

WOMEN'S CLUBS

By Edna K. Holmes

The holiday spirit captured the hearts of the residents of the Vernon district last night when a community entertainment was given by the school children under the auspices of the Alberta Women's Improvement Club.

This is the first of a series of programmes that will be held in the Vernon School and was a decided success. The club was instrumental in having the schoolhouse open to the public for meetings.

The features of the programme last night were recitations and musical numbers given by talented children. The following were the numbers:

Flora West, Lora Ivy and Jennie Hammer; vocal solo, Agnes Christie; piano solo, Donald Campbell; recitation, John W. James; piano solo, Christine Nabel; specialities, Marie and Lenore Arpa; piano solo, Edna Ward; solo, Lenore Matthews; recitation, Louise Stordahl; piano solo, Agnes Hammer; vocal solo, Gertrude Watson; piano solo, Geneva Drum; recitation, Howard Shivers.

The Mothers' Club of Albina will hold a Christmas party today.

Holiday Parent-Teacher Association held a Christmas entertainment yesterday. Several of the young people assisted in the programme. Mrs. K. Myers opened Santa Claus' pack and gave a talk on the attractive toys found therein.

The Professional Woman's League will hold a holiday festivity on Tuesday night, December 23, when they will meet in the Art Museum for a "children's party." Christmas gifts, to exceed 5 cents each in cost, will be given, and many original features will be presented.

From January 21 to February 2 will be Farmers and Home-makers' week in La Grande. This will be conducted by the Oregon Agricultural College, but in conjunction there will be conferences for the Oregon Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations. Mrs. McKeith will speak at these conferences and will go to Roseburg and Medford in February. Several prominent schoolwomen and members of parent-teacher associations will be speakers at these conferences.

Quite an important meeting of today will be that of Central W. A. T. U. which will be held at 2 o'clock in the headquarters on Eleventh street.

Mrs. George W. McKeith, president of the Oregon Congress of Mothers, will go to Corvallis January 7 to preside at a conference of leading educators to consider the Oregon Congress of Mothers' educational life of high school students.

Mrs. L. Altman, of the Lincoln High School; Miss Barrows, of Columbia University, and Miss Ravenhill, of British Columbia, will be speakers at the conference at the Oregon Agricultural College in January.

Parent-Teacher extension work is going along merrily all the time. Every county school superintendent in the state will be a member of a board of consultation which will consider the needs of the schools in the various localities. The Oregon Congress of Mothers has decided that every effort will be made to help the teachers and the schools.

Miss Mary L. Reed, of New York, who organized the first child welfare exhibit, will be here soon and will go to all parts of Oregon doing extension work and giving lectures. Her exhibit will be distributed and exhibits will be shown that will be of great educational value.

Boys' clubs will be organized this coming year among the schools in the country and the boys will be encouraged to be industrious and helpful, to learn to enjoy both work and play.

The annual flag sale of the Oregon Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations will be held on January 22. In the towns that are outside of Multnomah County the money raised by the flag sales will be spent in their own localities for child welfare work. This will make the parents' educational bureau fund smaller, but the workers are hoping that the way will be found to continue its support.

The Women's Civic Welfare Club will meet tomorrow in the Central Library. This will be a members' meeting. Current events will be discussed.

THE SANDMAN STORY

By Mrs. F. Walker

The chameleon's changeable coat. CHAMELEON is a big word for little C. talks to remember, but, just the looks like a lizard, which isn't so hard a word. But a chameleon can turn different colors, which a lizard can't.

No, chameleons couldn't always turn different colors, and it is how they came to do so that this story is about. Once upon a time chameleons were red and lived in the woods, and so were all the other animals lived in the woods, too, and most of them were very fond of chameleons, because, being red, all the animals could see them easily.

So finally there were so few chameleons that the animals hadn't eaten that they got together and decided that something must be done, but they could not decide just what it should be. After a while one of them said he would go to the fairy queen and tell her about it. All the others thought this was a good idea, and so it was decided that Charlie Chameleon should go.

Charlie told the fairy queen all about himself and the other chameleons, and of how all the animals tried to eat them.

"That will never do," said the queen. "Come back in a week and I will do something for you."

So the chameleon went away feeling very glad. But all the animals had heard about his visit to the fairy queen and they tried harder than ever to eat him. And Charlie Chameleon became so frightened that he shivered and shook and was afraid to go out and hunt for food. So, when the time came for him to go to the queen again, he was so thin he slipped and fell through a crack in the palace floor, and was shivering and shaking so the queen said, "What's the matter?"

"Oh, dear, oh, dear!" she cried, "something must be done right away. So she sent for her magician. When he came she told him all about it and asked him to do something to help her.

The magician went and got a big pot full of water, which he put over the fire in the grate. When it was boiling he picked up the chameleon and started to put him in it. But the chameleon cried out that he was afraid.

"It won't hurt a bit," the magician assured him. So in went the chameleon, while the magician stood by, watching in hand. When the chameleon had been in the water exactly three and a quarter minutes the magician pulled him out. And, sure enough, the chameleon was still alive and unharmed, but he wasn't red. In fact, he wasn't any color at all, just a funny color the same as the palace floor.

"There!" said the magician, "that's done. Now come here."

This time the chameleon wasn't quite so afraid, so he went up to the magician. First the magician sprinkled some powder over him, which made him sneeze. He sneezed and he sneezed until his eyes watered, and he felt himself turning green. And that's just

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what he was doing, turning green. After that the magician threw some water on him and it was so cold that the chameleon shivered. He shivered and he shivered, until he felt himself turning brown. And that's just what he was doing, turning brown. "There you are," said the magician. "Now you can turn almost any color you want."

STYLE TIPS FROM PORTLAND STORES

HOW shall she dress her feet to be as dainty, trim and conventional as she is chief? A puzzling question as to the sort of a shoe to be worn with the afternoon dress or with the dancing frock often presents itself. The girl who cares will do well to make a complete detour of the local shops and learn correctness from the careful displays of shoes for every occasion.

The new chamois colored shoes with edgings of black in some measure have replaced the vivid black and white of last season. The new shoes have almost identically the same lines as their predecessors. The principal difference is notable in the walking and street shoes, which, in some instances, are shown with Cuban-French heels. Ladies and wide toes are now in vogue, although the English walking shoe still is popular. The new walking shoes are shown in gray, although tan still predominates and a number of new models in white and chamois are expected.

The little party slipper must now have beaded toes. It must shimmer and gleam like the new spangled dresses. Little silver pumps and cloth of gold party shoes are the smartest displayed. The white kid slippers have gold, silver or cut steel beads for trimming. A novel pump in good taste is one of pearl gray white kid with cut steel beads embroidered on the toes and edging the top.

INTRUDER IS CAPTURED

Sleeper Awakened After Chase Nabs Man Caught Ransacking Clothes. Awakened early yesterday by a man going through his clothes in his room at the Millen Hotel, First and Madison streets, Richard Sandstrom sprang out of bed and gave chase. The captured intruder, who gave the name of Al Dawson, was turned over to Police Officer C. Tennant.



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