

WEEK'S HAPPENINGS IN MEDFORD SOCIAL CIRCLES

Mrs. L. B. Brown of South Central avenue was hostess of the Ladies' Aid society of the First M. E. church at a most beautifully appointed Washington tea on Wednesday, February 22. The afternoon was an ideal one, calm, warm and bright, and the beautiful home was filled to overflowing with guests, eager to enjoy the graceful hospitality the occasion afforded.

They returned to the Gold Range orchard, which lies two miles south of this city, where Mr. Daugherty had prepared a home for the reception of his bride.

Mrs. Ed Hanley was a most delightful hostess Thursday when she entertained the Monday Bridge club with a most delicious turkey dinner. The house was decorated in the national colors, in honor of Washington's birthday, and cherry wood fans and muskets were used as favors. Four tables of bridge were played. Mrs. Manger won the first prize, a handsome leather jewel box, with a pretty crescent stickpin.

The club meets this week with Mrs. Conro Fiero.

The following program was rendered: Piano duet, Mrs. Ulrich and Mrs. Eastman; vocal solo, Mrs. Van Scoyoc; reading, Miss Mordorf; piano duet, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Sites; vocal solo, Miss Rose Fielder; vocal duet, Mrs. Van Scoyoc and Mrs. Eastman; piano solo, Miss Helen Brown.

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The pupils of Mrs. E. E. Gore and Mrs. Flora Gray gave a recital Wednesday afternoon when an unusually good program was given. The work done by the pupils is very good, and a marked improvement was shown in the playing of the pupils since the last recital. Following is the program: Duet, "Valse Debutantes," Miss Gray, Miss Willie Howard; "Robin's Departure," Miss Mabel Gould; Nocturne, Miss Alison O'Brien; duet, "Silver Bells," Misses Frances and Lucille York; "Narcissus," Miss Esther Warner; "Wayside Rose," Miss Verna Woods; duet, "Rustic Dance," Misses Mildred Black and Helen Pierce; "Babes in the Woods," Miss Dorothy Alexander; "Spinning Song," Harold Fuller; "Taranella," Miss Juanita Ferry; waltz, Miss Wilma Cate; duet-waltz, Miss Florence Johns; "Rondo," Miss Catherine Tuttle; "Humming Bird," Miss Gertrude Hargrave; "A Little Flower," John Holmer; "Gipsy Dance," Aubrey Purry; "In the Merry Sunshine," Miss Margaret Holmer; class exercise, Misses Mary Alice Foster, Florence Trowbridge, Florence Johns, Bruce Putnam, Margaret Holmer, Thelma Gowanoy, Winifred Chaney, Earl York, John Holmer; "Sailor Boy's Dream," Miss Browning Purdie; valse, "Pompey," Miss Ivy Bock; "Mozarka de Rahel," Miss Vera Merriman; "L'Alouette," Miss May Stevenson.

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Married—At the home of Rev. A. Holmes of the First Baptist church, February 22, 1911, Bert A. Daugherty and Vera E. Hendrickson.

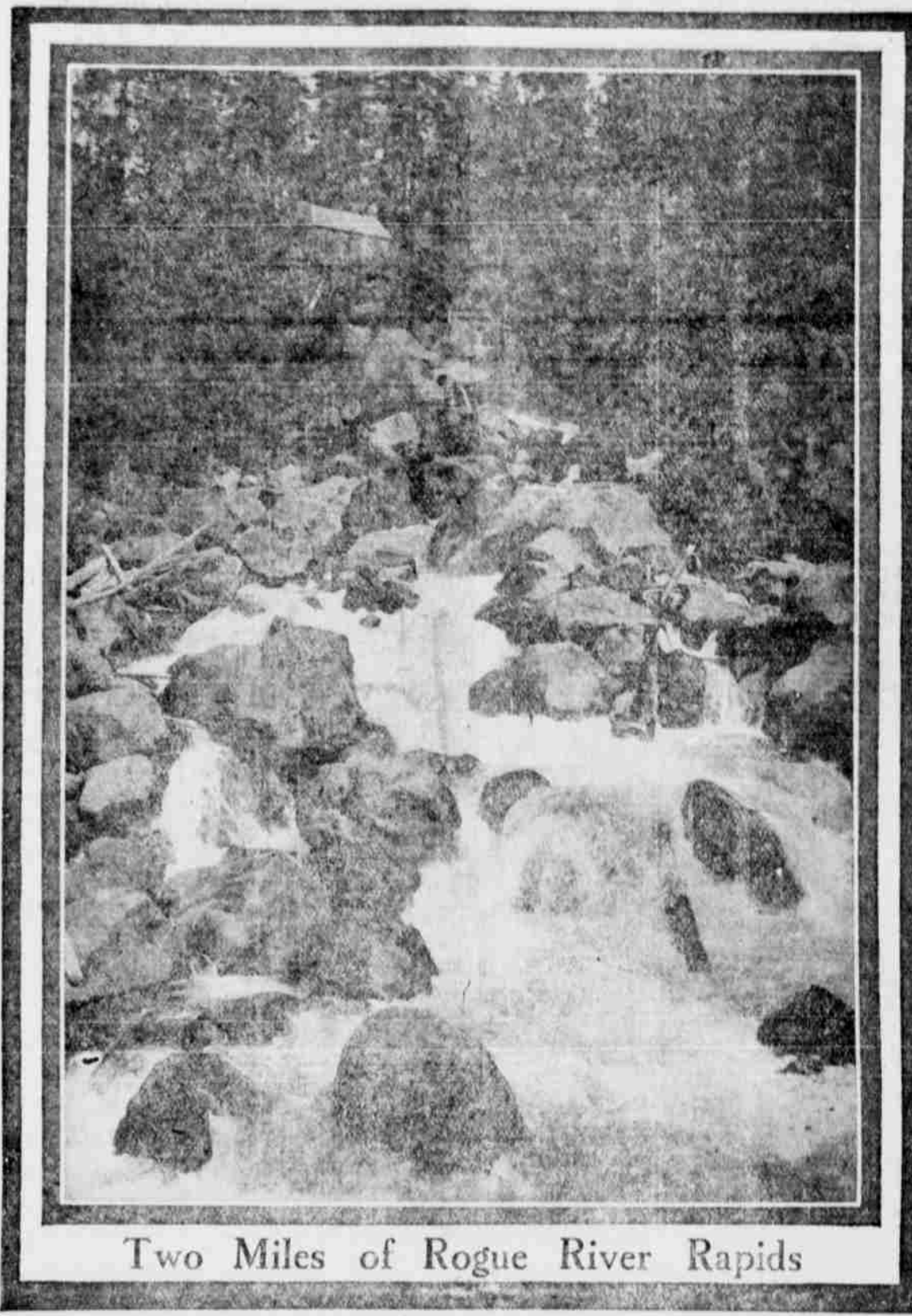
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The bridegroom, a native of Missouri, but for the last three years a resident in the Rogue River valley, is a well known and highly esteemed young orchardist and is the present manager of the Gold Range orchard. The bride is well and favorably known, having lived here since her infancy. She is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Hendrickson, who reside one mile south of this city. Having received a good commercial education, she took a position as stenographer for one of the most prominent lawyers in Medford, but on account of her mother's health was compelled to resign.

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It was a very quiet affair, having invited only a few relatives and most intimate friends. After the ceremony they returned to the home of the bride's parents and partook of a luscious supper. They received

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Two Miles of Rogue River Rapids

The power of a million horses! It may seem incredible, but such is the power of the Rogue, the west's wildest river and Oregon's matchless stream. Were the Rogue completely harnessed, it would supply energy enough to move all the traffic and turn all the wheels of manufacture in this great northwest state.

At present only about 15,000 horsepower is actually developed on the Rogue, though the completion of the dams and canals now under construction will increase the figures to 25,000 or more horsepower. There are a number of falls or swift rapids on the river that will require but little expenditure of money and labor to be harnessed. One such fall is that of the river near Mount Reuben. Here the entire river drops sheer 12 feet, with swift rapids immediately above

and below, developing at least 20,000 horsepower. Competent engineers have taken figures in an endeavor to compute the power of the Rogue river. These figures are amazing in their immensity. They prove the old Rogue to have the power of 1,000,000 horses. The Rogue river is Oregon's richest asset. Wild, untamed and unbridled as it is, the average person, and particularly the average citizen who lives near its banks and has become accustomed to its turbulence, its roar and foaming anger, has but little idea of its value. In order to come the old Rogue will be harnessed and subdued. Instead of exerting its might energy in its own wild enterprises, it will be tamed and made to do the hard toil and heavy work of man. It will be the means of establishing countless factories, manufacturing establishments of every sort along it.

It will move the traffic of half the state, light all the cities and towns of western and southern Oregon, operate the mines, irrigate the fields, harvest the crops. Here is a brief resume of the figures made by the civil engineers who computed the power of the Rogue: Horsepower: Falls of river at Mount Reuben 20,000 Hell Gate Rapids, below Grants Pass 20,000 Rapids between Grants Pass and Hell Gate 40,000 Taylor Hill Rapids, near Gasline 10,000 Galley Rapids 10,000 Rapids and cataracts between Gasline and the sea 400,000 Developed by dams at Grants Pass and Gold Hill 25,000 Rapids between Grants Pass and Gold Hill, undeveloped 80,000

Gold Ray 20,000 Mills Falls and Rogue River Rapids 75,000 Upper Rogue River, undeveloped 175,000 This makes a grand total of 1,125,000, but to be conservative the extra quarter million is trimmed off, leaving 1,000,000 horsepower as the amount of energy represented in the countless rapids, cataracts and falls of the Rogue. Since this power can be harnessed and transmitted by electric wire to every nook and district, to every town, city and settlement, to every orchard and farm, mine and mill, and used for every conceivable purpose, its influence will be tremendous in the development of southern Oregon as well as in adding to the comforts and pleasures of life.

So far as power is concerned, the Rogue is the Niagara of the Pacific coast. There are other rivers that have higher falls, other unavenged streams that are larger, but there is no other river in all the west that maintains such a constant series of rapids and cataracts from source to mouth. From its source in Crater Lake park to the sea, a distance of 8200 miles, the Rogue is one continual cataract, with but a pause now and then as its waters widen to cross a valley or to gather fresh force for another wild leap or rush down a rapid.

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for mining, milling, dredging and heavy development work. Even in southern Oregon, where timber is plentiful and wood fuel abundant, electric power is more economical than steam. The mines that operate their mills, compressors and hoists by steam-power must employ a large crew of woodcutters to supply the many cords of wood that are consumed daily. And this wood is cut from the best timber of the claims—timber that is worth several dollars per thousand for other and better purposes, such as the erection of mine buildings, or for shaft and slope timbers. These latter the mines must have, and they prove an expensive item when the timber on the immediate claims is gone and the stulls must be hauled from a distance. The employment of electric power saves the timber for these better purposes; and it not only proves economical, but efficient, positive and

regular—just a mere touch of the hand to a lever and the power is applied in just as great or just or just as small quantity as desired. Practically all the towns, cities and mining camps of southern Oregon are already lighted and power for many purposes supplied by the Rogue river. Most of this is derived from the plant of the Rogue River Electric company at Gold Ray. This is one of the largest power-plants on the Pacific coast and is a fair example of what capital and enterprise can accomplish in developing power on the Rogue. This company has several hundred miles of power transmission lines, running as far north as Greenback, northern Josephine county, and as far south as Ashland.

The Rogue River Valley and Its Wonderful Resources

Dennis H. Stovall In March Sunset

The harvest of gold which has been garnered from the mountain fastnesses of the Rogue river valley is rapidly being replaced by another harvest, which may prove of even greater value and be more enduring—harvest of golden fruit. Undoubtedly the Medford and Ashland districts of the Rogue river valley now constitute the most famous fruit growing region in the United States. The fame of the Rogue river valley as a producer of apples and pears is international. In short, there is no other section west of the Rocky mountains that has been growing with such marvelous rapidity. The reason is not hard to find for it is difficult to conceive of a territory

which is more richly favored by nature than this small mountain-locked basin in Jackson and Josephine counties, Oregon. From this portion of the Rogue river valley nearly 800 carloads of nuttless fruit have just been shipped and represent the crop of 1910. This later-day golden harvest was taken from 65,000 acres of fruit land, which are now covered with orchards only a small portion of which, however, has come into commercial bearing. Many Fertile Acres. In this portion of the Rogue river valley there are approximately 280,000 acres which are capable of raising almost everything that soil will produce, but which are especially adapted to the culture of the finest

pears and the finest apples grown anywhere. The opinion of experts, however, is that the future of the valley lies more in the direction of pears than apples, not in opposition to this belief is cited the fact that in 1910 a car of Spitzenberg apples won the sweepstakes prize of the Spokane National Apple show, and that early in November of 1909 a car of yellow Newtowns took the first prize at the International Apple show at Vancouver, B. C. The men who inhabit the Rogue river valley will be more famous for its apples than for anything else, will cite the fact that London has paid as high as \$7 for a 50-pound box of Newtowns, while New York has paid from \$3 to \$6 for the same fruit, and as high as \$7 for Spitzenbergs.

The pear advocates, on the other hand, contend that while there are other sections of the country that can raise apples as good, or nearly as good, as those raised in the Rogue river valley, there is no section of the country that can compete with it in the production of pears. In a Class by Itself. Experts make no mistake when they declare that in the production of the best varieties of pears, the Rogue river valley stands alone. Medford is a class by itself. The varieties most popular in the valley are Bartlett, Comice and Winter Nellis. The valley in which Medford stands is a huge saucer, drained on the north by the Rogue river, which is one of the most beautiful of western streams, and is divided east and west by Bear creek, the two streams making an almost perfect oval drainage in every direction. In the valley experts have recognized over 40 distinct types of soil, which are for the most part alluvial, ranging from river silt to granite, with an upper area of sticky oxide. All of the types of soil are of great fertility and are capable of growing the highest grades of apples, pears, peaches and semi-tropical fruits. The resources of the country in and surrounding the basin are almost inexhaustible. The forests are rich with nearly 25,000,000,000 feet of fir and pine, which would take 1500 men nearly 50 years to log and mill. In fact, this is the largest and most compact body of standing timber in

the world. Water courses run through the valley in almost every direction, all flowing into the fish-laden waters of Rogue river. An Electrical Center. These numerous streams would develop 425,000 horse power. Fully 5000 horse power already has been developed, and it provides light for Medford and for the homes in the valley, and an abundance of power for manufacturing purposes. Practically every home in the Rogue river valley is equipped with electric light and telephones and all of the other conveniences that electrical power brings. An indication of the prosperity that pervades this fruit valley is that the banks have an aggregate deposit of

\$3,000,000, an increase of nearly 50 per cent in 12 months. It is contemplated to expend more than \$2,000,000 to give the entire valley a complete irrigation system. The resources of the country tributary to Medford are such as comfortably to sustain a city of 25,000 people. It must not be thought, however, that this is a poor man's district, for in order to succeed in the Rogue river valley the latter must have a fair amount of cash at his disposal and must back it up with foresight, energy and at least an average amount of intelligence. Armed with these the measure of success which the agriculturist or horticulturist may obtain in the Rogue river valley surpasses the comprehension of the easterner.

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