

# Society

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Mrs. James E. Davidson, who will soon leave for the East to make her home. She is being extensively entertained.



Miss Edith Olds, who is en route to Panama with her mother.



Mrs. Harold W. Young, hostess for a charming dinner dance.



Miss Robert Stubbs, a charming young bride of this season.

crino Hart, Donald J. Sterling, R. Crozier.

Mrs. John S. Parke entertained Tuesday with a luncheon in honor of Miss Alice Tucker, now Mrs. Spencer Biddle, and the following day, Wednesday, Mrs. David T. Honeyman was a luncheon hostess, also complimenting the bride. Tuesday night Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett entertained for the couple with an Orpheum box party.

A charming affair of Friday night was the dance given by the members of the Portland Heights Club for their president, James E. Davidson and Mrs. Davidson, the former of whom will leave this week for his new post at Omaha, with the Electric Bond & Share Company. Mrs. Davidson and the children will follow within a few weeks. Friday night's dance was especially gay and interesting, an elaborate supper closing the festivities. Practically every member of the club turned out to bid adieu to their popular president. A number of affairs have made the week delightful for the popular couple, the afternoons being devoted to luncheons, teas and matinee parties for Mrs. Davidson. Dinners and theater parties in the evening in which Mr. Davidson has shared the honors have marked the evenings.

Society folk are taking a great deal of interest in the opera season, which will open here at the Eleventh-street Theater for three performances on March 5. The Boston National Grand Opera, with many Portland favorites, will give this brief season of opera, and even at this early date the prospective patrons are preparing their lists of guests, both for dinner parties to precede the festivity and the box and line parties that make the Eleventh-street Playhouse resplendent with marvelous gowns and jewels. An interesting feature of the kowning of the stars of the operas, especially that of the Japanese prima donna, is the enormous price and magnificence of one hair-

One of the line parties was made up of Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Wernicke, Miss Ruth Teal, Miss Isabelle Gauld, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Crumpacker, Miss Kath-

followed up by supper and dancing at the Multnomah Hotel. One of the largest parties was that given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Simon, who left Thursday for California for several months' visit. The party occupied two boxes, and included the Simons, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ehrman, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Fleischer, Mrs. Edmund Frank, Mrs. Ludwig Hirsch, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Selzer and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Louisson.

An event of interest scheduled for this morning is the cross-country run to be taken by the members of the Portland Hunt Club, starting at 9 o'clock from the riding academy and finishing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Nicol, Firlock station, where they will be entertained at breakfast. Later the assemblage of smartly attired equestriennes will be pictured by the cinema man, who will represent a large film exchange, the pictures to be shown all over the country.

The premiere event of the week socially and musically is the recital tomorrow night at the Masonic Temple, when the MacDowell Club will present Mrs. Thomas Carrick Burke and Thomas Spiering in a piano and violin recital.

Of paramount importance among the Valentine festivities is the annual Valentine tea which will be given this year at the home of Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett. A feature of the event is the programme of dancing to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Grady, the clever and artistic interpreters of the art terpsichore.

On the same day the first of the series of talks on Russian literature and current events will be given at the Little Theater by the celebrated Dr. J. D. Landsfield.

Monday night was a gala one at the Orpheum vaudeville, a number of prominent folk making up line and box parties. In all cases, the festivities were

loom. It is valued at \$12,000 and it came to petite Madame Tamaki Miura through the friendship of a descendant of an old Japanese noble family.

The gown was given to her by this descendant, and it is of the heaviest of pure black silk, with most intricate of needlework, in which pure gold thread is employed. Jewels stud many of the center figures of the embroidery.

As she makes a specialty of the two great Japanese roles in opera—Chochō-san in "Madame Butterfly" and Iris in the opera of that name—the question of wardrobe is a paramount one.

And in the matter of wardrobe, it is interesting to note that because of the gradual transition from the ancient mode of the European, the famous robes of former days having been discarded, the actors of the country are now reputed to possess the best representative costumes of the old Japanese.

Miss Alice Tucker's wedding, which was a smart event of last night, to Spencer Biddle, was one of the most unusual and attractive weddings of the season. The bride, who is a charming and lovely girl, was attended by her sister, Miss Esther Tucker, Lewis Mills acting as best man. Dr. A. A. Morrison

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VALENTINE, the patron saint of romance, mystery and sentiment, will rule supreme over the social gaieties of this week. Around the engaged girls and their consorts-to-be the major portion of the festivities will revolve, for there always must be a reason for social affairs. Visitors to the city and those leaving for their homes or sojourns South or East also will be included in the hosts' invitational lists. This week, however, no other motif is needed for entertainment, as St. Valentine is all-sufficient excuse for all the frivolity that can be crowded into seven days.

Spring, bringing in its wake the most marvelous assortment of riotous blossoms, beckoning to the passerby from the shop windows, inspires many of the hospitable matrons and maids to entertain, for floral decorations play an important part in the social life. With a hostess it is always the "time, place and flowers," the other minor details, such as personal adornment, being secondary considerations, and what better variety or more wonderful coloring could be found anywhere? Even the rare white lilac's fragrance reaches beyond the portals of the doorways of the florist's shop, suggesting restful country lanes and farms in the early morning, which brings us to the full realization that the Lenten period is upon us, to be quickly followed by Easter and the early summer vacations.

Among the events of interest that have made the past week gay were the splendid concert given by Hartidge Whipp on Tuesday night at the Masonic Temple, the luncheon at which Miss Katharine Ecob was honor guest on Monday, Mrs. John A. Keating, hostess, the dinner and theater party given Tuesday night by Charles S. Holbrook in honor of Miss Mears and Norman N. Rupp; the dinner and theater party, also on Tuesday night,

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