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Get-together Valentine Party

Mrs. Louis Van De Mortelee was a charming hostess to a large group of friends at her home on Valentine day. All the ladies of the neighborhood had been invited to spend the afternoon there for a social get-together in her honor.

The time was spent in visiting, sewing and playing games, after which a delightful lunch was served to the following guests:

Mesdames Katherine Mohning, John Kister, Ray Yergen, Fleischer, Theodore Resch, Ira Northup, M. N. Crisell, John Pugh, Leo Keil, Carl Hoffman, Fred Wagner, Ralph Du Rette and baby, Pabl Pel-latz, Robert Armstrong, Verne Adams, George Eilers, John Miley, Caroline Tomlin, H. C. Gloss, Henry Mills, Perry Danielson, F. Weinert, Frank Gloss, J. E. Langdon; Misses Evelyn Pugh and Lois Mohning; Raymond, Marvin and Elvin Keil, David Wagner, James Langdon and Henry Hoffman.

Bridge Club Meets at Bradt Home

On Friday afternoon Mrs. E. E. Bradt entertained the members of her Bridge club with a dainty one o'clock luncheon. An afternoon of contract bridge followed.

This being prize day, the scores for the year were read and the one receiving high score was given first pick of the prizes, second high, second, and so on. High score for the year was won by Mrs. U. Eilers, with Mrs. F. S. McAllister second, and Mrs. B. W. Stoner third.

Those present were Mesdames W. C. Grim, B. F. Giesy, C. E. Gilbreath, J. W. Sadler, F. S. McAllister, U. Eilers, B. W. Stoner and the hostess. Mrs. Bradt was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Josie Knight. Miss Martha Frances Bradt also joined the group in their gaiety.

Woman's Club Card Party

There were fifteen tables at play Saturday evening at the Woman's club card party held in the Mollalla Electric offices. The regular fee charged and some donations netted \$16.50 for the club.

Prizes were won by Mrs. U. Eilers, high; Mrs. Willis Yoder, second; Mrs. Norman Yergen, consolation. Gentlemen's first prize was won by Willard Hunt; second high went to Jack Bush of Donald, and consolation to Billy Kraus.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served and a pleasant evening reported by those attending.

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Transforming the Common Task

IT IS safe to say that the great majority of individuals perform the usual routine duties over and over again. It is not difficult for them to foresee when they arise in the morning just what the day's work will be, and if the work is of a somewhat uninteresting character the performance of it may be allowed to descend into a mere perfunctory operation, a mechanical round, which affords little pleasure to the individual.

There are few things more delightful than the ability to look forward to one's daily work and to enter upon it with zest and spontaneity. The "trivial round, the common task," becomes transformed when performed in this way. Sloth is banished, and any sense of drudgery abolished. Duties which might otherwise seem monotonous or arduous, if not indeed onerous, are lightened when the heart, having learned something of the true nature of service, sings at its work.

George Herbert must have recognized this fact when he wrote, "Who sweeps a room as for Thy laws Makes that and the action fine."

Indeed, the efficient performance of our present task is often the first step towards the gaining of a more responsible and congenial one. Improvement in any phase of our experience must begin right where we are. Today, the present moment, is ours in which to make a new beginning from which to transform our activity in the "trivial round, the common task," into something approximating perfection.

The keynote of such transformation lies in an apprehension of the truth about God and man's relationship to Him. As it is seen that God, Spirit, is the author or creator of spiritual perfection, only, as must inevitably be the case, it is also seen that the man of His creating must be, and is, spiritual and perfect; for like can only produce like. What a new and delightful incentive for righteous and useful living comes with such a revelation! How changed becomes one's outlook upon life in general! Not personal aggrandizement or gain, but opportunity for helpful service becomes one's chief concern. Unselfed love has been admitted into thought, and has begun its benevolent reign in our everyday experience. No greater blessing could possibly be ours.

It has been truly said that in the study of astronomy it is necessary to take one's mental stand outside of the earth before a correct view of the universe can be gained. In like manner it is impossible to obtain an accurate estimate of our surroundings or environment until we mentally posit ourselves outside of matter. To the extent that this is done are we able to appraise things for just what they are, for then have we gained a new standard of values. Unimportant things no longer concern us unduly. We are not swayed or disturbed by trifles. Our grasp on spiritual reality steadies judgment, purifies purpose, and clarifies vision. Is it any wonder that he who is attaining this poise and consequent efficiency finds himself in greater demand to fill useful and responsible positions? The Bible promise (Matthew 25:23), "Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things," may be proved by each one of us today.

This being "faithful over a few things" may be the very thing which is testing our mettle and proving our trustworthiness. In "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" (p. 323) Mary Baker Eddy writes, "If 'faithful over a few things,' we shall be made rulers over many; but the one unused talent decays and is lost."

Is the only talent which we seem to possess the ability to perform some simple task well and efficiently today, and to do the next thing that comes to hand and do it thoroughly? Then we should use it. Such use fits us for a wider sphere of action, and at the same time transforms our present experience into something uplifting and ennobling. Mrs. Eddy also writes in her work "Miscellaneous Writings" (p. 116), "Never absent from your post, never off guard, never ill-humored, never unready to work for God,—is obedience; being 'faithful over a few things.' Such labor constitutes working 'as for Thy laws,' and ensures its own reward.—The Christian Science Monitor.

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Aurora School Items

Fifth and Sixth Grades.

Lucille McLeod, Elaine Kerr and Lowell Sayre news reporters.

We had a Valentine party in our room Friday afternoon. Everyone had a pleasant time. There were many valentines and plenty refreshments. The committees that worked on the party were: Phyllis Danielson, Leland Stoner and Billy Nagl, valentine box; Vida Parson, Lester Sauers and Rozetta Dy Foon, refreshments; Lucille McLeod, Florence Marsh and Walter Koenig, games. Bob Hunt was postmaster and opened the valentine box. Lowell Sayre and Eugene Dy Foon delivered the valentines.

The fifth grade are studying the United States possessions in geography. Each pupil is assigned an oral report on one of the possessions.

The sixth grade are planning projects about the European countries their ancestors came from.

Both arithmetic classes are having graded practice tests. The sixth grade are over decimals; the fifth grade are over fractions.

The fifth and sixth grades made some booklets Lincoln's birthday. Included in the booklets were stories of Lincoln's life, pictures and poems.

Those absent the past week were Marion Keil, Leland Stoner and Mary Lou Du Rette. Lorraine Fredrikson returned to school after a two weeks' illness. Harriet Colvin has returned to school after a week's absence.

The health classes have made vegetable charts to check on the amount of vegetables eaten. We are trying to include the list of vegetables we think we don't like.

Seventh and Eighth Grades.

Regina Ebner received highest grade in the county spelling test. Ida Kerr and La Verne Crisell tied for second place. Janet and Dan Fleischer received highest score for the seventh grade.

A play, "Back Door Gossip," was given at school assembly Thursday. It was also given at Butteville. Those taking part were Donna Danielson, Regina Ebner, Patty Yergen and Ida Kerr.

Those absent during the week were Walter Colvin, Benson and Edward Yarne and Rosalie Calef.

The seventh and eighth grades held their Valentine party Friday evening. All committees were appointed by Carma Ottaway. They were Ida Kerr, Verna Keil and Donna Danielson, refreshments; La Verne Crisell, Louis Hill and Regina Ebner, games; Carma Ottaway, Rosalie Calef, Jean Snyder and Phoen Sayre, decorations.

The Glee club is now practicing on the mid-year program to be given March 6th.

From now till the end of school each pupil must read in an essay each week. Almost everyone has started on their poems and book reports.

The girls' basketball team has extra practice each Tuesday and Thursday.

Buy Dog Licenses Now

Dog owners are again notified that an act of the Legislature requires that all dogs over eight months old must be licensed before March 1st to avoid payment of the \$1.00 penalty for delinquency. A license on a male or spayed female dog is now \$1.00; after March 1 this must be increased to \$2.00. Until March 1 female dogs can be licensed for \$2.00; after that the license fee must be increased to \$3.00. Dogs becoming eight months old after March 1 may be licensed without penalty at any time before they become eight months old.

Mail letters with money for licenses to U. G. Boyer, County Clerk, Salem, Oregon. Enclose the proper fee and state the breed and sex of the dog, and your name and address.

This notice published by authority of the Marion County Dog Control Board, C. C. Cannon, Secretary.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as Administratrix of the estate of J. W. Sadler, deceased, has filed her final account in the office of the County Clerk of Marion County, Oregon, and that Monday, the 2nd day of March, 1936, at the hour of 10:00 A. M. in the forenoon of said day, in the County Court Room of said Court has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections thereto and the settlement thereof.

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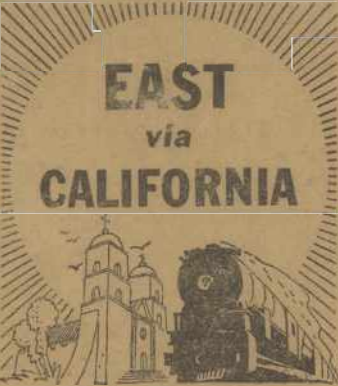
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