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### Society News



SCENE FROM "THE SERVANT IN THE HOUSE."

The Servant in the House, to be presented in the high school auditorium next Saturday evening Jan. 15, is by all odds the best number that has appeared in La Grande this season. William Owen who heads the company is one of America's foremost actors. He has played leading parts with the biggest companies and with such others as Julia Marlow and Rhea the great French actress. His company is selected from actors whom Mr. Owen has known for years.

This company was shown in Chautauqua work this season and was ranked with Alice Neilson as the two foremost attractions on the platform. The Neighborhood club is putting forth every effort to make this the banner attraction. Union, Elgin and Imbler are sending a large delegation to the entertainment. The seat sale will be large if early indications are correct. Those holding season tickets are requested to show these tickets at the door with their reservations.

The Neighborhood club met at the club room January 4th. During the business period two new members were added to the club.

The study of Hungary was the topic for the afternoon. Mrs. G. H. Currey, Jr., gave a very interesting description of Hungary—its area, boundaries, mountains, rivers, etc.; also the character of its inhabitants which consist of the Slovak, Magyar and Finn. The Hungarian is very deeply interested in the present war and thinks it impossible for peace to prevail for some time yet. The Finns gave their women the right of the ballot in 1905 and were the first people to recognize "Women's Rights."

The national hymn of Hungary was very beautifully sung by Mrs. J. J. Carr; Mrs. George Birnie accompanist.

"Liszt, the Master." The sketch of the life of this great pianist was related by Mrs. F. L. Meyers in a very pleasing manner. Hungary was his native land, and his father being a noted musician gave his son opportunities at an early age. When but nine years old he appeared in a concert and pleased his audience so well six noblemen pledged their support to aid him in securing the best instructors. At 12 he was commissioned to write a one-act play for the opera of Paris.

Music "Am Meer" (Schubert-Liszt) by Mrs. George Birnie. The audience certainly enjoyed Mrs. Birnie's number which was so sweetly rendered.

The program closed with two Hungarian fairy tales, very charmingly told by Mrs. R. L. Clark. The close attention given proved that the Neighborhood club sincerely appreciate "Fairy Tales." Several guests were present.

Dorothy Harrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Harrison, was a dainty little hostess yesterday afternoon to a group of girl friends in honor of her seventh birthday anniversary. The party was given after school, and the little folks had a jolly good time. Those who were present to help Dorothy celebrate the occasion were Phyllis and Gertrude Scranton, Thelma Elmer, Juanita Spencer, Marjorie Reynolds, Marguerite Ellis, Gladys Tanner, Pauline and Bell Gibbanks, Elenore Hanson and Ruth Harrison.

A very pretty event this week occurred when Mrs. Lee Hanford entertained in compliment to Miss Jackson of Boise, who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. H. Safford. The Hanford home was artistically decorated with holiday colors for the occasion. Guests for four tables played cards, Mrs. Fitzgerald scoring highest. Mrs. Hanford served a three-course luncheon later in the afternoon.

#### WEDDINGS.

Joseph Horstman, accompanied by Mrs. Horstman, formerly Mrs. Mary Weaver, of this city, have returned from Portland where they were married last Saturday. Mr. Horstman is a South La Grande contractor. They will make their home on Fourth street where Mr. Horstman recently finished a neat bungalow.

Mr. J. L. Geiger and Miss Norme Mallory were united in marriage on Christmas day at the bride's home in Bartlett, says the Wallowa Sun. The bride was a graduate of the Enterprise high school and taught one term of school in Lower Valley. The newly weds will make their home in La Grande.

#### CLUB AFFAIRS.

Mrs. W. C. Rinehart entertained the Billikin club Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Herman Siegrist. After an afternoon of sewing and needlework, delicious refreshments were set before the members.

The Owassa club has had a busy week. Wednesday night Miss Muriel Moss was hostess to the club which is comprised of stenographers of the city, and an enjoyable evening was indulged in. Cards were played and luncheon served. Two new members were voted into the select group. Last evening the club made use of the splendid snow and went for a sleigh ride, ending up the evening with an informal gathering at the Model restaurant where they had a "big feed."

Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp will entertain the evening section of the Sans Souci club next Wednesday evening. This club did not meet this week.

The Eastern Star social club will be entertained by Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp at her residence, 704 Second street Tuesday afternoon at 2 p. m.

New Year's night Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bragg were charming hosts to the Kaffee Klatch, which through the holiday season had postponed its sessions. The club was entertained at the Palmer home that evening, and

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with few exceptions, all present were members of the club. A two course luncheon was served appropriate to the holiday season, as were the decorations for the evening. Mrs. M. B. Donohue and E. E. Kirtley scored highest at cards.

The Entre Nous club was entertained this week by Mrs. C. S. Dunn. Honors at cards went to Bert Pattison and to Mrs. L. F. Dunn. The hostess served delicious refreshments for the occasion.

Mrs. F. L. Lilly entertained the Lucky Thirteen club Thursday afternoon at the Lilly home on Spring. Principally the card club members were in attendance, and at cards Mrs. L. A. McAllister won high score. Mrs. F. L. Meyers will entertain the club two weeks hence.

Mrs. J. J. Carr entertained the afternoon division of the Kaffee Klatch yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp entertained the Thursday Bridge club week, high score going to Mrs. E. P. Polack.

Mr. and Mrs. George T. Cochran and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kirtley will be the next hosts to the evening Kaffee Klatch, Friday of next week.

#### PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Anna Pennick, of Los Angeles, who has been a guest with Judge and Mrs. J. C. Henry for two months, leaves Tuesday for her home in the south. Enroute she will visit at San Francisco and Sacramento. Miss Pennick, who is an accomplished musician, will appear as piano soloist with the Delharmonica society of Los Angeles next fall.

Mrs. J. P. Graham has returned from a ten-day visit with friends and relatives in Portland and McMinnville.

#### ST. HELENS GETS CONTRACT.

##### Will Build Motor Vessel for Alabama Concern.

St. Helens, Ore., Jan. 7.—Captain William Wrighton of Mobile, Alabama yesterday entered into a contract with the St. Helens Shipbuilding company to build for him a vessel of the type of the motor vessel City of Portland, now under construction at the yards of the company. The vessel is to be a three-masted sailing schooner, 158 feet in length, 35 feet beam and 12 1-2 feet depth of

hold, will carry 500,000 feet of lumber, and will be equipped with a single unit Bolinder or semi-Deisel internal combustion engine of 150-horsepower, which, it is estimated, will propel the vessel six knots an hour without having to use her canvas.

Captain Wrightson, who is a prominent shipping man of the Alabama port, some weeks ago picked up an Eastern marine journal having a description of the McCormick motor vessel City of Portland. The plans and description appeared to him to be proper for economical operation and good earnings and he immediately visited all the important shipyards on the Gulf and Atlantic Coast, including the famed Maine shipbuilding plants, at the same time corresponding with the McCormick company as to their plant and the type of vessel he wished. He was asked to visit the Pacific Coast and form his own opinion. He arrived Tuesday, and after looking over the facilities of the plant, the type of vessel now being built and the select Oregon lumber being used, decided to give to the St. Helens Shipbuilding company the contract, which he placed yesterday.

The contract, which entails an expenditure of almost \$60,000, calls for the delivery of the vessel in June, and Captain Wrightson plans to load her at Portland or St. Helens with lumber for delivery either at Panama or New York, after which she will go into the regular trade from Gulf ports to Cuba, Porto Rico or Central American ports.

It is understood that the Kirby Lumber company, one of the largest manufacturers and exporters of lumber in the South, is associated with Captain Wrightson in the venture, and if it is the success expected it will be only the beginning of a large Gulf fleet which the Shipbuilding company has every assurance, will build here at the local plant. The McCormick interests are being congratulated on securing this contract from an Eastern firm in competition with the old established shipyards of the Atlantic Coast, and it is also significant that Oregon lumber has been chosen for the construction instead of Southern pine or Eastern oak. As soon as all plan are completed work will be started and all possible haste made to complete the vessel on contract time.

The shipbuilding yard now has under construction the two motor vessels for the McCormicks and three barges for the Columbia Contract company, and with the beginning of work on the new vessel, the yards will be taxed to their utmost.

#### War Oddities.

Newport, Wales.—Rev. Hall Wallis, leading Methodist minister, was granted a six months leave of absence by his congregation to do war work in a shipyard.

London—A chair factory at High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, has received a War Office order for 50,000 "Windsor" chairs to be used for wounded soldiers.

London—Labor estimates place the number of miners with the colors at 270,000 while 170,000 are engaged in munition work.

London—Private Albert Bamber, 8th Irish Regiment, was sent home from the front when it was discovered his age was 15. James White, of Sowerby Bridge, met a similar fate when they discovered he was 70.

London—Soldiers in the trenches during the winter will wear golf stockings instead of wool puttees.

London—British hospitals at present need 750,000 fresh laid eggs per week, it was revealed in an appeal just issued.

#### Ambassador Gerard Kills Two Deer.

Berlin, Dec. 19.—(By mail)—Out hunting today with the American Military Attache in Berlin, Colonel Kuhns, Ambassador Gerard killed two small deer with one shot. The Colonel, on the other hand, fired two shots without hitting a deer!

Did Gerard's friends not know that he was an expert crack-never-miss-an-aim rifleman, they would think this an accident, but this is the second time this winter that Gerard killed two deer with one shot! Today it happened thus:

Gerard and the Colonel went out to the Ambassador's game preserve near Berlin. Two small deer appeared. Gerard fired at one. The bullet went through its heart, struck a rib, glanced out the side and went through the second deer! More game appeared and the officer took a shot and another shot, but the deer disappeared.

On their way home Gerard decided he would like to bag a duck for dinner because Mrs. Gerard's mother is visiting here and likes duck. It was dark. The Ambassador spotted one, fired and bagged it. But when he got it home it was too old to eat.

"That's what I get for shooting ducks at night," remarked Gerard smilingly when he reached the Embassy.

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