

The Social Side of Coos Bay



I BLOW YOU A KISS.
 I blow you a kiss on the evening wind,
 My dear, wherever you be—
 Up in the north or down in the south
 Or over the rolling sea.

I blow you a kiss, but after the kiss
 Do you know what follows, my dear?
 Something the wind cannot bring to you—
 Only a little tear.

MY LADY'S LID.

My seat!
 Where did she get that hat?
 Who ever did
 Invent a lady's lid
 Like that?
 Who had the nerve to roll it out
 And stretch it more and more,
 From centrepiece to rim, until
 It spreads from shore to shore,
 And likewise lifts its summit up,
 On birds' and other wings,
 Above the earth until it scrapes
 The clouds and other things?
 Who added to the wondrous width
 Of brim, so that the space
 Could easily accommodate
 An automobile race?
 Say, who done that?
 Who built her hat?
 Who made it something never seen
 On earth or in the sky.
 A hat of wide extended plain,
 A mountain towering high?
 Cut wider doors for her to get
 Inside of any place,
 And put the ceiling on the roof
 To give her nodding space.
 Push up the clouds to let her stand
 Erect upon the ground,
 And shove the wide horizon back
 To let her turn around.
 Oh, weirdly, witching woody hat
 That flattens out and towers—
 Who ever saw a thing like that—
 A pancake piled with flowers?
 A hat contagious—spreading? Yes,
 That names the Merry Wid.
 And she who fails to catch it should
 Slip out and change her lid.
 Gee whiz!
 What a wonder woman is!
 And my seat!
 Where DID she get that hat?
 W. J. LAMPTON.

SHYLY as a debutante in her first season in Coos Bay society emerges from the dim Lenten retirement into the broad light of bridge whist parties and prospective plans for future functions. There were but two important events during the week and a few scheduled for the coming week.

There were two weddings but they were participated in from afar and served chiefly to turn the tide of conversation into the channels of conjugal bliss. There are more or less well founded rumor that at least one more of the Millicoma's bachelor brigade will soon follow Anson Rogers into the rapidly increasing class of Leap Year Benedicts.

And speaking of brides and Benedicts revives the many quaint and curious superstitions and charms that cling to bridal lore. Here are a few of them:

If you wish to be lucky you must according to an old adage, wear "something old and something new, something borrowed and something blue."

According to another old rhyme in the choice of the day for the wedding, you find the following superstitions are still frequently believed:

"Monday for health,
 Tuesday for wealth,
 Wednesday the best day of all!
 Thursday for crosses
 Saturday no luck at all."
 Instances are known, however, where brides who have chosen a day in defiance of the old rhyme have been very prosperous and happy.

The month of May used to be considered a very unlucky month in which to be married, but many persons nowadays put aside the old superstition and prefer to be married in this beautiful month of spring.

Another old saying is:

"Who changes name and not for better,
 marries for worse and not for better."

You should not try on the entire bridal costume, veil and all, before you dress for the altar.

If however, you shed a few tears on your wedding day it will signify happiness.

The old saying, "three times a bridesmaid, never a bride," has proven so frequently to be false that few persons nowadays stop to consider it.

That the bridesmaid who is so fortunate as to catch the bride's bouquet when she tosses it among her bridesmaids before going away will be the first one to be married is a superstition fondly held by all.

A bride who finds a spider on her wedding dress may consider herself blessed.

The bride who dreams of fairies the night before her marriage will be thrice blessed.

If the wedding ring is dropped during the ceremony, the bride may as well wish herself single, for she will always have III luck.

If the bridesman carries a miniature horseshoe in his pocket he will always have good luck.

No bride or bridesmaid should be given a telegram on the way to

church. It is positively a sign of evil.

Kiss a bride right after the ceremony, and before the newly made husband has a chance to do so, and you will have excellent luck through the year.

Should a bride perchance see a coffin while being driven to the railway station prior to her departure upon her wedding tour, she should order the driver to turn back and start over again, or else she will surely meet with bad luck.

Mrs. E. Mings entertained a large number of guests on Monday last. Bridge was played and prizes won by Mrs. David Stafford and Mrs. I. S. Kaufman. Luncheon was served late in the afternoon. Those accepting Mrs. Mings' hospitality were: Mrs. I. S. Kaufman, Mrs. G. W. Kaufman, Mrs. C. Perry, Mrs. David Stafford, Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mrs. Boyd Richardson, Mrs. J. T. McCormac, Mrs. Arthur McKeown, Mrs. John S. Coke, Mrs. E. G. Perham, Mrs. E. E. Straw, Mrs. Otto Schetter, Mrs. John Flanagan, Mrs. E. G. Flanagan, Mrs. Wm. Lawlor, Mrs. C. E. Nicholson, Mrs. J. Albert Matson, Miss Stella O'Connell, Miss Kaufman, Miss Butler, Miss Mahoney, Miss McCormac, Miss Anderson, Miss Hutchison.

Mrs. John S. Coke entertained at Bridge on Wednesday of this week. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion with blossoms. Prizes were captured by Mrs. E. E. Straw and Mrs. J. A. Matson. Mrs. Coke was assisted in serving an elaborate luncheon by Miss Evelyn Anderson and Miss Agnes Hutchison. Those present were Mrs. J. A. Matson, Mrs. E. Mings, Mrs. James Flanagan, Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mrs. Wm. Horsfall, Jr., Mrs. F. A. Golden, Mrs. B. M. Richardson, Mrs. J. T. McCormac, Mrs. E. E. Straw, Mrs. James Lyon, Mrs. E. G. Perham, Mrs. G. W. Kaufman, Mrs. Wm. Merchant, Mrs. Elizabeth Minot, Mrs. Herbert Lockhart, Mrs. H. S. Tower of Marshfield, and Miss Anderson, Miss Hutchison, Mrs. L. J. Simpson, Mrs. R. H. Gale and Miss Anne Flanagan of North Bend.

Mrs. B. M. Richardson leaves soon for Portland where she will meet Dr. Richardson who is returning from six months study under eye and ear specialists in New York.

The Sigma Chi house-boat is being overhauled for the summer season up Coos River.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Brown leave shortly for the East to be gone about two months.

Several new bungalows will be occupied by summer residents of Coos River this year.

Owing to the illness of L. J. Simpson, the Beautiful America Club of North Bend had to indefinitely postpone the presentation of "Captain Rackett," which was to have been given last evening. The ladies and the members of the cast have been working hard on the production and expect to make it one of the best home talent events that has ever been presented on Coos Bay. The date will be announced soon.

Miss Anne Flanagan will entertain a number of the younger set at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McCollum in North Bend this evening. The invitations have been confined to the members of a party that have been enjoying camping excursions on Coos River for several seasons past and tonight they will be chaperoned by Mrs. Dr. Richardson. Among those who are expected to be present are Misses O'Connell, Mae Bennett, Alice McCormac, Nellie Tower and Genevieve Sengstacken and Messrs. Lambertson, Dimmick, Russell Tower, Jay Tower, Claude Nasburg, Edwin Keane and Thomas Keane.

Mrs. E. K. Jones has issued invitations for a bridge party at her home in Marshfield from 2 to 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Henry Sengstacken will entertain the Progress club at her home Tuesday afternoon. The afternoon's program will consist of a paper by Mrs. Sengstacken on Thomas Moore and musical selections by members of the club.

Mrs. Dr. Gale of North Bend, has issued invitations for a frolic party at the home of Mrs. C. W. Curran to be given at the home in North Bend this evening. The invitations are confined to the younger set. Cards and

dancing will be the diversions. Miss Curran will shortly leave with her parents for Arizona.

The Beautiful America club of North Bend is arranging for a "Calico Ball" to be given at Eckhoff hall in North Bend Saturday evening, May 2, the proceeds of which will be used in replenishing the club's treasury and in forwarding its work. Punch will be served and it is expected that the bill will be one of the leading events of the season.

Mrs. A. L. Houseworth entertained the Ladies Art Club Friday afternoon. The afternoon was spent at needlework and conversation after which a delicious luncheon was served. Mrs. C. W. McCullough will entertain the club at its next regular meeting, Friday afternoon, May 1st.

Miss Mary Minot entertained a number of her young friends at her home this afternoon.

The Priscilla club held an enjoyable meeting with Miss Agnes Hutchison Friday with the usual attendance. The next meeting will be with Miss Alice McCormac next Friday.

The A. N. W. Club met with Miss Susie Eckworth in South Marshfield Thursday afternoon. The afternoon was spent at needlework which was followed by refreshments. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. E. G. Flanagan next Thursday afternoon. The plans of the club to establish a drinking fountain at a down town corner and to have a "clean up day" for Marshfield are being held in abeyance but may be taken up for discussion at next Thursday's meeting.

Mrs. Colby Perry is entertaining the Bridge Whist club at the Stafford home this afternoon.

One of the most enjoyable social events of the season on Coos Bay was the celebration of the 89th anniversary of Odd Fellowship by Sunset Lodge No. 101, at the lodge's hall last evening. More than 150 ladies and gentlemen were present. Formality was dispensed with as much as possible, enabling everyone to enjoy themselves as their moods directed.

One of the features of the informal program was the singing lead by Ed. Anderson's choir and which was participated in by many of the guests. Following this, there were some pleasing numbers and sketches by Frank R. Bridges and wife.

The celebration concluded with one of the best banquets that has ever been served on Coos Bay. A Hagermeister had charge of the banquet and its preparation, and was the recipient of many compliments for his work.

The general committee in charge of the celebration was composed of D. L. Rood, R. D. Hazen and Altus Kingston. The principal officers of Sunset Lodge are: N. G. R. D. Hazen; V. G. A. W. Neal; Sec. L. Langdon; treas. John F. Hall.

The anniversary of Odd Fellowship really falls on April 26th, but as this will be Sunday, it was decided to have the local celebration last evening.

PEARL WATKINS WINS HONORS

Daughter of Judge Watkins of Marshfield, Takes First Place In The Dalles' Contest.

Judge Watkins has received a letter from his daughter Pearl, who is attending High School at The Dalles, Eastern Oregon, stating that she had won in a contest, deciding who should represent The Dalles High School at the Fri-State Track meet and oratorical contest, to take place at Walla Walla the first of May.

Four girls and two boys were the other contestants for declamation and the judges were five teachers of the High School. Whitman college sent the invitation to the Dalles High School, to send a picked athlete team and one oratorical contestant for a gold medal, to take part in the meet.

Miss Pearl is now in the second year of High School work, having attended school in Marshfield school for four years previous to her graduation from the Eighth grade in Miss Lyon's class of 1906.

Her teachers and classmates here will be glad to know that Pearl won the silver medal last year in the W. C. T. U. oratorical contest, thereby gaining the privilege of contesting for the State W. C. T. U. gold medal. Accompanied by her professor, Mr. Young, the chosen five, boys representing Dalles High School Athletics and her chaperone, she will go to Walla Walla for May day—and the "meet," and as she is a Marshfield girl and is to return to finish her High School training here in the Marshfield High School, we will all wish her good luck.

A. E. FISKE WILL REMOVE TO 'FRISCO.

Headquarters of Purchasing Agent of C. A. Smith Lumber Company to Be in Golden Gate City.

A. E. Fiske, purchasing agent for the C. A. Smith Lumber Manufacturing Company, leaves on the Plant for San Francisco, where he will remain and where the headquarters of this department will be in the future.

Mr. Fiske finds it necessary to be in closer touch with the outside market, and as the company's extensive extensive operations in California, and with their large distributing

"COOS BAY" IS SET TO MUSIC

Prof. Todd Composes Air For Francis E. Clark's Excellent Poem.

Marshfield is a musical city, and has more than the share which falls to the lot of cities of her class, of musical artists of real talent. Homes, churches and public assemblies testify to this and the successful organization of a permanent chorus of fifty voices, now rapidly being increased to the hundred which will sing "The Messiah" in the near future, is a tribute to her musical spirit. That occasion will be the musical event of the season.

Professor Todd is a musical instructor and director of experience as well as a training genius. He is also a composer, whose productions are regarded as of very high merit. True artist that he is, the artistic features of beautiful Coos Bay, furnished the attraction which lead him to visit and locate here last summer. He was in Los Angeles when he picked up and read the poem "Coos Bay," circulated by the Chamber of Commerce. Professor Todd says that poem attracted his attention and caused him to think that if so many good things could inspire such a piece, Coos Bay was worth looking up. Since coming here he has been more and more impressed with the sources of the poetic inspiration which produced the poem and has felt that the words should be set to music. He has, therefore, composed an air which he had adapted to Mr. Clark's poem, arranging the eight verses in two parts, and designing the production for public occasions. He has dedicated the whole, with the permission of the author of the poem, to the public schools of Coos Bay, and intends to give it for the first time, as the closing number of the program on the evening when the Messiah is sung. Coos Bay has the proud distinction of having a high class hymn of its own, a distinction which no other city in America can claim.

The poem "Coos Bay" has been widely commented on and is considered by critics as one of the most artistic of the class called "Poems of Place." It presents with remarkable condensation the most striking features of the bay and is likely to be remembered as long as the city stands. The following lines present the picture vividly:

"Thy fairly inlets sweep,
 Venetian channels deep,
 Where happy toilers reap,
 Coos Bay,
 And to the city's side
 Thy magic launches glide
 Along the peaceful tide,
 Coos Bay."

Even the advent of Admiral Evans' fleet into the Pacific was anticipated in the lines:

"The Golden Fleece has passed,
 Into that Ocean vast,
 Which on thy shores is cast
 Coos Bay,
 And conflict here has whirled
 The navies of the world
 With banners all unfurled
 Coos Bay."

But the real patriotic sentiment and flash-light view are in the last two verses:

"Great ships by storm distressed
 On Ocean's troubled breast
 Find in thy Haven rest,
 Coos Bay,
 And with a royal grace
 Thy loving arms embrace
 A world's great market place
 Coos Bay."

"All nations of the earth
 Shall glorify thy birth
 And testify thy worth
 Coos Bay,
 All tides shall turn to thee
 Wealth shall thy tribute be
 Queen of the Sunset sea
 Coos Bay."

Those who have heard Professor Todd's music say it is splendidly adapted to the words of the poem. Nothing, but the undeveloped greatness of the bay and city could so glorify Coos Bay in poetry and song.

yards at Bay Point, San Francisco naturally becomes the central purchasing and distributing point.

Mr. Fiske has been a resident of Coos Bay for more than three years and during that time has made many friends who will regret his permanent removal from this city. He has been with the C. A. Smith company for about a year and during that time has won a well-deserved position at the head of the purchasing department, which is one of constantly growing importance with this developing concern.

The good wishes of many friends will follow himself and his estimable wife to their new home.

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