

SOCIETY NEWS

Mrs. H. G. Smith Is Hostess To Art Research Club

Mrs. H. G. Smith was hostess to the Art Research club yesterday afternoon at her home on N avenue. There was a large attendance and the afternoon's program, "Pastern in Pictures" was in charge of Mrs. H. E. Dixon, who gave a very interesting paper on the subject. There was a short business session, after which a social time was enjoyed for the remainder of the afternoon. Mrs. Smith served refreshments.

The Sons and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War met last evening in regular session at the Central Christian church. Mrs. Mary Hovstman, who organized the local camp of Daughters of Veterans, was a guest at the meeting from Portland, and spoke briefly during the evening.

A social hour was enjoyed after the meeting, during which time refreshments were served by the committee in charge. Mrs. J. H. Rhodes and Miss Marian Nelson.

The seventh of the series of dances being given by the R. P. O. Elks, lodge at their temple here will take place tomorrow evening. Dancing begins at 8 o'clock and continues until 12. All members and friends of the lodge are invited to attend.

Twenty members of the Woman's Benefit association drill team met for practice last evening at the home of Mrs. Lillie Ledbetter on Second street. After practicing songs and drills for some time a social hour was enjoyed for the remainder of the evening, and refreshments were served by Mrs. Ledbetter.

Plans were made to meet for practice every Monday night from now until the district rally, which will be held at Baker sometime in May.

The members of the Tatapochan campfire girl group and several guests enjoyed a hike to Morgan lake Saturday. They arrived at the lake at about 1 o'clock, where they had their lunch, and returned to town in time for the campfire girl song practice which was held at the high school gymnasium.

The girls taking the hike were Mary Banks, Alta Bamorell, Margaret Davy, Pauline La Frierer, Evelyn Pher, Ruth Buchanan, Marie Thompson, Fay Blanchard, Clarice Taylor, Fern Broomfield, Edna Brown and Miss Henri He-

ing, guardian of the group. Members of the Sacajawea campfire girl group enjoyed a St. Patrick's day party Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Mordrum. Games, dancing and music was indulged in until a late hour, when the hostess served refreshments.

Those present were Helen and Edna Jensen, Helen Hughes, Vera McLane, Edna Towery, Lela Winburn, Katie Keller, Opal Smith, Natalie Ebert and Mr. and Mrs. Mordrum.

St. Patrick's Day Party at Wall Home

An enjoyable St. Patrick's day party was given Saturday afternoon by Mrs. A. W. Wall at her home on Hemlock street for her little daughter, Miss Dorothy Wall. Portland girl friends made up the guest list.

The party was from 2:30 until 5 o'clock and during that time games appropriate for the occasion were played. Eileen and May Waldroff, Theresa Curran, Dorothy Higgins and Clara Norris won prizes during the games.

At about 3:30 o'clock the children were seated at an attractively decorated table and refreshments were served. Favars were green sandwiches, to which were attached little green St. Patrick's day dolls. Nut cups and other details were also in green, and green and white sweetpops formed a pretty centerpiece.

Covers were laid for Genevieve and Cathryn Spaeth, Orville McWilliams, Judy Siegert, Cornelia Daly, Junitta and Barbara Sittahner, Clotes Clark, Theresa Curran, May and Eileen Waldroff, Lyda Mae Hollister, Dorothy Higgins, Clara Norris and the honor guest.

Members of the Wisteria Bridge club were guests at an attractive party last evening when Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Green entertained at their home on Cedar street. Three tables of bridge were at play and high score among the club members went to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Farnam. Mr. and Mrs. Sherrell Ewin received the guest prize.

The rooms were prettily decorated in a color scheme of lavender and orange. The hostess served a two-course luncheon following the card games.

Mr. and Mrs. Farnam will entertain the club Monday evening, April 2.

Miss Elvora Hansen was hostess at a delightful St. Patrick's day party last evening at the home of her mother on Fourth street.

Twelve young people were present and during the evening three tables of pinocle were at play. Mrs. William Harnden and George Fuller made high score. Miss Louise Salisbury and Elmer Harnden received the consolation prizes.

The rooms were cleverly decorated with a color scheme of green in keeping with the occasion. After the card games a two-course luncheon was served by the hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. Maude Finck.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Harnden, Miss Thelma Smith, George Fuller, Louise Salisbury, Waymond Scott, Miss Corinne Baker, Elmer Harnden, Miss Helen Williams, Phillip Walnum, John Winburn and the hostess, Miss Hansen.

Mrs. Roy McNeese entertained at a dinner party last evening at her home on Spring street honoring her son, Ray Struthers, the occasion being his birthday anniversary. Dinner was served at 6 o'clock with covers laid for six boys, including Bill and Harold Mohr, Willard Hendrickson, Fred Rohr, Carl Melvin and Jack Austlin. Mrs. McNeese was assisted in serving by her daughter, Miss Mary Struthers.

After dinner music and cards were enjoyed for the remainder of the evening.

The names of several committee members were omitted in yesterday's article regarding the meeting of Oliver P. Morton Relief Corps No. 27, only a part of the list having been given to The Observer. The complete committee, which had charge of the meeting, follows: Mrs. Laura Oliver, Mrs. J. H. Rhodes, Mrs. Edna Lynearson, Mrs. Julius Rosch, Mrs. Francis Plank, Mrs. Charles Noyes and Mrs. Emma Rosson.

Announcements

The general meeting of the Loyal Sisters Aid society of the Central Christian church will be held tomorrow afternoon in the annex of the church. The meeting will begin with a potluck luncheon at 1 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

The American Legion auxiliary drill team will meet for practice this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the high school gymnasium. The team practices regularly every Monday night.

The Westway club of the Woman's Benefit association will meet Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Giles Harnden on N avenue.

A joint social of the four railroad brotherhoods and the women's auxiliaries will be held this evening at Eagles hall, with the women's organizations as hostesses. There will be a program and a basket lunch.

MENUS

By Sister Mary
BREAKFAST—Wineap apples, cereal cooked with figs, cream, bread crumb pancakes, maple syrup, milk, coffee.

LUNCHEON—Bean stew, toasted cheese crackers, shredded fresh pineapple, fruit cookies, milk, tea.

DINNER—Breaded veal cutlets, potatoes au gratin, scalloped tomatoes, stuffed celery salad, orange sherbet, milk, coffee.

Fruit cookies will be found a welcome addition to the afternoon tea table or school lunch box. They are simple and easy to bake.

Fruit Cookies
One-half cup stoned and chopped dates, 1 teaspoon soda, 1/2 cup boiling water, 1/2 cup butter, 1 cup brown sugar, 2 eggs, 5 tablespoons chopped nut meats, 1 1/2 cups flour, 2 teaspoons cream of tartar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla.
Sprinkle dates with soda and pour over boiling water. Let stand until cool. Cream butter and gradually beat in sugar. Beat until creamy and add egg well beaten. Add cooled date mixture and nuts and beat well. Mix and sift flour, cream of tartar and salt and add to first mixture. Add vanilla and mix thoroughly. Roll out on a slightly floured molding board, cut bake 12 minutes in a hot oven.

THE GARDEN

PROLONGING THE SPINACH SEASON

Spinach is one of the vegetables to be sown as soon as the ground can be worked. It is a cool season plant and hot weather is its ruin as heat sends it to seed and its garden usefulness is at an end. New varieties of spinach have been introduced of late years in which the speedy running to seed habit has been checked. These are the sorts to plant instead of the older types which sometimes give a start towards seed before giving a crop. The newer sorts also have much heavier crinkled foliage and each plant yields a much greater harvest of leaves for the favorite greens.

The newest variety offered is the Improved Long Standing of which several seedmen offer strains. It is the latest development in the slow-seeding type and also has the advantage of short stems, devoting the entire energy of the plant to leafage.

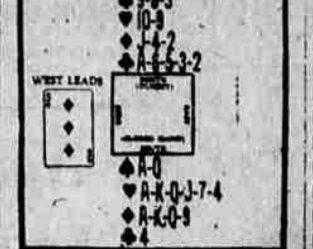
King of Denmark, introduced by Danish gardeners a few seasons ago, was a big advance and is still one of the finest sorts. An older variety, the prickly seeded, is deserving of wide planting as it is slow to seed and produces a quantity of pointed leaves. It is the hardest of all the spinaches and the best for the very earliest planting. It is a good plan to make succession plantings ten days apart to prolong the spinach season to hot weather.

The ground cannot be too rich for spinach. The richer the soil the better the crop. A continuous

Bridge Pointers

By Milton C. Work

Yesterday's problem was: Contract Hearts; South Declarer; North Dummy; the initial lead is shown. How should Declarer operate his twenty-six cards?



Declarer can see at a glance that he is practically sure of a Small Slam, and can make a Grand Slam easily if the Spade finesse succeeds. However, the fifty per cent risk of this finesse may be avoided if a good Club can be made up in Dummy and the Queen of Spades discarded on it. Declarer therefore should plan his campaign and play as follows:

Take the first Diamond in Closed Hand with an honor, keeping the Diamond Jack as an entry in Dummy; then lead the singleton Club from the Closed Hand, taking it in Dummy with the Ace; returning a small Club from Dummy and ruffing it with a trump honor in Closed Hand. To trick 4, a small trump from Closed Hand, win in Dummy; and to trick 5, a second small Club from Dummy, again ruffed with an honor in Closed Hand. If both adversaries follow to the Club had at trick 5, ten Clubs will have been played, and Declarer will see that his scheme is working and that he can discard the Queen of Spades. In that case he should lead another small trump from closed hand, win in Dummy, lead the fourth Club from Dummy, ruffing in Closed Hand; exhaust the adverse trumps and then put Dummy in with the Jack of Diamonds to make his thirteenth Club, on which Closed Hand discards the Queen of Spades and makes a Grand Slam.

If one of the adversaries refuses on the third round of Clubs, it will be impossible to make up the thirteenth Clubs and all that will remain for the Declarer to do is exhaust the trumps, put Dummy in with the Jack of Diamonds and try the Spade finesse.

The Declarer has a total of six Clubs in his two hands; the adversaries consequently have a total of seven in their two hands. There is much greater probability that the adverse seven are divided 4-3 than 3-2, and with a 4-3 division the good Club can be established in Dummy.

Tomorrow's Hand
West leads the 10 of spades. The cards are: West (10S, 9S, 8S, 7S, 6S, 5S, 4S, 3S, 2S, AS), North (KS, QS, JS, 10S, 9S, 8S, 7S, 6S, 5S, 4S, 3S, 2S, AS), East (KS, QS, JS, 10S, 9S, 8S, 7S, 6S, 5S, 4S, 3S, 2S, AS), South (KS, QS, JS, 10S, 9S, 8S, 7S, 6S, 5S, 4S, 3S, 2S, AS).

Heart contract; South Declarer; question: How should the Declarer plan to play the hand? Answer tomorrow.

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ELGIN PERSONALS

ELGIN (Special)—Mumps are not a thing of the past. Howard Gopd is one of the last victims of the epidemic.

Superintendent E. E. Arant returned to his work in the public school Wednesday after a forced vacation on account of the mumps.

Miss Louisa Bixby, seventh grade teacher, resumed her work Monday after a short illness.

Mrs. Jesse Coats was a Hot Lake visitor over the week-end. Mr. Coats is a patient there. She reports him doing well and he will be home soon.

The funeral services of Mrs. May Brown were held Friday in the Christian church. The Rev. Mr. Smith, of La Grande, delivered the sermon. Mrs. Brown was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Thomas. She leaves her husband and two small children to mourn her loss besides her parents, two sisters and two brothers.

Mrs. Verda Hug and Mrs. Logan Beam, of Pumpkin Ridge, spent a couple of days this week visiting at the home of Mrs. Joe Tracey.

The fire alarm called Elgin men from their slumbers Friday night at about 11 o'clock. They rushed to the scene of the fire only to find the building all in flames and too far from the city water line to get any water. It was an empty house, except for some barrels so far as anyone could see.

Mrs. John Cruikshank is spending the weekend with her husband on the Flat.

Miss Flora Cruikshank entertained the sixth grade pupils at her home Thursday evening. The time was spent in playing games and putting raffa, after which sandwiches, cakes and pickles were served. A jolly time was reported by those present.

Spring seems to have come to stay. Snow is gone near town and is going fast in the districts farther out. The dirt roads are getting deep with mud. Farmers are busy repairing fences and getting ready for spring work.

H. J. Green was a business visitor at Elgin one day this week.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. George Smith. After the regular business meeting light refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Martha Johnson, who has been ill for the past two weeks, is able to be about again.

Charles Hayes fell and broke two of his fingers a few days ago while playing with some school mates.

A New York newspaper advertises that it is about to print the truth about Russia. That is, this week's truth about Russia.



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