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will be Republican in politics, with by a myriad of rosy, naked cupids. the independence of which President Receivedt is the leading exponent.

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POOR ST. VALENTINE.

EVER HAS THERE BEEN a man more grossly misunderstood or wantonly outraged by unthinking posterity than the eagleviszged, austere St. Valentine, whose mame is absurdly imprinted upon a very red and carnal square of the Curistian calendar. Tomorrow. when is due to fall that Paphian festival of which the iron saint has been made the reluctant patron, we understand that the usual irreverent images of dripping hearts and rolypoly capids will be circulated in his came, and quite without his approv-

Association of St. Valentine with good. He feared none except his

allosophers roystered through the to settle upon the empire. streets of the world shouting Satur- But, for the emperor, the worst is waliau dogmas of the sort which yet to come. It has been announced the employed to shake 'Julian's that he will shortly take up his resifaith:

Would you know liberty, Drain Bacchus' blood; Rock on the rhyme sea, Float with its flood.

rears when the faithful were slaugh- hold, which he faces at present. He Scentious rebels who struggled shave down expenses in every deagainst the dawning era of Christian- partment of his establishment. He tle joke. my. St. Valentine himself was cut intends to be very careful for a pedown and foully butchered by the riod. order of a profligate emperor who The fact is, after recent un- the man she marries. Let him never Mrs. J. W. Ingram, Mrs. John Sul-

twenty-four hours of the year, permitted love to stalk about unrebuked. The church felt the futility attempting to proscribe the day wisely accepted it, and invoked for A New York gravely met a few days ago and drew up resolu-R the blessing of a noble saint, and tions of advice for the consideration barrowed his name for chastity's of country-bred youths who hope, make.

riversary of the putting to death of that, while they have been reason- why they should be discouraged. an early bishop of the Roman church ably successful, their condition has BEREST Valentine, who suffered mar- been in no way bettered by the aban- ed States depend in a large extent tyrdom for his faith on February donment of rural neighborhoods and upon the country-bred young men 24, 270 A. D. However, as most that they are probably less happy and who are yearly recruited from pasyoung men are willing to swear that contented than they might have been toral districts. The life, the industry, they will die if need be for the had they possessed the wisdom to ac- the ambition, the hopefulness which trousers leg between the slashes of Mary Black, Mamie Mahoney and love of their maids and as St. Valen- cept the simple life, with its many the lads from the farm bring to the time died for the love of his bride, advantages. the Christian faith, there is no great | Of course, to talk in their paternal health of metropolitan society. The accompraity in using February 14 as fashion to an ambitious youth of the farms, too, need the young men est freedom they have ever had. If copal Aid Society gave a "silver tea" the day for the more or less anony- country is merely to squander words. whom they have reared. As they are mans expression of tender regard.

at sil—the fact of St. Valentine's win weakh and fame in direct com- able to leave the farmer boys to the freedom of their long-hampered freshments were served. Among murtyrdom that has caused the petition with city dwellers would settle the problem of their destiny limbs.

COOS BAY TIMES the day for exchanging tinted. scented missives between young men and maidens. There was an ancient paper published every evening except belief that birds began mating on February 14. This belief antedated The Coos Bay Times Publishing Co. Christlanity, St. Valentine's day, therefore, so far as It is observed by modern youth, is of pagan origin. field, Oregon, for transmission in "A Midsummer Night's Dream" through the mails as second class Shakespeare alludes to this belief in the mating of birds thus:

St Valentine is past: BAN E. MALONEY News Editor Begin these wood birds but to couple now.

> In his "Hesperides" the tender Herrick sang:

> gins say

too, this day. When I shall couple with my valen-

And thus St. Valentine, the steadygoing, self-contained martyr, passes The policy of the Coos Bay Times down the ages incongruously ridden

THE VALUE OF SILENCE.

THE PHILOSOPHER who decided that talk is cheap never made a greater mistake in his life. Words are too costly to be employed prodigally and without due circumspection. Discretion in the giving out of opinions is one of the rarest and most healthful of the attributes of mankind. An ordinary lifetime is usually too brief to enable the average man to thoroughly learn the golden worth of silence. Most of us say more than we should with a persistent fatuity which, it would seem, the preceptor, experience, should in time overcome. But it is the exceptional individual who learns prudence in the use of his tongue.

We have an illustrious example at hand of the swift retribution which garrulousness brings upon itself. anything which appertains to the This latest victim of his own tongue softer passions is the most wickedly is a no less personage than the emclanderous conceit of the centuries. peror of Germany. The world was He knew nothing about love-this considerably stirred up a few weeks man Valentine. His entire life was ago by an unadvised interview which a stern reflection upon hymenial ten- a London publication printed with derness. He was an ascetic, a sober, William, and another which an hard-eyed, stiff-necked, unyielding American publication considerately man who loathed vanity, frivolity, suppressed at the earnest solicitaand mortal pleasures, who despised tion of the sovereign's distressed the flesh, and submitted to any form friends. After the small agitation of physical anguish for the soul's brewed by the emperor's incautious utterances had subsided without in-God, and gave countenance to noth- ternational consequences, it was dising which savored of human weak- covered that the German nation felt deeply chagrined by the affair, and St. Valentine lived during those was resolved upon humiliating the mousing years which marked the offender. He was humiliated, and most heated period of the mighty required to make any number of unconflict between pagan and Galilean. dignified promises and retractions, He was of the age when unmoral before quiet was once more allowed

dence at his pastoral home at Potsdam and end the winter in bucolic simplicity, instead of living in the gaver environment of Berlin. The reason for the emperor's sudden passion for the country atmosphere is found in the need for rigid economy He lived during those ensanguined in the conducting of the royal house-

FARMER BOYS.

GROUP OF BUSINESS men in standing jokes. sometime, to leave the farm to en-

Young men who are convinced that in demand in both the couptry and wear skirts for a few days, and they age. After the business meeting, a It is not altogether-perhaps not they need only the opportunity to the cities, it would perhaps be advis- will no longer begrudge their sisters general good time was enjoyed. Rechoosing of his death anniversary as give scant attention to such advice, for themselves.

CONTRIBUTIONS concerning social happenings, intended for publication in the society department of The Times, must be submitted to the editor not later than 6 o'clock p. m. Friday of each week. Exceptions will be allowed only in cases where events occur later than the time mentioned.)

THE FAITHFUL ONE. In the storm and the strife, when

lightnings of life Had blasted my deepest endeavor, She crept to my side when the last

hope had died. And whispered: "I love you for-

stricken breast Saw a star through the black shadows living.

strength of that love giving!

And Sorrow now seems but a phantom of dreams. And Peace shall depart from me

never: O'er Life's Valley of Sighs, see! The light in the skies!-

For she whispers: "I love you forever!"

66 TAT HAT EVERY WOMAN cept the dramatic critics' man is a poor thing and not his own John Sullivan second prize, best counsellor and guide. But also that he has to be allowed to think

that he has things his way. M. Michelet has expressed a complimentary idea, for he said that were the following: woman knows that the better she beys the surer she is to rule." Michelet was a cynic, while Mr. Barrie is the opposite of a radical and his woman who knows shakes her head in mocking despair at the

Yet there is a recurrent line in the Barrie play which the critics miss. silk gown. Oh, if I could only make him laugh gold trimmings. at me!" Which is practically the motif of the piece. For when at last the wife's desire is granted and the husband laughs, the play is over, the chine result of the four-act striving is attained and the happy ever after is

certain in the home of the Shands. An awakened sense of humor takes the strain out of a domestic situation for which a lack of humorous appreciation was responsible. John laughs and Maggie laughs with him. All the time before he has posed and ranted alone. The first touch of mutered because of their faith, by the has ordered his private officers to tual understanding is in that first salutation to an unostentatious lit-

know? For one thing, she knows K. Gettins, Mrs. E. W. Kammerer. was annoyed by the sturdy preach- pleasant occurrences. William has not have a doubt on that point. For aner's scornful utterances, and the the face to ask the government for other thing, she knows the deadly Lucy Horton, Miss Mable Millis, Mrs. sufficient appropriations to support danger of the immovably serious. E. E. Straw, Mrs. E. S. Bargelt, Mrs. St. Valentine's name was given to his family in the style to which it She understands that a laugh in the R. T. Durrett, Mrs. F. G. Thayer, the famous day in February by the has been accustomed. His relatives house is as valuable an asset as a shurch as a concession to young and and i mediate dependants nort deny dining-room exposure on the sunny giddy mutineers who, long after themselves of certain luxuries this side of the street. A laugh is an Chas. Nicholson, Mrs. Effic Farrin-Christianity had throttled paganism, spring, because the emperor, up un- essential, indeed, to that very mothpersisted in keeping alive the antil a few weeks ago, had not learned ering of forlorn man of which Mr. H. Milner, Mrs. E. D. C. Farrin, Mrs. School house. There was a good attendance of members and visitors. Barrie's critics prate. The tradition I. S. Kaufman, Mrs. J. T. McCormac, The subject of "Discipline" was conthat woman has no sense of humor, Mrs. M. D. Poyntz, Mrs. M. C. Hortinued from the previous meeting. is one of the shallowest of long-

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. F. M. Parsons was hostess to one of the most W. F. Rau. no matter how disinterested it might it would seem that Cupid should gage in metropolitan activities. The seem. It really is not worth while schoose for his particular festival a admonition of these men, most of to attempt to discourage country boys day commemorative of some joyful whom were once farmer boys, is who believe they hear the call of the exect. St. Valentine's day is the an- "don't." Collectively they admitted city, if, indeed, there is any reason

The fact is, the cities of the Unitcities is essential in the growth and



A unique novelty was inaugurated in having Little Miss Elizabeth Flanagan receive at the door. Her manner was charming and there was much complimentary comment how beautifully she received.

sisted Mrs. Parsons.

After luncheon, the tables were KNOWS," if we are to ac- cleared for a long and pleasant ses- young people, were married Wednes- tinted tissue paper. To the left of Interpretation of Mr. Barrie, is that Perham won first prize and Mrs. of the bride's sister, Mrs. U. G. Keen-

There were many elaborate and Clevinger officiating. The home had beautiful gowns worn that added much to the beauty of the Among the handsome gowns worn

Mrs. Parsons, white lingerie gown. Mrs. E. K. Jones, white lingerle down.

Mrs. E. E. Straw, blue crepe de chine. Empire style. Mrs. F. K. Gettins, tan crepe, Em-

Mrs. Rau, elaborate blue messaline

Says the wife, over and over again, Mrs. D. Kreitzer, ecru net with Mrs. H. S. Tower, pale blue

de chine. Mrs. J. W. Ingram, pink crepe de

Mrs. W. T. Merchant, blue silk with real lace trimmings.

Mrs. J. A. Matson, tan Empire Marshfield Bible Training Class and with elaborate lace trimmings. Mrs. E. Minot, white net.

Mrs. E. L. C. Farrin, grey with Schlbrede home this evening. It nink embroideries. Mrs. Bargelt, elaborate white lace

gown with lace trimmings.

Among those invited were the following:

Mrs. E. Minot, Mrs. J. A. Matson, Mrs. E. G. Perham, Mrs. H. Lock- and a delicious lunch was served at What, then, does every woman hart, Mrs. W. T. Merchant, Mrs. F. livan, Miss. Alice McCormac. Miss Mrs. Golden, Mrs. Wm. Lawlor, Mrs. J. W. Flanagan, Mrs. E. Mingus, Mrs. ton, Mrs. D. M. Kreitzer, Mrs. A. L. After the discussion the ladies had Houseworth, Mrs. Wm. Horsfall, Mrs a short session of physical culture H. S. Tower, Mrs. H. H. McPherson, exercises. The instructress being Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mrs. W. A. Toye, airs. Kelly. The next meeting will S. M. Arnold of North Bend, Mrs. be held Feb. 26th at 3 o'clock in the

> The sheath skirt was worn about Miss Alice McCormac was the hos-30 years ago, only at that time it tess at a tea last Saturday afternoon was burdened behind with dozens of in honor of Miss Jessie Chase of yards of crinoline and drapery, while Portland. Sewing and varied diverin front it was almost too tight to sions made the afternoon a most admit of its wearer sitting down. At enjoyable one. Among those pres- THE BEST VALENTINE present it is simpler and decidedly ent were: Mrs. E. Mingus, Mrs. J. more effective. Perhaps, like the E. Orene, O. J. Sullivan and Misses the skirt. But time will heal this Jessie Chase. nervousness on their part, and the garments will give women the greatmen do not believe this, let them Wednesday afternoon at the parsonthose present were Miss M. Thomp-

And who can fortell that which son and Mesdames Hendricks, Rut-

ledge, Carr, Cathcart, Bodine, Brown, Bolt, E. A. Harris, A. R. Sears, Allen, Hyde, Mills, LeMieux, Carter, Langworthy, H. A. Pratt. White, M. R. Smith, O. Woolley, Potter, S. A. Savage, Torrey and Hum-

Mrs. John Enoch Oren has issued invitations for a bridge whist party at her home Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 16, complimentary to Mrs. Ward Mitchell Blake, who recently moved here with her husband from Minneapolis.

Mrs. H. S. Tower is entertaining at bridge whist this afternoon. Mrs. Tower has issued invitations for next Friday.

PERSONAL notices of visitors

in the city, or of Coos Bay people

who visit in other cities, together

with notices of social affairs, are

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partmen.. Telephone 1331. No-

tices of club meetings will be pub-

lished and secretaries are kindly

requested to furnish same.

which obtained in pristine Eden?

some gifts and the expression of best

wishes, the young couple were ac-

companied to a cozy little home

that was in readiness for

them. Among the guests present

were Mr. and Mrs. David Mussen,

Master Story Mussen, Mr. and Mrs.

Peter Scott, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Chas.

Doane, Chas. Doane, Jr., Clifford

Judge and Mrs. C. A. Sehlbrede

will entertain the members of the

a few guests to be invited by the

will be a purely social session.

C. LaChapelle, Mrs. Brown, Mrs.

and Mrs. Going. The visitors were

The Woman's Study club held their

bi-monthly meeting on Friday after-

The Ladies of the Methodist Epis-

Mrs. Humphry and Mrs. Bolt.

afternoon.

Doane, Mr. A. Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. A.

and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Scott, Sr.

ternoon.

Mrs. E. K. Jones has issued invitations for bridge whist for Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 23.

Mrs. Moore of North Bend, entertained the Presbyterian Ladies Aid Society at her home on Wednesday is yet to come? At present the tendafternoon. The time was pleasantly Mrs. J. E. Burkhart, Mrs. Berry, Mrs. Richard Coke, Mrs. C. Kitting, Mrs. Chas. Farriss, Mrs. Henry I. Reese, Louis Metzler, Mrs. Chas. Murr and Mrs. Robt. Simpson.

Although the attendance was not emerald hills. There were ferns margin as to scarce conceal their large as on former occasions owing That is wounded, and yet is for- the cosy rooms. The 'luncheon we never have such cold winters as of the present season given last which was given at 1:30 was a we used to have 50 years ago. Are evening at Odd Fellows hall was a most elaborate one. Miss Lucy Hor- these things to be taken into con- social success in every way and all ton and Miss Mable Clare Millis as- junction and are women gradually who braved the elements enjoyed the evolving toward that form of dress evening to the fullest extent. The hall decorations were particularly attractive and showed great care in The Progress Club will meet arrangement, the committee having with Mrs. J. W. Ingram Monday af- that feature of the event in charge having exerted all efforts to bring about the best results. The decora-L. D. Noah and Miss Nora Richtions consisted of drapings and fesardson, two well known Marshfield toons of evergreen and delicately sion at bridge in which Mrs. E. G. day evening, Feb. 10, at the home the stage was a cleverly constructed arch of evergreens with a solid backan, on Baines street, the Rev. G. S. ground of the same material, and under this arch delicious punch was been prettily decorated for the served during the evening by Will event, Oregon greens predominating. Hutchinson. The last of the sea-The bride was attired in a cream colson's series of dances will be given ored Princess gown of creps de by the Assembly on a date to be chene. Following the ceremony, a sumptuous banquet was served. Af- set in the near future and will be before the Lenten season begins. ter the presentation of many hand-

> Mrs. W. C. Bradley entertained the Bridge Quartette at her home Friday afternoon.

> Miss Grace Kruse will entertain a number of her High School friends at a Valentine party this evening at the home of her sisiter, Mrs. J. Albert Matson.

G. Noah, Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Keenan The Beautiful America Club of North Bend, which has had to cancel the past two meetings owing to the inclement weather, will meet Tuesday afternoon at Taylor's hall to take up various matters. . . .

members of the organization, at the Miss Maude Comfort, of Minneapolis, is the guest of Mrs. Wernich at North Bend.

Mrs. J. Holmes was hostess at the The 500 Club was pleasantly enmeeting of the Minne-Wis Club tertained by Mrs. W. A. Toye at her Thursday afternoon, Feb. 11. She home Wednesday afternoon. The was assisted by her two daughters, honors were won by Mrs. W. S. Turpen and Mrs. W. F. Rau. Miss Anne four o'clock. The club members Flanagan will entertain the club at present were: Mrs. Carr, Mrs. its next meeting at the C. F. McCol-Downs, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. Green, Mrs. lum home in North Bend.

Bonebrake, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Lund Miss Mary Metlin is celebrating her ninth birthday today and a number of her little friends have been invited to aid her in making the event a merry one this afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. (Continued on page 5.)



FOR YOUR BEST GIRL Is a box of those delicious chocoshirt waist, it has come to stay. May Bennett, Lucy Horton, Nellie lates that you can get at Staffords. Naturally men are somewhat shocked Tower, Stella O'Connell, Bernice They are delicious and if there is when they catch a glimpse of a dainty Platt, Millie Johnson, Mable Millis, anything that will add to her enjoyment it will be a Valentine fom Staffords.

> Purveyor of Pure and Delicious candles, the kind of sweets that will make your best girl sweet on you.

