

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Toshock is recovering from her recent illness.

Mrs. Grove Fretwell of Creston is ill with the grip.

Mrs. McCrack of Hillsboro was a week-end visitor at the home of Mrs. R. B. Walsh.

Mrs. William Jesse, of Sixty-first street returned Saturday from a visit to Spokane.

George Briggs is visiting his cousin, Dr. S. D. Briggs of 4903 Thirty-fourth avenue.

Mrs. Day of Sacramento, Cal., is visiting her son, Rev. O. T. Day, of 5621 Sixty-ninth street.

A "stewardship" supper was held at 6:30 o'clock Wednesday evening at the Arleta Baptist church.

Miss Lesta Moore, 5029 Fifty-second street, has returned home after a week's visit to Eugene.

A large number were in attendance at the watch night services at the Anabel Presbyterian church.

The annual business meeting of the Kern Park Christian church will be held Friday evening, January 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fishburn, of Forty-fourth avenue, visited relatives in Beaverton on New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Dixon of Battleground, Wash., visited Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Briggs of Creston on New Year's day.

Mrs. B. H. Sweetland, of 7008 Fifty-first avenue is enjoying a holiday visit from her daughter who lives in Union, Or.

The Gleaners society of Anabel Presbyterian church are planning to conduct a paper drive on January 24.

Rev. and Mrs. Owen T. Day, of 5521 Sixty-ninth street, entertained New Year's night with a party for their friends.

G. Howerton, of Seventy-fourth street, suffered a stroke of paralysis last Friday, December 29, and is in a critical condition.

Mrs. Ada Jolley and Mrs. Ward Swope are planning a W. C. T. U. program to be given at the Arleta branch library in the near future.

The men's fellowship club of the Anabel Presbyterian church met Friday evening at the home of A. W. Johnson, 4911 Forty-second avenue.

Mrs. Lloyd Shisler and daughter, Barbara, of Harrisburg, spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Walsh, of 4904 Thirty-fourth avenue.

The women's missionary society, of the Kern Park Christian church, held a meeting at the church on Wednesday to plan the work for the coming year.

A school of missions will be conducted at the Arleta Baptist church from January 21 to February 4. Further announcements will be made later.

Sunday evening Raymond Fletcher will address the young people's society of the Anabel Presbyterian church on "The Religion of the Bolsheviks."

The Mount Scott Mental Culture club met Thursday afternoon at the Arleta branch library. Mrs. Millie Trumble spoke on congressional measures.

Rev. William H. Myers, formerly pastor of Laurelwood Congregational church, is visiting Portland friends. Mr. Myers is now a resident of Tacoma, Wash.

Fifty people were present at the watch night services last Sunday at the Fourth United Brethren church. Rev. Elmer A. Shumard conducted the services.

Mrs. Ward Swope and Mrs. L. H. Fishburn, of the Kern Park Christian church, were the speakers at the women's missionary society of the East Side Christian church on Thursday afternoon.

Rev. Elmer A. Shumard, pastor of the South Methodist church of Williams, Or., has been spending a few days with Rev. Bruce Evans, of 7121 Fifty-ninth avenue.

Robert R. Depew has returned to Boring, Or. He had been home since Thanksgiving, fixing up his house at 9005 Seventy-first avenue. Mrs. Robert R. Depew left December 30 for Boring, Or.

The regular monthly meeting of the Gleaners of the Anabel Presbyterian church has been postponed to January 10 on account of the absence of many members from the city during the holidays.

The teachers of the Arleta school have petitioned the Portland Railway, Light & Power company to have the street cars stop at Sixty-fourth street for their convenience in going to and returning from school.

Mrs. J. J. Handsaker was hostess Wednesday at a luncheon honoring Mrs. C. Weir, of Ocean Park, Wash. The guests were: Mesdames C. Weir, J. C. Roberts, Clarke Pierson, C. H. Fox and Gertrude Fox.

The woman's missionary society of the Arleta Baptist church will furnish the program for the Baptist woman's city missionary union which meets next Tuesday, January 9, in the Sellwood Baptist church.

The industrial department of the woman's missionary society of the Arleta Baptist church met Wednesday at 10 A. M. at the home of Mrs. B. B. Sweetland, 7008 Fifty-first avenue. Pot luck luncheon will be served at noon.

Mrs. W. B. Mumbur, 82, mother of Mrs. L. E. Minott, Dan P. Mumbur and Victor H. Mumbur, died December 28, and was buried in the Mount Scott Park cemetery December 30, Rev. E. A. Smith officiating. Mrs. Mumbur arrived from the east December 12, and lived but 16 days.

Mrs. J. J. Handsaker, of 5630 Forty-fourth avenue was at home to the members of her Sunday school class, the business girls' class of the First Congregational church, on New Year's afternoon. A goodly number called and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all. Light refreshments were served. Mrs. Handsaker was assisted in serving by her daughters, Lois and Elaine.

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What the Klan Aims At

The Ku Klux Klan constitutes a menace to the United States as grave as any this country has had to face since the Civil War.

It is a menace that threatens the right to live in liberty and to pursue happiness, of every American citizen. For to imagine for an instant that the lives and liberties of Catholics, Jews and Negroes alone are menaced by this masked organization is to fail utterly in appreciation of the seriousness of the situation.

Writing of "The New Threat of the Ku Klux Klan" in the January issue of Hearst's International Magazine, the editor, Norman Hapgood announces the scope of this and other articles that are to follow, in these words: "The Ku Klux Klan has changed its purpose. This society is trying to control the courts, the legislatures, the government at Washington."

He proceeds to show that a special department of the Klan has been organized recently, under the name of the Imperial Klan, in which are to be enrolled politicians, judges and other officers of the courts, and prominent citizens. The first meeting of this super-order was held on July 11, 1922. Edward Young Clarke, the "Imperial Klaliff," speaking to those assembled, said: "We are face to face now with the opportunity of bringing into the organization men of large type, but men whose identity we want to absolutely conceal from even their local Klan—the Klan which is located where they live. For instance, Congressmen, Senators, Governors, Judges and others whom we can line up as real Klansmen, but whom it would be best for them and for us for their identity to be completely and absolutely concealed."

The members of this privileged and protected group take the same oath as ordinary members of the Klan. They are asked: "Sir, have you assumed without mental reservation your oath of allegiance to the Invisible Empire?" Upon answering in the affirmative, they are warned by the Exalted Cyclops in these words: "Mortal man cannot assume a more binding oath; character and courage alone will enable you to keep it. Always remember that to keep this oath means to you honor, happiness and life; but to violate it means disgrace, dishonor and death. May honor and life be yours."

Threatened with death if he fails in his allegiance to the Invisible Empire, although sworn by his oath of office to recognize no empire, visible or invisible, but rather the Republic and its Constitution, the office-holder is commanded to deny his membership in the Ku Klux Klan if asked regarding it in a court of law. "You have taken an oath," he is told at his initiation, "of allegiance to the Invisible Empire. You are not a member of the Ku Klux Klan, but a citizen of the Imperial Empire, to which you have sworn obedience and fidelity."

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REPORT OF WORK AMONG DELINQUENT BOYS

During the past year Chester A. Lyon has succeeded with the co-operation of the principals, teachers, ministers, parents and other public-spirited citizens in decreasing delinquency among boys over 50 per cent in the eight districts worked. The following figures are taken from the court of domestic relations showing number of cases reported to court during years 1921 to 1922:

Table with columns for 1921 and 1922. Rows include Arleta (17 to 9), Lents (32 to 7), Holladay (13 to 1), Mount Tabor (4 to 4), Woodstock (13 to 8), Hawthorne (22 to 10), Montavilla (12 to 12), Sellwood (10 to 4). Total (123 to 55).

This shows a decrease of 68 cases for the year ending in the above named districts.

Kenton, Peninsula, Portsmouth, George, Sifton and Williams school districts have been worked by Mr. Lyon, but the year's work for these districts will not be completed until September, 1923.

As most Lents people know Mr. Lyon founded the "Big Brother Farm for Boys" at Lebanon, Or., ten years ago; was assistant to the judge in the juvenile court for almost three years, resigning from that position in order to establish this work which he terms "preventive delinquency."

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