

# Society

Dancing parties, card parties in plenty the past week, and an array of dances for the immediate future, make up the current social docket. The week just passing was a busy one for young and old, and the coming week is no less filled up in advance. The young people are taking the lead for the coming week and have been industrious in the present.

La Grande firemen gave their annual dancing party Wednesday evening and a huge success it was. The floor at Rex Hall was crowded with dancers and in every way the affair was up to the standard of fire fighters' parties in the past. The committees had been diligent, and the public responded with liberal patronage. A substantial sum of money was realized on the social venture. Music was of high grade, the floor committees and reception committees were "on the job" and in every way the dance was of a high order.

Miss Agnes Leslie and Miss Irma Aikine entertained at cards Monday evening complimentary to Miss Marjorie Claycombe, of Broadhead, Wisconsin, who has been a mid-winter guest in the city with relatives and friends. The affair was held at the W. B. Sargent home, 1906 Second street. Guests to the number of nine tables played five hundred, honors going to Miss Zee Bragg for the ladies and Elmer Stoddard for the men. The honor guest was presented with the ladies prize. A two-course luncheon was served. Those who were present to enjoy the evening were:

Ruth Russell, Zoe Bragg, Marjorie McCall, Nell Grimmett, Ethel Reith, Anna Roesch, Stella Oliver, Mrs. Elizabeth Donnelly, Ruth Ghormley, Olive Massee, Elva Gaskill, Ruth Gaskill, Miss Claycombe, Miss Bradford, of Illinois, Lena Jones and Jeanette Hershey.

R. J. Greene, Will Peare, R. Clacombe, F. Wilde, W. Francis, H. Dixon, H. Maris, L. J. French, H. Zurbrik, W. Reuter, N. Freeze, E. Stoddard, C. Harding, C. Reynolds, P. A. Anderson, Ralph Huron, Joe Williamson Waldo Geddes, Ben Bassett.

In compliment to Miss Zoe Bragg, who leaves shortly for Monmouth, where she resumes her studies in the Oregon Normal school, after an enforced absence due to illness, Miss Nell Grimmett entertained at cards last evening at the F. J. Holmes residence, corner Spring and Fourth. Eight tables played five hundred, honors going to Miss Russell and Mr. Peare.

Refreshments were served and attractive decorations of the home existed. The guest list follows:

Ruth Russell, Zoe Bragg, Agnes Leslie, Irma Aikine, Marjorie McCall, Ruth Ghormley, Olive Massee, Elva Gaskill, Ruth Gaskill, Miss Claycombe, Miss Bradford, Lillian Baker, Hazel Theisen, Stella Oliver, Mrs. Donley, Mrs. C. H. Scranton.

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The Pinochle club members were entertained, outside of its stated meetings, last evening in a most delightful manner, when Miss Irene Murphy and C. O. Ramsey were hostess and host to the members of the club at Miss Murphy's home, 902 Main. Cards were played, honors going to H. M. Bay. At luncheon refreshments were served from a beautifully decorated table, decorations centering about a red and green centerpiece made up of red carnations and smilax and ribbons of crepe paper. In the service of edibles the color scheme was adhered to closely and along very unique lines. The guests of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bay, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Snodgrass, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Siegrist, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bay, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Scriber and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Nelson.

La Grande bowlers, having acquired more than passing skill in the great Dutch pastime, have turned their minds societyward and have sent out invitations to a dancing party to be held at Rex auditorium, Thursday, February 5. This is the first of a series of parties by the La Grande Bowling club, which is made up of the following bowlers: S. D. Crowe, Fred Williams, Merrill V. Stoddard, Martin L. Patton, Clint Van Fleet, Donald Scott, J. M. Kohl, Poe Caylor.

Thursday evening Superintendent of Schools and Mrs. John Girdler entertained at dinner in honor of Miss Zoe Bragg, who left this morning for Monmouth. Plates were laid for 10 and the table and house decoration was uniformly pink and white. The dinner was of five courses, and after its service cards were played. Those who were Mr. and Mrs. Girdler's guests were: Miss Ruth Russell, Miss Grimmett, Miss Bradford, of Illinois, and Miss Bragg; Messrs R. J. Green, Elmer Stoddard, Homer Maris, and William Peare.

Hardtimes dances are popular. Last night at Honan hall, a party was arranged for the young people by a group of hosts who recently gave a pleasing party and who sign themselves on the invitations as "Fat" Kiddle, "Harve" Andrews, "Gimlet" Hunter and "Mut" Westering. It was a hardtimes affair sure enough. The guests had a most delightful time of it though, and the evening was a pleasant one. Grotesque costumes in perfect harmony with the nature of the times were many and laughable.

With next Tuesday afternoon's program the Neighborhood club's study of Mexico ends. Mrs. Theisen will tell about Mexican art and literature, and Mrs. Cochran will lead a round-table talk on Mexico which promises to be unusually interesting. This subject has been a most profitable

able and enjoyable one and the club feels well repaid for the time spent upon it. Panama and the canal are next to be considered.

The Decum club was handsomely entertained by Dr. and Mrs. M. K. Hall Wednesday evening at their new home on Second street. Honors at cards went to Mrs. W. D. McMillan. This card club had practically its entire membership out and participated in a very pleasant evening.

The D. L. T., a social club composed of thirteen young ladies of the

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## UNION HORSE SALES DULL

PRICES NOT QUITE SATISFACTORY THIS WINTER.

Hutchinson Ranch Near Union Reported to Have Been Sold.

Union, Jan. 28.—(Special)—Madam Rumor has it that Mr. Norval has bought the home of James Hutchinson jr. This home is located about halfway between Union junction and the town of Union and is one of the best improved farm homes in this part of the country. Mr. Norval will probably rent the place for this year.

Plans for the stock show are being laid at present and things are being pushed right ahead. It will be held on June 4, 5, and 6. The premium list will be out early and some new features added to it. This will be the best show that has ever been held in Union.

The social that the Presbyterian Sunday school planned on Jan. 30th will be postponed until Feb. 5 on account of the mid-year examinations which will be held on Jan. 28, 29 and 30th.

J. B. Weaver has offered to donate shrubbery for the library grounds as soon as the place is put in shape to put them out. Let us get busy and avail ourselves of his offer.

The basketball game with the Y. M. C. A. team of Baker last Friday evening was a fast and furious one. The visiting team put up a stiff fight but could not do anything to speak of against the Union team. The Baker team-work was all right except when they tried to pass the ball, some of the local team stopped it and spoiled their play. Goodbrod pitched 5 field baskets and Lewyn 4, besides other members of the team doing good work. The score was 35 to 11 in favor of Union. A large crowd witnessed the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Wigglesworth have returned from their visit to the Heppner country. They report a good time but glad to get back to Grande Ronde.

Dr. Law made a professional trip to Cove last Friday and returned Saturday.

John Dobbin and others in this vicinity were selling horses and mules to Mr. Carlisle of Oklahoma last week. The price we understand was rather low with a tendency on the downward path. Dealers claim that horses will not command as good price this year as usual. We will venture to predict that if the farmers hold their work animals until spring opens that they will get fair prices if not quite so high as other years. Mr. Carlisle is buying for the southern market and will ship to Ft. Worth, Texas.

Dr. Law is preparing to have some artesian wells put down on his ranch which lies east of North Powder. The Dr. thinks that this will be an ideal way of irrigation on his ranch as everything points to an abundance of water in the ground and it will not be very expensive to get it up to the top and then into reservoirs to store it in until he is ready to use it. He will have work started in a short time and see what can be done along this line.

The ladies of the missionary society of the Presbyterian church met at the home of A. B. Davis last week. Mrs. Townly had charge of the pro-

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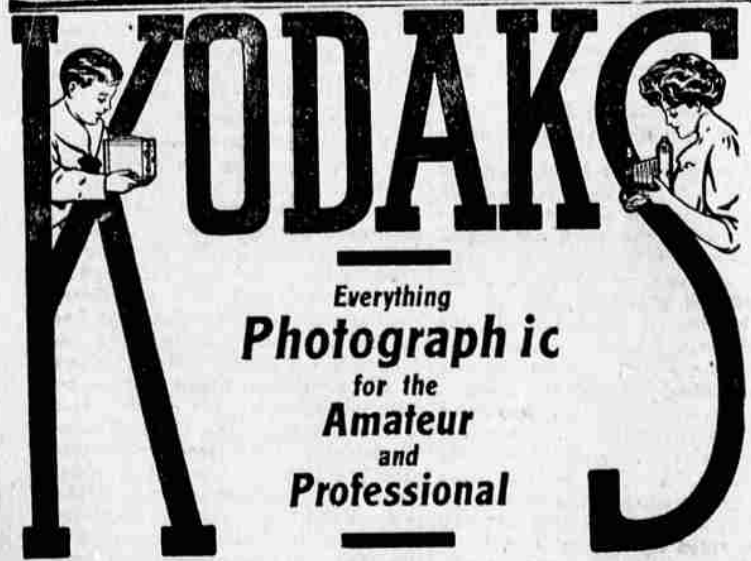
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