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WILL MEET CORVALLIS NEXT

Special Train Will Be Run For Accommodation of Crowd Next Friday Afternoon.

The special motor from Dallas to Corvallis, Friday afternoon, will probably bear a larger crowd of basketball "fans," than has ever before left this city on a similar mission, because on this trip, two basketball teams will go out to the support of Dallas' athletic prowess—the champion team from Dallas College, and the Colosseum skating team.

The game between Dallas College and O. A. C. will be played at the armory of the college, Friday night, and the skating team will meet the Corvallis aggregation in the skating rink on the following night. These two games will probably be among the hottest and most bitterly contested of the season, as each team involved ranks among the first in Oregon, and every point scored on either side must be won by hard playing and basketball science.

All who intend to go on this trip are requested to communicate at once either with Frank Kersey, Edward Shaw or G. N. Cherrington, as they desire to know as soon as possible, how many coaches will be needed for the transportation of the Dallas delegation. Round trip tickets may be secured for \$1.50 from either of the three parties named above.

Will Organize Camera Club.

The students of Dallas College are to organize a camera club and take advantage of the sunny spring weather for the practice of the fascinating art of photography. Many of them already possess cameras and have shown themselves to be photographic artists of no mean skill, and others who intend to join the club will secure instruments soon. The work of the association will probably be directed by Dr. C. A. Mook.

Telephone Meeting.

G. W. McBee, president of the Liberty Independent Telephone Company, has called a meeting of that organization to be held at the Liberty schoolhouse, Monday evening, March 2, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of electing officers, and transacting such other business as may be deemed necessary.

Alvie Morton is spending his monthly vacation in Dallas, and, unfortunately for the enjoyment of his brief holiday, is suffering from a severe attack of poison oak.

OLD RESIDENT DIES

George Wait Succumbs to Sudden Attack of Heart Disease, Aged 75 Years.

George T. Wait, a former resident of Polk county, dropped dead near his home in Salem early Friday morning. It is thought that death was due to heart disease.

He was on his way to State and High streets where it is said he had intended taking the Oregon Electric car for Portland for a visit. Shortly after he had left the house he met a friend with whom he stopped to talk. Upon reaching to his vest pocket for his watch he discovered that he had left it at home and stated to his friend that he would have to hurry back and get it. He turned around and had taken but a few steps when he sank to the ground and almost immediately he expired.

George Wait had been a resident of Salem for the past five years, having moved there from Polk county, where he owned a fine farm. He was 75 years of age and leaves, beside a wife, four sons, Otis, George, and Oliver, of Independence, and Frank Wait, at Seattle, and three daughters, Mrs. Ellen Southwick, of Polk county, and Mary and Gene Wait, at the family home.

The deceased was a well known and generally liked citizen and had many influential friends in Salem and in Polk county. Funeral services were held at the Wait residence on Saturday at 10 o'clock, and the remains were taken to Zena for burial.

Bijou Stock Company Coming.

The Bijou Stock Company will play in Dallas, Wednesday and Thursday nights of this week, in the comedy, "In Washington, D. C." This company has met with great success in the Willamette Valley, and comes to our city highly recommended. An effort is being made to establish a regular circuit through the principal towns of the Valley, and if the project is successful, the Bijou Stock Company will become a regular attraction in Dallas.

The Rev. M. C. Wire, Presiding Elder for the Methodist Church in the Eugene District, was unable to fill his appointment in Dallas, Sunday evening, on account of illness and did not preach on that occasion as had been announced, the Rev. M. P. Dixon conducting the quarterly communion service and conference in his place. Mr. Dixon reports 22 accessions to the membership of the church since his arrival in Dallas.

IN THE SOCIAL REALM

Valentine Parties Play Prominent Part in Society Events of the Week.

About forty guests were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis, Friday night, with a pleasant Valentine party.

The decorations in all of the rooms consisted of festoons of red hearts, appropos of the season, and these were set off to the best possible advantage by well arranged backgrounds of evergreen decorations composed mainly of Oregon grape.

Since St. Valentine's Day was the inspiration for the entertainment, the idea of hearts and arrows and flitting Cupids was infused into each of the games which served to make the evening pass the more merrily. Near the close of the entertainment, when the selection of partners was made for supper, this scheme culminated in an archery contest among the ladies present. Red cardboard hearts bearing the names of the gentlemen were pinned upon the wall and each lady shot at these in turn with a miniature bow and arrow, claiming the one whose heart she succeeded in bringing down, as her partner for supper.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Tennis, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dunkelberger, Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Staats, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Soehren, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Guy, Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Bollman; Misses Mina Hughes, Ollie Howe, Edna Brown, Maud Robertson, Nora Robertson, Maggie Peebles, Flora McCollon, Jeanie Muscott, Fannie Dempsey, Evangeline Hart, Maud Hart, Ednelle Collins, Ora Collins; Messrs. C. D. Oberpening, R. R. Hill, W. I. Ford, N. L. Guy, C. C. Coad, R. E. Butler, C. L. Crider, Earl Wisecarver, Frank Robertson, R. H. Nelson, Ralph Dugane and W. H. Gaynor.

The members of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church and friends were entertained by the League at Miss Olive Smith's handsome music studio Saturday night. The evening was very pleasantly spent with various social games and the program was interspersed with musical numbers, both vocal and instrumental, by several of the guests who were present. Light and dainty refreshments were served at the close of the evening's entertainment.

Several of the young men of Dallas gave a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Seth, Friday

night, on the occasion of the nineteenth birthday of their son, Guy.

The guests assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Ballantyne and proceeded in a body to the home of the young man for whom the surprise had been prepared. To his intense chagrin, they caught him in slightly negligee costume, engaged in blowing wild music out of his tenor horn, quite oblivious of the meditated onslaught of his comrades. Although undeniably surprised, he accepted the situation gracefully, inviting his guests to make themselves at home, and the remainder of the evening was spent in such whole-souled amusement as only a "stag bunch" of young college boys can enjoy.

Dividing into groups they spent the time in various games until the small hours of the morning, a dainty luncheon being served before the jolly crowd departed for their homes.

The guests present were: Messrs. Victor, Roscoe, Lew and Walter Ballantyne, Frank Hollister, Verne Lauer, Frank Johnson, Alphas Boyd, Clifford Smith, Nathaniel Dixon, William Ridgeway, Robert VanOrsdel, Stephen Gurney, Wilkie Yost, Lisle and Lloyd Rice, William and Carl Wood, August Risser and Clarence Reynolds.

The young women of Dallas College and the members of the faculty of that institution were entertained by the Y. W. C. A., Friday evening, at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Gerlinger.

The guests as they arrived, were received by the social committee, consisting of Misses Ada Osfield, Eula Phillips, Lillian McVicker and Nola Coad, and presented to Mrs. Gerlinger, who is the adviser of the social committee of the Y. W. C. A.

During the evening instrumental solos were rendered by Miss Vera Cosper and Miss Edith Yates, and Professor H. H. Dunkelberger sang the famous bass solo "The Armorer's Song" from Robin Hood. Several games were played, among which was an ingeniously arranged contest, in which Mrs. D. M. Metzger won the prize, a beautifully bound volume of Shakespeare's "As You Like It." A delicious luncheon was served during the evening.

Mrs. U. S. Loughary entertained the Ladies Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church at her home Friday afternoon. She was assisted by Mrs. Elbert Parrish and Miss Ruth VanOrsdel, and by their combined efforts a most enjoyable afternoon was spent.

According to the prevailing spirit of the season, the valentine idea was carried out in the decorations. Festoons of crimson hearts furnished the motif for the arrangement of all of the decorations, and dainty little cupids, equipped with bow and arrow and bearing strings of tiny hearts, added the finishing touches to these graceful chains. The blinds were drawn to darken the rooms, and the illumination was furnished by wax candles.

Over thirty guests were present, including members of the missionary society and their friends. A delicious luncheon was served during the afternoon, and its excellence proved the crowning feature necessary to make the meeting perfect in every detail.

Several of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Pillar gave them a surprise party at their home Saturday night on the occasion of Mrs. Pillar's fifty-seventh birthday.

The party was arranged and the invitations issued by Mrs. George Scott, one of Mrs. Pillar's most intimate friends, and the guests assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Muir, before going enmasse to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Pillar.

The surprise and delight of those in whose honor the party had been prepared was absolute, and added immeasurably to the satisfaction of the conspirators who had arranged the plot. The evening was spent in a pleasant social manner, light refreshments being served at its close. Mrs. Pillar was presented with several valuable and handsome pieces of Haviland china by her guests, in token of their genuine love and esteem.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Pillar, Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Simonton, Mayor and Mrs. A. B. Muir, Rev. and Mrs. D. J. Becker, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Rich, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. VanOrsdel, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hall, Mrs. H. B. Cosper, Miss Vera Cosper.

Mrs. S. C. Miller gave a valentine party at her home Friday afternoon for her little daughter, Virginia, inviting the girls of Miss Vera Cosper's Sunday School class, of which her daughter is a member. In preparing and conducting the party, she was assisted by Miss Cosper and Pauline and Clark VanOrsdel.

A Call to Action.

By urgent request, I hereby call a mass convention of the Socialists of Polk county to meet in the Court House in Dallas, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. Saturday, March 7.

JAMES K. SEARS,
Chairman of County Committee.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS

Raises Pool Room License and Elects C. O. Tennis Marshal to Succeed C. L. Hubbard.

At the meeting of the City Council last night, an ordinance was passed raising the license on pool and billiard halls and similar places of amusement to the following scale: On 1 table \$3.75 per quarter, 2 tables, \$6.25 and 3 tables, \$7.50. A license of \$1.25 will be charged for each additional table over three, and no license will be issued for a lesser period than three months. This ordinance goes into effect after July 1, 1908.

By a unanimous vote, C. O. Tennis was elected to the office of City Marshal to succeed C. L. Hubbard, resigned. Mr. Tennis is a man of unflinching integrity, and, in the full vigor of middle age is admirably fitted for the duties of the office which has been conferred upon him.

FREE TRAIN TO FALLS CITY

Foresters Will Entertain Hundreds of Visitors at Grand Ball on Friday Night.

The Foresters Lodge, of Falls City, will give a grand ball at Wagner's Hall, Friday evening, February 21, and those who have the management of the affair are using every effort to make it the most memorable social function of its kind that has ever been held in that city.

Anticipating a large attendance from Dallas, they have secured a special train which will leave Dallas at 8:00 o'clock p. m., and leave Falls City on the return trip at 2:00 o'clock a. m. No fare will be charged for passage either way.

Tickets for the dance will be \$2, and will include admission to the elegant midnight supper which will be served at the Hotel Walker. Stockwell's orchestra, consisting of 7 pieces, will furnish music for the occasion.

These Were Successful.

The names of those who were successful in the recent teachers examinations for county papers are as follows: First grade; Miss Eugenia Phillips, Dallas, Miss Hope Rogers, Monmouth; second grade; Misses Clara Olsen, Alta Savage, and Laura Utter, Dallas; Misses Elsie Grace and Josephine Jacobson, Salem; Miss Irma Northrop, Suver; Miss Geneva Miller, Sheridan; Miss Dora Murdock, Monmouth; third grade; Misses Cora Utter, and Emma Aebi, Dallas; Misses Susie Bennet and Nellie Link, Perrydale; Messrs. R. W. Long and M. O. Boyer, Butler; Miss Rita Alderman, Falls City and Ray Murphy, Monmouth.

Knights Will Celebrate.

The Knights of Pythias will hold a special celebration in their new lodge hall tomorrow night, the occasion being the forty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the order, and the third anniversary of the founding of Marmon Lodge, No. 96, in Dallas. The former anniversary falls on February 20 and the latter on February 19, so the Knights have combined the two celebrations for the evening of the 19th. All Knights and ladies of this city, and all visiting Knights and ladies are cordially invited to be present, and every effort will be used to make it one of the crowning social events of the season.

O. Gunderson, of the Salvation Army, returned to Portland, Saturday, after a week's campaign in Dallas soliciting funds for the Rescue Home in that city. He professed himself deeply grateful for the liberal assistance given him by the people of this city and the courtesy shown to him during his stay in Dallas.

The "Jolly Fellows" skating club gave another one of its successful parties at the Colosseum rink Thursday night. As it was St. Valentine's eve, the decorations and entertainment were arranged so as to be appropriate to the season. About 60 couples of invited guests were present and the skating session lasted far past the usual time for closing the rink.

The Christian Endeavor Societies of Dallas will send six delegates to the State Convention to be held in Eugene from Thursday to next Sunday. The Christian Church will be represented by J. Y. Maxwell and Miss Retta Campbell, the Presbyterian by Ray Boals and the Rev. D. J. Becker and the Evangelical by the Rev. N. W. Sager and Dr. C. A. Mook, of Dallas College.

W. J. Igo, of Benton County, is visiting friends in Dallas. Mr. Igo was a stage driver on the old overland line between Corvallis and Portland in 1899, and drove the first stage that ever passed through Dallas on that route. He says that he was personally acquainted with every one along the entire stage route at that time, and the only element of regret in his present visit in our city is the fact that he finds more strangers than former acquaintances. Mr. Igo will go to Portland this afternoon for a short stay, and will return to Dallas next week and finish his visit.

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SPECIAL 25 CENT SALE

COMMENCING MONDAY, FEB. 24th.

Every article a money saver, now on display in our south window. Take a look and select your wants. Not an item but what is worth more than we ask. Some are worth 50c others 75c up to \$1.00. Take your choice out of the following list at 25c.

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