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At a board meeting of the Salem League of Women voters held Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Spears, the following members were present: Mrs. J. A. Churchill, president, Mrs. J. R. Humphrey, secretary; Mrs.

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Pianist Cites Vast POSSIBILITIES WITH Facile Mental Control of Muscles

By AUDREY BUNCH.
(The Salem friends of Lillian Jeffreys Petri, former president of the State Federation of Music clubs, will be interested in the news of her recently published book, "Mind Over Muscles." Mrs. Petri is head of the piano and theory departments at Oregon Agricultural college school of music.)

As essential as the seed to the flower is a comprehensible, intelligible piano technique to the would-be virtuoso. But one might as well try to plant petals and expect results as to base achievements solely on muscular drudgery, no matter how systematic it is made. This, one feels, is the author's attitude, which would continue as follows:

Blind practice is like stumbling through a oft-traveled cavern without a flashlight or without a lantern. In time one becomes accustomed enough to the landings that he can make the venture with sufficient safety, but he may miss forever the rainbow formations that would scintillate with light.

The piano technique that is advocated as delightfully as it is compellingly, in the recently announced book, "Mind Over Muscles," by Lillian Jeffreys Petri, head of the piano and theory departments of the school of music at Oregon Agricultural college, will be a revelation to every pianist, and especially to those who

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McIntyre and daughters, Cordelia and Margaret, and son Royal, Albert Macy, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Macy and daughters, Virginia and Verline Pearl, and son Rolland, Mr. and Mrs. J. Macy, and the hostesses, Mrs. Edmund May and Miss Lillian May. The Mandarin Mah Jones club was delightfully entertained on Tuesday of last week at the home of Miss Dorothea Steusloff.

Mrs. Clifton B. Mudd was a delightful hostess for a group of her friends on Thursday. Attractive Valentine decorations were arranged for the occasion and during the afternoon Mrs. Fred Fargo pleased the group with her vocal selections. A dainty luncheon was served at small tables.

Those present were Mrs. Frank Struble, Mrs. J. Olson, Mrs. Edwina Payne, Mrs. William S. Anderson, Mrs. A. A. Smith, Mrs. Norman Kinney, Mrs. Fred Fargo, Mrs. Ed Hall, Mrs. G. E. Mudd, Mrs. Russell Mudd and the hostess, Mrs. Clifton Mudd.

Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick S. Lamport are home following a six motor trip through California.

One of the charming dinner parties of the week was that on Friday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Dan J. Fry, Sr., entertained the members of the Cherry City club. Valentine favors were used on the table where vivid red carnations formed the centerpiece. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Steusloff, Mrs. Wain and Fred W. Steusloff won the bridge honors of the evening.

Covers were placed for: Mr. and Mrs. William Steusloff, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Steusloff, Mr. and

have young minds and young fingers to teach.

Fourteen chapters are devoted to explanatory principles concerning finger action, in general and in explicit particular; to weight; to touch, whether surface or for melody; to chord-building; and to the importance of the completely relaxed yet active wrist. The remaining chapters deal expressly with methods of study; a frank correlation of essentials; silent work; and practice points. A discursive conclusion completes the book, which is as attractively arranged as a patron's edition of The Woodland Sketches.

Broad, wide-margined pages are enhanced with photographic illustrations, examples being taken from the author-pianist's own hand, in accredited positions. Marginal summaries and the capitalization of key-words in the text make this technical work a lucid delight. Every fascinating page deals progressively with the importance of the coordination of the mental and the physical, and the vital nature of musical understanding, whether it has to do with the playing of an effective surface staccato or the interpretation of a Moszkowski waltz. "First perceive, then produce" is the key in which the book is written.

The publishers are the Gamble-Hinged Music company of Chicago. The book is priced at \$2.

Mrs. Edgar Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Wain, Mr. and Mrs. D. Minto, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fry, Sr.

At the next meeting of the club Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Rice will entertain.

Silverton—Miss Inga Borg Goplerud was the inspiration of a happy little party Friday night at the L. C. Goplerud home when a number of her friends surprised her. Those attending were Kenneth Steines, Gard Steines, William Thompson, Carl Thompson, Harry Larson, Merl Larson, Victor Sather, Amos Bentson, Clayton Bentson, Ralph Mosang, Herman Holand, Theodore Ormbreck, Grace Lyons, Mera Klev, Joris Kloster, Myrna Sather, Ethel Larson, Agnes Dahlen, Florence Holand, Inga Borg Goplerud, Valborg Ormbreck, Dora Henriksen, Louise Henriksen, Sylvia Larson and Esther Towe.

The American Association of University Women will meet on Saturday at the Marion hotel for the regular February 12:30 o'clock luncheon. Miss Cornelia Marvin, Oregon state librarian, will be the speaker.

Two new members, Mrs. E. Hartley and Mrs. Ray Hartman, joined the Salem Woman's club at the business meeting yesterday afternoon at the club house.

Interesting reports were given in relation both to the silver tea and to the bridge benefit, \$74 being derived from the former affair, to be applied to the state scholarship loan fund, and from the latter, \$77, this to go toward the building.

It was especially urged that the

Book Review

By VERA BRADY SHIPMAN

"SEVENTY FIVE YEARS OF WHITE HOUSE GOSSIP" by Edna M. Colman, published by Doubleday Page & company, Garden City, New York. Price \$5 net.

Washington to Lincoln, from the time of Washington's notification of his election a month after it had occurred, the trip of horseback, his triumphant entry into Washington from Alexandria—his Mount Vernon home, with the nation's capital in gala array, the first two chapters tell the Washington of sportsman ship, of pleasure loving though always with dignity and propriety; the story of his courtship of the beautiful Mrs. Martha Curtis and the wedding in its colonial style; that Washington's first inaugural suit was made entirely by handwork on Mount Vernon; these are some of the little Washington stories which please the reader.

Thomas Jefferson found relaxation in finding, not "while Rome burned," but from arduous duties of state. And while Thomas Jefferson rode his horse to his inauguration, Martin Van Buren journeyed in a coach with silver mounted harness and livery, and imported a London chef. William Henry Harrison once breakfasted with a cattle driver.

And at Lincoln's inauguration, Mrs. Lincoln "stood as near the President as her voluminous draperies over hoop skirts would permit, the style of the hour demanding crinoline to high proportions, being several yards around."

Little Tad Lincoln and his goat team was his father's joy and joyously galloped through the white house corridors in spite of motherly protests against the lack of presidential dignity.

The book, written by a Washington resident, Mrs. Colman is at present national president of the League of American Pen Women. Author of many short stories and feature articles in the leading magazines, she has searched the newspaper files of the libraries, through the Washington Intelligence, Globe, The Alexandria Gazette, and old journals and travels of the country surrounding, and found new stories of old favorites.

Feeling that the newspapers contained more personal, more intimate glimpses of the real men at the head of our nation, Mrs. Colman has searched old newspapers for such features, bringing to her readers new individualities, clothed in the homelike tattlings which the world may name gossip.

It is a fine adjunct to your library from its historical background to its personal literary value. It is never prosy, but members of the club attend the discussion of Bill No. 409, on the Better Films question, at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow evening.

A number of special guests were present, including Mrs. A. R. Hunter of La Grande, Mrs. C. A. Hunter of Wallowa, Mrs. W. S. Kinney, Senator from Astoria, and Mrs. A. G. Beals of Tillamook. These guests spoke interestingly of their home clubs.



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Americanization Questionnaire—containing the questions usually asked of aliens applying for citizenship papers with answers and other information for those interested in Americanization work. By Catherine A. Bradshaw. Price 75 cents.

Mrs. Bradshaw is executive secretary of the Americanization council at Portland, and interested in Oregon club federation and the book is valuable in its information and direct style.

Oregon Retail Merchants' Association to Meet Soon

Salem representatives are attending the twenty-first annual convention of the Oregon retail merchants' association, when they convene at Eugene, February 16, 17 and 18.

E. Cooke Patton, Ed Schunke, and B. E. Sisson are some of the men who will be there from this city.

An opening banquet will be served Sunday evening previous to the official opening of the convention. This day will also be used by the board of directors of the association in the Eugene Chamber of Commerce. At 6 o'clock the get-together banquet will be served in the Palm room of the Oxburn hotel.

Registration of delegates, members and visitors at Villard hall will begin at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Dean E. C. Robbins, school of business administration, University of Oregon, Mayor E. P. Parks, mayor of Eugene, Walter Griffin, president of Lane county credit association, J. W. McInterriff, Marshfield, are among some of the speakers that will appear on the program. Representatives from nearly all the prominent

business firms in the state of Oregon will be present. L. L. Thomas, Marshfield, is president; O. F. Tate, Portland, is secretary; N. L. Croot of Portland, treasurer; and E. F. Douglas, Portland, is chairman of the executive board.

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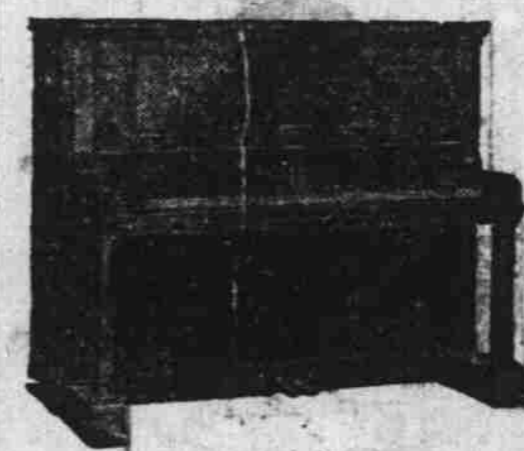
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