

SOCIETY NEWS OF THE WEEK

By MOLLY BRUNK

Accompanist For Apollo Club



MISS RUTH BEDFORD, who, as the piano accompanist for the Apollo Club, gave the most efficient support, at the club's initial concert for the season, at the Armory Tuesday night. Miss Bedford was complimented on her work by both the club's soloist, Cecil Fanning, and his accompanist, H. B. Turpin. —Photo by Gunnell & Robb.

STARTING out gloriously in a flare of golden sunlight the first week of legislature has run itself out "like a long life to a bitter end," coming to sudden halt in a grey drizzle of valley mist. With a purely feminine desire to look her best in the eyes of the visiting legislators, the little city roused herself unusually early Monday morning, powdered her nose with the softest of frost powders, smoothed her vari-colored dress carefully, and waited expectantly for the compliments she felt were her due. It may be that the lawmakers, being law-makers, have lost all the sense of appreciation of feminine charms that they were originally endowed with; it may also be that the seriousness of their duties sat more heavily than usual upon their shoulders; whatever the reason of their preoccupation the little city took it to heart and after a second attempt to elicit compliments, closed her powder box with a decided click, covered her pretty gown with a more serviceable raincoat, and has resented stubbornly to do anything further, atmospherically speaking, for her visitors.

So it is altogether probable that when those legislators who have been away for the past few days, return tomorrow, they will find a rather subdued young hostess to welcome them. For there is really no excuse for even a man to display such stupidity, and perhaps by the time the next legislature convenes, they will have learned a few of the essentials of keeping on the good weather side of a temperamental Capital City.

LOOKING at the week from a social viewpoint, it seems to have been more successful. There was, the first of the week, the Monday Night Dancing party, an affair that naturally called for pretty frocks, high heeled slippers and modish coiffures. Tuesday night the Apollo club held the center of the social stage with the spot light turned chiefly upon Cecil Fanning, singer and poet. Friday afternoon matron and maid gathered at the Henry W. Meyers home to attend the tea given in honor of Mrs. Frank Snedecor, who leaves for an extended eastern visit, and Mrs. F. M. Jordan, of Seattle, a house guest of Mrs. Meyers.

Minor social activities have held the attention of Capital City folk during the week, and although the past seven days have not come up to the standard of the pre-holiday season, they have been pleasantly taken up with small affairs and have afforded Salem hostesses an opportunity of resting from the New Year whirl.

THE appearance in the city this week of Cecil Fanning and his accompanist, H. B. Turkin, furnished not only one of the stellar musical attractions of the year, but also one of the pleasantest social affairs as well, for the reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McGilchrist Jr., in his honor, which followed the Apollo club concert at the armory Tuesday night, while quite informal, was all the more delightful for that.

Nearly 70 admirers of the artists, including Apollo club members, their wives and friends, called to express their enjoyment of the program and this opportunity of meeting the celebrities. Assisting during the evening were Mrs. W. Everett Anderson, manager of the Salem musical bureau, Mrs. Walter Jenks, wife of the president of the Apollo club; Mrs. L. S. Geer, Mrs. Merlin Harding, Miss Merle Dimick, Mrs. William McGilchrist, Sr.

Those who met Mr. Fanning in this way found his personality equally charming of the stage as on. Unpretentious decorations were used. The serving table in the dining room was centered with narcissi. Pale pink carnations were in the living room, potted ferns being used to perfect the simple arrangement.

Mrs. F. M. Jordan of Seattle, an arrival in the city of Thursday, and Mrs. Frank Snedecor, who departed for an extended southern and eastern trip Saturday, were the inspiration for the charming tea which Mrs. Henry W. Meyers gave Friday afternoon at her home on North Summer street.

Throughout the calling hours matrons and maids thronged the rooms and forming a receiving line to greet them were Mrs. Meyers, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Snedecor and Mrs. R. P. Boise.

The reception rooms were darkened and transformed into bowers of floral loveliness as a setting for the affair. In the reception hall and spacious living room mauve chrysanthemums were effectively combined with pussy willow, and the greenery of Oregon grape, rose-shaded lights furnishing a warm and subdued glow.

The dining room displayed a yellow color motif. Yellow and white narcissi, embedded in feathery apparatus fern, centered the tea table, and pussy willow again was utilized in the decorative scheme. Furnishing a distinctive and artistic touch was the lighting of the room by yellow candles in crystal sticks.

Stationed at the urus were Mrs. Ben W. Olcott and Mrs. George F. Rodgers. Assisting them in serving were Mrs. W. Connell Dyer, Mrs. Frank Spears, Miss Margaret Rodgers and Miss Eliza Nolan.

Assistants throughout the rooms were Mrs. Oswald West of Portland, Mrs. T. C. Smith Jr., Mrs. John McNary, Miss Edna Sterling and Miss Margaret Cosper.

About 90 invitations were issued for the tea. Both honorees have a large circle of friends in the Capital city, gained through Mrs. Snedecor's brief residence here, and through Mrs. Jordan's frequent visits as Mrs. Meyer's guest. Mrs. Jordan is remaining for a fortnight and other social compliments will undoubtedly mark her stay, her arrival always being the signal for considerable entertaining.

Mrs. Oswald West and small daughter Jeanne came up from Portland Thursday to remain over until today as the guests of Mrs. West's sister, Mrs. Ben W. Olcott.

In keeping with a resolution made at the La Grande convention of Woman's clubs, that the Oregon Federation of Woman's clubs adopt the last Wednesday of January as scholarship loan fund day, when every club in the state is asked to do something to increase the fund which is being loaned to young women to assist in their education, the members of the Salem Woman's club are preparing to observe Wednesday, January 26, as such. Mrs. William H. Burghardt Jr., is chairman for the day.

Mrs. Ernest Hyland of Eugene was a mid-week visitor in Salem, being entertained as the guest of Mrs. Ralph Cochran.

Miss Ellen Thielson is entertaining as her week-end house guest Miss Helen Whitney of

also carries a course at Willamette university, and is recognized as an earnest, enthusiastic musical student, who will undoubtedly accomplish the end she is striving for—that of a professional accompanist.

Adj. Gen. and Mrs. George A. White went to Portland during the mid-week for a brief sojourn.

The first of February will witness the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Will T. Neill for Portland where they will take up their residence after almost four year's residence in Salem. During this time they have gathered about them a large group of close friends who are extremely regretful over the matter of their removal to Portland.

During the first part of their sojourn in the Capital city Mr. Neill was identified with the public service commission of the state, and it was this connection that brought the family to Salem. Matters of business are likewise taking them from the city.

Their residence at the corner of Cottage and Chemekeeta streets has been sold, the new owners being Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Tweedale, who will make it their home upon the removal of the Neills.

Mrs. Neill will be the inspiration for a number of affairs previous to her departure, the first to compliment her to be Mrs. H. A. Cornoyer and Mrs. J. D. McKinnon, who will entertain with a bridge luncheon at the residence of the former next Wednesday afternoon. Later in the week Mrs. Roy Mills will be a hostess in her honor, contributing an evening of cards.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Hughes accompanied by Mrs. A. N. Bush motored to Portland Friday morning to spend a brief period with relatives.

The attractiveness of the decorations marked the dinner which Mrs. W. Everett Anderson gave Wednesday night in celebration of her birthday. Brass candleabra centered the board, bearing candles in green, pink and yellow. Acacia, daffodils and narcissi, in receptacles at either end of the table, furnished floral ornamentation. Covers were placed for ten.

Mrs. U. C. Shiprey will begin a series of afternoon affairs tomorrow when she entertains with six tables of bridge, complimentary to her sister, Mrs. J. W. Beveridge, and Mrs. A. A. Courtney of Portland, and Mrs. J. E. Law, a quite recent acquisition to Salem.

The out-of-town guests arrived yesterday and are being entertained over the week-end by Mrs. Shipley and Mrs. Law.

Honoring her mother, Mrs. Hugh Elliott, on the occasion of her birthday, Mrs. C. B. Webb entertained with an attractively appointed dinner Sunday evening. Places being arranged for Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, Dr. and Mrs. Armin Steiner, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gallo-way, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myers and Mr. and Mrs. Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour H. Jones and daughter, Miss Junetta Jones, are now domiciled in the Hal Patton residence where they will remain during the greater part of the winter while the Pattons are in California.

One of the happiest affairs of the week was the evening's entertainment furnished for the members of the local chapter of the P. E. O. Sisterhood, husbands acting as hosts. Wednesday night was the date chosen, the earlier

Dr. and Mrs. Chester A. Downs are entertaining with a small dinner tonight for the pleasure of Mr. and Mrs. T. Neill, who are leaving shortly for Portland to reside. Covers will be laid for eight.

Two of the most appreciative artists who have appeared in Salem in a long time were Cecil Fanning and his accompanist, H. B. Turpin, who appeared in concert with the Apollo club Tuesday evening. In line for unstinted praise at their hands was Miss Ruth Bedford, who acted as accompanist for the club, who as it did from Mr. Turpin, himself a pianist of the first rank, the compliment which he paid Miss Bedford was especially valued.

Mr. Turpin, who was behind the scene during the numbers by the club, stated that every tone carried clear and clean-cut to him. He noted the sympathetic quality of her work, which he pronounced all in all not able in one of her years, her support, in his opinion, being especially splendid.

This was the first time that the club has depended on the piano alone for accompaniment, but it is to Miss Bedford's credit that the additional instruments of other years were not missed.

Miss Bedford has appeared on many important programs this season, and has filled all her engagements with success. She has served as accompanist for a number of professional singers, and is the regular organist at the Leslie Methodist church. She

part of the evening being given over to witnessing "Idols of Clay" at the Grand theater. A banquet followed at the rose room of The Spa. A delightful surprise detail was the decorations for the several small tables which were carried out in the chapter colors of yellow and white, daffodils and narcissi furnishing the floral motif.

This was the first affair to be given by the husbands of members and in a way was planned as a return compliment for various joint social evenings which the club members have sponsored. It is quite probable that others will follow during the winter. The committee in-charge was composed of Dr. H. C. Epley, W. W. Moore, J. B. Littler, P. J. Kuntz, and G. W. Laflar. Toasts were in order during the luncheon, Dr. Epley acting as toastmaster.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Miles, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Fisher, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Byrd, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Godfrey, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Woolpert, Dr. and Mrs. D. X. Beecher, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Volk, Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Epley, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Kuntz, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Laflar, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Littler and Miss Laura Grant.

Salem folk have been much interested in the numerous illustrated articles which have appeared in the Woman's Home Companion, Success Magazine, The Mothers' Magazine, Toys and Novelties and the supplements of various large dailies, featuring the Madame Georgene shop of Fifth Avenue, New York city. Madame Georgene in private life is Mrs. J. P. Averill, formerly Miss Georgene Hopf of Salem.

A large number of people remember her as such and also her three brothers, the eldest of whom, Albert C. Hopf, who is now a salesman for the corporation, was for a number of years identified with the J. J. Dalrymple dry goods store.

The story of Mrs. Averill's rise to phenomenal success reads like a fairy story. She first began making character dolls in Portland about ten years ago, choosing for her models picturesque western characters. There were cowboys, cow girls, Indians and so on, absolutely true to type. Unable to obtain the necessary raw materials in Portland, she moved to Los Angeles, Cal., and opened her first factory at

627 South Broadway. Her dolls were such a success that dealers in the east began ordering in such large quantities that it became necessary for her to go to New York where she has established two large factories, employing a great many people.

In 1918 Mrs. Averill decided to open a Fifth Avenue shop, an exclusive doll shop, possibly the only exclusive doll shop on that celebrated thoroughfare. This place today is the talk of New York, having open windows adjoining passersby to look into the store from the street. The dolls are shown in nursery effects, bassinets, gradies, chairs, wardrobes and the like. The sales women are all attired as French maids.

Her latest creations, "The Wonder," walking and talking dolls which were shown in New York city for the first time this holiday season, were the biggest selling dolls on the metropolitan market.

Mrs. Averill has been given

world-wide publicity in connection with her unique profession, and is recognized as the most inventive and original designer in her line in the United States.

Mrs. Edward F. Lampert left this week for San Francisco where she went to join a party of tourists numbering about 15, who plan to enjoy the mid-winter pleasure trip to the Hawaiian islands. Mrs. Lampert will be away about five months, the greater part of the time to be spent in Honolulu. Before returning home she will pass several weeks in California.

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