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The home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Strong of this city, was the scene of a pretty wedding Thursday afternoon...

The engagement of Miss Luella Holberg of this city, and Mr. William Schummeffel, of Sacramento, Cal., was announced at a social affair given at the home of her adopted parents...

Miss Naomi Williamson was surprised by a number of her friends at her home in this city Wednesday evening...

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Wright were given a surprise party in honor of their silver wedding anniversary on Wednesday evening by a large number of their best Astoria friends.

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Miss Carrie Wilson and Miss Anna Knudson entertained about 30 of their young friends at six-handed euchre Friday evening at the home of the former.

Rev. and Mrs. C. H. McDermoth were surprised by a number of the friends and parishioners Friday evening in celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Joshua Stearns gave a charming luncheon Thursday in honor of Mrs. J. A. Parker, state regent D. A. E. The centerpiece was a wheel and distaff, the emblem of the order, done in the colors with blue and white sweet peas.

At Collins Hot Springs. COLLINS, Wash., Sept. 3.—(Special.)—Misses Nell Hawkins, Vere C. Flynn, Dorothy Newhall, Mame Cronin, Vesta Hagston, Maud Moore, Annie Armitage, Charlotte Ashby, Anna Reldy, Messrs. George W. Wilson, Joe Cronin, Joe Wiley, J. Kavanagh, G. Ragnall, A. E. Kerrigan, Harry Lonsdale, James Giesan, G. Lehberg, Messdames J. Henton, P. J. Cronin, H. H. Newhall, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Thorn E. Armitage, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Portland, Paul French, The Dalles; Bernard E. O'Connor, Indianapolis, Ind., are having a jolly time at Collins Hot Springs.

HOFFMANN, FAMOUS PIANIST, COMING

First Great Offering of Season Sure to Attract Big Audience of Musical Enthusiasts.

THE announcement that Josef Hoffmann, the Polish pianist, will be heard in Portland, Monday, September 28, under the auspices of Miss Lois Steers, is sure to be hailed with keen delight by musical people, who are no doubt eager for the dull, long-continued Summer inactivity to come to an end.

There is reason to believe that sets will go like hotcakes, for Hoffmann's name is one to conjure with. He has visited Portland only once before, in the season of 1901, and the spell of his genius at that time was so great in his power to arouse enthusiasm that he was compelled to alter his plans elsewhere to play a return engagement here.

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His musical debut. First Appearance Here of Arthur Alexander, Tenor.

The opening of the local musical season participated in exclusively by home talent will be the complimentary musical given by Laurens S. Pease, at the Hobart-Curtis, Tuesday evening, at 8:30 o'clock, in honor of Arthur Alexander, the tenor singer who has decided to make his home in this city.

Mr. Alexander's debut will be watched with interest, and he is already assured of a responsive audience. The admission will be by invitation, and invitations will be issued toward the latter end of last week.

Assisting Mr. Alexander will be: Mrs. Rose Bloch-Bauer, soprano; Mrs. Walter Reed, contralto; Don J. Zan, baritone; William Wallace Graham, violinist; and Edgar E. Courson at the piano.

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included the overture to the "Flying Dutchman," march with chorus by Ludwig van Beethoven, "The Merry Widow" overture from "Tannhauser," prelude to "Tristan" and selections from "Lobengrin," a programme which today attracted an audience in a minute almost almost...

Miss Marguerite Longacre, dramatic soprano and reader, Seattle, was the guest of honor at an informal musical given last Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Edward Aiden Beale, Everett street, and delighted her hearers by the excellent programme given.

The first presentation of "Parafal" in English in New York under the management of Henry W. Sawyer will be made Monday evening, November 7. In all probability it will be given at the Garden Theater.

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