



By Ruth Lenore Fisher

"THE Awakening of Spring," the beautiful pageant which was given Friday night and yesterday afternoon by the dancing pupils of Mrs. Ralph White under the auspices of the women's auxiliary of the Ilwaco club, was perhaps the most beautiful of its kind that has ever been shown to the Salem public. The setting in the typical Italian garden, the costumes of the lovely children as they unconsciously danced their way into the hearts of the audience were all blended together in perfect harmony. The pageant was given as a benefit for the children's ward in the new Salem hospital and several hundred dollars was cleared by the two performances. Both performances were given in the Grand theater, which was donated by Manager T. G. Bligh.

Mrs. Ralph White deserves unlimited credit for her work in showing so many youngsters in such a finished manner. She is a member of the Oregon Association of Dancing Masters and her work with the youngsters and in giving to the public such a beautiful production must be put down as one of the salient events of the year for Salem. It was a tremendous task and one which was thoroughly mastered. As an appreciation gift the pupils of Mrs. White presented her Friday night with a huge bouquet of American Beauty roses in which was hidden a beautiful beaded bag. The women of the auxiliary worked unceasingly for many weeks, making the costumes and general arrangements for the pageant. The costumes were elegant and many were quite elaborate.



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Mrs. Horace Sykes, who accompanied the dances during the rehearsals and the two performances, is given much credit for the success of the event, particularly her adaptation of the music to the pageant.

In the beautiful Italian garden so realistically staged, roses and scarlet colored geraniums, hydrangea, cherry blossoms and fern were growing in beds, large jardiniere, and on small trees. In the distance a beautiful lake lay bathed in the sunlight. In the back of the garden, Spring (Margaret White) lay on a lounge sleeping.

The heavy storm dance by Miss Mona Schum, opened the pageant. The difficult raindrops dance, by pretty Dorothy Livesley, was charming. Then came the dawn solo dance by Jeanette Sykes, a fascinating performance. The sun dance, by Miss Myrtle Shipp, with her costume of bright gold, was brilliant. Miss Janet Plimpton gave the rainbow dance with dainty interpretation.

Miss Mildred Roberts, the adorable daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Roberts, was dainty as she danced the fairy queen dance and beckoned the little fairies. She emerged from a huge pink rosebud which was beside the lounge, where Spring lay sleeping. The Brownie King also came by way of a rose bud and he Jack Harbison gave a brownie dance, and called from their hiding places all the little brownies, who danced with the little fairies and later called Spring to awaken. Miss White, who is well known in Salem as a danseuse, was unusually pretty in her spring dance and the others in which she appeared.

The garden flowers awoke and danced, among these one of the prettiest was the Black Eyed Susan with the charming little Miss Bertha Babcock doing the solo work in a very finished manner. The sleepy-eyed flowers who were the very younger tots were sweet in their little mannerisms. The Blue Bells dance was very pretty, and Miss Cynthia Delano displayed unquestioned grace and ability in her solo dance.

One of the most unique was the bird dance, with the little tots all dressed as Robin Red Breasts.

Miss Gwyneth Edwards delightfully gave the solo dance for the butterflies, who were in bright yellow costumes and whose dance was gorgeous and a vital part of the play. Miss Maxine Myers was petite in a tulle frock with a tulle hat when she gave the May Time dance and the group of little maids who accompanied her were adorable in their fluffy frocks of pastel colors, with wreaths of flowers.

The King's Jesters were a group of the younger beaux who danced cleverly. The nature studies dances by a large number of the little maids was especially attractive.

One of the features was the Tinkie Bell solo dance by little Maxine Clark, who was grace personified as she tripped through the garden.

The dance of the winds by the quartet of little girls who wore costumes of varied hues, with contrasting scarfs a-flutter, was a skillful interpretation. The older class of Mrs. White's pupils gave the Grecian dance, which spoke of the ancient classics.

The woodland sprites with their multi-colored gowns, were enchanting in the dimmed light. Sherman Plimpton giving the Pipes O' Pan solo dance, was especially good and showed careful training and native aptitude.

One of the most beautifully gowned groups of dancers were the fireflies, with their lights playing over the house as they played their part. Little Nancy Thiesen performed one of the effective rhythmic parts in the moonbeam dance behind a screen of silver stars. A splendid ending for the first part was the tableau by the ensemble.

The second act was a fashionable garden party and small tables were placed about the garden where sat young folk in appropriate frocks. Miss Ada Miller was in splendid voice when she sang "Love is Always Love," assisted by the chorus.

The coquette dance, by Jeanette Sykes and Henry Thiesen, was an attraction in itself, and the dancing dolls of France, by Margaret Bell, the Irish doll, by Eleanor Wright, and little Marjory Webb as Anna Pavlova, the famous Russian toe danseuse, were excellent. Miss Webb, though only a very small tot, is as graceful on her toes as are many professionals. John Phillip Sousa, by Frederick Thiesen.

"Wait Till the Cows Come Home," a vocal solo by Miss Frances Ward, was the hit of the evening. Miss Ward was assisted in the chorus by a party of little milkmaids in pink aprons, carrying milk pails, and by

boys in blue overalls. The whole dance was one laughter from start to finish and the little actors were repeatedly encored. The Japanese dance, the Démoni dance, were all charming, as was the Spanish dance with Henrietta Bishop as the soloist. The Dance of the Witches was admired and was one quite difficult for tots. William Harris sang "Tis An Irish Girl I Love," with a number of encores.

One of the daintiest dances was the duet of modern waltzes, by Mildred Roberts and Sherman Plimpton, who danced the new dances beautifully. The Scotch dance, by Leona Davidson, the Jack in the Box, by Leona Geer, given through the courtesy of Mrs. Oscar Gingrich, whose original arrangement of the Jack-in-the-Box dance was used, received commendation, the novelty act, by Nancy Thiesen and Jeanette Sykes, the duet, "In June Time," by Maxine Myers and Cynthia Delano, each was pretty. The clown dance, by a group of the boys, brought laughs and laughter from the house. The Dance of All Nations, into which was brought the Liberty dance, by Elizabeth Waters, was clever. Miss Waters was one of the most graceful of the little tots, and her solo was much admired.

The party ended with the vocal solo by Joanna James, and Good-Night waltz by the whole cast.

A COMMITTEE of Salem folk of which Miss Mabel Withycombe is chairman, and which includes Mrs. William H. Burghardt, Jr., Mrs. Willis Brown, Mrs. John J. Roberts, Miss Elizabeth Lord, Carl Gabrielson and Paul Wallace, has almost finished plans for the presentation in Salem of three one-act plays by the Portland Drama League players who have been presenting groups of plays at the Little theatre in Portland with decided success. These plays will be shown in Salem at the Grand theatre on May 21. The cast includes members of the Drama League of Portland, prominent in the artistic and social circles of that city. Among those who will take the leading parts are Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett, Mrs. Dent Mowrey, under whose direction the plays are given; Miss Evelyn Cheely, Miss Aileen Brong, Miss Marion Voorhies and Robert Strong.

The plays that will be given are "The Stronger," by August Strindberg; "The Riders to the Sea," by John Synge and "The Maker of Dreams," by Oliphant Downes. Each is a one-act play, each is artistic in effect and from a literary point of view, all are of the best in modern play writing.

"Riders to the Sea" is one of the greatest tragedies in the English tongue. It is an incident taken from real life among the Irish fisher folk and was witnessed by Synge during one of his visits to the Aran Islands. An English writer has said that "it is the tragic masterpiece of our language in our time. Wherever it has been played in Europe, from Galway to Prague, it has made the word tragedy mean something more profoundly stirring and cleansing to the spirit than it did."

"The Maker of Dreams" is a charming fantasy which follows and forms a delightful contrast to the other playlets. A London critic has said of it, "The Maker of Dreams" refuses to be placed definitely in any of the accepted dramatic categories. It is a play to be seen, as iridescent as a soap bubble and as illusive in its charm—as fragile as porcelain and as radiant when the light shines through it. A more charming delicate and clever little playlet has surely never been seen on any stage."

"The Stronger" is written by August Strindberg and translated by Edwin Bjorkman, and Strindberg is considered one of the greatest technicians in the literary world of his. "The Stronger" is one of the best examples of his work. It is extremely clever in the handling of the scene between two women, one of whom has a speaking part and the other a silent part requiring subtle pantomime.

The proceeds of the presentation will be given to the new woman's building at the University of Oregon.

GOVERNOR and Mrs. Ben Olcott have as their house guests, Governor and Mrs. Oswald West, Miss Helen West, and Miss Jean West of Portland, who came down for the pageant, "The Awakening of Spring."

Mr. and Mrs. Will Evans were hosts to one of the most handsomely appointed parties of the week when they assembled a company of friends to supper after the Monday night dance. A beautiful miniature lake fashioned of moss and dainty wild orchids formed the centerpiece and green shaded candles burned during the supper. Dainty dance place cards marked covers for Messrs. and Mesdames Ralph Glover, John Brophy, J. C. Perry, L. S. Geer, George F. Riches, Walter Kirk, Herbert Stiff, Miss Ruth Cushing, James Young and the hosts.

assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Frank Spears, and by Mrs. E. C. Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Livesley are entertaining as their house guest, the former's sister, Mrs. M. B. McDonald, who arrived Wednesday from San Francisco for an extended visit in Salem. Mr. and Mrs. Livesley also have as their guests for the week-end, Mrs. Susan Livesley and Mrs. K. B. Niehl of Woodburn, who come to Salem to attend the "Awakening of Spring."

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Rodgers will leave this afternoon for New York where they will attend the graduation of their daughter, Margaret, from Vassar college on June 8. They will be joined by Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Meyers who leave next week and will also attend the graduation. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers are planning to return to Salem for the part of June. Miss Rodgers will bring with her two classmates, Miss Catharine Kendall of Providence, R. I., and Miss Waleka Bacon of New Haven, Conn., who will pass the summer with Miss Rodgers.

The departure this afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Miller, their small daughter and Fred Miller is the cause of much regret to the many friends whom they have made during their residence here at the Hotel Marion. They will motor this afternoon to Portland to visit before going Tuesday to the government mineral springs at Carson, Wash., where they will make their home, having purchased a large hotel there.

The South Salem section of the Salem War Mothers met in the parlors of the Leslie Methodist church Thursday to have an all-day sew on the garments which were gathered up on the canvass Tuesday for the families of ex-service men and for their bazaar. The day was most successful, many garments being made over. Each week a section of the War Mothers will meet to sew all day for the cause.

Tuesday the regular monthly meeting will be held in the First Congregational church and this will also be an all-day sewing meeting as well as a shower, each war mother bringing some finished article for its bazaar. These articles will be packed away for a later time.

The business meeting will be called late in the afternoon. The North Salem and the East Salem districts are to meet fortnightly to sew as well as the South section.

Mrs. Lester Davis and Mrs. E. A. Kurtz presided over a daintily appointed supper at the Kurtz home Tuesday night following the Tillamook club dancing party. Yellow daffodils held in a cut glass vase formed the centerpiece and yellow shaded candles lighted the table. Dainty yellow nut baskets were at each plate and through the course of the supper yellow was emphasized in an effective manner.

Covers were laid for Messrs. and Mesdames Herbert Stiff, L. W. Gleason, Lee Canfield, J. C. Perry, U. S. Page, C. J. Davidson, Elmer Daue, Charles Knowland, P. E. Fullerton, Dr. and Mrs. O. A. Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Davis and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Kurtz.

At the Monday Night Dancing club dance which was held last week, and which was the last scheduled club dance for the season, officers for the next club year were elected. Dr. Grover C. Bellinger will be the president, Roy H. Mills will be the secretary and George Riches is the new treasurer. It was decided to have one more club dance this season and another dance next month which will be a benefit for the Salem hospital. Fees were served at the close of the dancing Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Melvin Plimpton have as their house guests for the week-end, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Plimpton, Mr. Plimpton's mother, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Vincent Newell and Richard Perkins, all of Portland, who motored down Friday for the week-end.

Mrs. E. S. McElnea was hostess to a smart 2 o'clock luncheon yesterday afternoon at her home in the Court apartments in honor of Miss Grace Dewell of Portland, her house guest. A centerpiece was fashioned of pink carnations and fern. Plates were laid for Miss Dewell, Miss Lucille Thompson, Miss Rita Read, Miss Mary West, Mrs. William H. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Bolinger and Mrs. McElnea.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Roberts are entertaining as their house guests over the week-end the former's mother, Mrs. Eunice Roberts of Portland, and Mrs. Roberts' sister, Mrs. Gertrude Cameron and small sons, Billy and Malcolm of Silverton, who came to attend the "Awakening of Spring." The pageant in which Miss Mildred Roberts took a leading part.

Mrs. Alice Freeman Firman of Chicago will be in Salem this week to address the east Willamette association of the Congregational churches. Mrs. Firman is a well known social settlement worker of the east.

The men's and women's glee clubs of Willamette university gave a joint banquet last night at the Marion hotel to which a number of alumni club members were bidden. Plates were set for 50 and informal responses were made to toasts.

The evening Judge Daniel Webster gave a beautiful address on the American flag. After the formal presentation in which Mrs. Terwilliger told that this was the first time the corps had given a flag to a fraternal organization, always before limiting their donations to Sunday schools and public schools. Dainty refreshments were served and a social hour pleasantly passed.

The spacious home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Terwilliger on Chemeketa street was opened Friday evening to a large assemblage of guests when Mrs. Jennie Miller, of Hood River, department commander of the Women's relief corps was the honor guest. A beautiful mass of spring flowers adorned the rooms of the Terwilliger home.

In the receiving line besides the honor guest, were Mrs. Terwilliger, patriotic instructor of the Women's Relief corps, Mrs. Mary Entwies, president of Sedgwick post; Mrs. Ida Babcock, Mrs. Lizzie Smith, Mrs. A. E. Dinsmore, Mrs. LaMoine Clark, Miss Edith Benedict, Mrs. Hattie Cameroa, Mrs. Helea Southwick, Mrs. Sarah Peterson and Mrs. Alice Davis. Mrs. Mary Kafoury, Mrs. Rose Hagdon and Mrs. Jennie Miller assisted in the rooms.

The Three Link needle club held another of its enjoyable meetings Friday afternoon at the Odd Fellows hall. A very interesting program was given consisting of music, readings and dialogues. At the close of the afternoon the hostesses, Mrs. Oren Noyes, Mrs. Ray Simmeral, Mrs. Stanley Culver, Mrs. Homer Ingrey, served refreshments to the 62 guests present. The next club meeting will be held May 7 at the hall.

Mrs. C. M. Pettys entertained the members of the Monday Afternoon Bridge club at her country home on Wallace road. The rooms were fragrant with a profusion of hyacinths and apple blossoms. Card honors fell to Mrs. R. E. Anderson. After the play the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Al H. Steiner, served refreshments. Besides the club members the hostess invited Mrs. W. I. Staley, Mrs. H. Poisal and Mrs. John Brophy.

Mrs. Carl Patton has returned from Tillamook where she was called by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. W. G. Goodrich who became ill last Monday. Mrs. Goodrich had gone to Tillamook to visit a daughter, Mrs. Ray Savage, an dwas suddenly stricken.

Mrs. E. J. Buchell who has been visiting her daughter in Pendleton, will return home the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Cooke Patton entertained with a farewell dinner Tuesday evening at their home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schmidt who left Thursday for Brighton, Canada, to live. Pink tulips were fashioned in a low bowl and formed a centerpiece for the table around which covers were laid for six.

Mrs. S. S. East entertained the members of the Priscilla club at her home Thursday afternoon for "one regular meeting of the society. The afternoon was pleasantly passed with fancy work and social chat. Besides the club members present there were Mrs. Walter Buchner, Mrs. Raymond Walsh and Mrs. H. R. Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Weider of Portland are the week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Rahn.

The Order of Eastern Star members enjoyed their fortnightly social afternoon in the Masonic temple on Tuesday afternoon. The committee in charge served refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Brandt have come to their summer home, "Hollywood" at their ranch four miles south of Salem on the Jefferson road, where they will spend the summer.

Mrs. Elias L. Darby and Mrs. F. G. Bowersox have been entertaining during the week at their house guest Miss Myra Montgomery of Sheridan.

Mrs. Florence T. Kirby and small son, Ray, arrived Thursday in Salem from London, England, and are now making their home with Mrs. Kirby's sister, Mrs. Fred A. Jacobs at the Jacobs apartments in the Breyman building. Mrs. Kirby and her son arrived on the U. S. S. New York after passing a visit of over a year with Mrs. Kirby's parents in London. They were accompanied by her brother, Walter Mocket, who is on his way to China. Mrs. Kirby formerly lived in Portland.

The art appreciation class of the Salem Arts league will meet Monday evening in the library for the regular class study. Tuesday evening at the general meeting of the arts league Miss Ethel Sawyers of the extension department of the Portland library will address the meeting on "Fiction and the Creative Reader." This meeting will be open to all Salem folk who are interested.

Miss Grace Fawk, her father, W. W. Fawk, and Tom Wolgamott, formerly of Marshfield, who has been their house guest spent a few days the early part of the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fawk in Portland. Mr. Wolgamott will leave this week for southern California to remain for several weeks.

Mrs. W. W. Fawk has left for San Francisco to be with her daughter, Mrs. J. P. Read, who has been critically ill at her home in that city, but who is now a convalescent.

The women of the First Congregational church are making a very com-

fortable social room in the church building on North Liberty street. They have enlarged the library and are making a pleasant place for their work as well as for the social meetings.

The young people of the churches in the city have been canvassing the town during the week getting a list of the children and Salem people who attend some Sunday school in the city and the name of the school in which they are enrolled. The idea is to get a large number of the city children who are not regularly attending Sunday school to become regular members.

Mr. and Mrs. William McGilchrist, Sr., opened their spacious South Commercial street home Friday night to the members of the Christian Endeavor society of the First Congregational church for an informal social evening. Games and music filled the evening hours and at the close the hostess served refreshments.

Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Matthis who recently moved to Moonmouth to live have returned to Salem and are now domiciled at 290 West Miller street.

Mrs. M. B. Bretherton and Miss Vivian Bretherton of Portland are the week-end house guests of Mr.

and Mrs. Clifford Brown, coming up to see the "Awakening of Spring."

Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Spaulding, Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Mills and Mrs. O. J. Simmons motored to McMinnville Friday to pass the day with friends.

Mrs. Walter Spaulding motored to Portland yesterday afternoon to pass the week-end with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Myers and two children will motor to Portland this morning to be the guests for today of Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Williamson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan J. Fry, Jr., are now domiciled in their new home on South High street which has recently been completed.

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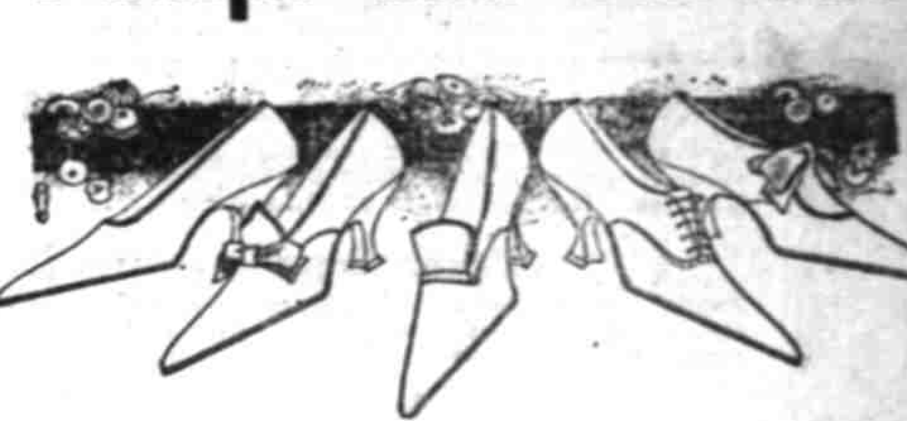
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