

Topics of Interest in the Realm Feminine

IN SOCIETY

Frederick S. Morris returned Saturday evening from the east, where he spent some time with his sister, Miss Rita A. Morris. Some time ago, Miss Morris is at present with her brother, James H. Morris, in Philadelphia, where she will remain until Frederick Morris returns to accompany her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Owen are expected home from their eastern trip tomorrow evening.

"We have had more nervous breakdowns in society," says Dr. Anna von Sholly, "among women and men, since the bridge across the river was built. It is a country that has never before. Nevertheless she does not blame bridge directly for the increase in nervousness. 'In my opinion,' she explains, 'gambling is a symptom, not a cause. If the women who play bridge all day were not engaged in that pastime they would be doing something else just as futile. Women gamble harder than men. They worry over their losses and various gambling games have driven many to nervous prostration.'"

Mrs. W. J. Fumish and Miss Kathleen Fumish sailed from Honolulu Wednesday, March 8, and will probably arrive in Portland the latter part of this week.

Rev. Roy Edgar Remington solemnized the wedding of Miss Nellie Fluke, of Belton, Texas, and George F. Schott, Jr., at 7 o'clock last evening in All Saints Episcopal church. Only the immediate family and several very close friends were present. Miss Blanche Schott attended the bride as maid of honor and Walter Yarian acted as best man. The bride wore a smart tulle made suit of dark blue, with hat to match and carried bride roses. Miss Schott had on a suit of black moire with black picture hat. Her flowers were bride-maid roses. A wedding supper followed at the Portland, when the table was charmingly decorated with lilies of the valley and violets. Mr. and Mrs. Schott left later in the evening for Seattle and other points, where they will probably remain a fortnight. Shortly after their return to Portland Mr. and Mrs. Schott will leave for the Deschutes, where Mr. Schott is in the employ of Twelv Brothers. Mrs. Schott is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fluke and a sister of John Fumish, who was a guest in Portland until after the holidays. Mrs. Schott has spent the winter as a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Schott, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Metcalf, Sr., Miss Lillian Metcalf and Miss Fanny Sweetser returned last evening from California, where they have been among the many spending time in travel there.

Mrs. Carrie C. Van Orsdal, grand daughter of the Portland Women of Woodcraft, is in Los Angeles attending a big convocation of the order.

OREGON CONGRESS OF MOTHERS AND PARENT TEACHER CIRCLES

"To Cure Is the Voice of the Past; to Prevent the Divine Whisper of Today"

By Luther R. Dyott, D. D.
JUST as there is a mass of aeriform fluid surrounding the earth, so there is a moral atmosphere surrounding the life of the child. This moral atmosphere has much to do with the life, the ideals, the real growth, the character and destiny of the child. Character is the product of heredity, environment, choice, deeds and purpose, or the want of purpose. No child is of necessity doomed by the evils of heredity. The atmosphere about the life has more to do with character than heredity. The transmission of physical or moral peculiarities, is, indeed, possible; but there are other things more powerful. The moral atmosphere counts for more. Adults in a given community, inevitably related to that community, make an atmosphere for the child life of the same. The children are exposed to this atmosphere at a very susceptible period in life. When public men and others who have much to do with public life are unmindful of public morals, and are quite willing to sacrifice moral interests for the sake of material gain, or political popularity, when underlings and weaklings are unwilling to assume responsibility and if need be, fight for the moral interests of a city; when moral cowards say: "O, we cannot help it; matters may be bad, but we cannot make them better," they and all who are of kindred nature are the soul murderers of the children who become poisoned at a sin laden atmosphere and those who are responsible must answer before the judgment seat of Almighty God for soul murder in the first degree.

There is a moral atmosphere in the home life. It may be very dangerous. Parents whose lives label the very words "father" and "mother," who say to their children, "Do as I say, and not as I do," will some day find that inconsistency has poisoned the atmosphere about the child life and no amount of parental (?) precept and authority will be able to overcome the force of everyday example. It is most difficult and sometimes utterly impossible, for the church and the Sunday school to counteract the unwholesome influences of the home life. Sometimes the atmosphere in the church and the Sunday school is not as good as it should be for children and young people. Frost in June is not a "seasonable" thing, and roses are not helped by it. Foolishness, even in the name of religion is still foolishness. Old religious "cranks" who expect children and young people to be perfect are good for a freeze, and nothing else. He who would put an old head on young shoulders needs a new head on his own shoulders. We should meet the children in the Sunday school and church with our own hearts as warm and tender as theirs.

der as theirs. The atmosphere must be kept pure and healthful. The atmosphere in the public schools can be improved. Moral education should find its place here. Not secular religion but a moral atmosphere so clean and sweet and pure that the children may grow in that which is healthful just as naturally as the lily about which the master spoke. In behalf of the children a plea is hereby made with all who are concerned, that the children may have the moral atmosphere they need in order that they may become the sort of men and women needed, and needed now, by the world in which we live.

News of the Circles.

At the board meeting of the Oregon Congress of Mothers Tuesday, delegates to the National congress, Washington, D. C., April 25 to May 2, were appointed as follows: Representing the Oregon State congress, Mrs. R. H. Tate, president; Mrs. Thomas Hawkes, vice president and chairman of the playgrounds committee; Mrs. George W. McMath, president of the Mount Tabor circle and chairman of the press committee. Representing their respective circles: Mrs. H. E. Clarke, president of the Woodlawn circle, and Mrs. W. S. Beattie of the Thompson school circle.

The State congress is entitled to one more delegate. If any member is to be in the east at the time she should communicate with Mrs. R. H. Tate, 1811 Scott avenue, Portland; phone, Tabor 717.

A vote was passed to raise funds to equip the Fraser gymnasium, and a committee was appointed to take the matter in charge, with Mrs. Fred Olson chairman. Dr. Louis Dechman will deliver the next lecture for the congress Tuesday, March 21, at the Y. W. C. A. auditorium.

The regular monthly meeting of the Glencoe School circle was held last Thursday. D. A. Grout, assistant superintendent of schools, gave a fine talk upon the need of considering individuality in pupils by the teacher and of children in the home by the parents. It was a most inspiring and helpful address.

At its close Principal Stafford spoke of the rumors that the Glencoe school building was a fire trap. To allay the fears excited by these rumors he invited those present to go with him on a tour of inspection of the entire building. He pointed out that the basement is entirely of cement; that the flues are iron so placed that nothing can come in contact with them where they are not bricked in; that even the cloths and mops used by the janitor are kept

in tin. Halls are wide, fire escapes are good and the school has an excellent fire drill, so the danger from fire in that building seems reduced to the minimum.

Mrs. George W. McMath, chairman of the press committee of the congress and president of the Mount Tabor Parent-Teacher circle, has been on a visit to Spokane, with the result that she is invited by the collegiate alumnae there to give an address on congress work. Mrs. McMath has written that she will go to them any day this week. So the spirit of the congress is carried by those able and willing to bear the message. The tide of feeling for child welfare rises.

The second decimal meeting in the series undertaken by Mrs. Hawkes was held at the home of Mrs. A. E. Rockey, 718 Flanders street, Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Emma B. Carroll read a valuable paper on ways to cultivate truth in the child, which was followed by an active and spirited discussion. The matter of children's parties was considered, their frequency and elaborateness censured. One lady told of a party given for babies under two years, where the tots were assembled under artificial light, gloved and gowned in unchildlike splendor.

Then the matter of dress for young girls came up. The opinion of the ladies was that girls should dress simply, and that a mother who would give her young daughter a season ticket to the matinee was utterly lacking in right ideas of girl culture.

The next meeting in this series will be held at the home of Mrs. A. E. Clark, 819 Johnson street. Notice of the date will be given later.

Please note: Any member of the congress can start her own meetings

of the decimal type at any time. You can fling more than one pebble into a pond.

Miss Millard, librarian of the children's department of the public library, was hostess of the Clinton-Kelly school circle last Friday afternoon in her own domain, the library. A delightful time was enjoyed, Miss Millard serving tea and plotting her guests about the library, showing them interesting and instructive features the casual observer would be likely to miss.

Next Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, at the Shaver school, there will be a meeting to consider the playground needs.

HILL WILL BUY MUCH COOS PROPERTY, REPORT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Marshfield, Or., March 12.—That the James J. Hill interests were negotiating for the purchase of extensive property on Coos Bay in which he is interested was the statement of Major L. D. Kinney while testifying on the witness stand in the bankruptcy case of the Coos Bay Rapid Transit company, which is being heard in this city before Special Referee McKnight. Major Kinney was the promoter of the company, and since the proposed street railway of the Coos Bay Rapid Transit company fell through he has been away from Coos Bay. Immediately on his return a few days ago he was called to the witness stand to tell what he knew of the affairs of the company, which are somewhat involved in his own personal business affairs. The further taking of evidence has been continued until March 14.

Pasco Masons to Build.
Pasco, Wash., March 12.—The contract has been let by the Pasco Masonic lodge to Al Gerry for the erection of a two story brick temple on Second street, between Lewis and Clark. The contract price is \$12,450, and the building will be one of the finest appointed in the northwest. Work will begin at once.

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FAMOUS PHYSICIANS WILL COME IN JULY

The nation's famous doctors who know best how to detect and vivify are coming to Portland for an entire week in July. The State Medical Association, which begins its meeting July 10, will be transformed into a post graduate school and the noted specialists, surgeons and internists will serve as teachers for the Oregon physicians. Dr. John B. Murphy of Chicago, who is one of the greatest teachers of surgery in America, has promised to come. Dr. John B. Deaver, famous expert in operations for appendicitis, has also accepted. Dr. Deaver's home is in Philadelphia. One of the Mayo brothers will come from their surgical sanatorium in Rochester, Minn. Dr. M. H. Fussell of Philadelphia, one of the greatest internists in the United States and one of the hardest workers; Dr. W. J. Butler, another well known internist from Chicago, and Dr. Mayock Revere, head of the hygienic laboratory of Wisconsin, a man who is giving his life to a search for cure of consumption, is also to come to Portland. The opportunity to get all the famous doctors in Portland at one time is due to the fact that at Los Angeles, beginning June 25, the American Medical Society will begin its meeting, while at San Francisco the National and Provincial Association of Boards of Health will have concluded its annual meeting on June 24.

Improvements for Kennewick.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Kennewick, Wash., March 12.—A sewer system for Kennewick is now assured, by the decisive vote of 44 to 150 the people decided for the \$30,000 bond issue which will enable the city to construct the main trunk sewer with two outlets into the Columbia, one for low water and one for high water. The laterals will be constructed by the property owners.

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S. F. C. & W. RY FILES BIG BOND

Railway Officials Prepare to Build Bridge Over Willamette at Salem.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)
Salem, Or., March 12.—As a mark of good faith as to its intentions the Salem, Falls City & Western's attorneys Saturday in writing accepted the franchise granted to it by the city council over the veto of Mayor Lachmund last Monday and filed a \$10,000 bond to insure the carrying out of its part of the agreement. About the only agreement, which, however, this bond is bound to keep, is to have trains in operation on Main street within two years from the date of acceptance.

The Salem, Falls City & Western will make application at once to the war department at Washington for permit to span the Willamette river at this point. This step is necessary before the matter of building a bridge across the river can proceed. A prior application was made, but owing to the fact that the road had no franchise in the city of Salem it was not urged. The franchise from the state of Oregon granted by the late legislature was not necessary, according to Attorney McNary. It will assist, however, in getting the necessary permit from the war department.

The construction of the steel bridge across the river will be the largest item in connection with the road's promise to have trains operating in Salem within two years. It will take sometime to get the permission from the govern-

ment, which requires a certain amount of red tape. Then the material and steel for the bridge must be ordered and some especially made for this bridge. By that time winter will be at hand. On account of the slight depth of the river at the point where it is proposed to cross, it is believed that high water will not prevent the work from proceeding during the winter.

The withdrawal of Mayor Head of Louisville left ex-Senator McNary and William Addams of Cynthiana the only avowed candidates for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in Kentucky.

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