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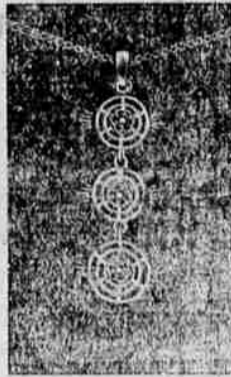
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Society and Club News

Premier among social events of the week was the entertainment at dancing Monday night at Rex auditorium when Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Snodgrass, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Scriber, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Snodgrass, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bay and Mr. and Mrs. Herfman Siegrist elaborately entertained. The guests comfortably filled the hall and this, the first formal party in over a year, was an enjoyable event from all viewpoints. Difficulties attending decorations of a spacious hall handicapped with house regulations regarding the disfiguration of walls with nails, were happily overcome. Suspended from the mezzanine floor hung baskets of red carnations and smilax. This color scheme was prettily carried out in all phases of the decorations. A corner of the auditorium seldom used for that purpose was converted into a bower of attractiveness and from it punch and wafers were generously served by Ray Baum as master of libations.

Attractively-gowned women were in prominence. In this the hostesses themselves set a precedent, they being very prettily attired for the event. Numerous guests initiated costly dresses for the occasion. Mrs. J. G. Snodgrass, who headed the receiving line, wore blue taffeta with silver trimmings. Mrs. Scriber was gowned in a white chausseur creation with lace. Mrs. Chambers, of Pendleton, houseguest in the Scriber home, wore white lace and chiffon. Mrs. L. L. Snodgrass was dressed in lavender taffeta and maline. Mrs. Bay

was gowned in yellow taffeta and maline while Mrs. Siegrist wore pink taffeta.

Out of town guests were numerous, these including Dr. and Mrs. Tape of Hot Lake, Mrs. Henry Shoshner of Portland, Mrs. Chambers of Pendleton, Miss Ethel Gulling of Walla Walla, and Mrs. Carse and Mrs. Lucece Wood Richey both of Portland.

Fuller's orchestra supplied the music for the occasion. Though formal in a way, the guests were always comfortably "at home" and a jollier party, nor a prettier one, hasn't been inscribed on La Grande's social history pages in these many months. Adieus came all too soon, terminating a jolly good time for all who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Olsan, entertained at five hundred last evening to a few intimate friends and neighbors. Honors at cards went to Mrs. E. J. Sheets and R. R. Morrow. The Olsan home was tastefully decorated for the informal function. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of the host and hostess were R. R. Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Sheets, Miss Hindman, A. E. McEachron, Miss Hallie Adler and George McNeil.

The Parent-Teacher's association was in session yesterday at the Central building. Miss Kame and Miss Watson had charge of the program which included the following numbers: Piano solo, Abbie Green; Recitation, Merrill George; Song, "Silent

Night" five girls; Recitation, Pearl Britts; Piano duet, Myrtle and Mildred Hoyt; Paper "The Ideal Teacher," Mrs. G. M. Byrnett; Address, Mrs. F. G. Schilke. The afternoon was of value and interest to everyone present.

A surprise party was given to Mrs. George Wait at her Washington avenue home Thursday afternoon by the New Idea club. It was Mrs. Wait's birthday anniversary and she was presented with a silver spoon as a token of esteem from the club members. The occasion was one of enjoyment.

CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Bradshaw Enjoy Reunion with Relatives and Friends

To the Editor Evening Observer:— Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Bradshaw celebrated recently the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding at their home on Cove avenue, La Grande. The original wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents in Iowa, November 13th, 1865. Several members of the Grand Army of the Republic and Women's Relief Corps joined with their children and their families and a very pleasant afternoon was spent. Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw received many nice presents.

Comrade Bradshaw was one who listened to and heeded the call of our leader for the 300,000 volunteers which were so badly needed at the

time. He enlisted in Jefferson county, Iowa, in Co. H, 30th Reg. Iowa Infantry Volunteers. He was in the First Division, First Brigade, 15th Army Corps, all through with Sherman's march to the sea.

His wife is one who realized the hardships placed on the women through such a crisis but did her battling well and is now enjoying the privilege of good health and a pleasure of a family of six children, 37 grand-children and eleven great-grand-children.

And as time goes rolling on May a bell of diamonds ring For you a joyous wedding peal. As sweetly as the birds that sing Among the waving tree-tops In the joyful time of spring. —Mrs. Hattie Chandler Stilwell.

The annual sale held by the Christian church was given yesterday in the Y. M. C. A. A good attendance was the result. A turkey dinner, a bazaar, and a museum of trinkets and curios from many lands were the entertainment features.

Last evening some 60 couples danced at Rex hall in honor of the third session of the U. & I. club. Fuller's orchestra supplied the music. Punch was served and the evening was informally but delightfully spent.

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Dramatic Debut of Duke and Docker London, Nov. 19.—(By Mail)—Imagine John D. Rockefeller introducing Bill Haywood to an audience recruited about equally from the realms of the limousine and the push cart.

That's about like the spectacle at which London was amazed the other afternoon when the Duke of Rutland led Ben Tillet to the stage of His Majesty's Theatre before a thoroughly mixed crowd of "upper" and "lower" class Britishers and launched Ben's lecture on the war.

Rutland—tall, monocled, frock-coated, spitted, with Cambridge accent and Mayfair manner; Tillet—short, stumpy, sack-coated, baggy-trousered, with an East End jaw and a Cockney accent.

The Duke—tory of tories, his family tree rooted in the middle ages, a top-notch of the British landed gentry, and what certain Americans doubtless would term a "malefactor of great wealth."

The Docker—man of the people, day-laborer, England's most belligerent strike-leader and, in his own words, an "international social revolutionist"—before the war.

It was a graphic illustration of the leveling effect of war in this country of classes.

Duke and Docker were on the same mission—to impress the British public with its responsibility toward the men at the front.

The aristocratic Rutland praised the patriotism of the hundreds of thousands of Ben Tillet's type who answered the King's call; and Tillet handed it right back to the aristocracy.

With a forcefulness and rugged eloquence that brought as much applause from fashionably clad women in the stalls as from his own friends in pit and gallery, Tillet told how he had seen "toffs" and truckmen on the Flanders battlefield fighting, playing, eating, sleeping, dying side by side. "Whether they came from Eton or Oxford, or from Bethnal Green," he said, "when they faced the hellish German fire they were as one man."

He had met a young officer, a "knot" of the ultra-Piccadilly club variety, whose conversation was as inane as his countenance—"but," said Ben, "he had grit, and the men recognized it and loved him; and there was not one of them but would have laid down his life for him any time."

His message was that despite the deadly determination and cheerful optimism of the men as the front England couldn't hope to defeat Germany until the folks at home saw to it that they were provided with a preponderating supply of munitions.

"For shells we must give 'em more shells," he shouted, "for gas more gas—and for hell more hell!" "Heah! Heah!" cried the stalls; "ear! ear!" bawled the gallery.

CANDY GOES "DRY"

Supreme Court Says Confections Must Not Contain Alcohol.

Salem, Dec. 16.—Candy must contain no alcohol, since alcohol is a poison, but if the confection does contain alcohol it must be labeled to this effect, according to the decision of the state supreme court in an opinion handed down in the case of H. R. Hoefler, doing business as "Hoefler's" against J. D. Mickel, state food and dairy commissioner. The apparent conflict, however, is explained by two provisions of the pure food laws of the state dealing with adulterations and labeling respectively.

One chapter of the law states that candy must contain none of a list of certain drugs stimulants and another chapter says that the state food and dairy commissioner may establish the standard of rum, brandy, or alcohol that candy may contain and if any of these ingredients are put into the candy the label must state the percentage of alcohol that the candy contains. In the case before the court this morning it was stated that "Hoefler's Centennial Chocolates," manufactured at Astoria contained 1.05 per cent of alcohol by volume. Mr. Mickel seized some of these chocolates offered for sale in Multnomah county because the label did not state that they contained alcohol.

Hoefler secured a temporary order restraining Mickel from condemning any more chocolates but after the argument in the circuit court Judge Henry E. McGinn decided that the candy violated the pure food regulations and the food and dairy commissioner was given the right to seize all

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of the candy he found offered for sale. Hoefler appealed to the supreme court.

Judge Burnett in his opinion stated that since all toxicologists held alcohol to be a poison there was no question that the candy containing alcohol was adulterated and therefore in violation of the law. Since the label did not state that the candy contained adulterants it was also an infraction of the law relative to misbranding and the lower court was upheld in all its rulings.

The state law gives the food and dairy commissioner the right to establish the amount of rum, brandy

or alcohol that may be put in candy but as yet he has made no ruling on this point. A prominent Salem confectioner said this morning that confectioners in general throughout the state had been using little or no brandy in any candy since the present case had been under litigation. The Salem candy makers are using none at all.

Married.
J. A. Foster, of Baker, and Margaret Crawford, of La Grande, were united in marriage by A. C. Williams, justice of the peace, Wednesday, December 15th, 1915.

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