

SOCIETY NEWS

EASTER bonnets and smart Easter frocks are claiming the attention of maids and matrons just now and visits to the modiste and the milliner are alternating with attendances at church services or working for one's pet charity.

The florists' shops are filled with lovely blossoms and plants, and the habit of giving these tokens of Easter friendship and greeting is becoming more popular each year.

A merry house party bound for Underwood, Wash., will leave on an early boat this morning to be guests of Mrs. E. C. Goddard and Miss Elizabeth Goddard at their country home for the Easter holiday.

The Crescende club has set May 1 as the date for its annual musical and dance. The Rose City park clubhouse will be the scene of the festivity.

Miss Eva Bosovich of this city is registered at the Grand-Atlantic at Atlantic City, N. J.

Saturday has come to be regarded as a day belonging to the Portland Hunt club, for on that afternoon, all during the fall and winter season, either the senior or junior members of the club start toward the open country for one of their popular paper chases.

The Professional Woman's league will give a reception Monday night for Mrs. Colin Dymott (Dr. Bertha Stewart). The league will entertain at the University club.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Robinson in Irvington their daughter, Margaret, entertained a number of friends with a dancing party recently. The following were present:

Mrs. J. E. Teasdale of Seattle was a guest in this city last Sunday and Monday. Mrs. Teasdale is the niece of former Governor and Mrs. Robert S. Vessey of South Dakota, now located in Portland.

An enjoyable surprise was given Mrs. Winifred W. Walker Tuesday afternoon by a number of friends, who assembled at 1448 Garfield avenue to honor Mr. and Mrs. Walker, who leave soon to make their home in Graham.

Women's Activities

PLANS for the culmination of the big final drive on Saturday for funds for devastated France are being rapidly put into working order.

Today, at 1 o'clock, in the blue parlor at the Hotel Portland, Mrs. C. E. Simpson will meet with all the members of the National League for Women's Service who have tendered their service as sellers of friendship bonds on Saturday.

The Portland Woman's Research club will entertain with a card party and tea Easter Monday, April 21, at the home of Mrs. C. W. King.

A well-attended meeting was that of the Central W. C. T. U. at the library Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Atkins gave an interesting report of her visit to McMinnville the first of the week. The quota assigned to McMinnville in the "Jubilee Drive" was \$200, but as they raised over twice that amount from the subscription cards circulated at the close of Mrs. Atkins' lecture, the women have pledged themselves to "go over the top" with \$400.

Mrs. Jean Wolf will assist in the department of physical culture and aesthetic dancing for the remainder of the term at the Y. W. C. A.

A treat is in store for those who will accept the invitation by Lincoln-Garfield Post No. 5, G. A. R., to attend the talk to be given by Miss McAlaster this afternoon at 2:30 at the post room, 575 Courthouse.

Miss McAlaster just returned from the front line trenches as a Red Cross nurse, and will tell all about the hardships, especially of the six weeks' battle of Chateau-Thierry.

Mrs. T. Looney, Mrs. J. Riley, Mrs. Harold Riley, Mrs. S. Watley, Miss Enid Watley, Mrs. Pearl Nubson, Mrs. J. Morrison, Jack Morrison, Mrs. E. Sobold, Mrs. W. Walker, Mrs. C. B. Edwards, Warren Walker, Mrs. Elva Upham and Miss Fern Upham.

An enjoyable event will be the social of Corinthian chapter, No. 54, O. E. S., Tuesday evening. A special Easter programme has been prepared.

The Monday Musical club has taken a block of seats for grand opera for next Thursday and Friday at the auditorium and the club is selling reservations rapidly, co-operating with the Portland Opera association of which Mrs. E. L. Thompson is president.

The Monday Musical club junior department will meet tomorrow at 1 P. M. in the assembly room of the Portland Hotel. The chairman, Mrs. Emma Welch Landry, has been requested by the president of the Monday Musical club, Mrs. Anton-Giebisch, to use for her talk the libretto of the "Elixir of Love."

The board of management of the Monday Musical club will meet in regular session next Monday, April 21, in the Central Library at 2:15 P. M. The Portland Opera association is receiving hearty co-operation through the efforts of the following telephone committee: Miss Anna Finley, Mrs. Helen Riddle, Mrs. Ira Kinnaman, Mrs. A. W. Claxon, Mrs. A. R. Mattingly, Mrs. L. H. Hansen, Mrs. William Yeo, Mrs. Ella Jones, Miss Helen Hansen, Miss Ruth Conrey, Mrs. F. W. Youney, Mrs. Epperly Bristow and Mrs. H. C. Burton.

Society maids and matrons will be busy tomorrow assisting in the drive for funds for the benefit of devastated France. The committee will meet this afternoon in the Portland hotel and complete plans for the sale of friendship bonds for the worthy cause.

Alpha Chi Omega will meet Saturday at 2 o'clock at the home of Miss Ada Reed, 507 Castle avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cook of Seattle are in Portland visiting their relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Billy B. Coleman, Mrs. Cook was a well-known soprano in this city, formerly Eloise Anita Hall, a member and star singer of the Portland Opera association. Mr. Cook has just returned from France, where he gave active service with the U. S. engineers.

Friends of Mrs. R. F. Monges were grieved yesterday to receive a telegram from Berkeley announcing the death of Mrs. Monges at her sister's home in Berkeley. Mrs. Monges was formerly Miss Mabel Grant. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Grant and was well known socially and as an active worker in patriotic service. Her husband and two children survive her.

present. Mrs. George M. Welster read a paper on "The League of Nations," which was followed by a philosophical reading by Mrs. F. C. Whitten. Mrs. Petronilla Connolly sang three charming contralto solos to piano accompaniment played by Mrs. J. B. Rockwood. Following the programme a pleasant social hour was enjoyed, in which a charming luncheon preceded the programme.

Physician, Who Fell Into Elevator Shaft, Appeared Uninjured.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—Mysterious circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. C. Henry Wells, Seattle and Shelton, Wash., physician, as the result of his having fallen into a freight elevator shaft in the Hotel Crockett here last night, were being investigated by police and morgue officials today.

Dr. Wells was found suspended by one foot between the top of the elevator, which is an open affair and the side of the shaft. Except for a slight abrasion on the head he appeared to be uninjured, although officials believe he died from shock.

No reason could be found for Dr. Wells' presence in the hotel. Dr. Wells was being treated here for a nervous ailment.

There are 435 members in the United States house of representatives, when there are no vacancies. The Democrats have controlled both houses for the last six years, and the lower house for eight years, ending March 4, 1919.

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FOSTER FATHER WINS GIRL

J. T. KING ALLOWED TO ADOPT DAUGHTER OF LATE WIFE.

Court Makes Decision When Child Says She Would Rather Stay in Present Home Than With Aunt.

The love of a blood relation vied with the love of a foster father in the court of County Judge Taxwell yesterday and the foster father won. Though it was a keen contest for the custody of 11-year-old Florence Watson, there was no acrimony.

J. T. King, 7015 Fifty-ninth avenue southeast was allowed to adopt the daughter of Florence, daughter of his late wife by a former marriage. Mrs. King died January 6, 1919. Her daughter was 3 years old when the mother married Mr. King.

On her deathbed, testified a witness yesterday, Mrs. King had requested that her husband be allowed to adopt the child. After he had filed a petition for adoption, Mrs. Emma Myers of Oregon City, an aunt of the child, contested the action, requesting that she be allowed the girl. She held that it would be to the best interests of the youngster, now at the age of 11, if she was brought up with a mother's care, rather than in the home of a widower. She did not doubt Mr. King's ability to care materially for the child nor his love for her, but insisted that a blood relative's love was deeper. Also, she

was the mother of a little boy who, she said, had always been, and would continue to be, a playmate of the girl. Probably the deciding factor in the case was the testimony of the little girl. Called to the witness stand, she timidly and in a small voice answered the few questions asked her. "Whom do you wish to stay with now, your father or Mrs. Myers?" she was asked. "Daddy," was her instant, though shy, reply. "And why do you prefer to stay with him?" "I'd feel more at home with papa," she answered.

Of the mothers and sisters of Mrs. Myers who were called to testify, all inclined to favor Mr. King as custodian of the child.

"This is an unusual case," commented Judge Taxwell, in rendering his decision. "Usually, I am inclined to give a certain weight to claims from the maternal side of a family, for I believe that a child is better off with the care of a woman as a rule. This case does not come within the rule, as I take it."

At the Theaters.

Hippodrome.

HIPODROME patrons will find plenty to delight and interest them on the new bill which opened yesterday.

The big top line number alone is a whole show in itself. Will and Enid Bland are its sponsors and they hail from the land of the kangaroo, where entertainment of the order of the Bland offering has a high standard. They are illusionists de luxe and have progressed far in their art of fooling the audience into a state of not seeing in believing—western story called "The Capture of Rattlesnake Ike."

the apparent disappearance of Miss Bland, who is put into a trunk in full view of the audience and then hoisted into mid-air where the whole affair turns as if by magic into a huge airplane. The audience fairly gasps at the transformation. Their marked billet demonstration is another splendid and novel turn which leaves the audience completely bewildered, but thoroughly delighted.

Dancing acts are always pleasing if the steps are well done and graceful, which fortunately is true in the instance of the clever dancing done by Holland and Jeannie, a keen pair of eccentric dancers, and also in the unusually meritorious dancing of Los Espanozos. Both acts feature a fascinating Spanish number.

Allen, Lindsay and company, billed as "Hokum," are responsible for a kill-care act, replete with original comedy ideas in entertainment. Trailing right along after comedy's scalp are Hornburg and Lee, a pair of capital funsters who are billed as "foolish folk," but who are pretty wise when it comes to knowing how to amuse.

Holland and Cathren are harmony songsters, with a pleasing repertoire and delightful voices.

E. Wille offers an unusually diverting aerial and novelty acrobatic act which gets ever greener.

The photoplay is popular in every detail, showing J. Warren Kerrigan, a film matinee idol in a romantic thrilling western story called "The Capture of Rattlesnake Ike."

WIVES UNTRUE, 2 MEN SAY

DIVORCE COMPLAINTS FILED BY RETURNED SOLDIERS.

Iris M. Watts Seeks Separation Alleging His Wife Spends More Than He Is Able to Earn.

Two chaps who went away to war, providing for their wives as best they could on army allotments, returned to find their wives had been untrue to them, according to divorce complaints filed in the circuit court yesterday.

Charles H. Drake went into service July 6, 1918, served overseas and returned to Portland, discharged, March 26, 1919. Upon his return he discovered that his wife, Anna Drake, whom he had married in Vancouver, Wash., December 4, 1917, had been very friendly with a man named J. S. Mora and gone to Palmto, Fla., with the man as Mrs. Mora, according to the allegations of Drake's complaint.

Thomas C. Branner declares that Nellie Branner, whom he married in Portland July 12, 1917, about four months after he had enlisted in the army, was untrue to him during his absence. Branner alleges they

sent their wives at least \$15 a month in the form of an army allotment. Drake asserting further that he had left his wife more than \$100 when he went away. Iris M. Watts, in a divorce complaint filed, asserts that his wife, Evangeline, "insists on spending more money than he is able to earn."

Other divorce actions filed were: Maud E. Lansing against Chester J. Lansing, cruelty; Bert Hopfer against Gladys Marie Hopfer, desertion; Florence R. Wert against Francis Lee Wert, desertion; and Mary E. Parker against Robert Thomas Parker, cruelty.

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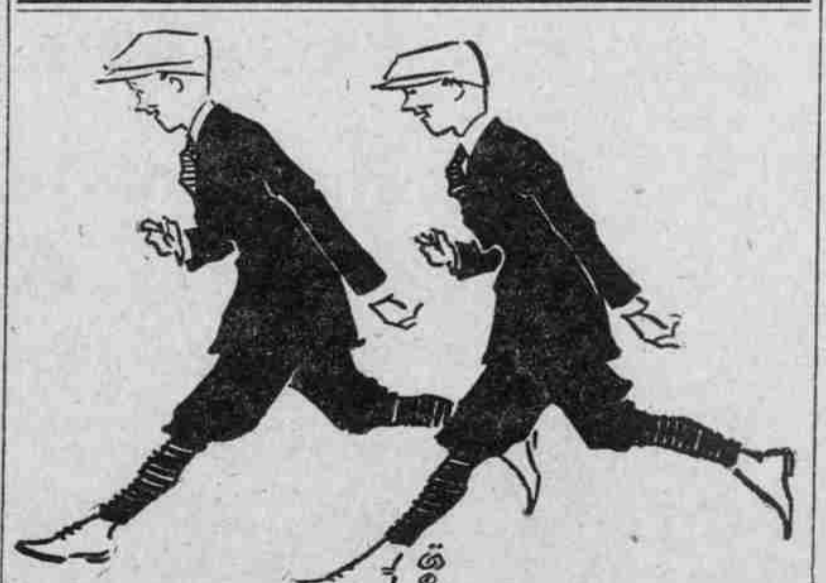
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