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:: SOCIETY NEWS OF THE WEEK ::

BY MOLLY BRUNK

CROOGE went into the home of Bob Crachitt, discovered Tiny Tim and learned the real meaning of Christmas.

Folk heard the appeal of a dozen Tiny Tims in the Capital City Christmas, turned a listening ear, and they, too, beheld the vision of the Christ Child, that is for those only who have learned the lesson that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Christmas, 1920, in Salem was one of the happiest holidays in the city's history, despite the fact that there were many destitute homes, for those who had, shared generously with those who had not, and in most instances gave so bounteously that not only Christmas but a good round number of days besides will be filled with gladness.

Homecomings and family reunions marked the week in a social way, friends and relatives beginning to arrive early in the six days. The one big, formal affair was the dancing party which Mr. and Mrs. R. L. White gape for their daughter, Miss Margaret White, on Christmas eve, and which called together the college young folk home for the holiday interim.

Next week each day will be full to overflowing, with activities beginning on Monday, when the younger dancing pupils of Mrs. White will participate in a costume party in Moose hall and the Salem O. A. C. club entertains with a dance at Dreamland auditorium. Tuesday night is set aside for the big Aloha club dance at Dreamland auditorium; Wednesday night members of the Wednesday night class of Mrs. White will make merry at their annual holiday party in Moose hall, and the week will come to a brilliant culmination with the dancing party which Miss Ruth Barnes is to give in the same place on New Years eve, and which will include about one hundred and seventy-five younger maids and men in the invitational list.

Saturday night the older set will participate in the postponed Shrine ball in Moose hall.

T least one Salem resident celebrated Christmas in a way different from the other several thousand inhabitants, for to Mrs. W. F. Fargo, writer of short stories, has come signal honors this Yuletide. Through the medium of one of the country's literary agencies she was apprised of the fact this week that one of her stories would appear in the new Year Book, by O'Brien. This means that she is considered one of the best present-day writers, for only those whose work is so considered are accorded this honor.

The letter was received through the direction of the American Maganine, and so Mis. Fargo, who writes under the name of Ruth Fargo, is quite sure that the story to be chosen is the one appearing in the April number of the American, this year, under the title of Nobody Else's Home Seems Just Right."

It was a charming tale about two, old folk who grew tired of "just visitin' " their children, an extract of which follows:

"The speech of these lovering elderly people was plainly prosaic, but their eyes were overly happy, and their hearts danced in a peacful paradise. No longer would Cornie's mother be harassed by an endless array of unmanageable tasks; no longer would Jim's father be just an old man, shelved, living with his son. "Won't it be fun remembering-together?" dreamed the woman. "Won't it be fun working-together?" joked the man.

"Hand in hand, like two children, they made their way toward the needy old pasture gate.

"Presently, wiping the oil can free from its oozing ablutions with a piece of old-upron, Cornie's mother glanced at her companion, nding low over the luckless latch. " 'There's something I'd like to tell you, Jimmie,' she said. 'It's about Jim, Juniog's, mother-about Melissa. It happened a long time ago. Ten years, mebbe. I'd wellnigh forgotten it-till now. Melissa 'n me was out t'a quilting, one o' th' last they had in the neighborhood, I guess; and some o' th' younger wimmen got t' talkin' about second wives. Rhoda Shultz said, I 'member, that she'd rise up out o' her grave if her Homer married again, she being gone. And mos' th' other wimmen said somethin' similar. All 'cept Melissa. I c'n see her now, jes' how she looked as she took off her thimble and rubbed her finger, sort o absent, thinking. Then she turned to Rhoda and said: "I used t' think that way too, when I was your age, my dear. But I've changed my mind. That's what the years do-they change one's mind as well as one's body. Mebbe it's a good thing, I dunno-but I guess it is. Because my Jim's marryin' again isn't what 'ud make me turn in my grave; it 'ud be knowin' as he was lonely, an' nobody to do for him! It would be knowin' as he was growing old-alone; it 'ud be knowin' he was growing soul-shabby for need of a good woman

THE INTERESTING CHILDREN OF OREGON'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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THE three sturdy sons of Governor and Mrs. Ben W. Olcott, Chester with book at left, Gordon standing, and Richard at the right, the two latter being twins. They are interested in everything that appeals to normal children of their ages, and it

son, Archie Holt, George Nelson, | Ushering in the holiday festiv- | Margaret White, Miss Martha Leon Culbertson, Donald Ringle, ities for the young college maids Powell, Miss Barbara Stanfield, Philip Ringle, Frank DeWitt, Al- and men was the dinner for which Miss Helen West, Breyman Boise Jones, Glen Ackerman, Mrs. T. C. Smith Jr. was hostess John Griffith, Willard Marshall Brazier Small, Earl Schafer, Gene Monday evening at the Smith res-Gill, Willard Marshall, Bill Harris, idence for her son Malcolm Smith, Durbin, Milton Steiner, Frank Fred Deckabach, Fred Back, which was marked by the beauty Chapman and Kenneth Wilson. Theron Hoover, Joe Flegal, Whit- of appointments. Christmas canney Gill, P. D. Quesenbery, Roy dies cast a mellow glow, and ad-Guard, Lyle Barthalomew, Row- ditional details likewise were emland Rienhart, Bert Ford, Orris blematic of Yuletide, with a scar-Fry, Louis Griffith, Asel Eoff, An- let begonia forming a centerdrew Vincent, Frank Durbin, Vern piece, Drager, Milton Steiner, Conrad Jones, Claud Steusloff, Malcolm Smith, Oliver Meyers, Orel Lemon.

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 26, 1920

Howard Rex and Jimime Putman. * *

Miss Kate Chatburn and Lleutenant Ben S. Fisher celebrated their marriage with a simple cere- Mary Jane Albert. Miss Hilda end with Governor and Mrs. Bea mony Saturday at the residence Tillinghast, Miss Margaret Grif- W. Olcott, of Mrs. W. H. Mulvey, 130 North fith, Miss Josephine Baumgartner, Miss Jeanette Meredith, Miss Eighteentn street, Rev. James F. Elvin, reading the service in the presence of a few college and army friends of the couple. They were unattended.

Following the wedding Lieutenant and Mrs. Fisher went to Portland for a brief honeymoon, and from there will leave for Marshfield, where they will take up their future residence. The bridegroom is the newly elected district attorney for Coos county. Miss Chatburn has made a wide

circle of friends during her years in Salem, during which time she has served as assistant in the Commercial department of the Salem high school and for the past several months has been with the state treasurer's office. She has been poular socially during her residence here.

She is a former University of Oregon student where she was a Pi Beta Phi girl, and also a member of the Mu Phi Epsilon, honorary musical fraternity. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chatburn of Bandon. Lieutenant Fisher is a Sigma

Chi man of the University of Illinois. He has been in Oregon about six years, and served with the coast artillery, seeing two years' service in France.

The wedding brought out a pleasing bit of news, for through it the knowledge was divulged that the bridegroom, the officiating minister and one of the guests, Major James Dusenbery, had been tationed in the same place, Libourne, France, during the war. Major Dusenberry was the commandant in charge of barracks at that place, a colonel of the heavy artillery, at the time the bridgegroom was captain of an Oregon company, heavy artillery, while Rev. James, F. Elvin was a divisional secretary of the Y. M. C. A. with headquarters at the same

Mrs. A. N. Bush and her sis-

from San

ters Mrs. David B. Mackie of

Francisco Wednesday night where

they spent a fortnight, stopping

at the Palace hotel. Mrs. Mackie

went on direct to her home in

Portland, upon her arrival in Sa-

McBride of Seattle, Mistes Mildred and Ruth Cushing, Miss El-The hostess was assisted by sie Hamilton and David Jordan, Helen Roberts and Rovena Eyre the latter all of Portland. in serving, and later in the eve-

ning the big living room floor was cleared for dancing. West and their daughters, Mics

Those receiving invitations to Helen and Jeanne, arrived Frithis charming affair were Miss day to spend the Christmas week-

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Mrs William Boot is entertain-

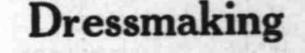
ing with a large house party over

the holidays, including Miss Etta

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Ex-Governor and Mrs. Oswald

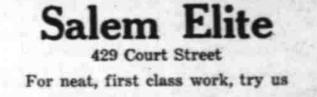




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put him first-in her heart! I want there always to be someone to put my Jim first. I couldn't be happy in heaven with Jim unhappy on earth.' . . . Then Melissa put on her thimble an' went on quiltin', as calm an' peaceful as a summer day. But nobody said much more 'bont second wives.

'The eyes of Cornie's mother were misty with remembered thought. She looked shyly across at the man.

"'I wanted you to know, Jimmie, that Melissa'd be-pleased.' (But, alas and alas, so the story runs, there were the grown-up childrne, the happily married children, to be considered-and happily married children are prone to be-displeased! . . . But the last line the big room. Garlands of White and Knut Digerness of Sil- terson, Claudine McMonie, Conparagraph, which follows, gives us a hint that all is well that ends

"The old pasture gate creaked in sudden assent." Perhaps, after all, it was but the gate to paradise, in masquerade; for there was no doubting that Jim's father and Cornie's mother were-pleased.' '

ISTINGUISHED as one of the ly interesting because of the fact prettiest and most delight- that so large a number of out-offul affairs given in a long town college young folk were in time for the younger set, the danc- attendance.

ing party which Mr. and Mrs. R. The decorations throughout L. White sponsored Christmas eve, Moose Hall were in holiday colors. for their daughter Miss Margaret An immense Chr.stmas tree that White made a fitting culmination reached almost to the ceiling for the year of 1920, socially. It stood on the platform at the east was an affair charming from every end of the floor, and dozens of Mrs. William H. Prunk, Mr. and point of view, and was particular- small trees were employed to out- Mrs. F. G. Delano, Miss Margaret troduced including a solo dance

would be difficult to find anywhere, a trio of more attractive, wholesome and lovable children than they. Christmas was made particularly delightful for them this year, because Governor Olcott, who has been on an extended official trip in the East was enabled to reach home in time to join them on Christmas eve.

fragrant evergreen were festooned verton.

from side to side, forming a Others who assisted were a canopy overhead. Stars and realistic frost glittered and scinthe unique Christmas programmes, tillated from these and from the larger light globes, which were while the grand march was formcleverly subdued with branches of ing. They were Janet Plimpton, Nellie Rowland, Jeanette Merefir. Red shades over the smaller Nancy Thielsen, Jeannette Sykes, lights was most effective, and with Cynthia Delano, Sherman Plimp-

the myriad-colored builds on the ton and Henry Thielsen. brightly lighted Christmas tree Splend.d music was furnished vividly emphasized the Christmas by Hunt's orchestra, with Mrs.

color note Forming a receiving line were: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. White, Mr. and adding to the festive spirit of the

stance Cartwright, Ruth Barnes, Letha Wilson, Marjorie Mellinger, group of children who distributed Marie Churchill, Edna Magers Tora Mortenson, Mona Schaum Mildred Stringham, Edna Howd Mable Ackerman, Valaria Briggs, Veda Howd, Usona Haid dith. Hallie Hings, Delma Powell, Irene Curtis, Martha Powell, Helen Dorothy Buckner, Miss King. Eulalie Lindsey, Maxine Buren, Helen West of Portland, Ore., Horace Sykes at the piano. And Gray, Annette Colqutte, Olga Margaret Hann, Ruth Mace, Edna cccasion, a number of charming

Aufrance, Frances Ward; Messrs. and beautiful features were in-Knut Digerness, Harold Millard, Clifford Townsend, Armin Berger, Miss Margaret White, who pre-Earl McDonough, Hugh Latham sented the ballet number "The Mark Latham, Amory Gill, Arthur Fields;" the graceful Elvsian Ross, Johnnie Griffith, Herbert ballet number presented 'Rose" Darby, Arthur Rosenbraugh, Bob by a group of ten young girls, Newton, Frank Chapman, Ken-Jeanette Sykes, Janet Plimpton, neth Power, Wallace Carson, Evan Nancy Thielsen, Fave Wassom, Paul Staley, Wynham Jones, Pauline -Marnarch, Cynthia De Buren, Reed Rowland, Frank lano, Gweneth Edwards, Mildred Deckabach, Richard Slater, Elvin Edwards, Maxine Glover, and Lantis, Breyman Bolse, Allen Car-Leona Geer; "La Artist," a clever-

y-executed solo dance by Jeanette Sykes, and the "Moonbeam," lance by Nancy Thielsen.

And then when merriment had reached its height, Santa Claus,

himself, came bursting in, his aproach heralded by the noisy music of myrid bells. He greeted the holiday crowd from the balcony, and in his hurried, annual Christ-

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mas message, explained that gifts

would be distributed to everyone. in atoning for recent dance ordinances made by city councilman. Adding further color and charm o the affair was the array of exquisite gowns, that ran the gamut of hue and shade, and adhered to the latest dictates of the modiste. Among those particularly noticeable were the following, worn by those in the receiving line:

Mrs. White: Peacock blue moonglow satin, relieved with old rose velvet and French flowers. Mrs: Prunk: Pale blue taffeta.

with bodice and overskirt of silver lace Mrs. Delano: Light blue chif-

fon over blue satin, and relieved with touches of silver,

Mrs. White: Metal net over silver metal cloth, with bodice and skirt hem of silver lace. French flowers formed a band over one shoulder, the same colors appearing in motifs upon the overskirt. The invitational list follows: Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Eberley, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Carson, Mr and Mrs. Paul Hendricks, Mr. and Chalmer Lee George, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Vincent, Misses Annabele Golden, Edna Satterly, Gretchen Brown, Edna Ackerman, Mildred Gill, Mary Bayne, Ina Procter Clara Breitenstein, Amelia Bab cock, Helen Rose, Grace Humph-Helen Lovel, Lucile Jones. erys. Veva Golden, Emma Snook, Marie Breitenstein, Marie Marshall. Luella Patton, Ila Spaulding, Vivian Hargrove, Mary Jane Albert, Bern'ce Craig, Marie Briggs, Maud McCoy, Ruth Schultz,

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