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WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING



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PERSONAL notices of visitors in the city, or of Coos Bay people who visit in other cities, together with notices of social affairs, are gladly received in the social department. Telephone 1331. Notices of club meetings will be published and secretaries are kindly requested to furnish same.

THE IDEAL HOME.

"The Ideal Home"—delightful thought— Is what I much desire; Some spot with simple pleasure fraught To which I may retire. Where I may follow every bent, Where none will say me nay, Where all my family consent To let me have my way.

A dwelling where the rooms are large, But where the rent is small, Where tradesmen never overcharge Or boring neighbors call, A house that's cosy in the frost, But shady in July; A home where keys are never lost And babies never cry.

A place where servants always suit And serve us with delight; A garden full of flowers and fruit Where midges never bite; Where nights are calm and midnight cats Refrain from repartee. In short, where nothing worries, that's The Ideal Home for me.

Selected.

THERE probably never lived a man who didn't flatter himself that he understood women. "They're a puzzle, of course, to most men, but I think I know a little about them," one hears him say in a lordly, superior sort of way. There is only one answer to be made to this satisfied gentleman. The man who thinks he knows most about women really knows least.

In point of fact, it is impossible for any man, however clever and experienced, fully to understand woman. One woman he may learn a little of—very little—and then he is continually taken aback by new developments in her on which he has not calculated; but let him only begin to apply the knowledge so learned to his treatment of another of the same sex, and he will be bewildered and confounded to discover that the same rules will not apply to them both.

Shakespeare, who had a subtler insight into human nature than any writer who ever lived, was right when he said of woman: "Time can not stale her infinite variety." And it is this very complexity of character, this fleeting change of mood and disposition, which makes her so desperately perplexing to slower-witted man.

To the ordinary man she is a perfectly sealed book. "I can't make her out at all," "She is a mass of contradictions," "She never does or says what you expect."

These are a few of the complaints made by men about the girls in whom they begin to take a special interest. If she were constructed on the simple lines of a man in mind and heart, her lover would better know how to win her; but, in that case, it is to be doubted whether he would care to take the trouble. It is her bewildering and puzzling nature that makes her chief charm in his eyes.

"Do you understand women?" asked a timid youth of a man who had seen the world.

"Oh, yes; I understand that there's no understanding them, and that is as far as a man can ever get," was the crushing answer.

Women understand each other with such ease; they read each other's motives and interpret aright their looks and tones and unspoken speech—it is all such plain sailing to them that they look on with a kind of compassion on a man's blundering ignorance of the sex. That is why a woman who is popular among men is so very often quite the other thing with women. The poor, deluded men who take her precisely at the valuation she intends them to can not comprehend why her own sex can not see her many lovely qualities, and,

in their blindness, they complacently set down the reason to jealousy. The real fact is that the woman can't deceive women, try as she may. They read her through and through, and estimate her accordingly.

That men never have fully understood women is plain to any one who has made a study of the male novelists' works. Even the foremost names in the profession have this one point of weakness. Their women are admirably painted from the outside. They are charming very often, and attractive and full of grace. They move and walk about the stage and conduct themselves in a lifelike manner enough, but any woman can see that, after all, they are only pasteboard dummies; they lack the touch of Prometheus fire that would make them flesh and blood.

Christmas entertainments were the chief events in a social way during the past week. There were several large parties and many smaller affairs and dinners. The Millicoma club party and the fireman's ball were among the most important events of the week.

The program given Wednesday night at the Finnish hall by the Chaminade club is declared by many to have been one of the best musicales ever given on Coos Bay. There was a good attendance. Several of the participants who have long been favorites in local musical circles are declared during the program to have attained a new height in their art.

The club has nearly perfected arrangements for its semi-annual concert which will be given in January. The program of Wednesday night's concert was as follows:

- Chorus "The Gipsies" Brahms Air de Ballet Conrath Miss Horton, Miss Kathleen Bennett. "Good Night, Farewell" Kucken Miss Nellie Tower "At Parting" Rogers Mrs. Flanagan. Menuetto in B minor Shubert Miss May Bennett "Crossing the Bar" Rotoll Miss Platt "In a Year" Van der Stucken Miss Mauley Ballade, Op. 47 Chopin Miss Horton Chorus—a "Behind the Lattice" Chadwick "A Song of Seasons" Hawley Hunting Song Mendelssohn Mrs. Coke "Since First I Met Thee," Rubenstein Mrs. Hall "Good Night, My Love, Good Night" Geibel Mrs. Simeral, Miss Esther Johnson "Serenade" Shubert Mrs. Tower Harmonious Blacksmith Handel Mrs. Merchant "Invano" Tostl Miss Mills Chorus, "Carmena" Wilson

The young men of the office force at the C. A. Smith mill gave a party to a few of their friends last Saturday night at the mill office building. The guests enjoyed dancing and bowling and billiards and passed a pleasant evening. Those in attendance were: J. E. Oren and wife, Ward Blake and wife, Captain and Mrs. Olson, A. H. Powers and wife, Misses Mary Minot, Kathleen Bennett, Sadie Hogan, Ada Chapman, Alice McCormac, Laura Kruse and Mrs. Farringer and Messrs. George Goodrum, Fred Painter, A. Lofgren, W. J. Conrad, Thayer Grimes, William Ekblad, G. A. Brown, R. K. Booth, Fred Powers, Dr. E. Dix, Victor Johnson and A. E. Quist.

At their home on Coos River, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Sherman were given a pleasant surprise party Saturday evening, December 19. The affair was in honor of their twentieth wedding anniversary and also in honor of Mrs. Sherman's birthday. The evening was pleasantly passed playing games and with other amusements. At 12 o'clock a splendid supper was served in the dining room, after which the guests left for their homes. Those present were Messrs.

Sherman, Russell, Noah and Davis and their wives, Misses Mabel Noah, Edna Ray, Mabel Sherman, Nellie Rooke, Ninian Webster, Bessie Rooke, Blanche Landrith, Flo Rooke, Lillian Sherman, Eva Sherman, Ina and Mary Sherman and Messrs. Schley Sherman, Ivy Noah, N. Noah, Davis Sherman, Beryl Noah, James McIntosh, Philip Landrith, Lee Ray, Clifton Sherman, Leonard Russell, George Rooke, Paul Sherman, Robert Rooke, Maurice Ray, Claude Haviland, Karl Clinckenbeard, Lawrence Russell and Valentine Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Gettins entertained a number of friends Thursday night at their home in Marshfield. It was a celebration of their wooden wedding. The company played bridge and supper was served after the game. The house was elaborately decorated for the Christmas season, festoons of mistletoe and greens being used.

Those in attendance were: Dr. and Mrs. Ingram, Dr. and Mrs. Thayer, Mrs. John Preuss, Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan, Miss Susie Eickworth, Miss Evelyn Anderson, Miss Mamie Mahoney Bert Bradley, L. A. Liljeqvist, George Dindinger, W. H. Dindinger, Ray Kaufman.

The annual ball given Christmas night by the members of the Volunteer Fire Department was one of the big holiday events. Ever since the organization has been in existence the firemen have given a ball on Christmas night and this last one proved the firemen to be as good entertainers as ever. A large number of tickets were sold but the rain interfered somewhat with the attendance although there were many dancers.

The Bay City orchestra of North Bend furnished music for the dancing which continued until 1 a. m. All of the firemen acted as a general entertainment and floor committee and saw to it that the guests had a good time. The committee having the details of arrangements in charge was composed of Tom Nichols, Dan Keating, Dan Lyons, William Longstaff and Carl Albrecht. Financially, the affair was a success. The profits will go into a fund which is being started to purchase new uniforms for the firemen.

The children who attend the Sunday schools of Marshfield and North Bend all had a fine time Christmas Day. The programs as previously published were carried out at the different churches, some of the entertainments being held Christmas eve and some Christmas night. Altogether the season was made a happy one for the children and they were all remembered with gifts and candy.

The Evergreen Whist Club will not meet again until Saturday, January 2, having adjourned during the holidays. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Hazard.

The A. N. W. Club will hold the next meeting the first Thursday after New Year's Day at the home of Mrs. I. Lando.

The members of the Knights of Finland will give a ball tonight at their hall on 'C' street.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Kreitzer entertained a few friends at dinner Christmas at their home in Marshfield. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. William Grimes, Dr. and Mrs. Houseworth and Mr. McKee.

The reception given last Tuesday night by the members of the Millicoma Club was one of the important holiday events in a social way. It was a ladies' night and the members entertained their wives and lady friends. Refreshments were served and the club was elaborately decorated

ed with Christmas greens which remained up during the holidays. One of the special features of the evening was the excellent program of musical numbers given by some of the best talent in the city and some excellent music by a string orchestra. A rare treat, which was fully appreciated by all present, was the Concertstueck in C sharp minor by Chaminade, played on the piano by Miss Lucy Horton, with the orchestral accompaniment arranged and played on the organ by Mr. Elmer A. Todd. This extremely brilliant composition in the modern Wagnerian style is one of the most important works ever played before a Marshfield audience, it being a work of similar magnitude to the Mendelssohn concerto played by Mrs. Dr. Horsfall, Jr., last spring at the close of The Messiah performance.

Miss Horton's friends who were charmed from her first appearance here last summer by her clearness and delicacy of touch, have noticed an almost marvelous development of brilliancy and strength of technique as well as depth of interpretation while continuing her studies under the tutorage of Prof. Todd, whose assistant she is in the Academy of Music.

The piano numbers given by Miss Larson were "Waltz in E Minor by Chopin, and 'The Holy Mount' by Dvorak. Mrs. C. W. Tower gave two vocal numbers, 'Hazel' by A. C. Brown and a song by Carrie Jacobs Bond. The orchestra music was by the Langenberg orchestra.

The ladies who were the guests of the occasion were so well pleased with the entertainment that they intend requesting the club officers to monthly affairs, make the ladies' nights regular monthly affairs.

The ladies who were the guests of the club members were invited to sign their names on the club register. Not all of them did this but those who registered and made up a part of the company were the following: Mesdames Arnold, W. R. Haines, W. U. Douglass, Arthur T. Haines, M. C. Horton, Frank Parsons, Edward Kammerer, J. M. Upton, W. A. Toye, J. B. Rust, H. H. McPherson, J. H. Flanagan, L. Minot, Elizabeth Merchant, Thomas Rennie, Effie Mae Farringer, J. T. Harrigan, A. E. Neff, Edward Bargelt, William E. Smith, T. R. Hadley and J. H. Milber, and Misses Flanagan, Nellie B. Tower, Eunice Nichols, Genevieve Bengstacken, Susie Eickworth, May Bennett, Kathleen Bennett, Edna L. Larson and Grace Wells.

A very pretty wedding occurred Christmas Eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Pierce on Broadway. The ceremony was performed at 7:30 o'clock. The contracting parties were W. R. Bickford and Miss Lettie Irene Matson. The bride wore a gown of cream tulle with a white veil and orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of larestena tied with white ribbon. During the ceremony the couple stood beneath a beautiful arch of evergreen and Oregon grape in the center of which hung a large wedding bell. After the congratulations light refreshments were served and presents from a Christmas tree were distributed among the guests. The couple will reside at Daniels Creek where the groom is in the employ of McDonald and Vaughan. The bride and groom received many handsome presents from their friends. Those present at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Pierce, Mrs. N. M. Matson, Mrs. Newland, Mrs. J. J. McDonald, Mrs. R. R. McDonald, Mrs. William Vaughan and son Archie, Will Cross, M. A. Epperson, H. S. Bonebrake and son Verl.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Simpson gave a Christmas dinner party at their home Friday. Their guests included Messrs. and Mesdames Charles Winsor, J. R. Smith, C. M. Byler, F. W. Bode and J. H. Keating.

At a Christmas dinner given yesterday at her home, Mrs. Israel Lando announced the engagement of Miss Bessie E. Sebolt to Mr. David L. Wiggins of Kansas City, Kansas. Miss Sebolt is one of Marshfield's most popular school teachers.

Charles E. Powers and Miss S. Ethel Cox were married Thursday night at the home of the brides parents in South Marshfield. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock. Only the relatives were present. Judge John F. Hall cousin of the bride officiating. The bride wore a wedding gown of white taffeta silk. The house was decorated in evergreens intermingled with white flowers.

After the ceremony a wedding supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Powers expect to reside in Marshfield. Mr. Powers is a stockholder in the Marshfield Grocery Company recently opened on Broadway. Miss Cox is the second daughter of W. B. and Alice Cox and is well and favorably known

AT THE CHURCHES

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE. Christian Science services will be held in the Masonic Temple Sunday, December 11 a. m. Subject, "Christian Science." Cordial invitation is extended to all.

CATHOLIC CHURCH. Rev. Father DONNELLY. Mass will be celebrated in Marshfield tomorrow at 8 o'clock and 10:30 by the Rev. Father Donnelly, and in North Bend at 8 o'clock by the Rev. Father Curley.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. Rev. G. S. Clevinger, Pastor. Morning service 11 a. m. Topic: "For the Good of the Order." Evening service 7:30 p. m. Topic: "Profit and Loss." Sunday School 10 a. m. Young People's meeting 6:30 p. m. Special song service will precede the sermon in the evening.

CHURCH OF CHRIST. Services each Lord's Day in Swedish Lutheran hall, rear Lutheran church. Morning topic, "Life and Times of Jesus." Evening topic, "Follow Me." Everybody given a hearty welcome. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Teacher's training class, Judge Shelbredo, teacher; at 6:30 p. m. Come and join them.

NEWS OF COQUILLE.

Events of Interest There As Told By The Herald.

Samson Kinder was born in England, eight miles from Manchester, April 24, 1827. He came to America when 19 years old and stayed some years in New York, coming across the plains to California in 1852 the first time and again in 1856. In 1868 he married Anna E. Wood who preceded him to the bet-the world seven years ago, since which time he has made his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. and Mr. Frank Snow. He died December 18, 1908. The funeral services were conducted by F. Grant Hamm, the Christian minister of Myrtle Point, at the Christian church in this city, Sunday, December 20, at 2:30 p. m. The body was shipped to California for burial.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Laird fell heir to a daughter last Saturday. Weight, 10 1/2 pounds.

Wm. Oddy returned home per steamer Breakwater last Friday from Toppenish, Wash., whither he was called to minister at the sick bed of his son Willis. The latter, who had a desperate siege with typho-malaria came home with his father, resolved to stay in a climate in which he could enjoy better health.

E. N. Smith, owner of the new addition to Bandon by that name, having offered the Dunkard people of Myrtle Point a free site for a church in the City-by-the-Sea, there was a committee went down last Saturday to select the proffered site. This committee was composed of P. A. Michael, John Root and William Chandler.

George Brown, an employee of Cody's camp at Lampa creek, was quite seriously but not fatally hurt Wednesday morning by a log rolling on him. He was taken to Bandon where medical aid was given.

XMAS GIFTS LOST.

Thousands Deprived of Joy By Burning of Mail Cars. CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 26.—Probably hundreds of people will this year be deprived of their Christmas presents through two unfortunate fires on the Union Pacific west of Cheyenne, which destroyed two baggage cars and a mail car. One fire occurred at Hanna and destroyed a mail car, also a baggage car. Both were filled with mail matter. The second fire occurred at Dale Creek, 25 miles west of Cheyenne, when a baggage car filled with mail and Christmas packages was destroyed. The postal authorities are investigating the accidents.

Those in attendance at the wedding were: Judge Hall and wife, Thomas Lawhorn and wife, W. B. Cox and wife, Miss Anna Cox, Ray Cox, Reta and Clyde Lawhorn, and Mr. Bohlen. The bride and groom received a number of handsome presents.

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