

## Cecelia P. Dulin (1873 - 7 Oct 1968)

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*The Evening Star, December 31, 1894, p. 5*

### **Announcement of receptions:**

Miss Cecil Dulin, with Mrs. William W. Moore, 1639 Marion st.; 3 to 8.

*The Evening Star, August 28, 1914, p. 7*

### **More Washingtonians Abroad Heard From Majority of District Teachers Known to be Safe - Schools to Open Promptly**

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graham of Washington and their nieces, Miss Susie Whittlesey and Miss Gertrude Amiss, who have been traveling abroad and who were in Geneva when the war began, are in London.

Word has been received in Washington of the arrival in London of William H. Steuart, chief statistician for the bureau of the census, who, with his wife, Cecil Dulin, and Mrs. E.J. Ridgway, has been touring the British Isles since July. The party will sail from Liverpool for this country on the Philadelphia.

*The Evening Star, February 15, 1950*

### **Ex-Principal Spurs Children's Interest in Music**



Miss Cecelia P. Dulin retired nine years ago from a 48-year career as school teacher and principal. But she still can't get tired of being with children.

For tens of thousands of them, that is fortunate. Miss Dulin has had a big hand in greatly enriching their lives.

For the last six years, she has been chairman of a little-publicized group called the "D.C. Public School Committee of the National Symphony Orchestra."

This committee has an impossible roster. It includes at least one teacher from every white public school--more than 100 in all. But

without Miss Dulin, those who know agree, it would have few achievements.

The Public School Committee does two things. It helps to stimulate school participation in the annual children's concert series of the Symphony. And during the orchestra's annual fund drive, it raises contributions among the teachers (not the pupils).

Until this winter, the committee was in charge of ticket sales and distribution for the school concerts. Business sponsors are paying the costs this season, so the children are admitted free. The committee still helps to arouse interest in the programs, however. Broadcasting also has been added this year--something the committee will help teachers use increasingly in the future.

It was Miss Dulin who, in 1944, took over the chore of coordinating the committee's complicated functions. Her entirely voluntary interest has sparked the children's concert project--and teacher-support for the orchestra--in a manner that invariably brings her grateful applause at symphony association meetings.

Go to almost any children's concert and in the back of the auditorium, with youngsters on every side of her, you will find Miss Dulin. She will be sharing the general excitement.

"Once I played the piano, but not well enough to impress anybody," she said. "I went to the first concerts ever played by the National Symphony Orchestra in 1931. I was principal of Buchanan School, and it became my job to see that my pupils went to the first students' concerts. I had 24 rooms and 24 teachers, which was a big school.

As principal and in retirement, Miss Dulin watched the students' series grow, both in number of concerts and in the enthusiasm they aroused. The year she took over as committee chairman, 12 concerts were given--the most in any one season.

A heavy debt incurred by that series forced a cut to only four the next winter, however, and since then there never have been more than six in a season. That is why, Miss Dulin explains, she takes a great personal part every year in the National Symphony's sustaining fund drive.

**Dulin, Cecelia P.** on Monday, October 7, 1968 at Episcopal Church Home after a long illness, Cecelia P. Dulin, sister of William R. Gordon Dulin. Memorial services will be held at All Saints Episcopal Church, Chevy Chase Circle, on Thursday, October 10 at 2 p.m.

*The Evening Star, October 9, 1968, p. B5*

**Cecelia Dulin, 95, Dies; Ex-Teacher, Principal**

Cecelia P. Dulin, 95, who served as a teacher and principal in District schools for 48 years, died Monday at the Episcopal Home, 1513 32nd St. N.W., where she lived for the past eight years.

Miss Dulin retired in 1942 after 15 years as principal of Buchanan School. She remained active in school affairs for years afterward, with the District Congress of Parents and Teachers. She also was a consultant for the Metropolitan Police Department, and was active on the Southeast Neighborhood Council.

One of Miss Dulin's chief interests during her school career was involving students in music. During the late 1940's she was chairman of the D.C. Public School Committee of the National Symphony Orchestra, which raised funds from parents and schools for the symphony and promoted school participation in the annual children's concert series.

Born in the District, Miss Dulin graduated from the old D.C. Normal School in 1892, and from George Washington University in 1927. She began teaching at the old Force School and had as pupils sons of Presidents Theodore Roosevelt and William Howard Taft, Quentin Roosevelt and Charles Taft.

She also taught at Morgan School, and from 1925 to 1927 at Powell Junior High School. She was the founder of the Parent Teachers Association at Buchanan School and president of the Elementary Principals Association from 1933 to 1935.

She was treasurer of the Altar Guild at All Saints' Episcopal Church, of which she was a life-long member.

She leaves a half-brother, William R. Gordon Dulin of 6529 Utah Avenue. N.W.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. tomorrow at All Saints' Episcopal Church, Chevy Chase Circle N.W.

*The Washington Post, October 9, 1968, p. C10*

**Cecil Dulin, D.C. Teacher For 48 Years**

Cecil Dulin, 95, a teacher in the District school system for 48 years, died Monday at the Episcopal Church Home, 1515 32d st. nw., after a heart attack.

Miss Dulin received a degree in education from George Washington University and taught in elementary and junior high schools. Quentin Roosevelt, son of President Theodore Roosevelt, and Charles Taft, son of President William H. Taft, were two of her students.

She was principal of Buchanan Elementary School, and president of the Elementary Principals Association. Miss Dulin also served on the Southeast Neighborhood Council and worked as a consultant to the Metropolitan Police Department on juvenile cases.

Miss Dulin lived at the Episcopal Church Home and is survived by a half-brother, William Dulin, of Washington.