

Society

As the stiff old race horse limbers up when he hears the band play and sees the crowds of people, society in La Grande is limbering up in the most approved manner. Events of every nature are being staged and many have been pulled off in the past week, running the week previous a close race for social distinction. The High school auditorium is becoming the community center which was the dream of many when the building was erected. For several times during the past week the auditorium is lighted and entertainments are held. Superintendent Hampton and Professors Prince and Dubois cannot refrain from exercising a parental stewardship of the auditorium and that stewardship is highly appreciated by all who attend the functions there. "It seems," said one of these men recently, "that when anything is to be held at high school it is not a question of wanting to go exactly but it is a duty call. As a matter of fact it is a pleasure to attend these events, and in reality there is no occasion for any of the school people to feel it necessary to be present, but there is a feeling woven into all of us that centers around the High school building and we are glad it is so."

There was an excellent attendance at the meeting of the Parent-Teachers' association of Central school Friday afternoon. There were so many present that it was with difficulty that all were accommodated within one room, and it is expected that a larger room in the school or the High school auditorium will have to be made use of at future meetings.

The opening numbers of the program were choruses by the children of Miss Kirkwood's room, who sang with a vim about George Washington and his hatchet, waving the while their small red paper axes. A second patriotic selection followed, in which the stars and stripes were proudly displayed, and then the "scissors talk" by Miss Blanche Clark was proceeded with. Miss Clark spoke briefly of the value of the training the child can receive, even before coming of school age, by being given a pair of scissors and taught to cut out easy designs. First, she said, they could cut newspapers, learning first simply to follow a straight line, and later might be allowed to cut pictures from catalogues, etc. Miss Clark then proceeded to demonstrate her theories. She had a remarkable display of the children's paper work tastefully arranged around the room, and to these she first directed the attention of the parents. This work, which had been done by pupils in the first, second and third grades, had been excellently done and was a convincing testimony of what children can be taught to do within a short time. There followed then a demonstration of cutting by three boys who had been three weeks in school and they performed the assignments given them by Miss Clark

very creditably. Second grade pupils, who had been a year in school also showed their skill with the scissors.

Following the scissors talk, Mrs. F. E. Oxner read a paper on simple rules of health for children. Simple rules, she considered, meant rules that were practical. "The quality of the workers of tomorrow depends upon the health of the children of today," said Mrs. Oxner, and she then went on to give figures showing the deplorable extent to which parents have failed to give heed to health rules in the past. As a result, she told, thirty per cent of the men in the first draft for the U. S. army were rejected as physically unfit. Experience showed that many of them were ignorant of even the first laws of personal hygiene, because they had not been taught these when young.

Mrs. Oxner cited a number of simple rules that are very valuable, chief among them these:

Keep the windows open and have the children play and study out doors as much as possible. Breathe plenty of fresh air, and at ways through the nose. Take ten deep breaths every morning. Eat wholesome food, fruit and vegetables, and chew it properly. The ill results of haste in eating may not become at once apparent, but they are sure to come out later in life. Drink no tea or coffee. These drinks are harmful and quite unnecessary for children, she said. Let nothing unclean enter the mouth. Keep the hands clean and always wash before eating.

She impressed upon her hearers the value of seeing that the children kept their teeth well cleaned, that they got plenty of play and exercise, that they should get a long night's sleep and should always get up smiling. Cleanliness also is an important factor in the child's health, she said, and this should be particularly observed by all parents.

The applause of the meeting showed that Mrs. Oxner's talk was much appreciated. As the conclusion of the program, Mrs. Warnick's gave a review of the opening chapters of Dorothy Canfield's book, "Self Reliance," which the association will study this year. Her review showed that there is a great deal of valuable information and material in this book, and the parents and teachers anticipate to profit greatly by their study. One of the main points brought out in the review was that of the importance of developing the quality of independence of adult aid in the child as early in life as he is able to be influenced.

The roll call, taken during the meeting, showed that the parents of the children in Miss Kirkwood's room made the best showing; next in numbers were those representing Miss Foster's room; and next those representing Miss Mahaffey's room.

The first annual dance of the Retail Clerks' Union of La Grande, held Friday evening, was a memorable event. There was nothing, it seemed, could stop the crowd going, and there was not a thing to prevent them having a good time when they got there. The floor was fine, the music was splendid, and the crowd, representing every circle of La Grande's social life, was thoroughly sociable and enjoyed itself immensely. Not the least pleased of all concerned were those who were sponsors for the affair, the officials of the Clerks' union. The success of the dance meant a great deal to them, as it was the celebration of the end of the first year of the activities of the union, and the extent to which La Grande people turned out to frolic with them has permanently placed the stamp of public approval and encouragement upon the purposes and aims of the organization.

The dancing was kept up until two o'clock in the morning, at the urgent request of a large number of dancers who saw early in the evening that the program was one which they would wish to see protracted beyond the usual midnight hour of closing. Prof. Haines' orchestra was superbly tuned up and there would have been a disappointed crowd had curfew rung at twelve. The reception committee were very active all evening, seeing that their guests got together and got the maximum amount of pleasure out of the evening, and the rounds of applause that greeted every number on the program showed that their efforts were successful.

The Clerks' union voiced a sincere expression of appreciation of the support and encouragement La Grande people have given them.

In noting the activities of the various clubs of the city there has been overlooked one to which our attention has only recently been called. It has been moving along the even tenor of its way for almost five years and many have felt its quiet influence. It is composed of a group of thoughtful women, women of all sects or none, who are studying primarily the Bible in its spiritual sense. They are also reading some of the psychological and philosophic works of Emanuel Swedenborg, and are discussing subjects of present day interest, such as evolution, immortality, prayer, healing, etc. This club meets every Thursday at the home of Mrs. Harriet McDonald, 502 Fourth street. It has no organization and no officers, but opens its doors with a warm welcome to all women who are interested in these lines of thought. No special invitation is necessary.

The Past Matrons' Club of Hope Chapter 3, Order of the Eastern Star, was entertained Friday night at its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. A. B. Cherry. All thirteen of the members of the club were present. The evening was most pleasantly spent, one enjoyable part of the program being the reading of the "Love Letters of a Rookie." The guests also busied themselves with needle work and at the close of the evening enjoyed their hostess' most delicious refreshments.

An annual event in the career of the B. of L. E. and the G. I. A.—its auxiliary order—is the banquet and ball which was held Thursday night of this week in the headquarters of the B. of L. E. At an early hour the banquet was served, all engineers claiming that every man should when he can eat with regularity, for engineering quite frequently conform their eating habits while on the road to the arrival of trains. The hall was decorated with flags and bunting and potted plants were used for table decorations. The dinner carried a menu that would make Herbert Hoover regret he had ever lived. For instance there was such delicacies as chicken pie, baked beans, cold boiled ham, fruit salads, pickles, jelly, ice cream, cake and coffee. The children had their usual attention for the B. of L. E. are old fashioned enough to appreciate the babies and every member of the lodge, who has one looks forward to the romp the youngsters will have on this occasion. After the dinner the dance followed and until midnight as was a time as was ever enjoyed in La Grande marked the event of Thursday evening.

The Neighborhood Club of La Grande will hold its next regular meeting Tuesday afternoon, March 4th, at the Club parlors. The program for the afternoon is to be a historical pageant, entitled "Amalica." It will be given under the direction of Mrs. Norman Frees. The various periods in the history of the United States are presented as follows: Spanish settlement, Mrs. E. P. Mosman; Virginia days, Mrs. Geo. Stoddard; Massachusetts, Mrs. Gordon Powers; Revolutionary War, Mrs. H. S. Brawston; War of 1812, Mrs. A. S. Geddes; Mexican War, Mrs. Lester Murphy; Civil War, Mrs. Lynn Bohnenkamp; Spanish-American War, Mrs. R. J. Kitchin; The World War, Mrs. A. E. Silverthorn. Each leader will be ably assisted by several other members.

Needless to say, this will be one of the most interesting and instructive programs of the year. The meeting will commence at 2:00 o'clock and the program will start about 2:30.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Presbyterian church gave a luncheon at the home of Mrs. A. T. Hill Saturday at 1 o'clock. Covers were laid for twenty-six. After the delicious luncheon, with Mrs. Ray Murphy as toastmistress, Mrs. Mosman responded to the toast, "The Home Base." Mrs. Mosman explained the organization of the Westminster guild. Miss Naomi Williamson responded to the toast, "Carry On," Miss Grace

Pickens to "The Firing Line," and Mrs. Hill to "Over the Top." The organization was perfected with a membership of twenty-five.

The Westminster guild is one of the recent organizations in the Presbyterian church, its purpose being to engage the young women recently from high school and college in active missionary work.

The Neighbors of Woodcraft met Tuesday night, and following the lodge work an entertaining program was presented. The exercises included a violin solo, "Tramere" by Mabel Langley; a solo, "The Sunshine of Your Smile," by Lucile Taylor; waltz and piano accompaniment by Lucile Langley and Lois Green; recitation, "A Belgian Soldier," by Vell Glibanks; reading, "A Woodman in Trouble," by Mrs. E. R. Head; vocal solo, "Belgian Rose," by Lucile Taylor; song by Miss Olson. The program was highly appreciated and scores were frequent. A delicious chicken supper followed the program. The hall was specially decorated with flags as a means of patriotic demonstration in honor of Washington's birthday.

On Saturday the 22nd Miss Lucille Osterlund was hostess at a very enjoyable birthday party at her home at 181 7th street, the occasion being the little lady's seventh birthday. The afternoon was spent in games so dear to children, after which a delicious lunch was served. Miss Doris Warner was the finder of the money in the birthday cake. Those present were: Inez Hughes, Doris Warner, Lulu Osborn, Mildred Shumate, Evelyn Bruce, Mary Rideau, Kathleen and Lorna Smith, Lolo McCully, Stanford Parsons, Stanley Quidel, Wilmer Shumate, Frank and Lucile Osterlund.

After the party Mrs. Osterlund took the party for a auto ride, taking each of them to their different homes.

Mrs. M. K. Hall, for many years a resident of La Grande but now residing in Portland, was honored by a number of her friends on two occasions the past week. On Wednesday afternoon and on Thursday afternoon informal gatherings of ladies congregated at the home of Mrs. T. J. Scroggin on Fourth street and spent the afternoon at cards and visiting. Both events were neighborhood functions honoring Mrs. Hall's visit to the city. She returned to her home in Portland Friday evening.

The Lyceum course number Thursday evening was appreciated by those who were faithful enough to attend. The course this year has had a hard time owing to so much interruption.

Chapter I of the P. E. O. Sisterhood, met at the home of Mrs. Robert Eakin Thursday afternoon, February 27th. This was the occasion of the annual visit of the state inspector, Miss Margaret Copeland, of Portland, and there was consequently a large attendance. It was Miss Copeland's second visit to Chapter I, as she was state inspector last year, also, and the members were pleased to renew their acquaintance with her. A most delightful afternoon was spent. Mrs. Eakin's home was beautifully decorated with a profusion of cut flowers in the club colors, yellow and white. After the meeting delicious refreshments were served.

The members of La Grande Lodge No. 18, I. O. O. F., were the recipients of a pleasant surprise from their Rebekah sisters Friday evening. The lodge had met for regular business and had entered the third degree on two candidates, after which the committee on refreshments had planned a light lunch for the members and visitors. About nine o'clock however, the Rebekahs interrupted the work of the refreshment committee, dispersed them and took charge of that part of the program themselves. The result was a sumptuous banquet, to which some seventy Rebekahs and Odd Fellows sat down.

Portland's automobile show has attracted many La Grande people, who have journeyed to the metropolis to see with their own eyes the cars for which so much merit is claimed by local dealers. Some are interested in steam cars and some want to see the latest word in snoring combustion cars. While prices will be higher this year than usual it is believed many of the people of Union county whose names appear often in the society columns will be riding in new rigs before the blossoms fall from the trees in Fruitdale this spring.

Word has been received from Mrs. G. H. Finn and Mrs. Robert Newlin and son, Philip, who are sojourning in California that they will remain for another month under the spreading branches of the palm trees. They have had a delightful time and have visited most of the points of interest in the southern country. It is needless to say they speak in their correspondence to La Grande friends often of the wonderful California highways which they are thoroughly enjoying.

Mrs. H. C. Grady arrived home from San Francisco Friday where she had been with her son, Harold, who had been wrestling with a severe case of influenza and pneumonia. Mrs. Grady brings the cheerful news that Harold is improving and she expects him here in about six weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Richardson left today morning for Portland, to spend the holiday which they had been planning for some time. They

have engaged rooms at the Campbell Hill hotel, Portland, and will spend most of the time they are away in that city. They expect to enjoy a holiday of a month or six weeks' duration, during which time the doctor's practice here will be cared for by Dr. Nichols, who already has been here for some time.

Senator and Mrs. Walter Pierce returned to La Grande yesterday from their lengthy stay at Salem, where the senator kept himself busy developing the acquaintance of the newspaper reporters. He is home again quite safe and unscathed from his numerous verbal encounters in the legislature. Mrs. Pierce is staying in La Grande, but her husband went on to his farm, where the calves thrive, and to which he will in future devote the greater part of his time.

The Elks lodge had a gala lodge event Wednesday night when Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Tony of McMinnville visited the lodge and at the same time a class of twenty-four new members put on the aprons and went forth in the world knowing the true meaning of "Hello, Bill." The season lasted until well into the morning hours and members were present from different localities of the two counties. The social committee provided refreshments.

An enjoyable evening at cards was spent by a number of La Grande people at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Selders, Island City, Tuesday evening last. The number present was sufficient to make up seven tables, and Mr. and Mrs. Selders entertained their guests handsomely. Miss Janet Jones won highest honors. Those who were present were members of a card club, with a few other guests included.

About forty young people attended the social evening of the Union Christian Endeavor Society at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Roe Friday evening, when a general good time was enjoyed. Music and games were employed to pass the hours. The three churches, the Presbyterian, the Baptist and the Christian, who comprise the Union C. E., were all well represented.

Miss Peggy Bohnenkamp packed her little grip a few days ago and announced to her mother and grandmother that she was going to "Baker City to visit relatives." This announcement followed preparation for the little miss's departure on a visit to relatives of Mrs. Chase Bohnenkamp in Baker, which visit little Peggy has long contemplated.

A dinner party at the Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp Sr., Wednesday evening was attended by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gulling, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bay and son, Lawrence, Mrs. T. N. Murphy and Mrs. Charles Ramsey. It was one of these exceptional pleasant home events where old friends meet and review the past as well as discuss the future.

The Parkdale Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Kelly in Fruitdale. A pleasant social afternoon was spent and an enjoyable spread of refreshments was especially appreciated by the assembled guests. Mrs. Ed. Brown, 1564 M avenue, will entertain the club members on Wednesday afternoon, March 12.

Miss Pomona Stackland entertained her friends of the 500 club at cards Wednesday night. Those present were Gladys Brandt, Mary Fitzgerald, Dorothy Casey, Louise O'Connell, Donna Smith, Luce Wolgouod. Miss Dorothy Casey won the highest honors.

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Elks' social dance at Elks' temple next Monday night, March 3rd. All Elks and their families cordially invited to attend. ELKS' SOCIAL COMMITTEE. 2-28-21

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VEGETABLES—Mashed Potatoes; Green Peas.
DESSERTS—Vanilla Cream Pie; Hot Mince Pie.

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Fried Small
Fricassee of Chicken with Green Peas
Veal Pot Pie
English Pot Roast with Potato Cakes.
Roast Young Chicken, Oyster Dressing.
Sirloin of Beef, Brown Gravy Leg of Pork, Apple Sauce
Corn Fritters Mashed Potatoes
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