

# IN SOCIETY

**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 the events occurred later than the time mentioned.)

'Tis sick of the song of the bride and her bloom—  
 'Tis harken to me for a while—  
 I'm the groom.  
 I know I've no rights in the case, but alas—  
 'Tis right—all I get in the case is a lass!  
 I know I'm supposed to be silent and meek.  
 But, hang it! I'm bound to get reckless and speak.  
 They're buzzing about what the bride is to wear;  
 They're buzzing about how she'll fix up her hair;  
 They're quarrelling over the bridal bouquet—  
 I listen in silence to all that they say.  
 They treat me as though I was chained to my doom—  
 Alack! what am I? I am only the groom.

The best I can don is some black and some white,  
 A horse collar vest and a bad case of fright;  
 My hair will be combed as it's combed every day,  
 I'm surely got mobbed if I lugged a bouquet;  
 I've got to be meek and try bravely to smile—  
 The meekness will stand me in hand after while.  
 Sing of the beautiful bride and her bloom;  
 But don't mention me—I am only the groom;  
 Just say, "he was dressed in conventional black,"  
 Then kindly forget my and hasten right back.  
 To rave o'er the bride till you're black in the face—  
 I'm only the groom and I'm learning my place.

**F**EW MEN CAN offer any sound criticisms of women's clothes. Not one man in fifty has any conception of harmony of color or design. While by ages of struggle for physical attractiveness, at least the majority of women have a fairly good intuitive discrimination of the true and false in form and color.

Once in a while, though, some bubble on fashion's swift and shimmering stream floats along, which tells a story of human character. What even a man can interpret. Such as one is contained in the news dispatches cabled from Paris, saying the women are wearing rubies, emeralds, and emeralds on their hot cheeks, skirts being short to show them.

The bright colors of bird plumage are said to result from the effort to attract the male. And no doubt the Champs Elysees girl rubs lakes her hot cheeks with jewels. From the same reason that the Senegambian belle wears nose rings.

How quickly a style of that kind is frowned down by American sense of humor, not to say good taste. Your shoe is the most workaday article of your clothing. Made to take the brunt of the earth's buffeting from a too tender flesh and skin, the sensible shoe is built hard and strong. Decorating it as if it were a cruet for the neck is about as if a woman wore a hair gown to do the family wash in.

Men were asked what style of dressing they liked best in women, they would give little favor to the elaborations of the average dressmaker. These bewilder his eyes and suggest the little extravagance of the times. From a man's point of view, nothing is so effective as a simplicity of dress that throws the accent on women's clothing to the face. If that face has the color of health and the serenity of good temper, the more fact that age or toll have taken away the toy asymmetry called prettiness, detracts nothing from its charm.

**WELCOME BRIDE**

Mrs. F. E. Allen and Miss Ruth Allen this afternoon were hostesses at a delightful afternoon party at their home in South Marshfield, complimentary to Mrs. F. L. Grannis, a bride of a few weeks. The home was prettily decorated in Oregon grays, buckleberry and poinsettias. The decoration scheme was red and was effectively carried out. In serving the hostesses were assisted by Misses Dermal Campbell and Nellie Wardsick, Mrs. D. E. Maloney pouring tea. Among those invited were, Misses Heather Silverman, Agnes Carpenter, Nan Browning, Elizabeth Moore, Adnee Palmer, Inez Baldwin, Lillian Moore, Miss Morford, Frances Williams, Grace Kraus, Florence Alben, Maudie Barry, Hazel Powers, Irene Preuss, Pearl Reigard, Effie Church, Edith Preston, and Evelyn Langworthy, and Mesdames F. L. Grannis, F.

**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. Telephones 133. Notices of club meetings will be published and secretaries are kindly requested to furnish same.

A. Tidgen, A. L. Barker, R. W. Morrow, H. R. Hyde, D. E. Maloney, F. C. Birch, Oda Wilson, O. S. Torrey, Fred Cathers and A. B. Gidley.



Miss Ellen Bates.

The marriage of J. L. Bowman of Portland and Miss Ellen Bates, which will be solemnized at the home of the bride's mother in Grand Rapids, Mich., next Tuesday is one of more than ordinary interest on Coos Bay. Mr. Bowman spent a number of years here in his early manhood, in fact got started on his highly successful business career in Marshfield prior to going to Portland. Although a resident of Portland for a number of years, he maintains extensive interests here, being proprietor of the Marshfield Woolen Mill Store, and owning considerable real estate in this section. He visits here several times each year. Since going to Portland he has rapidly advanced to one of the foremost positions in business circles there.

Miss Bates is well known in Portland, and is a highly accomplished young woman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowman will make an extended trip through the east, spending some time in New York, Boston, Washington, D. C. and New Orleans. On the return trip, they will stop at the Grand Canyon in Arizona, and later will tour lower California in an auto with Portland friends, who are to meet them in Los Angeles. They expect to arrive home in Portland about the middle of April.

**HONORS BRIDE**

Mrs. F. C. Birch was hostess at a most charming afternoon at sewing, yesterday, at her home in South Marshfield, complimentary to Mrs. Oda Wilson, one of Marshfield's bride's. The Oregon grape and carnations were used effectively in the decorations. In serving a delicious luncheon, the hostess was assisted by Mrs. F. L. Sumner and Misses Ruth Allen and Evelyn Langworthy.

Among the guests were: Mesdames Oda Wilson, F. L. Grannis, W. F. Irish, J. E. Cooley, H. I. Rutledge, J. Q. Jarvis, G. W. Ross, Chas. E. Seafuse, Chas. H. Curtis, L. M. Toller, R. W. Morrow, F. L. Sumner, O. S. Torrey, Howard Savage, and Misses Irene Preuss, Evelyn Langworthy and Ruth Allen and Mrs. Haskins.

**SILVER TEA**

The silver tea, given last Wednesday afternoon by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church at the home of Mrs. A. E. Seaman on Fourth and Elrod avenue, was largely attended and proved a most delightful affair.

Mrs. Hugh Long was elected to membership, a piano solo by Mrs. J. W. Wilson, vocal solos by Mrs. C. F. McKnight and Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Burkhart were highly enjoyed; also a recitation by Miss Lillian Seaman.

After a pleasant hour of conversation, the hostess, assisted by the Misses Marian and Lillian Seaman, and Virginia Clarke, served a delicious luncheon to the following guests: Mrs. A. T. Haines, Mrs. A. L. Butz, Mrs. W. F. McEldowney, Mrs. E. J. Ketting, Mrs. F. M. Pyle, Mrs. L. W. Langdon, Mrs. Eva Gammill, Mrs. C. F. McKnight, Mrs. W. B. Scott, Mrs. Button, Mrs. H. Bishop, Mrs. Q. O. Southerland, Mrs. Mary McKnight, Mrs. C. C. Going, Mrs. R. N. Fenton, Mrs. Hugh Long, Mrs. G. W. Dungan, Mrs. Faulkner, Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Burkhart, Mrs. W. E. Wilson, Mrs. Fannie Hazard, Mrs. J. W. Wilson, Mrs. C. H. Walters, Mrs. F. S. Dow, Mrs. W. S. Nicholson, Mrs. M. A. Sweetman, and Miss McEldowney.

The next regular meeting will be with Mrs. C. F. McKnight on Wednesday, February 3.

**HONORS MRS. DOBLE**

Mrs. Henry Songstacken entertained at Bridge, Friday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. L. S. Doble. The reception rooms were prettily arranged

with evergreens. At Bridge, the first prize, a cut glass comport, was won by Mrs. J. H. Flanagan, and Mrs. J. M. Upton won the second prize, a Bridge set in Morocco case. In serving, the hostess was assisted by her daughter, Miss Genevieve Songstacken. The invited guests were: Mrs. L. S. Doble, Mrs. Claude Nasburg, Mrs. Harry Nasburg, Mrs. Emma Nasburg, Mrs. W. T. Merchant, Mrs. G. A. Bennett, Mrs. C. M. Byler, Mrs. L. J. Simpson, Mrs. Herbert Lockhart, Mrs. J. H. Flanagan, Mrs. Livingston Browning, Mrs. J. S. Coke, Mrs. Esther Converse, Mrs. I. S. Kaufman, Mrs. Eugene O'Connell, Mrs. D. Y. Stafford, Mrs. C. K. Perry, Mrs. A. H. Powers, Mrs. W. S. Turpen, Mrs. J. A. Matson, Mrs. W. M. Blake, Mrs. J. M. Upton, Mrs. Wm. Horsfall, Jr., Mrs. H. S. Tower, Mrs. W. S. Chandler and Mrs. C. R. Peck.

**PRISCILLA CLUB**

Mrs. Henry Olsen was hostess to the Priscilla Club last Wednesday afternoon at her home in Bunker Hill. The following officers were elected during the business session: President—Mrs. W. T. Gale, Vice President—Mrs. W. Nelson, Secretary—Miss Signa Stora, Treasurer—Mrs. R. Erickson. After the business session a luncheon was served by the hostess, when a musical program was enjoyed by all.

Those present were Mrs. George Rourke, Mrs. W. T. Gale, Mrs. K. Erickson, Miss Signa Stora, Mrs. A. Borup and Mrs. C. E. Larson.

The club will have its next meeting February 6th—the place to be announced later.

**EPISCOPAL LADIES**

The Ladies Episcopal Guild met with Mrs. W. B. Curtis, Tuesday afternoon at her home in South Marshfield.

After a short business session the afternoon was spent in sewing, when dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

The next meeting will be held next Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Arthur McKeown.

Those present at the meeting were Mrs. Emma Nasburg, Mrs. Ledward, Mrs. James Ferry, Mrs. L. M. Noble, Mrs. Mary McKnight, Mrs. Fannie Hazard and Rev. Browning.

**SURPRISE PARTY**

A delightful surprise party was given at the home of John Kronholm in Ferndale, in honor of the twenty-first birthday of Edwin Dolph.

Music, games and cards formed the main features of the evening's entertainment, after which sumptuous refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Houser, Misses Edna Johnson, Tora Lund, Elsie Larson, Lusie Malcolm, Anna Lund, Jennie Johnson, Helen Hansen, Messrs. W. C. Lund, Harry Allen, Oliver Larson, Henry Johnson, Ed Kronholm, Martin Hanser, Chester Lenet, Gilbert Johnson, and Oscar Kronholm.

**AUCTION BRIDGE CLUB**

Mrs. E. Mingus was hostess Tuesday to the Auction Bridge Club members at her home in West Marshfield.

The afternoon's diversion was cards, at which Mrs. E. K. Jones won high score, carrying off the prize. After cards the hostess served refreshments.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. Albert Matson, Tuesday, Jan. 28.

**SEWING CIRCLE**

On Friday afternoon, January 10, Miss Jennie Johnson entertained the Ferndale Sewing Circle at her home on North Eighth street. The afternoon was very pleasantly spent in sewing and chat, after which the hostess served refreshments to the following:

Mrs. S. Spade, Mrs. John H. Houser, Misses Susie Malcolm, Edna Johnson, Elsie Larson, Gladys Ross, Hilda West, Maggie Robertson, and Tora Lund.

**GIVEN RECEPTION**

On last Thursday evening, under the auspices of the Christian Church choir, a reception was tendered John Motley and bride at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reid. Colors of holiday suggestion were used in the decorations.

During the evening Mrs. Motley who is an accomplished musician, delighted the guests with several piano selections.

A novel scheme of entertainment was presented. In view of the fact

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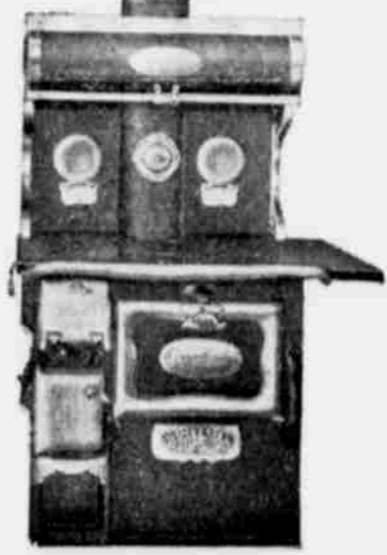
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