

Society News

Large Attendance At Program Given By Club Women

A large attendance enjoyed the program presented last evening at the La Grande hotel by the La Grande Neighborhood club. Mrs. T. Ingle, president of the club, welcomed the guests of the evening, especially the teachers from the two school systems in this city. He told something of the club and its relation to the community and other civic organizations. In closing she extended an invitation to the assemblage to participate in a social hour following the program.

Mrs. Clyde Zimmerman, chairman of the social committee, and her committee members, served a fine refreshment, while Mrs. "Luce" Holmenkamp, chairman of the hospitality committee, and her assistants, added to the spirit of the occasion by introducing members and teachers to each other.

Miss Mabel Doty, used "Pioneer days" as the central theme for her program. Pioneers present were greatly pleased with the realistic reproductions of scenes of their youthful and middle-aged days.

Mrs. Harriet MacDonald in her own shawl and costume of other days was a very inspiring and convincing personification of the "spirit of the Pioneer." This was the prologue to the evening's entertainment.

A scene, "Resting on the Old Oregon Trail," showed some of the rollicking pleasures of the trail days. The group singing, "Old Dan Tucker," William Hall's solo, "My Old So' Shanty" on the "Piano," sung with an old pipe clonched between his teeth, and George Birnie's inimitable calling of the old square dances which the "pioneers" danced in a very thorough and bouncing manner. Miss Mae Stearns dressed as an old fiddler, was so true to type that her name on the program was the only identification.

Miss Doty reviewed Bess Streeter Aldrich's latest novel, "A Lantern in Her Hand," as the most recent book indicative of the true pioneers, and many a tear drop blinked away, as the audience followed the story of Abbie Deal through 80 years of hardships and sacrifices.

Characters in the three scenes from Abbie's life which were dramatized were: Abbie Deal, Mrs. Beatrice Young; Grace, Mrs. Lola Hutchison; Sarah Lutz, Mrs. E. E.

Hurley; Katherine, Mrs. Miles Falow; Laura, Mrs. Gladys Roberts; Mrs. E. E. Hurley directed the dramatizations.

The next regular meeting of the club will be January 7. Past President's day, which is being planned by Mrs. George Cochran.

Wakelita Bridge Club Entertained

The Wakelita Bridge club enjoyed three tables of bridge yesterday with Mrs. Alvah Crowley as hostess. Honors for high score were won by Mrs. Jack Brandt. Second prize was presented to Mrs. Joel Richardson. Mrs. Fred Hoover was awarded the guest prize.

Following bridge a dainty luncheon was served.

The next meeting of the club will be Monday, Dec. 20 with Mrs. Claude Berry.

Mrs. Humphreys Hostess to Club

An interesting meeting was enjoyed by the members of the Art Research club yesterday at the home of Mrs. C. M. Humphreys and an unusual collection of Japanese pictures and books sent here from the state library along with some beautiful color prints which Mrs. Walter Pierce displayed, formed the principal part of the program.

Interesting topics were presented, both by Mrs. R. S. Fleming on the subject, "Buddhism in Japan," and by Mrs. Lawrence Hull, telling of a legend, "Forty-seven Romans."

Devines Entertain At Bridge Party

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Devine were host and hostess last evening at a delightful evening of bridge in the Gold room of the La Grande hotel. Six tables were enjoyed with Mrs. T. R. Maxwell and Fred Spaeth winning honors for high score.

Consolation awards were made to Mrs. M. G. Tennyson and Charles Graham.

Late in the evening refreshments were served. Attractive decorations were in a Christmas setting.

Charming Dinner At Mossman Home

A charming dinner was given Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Mossman with the following students at the Eastern Oregon Normal school hostesses: Miss Harriet Ahearn, Miss Bethmyr Miller, Miss Jean Rayburn, Miss Eillian Small, Miss Clara Estes, Miss Irene Potratz, Miss Iris Marshall, and Miss Frances Murphy. Guests for the evening were: Mrs. Harriet McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Inlow, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pierce.

Two small fir trees were the features of the decorations which were in the seasonal motif of Christmas.

An entertaining and delightful program was presented by the girls following dinner. Especially interesting was the showing of pictures of the Nativity, accompanied by group singing, with Miss Jean Rayburn playing the violin. Mrs. Inlow presented a solo; and several of the hostesses gave readings.

Training School To Give Program

All of the grades of the J. H. Ackerman training school of the E. O. Normal will be represented in the Christmas program to be given in the auditorium of the normal school Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The children will sing Christmas carols and will dramatize Raymond McDonald Alden's story, "Why the Chimes Rang." This program will substitute for the regular meeting of the training school Parent-Teacher association, and anyone interested in the work of the training school is cordially invited to attend.

Announcements

The Riveria Parent-Teacher association will meet Thursday, Dec. 19 at 7:30 in the Lane chapel. The meeting date was changed to Thursday evening, for some of the teachers are leaving Friday on their holiday vacations. The Rev. M. G. Tennyson, of the Episcopal church, will give a talk on the subject, "The Home, the Cradle of the Spiritual Life of the Nation." All members are requested to attend.

The Home Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. E. M. Hickox at 1103 O avenue Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Bible Searchers class of the Presbyterian church will have a Christmas party in the community room of the church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Mrs. Harry Turner, Mrs. Chris Miller, Mrs. William Barclay, and Mrs. S. S. Nye as hostesses.

The Past Noble Grand club of the I. O. O. F. hall Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.



We feel that everyone is entitled to a merry Christmas and we hope that you and yours have it.

Jane: "Now that grandmother has a boyish bob, she doesn't look like an old lady any more."
Kate: "No, now she looks like an old gentleman."

DIARY OF AN ABSENT-MINDED PROFESSOR

MONDAY—Cut my finger. Forgot to bleed.

TUESDAY—Slipped on a banana peel. Forgot to fall down.

WEDNESDAY—Kissed the new teacher. Forgot to tell my wife.

THURSDAY—Forgot to write in my diary book.

FRIDAY—Forgot to turn off the water while bathing the baby. Funeral tomorrow.

SATURDAY—No school today. Forgot to get up.

SUNDAY—Went to church. Forgot to put anything in the collection plate. Also shook hands with the preacher's baby and kissed his wife. Will be out in a week.

Agent: "I am an advertisement canvasser. Have you any small wants I can advertise?"

The Mistress: "Certainly not. My servant should not have admitted you. I have told him repeatedly that I do not see canvassers."

Agent: "Then dismiss him and advertise in our paper for a more obedient one."

Teacher: "Tommy, can you tell me one of the uses of cowhides?"

Tommy: "Er, yes, Ma'am. It keeps the cow together."

He: "Aw, give us a kiss."

She: "Say, how many are in this party?"

Girls used to try to hide their tans, but now they try to tan their hides.

His Wife: "Mercy me, Henk! You shavin'! I thought you were going to wear them whiskers for always."

Hank: "I was goin' to, but we've lost two good table knives and I've looked every place else for 'em."

Mrs. Newlywed: "Oh, you did splendidly with the wall papering, darling! But what on earth are those lumps?"

Mr. Newlywed: "Good heavens! I forgot to take down the pictures."

Doctor: "Did the medicine straighten your husband out all right?"

Wife: "Yes; we buried him yesterday."

him, Northwestern university, under the direction of Coaches Dick Hanley, of Northwestern, and Andy Kerr, of Colgate. All 22 men invited started on the long journey to Palo Alto, Cal., where the squad will remain until the day of the game. No stop-overs for practice were planned.

Rains Stopping Water Shortage In Wallowa Co.

By G. C. Meek (Observer Correspondent)

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—The stock water situation which had reached a very troublesome stage with the long continued dry weather has been helped some by the recent moisture, however, the moisture has not gone deep enough into the ground to cause many of the wells to show much signs of raising, but with the wet weather stock have not been requiring nearly as much water. The greater part of the stock is still being run in the pastures and fields yet and in most instances is said to be doing quite well. The open weather lasting at least a month longer than that of the usual season has meant a saving of many tons of hay to farmers and stockmen of this community and with the rather short feed supplies which are faced by most stockmen this year, this is a highly favorable condition. From present prospects it does not appear likely that

much feeding will be necessary before Christmas and if such proves the case there will no doubt be plenty of feed in this county for all needs, even should the spring prove a late one. The roads in this section are still in good shape despite the stormy weather of the past week, with much heavy hauling on all roads during the past several months they have become very solid and have only been made slick for a short time by the recent rains and snow. Cars are still being used on all roads.

Following a fall of about four inches of wet snow which soon melted away, a number of heavy showers of rain have fallen during the past week, the moisture is going into the soil in fine shape and according to some who have dug into the ground in places during the past few days, it has wet down around five and six inches. Some of the farmers in the dry farming sections who were unable to do any plowing earlier in the season because of the soil being too dry and hard, have been plowing some during the past few days and say that the soil plows quite well if one does not try to plow too deep.

Mrs. Giles Plass was quite ill for several days during the first of the week, suffering from stomach trouble. She is reported to be considerably improved at this time.

P. A. Downing, who lives in the Leap community, reports a well at his farm which has held up remarkably during the long dry season. Nearly 100 head of stock have been watered at the well

daily and besides water is being used from it by several different families.

Duane Lathrop, of Wallowa creek, was in the Wallowa creek section during the early part of the week hunting for calves. The greater part of the stock has been gathered from the summer ranges in this section and the most of the stock which has been brought in recently is said to be in good condition.

Frank Walker and children, of Trout Creek, started by auto the latter part of the week for Arkansas, where they expect to visit for the next several weeks.

Mrs. James Weaver, of Enterprise, spent several days the past week visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Downing, of Leap.

Leroy Plass and wife, of Enterprise, have been visiting at Giles Plass', of Leap, during the past several days.

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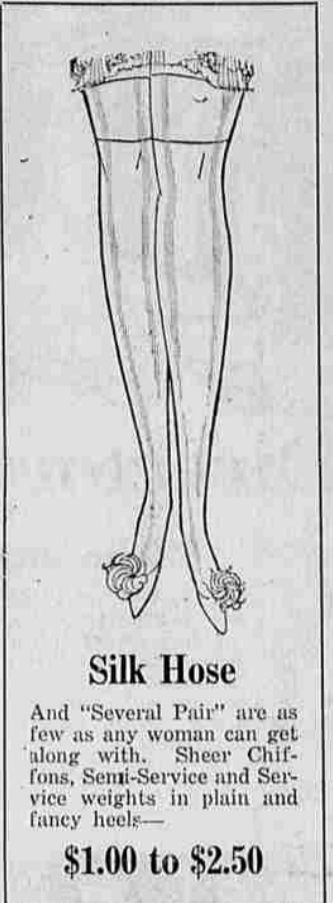
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Eastern All-Star Team Heads West

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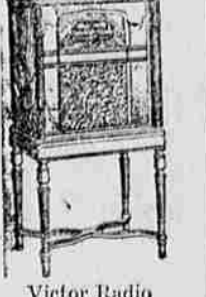
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