

Society

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university with the class of 1923 was May Queen at the junior week-end festivities during her senior year. President of the university YWCA, she was also president of the Beta Omicron sorority of which she was a member. She also belonged to the Philodan literary society. Mrs. Barnes is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. M. B. Paronagian.

Mr. Barnes, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Barnes, was exceedingly popular on the Willamette university campus. For the past two years he has been doing special graduate work at Harvard.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes left immediately after the ceremony for a week's honeymoon at the beach after which they will leave for the east. They will make their home in New York City.

The Loyal Women's class of the First Christian church met Thursday in the church parlors for their regular business and social meeting. Hostesses for the afternoon were: Mrs. Ida Keene, Mrs. D. D. Olmstead, Mrs. Anna McMorris, Mrs. Sarah Kelley, and Mrs. John Crawford, the group serving delightful refreshments.

Those present were: Mrs. O. J. Hull, Mrs. Ida S. Ross, Mrs. Dyer, Mrs. H. H. Stanton, Mrs. M. D. Ellis, Mrs. Estella Gabbert, Mrs. A. L. Headrick, Rose Evans, Mrs. E. L. Townsend, Mrs. T. E. McCroskey, Mrs. M. J. Hunt, Martha Martenson, Miss A. Alina, Mrs. E. C. Case, Mrs. J. G. Hall, Mrs. M. J. Stone, Mrs. J. H. Campbell, Mrs. L. R. Osborn, Mrs. Charles Steele, and Mrs. Luella Axley. Mrs. Reed, Mrs. H. C. Epley, and Mrs. Arthur Welch.

The thirty-second birthday anniversary of the Women's Benefit association will be observed on one of the delightful gatherings of the week with all members asked to meet on Wednesday, October 15, in the WOW halls. Invitations have also been issued to the reviews of Corvallis, Albany, Donald, Pratum, and Jefferson. The five charter members of the organization living in the city will have special invitations. An attractive program is being arranged for the occasion.

The members of the Cosmopolitan club of Willamette university met Friday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. M. C. Findley as the guests of Dwight Findley. The evening opened with an interesting get-acquainted program. Student representatives were present from China, Japan, and the Philippines. The club has as its purpose the bringing about of a closer relationship between American and foreign students.

The Music Teachers' association will meet for their first meeting of the year on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Harry Styles, 750 North Summer street.

Mrs. W. C. Kantner is spending a week in Hood River as the guest of her daughter, Miss Constance Kantner who is engaged in migrant work at the apple orchards.

Mill City will be hostess-town this year for the meeting of the Marion County Federation of Women's clubs on Friday, October 17. Fourteen clubs will be represented, including Jefferson, Woodburn, Hubbard, Silverton, Algona, Willard, Waldo Hills, Stayton, Mill City, Etokta, Salem Heights, and Salem Woman's club. The morning session will be devoted to the business of the federation and the afternoon to a program of interest. Mrs. Alice H. Dodd, of the Salem Woman's club, will be the speaker, taking as her subject, "The Two-Fold Purpose of the Woman's Club." Miss Carol Dibble will give a group of readings, while the hostess club will furnish special music.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Newton have as their house guests, Mrs. J. E. Tweed, and three children, of Los Angeles, California.

Arthur Rosenbraugh, Rhodes scholar, in word received Friday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Rosebraugh, tells of an interesting voyage across. Writing from the liner white just off the coast of Ireland, he expected to reach Liverpool the next day. Mr. Rosebraugh spoke especially of the congenial group of passengers with whom he made the trip.

The formal initiation of John Fasnacht, Aubrey Fletcher, Edwin Johnson, John Russell, and Leslie Frewing was the inspiration for a delightful banquet at the Kappa Gamma Rho Fraternity Saturday evening. Covers were laid for 28 persons.

The tables were tastefully decorated with the fraternity colors, lavender and old rose, and streamers of the same decorations lined the walls and ceiling of the dining room. Dainty menu cards bearing the names of the new fraternity members were placed at each plate.

Marie Rosteln, Alberta Koontz, Meistrs Leland Chapin, Clarence Oliver, Kenneth Wylie, Ward Southworth, Victor Carlson, Warren Day, Harold Fearing, Cornelius Bateson, Wendell Balalger, Glen Stoneman, Parker Whitaker, John Fasnacht, Aubrey Fletcher, Edwin Johnson, John Russell, Leslie Frewing, Robert Storey, and Truman Collins.

Mrs. D. W. Smith will leave today for Corvallis where she will be the guest of her daughter for a fortnight.

The members of the freshman class of the university were guests at a delightful party yesterday evening at the home of Dean and Mrs. George H. Alden.

A delightful program and an enthusiastic business meeting combined to make the opening parent-teacher meeting of the Highland district last Thursday a very successful affair.

Receiving for the afternoon were Miss Mabel Murray, Miss Lake, Mrs. Estelle Howard and Mrs. Cecil Wenderoth.

Miss Betti Kessi announced the possibility of Tony Sarg's marionettes being brought to Salem and urged the association to cooperate for the success of the probable performance.

Miss Cora Hendry, accompanied by Miss Mildred Abbott, sang "Sonny Boy" in a way that pleased all present. Likewise enjoyable was the reading "Whistling in Heaven," by Mrs. Rose Oglesby.

A tea hour followed the program with Mrs. Bertha Smart and Miss Mayme Cooper presiding at the tea table. Six little girls assisted in the serving. Zinnias, asters and autumn leaves combined in forming an attractive background for the affair.

At the business meeting Mrs. George Wenderoth was elected president of the organization; Miss Mabel Murray, vice president; Mrs. C. M. Oglesby, treasurer, and Mrs. H. C. Hummel secretary.

The state convention dates were announced at the meeting for October 21, 22 and 23, with the sessions to be held in Corvallis. The county convention will be held Saturday, Nov. 1, at the McKinley junior high school.

One hundred and fifty guests were present for the charming dance recital given Thursday evening at the Roberts music hall by Miss Ruth Hjertaas and Miss Lenore Preston and their assistants, Mrs. James Lester Gault, lyric soprano; Miss Flora McCoy, danseuse; Mr. Blair Stewart, baritone; and Miss Flora Maloney, accompanist. Varying numbers were present, from a talk and demonstration by the two artists to colorful costume characterizations.

The following clipping from yesterday morning's Oregonian outlines briefly the federation breakfast which was attended by a number from Salem:

"A number of out-of-town women will attend the breakfast of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs at 11:30 o'clock today at the Multnomah hotel. Mrs. S. M. Blumauer, as general chairman, has planned to make this a distinctive occasion. Music will consist of solos by Paul K. Hutchinson, accompanied at the piano by Roy Goodman. An effort has been made to have large numbers of Portland women present, and each club president at the breakfast will respond to roll call by giving the percentage of her organization attending the gathering.

"Miss Grace Chamberlain of Ashland and Mrs. C. H. Woodward of Grants Pass are among prominent club women of the state who will be present. An outline of the June convention of the General Federation of Women's clubs will be embodied in talks by the Oregon women who attended it."

Grace Wood Jess, Folk Song Artist, and Piano Instructor at Willamette University, Girlhood Friends Together

By AUDREY BUNCH

Miss Frances V. Melton, head of the piano department of Willamette university, experienced a delightful renewal of friendship with the coming of Grace Wood Jess, folk song artist, to Salem last Tuesday. Miss Melton, or Miss Wood, as she was then known, were girlhood friends together in Jacksonville, Illinois, Miss Jess graduating from the Illinois women's college in the department of voice, and Miss Melton in liberal arts and piano.

The two artists had not seen each other since their school days. For, while Miss Jess came west to establish both her reputation and her home—the latter in Los Angeles, —and the former, happily unconfined, Miss Melton sailed immediately for Europe to continue her study under the renowned masters of Paris, Berlin, and Vienna.

One inevitably gasps with admiration when one with whom they are speaking quietly shows, as Miss Melton did the other evening, her own autographed portrait of the greatest teacher in piano the world has ever known; or, as Miss Jess did, an afternoon before, the rich, taffeta gown which was actually worn by Nancy Lincoln when she was the First Lady of the Land. But such things come often in contracts with artists. Miss Melton spoke proudly of her opportunity to study with the greater Leschizky, and replaced the personal portrait, with her regard expressing itself even in her touch.

Then after her study in Europe Miss Melton went to the Orient where she had charge of the music work in the Cathedral school for daughters of army officers. She spoke with happy reminiscence of the little Spanish ponies which they rode for recreation into the hills each day.

Then after Europe and after the Orient, Miss Melton came to the west. On Puget Sound she has her own delightful summer home. And now she has come to Salem. And for the first time, on Tuesday night, she heard her girlhood friend, Grace Wood Jess, appear in one of her inimitable folk-song recitals.

Miss Melton spoke appreciatively of Miss Jess' work. She spoke of the large suburban home where Miss Jess with her parents, and two sisters, Myrtle and Della, where he was prominently identified with the activities of the school. He was a member of the Kappa Gamma Rho fraternity and of the Chrestophilian literary society. During his senior year he was manager of the Collegian, the official school publication. This winter Mr. Hisey is taking post-graduate work in Syracuse university, Syracuse, N. Y.

The luncheon table was centered with a beautiful basket of yellow chrysanthemums, with individual pom pom corsages bearing small cards at each place. The single word "Betrothed" appeared on each card above the two names, Miss Margaret McDaniel and Mr. Willis Oury Hisey.

Covers were placed for fifty friends, including Mrs. Hisey, Mrs. Paronagian, Mrs. McDaniel and the sorority sisters of the honor guests, Miss Paronagian and Miss McDaniel. Many were present from out-of-town.

Miss McDaniel, the daughter of Mrs. T. S. McDaniel of Portland, is a graduate of Willamette university with the class of 1924. She was a member of the Beta Chi sorority and of the Adelente literary society. She is teaching French and mathematics this winter at Parkdale, Or.

Mr. Hisey, the son of Rev. and Mrs. Hisey of Gresham, Or., is also a graduate of Willamette university with the class of 1924.

She was always popular and radiant, quick with some clever repartee. She was always extremely well-liked and, it seems, the acknowledged prima donna of Jacksonville, with her lovely voice and attractive manners.

In answer to the question, "Did she act when she was a little girl, or has her stage-work been cultivated since?" Miss Melton aptly said, "Not cultivated, only perfected, for to me always the lovely thing about her was her naturalness, her perfect ease on the stage." And those who saw and heard Miss Jess know her dramatic spontaneity and her superb poise contribute far to the success of her art.

In asking Miss Jess, herself, about this same dramatic gift that compliments so well her pleasing voice, she replied, "I started in just to sing. But singing wasn't enough. I felt that I wanted to express my meaning with my whole being, my hands, my feet, even my costume should speak." And as far as Miss Jess is concerned they all do speak. She told with ready simplicity the philosophy of her art: how the folk-song is ideal as an expression of human experiences in their primitive purity, and how they mean inevitably more if laden with the warm spirit of gesture and not just the exclusively vocal qualities of tone, and of words. Miss Jess seems to like best of all, the fact that her complete expression leaves her free of herself until she can simply sublimate her own personality in the personality she is representing. The secret of her art seems to be its utter selflessness.

When after the recital Tuesday evening behind the scenes the two friends met for the first time since their college days, their talk naturally reverted to the beloved alma mater of which Dr. Joseph Harker, at seventy years of age, is still the revered president. And the coincidence is further interesting that Dr. Doney, the president of the university to which Miss Melton has recently come, and Dr. Harker of the Illinois college are fast friends.

"And talking to Miss Jess," Miss Melton continued, "I found she has just been back to the old college and given one of her delightful programs in the auditorium there. That's what I want to do sometime."

The American Association of University Women will hold their second fall meeting next Saturday, entertaining with a luncheon at which Dr. William Green Hale, dean of the University of Oregon law school, will be the fluent speaker. Dr. Hale will speak on present day topics of general interest, and will doubtless be welcomed by the same large enthusiastic group who met for last month's luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Russell of San Bernardino, Cal., who are visiting here following an extensive tour through Canada and the eastern states, were the dinner guests on Wednesday evening of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Baker. Mrs. Russell, who was formerly Mary Flake, is very well known here where she made her home for a good many years. With Mr. Russell she is now the house guest of her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Dae.

Mrs. John Corner is spending some time in Seattle where she is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Harold Street.

The Women's society of the First Baptist church met at the church parlors Friday afternoon for an interesting program and social hour. A large attendance was recorded, and it was voted to hereafter hold the program meetings in the homes of the members.

Mrs. C. T. Hoover, Mrs. McKillop and Mrs. Lottis were hostesses for the afternoon.

The K. C. club of the Salem high school entertained yesterday afternoon at tea in honor of their new adviser, Mrs. Brazier Small. The delightful affair was held at the home of Miss Marjorie Styles between the hours of 3 and 5:30 o'clock. The members of the different girls' organizations of the high school with their advisers and a few members from the faculty were included as guests for the afternoon.

Tentative plans are being made through the sponsorship of the educational committee of the local chapter of the American Association of University Women for the establishment of a kindergarten in Salem for children of the pre-school age. Since there are doubtless many mothers vitally interested in such a prospect within the city, those interested are asked to call Mrs. F. H. Thompson as soon as possible so that if a sufficient number are interested the kindergarten may at once be instituted.

Social Calendar

Today

Flag dedication at First Methodist church. Woman's Relief Corps, 3:30 o'clock.
First Congregational church memorial service for members who have passed away during the year. 11 a. m.

Monday
Woman's Republican Study club. Mrs. C. P. Bishop, 765 Court street.
Chapter A. B. of the P. E. O. Mrs. W. D. Smith, hostess. 1765 Center street, 7:45 o'clock.

Tuesday
Salem Arts' League presents Miss Franz Doerfler at Walter Hall, 8 o'clock.
Salem Music Teachers' association. Mrs. Harry Styles, hostess. 8 o'clock.

Wednesday
Daughters of the Nile. Mrs. C. J. Green, 1633 State street, hostess.
Woman's Benefit association anniversary observance. WOW hall.

Thursday
Chapter G of the PEO sisterhood. Mrs. W. H. Byrd, hostess.
Adolyn club. Mrs. Earl Poulsen, hostess.
Marion County Federation of Women's clubs. Mill City.

Saturday
American Association of University Women. 12:30 o'clock luncheon.

man of the educational committee in charge, assisted by the following members: Miss Inez Goltra, Mrs. A. M. Chapman, Mrs. Luther Chapin, Mrs. Leora Carver and Miss Helen Pearce.

Mrs. Elizabeth Estes, accompanied by her nieces Mrs. Minnie Cox, Mrs. J. H. Mulcahy and Miss Ruth Mulcahy, drove up from Portland on Monday and were the guests of Mrs. Ed Keene. Mrs. Estes is one of the few old pioneers left, having crossed the plains when a child with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Munkers, in 1846, settling on a farm three miles east of Salem, practically growing up with the city, as she spent the greater part of her life in and around Salem. After the death of her daughter, Miss Alice Estes, which occurred a few years ago, she moved to Portland, this being her first visit since leaving.

Mrs. Estes, in spite of her 88 years, has a bright and active mind, reading a great deal and keeping herself posted in all important affairs. She was delighted with the many improvements of Salem. Mrs. Estes is an aunt

of Mrs. Ed Keene; also an aunt of State Treasurer Jefferson Myers. While in Salem many of her old friends called to see her.

Increasing, and that any further shaking may lead to a catastrophe. The defenders of the cathedral argue two ways. Either the new bridge would carry little traffic and so would be unnecessary, or it would carry a great deal in which case the constant vibration would endanger Wren's masterpiece, everywhere recognized as one of the finest buildings in the world. Fears for the safety of St. Paul's first were entertained when the subways were run through the earth in close proximity to the foundations. The vibration was recognized as a menace. This menace has been steadily augmented by the constant increase in surface motor traffic which rolls past the church, and in very close proximity to it.

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LONDON DREAMS HUGE COLLAPSE

London, Oct. 9.—(By AP.)—Despite heroic efforts being made to strengthen its fabric, evidence accumulates that St. Paul's cathedral, Sir Christopher Wren's masterpiece, is threatened with disintegration. This evidence has been obtained from a variety of sources, during the past 25 years.

The latest warning comes from the recently constituted Fine Arts commission, which argues against the erection of a new bridge over the Thames opposite St. Paul's on the ground that the great cathedral already is threatened by heavy motor traffic, which is constantly

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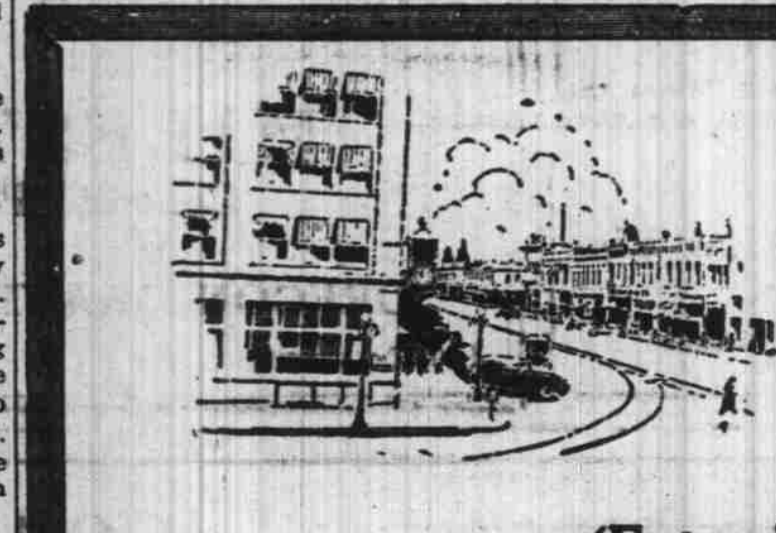
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