SOCIETY NEWS

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, Dec. 8 — Senior High School Parent-Teacher association meeting at 3:30 o'clock in the High School building. All members urged to be present.

Thursday, Dec. 8.—Social Circle of the local Christian church meeting at 2:30 p. m. in the church building. Social meeting. Please bring articles for the bazaar, which will be held in the Lamkin Real Estate office on Main street.

Thursday, Dec. 5.—The Elks' Ladies Card club will hold their regular meeting in the club rooms of the Elks Temple. Hostesses for the afternoon will be Mrs. J. D. McRae and Mrs. C. A. Shutts. Bridge and "500" at two p. m.

Friday, Dec. 9.—Women's Home Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. O. G. Howard at 41 Gresham street.

Saturday, Dec. 10.— Bazaar at Hardy Bros. store. Held by the ladies of the Brethren church of Ashland.

Saturday, Dec. 10.—The Rogue River College Women's club will meet at the home of Mrs. Myron Root, 15 Summit ave., Medford. Fifteenth anniversary of the club will be celebrated.

Friday, Dec. 9.—Lincoln school circle of the P. T. A. will meet at 3:30 p. m. in the school building on Beach street.

Friday, Dec. 9.—The high school circle of the P. T. A. will give a public card party in the Civic clubhouse on Winburn Way. Everyone invited to attend.

Monday, Dec. 12.—Jackson County Music Teachers association will have a luncheon at the Lithia Springs hotel. Make reservations with Mrs. Harold S. Aikins, phone 441-J.

Tuesday, Dec. 13.—The W. C. T. U. will hold their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. M. B. Riley, 141 High street.

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CHRISTMAS TREES
by Violet Alleyn Storey

I saw along each noisy city street
The trees for Christmas, standing dark and still,
The pines and firs come down from field and hill,
Old trees and young that had known sun and sleet.

Soft needles fell on hard, dull pavement there,
And forests rose in a most treeless place;
And there was gladness in each passing face,
And there was balsam fragrance everywhere.

Oh, lovely way to celebrate Your Birth
Whose Birth Star glistened through Judea's trees;
Whom Joseph taught the skilful use of these;
Who, on a Tree, once overcame the earth!

Grant then Your Blessing, Friend of Trees, we pray,
On those who deck green boughs for Christmas Day!

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Accessories In Gift List—

One's gift selections may include accessories that combine practicability with smartness, and so make a perfect holiday gift. Nearly everyone has gotten sensible enough to want to give gifts that are really worth something. Some women there will be who will delight in soft feminine dainties of a very frivolous nature, but there are many smart women who would prefer gifts that are practical and expressive of the newest in the feminine accessory mode.

For them there are clever handmade handkerchiefs that come from the looms of the Swiss, not fancy, yet very correct and dressy, with Appenzell work on the edges. There are beautiful imported hose in soft, dull dust and shadowy shades, each pair a bit more lovley than you ever thought hose had a right to be. There are umbrellas of very smart design with handles of pigskin or crook handles of bright celluloid that looks like carnelian or jade. Some have snakeskin handles. The silk of the umbrellas themselves are of checked or plaid silk many times.

Bags are always acceptable, especially when they possess a charm that will help carry a costume to the realm of smartness. The black suede and antelope bags are almost like pieces of jewelry. The heavier bags of leather that are used for street and daytime wear are made of ostrich hide, of bags of brown suede or velvet are for dressy wear.

Fitted overnight cases make supremely elegant gifts, for these small leather cases are colorful and beautiful even while they are practicel. Because they come in all sizes they are capable of being fitted into any sort of luggage ward robe. In other words, one can always welcome one more fitted case.

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Among New Books—

"Anabel at Sea," by Samuel Mersin.

When Anabel Cayne of Coventry, Mass., graduated from Wellesley she never dreamed that she would set out in diligent pursuit of a husband. Two years later she back-watered and cashed in on a $4000 inheritance to scour the world for a husband. Most of the money went into a round the world cruise. Some of it went into clothes, and the small surplus went into travelers' checks. She had been reared to think in terms of the New England spinster, to adopt that same lady's dress and manners, the same lady's philosophy of life. Anabel had something to her, and the inheritance gave her an opportunity to rebel.

When she boarded to Sargasso and went to her minimum rate stateroom on G deck, she was dressed in long, somber garments and wore long hair and "sensible" shoes. In Panama she underwent a complete transfiguration, and then how the men did fall for her! The first affair was with a New York millionaire's son who had left America in order to allow the scandal of his domestic affairs to blow over. This young gentleman makes his exit in Panama, accompanied by the police. The next affair is with a famous movie star, who joins the cruise between Panama and Los Angeles. Next comes an elderly millionaire. Then a Japanese heir. After that an American youth who saved her life from Chinese bandits. Then the deposed emperor of China. Then the richest man from her home town, whom she meets in Ceylon. Then an art collector from New York. Then the scion of a French noble family.

She lands in New York determined never to marry. At every turn she had had the opportunity to marry and marry well, but somehow her Puritanical mind had held her back.

And in the first week after landing in New York she marries a pauper.

Strange are the workings of the Puritan mind. This is a rollicking story, hardly of the more sophisticated variety; but genuinely entertaining.

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Ashland Boy Will Be Married—

The marriage of Miss Ellen McClellan to Mr. Kenneth Wilshire, son of Mrs. Mary Wilshire of Ashland, whose engagement was announced in this paper last month, will be solemnized on Tuesday, December 20, at 4:30 o'clock, at the Delta Delta Delta chapter house in Eugene, Oregon, where both Mr. Wilshire and Miss McClellan are students at the University of Oregon.

For the pleasure of Miss McClellan, Mrs. Kenneth Shumaker entertained at a delightful luncheon and trousseau shower at her home in Eugene Saturday afternoon, December 3.

Mr. Wilshire is an Ashland boy and his many friends in this city will extend their hearty congratulations to the young couple.

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Music Tournament To Be Held—

The fifth interstate high school music tournament will be held Friday and Saturday, April 27 and 28, 1928, at Pacific university, Forest Grove, Oregon, and invitations have been sent to all the high schools in Oregon and southern Washington.

The music tournament has created a great increase in musical interest among the high schools and has proved a stimulation to better work and keener competition.

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Royal Neighbors Elect Officers—

The Ashland Royal Neighbors held their regular meeting last evening, Tuesday, December 6, in the Wimer hall, with a splendid attendance.

An interesting business session was conducted and the following named officers elected to serve in office during 1928: Neighbor Eunice Clapp, oracle; Neighbor Tila Beck, past oracle; Neighbor Freda Kingsley, vice oracle; Neighbor Alice Turner, recorder; Neighbor Lillian Grenbemer, marshall; Neighbor Jessie Searing, chancellor; Neighbor Delia Stevenson, receiver; Neighbor Broili, inner sentinel; Neighbor Ida Gosnell, outer sentinel, and Neighbor Elizabeth Reid, musician.

Following election of officers, a committee composed of Mesdames Brady, Brown, Broili, Beck and Payne, served delicious refreshments at tables prettily decorated for the affair.

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Entertained Alpha Chapter—

Members of Alpha Chapter No. 1., O. E. S., were delightfully entertained last evening, Tuesday, December 6, in the Masonic hall, by about eighteen visiting Eastern Star ladies.

A business session was conducted, after which a jolly social time was enjoyed. Officers for the ensuing year were elected, the following named members being elected to fill the chairs for 1828: Mrs. Helen McCallen, worthy matron; J. H. Hardy, worthy patron; Mrs. Emily Hammond, associate matron; Mrs. Leah Caldwell, secretary; Miss Lydia McCall, treasurer; Mrs. Hester Carter, conductress, and Mrs. Cordelia Blake, associate conductress.

Delicious refreshments were served during the evening by a committee of which Mrs. C. E. Shinn was chairman. The tables were beautifully decorated with a Christmas color scheme, evergreens, laurel berries and mistletoe adding to the attractiveness of the decorations. Mrs. L. H. Hansen was chairman of the decoration committee last evening.

Members Urged To Remember Talk—

Members of the High School circle of the P. T. A. are urged again today to remember the talk which will be given by Dr. Brunk at a meeting of this circle tomorrow afternoon, Thursday, December 8, at 3:30 o'clock, in the Senior high school building.

A good attendance is especially desired at tomorrow's meeting, as Dr. Brunk has been kind enough to come to Ashland and give a talk for the P. T. A. members.

Members of all the local circles and anyone interested in this work, is cordially invited to attend.

YOUR BOY AND YOUR GIRL
by
ARTHUR DEAN, Sc., D.
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Out Of The Past

"Is marriage THE incident in your life, or AN incident of your life?" I'm reluctant to startle the neighborhood but I must say that I think this is vastly more important question for an 18 year old girl to think about than any school subject.

Now "Old Fashioned Mother", who often contributes to the column, answers this question which I some time ago raised in this column. And she does it with convincing directness and thoroughness.

Listen to her:

"Marriage, child-bearing and home-making are a woman's natural calling. Nature intended her for this work and she is happiest in it. That, of course, does not mean that a young woman should take the first available partner just to be married. But to me it does mean that a girl's training from her very infancy should be with the idea that some day she will be a wife and mother.

"I believe that any woman who has raised a daughter past high school age needs the daughter in the home during the few years (usually months between her graduation and her wedding; If they are a family of moderate means, the daughter is needed to assist with the housework, the sewing, and even with the training and care of younger brother and sisters, if there are any. And what could be better training for a girl than to step into the harness and learn to handle the family budget, to exercise the variety of talents that are necessary to be an all-around wife, mother and home-maker? If she is not needed for those things she can be of invaluable assistance to her mother in her social life, and it is really the only time a mother has an opportunity to enjoy the fruits of her labors, as it were, for it seems such a little while before the daughter is married and takes upon herself the responsibility of a home, a husband, and later a family — and then things are never the same.

"Of course if the family budget is so small that a daughter's earnings are necessary, that is a different matter, but even so I managed a thousand ways rather than let my daughter go to work in an office or teach a country school. And I can't imagine how any one could have needed money much worse than we did. And why? Because I wanted my daughter to be just a sweet lovable, capable housewife and mother. I was convinced by my own observations that a few years of business life is poor training along that line for a young girl. No matter what kind of a character she is, no matter what kind of a position she may have, whether her compensation be great or small, contact with the business world is bound to 'take the bloom off the peach' so to speak, and that is what I could not bear to think of.

"It gives a girl the wrong idea of life. When a young man offers marriage to a girl who is earning a fairly good salary in an office, the first questions she asks herself are not, 'What kind of a fellow is he? Will he be a good kind husband and the right kind of a father for my children?' Instead it is, 'What is his salary? What are his chances for advancement as compared with mine?' And if they do marry the young wife usually keeps her position and naturally has no time for a real home so they live in a furnished apartment; the wife has taken upon herself two jobs instead of one. She comes home at night tired out and the most conspicuous and necessary article in the kitchenette is a can opener. When some little trouble or disagreement arises between them—as is usual in all marriages—she is just as independent of his wishes and opinions as she is of his support, and she is very apt to tell him to go his way. It is that very thing that is laying the ax to the root of home life and filling our divorce courts right now. I often think it is a good thing for the children that there aren't any.

"Old Fashioned Mother."

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

LET'S KEEP THIS BLACK LINE GOING DOWN

Orangemen Will Play East-West Game Christmas

OREGON STATE, Corvallis, Dec. 7, Johnny Logan and Ole Robbins, Orange ends; Clare Badley, guard; and Dave Luby, halfback; have accepted an invitation to play in the east versus west game at San Francisco, December 26. All these Orangemen have played their last football game for Oregon State.

Those who have cast aspersions upon the slightly damp winter climate of Oregon are invited to read the newsstories describing the destruction in the far east by downpours of rain.—Cottage Grove Sentinel.

There is an opportunity for some Oregon writer to achieve fame just now on the subject, "You gotta quit slammin' our prunes around." — Harrisburg Bulletin.

Powers—W. E. Hassler starts the Powers-Courier" new local newspaper.

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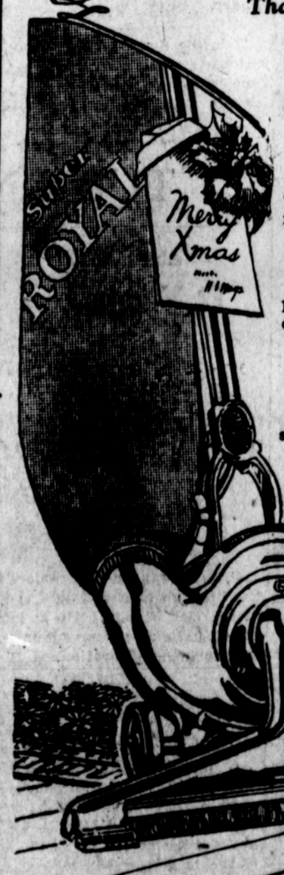

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