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Montgomery Audience Thrilled Rachmaninoff Concert At Sidney Lanier

Before a large and appreciative audience, Sergei Rachmaninoff, world-renowned pianist, made his first appearance in Montgomery last night at the Sidney Lanier auditorium.

As Mr. Rachmaninoff appeared on the stage to begin his concert, he was given a great ovation.

The opening number, "Sonata, Opus 31," by Beethoven, proved to be the favorite selection, judging by the applause. The execution of the movements from

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allegro to allegretto were almost perfect.

A sonata in E-Major (Bach), written for the violin, and transcribed by Rachmaninoff, was the next offering, and was very pleasing in the prelude, followed by the gavotte and gigue.

The three compositions, "Arabesque," "Three Albumblätter," and "Novellette," written by Schumann, left the audience enthralled.

A rondo in D-Major, by Schubert, brought out the splendid technique of M. Rachmaninoff, and, after this number, the applause was nearly deafening.

In the fifth number on the program, a suite in three episodes was portrayed as only Rachmaninoff could portray it.

Then came two preludes written by Mr. Rachmaninoff himself, and he seemed to place every thought and movement only to the various cues.

Scherzo (Borodine), was beautifully played.

The concluding number on the program, "Invitation to the Dance" (Weber-Tausig), delighted Mr. Rachmaninoff's listeners greatly.

So impressive was the famous pianist's concert that he was called upon time and again for an encore, and graciously contributed three compositions.—E. R.

ELMORE GIN REPORT

WETUMPKA, ALA., Nov. 16.—(Special)—Elmore County ginners report 21,665 bales of cotton of the 1933 crop ginned before Nov. 1, as compared with 21,860 bales ginned up to the same time last year, a decrease of 195 bales.