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AMERICAN GENEROSITY.

The rich American is oftentimes pointed to with a great deal of scorn by his fellow Americans but it cannot be denied that much of the criticism is the outgrowth of envy and there are few of the less fortunate who would not readily exchange places with him. And the rich American, however he may have acquired his wealth, is at least a generous individual as the large gifts of the last year attest. Known charitable gifts in the United States during the year 1913 aggregate the enormous sum of \$80,135,476.

This is \$2.61 for every second, every tick of the clock, according to a compilation made in New York. At the head of this list is the bequest of the late New York merchant, Benjamin Altman, of his collection, valued at \$15,430,000 to the Metropolitan museum of New York. John D. Rockefeller, jr., with his gift of \$20,000,000 to aid in the suppression of the white slave traffic, is second. These are followed in order by Colonel O. H. Payne, with \$4,350,000 to Cornell university; Ferris S. Thompson, with \$3,655,000 and Robert P. Doremus, with a gift to Washington and Lee university of \$3,000,000.

These are the greatest charitable offerings recorded during the year. There were a number of others, ranging from one to two million dollars each and innumerable others of smaller size. Of course, this compilation included only the well known charitable offerings. There must have been hundreds of thousands of others, of small amounts each totaling a great sum in the aggregate, which will probably bring our charity giving to well over a hundred million dollars. Certainly there seems an abundance of generosity in America.

No wonder the cost of living is high when so many of our reckless and extravagant people are seen reading the advertisements of expensive vacation trips.

The Swiss government is studying the naval methods of the United

States. This will not hurt Switzerland a bit, as she will never have any use for a navy.

A West Virginia husband accuses his wife of extravagance because she uses molasses in cooking. That man is never going to become a great philanthropist and give away libraries.

The president of Mexico has no money and isn't having any fun. He might just as well be an ultimate consumer in the United States.

The Chinese are an honest people. They pay all their debts on the first of the year. But, who in thunder wants to be a Chinaman?

As corn meal now brings a higher price than wheat flour, it should be good form to serve johnny cake when you have company to dinner.

A Washington society girl manages her parents' household for them. It keeps most society girls busy just managing their parents.

Eggs are being used as currency in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Dear, dear, will congress have to reform the hen next?

It is untrue that Vice President Marshall has paid the chalet \$500 a night for the chance to talk.

ADDITIONAL SOCIETY.

The Misses Mildred and Myrtle Hoyt entertained two days of this week in honor of their eleventh birthday anniversary. On Tuesday afternoon they entertained about 28 younger folks at the park. A delightful afternoon was enjoyed at playing games and making use of the swings and slides. Refreshments were served by the hostess' mother just before going-home time. On Friday afternoon at the Hoyt home on Main street, about 18 guests enjoyed an afternoon of pleasure and wished the girls many more happy birthdays.

This evening at the home of the bride at Perry, Miss Agnes Hansen and George Andrews are to be united in marriage, Reverend R. E. Close of the Baptist church of this city officiating. The principals are popular young people of Perry and have a host of friends there, where the bride has lived for some time and the groom is employed. They will make their future home in Perry.

Friday afternoon at the George Palmer home, Mrs. Palmer and Miss Margaret Newlin entertained the afternoon session of the Kaffeeklatch. A number of invited guests were present making in all five tables playing. Mrs. J. J. Carr won the prize. A two course luncheon was served. This was the last meeting of the club until fall.

One of the most popular weddings of the week occurred Tuesday evening June 23, when Ralph L. Sullivan of Starkey and Anna McKay of La Grande were united in marriage at the home of the bride. Rev. R. E. Close, pastor of the Baptist church officiated. A large number of friends



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and relatives witnessed the ceremony. The happy young couple will make their future home at Starkey where the groom is located as a stockman.

Miss Ruth Merrill celebrated her sixth birthday Thursday afternoon, when she entertained a few of her young friends at her parents' home, corner Cedar and Main streets. The children spent the afternoon hours playing games after which refreshments were served. The little hostess received many pretty gifts.

Thursday evening, June 25, the Cove Cherry Fair boosters gave a dance at the Maccabee hall in that city, for the purpose of helping along the fund for the new grand stand. The dance was well attended and everybody had a good time. A tidy sum was contributed to the fund.

Mrs. F. H. Tatman was hostess on Thursday afternoon to the members of the Cleorian Embroidery club. This was the last meeting for the summer as the club will adjourn until September 2, when Mrs. O. M. Heacock will entertain.

Last week at Island City Mrs. Fred Kiddle and Miss Grace Perrine entertained the Eastern Star social club. The guests were taken out in cars and enjoyed the afternoon immensely. Mrs. H. P. Oliver won first honors.

The ladies of the Altar society of the Catholic church have issued invitations for their second dancing party to be given at Zuber hall next Tuesday evening, June 30.

Tonight at Zuber hall dancers are going to enjoy a "Farmers" dance, which is said to be one of the finest yet, as it will provide something new and novel.

The regular Saturday night dance will be given at the Rex hall tonight. A large crowd is expected and the management is making special efforts to give them a good time.

The Wednesday Five Hundred club met at the home of Mrs. F. H. Tatman this week. Mrs. J. O'Connell won first prize and consolation went to Mrs. Guy Ellis.

Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp entertained the Five Hundred club this week, first honors at cards going to Mrs. Jay Van Buren.

Mrs. F. J. Lafky, wife of City Manager Lafky is here from Salem to spend the summer with her husband.

KODAK DEPARTMENT READY.

Hill's Drug Store Has Complete Equipment to Handle Work.

In a neat little annex to the main drug store, tastily fitted up with equipment, and papered and made convenient and attractive in every way, the Hill Drug store now has a complete department for handling camera films. This Anseo house has for some time done development work, printing and enlarging but it

is only today that it has secured permanent and adequate quarters. The camera room is to the left of the drug store's entrance.

Printing equipment, enlarging machinery, and paraphernalia to develop and dry films quickly, are provided in the facilities. "We are now ready to handle a great deal more work in the camera line" said C. D. Putnam the proprietor last evening in announcing completion of his camera department. "The facilities are up-to-date, our Anseo line is always popular; we have competent men to handle the work. Our camera busi-

ness has grown to such an extent that these new quarters are needed."

Corpses Found in Ashes. Salem, Mass., June 27.—Salem is today a charred ruins, nearly half the city is a cooling mass of debris. Militiamen are looking for corpses. Only six bodies have been recovered, but a large number are missing. It is feared that the lives of some of the missing are lost.

Birth Record. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe A. West of this city on June 27 an eight pound daughter.

CHAUTAUQUA NOTES

City water is tapped to the grounds.

This paper was printed to be read. Invite your friends from afar to spend a week with you, and then take them to the park during chautauqua.

The L. D. S. ladies are to provide the food at the restaurant lodge. That is enough said.

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