repeated until all the material contained in the "exposition" would be represented by a succession of curves over which a curve inclosing the whole section could be placed. This would be designated A. The same procedure in the "development" would establish a B section. The "recapitulation" would bring again the A, and thus the whole movement could be designated as an extended A, B, A form. The great unity pervading a symphony might then be illustrated by its representation through an all-including curve covering the entire work. Each movement represented by its own combination of curves would then be brought into relation with the whole. To one conversant with the story of the Ring of the Nibelungs the statement that the four music-dramas making up the cycle are so interdependent that they should be thouht of as standing in the same relation to each other that each movement of a symphony bears to the entire work, will not appear a reductio ad absurdum.

The growth of a great composition from an initial motive may be looked upon as biological, for the development from a germinal motive to its fruitage proceeds from within outward and is always true to type. These remarks would not be pertinent were it not for the fact that nothing should be overlooked in the attempt to assist those who would listen to music intelligently.

Many feel that the illustrated advertisements, in which a youth whose proportions are in strict accordance with the mathematical definition of a straight line, viz., length without breadth, is represented in a supposed-to-be stylish suit from the studios of Blank and Company, have removed the necessity of saddening their lives by "taking in" a comic paper. In the past, whenever musicians felt the desire to subject themselves to this saddening process, they turned to Beethoven's Symphonies, by Alexander Teetgen, a volume whose chief recommendation is the fact that it is out of print. and, in all probability, its author as well. In this work thirteen pages are devoted to the Symphony, No. 2, and Teetgen in his attempt to voice his appreciation makes violent onslaughts on poets, painters, warriors, the Scriptures—even Heaven and Hell—while his translator is equally violent in his assaults on the English language, which he denuded of every adjective and adverb. Were this book accessible it would not be mentioned, but it is cited as a terrible example of a type that is responsible for much miscomprehension of the nature of music.

CONCERTO FOR VIOLIN, in D minor

Tartini

Allegro moderato; Grave; Presto.

MR. ILYA SCHOLNIK

Giuseppi Tartini was born April 8, 1692, at Pirano, Austria; died February 16, 1770. at Padua.

This composer was born at a time when the current tending towards greater freedom of expression than was possible through the involved polyphonic style of Palestrina and his contemporaries was at the flood, and becoming irresistible. The need of a medium for the expression of individual emotion had already found voice in the cantori a luito and cantori a violino mentioned by the Duke Castiglione. Animating the simple dance songs of the folk as well as conditioning the more artistic products of men like the "Archangel of the Lute," regarding whose personality nothing is known, but whose songs are full of melodic grace, this desire finally found an outlet in the opera. Naturally, such a formative period favored the development of originality and inspired forward-looking composers to effort along broader lines than those hitherto followed by them. By reason of these newer concepts—though but gradually—they probed deeper into their hearts and gave to their music wider meaning.

Among these composers Tartini occupies a prominent position, and in the invigorating atmosphere of this musical renascence found deeper inspiration than could have been possible under the stifling environment of preceding decades. Tartini was a great violinist and a consummate musician, but he was as keenly alive to the scientific aspects of his art as to its esthetic import. He was the author of many learned treatises, and promulgated

the theory of difference- or summation-tones as an original contribution, probably not knowing, or not caring, that he had been anticipated by Zarlino (1517-1590) in his *Instituzioni harmonici*, published in 1558, in Venice.

Regarding the concerto on our program there is little to add to the information contained in the title, other than to state that the key of the second movement is A minor, and to call attention to the use of harmonies in the accompaniment rather than counterpoint. Polyphony—the inevitable product of counterpoint—was under the ban—and this was written before Allessandro Scarlatti (1659-1725) so fused together homophony and polyphony that each gained from the other. As in all the cyclical works of the period when the sonata-form was taking form and substance, this concerto is only a tentative expression of all that is now implied by the term.

Each movement contains but one important theme, and the interrelationships of the modern sonata-form do not appear. Of compositions in the concerto form Tartini wrote eighteen, but this is only indicative of his prodigious activity in creation, as well as in other fields of musical effort. This particular work (the only one in print) was discovered and first performed by César Thomson, whose edition (MSS.), with his original cadenza, will be used on this occasion. As is fitting in the case of these early compositions, the accompaniment is given to the strings alone. Such works appear ill at ease when clothed in a "coat of many colors"—the modern orchestra—and are more comfortable in a simple garb of grey—strings. It is a revelation to listen to these old works, for then we realize that their creators were men animated by the same motives that condition our lives. That Tartini was intensely human and, in his youth, romantic, is attested by his prosecution for abduction—following his secret marriage to a niece of Cardinal Cornaro. Whether the memory of this episode was accountable for his vision of the Devil sitting on the footpost of his bed playing the Trillo del diavolo we do not know, neither are we advised as to the possibility of his wife having been the original Mrs. Caudle.

"Death and Transfiguration," Tone-Poem, Op. 24 . . . Strauss

Richard Strauss was born at Munich, June 11, 1864; still living.

Richard Strauss has won for himself so enviable a reputation, and his career has been so frequently the subject of discussion, that it is unnecessary to dwell upon it at this time. Richard Wagner once said: "Art was created that German criticism might know a new joy," and, in the case of Richard Strauss and his works, the "new joy" was experienced to the utmost. In his contributions there was so much that was novel and daring in his choice of subjects and their treatment that they favored the controversial atmosphere that has always been a source of delight to the aforesaid critics. Nor has the contention been confined to Germany, but, in the widest application of the term, has been international. At the present time the bitter controversialists are silent; whether they are gathering strength for new onslaughts we may not know, but if such is the case we will then be aware that the "veil of silence" has been lifted, for they are a noisy crew. Those who admire his art unreservedly see increasing proof that their judgment is well-founded, while those who find little to their taste in his methods are equally convinced of the correctness of their points of view. A composer who has nothing to say never invites controversy, and no one has denied to Strauss the possession of well-defined convictions; therefore, he is still more or less a storm-center. What his ultimate position will be rests with the future, and prophecy is futile.

As Thomas ("Tom") Moore found inspiration for his muse in music, so many modern composers, who write in the form in which "Death and Transfiguration" is cast, depend on art, poetry, some emotional experience, tradition, or narrative, for their program. The work we shall hear this evening is an exception to the rule in that the poem was inspired by the music. Alexander Ritter (1833-1896), the author of the poem, was a composer of note, and, in reality, as Strauss himself declares, was the inspirer of his later style; therefore, their intimacy was artistic as well as personal.

"Death and Transfiguration" was written in 1889, and first heard in June, 1890. It engages the full modern orchestra and is so thoroughly delineative of the subject matter of the poem, the details of which it illustrates *seriatim*, that the best guide to its musical interpretation is found in the subjoined poem. The themes have distinctly marked contours

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I		
a—Varsity Earl V. Moore Glee and Mandolin Clubs		
b—Miller's Wooing Fanning-Spicker		
II		
Violin Solo, Concerto in A Major		
Josephine Connabal		
III		
Scene from College Life Glee and Mandolin Clubs		
(a)—College Songs		
(b)—Solo Dance Frieda Wishropp		
IV		
The Melodious Foursome		
Elegy		
(a)—Fly, Singing Bird Fly! Edward Elgar		
Violin Obligato, Josephine Connabal		
(b)—Swing Along Will Cook Glee Club		
VI		
Mandolin Club.		
a—Lotos Girl		
1—Desert Dreams Murza Mann		
2—Michigan Trills		
c—Enchantment Earnest Alberti		
VII		
Melodies by Michigan Maids		
Florence Herrick and Marie Heyer VIII		
Solo		
a—The Star		
IX		
Wynken, Blynken, and Nod Ethelbert Nevin Glee Club		
Finale		
Yellow and Blue		

Glee Club

FIRST SOPRANOS

Butcher, Florence, '23 Dodds, Dorothy, '21 Cobb, Lucile '21 England, W. Dixie '21 Hanley, Gratia '21 Hasley, Beata '22 Herrick, Florence '23 Heyer, Marie '23 Hollands, Esther '21 Hoyt, Elizabeth '23 Huber, Lucy '23 Ireman, Rita '21 Lambertson, Louise '23 Lawson, Mary Jane '22 Lindemuller, Anne '21 Mann, Murza '22 Murkett, Christine '22 Nickels, Bernice J. '21 Payne, Elizabeth H. '21 Rockwell, Evelyn '22 Safford, Mildred '23 Sprick, Helen A. '22 Todd, Frances '22 Travis, Elizabeth '23 Wagner, Merry C. '23 Waldo, Josephine '21 Welty, Esther '23 Yerkes, Aletha '21

SECOND SOPRANOS

Bailey, Helen '21
Barton, M. Rose '23
Blair, Alice '21
Bush, Bernice G. '21
Deam, Marjorie '22
Drybread, Martena '21
Ehrlich, Sally '22
Gustin, Harriet '22
Kemp, Isabel '22
Mills, Ruth '22

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FIRST ALTOS

Colcord, Margaret '21
Deemer, Ruth '22
Haugh, Athalie '22
Koehn, Genevieve '23
Lohrstorfer, Mary R. '21
Miller, Geraldine '22
Monnett, Elizabeth '23
Nutten, Ada B. '22
O'Connor, Dorothy G. '21
Potter, Kathryn '23
Smalldon, Rosella '21
Thompson, Lemoine '23
Weimer, Frances '22
Zimmerman, Adele '22

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Borgert, Velda '21
Cady, Edith '22
Chambers, Helen '22
Chase, Mildred '22
Fairchild, Carrie '21
Fry, Grace '23
Fuller, Eleanor '21
Gamble, Margaret '22
Pratt, Minnie Louise '21
Roese, Thekla '22
Roof, Madeline '21
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Schreiber, Irma '21
Shirey, Florence '22
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Vowles, Helen '21

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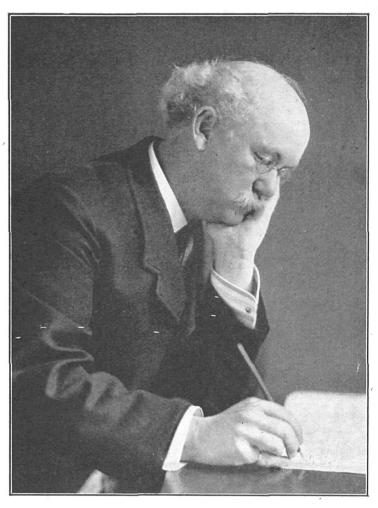
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and are so easily grasped by the attentive listener that it is the part of wisdom not to attempt a technical analysis, for a worthy one would be very complex and would be understood only by trained musicians, who do not need such assistance. Music has many avenues of approach to the soul, and the one set forth in the preceding paragraph is wide and has few gradients.

The following is the poem in an English translation by Miss E. Buck:

In a small and humble chamber, Where a candle dimly burns, Lies a sick man on his pallet, Who a moment since with Death Wildly, desperately has struggled. Tranquil now he is, and sleeps, While the ticking of the clock Is the only sound that's heard In the room whose calm appalling Marks the near approach of death. O'er the wan and wasted features Melancholy smiles oft pass; Does he, at life's very border, Dream of childhood's golden days? Death, tho' still kept in abeyance, Grants not respite for his dreams; Cruelly it shakes its victim, And again begins the struggle. Life and death, in conflict dire, Wrestle for supremacy. Neither has the victory gained, And again doth stillness reign.

Prostrate is the patient lying, Sleepless, but delirium weaves Forms and scenes almost forgotten—Scenes of life as they have passed. With his mind's eye does he see them, Childhood's days—his life's bright morn—Innocent and brightly beaming; And again the sports of youth—Feats achieved and oft attempted—Till, to man's estate matured. He to gain life's highest treasures Fans his ardor into flame. What to him seemed bright and pure To exalt it he endeavored: This the impulse of his life That has led him and sustained him. Coldly, mockingly the world Barrier after barrier raises When to him the goal seems near Hindrances arise before him "Still another round each barrier, Onward, higher thou must climb!" Thus he strives, and thus endeavors, Never swerving from the right, What he strove for, what he sought, With a yearning, heartfelt, deep, Now he seeks in throes of death, Seeks it, ah! but not to find it. Tho' more clear and near he sees it, Tho' it waxes e'en before him, Still his spirit cannot grasp it, And can nevermore complete it. Lo! one more and final blow Grim, relentless Death is dealing; Broken is the thread of life, And the eyes are closed forever.

Ah! but mighty strains to him From the realms of heaven are pealing. Found is what his soul has sought: Blest release, transfiguration.

As will be seen, the successive moments are: the weary struggle with Death; dreams of the past; renewal of the death agonies; a brief respite—a review of the dying man's child-hood, youth, and manhood, followed by dissolution. Then—the other world—Transfiguration.

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