

A BRILLIANT RECEPTION

MRS. H. C. BOWERS AND MRS. A. A. WRIGHT ENTERTAIN.

Exquisite Floral and Electrical Decorations—Society Out in Force.

Mrs. H. C. Bowers and Mrs. A. A. Wright gave a reception at the Hotel Portland yesterday, between the hours of 5 and 8, which brought out the social world in great numbers.

The decorations were magnificent, the effect of the floral display being heightened by exquisite electrical innovations. The decorations in the main drawing-room were entirely in tones of red and white. Depending from the ceiling, above the chandeliers, were canopies of filmy evergreens, from the corners of which were suspended the Japanese lanterns, while the globes of the electric lights were also covered with lanterns, which were held in place by traceries of smilax, in which were interwoven sparkling, tiny incandescent lights of red and white.

Above the mirrors were entwined garlands of soft evergreens, relieved with

chimney fire, and no damage resulted. The chemical in Holladay's addition had a run down to the woodward at the east end of the steel bridge, Hanson Bros., proprietors, where a small blaze last evening had started in some sawed wood. About half a cord of wood was blazing brightly when discovered. It was soon extinguished. The fire is supposed to have resulted from a spark from the steam wood-sawing machine.

Repairing Grand-Avenue Bridge.

The Grand-avenue bridge over Sullivan's gulch, which was badly wrecked Monday morning by the flaccid pile-up on the O. R. & N. railway underneath, is being repaired. Two tents of new timbers will be placed on the south side of the railroad. One of the tents parallels the embankment of the railroad at this point. The tent was knocked out almost completely by the flaccid as they went tumbling over one another in an apparent effort to climb on top of the bridge. Another short tent was demolished also. The repairs will be completed in a few days at the farthest, when the bridge will be more substantial than before.

East Side Notes.

The Sunnyside volunteer firemen will no doubt succeed in getting the bell in the hosehouse tower connected with the fire department system. They raised a handsome sum at their dance on the evening of the 14th in Hunter's hall. They

A RICH GOLD STRIKE

3100-ORE UNCOVERED IN MINE NEAR ASHLAND.

In Tunnel 1400 Feet Long Completed—Ore in Free Milling and Easily Separated.

ASHLAND, Or., Feb. 17.—The well-known Ashland mine, now operated by the Montreal Gold Mining Company, L., has just finished a tunnel 1400 feet long, connecting the west shaft of the mine with the lower tunnel on the east side of the ridge, and uncovered an unusually rich ore vein that goes 100 to the ton. The ore is free milling, and separates easily.

WEEK OF EXCITEMENT.

Several Rich Strikes Reported, and Locators Are Active.

BAKER CITY, Feb. 17.—The past week has been full of excitement in mining circles. New strikes in well-known properties has been the order of the day. The new strike in the Flag Staff mine, in the Virtue district, seven miles from

building is constructed, and but for the efficient and intelligent work of the fire department, the entire block would have been gutted. As it was, all the fire was not extinguished for nearly an hour. It is thought the damage to the building will be about \$500 or \$600, and the loss on furniture by fire, smoke and water will exceed that sum. It is not known how the blaze originated.

"THE ANONYMOUS ASS."

Excoriation of Persons Who Employ "the Shield of Literary Rascality."

PORTLAND, Feb. 15.—(To the Editor.)—That was a dirty piece of newspaper correspondence in your issue of the 13th, under the caption of "Sources of Boer Sympathy," and over the pseudonym of "Common Sense." It was a filthy blotch on an otherwise clean sheet—one that has steadily refused to follow the yellow covers and mud-splatters into the mire. I am not saying that American journalism is the creator or the fosterer of the anonymous ass. He is of ancient lineage. Small wonder he is seen at the Germans. That celebrated German philosopher, Arthur Schopenhauer, had already taken him to task. Schopenhauer calls him a "dog with his head in a mill." He is originally introduced under the pretext of protecting the honest critic, but experience has shown where there is one

Advertisement for Rambler bicycles, featuring a bicycle illustration and text: 'Cold weather brings its chill in the winter; the iceman brings his "chill" in the summer; but the thing that brings a "chill" to our competitors both summer and winter is the COLD FACT that the Rambler is only \$40... Ideal in name—Ideal in fact'.

Advertisement for Fred T. Merrill Cycle Company, featuring G. & J. Tires and various bicycle models. Text includes: 'Rambler are all-the-year-round wheels. Look at them on the streets during this weather. The corrugations on the great G. & J. TIRES PREVENTS THEM FROM SLIPPING. \$20 \$25 \$30... Fred T. Merrill Cycle Company 105-107-109-111 Sixth Street, Portland, Oregon'.



THE RECEPTION AT THE HOTEL, PORTLAND.

clusters of calla lilies, while the mantels were lanked in with moss and filled with lilies, resting on their own green leaves. About the apartment windows were stands filled with lilies and bright, crimson tulip blossoms, and at intervals were tall sprays filled with great clusters of double crimson carnations. A wreath of lilies and white roses graced all the side walls, and the soft music of a stringed orchestra floated forth from a bower of woodland greens and fragrant roses.

From a table covered with a crimson satin cloth and dished here and there with growing lilies of the valley, claret cups and cognac were served by Miss Bude Stott and Miss Edna Johnson. In the small reception-room adjoining the main hall was a round tea table, decked in most artistic fashion. The cloth was of green satin, covered with white lace, and scattered over with long-stemmed Marie Louise violets, while in the center was tall crystal vases, filled with the same fragrant flowers.

About the board were clusters of golden daffodils, beneath which were fancy lights. At this table sat Mrs. Wesley Ladd, Mrs. Charles E. Cheney and Mrs. E. C. Mears.

From buffets laden with great bunches of California violets and maidenhair fern succulent repast was served, at the pleasure of the guests.

Mrs. Bowers and Mrs. Wright were assisted in receiving by Mrs. H. W. Good, Mrs. C. J. Reed, Miss Alsworth and Miss Deak.

Altogether the entertainment was one of the most delightful that has taken place this season.

Dr. Wise is at room 614, Dekam.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Real Estate Transfers.

Building Permits.

deserve success in their efforts to protect property at Sunnyside. The Sunnyside Republican Club will make an effort to provide its members with uniforms for the coming state and national campaign. The members have had this matter under contemplation for some time, and have about formulated their program. They know what they want in the way of color, and have been getting them made up.

The members of Gilbert camp, No. 4, Second Oregon, are making preparations for the lecture by Chaplain W. E. Gilbert tomorrow evening at Centenary Methodist church. He will tell about his experiences in the Philippine islands when he was chaplain of the Second Oregon, and it will be the first time he has spoken on that subject on the East Side.

The Brooklyn school, on Milwaukee street, has prepared an interesting program to be presented in Pose hall, Hawthorne and Grand avenues, Wednesday night. The affair is for the benefit of the school library, which stands in need of replenishing. Some excellent talent will assist. Among those taking part are Mrs. Campbell, who will give an exhibition of club-swinging, of which he is a past master.

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Baker City, started the excitement, with the announcement of better than \$100 ore at the 80-foot level. News of this strike spread during the night, and before morning it is reported that no less than 40 men were driving stakes on the unclaimed ground in that vicinity.

MANY MINING CLAIMS FILED.

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A Pistol Ball Nearly Spilled His First Drink in Gold Digging.

YOUTH'S COMPANION.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

A Personal Statement.

GOOD FOR YOU.

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gress. If my name were mentioned by my friends, I would consider it a compliment, but so far as I can learn, this mention has been made only by those who would oppose my candidacy under any circumstances and is evidently made for the purpose of embarrassing me and some of my political associates. I desire to say that I do not, never have, been and will not be candidate for this nomination. I could not be nominated if I desired and will not accept the nomination if it was tendered me.

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