

WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING



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Paris would never have been launched if men had not been directly responsible. They would never have been thought of by women.

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 ROCK-A-BY LADY.
The rock-a-by Lady from Hushaby street
Comes stealing; comes creeping;
The poppies they hang from her head to her feet,
And each hath a dream that is tiny and sweet—
She bringeth her poppies to you, my sweet,
When she findeth you sleeping!

There is one little dream of a beautiful drum—
"Rub-a-dub!" it goeth;
There is one little dream of a big sugar plum,
And so, thick and fast the other dreams come,
Of pop-guns that bang, and tin tops that hum,
And a trumpet that blioeth!

And dollies peep out of these wee little dreams
With laughter and singing;
And boats go a-floating on silvery streams
And the stars peek-a-boo with their own misty gleams,
And up, up and up, whera the Mother Moon beams
The fairies go winging.

Would you dream all these dreams that are tiny and sweet,
They'll come to you sleeping;
So shut the two eyes that are weary, my sweet,
For the Rock-a-by lady from Hushaby street,
With poppies that hang from her head to her feet,
Comes stealing; comes creeping.
—Eugene Field.

"The second ground upon which I would hold men responsible for women's dress absurdities goes deeper into human nature. The barbarian in man admires extremes in dress, what one might call "striking" costumes, on women. After all, practically every woman in the world is dressing to make herself attractive in the eyes of at least one man. Let the men cease to be lured by grotesque fashions and see with what a sight of relief women will adopt moderation."

Mrs. A. Pollexfen entertained a small bridge party on Thursday of this week. The decorations were suggestive of the Fourth of July. Prizes were won by Mrs. E. Mings and Mrs. J. T. McCormac. Those present were Mrs. I. S. Kauffman, Mrs. G. W. Kauffman, Mrs. E. Mings, Mrs. M. C. Maloney, Mrs. J. T. McCormac, Mrs. H. Sengstacken, Mrs. W. S. Turpen, Mrs. Pollexfen, Miss Doris Sengstacken.

Music and games passed the evening very pleasantly.

"On Friday afternoon Mrs. Thos. Sneddon and daughters entertained the Henackles and a few other friends, as a last courtesy before Miss Sneddon's departure. The invitations were unique little affairs, reading:

If you are on for a time,
Be at Sneddon's to dine,
Coffee to drink
Said to eat
The "Cacklers" you know,
Are hard to beat.

"Each lady was given a tea towel to hem, a prize to be given to the one who did the most and best. Of course each one considered their own work the best, but there was no contest, the bride giving every lady present a cute little plate as a souvenir of the occasion. A delicious lunch of salad, sandwiches, pickles, olives, cake, ice-cream and coffee was served. Those present were: Mmes. Jas. Hunter, T. L. Stewart, Wright Scofield, J. H. Dickey, John Scott, Andrew McVickers, Dave Miller, O. H. Brown, L. A. T. Hottendorf, Evan Griffiths, L. Young, Mabel Stelwagen, E. V. Weaver, J. T. Platt, Louis G. Jones, M. F. Naylin, C. W. Brandon, Messmer and Fitch; Misses Jessie Sneddon, Nora Russell, Louise Potter and Helen Herschler.

T. C. Russell, superintendent of the Beaver Hill mines, arrived on the Bay yesterday with his bride after an extended honeymoon trip. Russell is one of the best known and most popular young business men of this section and his scores of friends will warmly welcome his bride and unite in wishing he and Mrs. Russell a long and happy journey through life together. Concerning the nuptials, which were solemnized at Diamondville, Wyo., a few weeks ago, and the pre-nuptial events, a Wyoming paper says:

"A stocking shower was given at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Fisher on Monday evening in honor of T. C. Russell, which was largely attended. The occasion was one of moment for the Henackles butted in. In addition to an abundance of stockings, Mr. Russell was the recipient of a set of silver knives forks and spoons.

"Monday afternoon Mmes. Louis G. Jones and M. F. Naylin at the home of the former, entertained at a plate shower in honor of Miss Cecelia Sneddon. The occasion was a complete surprise to Miss Sneddon who intending making a short visit with friends. But upon calling at the home of Mrs. Jones, found herself confronted by members of the Henackle Club from Diamondville and many of her Kemmerer friends. After viewing the thirty plates showered by the ladies, and an elegant cut glass salad bowl, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Jones, games were played. Mr. Fitch winning an olive tray as a prize for success in answering questions taken from "The Wedding of the Flowers." Delicious luncheon was served at five o'clock, after which the "Cackles" made merry with their club songs and sayings for an hour. The hostesses were assisted by the Misses Caroline Elliott and Florence Downey."

THE NEW YORK women are being crippled by the Paris fashions, and the men of Paris and New York are responsible for it.

"New York women distort their figures by the clothes they wear until they no longer resemble the human feminine form. They wear corsets too tight to bend in, shoes too ridiculous to walk in, collars so high and so tight that they cannot breathe properly and a harness of garters that makes them walk like horses with the "spring-halt."

Thus emphatically and in detail Dr. Sarah J. McNutt, one of New York's most eminent women physicians, agreed with the quoted sartorial beliefs of the official head of the United Tailors' association of America.

"The women of this country are becoming crippled and coquettes through Paris styles," said Dr. McNutt. "Some women have to practice for months before they can learn to walk in the short waisted, tight hipped creations. If they wanted to sit down while wearing them they would need a force of three men to give assistance."

"But first, and before we go any further on the subject of extremes in styles," and Dr. McNutt paused impressively, "let me make it plain that I am not speaking of them in connection with the intelligent and fastidious class of women that constitutes the real aristocracy of this city. I am speaking now of women who are content to be 'shop girls' and of the women who would have been shop girls had not their fathers made fortunes in soap or candle grease, and of the women who belong to what I call New York's floating population. In other words the women whose lives are spent in hotels and restaurants.

"But if women suffer physically for the styles of clothes they wear, it is largely men who are responsible," reiterated Dr. McNutt, "and their responsibility springs from two sources.

"First—I have always thought that many of the fashion extremes and absurdities that come to us from

"Yesterday morning at 11 o'clock occurred the marriage of Thomas C. Russell of Beaver Hill, and Miss Cecelia Sneddon, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sneddon. The ceremony occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Bishop Easton officiating, and was followed by a wedding dinner, the happy couple departing on the afternoon train for Boise, Ida., from which point they will go to Seattle where they will visit until about July 1, after which they will go to Beaver Hill, and be at home after July 15. Only members of the family were present at the ceremony.

"Mrs. Russell, as "Sissie" Sneddon, has been one of the prominent young people of Diamondville, where she has been brought up, and for the past year has been postmaster, in which position she has always been a courteous attendant to the wishes of the many patrons. Her absence from the circles of Diamondville young people will be greatly missed. Mr. Russell is well known in these parts, having been located here for some time, and gaining his first experience in the coal industry in the Glencoe mines, and is at present superintendent of the mines at Beaver Hill.

"Mr. and Mrs. Russell will have the well wishes of their many friends in this vicinity, and may their union be happy and prosperous.

"On Tuesday of last week, Mmes. T. L. Stewart and Wright Scofield were hostesses at a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Scofield, in honor of Miss Cecelia Sneddon, whose marriage occurred yesterday. The afternoon was pleasantly spent in games and music, the main feature being Mrs. James Hunter as "Gipsy Jane" carrying a stick on which was hung a red bandana handkerchief containing—well, little things which the bride may later be able to make use of.

On Wednesday evening Miss Jessie Sneddon gave a handkerchief shower for Miss Sneddon, entertaining the Henackles. The luncheon table was beautifully decorated in blue, and from the plate of the guest of honor were ribbons laid to each plate on which was attached a handkerchief, the bride drawing them to her place.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Flanagan of Plat B, are being congratulated upon the arrival of a son born July 2.

The Minnie-Wis Club members were entertained Thursday, July 1, by Mrs. Eljah Kelly at a Fourth of July social that made the meeting one of the most enjoyable that the club has held since its formation. The guests assembled in the forenoon and at the noon hour, a sumptuous repast was served, red, white and blue predominating in the decorations. The children were served with a picnic dinner in the woods near the Kelly home.

Those present were: Mrs. Frank Ray, Mrs. Lund, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. (Continued on page 8.)

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