

COHASSET'S CARILLON

CARILLON recitals are being given twice weekly throughout the Summer from the Bancroft Memorial Tower of St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset, Mass., by the celebrated carillonneur Kamiel Lefevere. This carillon has fifty-one bells.

These programs will be continued for the town and its summer colony until the end of September, when Mr. Lefevere will return to his clavier at the Park Avenue Baptist Church. The local carillon is the gift of John D. Rockefeller, honoring the memory of his mother.

Mr. Lefevere, a native of Belgium, the home of the carillon, was formerly the assistant of that master, Jef. Denyn, and aided him in conducting the only school for carillonneurs in the world. This is in the cathedral of the deceased Cardinal Mercier at Malines. Mr. Lefevere has been decorated by King Albert of Belgium and holds many honors for his contributions to his estimable art.

The bells of the Cohasset carillon were cast in Croydon, England, and their number make them one of the greatest installations in the world. From twelve pounds, the weight of the tiniest bell, they range upward to the massive "G" that is shaped from nearly six tons of metal.

The carillon is rapidly becoming more popular, being hoisted to the belfries of churches and civic buildings. At present there are more than thirty here, with new dedications announced in several localities. There is one now being raised at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., another in the Florida Bird Sanctuary of Edward W. Bok, a third in the Masonic Cathedral, Indianapolis, and one more above the Trinity Church Social Centre, Springfield, Mass.

There are carillons found in nearly all civilized countries, the greatest number in France and the Low Countries. One was recently presented to the University of Louvain by American engineering societies in memory of their members who fell during the war. Its forty-eight bells are symbolic of the United States.

Joseph Malkin will be first 'cellist of the Beethoven Symphony Orchestra. He has been a soloist with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the New York Symphony, and has appeared throughout the country in recitals and with leading orchestras. During the coming season he will also make several concert appearances.

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