

Society

Society items should be telephoned to the society editor of the Observer, Main 37, before 10 a. m. Wednesday and Saturday mornings. Items sent in by mail should be in the mails Tuesday or Friday night.

Mrs. R. F. Murphy and Mrs. Charles H. Reynolds were two charming hostesses this week, when they entertained at a beautifully appointed tea Friday afternoon, at the attractive new home of Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Murphy, corner of O and First streets.

A large number of guests had been bidden for the afternoon hours, from three to six. Dainty little Mary Ellen Stoddard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David I. Stoddard, met the guests at the door. Assisting the two young hostesses, were Mrs. E. P. Mossman, Mrs. J. K. Wright, Mrs. J. P. Theison, Mrs. H. A. Zurbick, Miss Nelle Grimmer, Mrs. David I. Stoddard, Mrs. Ernest Vehra, of Elgin, and Mrs. A. T. Hill.

The rooms of the Murphy residence were tastefully decorated with large baskets of pink roses, which harmonized so beautifully with the furnishings. The same color scheme, pink and white, was carried out in the dining room, where the daintiest of refreshments were served.

Roses were used for the motif of the tea and in the minutest details of this charming decorative scheme was carried out in a most artistic manner.

In the music room were four of La Grande's talented young matrons, Mrs. L. Reynolds, Mrs. James McManis, Mrs. Mary Richardson and Mrs. Hal Bohlenkamp, each of whom gave several charming solo numbers.

Thursday evening Lois Nelson, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Nelson, rounded out the third year of her study in piano by being presented by her teacher, Miss Hilda Schenck, in a piano recital at the Astoria studio. She was assisted by her brother, Russell, aged 8. The program was beautifully decorated for the occasion and several friends of the youngster and the pianist were invited to be present. The result of her recital was a most successful one, and she was warmly applauded.

The program followed:
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Two more individual piano recitals are scheduled for Thursday and Friday evening of next week: one by Helen Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Williams and the other by Beulah Gump, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gump.

In honor of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Gunn and family, a reception will be held Tuesday evening at Honan Hall by the members of the Episcopal church, to which Rev. Gunn has recently come as rector. Honor guests will also be the visiting ministers and bishops, who will arrive on that evening's train for the two-day convocation of the Episcopal church to be held here June 29 and 30. The reception will start at 8 o'clock.

One of the most enjoyable affairs of the week was the Lawn Party given Friday afternoon, June 23, by Mrs. G. C. Hopkins, Mrs. C. E. Anderson and Mrs. O. E. Moran at the home of Mrs. Hopkins for the mission fund and the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church. The afternoon being so rainy and cold the ladies and children were unable to remain out side so the time was spent in the house and on the large porch of the Hopkins home. The young and perch were especially pleasing with their large baskets and vases of different colored roses and many other flowers. The afternoon was spent in social conversation and the ladies and children played games directed by Miss Gladys Anderson. Over forty-five ladies and children were present. Dainty refreshments were served and all spent a delightful afternoon.

On Thursday evening, June 23, the Four L's at Perry gave a party. W. D. Smith of Portland was there and gave a talk on the community spirit, and E. V. Wolf of Idaho, also gave a short talk on the Constitution and Bylaws of the organization. After the speaking, a lunch was served after which a dance took place. All members had an enjoyable evening and look forward to the future when the Four L's will again entertain.

The Parkdale club met at the home of Mrs. C. W. Cook of Fruitdale on Wednesday afternoon. The first part of the meeting was mainly business.

followed with a musical program, after which a social hour was spent, dainty refreshments being served.

Mrs. S. Van Buren has returned from an intensely interesting auto trip to Canada, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Thompson of Pendleton. The Thompsons, Mrs. Van Buren and Mrs. H. H. Hattery of Pendleton motored to Seattle over the Snoqualmie Pass, in time to attend commencement at the University of Washington where Miss Theima Thompson was a graduate and joined them as they motored to Vancouver and Victoria. On their return the party witnessed the Portland golf tournament. Exclusive of ferry and rail travel the party covered about 1300 miles.

Mrs. C. P. Wellman, familiarly known to old residents of La Grande, as "Auntie" Wellman, is here from Palo Alto the guest of her nephews and nieces, the Stodgrass families and Mrs. Sade Van Buren. She is the sister of the late Mrs. J. W. Stodgrass.

Miss Louise Zorn has gone to Portland to attend the Northwest regional conference of the Graduate Nurses' association for the states of Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon. Miss Zorn will take the summer course in public health nursing given by the University of Oregon.

Mrs. Part Owsley and daughter, Miss Helen Owsley, have returned from Portland accompanied by Mrs. Owsley's mother, Mrs. Jennie Greiner. Miss Owsley recently graduated from Monmouth Normal school.

Mrs. F. F. Parker, of La Grande, sister of E. A. Elliott, is a visitor on Salem at the Elliott residence. She is accompanied by her little daughter, Ruth. Mrs. A. T. Hill, of La Grande, visited in Salem for a few hours on Tuesday when she passed through on her way to Bend, where she will visit her daughter, Mary Alice Hill Watkins—Salem Capital Journal.

One of the most unique picnics that has ever been held at the park was given Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Frank Roken and Mrs. Charles Spencer, members of the class of 1901, and Mrs. Henry Peckler and Mrs. Alice McAllister, of the class of 1902, to a number of former roommates and teachers.

During the social hour many were the stories told by teachers and pupils. Mrs. F. F. Parker is a delightful entertainer in her story telling and her tales of the happenings in the schoolroom in the bygone days were very amusing. Songs that were sung and poems that were learned in the primary department were brought forth and aired.

As many of the old schoolmates had not met for years this made a wonderful opportunity for them to renew old acquaintances.

Mrs. Freeman, formerly Narrie Young, played a few delightful selections on the piano and Mrs. Sher-

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One of the members of official social circles in Washington, who has become prominent among the younger set, is Miss Beatrice Beck. She is the daughter of James Montgomery Beck, solicitor general of the Department of Justice.

wood Williams contributed one of her charming readings.

The old-time pictures that were brought by the different ones caused a great deal of merriment. The most common expressions were: "O, here I am! Ha! ha! Don't I look funny?"

One picture of particular interest was the one taken of the high school in 1897 when it was first organized and put on a standard basis by Prof. Herbert Kittridge and Miss Mae Van Vleet.

At 4:30 o'clock the hostesses served delicious refreshments out under the beautiful trees. The happy afternoon was brought to a close by a toast given to the teachers by Mrs. Sherwood Williams and the teachers in turn made some very pretty speeches to their former pupils. Mrs. A. E. Ivahoe said in part:

"This is the nicest reunion I have ever heard of and the only one of its kind to my knowledge in existence. This gathering this afternoon has brought back things that were so far back in our memories that they were almost forgotten. I notice the service is a little more elaborate this year, one or two additions made to the menu and, of course, if you progress you will have to make another addition next year, so I will come with my mouth all fixed for 'fried chicken'."

This is the second annual reunion that these four girls have planned and they intend to have a bigger and better one in the year 1922.

Those who polished up their rusty memories and reviewed the old-time happenings that made them think of the old saying:

"Remember thy school days are among the happiest of thy life" were Lulu Childers, Glenn, Mina Murray, Buckman, Alma Alkins, Sargent, Maude Shaw Brooks, Nell Gentry, Williams, Sade Forrest, Given, Bess Rynearson, Scribner, Ma-

mie Montgomery, Haalbrook, Harriet Young Freeman, Bertha Young, Violet Melville, Egan Weather, Rohan, Mabel Holbrook McAllister, Mollie Synhorst Peckler and Carrie Huff Speckler. The teachers present were: Mrs. Fred Schille, who taught the primary; Mrs. H. H. Russell, the third grade; Mrs. Olive Slater, the eighth grade, and Mrs. A. E. Ivahoe, in the high school.

Thursday afternoon a delightful shower was given for Miss Lillian McDonald, bride-elect, at the country home of Mrs. W. M. Webster. Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Mae Webster, and Mrs. Todd Henderson were hostesses, assisted by the ladies of the neighborhood. Among the amusing features of entertainment was the advice given in the bride-elect by the married ladies.

Four little girls dressed in pink crepe paper dresses served the delectable homemade ice-cream and cake, and coffee of which the refreshments consisted.

Miss McDonald received the baskets of gifts, including under a decorative arch, from the bride's friends. Upon unwrapping them she found many lovely and useful things. Music was furnished by Mrs. Mae Webster and Julia Hulise while the gifts were being unwrapped.

Those present besides the guest of honor, Miss Lillian McDonald, and her mother, Mrs. Duncan McDonald, were Mrs. Iva Kuhn, Mrs. W. F. Stine and children, Mrs. Ralph Bunker and children, Mrs. J. H. Standley, Mrs. Louis Standley and daughter Mildred, the Misses Mildred and Myrtle Hest, Mrs. August Erickson and children, Mrs. John Terry and mother, Mrs. Knapp, Mrs. F. E. Greiner and children, Mrs. R. A. Greiner and children, Mrs. Jerry Veach, Mrs. J. A. McKenzie, Mrs. Herbert Speckhart, Miss Alice McKivir, Mrs. J. E. Hulise, Miss Julia

Hulse, Glenn Henderson, and Mildred and Julia Hulise.

Mrs. F. L. Meyers entertained the members of the Thursday Bridge club and a number of invited guests at her home Thursday afternoon in honor of her husband, Mrs. M. I. Causey of Portland. Mrs. M. I. Causey won honors at cards, the guest prize going to the latter. The Meyers home was tastefully decorated for the occasion with spring flowers and dainty refreshments were served during the afternoon by the hostess.

The Parkdale club held an enjoyable meeting at the home of Mr. C. W. Cook Wednesday afternoon.

A large class will be initiated into the Knights of Columbus tomorrow following the initiation a banquet will be served at the Foley hotel. Among the out-of-town initiates will be several from Joseph and Enterpriser. K. of C. from all parts of Eastern Oregon expect to attend to tomorrow's meeting.

Mrs. Henry Hill and daughter, Miss Ruth Hill, who have been visiting in Pendleton with Mrs. Hill's sisters, Mrs. Anna Furnish and Mrs. Henry Stuve, returned to their home last evening. Another guest at the Furnish home was her mother, Mrs. J. C. Stevens of Bickleton, Wash.

The formal opening of the White Hotel this evening will attract a number of dinner parties from La Grande, who will motor to the neighborhood city to spend the evening. Following the formal dinner, dancing will be enjoyed.

Mrs. J. M. Bowers was hostess Thursday evening at a dinner party given at her home at Island City in honor of Claire Day of Baker, who is visiting in this city.

The color scheme followed out was red and white and the table was tastefully decorated in roses.

Those attending the party were Mrs. Betty Harland, Mrs. Ed Workman, Claire Day, Bernice Thompson, Myrtle and Katharine Harland, Jean Workman, Daphne Bowers, and the hostess, Mrs. J. M. Bowers.

Mrs. George T. Cochran left last evening for Portland. She will return Sunday.

Mrs. V. A. Riga of Santa Barbara, Cal., formerly Miss Jeanette Riga, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Gilbert Riga of Island City. She expects to stay about ten days.

Mrs. Thomas Walsinger and Mrs. Will Adler entertained at a picnic dinner at the beautiful home of Thomas Walsinger, a few days ago, in honor of Mrs. Margaret Oliver, who has been visiting here with friends and relatives, from her home in Portland.

The table was spread upon the lawn, and everyone had a delightful time, twenty-one relatives being present.

Those who participated were Mrs. Margaret Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. James Walsinger, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Walsinger, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Will

Adler, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walsinger, Mr. Joe Woods, Misses Bertha Walsinger, Marjorie Walsinger, and Genevieve Adler, Messrs. Virgil Thomas and Cleo Walsinger.

Roman Baths Overlooked.
 The baths of ancient Rome so wonderfully pictured by painters and story tellers, do not compare favorably with the modern bath. Judged by standards prevailing before the coming of Christ these baths were wonderful, but measured by standards of today the glories of Rome, marks the highest degree of civilization in the ancient world would be deemed unsanitary and likely to be considered as menaces to the health of the bathers.

No Exclusion Here.
 It is contrary to the traditions of the British house of commons for either cards or billiards to be played within its precincts. Members who require indoor recreations are expected to content themselves with chess or draughts.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Quality Appreciated.
 As little Rose was walking along the sidewalk with me, I asked her if he would like to walk on the elevated. It seemed to her just as though she wanted to go, because she said to me: "Oh, you're a good asker."—Chicago American.

A Simple Thing.
 The greatest poets have, with rare exceptions, been the most indebted to their predecessors or to their contemporaries. It has witfully been remarked that only mediocres are ever wholly original. . . . A writer's style is not his own, it is the outcome of a hundred styles.—Thomas Bailey Aldrich.

Have It in One's Disposition.
 Man was some millions of years reaching his present stage of development; but he it is expected may speed him up.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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