

In the Social Realm

Society News.

Please phone all news items, society or otherwise, to the Tidings, No. 29. It is often necessary to leave late items over until the next issue, so as to insure insertion please phone them in as early as possible. The Tidings goes to press early each Monday and Thursday afternoon and items must be in and in type by noon if possible.

The Pleasant Hour Club will be entertained today by Mrs. L. S. Hunt and Miss Mary Orr.

The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a market sale at Holmes Bros. store Saturday.

The W. M. U. of the Congregational church met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. H. P. Boughman on Fairview street.

Mrs. E. H. Bush was hostess to the Chrysanthemum Embroidery Club at its meeting last Friday. The guests were: Mesdames Casey, Malone and Miss Coffee.

The Misses Amy Stannard and Minnie Beaver were guests of the Fleur de Lis Club at its last meeting in the Beaver block. After the business meeting a lunch was served during the social hour.

W. F. M. Society will meet with Mrs. M. W. Wheeler, 121 North Main street, next Friday at 2:30 p. m. Topic, "An Educational Revolution." Come. Look for your mystery box questions and quiz on Bryant's report.

The Baptist Missionary Society met with Mrs. Bert Greer yesterday and the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Keller; vice-president, Mrs. Mattingly; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Satterly.

Mrs. F. G. Swedenburg entertained a few friends at bridge Saturday evening. Those who enjoyed this delightful evening were: Miss Anna Mattern and Mesdames Provost, H. Pracht, C. H. Vaupel, Mattern, C. L. Cunningham and C. H. Veghte.

Miss Arnold of Ashland has taken a position as nurse at the sanatorium at Glendale. She was for three years superintendent of the Granite City Hospital. Miss Thorne, night nurse at the Glendale Hospital, was taken sick the first of the week and was brought to her home in this city.

The Metaph Club indulged in a "Dutch feed" at Crowson's, Monday night, the business of the club being transacted as its members gathered around the table. A party has been planned for the near future, invitations for which will be issued this week.

Miss Angela Bomar entertained the Tri Signas at her aunt's home, Mrs. C. A. Cotto, on Harrison street, at its last meeting. Those present were: The Misses Ruth Whitney, Edna Dougherty, Rose Taverner, Beatrice Miller, Alta Long and Florence Olds. Miss Belle Moore was an invited guest. A dainty collation was served during the afternoon.

The Ladies' Qui Vive Club met with Mrs. Young Friday on Granite street. There were 21 present, Mrs. Parker of Butte Falls being among the visitors. After the literary program refreshments were served in honor of Mrs. Payne's birthday and the monthly social of the club. Afterwards Mrs. Young and Mrs. Carter gave clairvoyant readings. All present enjoyed a good time.

Mrs. G. A. Culey entertained a number of ladies at her home on Liberty street Tuesday afternoon at an old-fashioned rag tacking. At 5 o'clock refreshments of coffee, sandwiches, pickles and cake were served to the following guests: Mesdames G. C. Culey, Murray, Carpenter, Curtis, Yates, Greenwood, Wright, Chamberlain, Burns, Cunningham, Van Scoy, Robinson, Anderson, McClaren, Hartley and Ball.

The Teacup Club was entertained at the Methodist parsonage Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Poor, who was assisted by Mesdames Daugherty, Milner, Homer Billings and William Yeo. A humorous duet, "Aunt Jemima's Pastor," sung by Mesdames Poor and Wolf, and two piano solos by Miss Myrtle Daugherty, were very much enjoyed. A "cat" guessing game provided part of the afternoon's entertainment. Mrs. George A. Briscoe won distinction by correctly answering all of the questions. Light refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon.

The Misses Beulah Caldwell and Floy Cambers were hostesses to the Alpha Chi Club at a meeting at the home of the former Saturday evening. The annual election of officers was held during the evening, resulting in the election of Miss Martha Gilchrist for president and Miss Beulah Caldwell secretary. Those in attendance were the Misses Martha Gilchrist, Edith Merrill, Margaret Power, Victoria Taverner, Frances Taverner, Ethlynde Sanford and Ethelyne Hurley.

The Citizens' League met in the parlor of the Temple of Truth Wednesday. Twenty minutes was devoted to Parliamentary Law, the remainder of the afternoon being spent in the discussion of the bills now pending before the legislature. This is a study club, in which they have taken up the study course of the Women of the Republic and the university course, pertaining to citizenship and self-government. Anyone wishing to become a member of this club will be cordially received. Mrs. Roland is president, Mrs. C. H. Banta secretary, Mrs. Freeberg treasurer, and Mrs. E. C. Gard is the leader of the university course. The club meets the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Wednesday evening of last week Mrs. Herman Mattern entertained six tables at five hundred. The highest scores were made by Mrs. Emil Peil and A. E. Kinney, the latter being presented with a tie rack and the former receiving a dainty china plate. A box of cold cream was presented in consolation to Mrs. C. L. Cunningham. A delicious lunch of chicken patties, tomato salad, hot rolls, brown bread sandwiches, olives, salted almonds and coffee was served at small tables. The guests of the occasion were: Messrs. and Mesdames Vaupel, Roy Davis, Peil, J. M. Wagner, Kinney, C. L. Cunningham, Swedenburg, Veghte, Whited, Simpson and S. Saunders, Mrs. E. D. Briggs and Willard Veghte.

Saturday Miss Midge Eubanks entertained at a delightful three-course luncheon in compliment to Miss Carol Fish of Phoenix, who is to be one of the spring brides. A hanging fern was suspended from the ceiling above the table and narrow pink and white ribbons led from it to a small basket of dinner mints found at each plate. The place cards were dainty affairs bearing hand-painted wedding bells. After the luncheon the guests spent a merry afternoon making a "First Aid to the Home-Makers," a book which will go with the bride-elect to her new home. Choice recipes, household hints and other useful ideas were placed in this book. The luncheon guests were: The Misses Carol and Sybil Fish, Frances Hamlin, Ruby Palmer, Nellie Briggs, Mildred Applegate, Hope Burdick, Angie Neil and Marion Huntley.

Fortnightly Club.
Mrs. Stuart Saunders was hostess to the Fortnightly Club last Friday afternoon. Mrs. C. C. Page won highest score.

Mrs. F. D. Wagoner will entertain the club this week in the evening, when the gentlemen will be guests.

Merry Matrons.
The Merry Matrons were entertained by Mrs. Sylvan Provost Friday afternoon. Mrs. Mattern won highest score and was presented with a brass jardiniere. Mrs. H. Barneburg received consolation prize, a silver tea strainer. The guests of the club were: Mesdames Mattern, Foster and J. J. McNair.

Federation Meeting.
The Federation of Woman's Clubs met at the library rooms Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Kormann spoke on city sanitation. In his talk he reviewed our city laws regarding sanitation. He said: "This city has as good or better sanitary laws than any city outside of one that he has investigated; but these laws are not enforced." His lecture on this line was the best ever given in Ashland. Mr. Kormann recommended that the ladies take this matter up in their clubs and see that these laws are enforced.

Mayor Johnson addressed the ladies and took up the question of the electric railway franchise. He is in favor of the franchise from every standpoint, but he believes it should be thoroughly reviewed by a competent attorney, so that nothing may be lacking to protect the city's interest.

Mr. F. W. Moore talked about the normal bill now pending before the legislature and asked the ladies to use their influence to create sentiment in its favor and help financially if called upon.

The Chautauqua ladies took charge of the program which followed. Piano solo, Edna Dorberry; reading, "Little Boy Blue," by Mrs. Wynne Scott; song by Frances Hamlin. The social hour ended with refreshments to the sixty who were present.

Joint Meeting of Parent-Teachers' Clubs.

The meeting Monday afternoon opened by singing "America." Mrs. Gard, president of the East Side Circle, made a few remarks and welcomed the visiting circles. Reports of the work done by the different circles was then given by their respective presidents. Mrs. Gard, speaking for the East Side Circle, asked the members of the other circles to give their votes in the Kohagen piano contest to this school. Both the East and West Side schools are fitting up rest rooms for the teachers. Mrs. Geyger of Neil Creek reported that they had served two dinners and given one entertainment and had used the funds derived therefrom to paint the school house and provide it with screens. Mrs. Gordon of the Bellevue Circle reported that electric lights had been installed in that school house and that an entertainment is to be given Friday evening to pay for the same. Two excellent papers on the subject of good roads were read by Mrs. Barrows of Neil Creek and Mrs. Schoenthal of Bellevue. The discussion of these papers was led by Mrs. Gard. A solo by Miss Engle was followed by a talk on the subject of uniform dress for the school room, by Miss Kaiser. Her experience as a teacher in a girls' boarding school in Seattle, where a uniform was worn with excellent results, made her an earnest advocate of that method of dealing with the dress problem. Professor Briscoe made some pertinent and sensible remarks on the necessity of parents and teachers working together on the question of suitable dress, showing that the teachers can do very little without the co-operation of the parents. He also deprecated the wearing of short sleeves and low-necked waists on the ground of health and comfort and said that the mothers should see that their children were clean and orderly in appearance, when sent to school; and if anything happened to a child on the way it was the teacher's business to send him to the basement to repair the damages. While several of the mothers expressed themselves in favor of the uniform, the majority of both mothers and teachers seemed to be against it, chiefly on the ground that it would make school life monotonous to both pupils and teachers, but all agreed that a simple mode of hair dressing and plainer dresses were greatly to be desired. This discussion was followed by a general social time and the serving of light refreshments.

No Joke to Get Married in Armenia.
An Armenian wedding is not readily forgotten. It lasts for several days, and starts with a general meeting of friends and relatives, who are entertained by a band of minstrels and dancers until the arrival of the groom. In the midst of the uproar it is Armenian etiquette that the "happy" man shall totter in with faltering footsteps and blanched face (it has just been whitened with a little powder) in order to go through the ordeal of preparation.

He is first publicly shaved and then adorned with the various gifts sent by the bride-elect. His brothers next fall upon him, and with such vigor that he speedily stands forth as nature made him. Then they completely re-close him in new garments as best they can—a difficult job when one remembers that custom forces them to hold candles in their right hands throughout the operation.

The evening terminates with bonfires, more music and much dancing. Upon the following evening the bride puts in her first appearance by riding to church—the bridegroom walks. The priest meets them at the porch and reads them a very reasonable little homily upon the obligations they are about to undertake. They next march in procession to the altar, where their foreheads are bound together with gold chains.

Even then, however, another three days must elapse before the expectant groom is allowed to take possession. They are a long-suffering race, the Armenians.

German women have formed housewives' associations, based on the principle of co-operation between the housewives of town and country. Among other things they maintain market halls.

SUNSET MAGAZINE and Ashland Tidings one year \$2.75 to old or new subscribers. Regular price of Sunset Magazine is \$1.50 per year.

The income of the king of Spain is \$1,400,000.

Favors School Supervisors.
To the Editor: With all due respect for our honorable county judge and ye editor, I should like to write a few lines in answer to the communication of Mr. Sturgess in regard to our school supervision. Of course, everyone has a right to his own opinion, but forming too hasty an opinion is a fault everyone should avoid.

To judge the work of supervisors by the notes read at the Parent-Teachers meetings would be as unfair as to judge the merits of a lecture by the notes jotted down by some auditor, as in both cases the notes were brief and to be used simply as reminders of the fuller and more complete work.

Surely, no one would think that children were of less value than fruit trees or roads, yet we have fruit inspectors and road supervisors, so why not have school supervisors? No one would think of letting an inexperienced person go to work on their place without watching and instructing them, so why should we allow inexperienced teachers to go into our school rooms and gain experience at the expense of our children, when by intelligent school supervision, the supervisor, who has been a successful teacher, could correct their mistakes before any damage was done and give them valuable hints which prove of value to both teacher and pupil. Then, too, he sees that each district receives the benefits of the O. A. C. literature and U. S. Department of Agriculture bulletins without any expense or loss of time.

Would Mr. Sturgess, who is or was a road supervisor, hire some stranger to work on his road and pay him wages without going to see how much or how well the work was done? No! He would simply laugh at the idea. Does he infer that the children are of less importance than his roads?

To be sure, as Mr. Sturgess observed, we should all know enough to have our children's drinking cups scalded with lye water, because none of us would wish our children to drink after children who have skin or blood trouble, but as far as that is concerned, a man knows he should work well to draw good wages, but will they all do so if they know that no one will know whether they work or not? It is the same with a teacher. When a teacher knows that the directors seldom if ever visit her school or inspect her work, what is to prevent her becoming lazy or careless?

Mr. Sturgess says pictures do not bring in any money, but if you are simply looking at monetary values, neither does music nor many of the other studies, but who would wish to live without music, art and literature? As I understand education, it is the means by which a person is fitted to go into the world, mingle with people and be able to converse intelligently on all subjects of common interest. Could he do so did he not know, at least, a few of the world's most noted artists and their work? Who would wish to have their children to be dumb and embarrassed in a company of persons who were speaking on subjects everyone should be familiar with and have them realize they might have been conversant with the subjects had their parents or school directors allowed these subjects to be taught when the supervisor advised the better method by which they might be taught? I cannot see why anyone who has thoroughly investigated the matter should in any way object to our system of school supervision.

GLADYS E. MILLER.
Central Point, Ore.

His Temperance Sermon.
The temperance reformer was justly proud of having converted the biggest drunkard in a little Scotch town and induced him—he was the local grave digger—to get on the platform and spout his experiences.

"My friends," he said, "I never, never thought to stand upon this platform with the provost on one side of me and the town clerk on th' other side of me. I never thought to tell ye that for a whole month I haven't touched a drop of anything. I've saved me enough to buy me a braw oak coffin wi' brass handles and brass nails—and if I'm a teetotaler for another month I shall be wantin' it."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

An English firm has brought out a new luminous varnish for automobiles, which is said to render a car, without being fitted with lamps, visible for a long distance on a dark night.

German distillers produced nearly 4,000,000 gallons of pure alcohol during the nine months ending with June, the smallest quantity for several years.

The PORTLAND EVENING TELEGRAM and Ashland Tidings one year \$5.00.

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look or buy.

SUNSHINE ASKS AID. Hospital Fees of Boy Guaranteed By Them.

A bill of \$30 from the Granite City Hospital for the care of a boy brought there some time ago by the S. P. and which had been turned down by the last city council, was brought up and Councilman Gowdy stated that the Sunshine Society had guaranteed the bill, and he moved that the bill be allowed. Councilman Beaver asked if the city council had the power to do this. Councilman Gowdy stated that this had been done in the past. Mr. Gowdy's motion thereupon prevailed and the bill was allowed.

But He Did!
"Maude," asked her dearest friend, "did Bob kiss you last night?"
"The very idea! Why do you ask such a question?"
"Oh, I happened to hear him say he liked your cheek."—New York World.

Notice to Wood Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Board of Directors of School District No. 5, of Ashland, Oregon, until February 10, 1913, at 6 o'clock p. m., for 150 cords of fir wood, to be good, solid wood cut from green trees. Wood received must not be more than eight nor less than three inches in diameter.

Wood to be delivered and piled as directed at the North and East Side school buildings, on or before September 1, 1913.

A certified check for \$25.00 must accompany each bid and a bond of \$500.00 will be required from person to whom contract is awarded for the faithful fulfillment thereof. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the Board of Directors.
H. F. POHLAND,
Clerk of School District No. 5.
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