# Women's Activities

By MARGUERITE GLEESON

## Program for State Meeting Is Announced

The annual meet of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs will be held at Tillamook May 30 to June 2. Delegates from women's clubs all over the state will attend.

During the business sessions, one hour will be given for reports by each of the six departments, including American citizenship, applied education, fine arts, legislation, press and publicity, and public welfare. Reports will also be given by the chairman of the scholarship loan fund board of trustees and the standing committees

Mass singing will be a feature of the opening of each session of the convention, according to Mrs. Ida B. Callahan, state president. The program for the convention is being arranged and will include a reception on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Sadie Orr Dunbar of Portland is chairman of the program committee. Among the speakers for the convention will be B. F. Irvine of the Oregon Journal, who will discuss an educational subject, and Dr. E. O. Sisson, professor of philosophy at Reed College, will speak on "Americanization." Other speakers will be announced later.

Entertainment will be furnished by the people of Tillamook in the form of a trip to Lake Lytle where an afternoon session of the convention will be held followed by a luncheon and a stroll on the beach. The evening session will be held in Tillamook. Trips are also planned to visit some of the cheese factories near Tillamook.

The Southern Pacific railroad company has promised a special train for the occasion. Low round trip summer rates will be in effect at that time and will probably encourage a large delegation.

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Mrs. Milton Meyers was chosen president of the Past Matrons' club of the O. E. S. at the regular meeting Friday evening. Miss Hazel Bishop and Mrs. Amos Vass were joint hostesses at Miss Bishop's home.

Other officers chosen were Mrs. George G. Brown, vice president; and Mrs. Paul Hauser secretary. Hostesses for the next meeting will be Mrs. S. E. Shafer and Miss Minnie Moeller. The regular meeting day is the last Friday of the month, but owing to this day in May falling on the night on which the "Creation" will be presented, another day will be chosen.

## "Jink Chaser" Helps Joseph C. Lincoln Write Famous Sea Yarns

Joseph C. Lincoln, famous writer of sea stories, pounds them out under the benign influence of this jinx chaser, which a Cape Cod skipper brought from the Orient. The bullock is small but potent, if you get what we mean.

## Club Biennial Meeting Will be Held June 20-30

The delegates from Oregon, Washington and Idaho to the biennial meeting of the general federation of women's clubs at Chautauqua lake, New York, June 20-30, will travel together, making a more pleasant journey, according to present plans, Mrs Ida B. Callahan of Corvallis, state president of the Oregon state federation of women's clubs, says. Mrs. Callahan will go east for the convention. As Oregon is entitled to seven delegates, she says she will be glad to hear fom any club women in Oregon who can attend the sessions of the general federation.

Fifty state federations representing 49,000 clubs with 2,077,463 members, are in the general federation. This includes organizations in 12 foreign countries. China has a large federation of women's clubs. A large number will undoubtedly be in attendance as this is election year. Mrs. Thomas G. Winter of Minneapolis, the present president, is candidate for re-election. Among the other candidates is Mrs. Wallace Perham of Montana, who is an aspirant for the office of second vice president.

The executive council has reported favorably on having the meetings annnually instead of biennially. This matter will be voted on at this meeting of the convention.

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Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, April 29.—L. Marie Stenstrom of Salem, freshman in pharmacy, was one of the co-eds on the varsity swimming team, which met the University of Oregon mermaids Saturday afternoon. Miss Stenstrom was entered in the 50-foot free style and the relay. It is unusual for a freshman girl to attain a position on the varsity swimming team, as all the girls in college may compete for places on the team. Miss Stenstrom has shown unusual ability in swimming.

This was the first meet the girls have had with the university for two years and it is the first time such a meet has been held on the O. . C. campus.

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The U. S. Grant circle of the Ladies of the G.A.R. observed their 23rd anniversary and the one hundredth anniversary of U. S. Grant with a pleasant social afternoon and program yesterday at the W.C.T.U. hall.

The birthdays of three members were also observed and including Mrs. Fannie Meer, Mrs. aMry La-Follette, and Mrs. Mary Gosser. Victrola music was furnished through the kindness of H. L. Stiff's Furniture company, who loaned a machine for the occasion. Rev. James Lisle spoke during the afternoon on Grant

Mrs. Lizzie Ryan, president and charter member of the circle, was present. Mrs. W. P. Lord is the only other charter member but is not now an active member. She was unable to attend yesterday's meeting.

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A tryout for the county declamatory contest was held at Salem Heights last night, 15 pupils participating. In the first divsion Ruth Chapman won the decision, her declamation being "Reciprocity of Smiles."

The second division, including the sixth, seventh and eighth grades was warmly contested. The judges finally decided that the honor should go to Robert Speaker, who had for his topic, "John Brown."

The judges were Mrs. C. C. Clark, principal of McKinley junior high school; J. Sibald, and Mrs. J. Fulkerson.

The Improvement league laid extensive plans for the entertaining of the county federation of clubs in June. Committees were appointed and it is planned to make it an event long to be remembered in Salem Heights and by other clubs of the county.

### CLUB CALENDAR

**Monday**

Lausanne Guild, at Lausanne hall, 2:30.

Photographic Art section of Arts league, Gunnell & Robb studio.

**Tuesday**

Oratorio chorus practice at First Congregational church.

American War Mothers, at Commercial club rooms, 2:30.

Salem Music Teachers association, with Miss Elizabeth Levy, 563 Court st.

**Thursday**

Raphiterian club with Mrs. Carle Abrams, 104 Wilson street.

P.E.O. with Mrs. Will T. Kirk, 1259 South Liberty.

## "Melon Eaters" to be Featured

Not always is an artist really appreciated by the people of his own day—fame usually coming after the death of the artist or so late in life that the appreciation is of little value. But Bartolomi Estaban Murillo was one of the great exceptions. The people of his time loved his work because they could enter into it and understand it.

At the age of 11 he was apprenticed to his uncle, who was a painter. As he grew older he managed to live by painting little pictures of sacred subjects on linen and selling them at the market place; while sitting among the stalls he had an opportunity to study and sketch the city urchins and beggar boys as they frolicked in the sun. The pictures painted from these sketches are among his best works and they are true to life and original in their execution.

One of the best of these is the "Melon Eaters," which will be one of the pictures shown at the living picture show of the May festival. Murillo lived from 1618 to 1682. He was born in Seville and belongs to the Spanish school of Andalusia.

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More than $170 was turned over to the American War Mothers after all expenses were paid by the military ball. This will be used by the War Mothers to endow a ward in the new Salem hospital. The War Mothers will meet Tuesday for their regular monthly meeting in the Commercial club rooms.

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"The Authors' Number" will be the designation given the May number of the Oregon Magazine which will be gotten out by the Modern Writers section of the Salem Arts league.

Following the success of the Music number it is thought that the May number will be even better than the April.

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PULLMAN, Wash., April 29.—Personal and social habits of the girls at Washington State college are to be rated on a sort of Australian ballot system, under a plan devised by Miriam Gerlach, dean of women, so the girls will not take uncomplimentary reports as personal insults .

Under the new plan, every girl is given as many report forms as there are girls in her house. On each form, the opinion of an indivdual girl is printed, without signature. Then all the reports are collected and sorted, and each girl learns her grades, as imposed by her class and housemates, on neatness, good use of time, of money, of English, and of speaking voice; neighborliness; courtesy, public spirit, ability to cooperate, ability to see another's point of view and health.

The system is expected to give better results than the individual criticisms or warnings of fellow students or faculty members, as it removes the personal element. If all the girls in a dormitory report a girl as extravagant, slangy, or rude, it is believed she will make an effort for self improvement.

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## WHAT TO READ

"Quare Women" is a delightful story of the mountain women of the south and their delight in something new even if it is only 'quare women' who come into the mountains from more populated districts. This story is in the May Atlantic and will be followed in June by "Taking the Night," which, literally translated, means 'spending the night.' Lucy Furman is the author.

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The "flapper" at least furnishes the writers with "something to talk about," and the latest to fall is G. Stanley Hall, who will have an article on her in the June Atlantic. It will be entitled, "Flapper Americana Novissima," designated as a humanely scientific discussion of the jazzing, golosh-flopping unbonnetted person so omni-present with us.

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The novel of tomorrow and the scope of fiction is taken up at length in the New Republic for April 12. Among the authors contributing articles for the number are Samuel Hopkins Adams, Mary Austin, Theodore Dreiser, Zona Gale, Robert Herrick, William Allen White, Philip Littell and Edith Franklin Wyatt.


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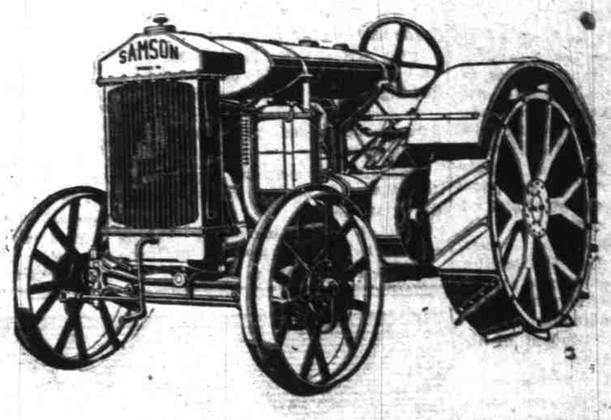


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