

LEOPOLD AUER TO BE HONORED

Famous Violinist Will Be 80 Years Old on April 28

Of late years in New York society there has been a decided rapprochement with leading artists of the worlds of music and the drama. Therefore it is not surprising that there is unusual interest in the forthcoming celebration of the eightieth birthday of the famous violinist and teacher, Leopold Auer, among whose star pupils are Jascha Heifetz and Éfrem Zimbalist.

To mark the event there will be given a gala concert in Carnegie Hall on the night of April 28, which is being organized by a committee that comprises Countess Laszlo Széchényi, Honorary Chairman; Mrs. Vincent Astor, Chairman; Mrs. J. Philip Benkard, Mrs. Frederick S. Coolidge, Mrs. Newbold Le Roy Edgar, Mrs. Charles S. Guggenheimer, Paul D. Cravath, George Eastman, Harry Harkness Flagler, Frederic A. Julliard, Otto H. Kahn and Clarence H. Mackay.

Co-operating with this committee are Ossip Gábrilowitsch, Josef Hofmann and Serge Rachmaninoff, who will appear on the program.

Prof. Auer's life has been full of vicissitudes and triumphs from his youthful days as a strolling prodigy to the time when the World War and the Russian revolution caused him to come to the United States.

While there has not been much public mention of the proposed concert, many boxes and seats for it have been sold. Miss Beth Evans is attending to the sale, which later on will be taken up at the box office of Carnegie Hall. Frank Crowninshield is acting as treasurer.

Among the active patrons and patronesses are Mrs. Henry M. Alexander, Mrs. Herman Irion, Mrs. J. Insley Blair, Mrs. Otto H. Kahn, Mrs. Alfred C. Bossom, Alexander Lambert, Miss Mabel Choate, Thomas Leeming, Mrs. Steven C. Clark, Mrs. Daniel F. Murphy, Mrs. W. Bayard Cutting, Condé Nast, Walter Damrosch, Adolph S. Ochs, Mrs. Reginald de Koven, Mrs. Henry F. Osborn, the Duchess de Richelieu, Mrs. Pleasants Pennington, Mrs. Norman S. Dike, Mrs. John T. Pratt, Mrs. Clarence Dillon, Walter W. Price, Mrs. Charles H. Ditson, Mrs. Serge Rachmaninoff, Lady Duveen, Mrs. Arthur Sachs, Mrs. Johns Ellsworth, Mrs. Olga Samaroff, Blair Fairchild, Mrs. Arthur H. Scribner, Mrs. Reginald Fincke, Mme. Marcella Sembrich, Mrs. Lyttleton Fox, Mrs. Hakan Steffanson, Mrs. Harry Harkness Flagler, Mrs. Frederick Steinway., Mrs. Ossip Gábrilowitsch, Mrs. W. A. Taylor, Mrs. John W. Garrett, Charles Triller, Mrs. Morgan Hamilton, Mrs. Paul Warburg, Mrs. John Henry Hammond, Mrs. Richard Whitney, Mrs. E. Henry Harriman, Mrs. M. Orme Wilson, Mrs. E. Roland Harriman, Mrs. William Woodward, Mrs. Josef Hofmann, Mrs. F. C. Walcott, Mrs. Christian R. Holmes, Mrs. Efrem Zimbalist and Mrs. Henry R. Hoyt.

EIGHTEENTH CENTURY BALL TO AID MEMORIAL

THE eighteenth century period ball to be given for the benefit of the Bienville Memorial will take place in the Louis XV. ballroom and Italian garden of the Ambassador on Tuesday, April 28, instead of Saturday, April 18, as previously announced. The ball will be given under the auspices of the Louisiana Society, of which Mrs. Patrick Justin White is President, and the Historical Society of Louisiana, of which Gaspar Cusachs is President.