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Society News

Mrs. J. H. Childs was hostess at a Kensington Thursday afternoon complementing Mrs. Anna Baker of Portland, Mrs. Rose Rosenthal of Spokane, Misses Mary and Fannie Sommer of San Francisco and Mrs. Wm. Mulholland of Union, and the especially-honored guests, Mrs. Carrie P. Wellman of Palo Alto, Cal., and Mrs. J. C. Henry of this city. The gathering of these ladies was unique in a way, as Mrs. Wellman and Mrs. Henry were teachers and the other ladies present were schoolmates in the first real school building in La Grande. It was situated at what is now A avenue and Oak street, the very extreme of South La Grande. The afternoon was spent at needle work and the recalling of incidents of school days. Those present to meet the ladies complimented were: Mesdames Ella Russell, Nellie Neil, Carrie Cleavenger, Ida Cherry, Carrie Garity, Anna Rosch, Kate Hanley, Theresa Foley, Winnie Williamson, Misses Olive Slater, Margaret Anson, Mary Warnick, and Carolyn Rosenthal. Mrs. Childs was assisted by the Misses Dorothy Haworth and Marjorie and Helen Sims.

Elaborate preparations are now under way for a monster card party to be given next Wednesday afternoon by the ladies of the Catholic church on the lawn of the Julius Roesch home the weather permitting—otherwise at Honan hall. The special committee placed in charge and composed of Mesdames T. N. Murphy, J. C. Gulling, J. F. O'Connell, C. P. Newlin and L. A. McAllister, are bending every effort to make the affair one of the leading social events of the season, the monetary feature consisting of a fixed charge of 25 cents having been given secondary thought.

The filling of the tables which were assigned to various ladies outside of the committee was completed in a short space of time. Although a large number of tables have already been spoken for the committee in charge, wish it understood that the event is not to be of a strictly formal character, and that additional arrangements will gladly be made for any lady, heretofore overlooked, and desiring to be included in the invitation list, if previous notice be given to any in charge of arrangements.

The completed plans, including favors for the winners, harmonious decorations, and a dainty lunch, give promise, all in all, of a most delightful occasion for those enjoying either bridge whist or five hundred.

A number of friends of Mrs. G. G. Gray dropped in on her at her home home in Lower Cove, Friday, August 11, to help her celebrate her birthday. The afternoon was spent in visiting. Miss Dillie Gray and Miss Vina Conley gave a number of piano selections which were greatly enjoyed by those present. At five o'clock the guests were invited to the dining room where a four-course luncheon was served by Mrs. Gray's daughters and daughters-in-law. A birthday cake aglow with candles and the centerpiece of sweet peas gave the table a very attractive appearance. The guests left at seven o'clock wishing the hostess many happy returns of her birthday. Those present were Mrs. Mary Willard, of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Harlin Stewart of Union, Mrs. Chas. Hamilton of Wallowa, Mrs. W. E. Pratt of Alicel, Miss Olive Slater and Mrs. J. D. Slater, of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. O. Eckersley, Cove, Mrs. Gene Conklin Ontario, Mrs. Oliver Perin, Alicel, Mrs. Mattie Eyer, Mrs. Frank Conley, Cove, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Conley, La Grande, Mrs. W. R. Jasper, Island City, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Gray, Mrs. Ernest Miller, Mrs. G. M. Gray, Mrs. J. Gray and Mrs. N. Gray all of Lower Cove, Mrs. Lee Childers and the Misses Dillie Gray, Vina Conley and Grace Parker. Mrs. Gray was the recipient of many beautiful and useful presents.

One of the week's foremost parties was that given as a farewell compliment to Mrs. J. A. Horan, who leaves for Joseph to join her husband and to make their future home there. Mrs. J. F. O'Connell was the hostess at No. 1104 O Ave., and guests for 11 tables were present Tuesday afternoon. Guests at nine of these tables played bridge and two five hundred, and in the first group of players high score was won by Mrs. Harry M. Bouvy and second by Mrs. M. B. Donohue. Mrs. D. Fitzgerald scored highest at five hundred. After the play was over the guests were ushered to the O'Connell lawn where long tables were prepared for refreshments. Great quantities of sweet peas abundantly decorated the tables and within Virginia Creepers were profusely used to good advantage. In serving refreshments the hostess was assisted by Carolyn Rosenthal, Lorna Colledge, Stella Desilet and Irene and Louise O'Connell. In a church and social way Mrs. Horan has been an influential figure while a resident of the city, and her large circle of friends will regret her departure.

At the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. S. V. Atkins, No. 1698 Oak street, Gladys M. Higgins, for several years an employee at the Home Independent Telephone company, was quietly married Thursday evening at 8 o'clock to M. (Mike) Carroll, erstwhile football player and athlete. Rev. W. H. Drahn officiated, and only a few intimate friends and relatives were present. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll will live in Anaconda, Montana, where Mr. Carroll has already gone to locate and will be joined by Mrs. Carroll in about two weeks. Mrs. Carroll was one of the most popular young ladies of La Grande and leaves a big circle of friends in this city to wish both she and her husband, who likewise is a long-time resident of La Grande, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Carroll, living in May Park.

Mrs. Dora B. Schilke, grand worthy matron of Eastern Star in Oregon, leaves tomorrow for Bandon Beach where a five-room bungalow has been equipped for Mrs. Schilke and other grand lodge officers during the outing outlined for them at that point. From there she goes to Coos Bay to attend a celebration, then to Myrtle Point, and to North Bend for a big Star celebration. She will visit many of the lodges in chapters in that vicinity while on the trip.

Telegrams from Bismark, N. D., convey the tidings that Olive Ruth Day, daughter of Martha E. Day, No. 808 Penn., was married there Monday

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of this week to T. M. Kuchler, who about six years ago visited in La Grande. The wedding is another happy chapter in a romance lasting since both were little folks, the two being girl and boy sweethearts. Miss Day, who was graduated from the high school two or three years ago, left for Bismark less than 10 days ago to be married, and few of her many friends here were aware of the real purpose of her trip. They will live in Reno, North Dakota, where the groom has farm property.

The Haworth lawn was a scene of beauty and merriment Wednesday afternoon when Miss Dorothy Haworth entertained a number of her girl friends. The time was spent at needle work and dainty refreshments were served. Those present were: The Misses Stella Bodmer, Marguerite Winters, Mildred Oliver, Gladys Taylor, Irene Castle Tressa Castle, Isabel Miller, Phyllis Major, Berly McCray of Mayer, Arizona; Ruby Graves, Violet Rush, Helen Pierce, Lucile Pierce, Ethel Pearson, Lucile Rees, Gladys Currey, Hazel Richardson, Lavina Nagamost, Gladys Metcalfe and Mrs. Dora Basham.

While the M. E. Sunday School decided not to go to the Park Thursday on account of the weather, Miss Eva Ruby's class had a social gathering just the same in the basement of the church, at which a very pleasant time was had. Miss Ruby was assisted in the entertainment by Mrs. H. E. Rich and Mrs. Wetzel. The others who were present were: Mrs. Reiland, Mrs. R. West, John Edwards, Ellen Richey, Roscoe West, Mildred Smith, Marion West, Louise Wetzel, Virginia Wetzel, Laville Richey, Eva Grout, Lois Nelson, Ruth West and Dorothy Spencer.

Among the many pre-wedding affairs given this week one of the most pretentious was that given for Miss Cecile Lilly Friday afternoon at the F. L. Lilly home. It was a miscellaneous shower, complimenting Miss Lilly with many handsome gifts. She will be married next month to Hil Templeton of this city. The shower was entirely a surprise and not only a decided enjoyment to the bride-elect but to all who participated.

A merry party of ladies and their escorts enjoyed a bountiful feast last Thursday afternoon in the pavilion at the park. Covers for twenty-four people were laid by Mrs. Edna Oliver, of 804 Main avenue. The many good edibles were quickly dis-

posed of by all the people taking part in the affair and the event demonstrated the ability of the hostess on such occasions.

Miss Edith Darland gave the second of a series of parties Friday evening, this one being in honor of Miss Ferndale Perrin of Pendleton. Games, music and refreshments were the features of the evening.

Miss Loelette King was delightfully surprised Tuesday evening at her home, First and Jefferson streets. The affair, which was planned by Mrs. Ruth Zerzinger and Mrs. Clifford Weaver, was in the form of a miscellaneous shower. The prospective bride received a number of very lovely presents.

Thomas Hill will celebrate his arrival in the teen age tonight by giving a Charlie Chaplin party to a group of 14 boy friends. After the party the boys will return to the A. T. Hill home where Thomas's mother will have something right choice to eat. Thomas is 13 today.

Mrs. J. P. Graham and Miss Bertha Walsinger left last night for Newport where they will visit a week or so and then return to Portland where Mrs. Graham will spend a month in music study, returning October first to begin her winter's work with her students and with the Methodist choir.

The O-W picnic at Gibbon on Thursday of this week was one of the largest outdoor semi-society events of the summer. In spite of the rain, the several hundred who attended report a splendid time.

Mrs. Tom Bruce and little daughter, of Bellingham, Washington, are visiting here at the home of Mrs. Bruce's mother, Mrs. Burnett on Cedar street.

Complimenting Miss Loelette King, a bride-elect, Mrs. Ed Cross entertained at a dinner Thursday evening. Asters were prettily used in decoration on the table where covers were laid for eight.

The Loyal Sisters of the Christian church met Wednesday afternoon at the church for a short business meeting.

Mrs. F. D. Gaskill and daughter were due home today from Bayceon in their car, the ladies having undertaken the trip alone, after a short stay at the beach.

John E. Van Houten and Ollie Cockrell, both of Union where they are well known and popular, obtained a marriage license Thursday from County Clerk Ed Wright.

Mrs. M. A. Harrison will entertain the Eastern Star Social club next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. E. Reynolds on Second street.

Mrs. Saxon Bruce, who has been visiting relatives and friends here for the past week has returned to her home in Enterprise.

Miss Ethel Sullivan has gone to Portland for a few days to visit with friends.

Mrs. George Small and Miss Edith Weaver left last night for Portland to remain a couple of weeks visiting relatives and friends.

TRAFFIC IS SOUGHT.

La Grande People Find Merchants Cater to Auto Travelers.

Learning how Southern Oregon caters to automobile tourist trade, Mrs. Bohnenkamp communicates this information to her family in another interesting letter which has followed from the Bohnenkamp-Polack trip through Central and Southern Oregon. The letter following herewith was written at Eugene Aug. 15:

You may think we have never been able to get back from California. We left Ashland about noon and went up a fine grade over the Siskiyou until we came to the Shasta river where we stopped and cooked the best dinner, with a fine steak and lots of other good things, but just as it was ready there came up a hard thunder storm and we got pretty wet before we could get into the car but we all hung onto our plates, while a dog ate up all we left outside. It was too wet to drive him away and we managed to fill up with what we saved and after

the storm we turned back going through Hornbrook. There they all looked as though they thought we ought to stop and buy something. The highway is wonderful there, but it was so slippery we had to come slowly and in some places we plowed mud. Passed five cars that decided not to try it at night but as we did not know when it would be better we came on, getting into Ashland at 10 p. m. Came to Medford next morning on a paved road. Lou Zundel showed us the city and he is very enthusiastic about its future. Stayed that night at Grants Pass; then to Roseburg and from there to Eugene. I don't know whether you had the same idea of the highway as I did but it is only a road and in many places a very poor one. Probably 50 miles of our road yesterday, was poorer than the Union county roads ever are in summer but where the highway is paved as I suppose it all some time will be, of course it is splendid.

And now I wonder if there is any reason why La Grande should not be the center of the Oregon trail. Our road is far better than most dirt roads and all we need is to get the trail before the public and they will use it for they all follow the advertised trails. Fully eight-tenths of the travelers are tourists and these towns surely cater for their business. In Roseburg the Merchants' association keeps up the Free Auto camp grounds where they furnish wood and water. There are cars from Massachusetts to Honolulu; some packed like sardines and some with two and a dog. Will go to Corvallis and Albany today and probably sleep at Salem. We saw some advertising that might interest you. In one place in a field of grain we saw a patch left uncut and on coming near enough read a sign, "Hen on."

At another place across the front gate in capital letters "Bad Dog," and yesterday we read on a fence near the gate, "X Dog." Was he dead or cross?

LONG FIGHT OVER.

Interchange of School Lands for Federal Land Allowable.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 16.—The recent passage by the House of Representatives of the bill authorizing the exchange of school lands, sections 16 and 36, in the forest reserves for other Government lands in compact boules within or outside of National forests brings to an end a fight that western members have been waging in congress for eight long years. During every session of congress since 1908 this legislation has been under consideration and has been made the subject of extensive hearings before the Committee on Public Lands in both branches of congress. The Attorney General from several of the states, including Idaho, have visited Washington and urged the enactment of the legislation. The representatives of the Interior Department and Agricultural Department also appeared before the committee to give their views, and as a result the bill which has just passed was formulated.

As soon as the bill passed the House Congressman Addison T. Smith conferred with Senator Borah who will expedite the report of the bill from the committee on Public Lands of the Senate and its passage through the Upper House. A strong hope is entertained that the bill will pass the senate and receive the President's approval before adjournment. The proposed legislation ratifies and confirms the exchanges heretofore made in Idaho involving some 300,000 acres, and will enable the state to get patent from the Federal Government to the land acquired by the exchanges, something that it has been unable to do up to this time. Some of these exchanges were made when Mr. Gooding was governor, and later exchanges were made in accordance with formal written agreements entered into between the secretary of agriculture and the state of Idaho, but the exchanges were never consummated because of the necessity of congressional action confirming the exchange, which is now likely to be enacted before the close of the session.

Lane County Grain Damaged. Heavy winds in various parts of Lane county accompanied by hail have caused considerable damage to standing grain.

An Iowa Society. An Iowa society was organized at a picnic at the state fair grounds last week. It is the intention to make the organization state-wide.

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