

# SOCIETY

Fred Anderson, Rita Brown, Merl Kessler, May Sisley, Florence Carlquist, Lydia Carlquist, Kate Newell, Alfred A. Newman.

Members of the Krow Eideen club were entertained at the home of Mrs. A. Merdink, 1686 Sherman street. The rooms were beautifully decorated with Christmas ferns and poinsettias. Plans were made for the New Year's watch party when they entertain their husbands and a few invited guests.

### COMING EVENTS

A Christmas eve dance given by the Myrtle Rose club at Christenson's hall next Wednesday evening will be an event of the coming week. The committee also wishes to announce their New Year's eve party at Christenson's hall, Wednesday, December 31, 1913, dancing the old year out and the New Year in, also the Tango dance will be introduced.

The Deem Girls wish to announce to their many friends, that they will open the new year with a dancing party at Christenson's hall on January 22, 1914.

Cottillon hall at Fourteenth and Stark streets is nearing completion and the Cottillon club, under the management of Montross M. Ringler, will give two opening dances on New Year's eve and New Year's night, for which invitations are now being mailed. This will not be the formal opening of the hall, however, as a grand charity ball is planned for the latter part of the month as a formal opening. The ball room, which can accommodate 700 couples, is said to be one of the finest in the west, and will have a patent ball bearing spring floor.

The patronesses for the Cottillon club dances are: Mrs. Paul Van Fridagh, Mrs. F. L. Litherland, Mrs. J. P. Irvine, Mrs. H. Rice, Mrs. H. C. Jagger, Mrs. M. M. Ringler, Mrs. Robert Tegen and Mrs. F. T. Collier.

The Minuet club will give two special dancing parties to members and friends on Christmas afternoon and evening. The tango and hesitation waltz will be featured. The dances are held at Dreamland hall, Morrison and Second streets.

New Year's night, January 1, the Armory will be the scene of one of the popular affairs of the holiday season when the Bachelor Button club will give their third annual ball and New Year's party. All the latest torch songs, novelties and steps will be danced to the tune of a 25 piece symphony orchestra. The patronesses are: Mrs. H. F. Wheeler, Mrs. E. F. Michael and Mrs. I. N. Harvey. The committee in charge of arrangements is: Miss Grace Michael, Miss Rose M. Meister, Miss Etta Wheeler, Miss Hazel L. Mann, Miss Verena Blaser, Miss Margaret Harvey, Miss Alice Durban, George Herman, Charles H. Bennett, Arthur H. Steuer, William Bradley, Joseph Roberts, Albert T. Hoppe and Harry Howard.

### FRATERNAL NOTES

The regular meeting of Eureka Council 204, Knights and Ladies of Security, was held in their hall, East Sixth and Alder street, Monday evening, December 22. One of the pleasant features of the evening will be the beautiful Christmas tree. Santa Claus will be there in all his glory to see that all share in the good things. The orchestra of Eureka Council will furnish music for the dancing. Every member of the council and their families are expected to be present.

An entertainment was given by Mrs. Anna Rice, assisted by Mrs. C. O. Tefft, Tuesday, in honor of General Custer circle No. 27, Ladies of the G. A. R., at



Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Traglio of Salem, who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary last Sunday at their home in that city.

her residence, Sixtieth avenue and Forty-second street southeast, with covers for 21. The following program was rendered: A short talk by Professor Heines on "The Application of Christian Science to the Human Anatomy", singing and instrumental music; timely hints for the good of the order by Blater Hines, and "The Beauties of Nature in Landscape Painting", by Mrs. Rice, as illustrated by several large canvases of her handiwork. Souvenirs were distributed to each person present by a streamer of ribbon, which extended to different parts of the table. Each was instructed to pull at a given signal. Each pulled out a miniature suitcase filled to the limit with toothsome sweetmeats.

Gordon Granger W. R. C. No. 43 and post gave a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Barber, 639 DeLuna avenue, Monday, December 15, for M. A. Robertson, the occasion being his seventy-eighth birthday.

Commander W. H. Murphy presented Mr. Robertson with a handsome G. A. R. pin.

The ladies of the corps served a dainty luncheon. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Covey, Mr. and Mrs. J. Tawney, Mr.



Miss Elizabeth Woodbury of Chicago, who is the guest of Mrs. J. O. Young.

and Mrs. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Barber, Mrs. L. Winans, M. A. Robertson, J. J. Hughes, B. Morgan, H. Dooley, Mrs. E. Owens, Mrs. M. Brown, Mrs. S. A. Cochran, Mrs. Geill, Mrs. Guy L. Thornton, Mrs. John Murrell, Mrs. W. E. Slater, E. Clark Hall, Mrs. Rocks, Rachel Thornton, Virginia Recks, Fairy Recks, Mrs. C. A. Bales and Mrs. Fred Daiton.

The younger members of the Odd Fellows' lodges of the city and their friends assembled last Thursday evening at Muriak hall, the occasion being the annual dancing party of the Utopia club. A delightful evening was enjoyed by all present, and the committee, prompted by the success of the event and the solicitations of their friends, are contemplating holding a series of dancing parties during the winter. The patronesses for the occasion were: Mrs. Charlotte Woodman, Mrs. H. E. Westbrook, Mrs. H. U. Welch, Mrs. A. Quinn, Mrs. J. V. Swan, Mrs. M. Steele, Miss Emma Bonadurer, Miss Fayretta Treichel, Miss Eden Savory, M. S. Magee, Abraham Nelson, Walter Huber and Ernest Lundquist, comprised the committee in charge of the arrangements.

Portland Star Homestead held an interesting meeting last Thursday night in the Moose hall. A number of new applications for membership were presented. Next Thursday night the Homestead will entertain its members and friends with 500 and dancing.

Gordon Granger W. R. C. No. 43, held their annual election of officers the first Friday in December and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Hilda Slater; senior vice, Mrs. E. Clark Hall; junior vice, Mrs. Barber; treasurer, Mrs. Murrell; guard, Mrs. Anna Bernard; conductor, Mrs. Geill; chaplain, Mrs. Sperry; delegates, Myrtle Dalton, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Dingus, Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. Sperry, Mrs. Thornton, Mrs. Burrell and Mrs. Carson.

Oregon Rose Camp, Royal Neighbors of America, held its annual election of officers last Friday evening. There was a large attendance, and after the election was over many interesting talks were given by the officers-elect and visiting members. The following officers were elected for the new year: Oreg. Jessie Barnum; vice orator, Katie Klumbeard; chancellor, Jennie Hollis, re-elected; recorder, Fannie Smock, re-elected; receiver, Nellie Lee; marshal, Celia McGilivray; inner sentinel, Mae Angel; outer sentinel, Emma Nessel. Mrs. Lura Fredrickson was elected delegate to the state convention, Mrs. P. Haley, alternate.

Miss Laura Akin, who with her mother is traveling in Europe and is now in Italy, will spend Christmas in Rome.

## AMBITIOUS MINISTERS ARE CAUSING DEATH OF COUNTRY CHURCH

### Young Pastors Consider Rural Charges Stepping Stones to City Churches.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 20.—Hundreds of rural churches are dead and hundreds more are dying and the rural ministers are entirely to blame, according to James W. Street of Mackinaw, Ill., of the rural church department at Bethany Park, Ind. In an article written for the United Press, J. W. Street scathingly denounces the young minister who accepts a rural pulpit merely as a stepping stone for a charge in the city.

By J. W. Street.

That the rural church is decadent is not questioned by those who have scanned the stream that ever flows into the urban centers of population. It no longer possesses the strength to mould the lives of its people on a large spiritual plane. Rural communities are no longer immune from modern evils. The grossest forms of sin are now found amid the most attractive rural surroundings.

"Country slums" are no longer a curiosity, but an alarming situation demanding immediate attention. Hundreds of rural churches are dead and other hundreds are dying. It is not because there is no want or desire for the services rural churches might render that so many are dead. It is because the right kind of leadership is not present.

Minister Shapes Policy.

The largest single item in shaping the policy of the rural church is the minister. He comes as an evangelist and organizes the congregation. He is called to bring "the kingdom of God among men." He is given full charge of the work. His time is his to be used as he directs. Seldom does his people question the use he makes of it.

The people have confidence in him and trust him in all church matters. They usually pay him a larger salary than any member of his congregation receives, notwithstanding the great furor regarding the low salaries for ministers. The home of the community are open to him. Every officer of the church has a right to look to him for help in directing the work of the church. How has he acted under such circumstances?

From a careful investigation of many cases it has been established that nearly every man who has accepted a call to a rural church does so only as a stepping stone to city work. He has been imbued with the idea that only beginners are broken down in the rural service. He believes that the big men and the strong men always go ultimately to the city, and that he will soon go.

This idea results in sermons that smelt of the roar and rush of the city. They are followed with the city opportunity and its task. They are colored with the city needs and its sins. He sees no local observation except to preach some sermons that he expects to use later in his city church. He reads no books except those that deal with the city service.

Ask him about the problems of his community and he will look at you as

## 55TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED



Mr. and Mrs. William Hoare.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hoare of 1288 East Seventeenth street, north, recently celebrated their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary by entertaining Gordon Granger Women's Relief Corps, No. 48. The couple have made their home in Portland for the past 20 years, and Mr.

Hoare having retired from business, are enjoying the fruits of life. They have 14 children and 48 grandchildren, some of whom were present at the recent celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Hoare came to this country from England. Mr. Hoare is now 78 years of age, while Mrs. Hoare is a year his junior.

though you were a fool. Ask him if he has planned for the enlargement of the service his church renders the people and he smiles at your simplicity. The Great White Way of the city holds him enthralled and he does not know that many of the evils of the city are already transplanted in his own locality.

With this attitude is it any wonder that his farmer folk grow hungry for spiritual food suited to their needs? They grow weary of being harrowed with the sins of the city while their boys and girls are going to the devil along the similar lanes. Is it any wonder they have turned away from the church and the rural minister? Then the minister, who has always regarded his charge as a mere stepping stone, and who has always had an eye and an ear open solely for the call to the city, begins to abuse them by being hardhearted, arbitrary and lacking in desire for the gospel.

Gives Stone for Bread.

They asked for bread and he has given them a stone. He has eaten their bread and used his strength to prepare for the city. Is it any wonder they have grown tired of this kind of minister? We have talked with hundreds of farmers in regard to this. They love God and yearn for the service the church could render. Many of them have told the writer: "Send us a man who loves our community and studies its possibilities and its needs; who will be sympathetic with us and see our faults and try to help us correct them, and we will furnish the money."

Where can you find a minister with ability to undertake this task? There are a few of them and they are doing good work. They receive good salaries and are doing a great service. Give us the right kind of ministers and thousands of rural churches now dead will

be resurrected and other thousands now dying will be revived.

### CURB BROKER ENTERS JESUIT NOVITIATE

New York, Dec. 20.—Tired of the world's ways, Richard M. Carney, past 50 years of age, a curb market broker, has entered the Jesuit novitiate of St. Andrews at Poughkeepsie, in the humble capacity of a lay brother. For the rest of his life he will be a servant in some Jesuit house, now at some college door, again in the kitchen, perhaps, at other times employed in various domestic duties to which his father superior may assign him.

Carney was missing from Wall street for several weeks before the news reached the street that he had become a Jesuit lay brother. The father minister at Poughkeepsie confirmed the story by telephone.

"It is true that Mr. Carney is here with us," he said, "and has been clothed with the Jesuit habit. It is not true that he proposes to be a candidate for the priesthood. He came here to be a lay brother, and he is that at present." James S. Carney, a dealer in stocks and bonds, is a brother of Richard Carney. He said it is true that Richard Carney has quit the outside world for good, with the consent of his family, but he firmly refused to discuss the matter further.

Hereafter Richard M. Carney will be known simply as Brother Alphonus.

He will have no other name. Perhaps none but himself will remember what his worldly name was. After two years of severe probation in the novitiate, he will take the first vows and by virtue of that fact be a Jesuit in fact. After that experience he may be sent to any Jesuit institution, school or home, in the New York-Maryland province, at the will of his immediate superior. After 10 years in the order he will be permitted to take his final vows. Brother Alphonus is well educated and the only reason that he is not eligible to the study for the priesthood is that he is too old. That he chose the part of a humble lay brother is astonishing to those who know him, and to none more so than his brothers and sisters. He was born in Canada and is a naturalized citizen of the United States.

Leaton Is Sentenced. Coquille, Or., Dec. 20.—William J. Leaton, former city recorder of East-side, was sentenced to from one to 15 years in state's prison for stealing \$3085 of city funds.



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