

PORTLAND WOMEN'S CLUB MEMBERS HAVE SHOWER FOR BENEFIT OF POOR

Overlook Club Also Taking Active Interest in Philanthropic Work and Coterie Is Providing Milk for One Baby While Paying Rent for Elderly Woman and Doing Other Social Work.



Mrs. F. O. Breckenridge, Treasurer

BY EDITH KNIGHT HOLMES

EACH member of the current literature department of the Portland Women's Club who attended the meeting on Thursday took with her a bulky and mysterious bundle which contained some substantial and timely gift suitable for the poor. There were jellies and cakes and articles of clothing, something for the grown-ups and gifts for the children. And how the clubwomen did enjoy their Christmas shower, for it was a means of bringing happiness to those who are in need.

The department met at the home of Mrs. C. M. Hooper, in Lauretta street. Christmas stories, readings and songs were features, and a dainty luncheon was served, but the bundles were the center of interest. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. O. P. M. Jamison after the holidays.

The Overlook Club, which met on Friday, is another organization that has taken an interest in philanthropic work and has given extensively to several poor families.

The Coterie, which met in the Hotel Imperial on Wednesday, is providing milk for a family in which there is a little baby and is paying the rent for an elderly woman. In addition they are doing considerable general social service work.



Mrs. G. H. Watson, Vice-Pres.

The Lavender Club, branch No. 1, met on Friday in the home of Mrs. W. R. Lamb, 322 East Taylor street, where a surprise party was arranged for Mrs. Anna Smith, who will leave soon to join the Winter in Southern California. Sixteen members attended.

The following is an official announcement from Mrs. Charlene H. Caster, president of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, to the federated clubs throughout the state:

Your attention is called to article IX, section 1, of the constitution of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, as follows:

"The secretary annual dues shall be paid January 1 and become delinquent February 1."

Each club treasurer is to see that this is done and it is desirable that all clubs respond to the secretary of the Federation.

Checks and money orders should be made payable to Mrs. Alexander Thompson, The Dalles, Or.

The Outlook Club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hassen at their home in Rose City Park last Tuesday night.

Following the business meeting and election of officers for the coming year, a pleasant social hour was enjoyed.

The members of this progressive club are planning to assist several needy families at Christmas time with clothing, toys and Christmas dinners.

The newly elected officers are: President, Arthur W. Hassen; vice-president, E. E. Hattell; secretary, Mrs. G. F. Thompson; treasurer, Fred H. Houser.

Kennedy Parent-Teacher Association will hold a candy and cookie sale on Thursday for the benefit of the social service fund. In the evening the pupils of the school will give a Christmas program.

Monday's delightful event was the meeting of Chapter A, F. R. O. Sisterhood, in the home of Mrs. O. W. Mullin, on Halsey street. Mrs. Thomas G. Greene gave a reading which was praised by the literary committee. Mrs. Townsend Wells carried off the prize. As the gathering was a birthday party, an unique feature introduced was seen in the individual features of the winter bright candies. The honored guests were Mrs. E. J. Jaeger, Mrs. J. P. Jaeger, Mrs. W. P. Jones and Miss Marjorie Lewis.



Mrs. Robert Berger, President Overlook Club

ham, Courtney Station. A programme on increasing home efficiency will follow a short business session. Mrs. Marjorie Demara will speak on "What is the Home For?"; Mrs. E. J. Alexander, "Home Administration"; and Mrs. Wilfred Skulason on "Saving and Efficiency."

The Mothers' Club, of Albina, will have a Christmas meeting December 22. At its last meeting Judge Clifton spoke on the Juvenile Court work. Mrs. Ollman and Mrs. O. P. Church had charge of the programme. Familiar lyrics were sung.

Llewellyn Parent-Teacher Association had an interesting meeting Wednesday. Songs and exercises by the little third and fourth grade children made an attractive opening feature. The little people were well drilled and showed second latent. Superintendent Alderman gave an address in which he advocated close co-operation between the teachers and parents.

Miss Harriet Wood, school librarian, spoke on the importance of encouraging an appreciation for good literature by young children.

The Daughters of the Confederacy met on Thursday with Mrs. Anton Gleibich. Mrs. V. M. C. Silva read a paper written by her mother, Mrs. Duff. The paper was "General Johnson." Mrs. R. D. Stone sang. A dainty luncheon was served at the close of the programme.

In response to numerous requests for evening classes in the study of Shakespeare, the Portland Shakespeare Club has taken a step in extension work and has made arrangements to open classes for the benefit of those who are occupied during the day. These classes will open in January and will be open to men as well as women. A class for young people will be arranged for the month of February. Those wishing to take an interest in these classes may notify Mrs. Anton Gleibich, 512 Halsey street; telephone East 232.

Three departments of the Portland Women's Club held well attended meetings on Friday. The psychology department was addressed by Mrs. Caroline Dunlap, who spoke on "Self-Reliance." Mrs. C. H. Simmons is chairman. Dr. Haber gave an exceptionally fine lecture on art, illustrating it with stereoscopic slides from the pictures of the old masters. Dr. William Wallace Youngman addressed the literature department, taking as his subject "The Village Preacher," from Goldsmith's "Deserted Village."

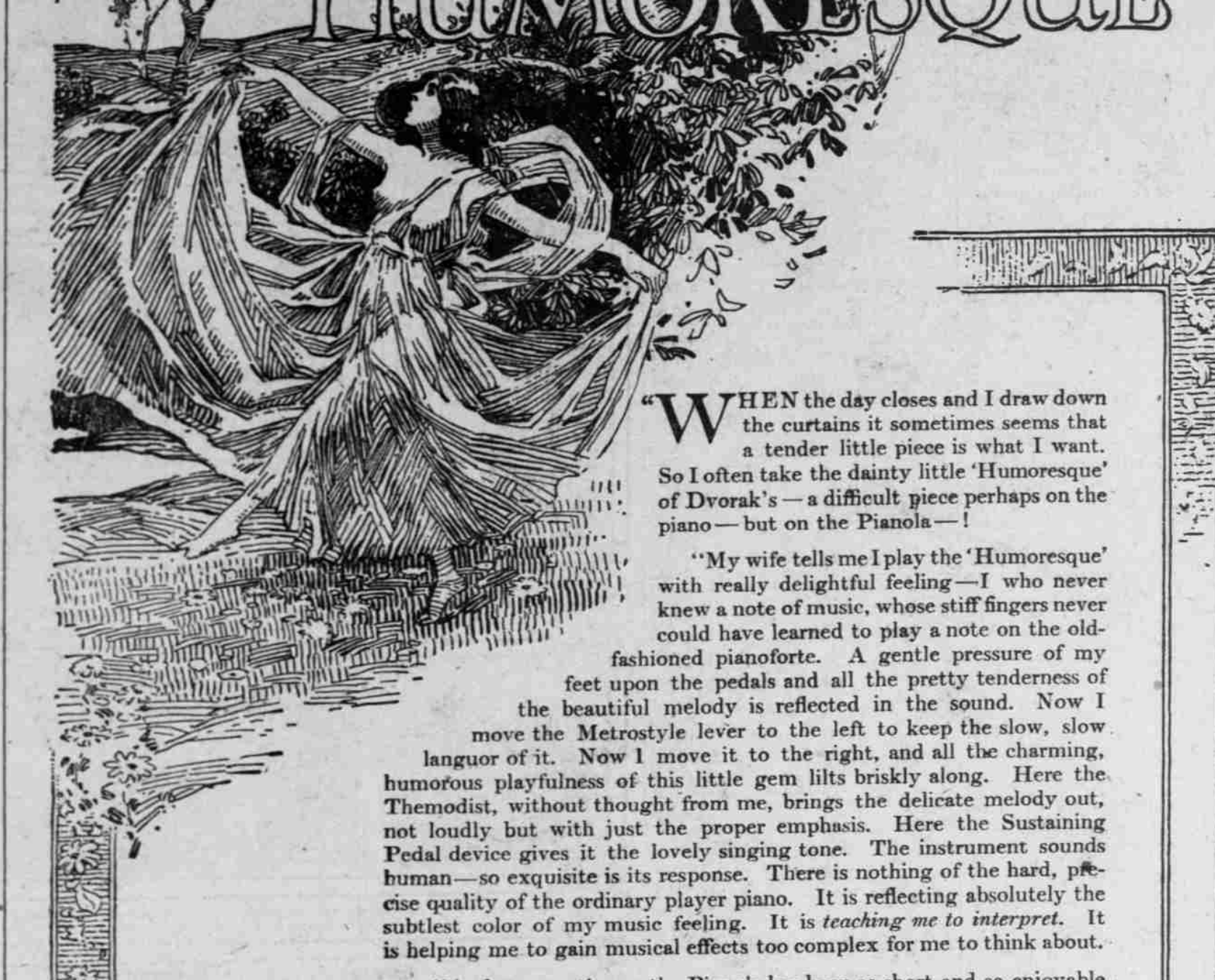
The Dallas Woman's Club has aided the Red Cross sale materially and has held a bazaar at which \$67.90 was realized.

Bandages and surgical dressings for the Red Cross Society have been made by the Colony Club, of Seaside.

Mrs. E. T. Wade was recently selected president of the Pendleton Civic Club. Other officers elected were: Mrs. John F. Robinson, vice-president; Mrs. J. E. Mullin, secretary; Mrs. E. B. Aldrich, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Charles Greenleaf, treasurer; Mrs. James John; Mrs. N. Berkeley and Mrs. H. E. Ring, auditors.

Mrs. Alta M. Crabtree, president of the Stephens School Parent-Teacher Association, gave an informal reception at her home, 385 East Eighth street, Tuesday for the parents of Stephens School District. Mrs. Chapman, of the Richmond Circle, gave a talk on the work of the circle in her district. These "get acquainted" meetings will do much toward making the association a larger and more progressive one.

Miss Harriet Wood, school librarian, gave an address in which she discussed the best literature for children at the regular monthly meeting of the Llewellyn Parent-Teacher Association.



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Clark read a paper on the high schools of Oregon and Mrs. Lawrence Phillips read a Christmas story, "Bobbie's First Christmas." Miss Jean McKeercher gave a piano selection. The next meeting will be with Mrs. McKeercher, 654 Halsey street, January 1.

Stephens School Parent-Teacher Circle met Thursday. A splendid programme was given by the pupils of the sixth and seventh grades. Mrs. I. W. Swank, of the social service department of the Portland Council, outlined the work of her department, which is one of the most important of the association.

Mrs. George W. McMath, president of the Oregon Congress of Mothers and State Parent-Teacher Association, gave an address which was profitable and interesting. Mrs. Sauter resigned as treasurer and Miss Mary E. Fryer was elected to the vacancy for the ensuing year.

The Women's Political Science Club will hold its meeting at 2:30 Tuesday in room A, Public Library. Answer to rollcall will be "The Christmas Spirit." Dr. C. H. Chapman will speak on the topic, "Will the Sword Bring Peace?" The public is invited.

The Monday Evening Delphian Club met last week in the Library. "Hilbrew Beginnings" was the subject. At the meeting of December 27, the subject will be "Era of Judges."

The Portland Psychology Club will meet Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, room H, Central Library.

Fair Grounds Being Improved.
CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—As the result of a long and hard winter, the grounds will present a much improved appearance next fall. The race track inclosure has been plowed up and next spring will be seeded to oats. After this crop is harvested, grass will be sown, and at next year's fair a level stretch of green will supplant the heretofore unsightly

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two Spanish dances by Mozzkowsky and two of Nevin's "Woodland Sketches."

Miss Margaret A. Hanson was soloist for the Wilson League Club last Wednesday. Miss Cora Broyles was accompanist.

The Monday Musical Club will hold a Christmas party tomorrow afternoon from 2:30 to 5 o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs. Percy W. Lewis, 360 East Forty-seventh street North. All members of the club are asked to be present. To reach Mrs. Lewis' home, board a Rose City car, get off at Forty-seventh street and walk south to Broadway.

Miss Helene Mainwaring appeared in most attractive Spanish costume and sang "Estudintina" (Paul Lacombe) of the Progressive Business Men's Club luncheon at the Hotel Multnomah Thursday, responding with a popular number as encore. The charming singer has just returned from filling several professional engagements at San Francisco, to continue her vocal studies with Madame Huesman. Mrs. Captiva Auger made an efficient accompanist.

Miss Gertrude Hoerber played enjoyable violin solos last Thursday at the meeting of the current literature department of the Portland Women's Club, held in her mother's home on Lauretta street.

J. William Belcher, tenor, was a soloist for the Marshall-street Presbyterian Church concert last Tuesday night. Mr. Belcher has not been singing of late and it was a special treat to again hear his pleasant tenor voice. Mr. Belcher sang in Verdi's "La Donna Mobile," from Ferdia's "Rigo-

lutto," and "Among the Lilies" (Dana). Both numbers were much enjoyed.

At the Little Theater, Twenty-third and Washington streets, Wednesday night, December 23, the music part of the solo dance music will be contributed to by Waldemar Lind, violinist; Ferdinand Konrad, cellist; R. E. Millard, flutist; W. Elliot, harpist, and Dr. Max Cushing, pianist.

The choir of St. Mary's Cathedral will sing the following masses Christmas day: Gounod's "Mass in Honor of St. Cecilia," at 6 A. M. and Montani's "Missa Solemnis, Te Deum Laudamus" at the solemn pontifical mass at 11 A. M.

During the concert a man who really appreciated music for its own sake was greatly annoyed by a young dude in front of him who kept talking to the girl at his side.

"What a nuisance!" finally exclaimed the appreciative man.

"Do you refer to me, sir?" threateningly demanded the dude.

"Oh, no, I mean the musicians. They keep up such a noise with their instruments that I can't hear half of your brilliant conversation."—Buffalo (N. Y.) Commercial.

Sir Edward Elgar's cantata, "Dream of Gerontius," will be sung by a chorus of 50 in San Francisco early next month.

A concert of unusual merit will take place December 23 at Centenary Methodist Church, when the following well-known musicians will appear: The Warren sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton Stowers, Dr. Stuart McGuire; Vern Isom, violinist; George D. Hieb and Glen Shelly, accompanists. Miss Aileen Brown will delight with her reading.

Idaho Report Nearly Ready.
GRANGEVILLE, Idaho, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—A. F. Parker, a member of the commission appointed by Governor Moses Alexander to investigate the feasibility of a north and south rail-

road through Central Idaho, has returned from Spokane, where he was in consultation with J. J. Day, of Latah County, relative to the report to be made soon to the governor.

PLAYGROUND ACTION PENDS
Lewis County School Superintendent Withholds Opinion.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—On his return from Bellingham, where he attended the convention of County School Superintendents of the state, at which the question of playground apparatus was discussed in detail, A. C. Canterbury, Lewis County superintendent, asserts that he will take no action on the matter, leaving it up to the directors of each separate district.

Mr. Canterbury says he will not attempt to advise the directors either to attempt to abandon the apparatus already installed. As the result of the recent decision of the Supreme Court holding districts liable for injuries, Centralia and several other districts already have abandoned their apparatus. More will probably follow suit, but others will retain what they have and even add more, safeguarding each piece so that no serious accidents may occur.

Masons at Albany Hold Election.
ALBANY, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Charles H. Weider has been chosen high priest of Bailey Chapter No. 8 Royal Arch Masons, of this city, and other officers have been elected as follows: Dan Johnston, king; John R. Penland, scribe; Charles H. Cusick, captain of the host; Ray O. Bushong, principal sojourner; John A. Campbell, royal arch captain; W. S. Weaver, master of third veil; Frank Heydman, master of second veil; L. H. Fish, master of first veil; H. N. Bouley, treasurer; Edward Washburn, secretary; W. E. Bsker, Tyler; W. R. Bilyeu, trustee.