

Society News

Yima Club Ends Enjoyable Season At Dinner, Bridge

As their closing meeting for the year, the members of the Yima club enjoyed a no-hostess dinner last evening at the Tiffin after which they went to the home of Mrs. Clyde Hunting Sr. on Seventh street for an evening of bridge. Mrs. J. O. Caldwell made high score for the evening and Mrs. C. H. Johnson, low. Before the club members dispersed, Mrs. Hunting surprised them by presenting each with a dainty kerchief as a gift favor for the evening.

Violin Students To Give Recital

The detailed program of the public recital to be given this evening at the Presbyterian church by the violin pupils of Florence Lynch Miller is as follows—
The Village Organ—Hartor
Robert Oxford, Milton Daugherty
Nocturne—Kovacs
Hilcho May
The Grandfather's Clock—Hoselmann
Robert Oxford
Waiting—Winn
Freddie Hayes
Evening Song—Barnett
Alta Tusea
Berenice Marr
Boy Scout March—Poisstock
Bobbie Metcalf
Swinging—Hoselmann
Rita Bishop
Romance Sans Baroque—Conte
Walter Dahl
Lullaby—Schroeder
A Story—Schroeder
Catherine Seully, Ruth Byers
Grecian—Kovacs
Grasshopper Dance—Poisstock
Andrea Almsworth
Thistle-down Waltz—Wecker
April Showers—Wecker
Genevieve Flexor
Serenade—Schmidt
A Visit in Poland—Wecker
Ray Wilson
Fiddlin' Jim—Dallam
Little Highland Maid—Sanger
Catherine Seully
Caprice Violoncello—Kreider
Hazel McPherson
Tarantella—Sitt
The Merry-go-round—Hoselmann
Pelle Bourree—De Frosso
Mona Louise Hamstreet
Dance—Hedrick
Concertante in G—Hoselmann
Norma Hanks
Mazurka—Polish Folk Song
Frere Jacques—Old French Song
The Shoes of Our Mother—French Folk Song
In Kusan City—Russian Folk Song
Old English Song
Violin Ensemble
Ray Wilson
Genevieve Flexor
Mona Louise Hamstreet
Freddie Hayes
Ruth Byers
Walter Dahl
Andrea Almsworth
Norma Hanks
Catherine Seully
Rita Bishop
Hazel McPherson
Bobbie Metcalf
Berenice Marr
Opal Rindley
Jean Baum
Sam Southall
Othello Thompson
Mrs. Audine Playle will be the accompanist.

County Library Plans Discussed

The committee of the Union County Council of the Parents' Teacher association, which has as its work the furtherance of the county library cause had a meeting yesterday afternoon at the library committee room. Mrs. T. W. Bates of Willow Dale is chairman of the committee, whose members were chosen from each locality represented in the council and an enthusiastic number assembled for this meeting. Plans were discussed for going ahead with the project. The next meeting will be on August 20 at the same place.

W. R. C. Makes Plans For The Summer

The Women's Relief Corps met Saturday afternoon at the K. of P. hall in regular session. During the meeting it was decided to discontinue for the coming three months the meetings on the third Saturdays, but the regular monthly dinners on the first Saturday will be continued as usual. The committee for the next dinner consists of Mrs. Putman Yeck, Miss Elsie Yeck, Mrs. Susan Burnett, Mrs. Laura Braden, Mrs. Harold Baldwin, Mrs. Margaret Blystone, Mrs. Mollie Buck, Miss Velva Bradshaw and Miss Metra Bradshaw. Plans were also made to send the president to the department convention of the G. A. R. which is to be held in Newburg, June 18, 19 and 20.

Camp Fire Girls Meet Yesterday

The Pokwana group of Camp Fire girls held a peppy meeting yesterday at the Methodist church with their guardian, Mrs. Roy Tyler, supervising and their president, Miss Leanne Headley, presiding. The girls planned a number of activities for the near future, among them a picnic at the Cove swimming pool next Monday, a summer camp, and also designs for their camp fire gown.

Mrs. Lelah Jones Hostess to Club

Mrs. Lelah Jones was the hostess to the members of the Monday Bridge club yesterday in the parlors of the Saginawa Inn. After several hours at the game, it was found that Mrs. Charles Playle had made high score and received first prize. The delightful afternoon followed a no-hostess luncheon served in the dining room. Mrs. Peter McDonald will be the hostess at the next meeting of the club.

Visitors Honored At Bridge Party

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Johnson, who formerly lived in La Grande, but who are now residents of Portland, are visiting among friends and relatives in La Grande. Taking advantage of their presence, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas W. Green entertained most graciously last evening, having for their guests about a dozen friends of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson. To decorate their rooms, Mrs. Green had used the pretty spring flowers quite generously and effectively. Three tables were arranged for bridge, with high honors going to Mrs. Earl Hough and James H. Clough. Mrs. Green served a two course lunch before the close of the evening.

Music Pupils In Costumed Recital

When Mrs. Lee Reynolds presented her class of music pupils last evening in a costumed recital, the hall-organ of the La Grande hotel was taxed to accommodate the friends who wished to hear and see, and who were delighted with the program given. Besides Mrs. Reynolds' 19 pupils, Mrs. Evans also presented five, and these young people were all dressed to represent in some fashion the numbers which they played, (fairies, Japanese, etc.). It was a very cleverly arranged program. Numerous baskets of gorgeous flowers were used for the stage decorations.

Announcements

The Riverside Ladies Aid society will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. G. W. Gibson, corner of 4th and Y.

The meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church which was to have been held tomorrow at the home of Mrs. Herbert Speckhart in the valley, has been postponed on account of the dedication of the Normal school. The meeting will be held instead on next Tuesday.

The meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Presbyterian church which was to have been held at the church Wednesday afternoon, June 5, has been postponed until Wednesday, June 12, on account of the dedication of the Eastern Oregon Normal school on Wednesday.

MENUS

BY SISTER MARY

At last the strawberry has reached a place of importance among foods and we may feel a certain amount of virtue as well as pleasure in consuming quantities of the luscious fruit.

According to recent investigations and reports, it seems that strawberries are unusually good mineral substitutes for oranges. At

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



though slightly lower in time, strawberries are four times higher than oranges in iron content per unit of weight.

Vitamin C, the scurvy preventative, rates about as high in strawberries as in oranges. Vitamins A and B, however, the growing and building elements, are lower in berries than in citrus fruits.

It is also interesting to know that science has discovered that commercially canned and home canned berries by the cold pack method lose practically no vitamin B through the canning process. Since this is the vitamin that is so susceptible to heat and storage, it's apparent that strawberries are worth canning for winter use when fresh raw fruits and vegetables are not plentiful and cheap.

Many housewives must face the problem of buying fruit and canning it, or buying the commercially canned product. If she must pay a comparatively high price for fresh berries she may find she can effect a decided saving by investing in commercially canned berries by the dozen cans.

The woman who lives in a small town or in a community easily accessible to berry markets may want to do her own canning. The hot-water bath, steam pressure cooker and heat controlled oven all represent satisfactory equipment for home canning. The general preparation and packing of the fruit in the jars for any of the devices is almost identical. Since the average home-maker will find the hot-water-bath outfit less expensive to buy and quite possible to make at home the procedure is explained for this equipment.

To Can Strawberries

Thoroughly wash berries. Remove hulls and cut away any bruised or soft spot on fruit.

To wash berries, drop into a colander placed in a large pan of cold water. When fruit is clean, gently lift the colander from the water, letting the berries settle slowly together without violence. Water softens the delicate fruit and rough handling breaks the gossamer-like covering and allows the immediate escape of the juices.

Pack perfect, well washed berries in sterilized jars, adjust test-cup rubbers and pour over molasses syrup to cover fruit. Half seal cans and put in hot water bath. The water must cover the jars at least an inch. Process quart jars 16 minutes after the water reaches the boiling point and pint jars 14 minutes. Remove from boiler, tighten covers and turn cans upside down where they will cool quickly but not be in a draught. When cold, store in a dark cool place.

The following specific suggestions hold true for all canning.

Pack fruit closely but do not mash or crush.

To sterilize cans for packing wash in hot soap suds. Rinse in scalding water. Cool and put in the boiler to be used for the hot water bath. Fill boiler with cold water, bring to the boiling point and boil ten minutes. Remove cans from boiler as needed for filling with material. This furnishes the boiler of boiling water for processing and sterilizes the cans at the same time. The covers are of course sterilized with the jars.

Wash rubbers in hot soap suds and rinse in scalding water. Stretch to be sure they are fresh and elastic.

Medium sirup is made by boiling three cups of granulated sugar with two cups of water for five minutes. Boil down between 1-2 and 1-3 cup sugar for each pint can of berries. Be sure to make enough sirup to fill all the cans. Extra sirup can be kept in a cool place until wanted for the next batch of canning.

Do not let the cans touch each other in the hot-water bath.

LONDON (AP)—Douglas Hacking, president of the British board of trade, says that since the armistice, 49 British vessels, with a tonnage of 24,285 have been sunk as a result of striking mines left over from the war.

VIENNA (AP)—The Austro-German League reports that 1,004,311 of Austria's total population of 6,500,000 have joined the organization. It aims at the union of Austria and Germany.

GOLD BULLETS

by Charles G. Booth

SYNOPSIS: Peebles describes his experiences of the night to Deacon, omitting mention of the two silent figures at the poker table. Deacon questions Furlie without result but purloins the tons which Furlie always carried. Deacon eliminates Furlie as a murder suspect but theorizes that a quarrel over a new vein in the Ogden mine ended with Jerry Ogden stabbing his father, Peebles and Deacon enter the mine and find an immensely rich vein of gold-quartz.

Chapter 26
"JERRY"—AND ANOTHER
I think the discovery of no other form of wealth is comparable with that of virgin gold in its effect upon the human emotions. My brain seemed to have become a well of flames. A strange intoxication gave wings to my feet. And Deacon, who is seldom demonstrative, was similarly affected.

"Looks like that stuff we found in Ogden's desk," he muttered.

"The same," I said unsteadily.

"I had it assayed," he went on. "It ran \$20,000 to the ton."

I whistled. "If there's any depth or breadth to the vein or if the hanging wall is good, it may run into millions. . . . Hello! what's this?"

We saw it at the same moment. A small, square, shining object, it stood in a niche just below the vein. My hand beat Deacon's to it. "A silver snuff-box," he grunted. "It hasn't been here long by the looks of it."

"It comes from one of the French Louis periods," I observed.

"Well, whose is it? You look as if you know something."

"It belongs to Nathan Hyde, Henry," I announced significantly.

"Hyde, Hyde," he muttered in perplexity. "It isn't like him to put a valuable down and forget it."

I chuckled. "He must have been deeply snuffed. Taking snuff from his Louis snuff-box is a sort of a ceremony with Hyde."

Henry nodded reluctantly, pocketing the snuff-box. "Come from the vein was enough to make him forget it, eh? Well, we had already concluded he knew something about the mine."

His tone implied that there was nothing more to it than that, but I knew the snuff-box had given him something to think about, and I laughed to myself as we went on into the timbered passage. We had gone some distance in the direction of the original entrance when I stopped abruptly, clutching Deacon by the arm.

I went a little sick, for I have no stomach for the gruesome. I had almost tripped over the skeleton of a tall man. It lay face up, arms folded. A few rays of light from the lanterns above showed the feet and ankles, a stout leather belt encircled the waist. Undoubtedly the skeleton had lain there many years, but from the uneven distribution of dust on it, I judged it had been disturbed recently.

Deacon looked at me gayly.

"Who is it, John?"

I was very well who it was, and so did he. Dropping to our knees, I gently ran my hands through the dust and gravel around and under the skeleton. I brought to light two bone buttons, four metal ones, nail and a stub of indelible pencil.

"Somebody else has been at him," Deacon muttered. "Furlie probably."

"See this!" I ejaculated.

The fifth rib of the skeleton was nicked and split in the region of the heart.

"Bullet, by the look of it," Deacon commented.

"Here's something else!" I cried suddenly.

My fingers rummaging below the surface dust beneath the skull had encountered a crackly substance. I drew it forth—a small newspaper, yellow and brittle with age. In spite of my care it split in two as I opened it and spread it on the floor of the tunnel. At the head of the

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A Weekly Newspaper
Territory, Skull Valley, Cal.
Monday, July 6th, 1886

Items of local interest occupied the front page: Gun Fight Along Main. Another Hold-up at Lundy's! Bad Medicine Closes Down. And so on.

Part of the top margin of the third page had been torn off. With it had gone the date line. We stared at the torn margin in silence, our hearts pounding in our ears. The curtain had lifted.

"This is where Furlie got your pistol, John," Henry said at length.

"Yes. This is the pencil," I started down at the remains below me. "Jerry"—what were you to Andrew?" I looked up at Deacon.

"I suppose this was Andrew's reason for keeping the mine closed," he said huskily. "It's a good thing you found the note in that cartridge, John."

"You mean you'd have assumed Andrew had killed this man himself, 20 years ago?"

He nodded. "We should have had to. Andrew steadfastly refused to open the mine. Why? Because of what we have just found: the skeleton of a man who has been murdered. The inference would have been inescapable."

"Demonstrating again the unreliability of circumstantial evidence," I remarked dryly. "Here is my theory: Dillon killed 'Jerry' 20 years ago, and he killed Andrew three days ago. He killed Andrew because Andrew had just found out that he, Dillon, had killed 'Jerry.'"

"Perhaps you are right," Henry admitted wearily. "But if you are right, why did Andrew leave this body here instead of giving it proper burial?"

"When we know that we shall know what turned Alex Peterson into Andrew Ogden," I replied sententiously. "Depend on it, he had some good reason. Andrew never did anything without reason."

"I wish MacNair was here," Deacon muttered, getting up. "He'd get a solid head on his shoulders. This thing is too much for me. You'd better take care of that newspaper. That bit of pencil, too."

The blocked door of the mine was just beyond the body, and we were returning silently to the slash through which we had entered the

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irritatingly and can't be pulled. Close moving to prevent any of these pests from seeding is a first essential. Sowing white clover to run them out when the crop has been thinned is another ameliorating method.

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THE GARDEN

KILLING WEEDS IN THE LAWN
Weeds in the lawn are an annual problem. As a matter of fact they become almost a perennial problem. Dandelions and plantains are the two worst and most disagreeable weeds that rise up out of nowhere to disfigure the greensward. It is a constant fight to suppress them. For the small lawn hand weeding with a good weeding tool is the simplest solution of the problem.

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