

THE WEEK IN ASTORIA SOCIETY

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Perhaps never before in Astoria's social history, has the Pentecostal season been more closely observed than during the past few days which have culminated and which terminate in this Easter day. Entertaining has all been of the more informal type, and during the Holy Week even severer discipline has prevailed.

That most fascinating of diversions, cards, be it in Bridge, Whist or Euchre, has been relegated for once, until next week. In reference to which, on passing by may be pardoned the insertion of the following excerpt from lines, with apologies to Longfellow, by Short-fellow:

"I oft played at 'bridge' until midnight, While the clock was striking the hour. It was played all over the city. As the chimes pealed from the tower. Amongst the cards on the table, The stakes so golden lay. But the aces and kings of the other hands Seemed to lift and bear them away."

Schernekau Anniversary.

The most uniquely notable event of the last seven days occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Schernekau, on Palm Sunday. The occasion was the fiftieth anniversary of Mr. Schernekau's residence in the States, and was celebrated by the host and hostess during the day, with the assistance of their many friends, especially their German friends of Astoria who came in large numbers to offer their congratulations.

In the afternoon Mrs. Schernekau entertained the ladies of Queen Louise Lodge and others. During the evening which followed a party of twenty enjoyed a genuine German social festival. There was singing of German songs, readings, and the reciting of verses composed by different guests in honor of their esteemed countryman and neighbor, and touching on significant periods in the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Schernekau, not untinted with romance and valor.

A German supper, including every dish, characteristic of the Fatherland was served late in the evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Schernekau, Miss Marie Schernekau, Miss Bertha Kreibohm, Mrs. Sophia Kirchhoff, Mrs. Catharine Winterhalter, Mrs. Therese C. Fredrickson, Mr. and Mrs. August Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bock, Mr. and Mrs. G. Ziegler, Miss Valischa Liebe, The Dalles, the misses; Julia and Freda Bock, Margaret Sauter, Pauline Kirchhoff and Miss Marie Boentgen, all members of the Queen Louise Lodge.

Seamen's Home Benefit.

The social and sale of fancy articles which was given on Thursday in the afternoon and evening, at the home of Mrs. Jennie Bussey, proved a decided success, both financially and otherwise. Prominent women, members of various charitable organizations, and others, assisted in the affair.

Luncheon was served during the afternoon, and in the evening light refreshments, and both afternoon and evening. Those present were entertained by a program the merit of which was assured from the instance of such numbers as the reading given by Mrs. John Gratke in the usual best style of that talented lady. Mr. Ziegler's fine bass voice was enjoyed in several solos, and music from the excellent phonograph belonging to this well known singer, contributed much to the pleasure of the day.

Those who assisted in the program of the benefit were: Miss Esther Gearhart, Rose Amundson and Annie Larsen in piano solos, Messrs. C. A. Smith and G. Ziegler and Miss Amy Rannells in vocal solos, and Mrs. Gratke in reading.

Farewell Reception.

A reception was given on Monday in the basement of the Chapel in East Astoria, to Mrs. Samuel Adair and Mrs. Gus Swartz. This affair was in farewell preceding the departure of Mrs. Adair and Mrs. Swartz from this city to reside in Portland. About forty-five were present, and in token of the deep appreciation of the talents and faithful work in the church of these ladies, several handsome gifts were presented. Rev. Seymour Short addressed the party, and several delightful social hours were spent.

Auxiliary Meeting.

The last meeting of the Episcopalian Auxiliary was held this week. Following Easter, the Guild society will resume its usual social gatherings.

Farewell Surprise.

Mrs. Rober was given a farewell surprise by twenty friends, on Tuesday afternoon, in honor of the approaching departure of Mr. and Mrs. Rober. Mr. Rober who is connected in the government service expects to be released in the near future and will then remove permanently, from Astoria.

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Wedding Announcement.

Cards are out announcing the marriage, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jens Jackson, on Irving Avenue, on April seventh of Miss Christine Aspenses to Mr. Ole Stone.

Owl Dance.

Invitations were issued this week for the Owl's Easter dance, to be given in Knappton, next Tuesday. This will be the first of the round of gaudies, which will soon enliven the social atmosphere which has been sombre so long, and no doubt the opportunity for relaxation will not be neglected by those who were able enough to be included, for they have been proven past masters in the art of Terpsichorean hospitalities.

Ringler Party.

The Ringler dancing club is to have another dance, next Wednesday. The younger set who are members of this club, have gained a name for the exquisite appointments of their family society functions as well as the number of beautiful girls and handsome young men who make these affairs a success.

Queen Louise Lodge.

The last birthday entertainment for the Queen Louise Lodge was given by Mrs. August Hildebrand at the lodge hall, on Tuesday. As is the custom, the lodge spent a social afternoon, dedicating coffee and cakes being served by Mrs. Hildebrand. The ladies report a delightful afternoon.

Bergman Party.

In honor of Mrs. Herman Wise, who left last week to visit her brother in Spokane, Mrs. Isaac Bergman entertained a few friends during the afternoon, on Monday. Cards were played, Mrs. Wise being the winner of the prize.

Piano Recital.

Saturday afternoon Miss Anna Campbell gave a pupil's recital. A program of especially attractive numbers, which was presented by four pupils, was as follows:

- (a) Buds and Blossoms, Gurlitt Nos. 1, 2, 4. (b) Aragonaise Nassenet, Miss Esther Nyland. The Spark, Gottschalk, Miss Margaret Higgins. (c) Petite Tarentelle Heller, (d) Larghetto 3rd Sonata (fine) Kuhlau, (e) Valse Entrainante, Wachs, Miss Lizzie Larson. Vocal Solo Miss Rannells. (a) En Courant (The Engine) Godard, (b) Valse Chromatique Godard, Miss Ella Ekstrom. Andante from Surprise Symphony: Hady, Mrs. Higgins and Miss Higgins.

Skating Club.

The skating club will give another of their very popular and enjoyable parties, which have been called Skatillions, Friday night. This time it will be at Seaside, and much pleasure is anticipated.

Miss Edmundson, who was the guest of Miss Maud Van Dusen, for a fortnight, returned to her home in Portland, on Thursday.

Mr. Lewellyn Buck, of Portland was a guest in Astoria, for a few days and was one of a party which attended the "Tenderfoot."

Mrs. Gray entertained a few friends in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Beckley, who will depart shortly for their new home in Eastern Oregon.

Rebecca's Party.

Invitations have been issued for a whist party, to be given Friday evening by the Rebecca Lodge. It is understood that to those who have been present at the Rebecca card parties there is a standing invitation.

Another entertainment will be given by the Rebecca's on April 28th for which an elaborate program is being prepared. The ladies of the entertainment committee are: Miss Bertha Kreibohm, Miss Thyra Knudsen and Mrs. Charles Haddix.

Wahl-Fronsdale.

The marriage occurred, Saturday evening, at the Swedish Lutheran church of Miss Anna Ellna Fronsdale and Mr. Edward Wahl, both of this city.

Clover Club.

The Clover Club was entertained this week by Mrs. Harry Goodall, at her residence on Tenth street.

Birthday Club.

Mrs. Eliza Curran entertained the Birthday club of the Presbyterian church, last week.

Miss Margaret Taylor, who is studying music in Portland, is in the city to spend Easter week.

Miss Margaret Mackay has returned from Portland and is the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. E. Masterson.

Mrs. Watt Ross, of Portland is visiting her sister Mrs. Perry Trullinger.

Mrs. Trullinger of Knappton, is visiting her mother.

Mrs. R. E. Howes entertained a few friends Monday afternoon at her home with an informal tea.

Mrs. Ferd Fisher entertained Tuesday. Twenty were present on this evening. The parlors were decorated beautifully with daffodils and laurel-tine. At cards the prize winners were Mr. Coolidge, Mrs. Simington, Mrs. Kuettner and Mr. Morse.

The Pastime club will be entertained next Friday at the home of Mrs. Ferd Fisher, by Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Tuttle.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Troyer entertained Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George Noland who are soon to remove from Astoria to Kalamath where they expect to make their home.

Harry Hoefler is home from school in Portland to spend the Easter holidays.

Unusually elaborate Easter music will be heard in most of the churches today—Astorians will be charmed to hear Reba Hobson's voice again. Miss Hobson will sing in the morning at the Presbyterian church.

My Dear Harriet:— Now for the season's rush! Such a multitude of ruffles and frills to select from to adorn ones precious self. Along with the spring bunnies are blooming wonderful creations of fashion.

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