

NEWS of SOCIETY

Observance Of Lenten Is Started

Observance of the Lenten season by Catholic and Episcopal churches begins today, Ash Wednesday, and continues until Easter Sunday, April 12. The formal observance of Lent is confined to the Catholic and Episcopal churches, although many other Christian denominations hold to a more or less formal recognition of it.

The Lenten regulations in all of the churches in which formal observance is required, call for abstinence from public amusements, such as theaters, balls and dances. Several clubs in La Grande have adjourned until after the Lenten season and dances and parties among Episcopal and Catholic circles have been postponed until after April 12.

Lenten observance is held in commemoration of the forty days' fasting of Christ and the Roman Catholic regulations call for abstinence from flesh foods, with certain special exceptions and restrictions. Lent closes in the observance of Passion week, between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday, on which date is commemorated the rising of Christ from the dead.

Portland—Miss Ann Stange, of La Grande, was an attractive guest at the formal costume ball given at Hill Military Academy last Saturday. She wore a lovely Colonial costume of Dresden coloring. The affair was attended by about 100 Hill cadets in uniform and an equal number of the sub debutantes of Portland, many of whom are students at St. Helen's hall where Miss Stange is registered. The hall was decorated in flags and garlands of evergreen. Several prominent society women were patronesses. The evening was headed by Mrs. Joseph A. Hill and the queen of honor was given to Mrs. E. B. Montgomery, founder of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Oregon and state regent of the Colonial Dames. The affair was in celebration of Washington's birthday.

George W. Taylor, of Cove, and Miss Laura Hamann were united in marriage yesterday afternoon at the parsonage of the First Methodist Episcopal church here, with Reverend Elmer Grant Keith officiating. The young couple expect to make their home on a ranch three miles north of Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. William Helvey entertained the B. B. Club last evening at their O. G. club home, the affair conforming with the spirit of Washington's birthday anniversary. Mrs. Rhy Cameron won high honors at cards and Clement Wallace won gentlemen's prize. Consolation went to Mr. Helvey and Mrs. R. C. Shields. Before adjournment a delicious luncheon was served.

The Neighbors of Woodcraft gave a children's dinner last evening at Eagles hall for members and their families. Covers were laid for two hundred and an excellent dinner was served at 6:30 o'clock, after which a short program was given. Mrs. Duncan appeared in a very clever recitation, the children of the Juvenile Circle gave several numbers and Mrs. J. G. Sittenger played two beautiful piano solos. Following the program there was

a short business meeting. The Parent-Teachers association of Central school is planning a very interesting meeting for Friday afternoon, February 27, when it will meet at the Neighborhood club rooms at 2:45 o'clock. Dr. W. T. Pfy will be the speaker for the afternoon and his address will be on "Hereditary" and "Parents Responsibility." The children of Imogene Rouse's room will give a play and a dance.

Henry Maxfield, teacher of the Mt. Glenn school, entertained the school children and a few guests Monday afternoon at a home party in celebration of Washington's birthday anniversary. George and Martha Washington received the guests. Games and stories, in accordance with the affair, were featured during the afternoon. Before adjournment luncheon was served.

Announcements
Social announcements may be printed in this column free of charge. Any announcements pertaining to any functions such as cooked food sales, etc., will be refused. Announcements to be printed the same day, must be in society editor's hands by 3:00 o'clock. —News editor's note.

Mrs. Lester Bramwell and Mrs. J. M. P. Snyder will be hostesses to the Jolly Bridge club tomorrow afternoon, February 26.

The Ladies Aid of the Lutheran church will meet tomorrow afternoon, February 26, at the communion room of the church with Mrs. Giltner hostess.

The Art Department of the Neighborhood club will meet tomorrow afternoon at the club rooms for their regular meeting. "Roman Sculpture" will be the subject for the afternoon, with Mrs. R. H. Cleaver in charge.

WOMAN CLAIMS ESTATE
BEND, Ore.—With the hoarded wealth of William Pitcher, McKay creek hermit, in whose death chamber \$2000 was found, at stake, an attempt is now being made to locate a long-buried mould board plow. Discovery of such a plow in the Pitcher property, near Princeton, will virtually prove the claim of Mrs. Theodora M. Gilliam of Harper, Kan., that Pitcher was her father.

Pitcher, whose estate was valued at about \$10,000, died without leaving a will. Shortly after his death his estate was turned over to a nephew.

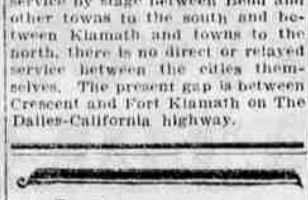
Mrs. Gilliam's father whose name was William Pitcher, left the estate about 40 years ago. He was never heard from after leaving his wife and baby daughter. When he left he took a covered wagon and farm implements, among which was a left-handed plow.

THROUGH MAIL, WANTED
BEND, Ore.—An effort is being made here to secure a through mail stage to Klamath Falls. Mail between the two places now goes around by Weed, Cal., and takes four days.

Letters have been written to Representative Sinnott from this district and to the fourth assistant postmaster. The commercial club is seeking the cooperation of the Klamath Falls citizens and has written letters there.

While there is now partial mail service by stage between Bend and other towns to the south and between Klamath and towns to the north, there is no direct or relayed service between the cities themselves. The present gap is between Crescent and Fort Klamath on The Dalles-California highway.

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Where Was This Chair?



HeLEN Elwood Stokes, pictured seated in an arm chair, says the chair was in her mother's home in Denver when the photo was taken. W. E. D. Stokes says it was in the notorious Everleigh Club in Chicago. Mrs. Stokes says she will produce the chair in court to prove her husband guilty of maliciously defaming her character.

PA FERGUSON SHIELDS MAN

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP)—District Attorney Arthur K. Reading announced Tuesday he would refuse proceedings for the extradition of Albert R. Russell of Wichita Falls, Texas, indicted here in 1923, for desertion, non-support and abandonment of his wife and child who reside in Winchester, Special Officer Charles Mallahan, sent to Texas for Russell, reported Tuesday that James Ferguson, husband of Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, presided at the extradition hearing and refused the application on the grounds it would "hurt Russell's business."

Russell, recently was presented there for Massachusetts authorities. This extradition proceedings, Mallahan said, were opened by an MacDonaid, who remarked: "Jim, I want you to meet Attorney Peters. We are here to help Mr. Russell whom they want in Massachusetts. We don't want him to go back. He is a business man of Wichita Falls and is married here and a good citizen."

Mallahan was asked to tell his story, he said, and after he had done this the presiding officer asked Russell whether he was the person named in the indictment and whether he had been in Massachusetts at the time specified. Russell, Mallahan said, answered both questions in the affirmative. Ferguson then rendered his decision. Mallahan reported, in these words:

"I'm not going to return him. He is in business here. It would hurt his business."

Senator wants to probe shoe prices. Let's hope he intends starting in at the foot and working up.

The new spring hat may be felt, but not as much as its cost.

Eton Jacket Revived



The old Eton jacket is revived in this street frock of navy blue. The short jacket buttons over a waistcoat of white plique with gold buttons down the front. The use of stone cruching owing to the action of the soot and sulphur in the London atmosphere.

Sir Frank Baines, chief architect of His Majesty's Office of Works, has been engaged some time on a report on the question of arresting the deterioration.

"It is not a problem of subsidences, as in the case of St. Paul's cathedral," Sir Frank explained recently. "The foundations on which the Houses of Parliament are built are safe, and the structure itself is perfectly sound. It is simply a matter of decay of the external stone work."

"Almost from the time the Houses of Parliament were built, 1340-1352, the process of external decay became manifest, the soft stone cruching owing to the action of the soot and sulphur in the London atmosphere."

Radio To Broadcast Other World Voices

LONDON (AP)—Announcement that spirit voices from the other world soon would be broadcast by radio was made at a recent meeting of the London Spiritualist Alliance, Limited, members of which had assembled to discuss the question, "Is Lord Northcliffe dead?" Sir Edward Marshall Hall, K. C., a noted barrister, presided.

News that efforts were being made to hold seances by means of wireless was made known to the members of the alliance by Miss Louise Owen, private secretary to the late Lord Northcliffe, who reported that "before long we are going to be able to broadcast the spirit voices by radio."

Previous to this announcement Miss Owen said she had a recent message from Lord Northcliffe for the women attending the meeting and this was that the women everywhere should organize for the purpose of bringing about abolition of war and "let it be known that they would not bring boys into the world for the purpose of being massacred."

Sir A. Conan Doyle, the Rev. G. Vale Owen and numerous others told of their experiences at various seances when they had communicated with the former well known newspaper publisher. Rev. Owen asserted that four days after Lord Northcliffe's death he had been in touch with him, and that five days later a message came saying, "I want to thank you for your prayers for me. They helped me so much."

The principal speaker of the evening was Hadden Swaffer, one of the best known spiritualists in London and formerly in Lord Northcliffe's employ, who recited his experiences, saying that but recently he had been in communication with his former employer for two hours.

In one message Mr. Swaffer quoted Lord Northcliffe as saying: "Instead of holding up Bolshevism, tickle 'em." A later message, according to Mr. Swaffer, said: "Too many advertisements, and leaders too long," this, it was taken, to having had reference to some of the former Northcliffe publications.

"I hear that Northcliffe has been reaching other circles, and that he is now a slightly different Northcliffe," Mr. Swaffer averred. "He can look down on suffering. He champions the endeavors of the League of Nations. He says that we cannot stamp out Socialism; it is too old and too strong. Northcliffe said, 'I made a mistake about

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LOGGING OUTPUT GAINS
CORVALLIS, Ore.—Logging operations are increasing here. The Charles K. Spaulding company, which has large timber holdings on Mary's Peak, will begin logging operations within a few weeks, according to Mr. Simpson, superintendent of logging operations for the company.

The Cameron company, although running more or less regularly, has not been able to keep the logs in larger quantities of lumber. This company is operating in the Spaulding timber of the peak. The Rivergreen Lumber company, which has been shut down for some time, started the Griswold Hoiman mill a few days ago.



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