

# The Week in Astoria Society

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The culminating event of the Astoria Fourteenth Annual Regatta, and most delightful of its social contributions, transpired last evening, at Logan's Hall, when the first of the two grand Saengerfest concerts took place, under the leadership of Dr. Emil Enna, the distinguished pianist and composer, and given by the leading societies of Portland and Astoria in that great and appreciated musical combination. Astorians were fully prepared for the fine limit to which this event was carried, by the superb concerts given here last year under its auspices, and there was no shadow of disappointment in the minds of any of the immense throng of auditors who crowded the hall last night. It was charmingly successful from the initial rise to the final fall of the leader's baton, and has fixed and unchallenged place in the artistic chronicles of the city.

There was a brilliant audience in attendance and the best, and least, of the offerings were given the fullest measure of consideration throughout the evening, but the generosity of the house was squarely met by the earnest and deliberate efforts of very contributor to give his and her best, vocally, and instrumentally, as well as by prompt response to all encores.

Among the notable guests were Queen Hattie I., the ladies of her court; Admiral Shepherd and his staff of officers, the Regatta committee, headed by Hon. Herman Wise, as mayor of the city, and chairman, and original organizer, of the Regatta, besides many other pleasant and conspicuous people from home and abroad. Her Majesty was adorned with the beautiful Golden Cross of Honor, bestowed upon her by the Portland Singing Societies at the big reception at the city hall yesterday afternoon, and which is likely to figure among her cherished mementoes of one of the happiest episodes of her young life. Miss Wise has made a charming and dignified Queen and the impression left by her brief reign is altogether a happy one, sustaining admirably, the happy records left by her 13 predecessors.

The long and delightful program of the evening was broached promptly at 9 o'clock by a fine piece of orchestration, the prelude and intermezzo from Mascagni's Cavaleria Rusticana, which set the pace, as it were, for the treats that followed thick and fast through the hours of the concert.

The first choral number was Pacius' Bjoerneorgernes March, by the United Singers, and was given with splendid effect; this was followed by a delicious cello obligato, from Tchaikowsky, by Miss Rogers, one of the most famous of the younger masters of that instrument, and who was amply repaid for her effort. The magnificent baritone voice of Mr. Robarts was next heard in the Yeoman's Wedding Song, by Prince Poniatowski, and the house of Astorians were fully alive to rare presentment made by this accomplished singer. Reissiger's Olaf Trygvesson was then given by the Norwegian Singing Society of Portland (J. O. Berg, directing), with fine vim and compass, and was encored vociferously; after which Dr. Emil Enna left the leader's box for the piano and played delightfully the Etude Melodique, from Chaminade, and a couple of Spring Dances, from Grieg, which were met as all his work is met, by this people, the heartiest appreciation. The Swedish Singing Society (Columbia) of Portland, led by C. B. Borquist then sang The Chimes with wonderful spirit and made an instantaneous and happy impression upon an audience as receptive as it was quick with its manifestations of pleasure. The delicious mezzo-contralto of Miss Mary Conyers was then heard in this city for the first time, in d'Hardelot's dainty gem "All For You," and she won her place for all time in the music world of Astoria, by this offering and that which followed the marked applause accorded her. Director E. Wahl, of the Norwegian Singing Society of this city then led his fine chorus through the notes of a ringing folk-song by Been and was rewarded on the spot with a spontaneous outburst of appreciation from the house. Mr. Robarts was again delightfully in evidence in his rendition of "Sight No More, Ladies," from Much Ado About Nothing, and repeated the earlier successes of the evening, and Miss Rogers did the same thing by giving Popper's "Widmung," with remarkable effect on her cello. Miss Conyers added to her previous achievements by sing-

ing Dr. Enna's "How Shall I Sing To My Fair One?" in delicious fashion and sealed her hold on Astoria's good-will therewith. The United Singers then rendered Grieg's "Landkjenning" in fine tone and volume and gained a ringing round of applause in the doing of it. The fine program ending with a splendid baritone solo by Andrew Holmquist, of this city. The whole affair being heartily and honestly approved and enjoyed by the audience that overflowed the capacity of the hall, and lent ample predicate for filling the house again at two o'clock this afternoon, with the second of the noble concerts will be given, with all of the pronounced talent that contributed last evening.

- Today's program is as follows:
- Traumerei ..... Schumann
  - Am Camin ..... Schumann
  - Orchestra
  - Hoer Os Swea ..... Wennerberg
  - United Singers
  - A New Heaven and Earth (from the Holy City) ..... Gaul
  - Mr. Robarts
  - Valdrisgisen ..... Behrens
  - Norwegian Singing Society of Astoria, E. Wahl, director
  - Concert Variation over "Spinn, Spinn Dotter Min" ..... Enna
  - Dr. Enna
  - I Hid My Love ..... D'Hardelot
  - If I Build a World For You ..... Lehmann
  - Miss Conyers
  - Gavotte ..... Popper
  - Mr. Robarts
  - My Old Kentucky Home ..... Foster
  - Norwegian Singing Society of Portland, J. O. Berg, director
  - Nocture ..... Thomas
  - Cello Obligato, Miss Rogers
  - The Promise of Life ..... Cowen
  - Mr. Robarts
  - A Peasant Wedding ..... Soederman
  - Swedish Singing Society of Portland, C. B. Borquist, director
  - Violets ..... Roma
  - Miss Conyers
  - Landkjenning ..... Grieg
  - United Singers
  - Baritone Solo, Mr. Holmquist
  - Doors Closed During Each Number

Mr. and Mrs. Reith of the Lewis and Clarke district gave a party on Monday evening in honor of their daughter Zella's birthday. A very enjoyable evening was passed with music and games. At midnight refreshments were served. Those present from Lewis and Clark were; Misses Bessie and Amy Spicer Mr. Harrison Spicer, Misses Maud and Carrie Chambers, Messrs. Roy and Omar Chambers, Miss Josephine Dow, Mr. Neal Dow, Miss Nellie Anderson, Miss Minnie Larson, Mr. Wilburn Sales, Mr. L. E. Wilson, Mrs. Wilson, Misses Myrtle and Edith Wilson; From Astoria: Miss Alice Kearney, Miss Laura Jeffers, Miss Flora Larson, Mr. Larsen, Miss Florence Cann, Mr. Archie Cann, Miss Bessie Wooton.

Those from a distance were: Dr. and Mrs. O. F. Botkin, Mrs. Thomas Gramham, Miss Rose Nisbet, Mr. Marshall Nisbet, of Portland, the Misses Edmondson of St. John; Miss Lucy Adams of Boise; Mr. Charles Bollinger of Seattle.

The members of the Friday club were charmingly entertained at the home of Mrs. A. J. Taylor of Flavel on Saturday afternoon of last week. A private boat carried the gathering to Mrs. Taylor's pretty home early in the afternoon and returned in the evening. The pleasant afternoon hours were devoted to the card game of five hundred, after which a pleasant social conversation was indulged before the party returned to their home all agreeing that the afternoon was one of the most delightful affairs given this season.

Miss May Utzinger's home on Bond street Tuesday evening was the scene of a pretty and enjoyable reception given by her to the members of the D. M. C. D. Club in honor of Miss Valesk Liebe of The Dalles who is in the city during Regatta week visiting with friends and relatives. The young ladies, of whom quite a number were present, had a happy time of it indeed, playing cards and engaging in entertaining conversation, such as can be thoroughly appreciated only among such close friends as were present at Miss Utzinger's.

Mrs. William A. Sherman gave a charming party on Wednesday of this week, at her home on Jerome avenue. The color scheme was yellow, being carried out in both decorations and refreshments which were very effective and dainty. The large living

rooms was devoted entirely to nasturtiums and ferns while the porches and dining room were decorated with Japanese lanterns and hydrangeas. Fifty guests enjoyed the afternoon at cards. Mrs. John D. McGowan winning the prize.

The camping party composed of Dr. W. C. Logan and his family, Miss Julia and Meta Ford of California, who are sisters of Mrs. W. C. Logan, Miss Tillie Meyer of San Francisco, and Mrs. William Eigner, have returned from a week's camping in the Nehalem Valley at Andrew Olsen's place. The party reports that they had excellent weather throughout their outing, and had a pleasant trip in spite of the fact that game is scarce in that section of the state, and what is there is very difficult to get owing to the unfavorable condition of the underbrush which is very thick.

A delightful surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Asp and family at their home on Seventh street last Tuesday evening by their neighbors and many friends. Many tokens of goodwill were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Asp. The evening was spent in music and reading among the pleasant gathering and all experienced a most enjoyable time. Mr. and Mrs. Asp and their son will leave the early part of this week for Idaho where they will permanently live hereafter but Miss Esther and Miss Eva Asp are to remain in this city.

A "Nasturtium Party" was given to a large number of guests by Mrs. William A. Sherman at her home on Jerome avenue last Wednesday. The house was prettily and artistically decorated for the occasion, and the afternoon was spent at playing cards. Mrs. J. D. McGowan of Ilwaco, held the highest cards and received the beautiful prize gift. Altogether the affair was a decided success and was pronounced by all as being one of the leading social events of the season.

A banquet was given by the Ladies' Society of the First Lutheran Church to the visiting pastors of the Columbia conference who have been in session for the past few days at the church hall. The banquet was tendered Thursday evening. The session will close today with special services at the First Lutheran and Methodist churches, and was a very successful one throughout.

Mrs. M. S. Carter, Mr. George Danneberg and Miss Tracy Donnerberg, all of Portland, were in the city for the Regatta celebration, guests at the home of their brother, Mr. F. J. Donnerberg. The party will spend a week at the beach resorts before returning to their Portland home.

The wedding of Arthur C. Callan, formerly of Astoria, but now a resident of Seattle, to Miss Myrtle L. Hunt took place in Seattle on Wednesday, August 26th. Mr. Callan is now the northwestern representative of the Pacific Steel & Hardware Co. with headquarters in the Sound City.

Mrs. Frank Warriner is entertaining her sister, Mrs. V. Tompkins and her daughter, who are in the city for Regatta week from Cascade Locks. Mrs. Tompkins and her daughter are planning to spend a week at the beach before returning to their home.

The Misses Myra Laveridge, of Eugene, Juanita Hastings of Victoria, B. C., Ada Burke, of Portland, and Hazel Kennedy, of Skamokawa, the visiting guests of the Misses Van Dusen, have returned to their respective homes.

Miss Lucy Adams of Boise who has been visiting at the home of J. W. Reith's on the Lewis and Clark, left for Seaside last Wednesday accompanied by Miss Jessie Reith for a short stay after which Miss Adams will leave for her home in Boise.

Miss Georgia Ekstrom and Miss May C. Magee have returned to their home after a two weeks' outing at Cannon Beach. They report that they had an excellent time.

Miss Hazel Robb, of Portland, who has been the guest of Mrs. M. Hume, of this city, for the past week, returned to her home at the metropolis last Thursday.

Mrs. Norris Staples and her children, who have been visiting at Collins Springs, have returned to their home in this city.

Miss A. McCulloch and Mrs. M. Herron, of Salem, are in the city over Regatta visitors at their cousin, Mrs. James W. Welch.

Mrs. Fritz Strochel, with her son, is in the city from Portland, the guests of Mrs. Strochel parents, Capt. and Mrs. P. E. Ferchen.

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Mrs. Fred A. Holt and Mrs. Edward L. Babbidge, who have been on a visit to San Francisco, have returned to their home.

C. W. Holmes and family have returned from their camping trip at Elk Creek were they spent several weeks.

Mr. R. Sheperd of Gresham, who is agent of the Oregon Water & Power Company at that place, is in Astoria the guest of his aunt, Mrs. J. A. Devlin.

Mrs. Joseph Bergman, of Portland, accompanied by her daughter, are the guests of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. I. Bergman, of this city for Regatta week.

Mrs. John McGowan of Ilwaco was a visitor in Astoria during the Regatta the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dunbar.

Miss Marguerite Haddick, a resident of Eugene, is in the city spending two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ohler.

Mrs. J. E. Ferguson, accompanied by her children, are at Cannon Beach spending the summer months at their cottage there.

Miss Jessie Sands is entertaining her friend, Miss Bess Anderson of Portland during the Regatta festivities here.

Mrs. S. M. Maddock from Portland is in Astoria, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. N. Callaway.

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