

Social Activities

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

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.)

THE SPRING TIME PLAINS

Heart of me are you hearing
The drum of hoofs in the rains?
Over the Springtime plains I ride
Knee deep with Spring
And glad as the summering sun that comes
Galloping north through the zodiac
Heart of me, let's forget
The plains death-white and still.
When lonely love through the stillness called
Like a smothered stream that sings
of Summer
Under the snow on a Winter's night,
Now the frost is blown from the sky
And the plains are living again.
Lark lovers sing on the sunrise trail,
Wild horses call to me out of the moon,
Watching me pass with implish eyes,
Gray coyotes laugh in the quiet dusk
And the plains are glad all day with me.
Heart of me, all the way
My heart and the hoofs keep time,
And the wide, sweet winds from the greening world
Shout in my ears a glory song,
For nearer, nearer, mile and mile
Over the quivering rim of the plains
Is a valley that Spring and I love best
And the waiting eyes of you!

BADGER CLARK.

SON," said the man with gray hair to the young man who has just put a ring upon the finger of the "finest girl in the world," "I would be the last one to say that marriage is a failure."

"You have been an intimate companion of my children ever since you could walk and have grown up within the circle of my family. So far as affection and happiness at home are concerned, you know that I can have no fault to find with either my wife or children; and I have lived with the former twenty five years and have brought up the latter to past the twenty one years which is accounted full age."

"Few homes are so happy as mine, and few men have such faithful wives or good children. So far as my own case is concerned, in an altruistic sense, even if not in a sordid sense, marriage has been far from a failure. But there is a sordid side, and one should look at the situation from every angle, especially since marriage is such an abiding and important matter—or should be at least."

"The day has gone when people even say, much less believe, that it costs more to support two persons than it does to care for one; and when children are added the cost is increased. Now, to the man, the provider, what does that mean in sordid dollars and cents? Figure it for a moment in a way that I have not seen mentioned in the numerous discussions of the subject."

"When a man marries he assumes responsibility for feeding, clothing and housing an extra person. Say two children come to bless the union, and no more. That means three besides himself. Say the children grow to maturity, and that for twenty one years the father has given of his means to care for their physical welfare and to give them a fair education, and perhaps more than that."

"It seems that he has supported three persons for at least twenty years each, or an aggregate of sixty years in all. Perhaps when the children were little babies it did not cost so much to support one of them as it does to care for an adult, but the necessities of later years at least offset the saving on babyhood days, thus making an average of cost equal to the care of an adult during the entire period."

"It requires no argument to prove that the dollar saved by a man in his early business life can have a value higher than the hundred cents it represents intrinsically, because it can earn other money for him if he will place it properly. Few men who marry before their business success is assured lay by money, and if they do it is certain that they could lay by more if they had but one mouth each to feed, one back to clothe and one person to house, all other things being equal. Whether the unmar-

ried man does save or not is beside the question. He could if he would.

"Assume that you, who intend, and I do not say unwisely, to enter the married state, raise a family and spend all you earn because of the cost of their maintenance until you are 50 years old. You have been a benefit to the state and the community, of course, especially if you have trained your children in the way they should go. But you have not a dollar in the world at the time when your earning capacity is lessening and only a comparatively few years in which to accumulate enough to support you in the old age that is coming so fast that you can hardly keep track of the swift flight of the years says an exchange. You may have a splendid family, I acknowledge, but even a splendid family is not an asset nor, of itself, a provision for old age."

"The inference is plain, and the figures accurate enough to go on. If you had the money you have invested by that time in a commendable, but not a paying proposition you could stop work when you reached 50 and live for the remainder of your life without attention to business and in comparative ease, for it is practically certain that you would not attain the advanced age of 110 years."

"If it is argued that the premise that one who maintains a wife and two children for twenty years does so at a cost per individual, since they live in community, averaging one person alone, there is still ample play room. Divide the number of individual years of maintenance in half and there would remain thirty years of one person's keep which should be in reserve. And this does not take into account the accumulations of interest or from investment that might have resulted had the money spent been saved and put to work. Add thirty years of ability to maintain himself without further effort to the fifty already passed and there is the ripe old age of 80; thirty years during which the man need not exert himself and during which he could live upon his principal saved, not made."

"Think it over, son. And after you have given it full consideration go ahead and get married without a thought of what it will cost you in the way I have mentioned. If you should save the money, being single, which you spend because you are married and a father you would be living the life of only half a man and you would miss a measure of pleasure and satisfaction that money cannot buy nor years of toil compensate."

D. M. C. CLUB

Mrs. Henry Kern was hostess last Wednesday afternoon when the D. M. C. Club met at her home in North Bend for a social afternoon of sewing followed by very dainty refreshments. In serving, Mrs. Kern was assisted by Mrs. A. E. Morten.

On Saturday evening, April 17th, the ladies of the club will entertain their husbands with a card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kern, and on Wednesday, April 21, the club will meet with Mrs. L. A. Loomis.

Those present Wednesday were: Mrs. A. E. Morten, Mrs. Stewart McDonald, Mrs. Wm. Vaughan, Mrs. Ralph Parr, Mrs. N. G. Hames, Mrs. L. A. Loomis, Mrs. R. Weitzel, Mrs. Charles Williams, Mrs. Roy O. Brainard, Miss Vera O'Loan, guest and Mrs. Henry Kern.

ENTERTAIN BRIDGE CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kaufman were host and hostess to the ladies of the Bridge Club and their husbands last Wednesday evening, the affair being their first meeting since the Lenten season.

The home was made unusually pretty in its adornment of spring flowers and huckleberry branches.

At cards, the ladies' trophy was awarded the Mrs. W. S. Turpen and Mr. H. S. Tower won the gentlemen's prize. Special guests for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Miller and Miss Nora Tower, the latter assisting Mrs. Kaufman in

serving a light supper luncheon to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Matson, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Turpen, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Tower, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Blake, Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Horsfall, Judge and Mrs. J. S. Coke, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Flanagan, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lockhart, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Byler, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Miller, Mrs. J. W. Bennett, Mrs. Edna Richardson, Mrs. Elizabeth Merchant and Messrs. Dr. W. A. Toye, W. S. Chandler and Ray Kaufman.

The next regular meeting of the Bridge Club will in two weeks with Mrs. Edna Richardson.

CAFETERIA CLUB SUPPER

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hanson entertained the Cafeteria Club members at supper last Wednesday evening. Covers were laid for special guests Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Adelsperger, Mrs. Carl Davis and the members: Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McEldowney, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Corey, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Tiedgen, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gidley.

The club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McEldowney in two weeks.

EASTSIDE SEWING CLUB

The Eastside Sewing Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. A. A. Simpson in Bunker Hill last Thursday afternoon, when a pleasant few hours of sewing and chat followed by appetizing refreshments were enjoyed by the following ladies: Mrs. A. L. Foster, Mrs. W. Parks, Mrs. A. Horten, Mrs. Frank Prey, Mrs. R. E. Simpson, Mrs. A. A. Simpson and Miss Florence Simpson.

The club will meet again in two weeks.

A. N. W. CLUB

The A. N. W. Club met with Mrs. Lily Friedberg last Thursday and spent the afternoon hours in sewing and chat until the serving of appetizing refreshments by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. G. A. Bennett and Mrs. W. P. Murphy to the following ladies: Mrs. F. E. Allen, Mrs. Olivia Edman, Mrs. Carl Evertsen, Mrs. F. E. Hague, Mrs. J. T. Hall, Mrs. F. Hazard, Mrs. Elizabeth Hyde, Mrs. R. E. Irwin, Mrs. Chas. Kaiser, Mrs. Geo. Murch, Mrs. Mary McKnight, Mrs. L. Noble, Mrs. H. E. Quist, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Chas. Stauff and special guests Mrs. Ora McCarty and Mrs. Belle Horrell.

Next Tuesday Mrs. R. E. Irwin will be hostess.

NOR. LUTHERAN LADIES

The Ladies' Aid society of the Norwegian Lutheran church was entertained by Mrs. Mathison, assisted by her daughters, last Thursday afternoon. At this time the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Berg of Bunker Hill was christened and given the name of Vernon Eloff. The sponsors were Rev. and Mrs. R. O. Thorpe, Mrs. B. Mathisen and Mr. Anton Abrahamson. Those present were: Mrs. John Berg, Melvin and George Berg, Miss Johnson, Mrs. Grandell, Mrs. Thorwald, Mrs. Oscar Erickson, Mrs. John Tellefsen, Mrs. Prescott, Mrs. Isaacson, Mrs. C. G. Magnus, Mrs. Jens Hansen, Mrs. O. Larsen, Miss Elsie Larson, Mrs. Refsland, Miss Sennie Refsland, Mrs. G. Steen, Miss Myrtle Steen, Miss Hanna Sunne, Mrs. John Pitman, Mrs. E. Bergland, Mrs. P. B. Jacobsen, Mrs. Edward Erickson, Mrs. T. E. Erickson, Mrs. O. Thorpe, Mrs. B. Mathisen, Misses Mable, Cora and Alice Mathisen, and Rev. and Mrs. R. O. Thorpe.

ENTERTAIN COMMITTEE

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mahaffy entertained the banquet committee of the Alert Club last Thursday at dinner. Their guests were: Mrs. Hilda Larsen, Mrs. Ed. Noah and Mrs. W. B. Piper. The committee mentioned are making arrangements for a banquet to be tendered the husbands of the club ladies sometime in May.

ANOTHER PIE SUPPER

The ladies' aid of Eastside will give a pie supper and program next Saturday evening, April 17th, in the City hall. The pie suppers have grown to be popular affairs and a goodly turnout is anticipated.

BRIDGE LUNCHEON

Mrs. W. H. Kennedy entertained the Auction Bridge club at a bridge luncheon followed by cards, last Thursday. In decorating, Mrs. Ken-

nect. For high score, the prize trophy was awarded to Mrs. J. S. Lyons. Mrs. A. O. Rogers, Mrs. W. M. Blake, Mrs. A. T. Lagerstrom, Mrs. J. S. Lyons, and Miss Evelyn Anderson played in the absence of a number of members and the regular members present were: Mrs. A. T. Haines, Mrs. C. F. McKnight, Mrs. D. Y. Stafford, Mrs. E. E. Straw, Mrs. Mair Dano and Mrs. F. K. Gettins. Next Friday afternoon, the club will meet with Mrs. C. F. McKnight.

EASTER MONDAY BALL

The ladies of St. Monica's Altar Guild scored another brilliant success at their Easter Ball given last Monday evening.

A large number attended and all enjoyed the exceptionally good music by Murphy's Orchestra. The decorations were simple, but very artistic. There were many beautiful gowns worn and being the first social function after the Lenten quiet there was a charming spirit of social gaiety manifest throughout the evening.

These delightful events have come to be anticipated with pleasure and the ladies in charge are to be congratulated on the social success they have achieved.

While the attendance was not quite so large as the Christmas Ball it netted the ladies a very neat profit. Punch was served during the evening by Margaret Powers, Esther Sullivan and Francis Hymes.

NARCISSUS CLUB

Miss Stella Pederson extended her hospitality to the members of the Narcissus Club last Wednesday afternoon at her home in Eastside. The afternoon was enjoyed by the following ladies: Mrs. Ingle Pederson, Mrs. Shepard Bock, Mrs. Prescott, Mrs. Melvin, Mrs. LeNoir Ragsdale and the Misses Tora and Anna Lund, Ferris Swanson, Blanche Tellefsen, Helen Hart, Frances Franse and Stella Pederson. The club will be entertained in two weeks at the home of Miss Hilda West.

WOMEN'S CLUB MEETS

Last Wednesday evening at the Public Library building, the Coos Bay Women's Club met and made arrangements for a special meeting, the date and purpose of which will be announced later.

The next regular meeting will be the first Wednesday evening in May. The members out Wednesday were: Mrs. D. C. McCarty, Mrs. Nellie Owen, Mrs. M. A. Sweetman, Miss Eva Dresser and Miss Josephine Griffin.

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