

LIBRARY NIGHT AT C. C. MEETING

Spirit of Harmony and Good Fellowship Dominates Throughout.

Not what style of architecture or how many thousand dollars might be raised, but how soon it will be till Marshfield can have a library of instructive and helpful books for her boys and girls and citizens, was the tenor of Friday's meeting in the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce rooms. The driving rain and wind storm that continued unabated prior to and throughout the meeting, served only to accentuate the impression of deep hearted earnestness, stamped on the faces of the mothers and fathers assembled, and marking the words of each speaker. It was a meeting fraught with promise for Marshfield. Though its fruits may not be visible, Friday's meeting marked another milestone in the city's progress. There were no arguments, no deviations from one straight line; the short cut to the library. How to accomplish the consummation of the project and what that consummation will stand for were the topics of the different speakers.

The meeting was opened by Ira Smith, who recited briefly its object and what had been accomplished by the library committee. Mr. Smith introduced Attorney George Farrin, who made a well chosen talk on the practical advantages derived by a city from a public library. Attorney Farrin, in speaking of the expense entailed, cited police statistics and said that much of the money now spent in Coos county for prosecutions would be saved were there a proper atmosphere in which to develop the child in the formative period. He also touched on the value of the library to the adult.

He was followed by M. C. Horton, of the First Trust and Savings bank of Coos Bay. It was evident from the clarity and nature of Mr. Horton's remarks that he has made a close study of the different phases of the library question. Citing the need of proper intellectual surroundings for the boys, he stated that the dime novel was more conducive of crime than any other one cause. "Show me the character of your boys," said Mr. Horton, "and the influences thrown around them, and I will show you the future of your city." Touching on the matter of a city tax for the institution he said that this would serve to enhance its value in the minds of many citizens who would otherwise be indifferent. Supplementing Mr. Horton's remarks Dr. J. T. McCormac emphasized the taxation feature of the library. "The fact that it is established by taxation will make it a matter of individual interest to all," he said. "It will have the effect of taking hundreds of persons there who otherwise would not go to a free library."

E. D. McArthur, the Front street druggist, gave a forceful and logical exposition on the need of a library. "The American of today," said Mr. McArthur, "is a composite of all the intellectual nations of the earth. We have attained an extremely high plane of mentality. We must either leave behind a monument of our educational advancement or a flat failure." He reiterated the value of the view advanced by Attorney Farrin on the development of youth, stating that the cost of prosecuting a murder trial one month would more than

pay the tax on the library for a year."

"I feel as Rufus Choate did when he was called upon to put the incontrovertible on a firm basis," said Francis H. Clarke as he acknowledged the introduction of Chairman McCormac. In substance Mr. Clarke told of the wonderful growth which the Pacific coast has enjoyed, its golden future promise; how, in a comparatively short time, the most titanic commercial war the world has ever witnessed will be fought on these shores by the nations of the world. He showed how Marshfield and Coos Bay, by reason of the geographical situation, the resources and the harbor, will be affected by this commercialistic warfare. "And," he continued, "in the great development that is even now upon us where will Marshfield be; she will be just where she has a 'mind' to be. You can't build a city on mere commercial and manufacturing institutions. You must have something greater and grander than all that; something that reaches the intellect, the mind . . . I don't care how we get the library. I believe we should pursue the line of least resistance. I am not one of those who believe in 'tainted money.' I don't believe money can be tainted. If it can be then we ought to get it in action and renovate it." Mr. Clark brought out several excellent points, of which lack of space prohibits mention.

Following Mr. Clarke Mayor Straw advanced some good arguments in favor of a public library. He was followed by Seymour H. Bell who spoke in favor of the project and the pressing need of immediate action. Following these speeches Secretary Lyon announced that Mr. Bell has offered a cash prize of \$10 to the public or high school student of Marshfield writing the best essay on, "Benefits of a High School." Mayor Straw and Mrs. Sengstacken were appointed judges of the contest. The prize essay is to be turned into Secretary Lyon by Thursday night, of next week, in order that it may be read before next week's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. Following the prize essay announcement, the meeting adjourned.

Facts About the Grip.

The grip is highly infectious. It stimulates other diseases. The grip picks out the weak points of a person's constitution. The grip in itself is by no means a mortal disease. The victims of the grip are adults who perish from pneumonia or bronchitis, and the aged who sink from heart exhaustion. Children, while prone to the disease, enjoy a comparative immunity from its complications and dangers. In adults the attack, as a rule, comes on with lightning like speed, health is suddenly overcome by a feeling of discomfort and depression. He "runs" at the nose; he feels chilly; his head aches; his eyes pain him. What to do—go to bed at once; take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and quinine as directed for influenza. Do this and the grip is soon shorn of its terrors. For sale by John Preuss.



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Femininity was out of its element and in its glory Saturday night at the Leap Year Ball given by the Fraternal Union of America. No blushing maids graced the wall seats while the dance music sounded—the maids did this duty; also there was a fearsome lack of those charming little wiles and graces which go far toward filling the feminine program on ordinary occasions. Saturday night was an occasion extraordinary. Femininity trampled in the dust the mask of artificial conventionalism; trampled it fiercely and ruthlessly, in revenge for four years of hardship. Many a dashing "heart-breaker" did lone sentry duty in the lobby of I. O. O. F. hall; also there was an abnormal increase in cigar consumption, over ordinary occasions. But "hope reigns eternal in the human breast," and the lobby audience, generally, felt that, after all, the indifference Saturday night was only for the purpose of pique, and not an expression of the heart.

In spite of the rain over one hundred persons attended the ball, and a most enjoyable time was had. The music of the Acme band was of the dashing, inspiring kind, and was deeply enjoyed by all. Dancing continued until about 2 o'clock Sunday morning. The affair was well handled and the ladies and gentlemen in charge are deserving of much praise. Following are the lodge members who handled the arrangements and acted as entertainment committee Saturday night: Mrs. F. A. Sacchi, Mrs. R. W. Simeral, Villa McGlothlin, Charles Corthell, R. W. Simeral and Tom Nichols. The lemonade booth was in charge of Charles Corthell. Floor committee: Mrs. Sacchi, Mrs. Simeral, Mrs. Denning, Miss McGlothlin.

Priscillas Entertain.—Gentlemen were entertained by the members of the Priscilla Club Saturday evening at the residence of Miss Mamie M'honey. The affair was equally interesting, socially and psychologically. In keeping with the Biextile period customs were reversed and the fortunate members of the perennially hard-worked male sex, who attended, were accorded a well-merited rest. Carriages called for them at their homes, and, accompanied by their thoughtful escorts and a generous bouquet of flowers, they were conveyed to the home of the hostess, where the customs of leap year were observed. Seven couples attended, and a delightful evening was passed with cards and other forms of social relaxation. In bridge whist first prizes were taken by Mrs. Ingram and S. K. Gettins. Luncheon was served.

--CRYSTAL THEATRE--

Tonight - Tuesday - Wednesday

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SHE WON'T PAY RENT.—You will laugh at the way this woman beat the rent collector.

ORANGE PEEL.—A comic kid chase, showing the amusing mishaps of a bunch of people who slipped on the orange peel. "Laugh and the world laughs with you; weep and the laugh's on you."

DEMARIUS GABBERT will sing the great Irish ballad, "The Land of the Celt and the Gael." This song is illustrated with a finely colored set of views, showing the quaint and picturesque beauties of Erin's Isle.

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