

IN MEDFORD'S SOCIAL REALM

Masonic hall was elaborately decorated Wednesday evening, February 23, with beautiful silk flags, that nearly concealed the wall spaces, and hundreds of red paper hatchets, emblematic of Washington's birthday, in honor of the official visit of inspection of Mrs. Antoinette Stiles, grand worthy matron, to Reames Chapter, No. 66, O. E. S., of Oregon. A full attendance of members of the order was present and the work, with Miss Gertrude Weeks as presiding officer, was exemplified by the local team in a highly creditable manner. A reception followed, when fully 100 greeted the official visitor. Mrs. Etta Bates sang "As Long as the World Rolls On," responding to an encore with "Night and Day. Violin and piano selections by Misses Crawford and Crowell embraced many classic and popular numbers and called out merited applause. Sandwiches, olives, cake, coffee and ice cream were served. The auxiliary committee having charge of the arrangements was composed of Mrs. J. E. Watt, chairman; Mesdames J. G. Goble, C. M. Kidd, A. J. Woodford, E. E. Gore, E. D. Elwood, E. N. Warner, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. F. E. Merriek, H. C. Kentner, and Messrs. Kidd, L. B. Warner, Will Bates and Dr. Goble.

Among the visiting members of the Star were Mrs. L. E. Tracy, Chillicothe; Mrs. Addie Cody, Buffalo, Mo.; Mrs. Merrill, Kent, Wash.; Mrs. S. A. Gale, Wenatchee.

Mrs. W. J. Warner, No. 8 Laurel street, gave the ladies of the Wednesday Study club a pleasant surprise Wednesday afternoon, when they gathered at her home for their regular meeting. Because of the crowded condition of the social calendar, the literary program anticipated was dispensed with and an informal reception to the members and invited guests was held that proved very successful. The shades were drawn and the rooms lighted by softly shaded electric lights, the color scheme being red and the flowers carnations. In the dining room, Mrs. W. F. Shields and Mrs. Frederick Pace, assisted by Miss Alice Streets and Miss Ida Lee Kentner, served ices and wafers on buffet, while the front parlor was attractive as a tea room. Miss Helen Worrell poured the cups and saucers. The favors were tiny flags and the ices frozen in the same emblematic colors. About thirty ladies enjoyed Mrs. Warner's hospitality, among the visitors being Mrs. L. E. Tracy, Mrs. Wakeman, Mrs. J. A. Westerlund, Mrs. L. B. Warner, Mrs. S. A. Gale, Mrs. Olin Arnsperger, Mrs. W. W. Harmon and Mrs. Fred Day of

Portland. The club meeting next week will be with Mrs. Page.

The junior class of the high school will give a five-act comedy drama entitled, "The Deacon," at the Medford theater, Friday evening, March 4. The high school orchestra and mandolin club will give numbers between the acts, Miss Ione Flynn will play a violin solo and Miss Verva Hammond will sing.

The reserved seats will be on sale Wednesday morning, March 2, at 10 o'clock and the prices are 35, 50 and 75 cents. The cast:

Deacon Thornton..... Albert Rowell
George Graff..... Charles
George Darrah, alias Matt Wheeler..... Ben Forbes
James Reed..... U. S. Collins
Pedro..... Carl Hanson
Parson Brownlow..... Ray Compton
Pete..... Allan Hazelrigg
Billie..... Clifford Polk
Mrs. Thornton..... Grace Mitchell
Helen..... Dora Smoek
Miss Amelia Fawcett..... Isola Eubank
Mrs. Darrah..... Mayme Swan
Nellie..... Gladys Wilson
Daisy..... Opal Daly

The orchestra—Miss Ione Flynn, first violin; U. S. Collins, first violin; Herbert Alford, second violin; Jessie Purdy, second violin; Bert Stull, cornet; Miss Lorraine Bliton, piano.

The Mandolin club—Miss Mary Trowbridge, Miss Mary Gurney, Miss Gertrude Shultz, Miss Vera Olmstead, Florence Clark, pianist; U. S. Collins, director.

The Indiana society mustered nearly 200 Hoosiers at the second annual meet which was held at the Medford Opera house Tuesday night, February 22. The president of the society, L. H. Lozier, presided and gave the address of welcome, which was followed by prayer by Professor U. G. Smith and a speech in Hoosier dialect by Mr. Wilson. Tess Marshall produced an original act in which he gave screaming imitations of James Whitcome Riley, McCutcheon and other renowned Indianaans that brought out generous applause. Miss Hazel Wiley was heard in a recitation and Professor Stein and Professor Smith of the city schools gave interesting talks. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the choice of the old officers to serve another term as follows: President, L. F. Lozier; vice-president, U. G. Smith; secretary, E. E. Wilson; treasurer, J. McPherson. A big supper consisting of sandwiches, pickles, doughnuts, cake, coffee and cider was served and pleasing selections were rendered by Albert Miller and Clyde Hazelrigg on the violin and piano.

The meeting of the Illinois club at Smith's hall Thursday evening was one of the pleasantest affairs of the week. The constitution and by-laws were adopted and the secretary announced that there were 110 members to date. Speeches were made by Messrs. M. Purdin, H. B. Patterson, J. A. Westerlund and others and vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Etta Bates and E. B. Waterman. A big "feed" provided by the members of the organization was partaken of at a late hour. The club is organized for the purpose of forming pleasant acquaintances and also to promote the interests of the Rogue River valley in general and Medford and Jackson county in particular.

A dinner cooked and served by the domestic science class for the faculty of the high school Friday night was considered a distinct success as a demonstration of the practical work being accomplished in the department. A similar ceremonial is planned in the near future, when the members of the school board will be the guests.

Among those entertaining regular card clubs this week were Mrs. E. G. Trowbridge, who was hostess to the Five Hundred club on Friday afternoon, and Mrs. U. G. Smith, with whom the fortnightly Bridge Whist club met on the same afternoon.

Mrs. W. R. Ewbank, assisted by her daughter, Miss Maggie Ewbank, entertained the Ladies' Aid society Tuesday afternoon in a most delightful manner.

Mrs. E. B. Pickel has been called to Portland by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Stewart, who has many warm friends in Medford, made while visiting Mrs. Pickel.

Sixty-one new books for the public library have been ordered and are expected to arrive this week; also a large shipment from Scribner & Sons Publishing company has been sent for and will soon be placed on the shelves, adding greatly to the usefulness of the library. The books for the use of the book club are giving excellent satisfaction, and that the privilege of their use is appreciated is evinced by the well-nigh empty shelves at the close of library hours.

The annual banquet and reunion of the North Dakota society was held Thursday afternoon and evening at Angle hall. The society numbers upward of 200, and 175 were present. The banquet was spread at 5:30, after which speeches of mutual

felicitation and congratulation were exchanged until late in the evening, when the company broke up, everyone rejoicing that he lives in the land of sunshine and roses instead of in the blizzard-blown regions of the middle west.

The annual district convention of the K. of P. at Ashland Monday evening was attended by a large delegation of Sir Knights and their ladies, who filled to capacity a special car attached to the 3:30 train. Many also made the trip by private conveyance. A third degree was put on by Talisman lodge and a canvass was made by the ladies in the interest of the Pythian Sisters that will no doubt result in the organization of the women at an early date. A monster banquet and the freedom of the city were features of the excursion and all are loud in the praises of the hospitality of our Ashland neighbors.

On Tuesday, the 22d, the initial meeting of the recently organized King's Daughters was held at the home of Miss Helen Worrell, 619 West Eleventh street. The club counts six young lady members and is identified with the First Presbyterian church.

At 1 o'clock Mrs. Worrell served a dainty four-course luncheon. On the table was a centerpiece of red carnations and fern, also a carnation tied to each place card, which was a hatchet, in honor of the day. After luncheon the time was occupied with needlework and informal music.

Miss Mabel Ray will be hostess next week with a luncheon at 12:30.

Mrs. J. M. Keene, who is spending the winter in Los Angeles, is a guest at the Palace hotel and is enjoying the delightful winter climate in company with her brother, Henry Barneburg, and his wife of Ashland, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Stewart, who have purchased a seven-passenger touring car. They expect to motor home when the condition of the roads in northern California will permit.

Miss Worrell on Friday evening gave a small card party in honor of Mr. Jack Switzer, a late arrival from the east. Aside from Mr. Switzer, Miss Mabel Ray of this city and Mr. Walter R. Pittinger of Honolulu, T. H., were present.

Miss Edna Cummings, teacher of language in the high school, has resigned her position and will leave the latter part of next week with her mother, to be married early in March to Ralph E. Logan, a former science teacher in the city schools, now in the real estate business in Missoula.

Mont. Miss Cummings was surprised at her room Thursday afternoon by about 30 of her pupils, who gave her a linen shower. The teachers of the school entertained for her yesterday and the F. I. L. meeting Wednesday night will take the form of a farewell for her. Much regret is expressed in the loss of Miss Cummings from the high school faculty, where she is valued as a conscientious and capable teacher, popular alike with her associates, the parents and pupils.

Thirty members of the Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church assembled at the home of Mrs. W. T. York, 616 Tenth street, Tuesday afternoon for work and the dispatch of business. Miss Ione Flynn and Miss Lorraine Bliton played pleasing musical selections throughout the afternoon and Misses Frances and Lucile assisted in serving delicious Bavarian cream, cake, olives and coffee. A delightful afternoon was enjoyed and much needlework accomplished.

Two meetings of the Kimona club were held this week, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. V. T. Emerick was hostess, while Thursday morning the ladies met with Mrs. F. E. Merriek, who served an informal lunch at noon.

Mrs. H. G. Rogers and daughter, Miss Katherine, who have been guests at the Hotel Moore for the past four months, left Thursday night for Seattle, where they will join Mr. Rogers. Mr. Rogers, who has been educational commissioner for several expositions, is interested in the Opp mine, and it is hoped that these charming people will often make Medford an extended visit. A small party was entertained at the Louvre by Mr. and Mrs. John Olwell in honor of Mrs. and Miss Rogers, just previous to their departure.

The monthly reception by the ladies of the Greater Medford club has been postponed on account of the Elks' minstrel, Monday night. However, the regular monthly business meeting will be held Monday afternoon at Smith's hall.

Every possible support should be extended to the ladies in their work of civic improvement, as it is in direct line with the best efforts of women the world over. The interest that Mrs. Clarence Mackey, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont and Miss Morgan and other New York women of great wealth and social position have taken in matters of public interest has been given a wide publicity and has excited much comment, both favorable and adverse. Of a contrasting type

is the work done by Ida Tarbell, Mrs. Raymond Robbins and Jane Addams. An increasing desire to participate in and give of their abundance to the advancement of the world raises feminine standards and is an influence keenly felt in the life of any community.

In a letter to friends, Mrs. John White, who is living in California in order to enjoy the educational privileges offered by Berkeley and San Francisco, writes that her daughter, Zela, has broken down under the strain of high school work and violin study and will not be able to go back to school for some time. Mr. White contemplates taking her to Arizona or New Mexico in the hope that a radical change of climate will be beneficial.

Miss Agnes Robertson, last season's manager in the millinery department of the Hutchason company's store, has accepted a similar position in Missoula, Mont., and left for that point Thursday night on the belated train.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tracy of Chillicothe, Mo., who have been living in Albany recently, are in Medford for a visit of several months with the family of H. C. Kentner.

During her official visit to Reames Chapter, O. E. S., Mrs. Antoinette Stiles, grand worthy matron, of Portland, was the guest of Mrs. W. H. McGowan.

G. R. Baker, formerly of the Baker-Hutchason company, now of Portland, has been in town during the week.

Mrs. D. W. Luke returned home Wednesday morning from a visit of several months at her former home in Grand Forks, N. D.

Frank Gaidal of the Weeks & McGowan company, was in Phoenix during the week in the interests of his firm.

There is no modern cantata of moderate difficulty more generally known through frequent repetitions and more generally a favorite than Alfred R. Gaul's "The Holy City." Its rendition on Wednesday evening at the First M. E. church will afford an evening of pleasure, especially to those who desire to see church music in Medford advanced to the same standard of progressive-ness observable in other lines. The Methodist choral society deserves great credit for undertaking a work of this character, thereby stamping its disapproval upon music not in

keeping with a dignified and uplifting service. The trashy ditties and jingles that have crept into Sunday school hymnals should be relegated to a period where possibly they did some evangelical good among ignorant peoples, but which should not be tolerated as consistent in giving praise to the One who is the creator of music in its highest forms.

A general admission of 35 cents will be charged to defray expenses and provide a music fund for successfully carrying on the work of the choir. A delightful evening is in store for all who attend and thereby show their interest in and approval of the work this organization is doing.

While the delightful buffet dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hopkins last Saturday night for Miss Grace Andrews and her fiancé, H. Conro Fiero, was informal and marked by quiet elegance, the floral decorations of the beautiful home formed an exquisite setting for the handsomely gowned women who graced the occasion. Red carnations in the living room and generous bowls of long-stemmed California violets in the dining room, to which were added a profusion of potted palms and ferns massed effectively throughout the house, gave a festive air.

Miss Grace Andrews wore a wine red broadcloth gown with passamenterie trimmings and a necklace of coral. Mrs. Hopkins, pale green messaline silk over taffeta, with yoke of pearls. Her ornaments were diamonds. Mrs. Hamell, gown of white and Dresden taffeta with Valenciennes lace, ornaments, diamonds. Mrs. Daggett, hand-made filet lace princess robe. Mrs. Heard, silver gray silk crepe with yoke and sleeves of gray embroidered crepe. Mrs. Handley, blue rajah silk with insets of white silk. Mrs. Otwell, lavender satin princess with tunic of chiffon and lace. Mrs. Reddy, black silk crepe with yoke and flounce of Cluny lace.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Reddy gave an informal dinner of six covers at the Nash grill during the McIntyre & Heath engagement for Mr. and Mrs. James McIntyre, Mr. McIntyre being a first cousin of Dr. Reddy's. The other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blakeley of Roseburg.

The Women of Woodcraft, Chrysanthemum Circle, observed their social night Tuesday with the following committee in charge: Mesdames Silvia and Clara Barksdull, Angle, Bennett and Bellinger. Cards and dancing were the amusements of the evening, music being furnished by the high school orchestra.

Twenty Thousand Peach Trees

FOR SALE All the leading commercial varieties at 10c each, also 2000 rose bushes will be sold at the low price of 25c each. Better come in and look over my list and make your selection before it is too late. First in first served. Office in Hotel Nash Office. Heeling grounds at Brumble's Wood Shed on South Oakdale Avenue on the paved street.

H. B. Patterson, The Quaker Nurseryman