

WEEK'S HAPPENINGS IN MEDFORD SOCIAL CIRCLES

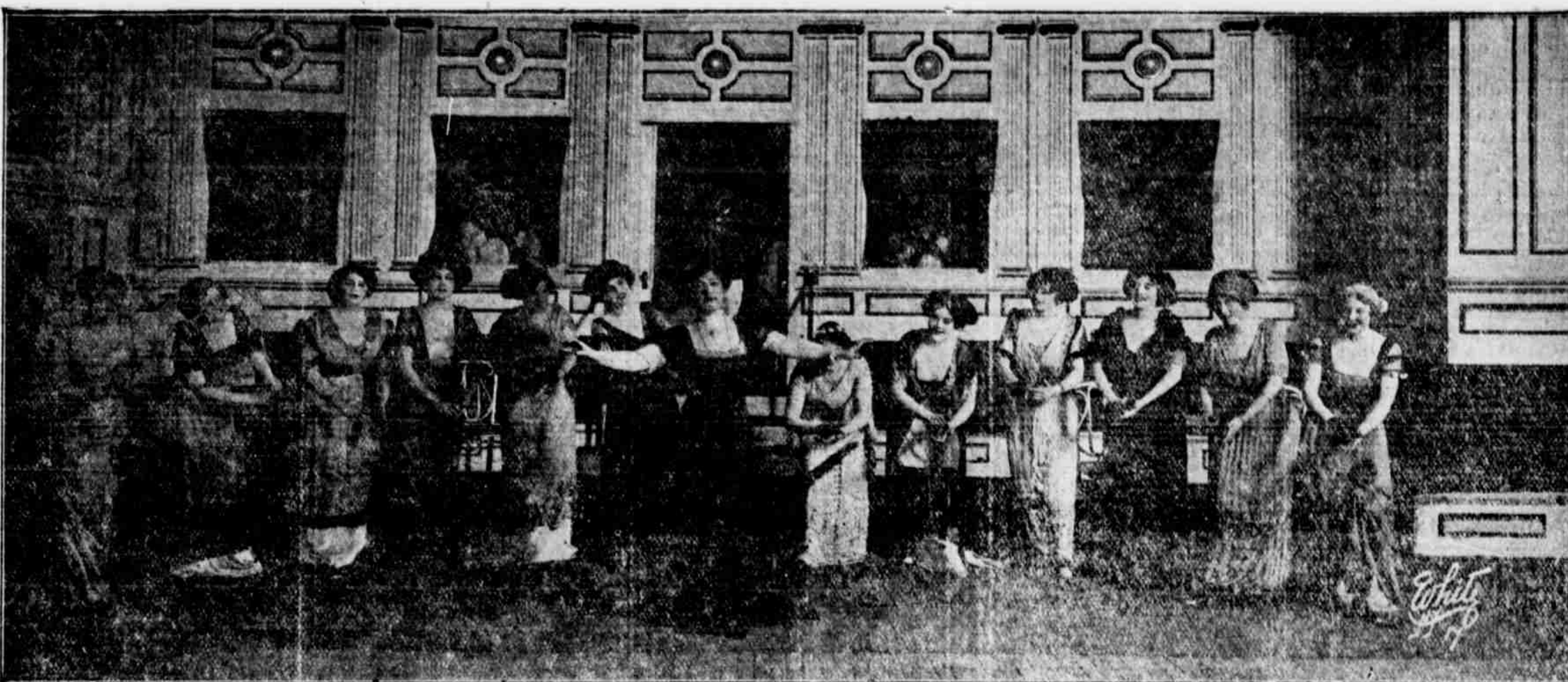
Burr McIntosh spent several days in Medford last week and was greatly charmed with the Rogue river valley. Mr. McIntosh is one of the best war correspondents in the country...

The Elks again proved their title as royal entertainers when they entertained the ladies Thursday evening. Each lady was presented with a bunch of violets, in the dressing room, by the maid in attendance.

Mrs. Jesse Houck was hostess Tuesday afternoon at 590. The decorations were pink and white and the color scheme was carried out in the refreshments.

Mrs. Nye and Mrs. Watt entertained at bridge at the home of Mrs. Nye, Friday afternoon, Miss Sara Reley was the winner of the first prize, a basket containing a second, a third and a fourth.

Mrs. Charles Boynton was hostess at a very pretty luncheon given at



Scene on the Yacht—The Famous "Every Little Movement" Chorus in "Madame Sherry" at the Medford Theater, Thursday Night, April 6th.

No attraction announced for the Medford theatre in years has attracted the attention now being centered in the engagement of "Madame Sherry" on Thursday, April 6. For the past few months the air has been filled with reports of the unusual quality of this big musical production...

Mrs. A. Slover was hostess at a dinner last week, given in honor of Miss Berna Roberts' birthday. The decorations were ferns and carnations. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cartwright, Mrs. Bollinger, Misses Berna Roberts and Ina Beck and Mr. Wing and Mr. and Mrs. Slover.

The Question club was entertained by Miss Ina Flynn Tuesday afternoon when preparations were made for a picnic to Ashland, which occurred Friday, when the club spent a most enjoyable day in the park and had their luncheon there.

The Pythian Sisters will give a social evening Wednesday. The committee in charge are Mr. and Mrs. Alstead, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Trowbridge, Mrs. Cloon Bodge, E. D. Trowbridge, Jr. and John Phoebeager.

The Mandolin club had a very jolly time at the city reservoir Monday afternoon when they gave an Indian supper. Those present were Misses Gertrude Shultz, Leonora Galloway, Florence Clark, Hazel Putney, Ethel Neal, Sidney Neal, Mary Trowbridge, Vera Alstead, Mr. and Mrs. Roy and Professor Collins.

Mr. Walter Mundy was host Saturday week, at a dinner at the Nash. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hanley, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hanley and Mrs. Mundy.

The Girls' club of the Presbyterian church had a jolly outing last week, when they climbed Roxy Ann, Frank and Charles Ray, Herbert Alford and Carter Brandon took the party in their auto to the Merrick ranch, from which place the start was made. A picnic lunch was served on the mountain, after which a snowball fight was enjoyed. The Rev. and Mrs. Shields chaperoned the party.

The Chrysanthemum circle of the Women of Woodcraft were entertained most delightfully Tuesday night by the guard of the circle. A very enjoyable program of music and recitations was given after which an elaborate banquet was served. The tables were prettily decorated with shamrocks and violets. There were about 20 guests besides the members of the circle.

Colonel and Mrs. Frank Ray were hosts at a dinner Tuesday at the Nash, given in honor of Mr. Burr McIntosh. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Evan Reames, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hazlerigg, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hafer, Misses Moran of New York, Boyd and Putnam; Messrs. McIntosh, Putnam and Jack Morrill.

Mrs. George Harvey and daughter Mrs. Marjorie, who have been visiting Mrs. Hamil (Mrs. Harvey's sister) for the past year, left Tuesday for the east. They will spend the summer abroad.

The senior class of the high school picnicked at Table Rock Wednesday. Miss Estes and Miss Mears chaperoned the party.

Mr. Ed Andrews left for Portland last week on a business trip.

Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Bruggeman of Seattle, who have been the guests of Mrs. Carey and Mrs. Budge, left for their homes Monday, but expect to return later. All the ladies were in the wreck which occurred Saturday, a week ago, and were fortunate enough to escape with only bruises and a bad shaking up.

Mr. Jack Morrill entertained at dinner at his country home at Gold Hill Friday night. The invited guests were Colonel and Mrs. Frank Ray; Misses Ethel Boyd, Ruth Boyd and Putnam; Messrs. Colonel Tom Veil and Sprague Riegler.

The Easter sale which the ladies of the Presbyterian church hold will be in the club rooms on April 11. Dinner will be served and the sale will continue throughout the day.

The Women's Missionary society will meet with Mrs. Edna Stevenson at their home on the Ashland road Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Mr. J. D. McArde was host at dinner last week at the Nash grill. His guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Root, Miss Josephine Root, Miss Ware, Ira Dodge and Lee Root.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Fitzpatrick who have spent the winter in Medford, left last week for their home in Lost, Or.

Mr. Carlo Fiero has returned from a trip to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Madden and Mr. W. H. Sterling entertained at dinner at the Nash Grill for their house guests. Those present were Mrs. E. C. Williams, Miss Aileen Williams and Miss Elsie Worthington of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Daggett, Miss Jessie Sterling, Mr. Andrew J. McLain of Chicago, Mr. John W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Madden and Mr. Sterling.

An elaborate dance will be given Easter Monday by the Elks. The committee in charge are T. E. Daniels, chairman, Bert Thierof, Martin J. Reddy, A. C. Burgess and J. J. Wilkinson.

An opera will be given April 24 and 25, under the auspices of the Greater Medford Club and the Commercial Club. The rehearsals will start Monday night under the direction of Mr. Chas. Hazlerigg.

Mr. Burgess was host Monday evening at an elaborate dinner at the Nash Grill. His guests were Mr. and Mrs. Conro Fiero and Mrs. Hathaway and Miss Hathaway.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. O'Neil are expected home Sunday night from an extended eastern trip. Mr. Moss Barkdull will meet them in San Francisco and return with them.

A very elaborate dinner was given at the Nash Grill Tuesday night by Mr. Johnson and Mr. Burgess in honor of Mrs. Burke and her Misses Burke.

The C. W. B. M. of the Christian church will meet with Mrs. Eucopit Wednesday afternoon.

The Juvenile Dancing Club meets Monday night at the Nat.

Cheridah Simpson, Harry Benham William Cameron, Harold Rehil, Edward Elkes and a score of other musical comedy celebrities, as well as the Broadway choruses and a special orchestra. Seats on sale Monday April 3.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church will meet Wednesday afternoon, April 5, to finish work for the Easter sale which will be April 11.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Heard and Miss Gladys Heard returned Friday from Los Angeles where they have been for the past two months.

Dr. and Mrs. Seely have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Simpson of Portland, Mr. Simpson is Mrs. Seely's brother.

Mrs. George Daggett entertained at her country home Thursday night in honor of the house guests of Mrs. Madden.

The Wednesday Bridge club was entertained by Mrs. Hargrave last week. Miss Weeks was the winner of the club pin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramsford, former residents of the valley, are the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Daggett.

Messdames Charles R. Ray, Mundy, Cameron and Miss Ray, motored to Sams valley Tuesday, and spent the day.

Mr. Tom Wilson entertained at dinner at the Nash Saturday for Mr. and Mrs. Fiero and the Misses Norwood.

The Eastern Star will hold a social night Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. Slover and Mrs. Bellinger visited friends in Jackson last week.

Miss Hazel Davis entertained the afternoon bridge club Thursday.

The Ladies Aid society of First M. E. church met in weekly session Wednesday in the basement of the church. Arrangements for the fair to be given April 5 were completed. The fair will be held in the building formerly occupied by the Allen Grocery company, corner of Main and Central avenue. Refreshments consisting of pie, sandwiches and coffee, cake and ice cream will be served both at the noon hour and in the evening.

There will be an Easter fair given by the ladies of the First M. E. church next Wednesday, April 5, in the building formerly occupied by the Allen Grocery company, corner of Main and Central avenue. The sale of articles will begin at 11 a. m.; at 11:30 a. m. continuing all day an elegant lunch will be served consisting of cake, ice cream, sandwiches, pie and coffee. All kinds of fancy work, aprons, bags, etc., will be displayed for sale, to which all friends and the public generally are invited.

The annual meeting of the Oakdale Tennis club was held Monday evening when the officers and directors for the coming year were elected: William P. Mealey, president; M. E. Tully, vice president; Paul Janney secretary and treasurer. Directors Messrs. Mealey, Janney, Johnson, McNealy, Bellson, Tully and Campbell.

Mrs. Frank Ray of Gold Ray entertained informally Wednesday afternoon for Miss Moran of New York.

Messdames Merrill, Tichnor and Clark and the Misses Bentley made the trip to Table Rock Friday.

Mrs. V. E. Beno and son Kenneth were guests of Mrs. W. E. Thompson of Gold Hill last week.

Mr. and Mrs. McKillop of Central Point were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tuttle Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Root had as dinner guests Wednesday Mr. Dodge and Mrs. Ira Dodge.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Neal of Kansas City are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Tomlin.

Miss Santee of the Medford high school spent the vacation week in Eugene.

Mrs. Ada Cornell is visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. C. Bartrum in Rosburg.

Mrs. Munger of Portland is spending the week with Mrs. George Daggett.

The Monday evening 500 club met with Mr. and Mrs. Luke last week.

Miss Gertrude Trichecker visited friends in Grants Pass last week.

Mrs. F. A. Miles is a guest at the home of her son, Mr. F. T. Mills.

The Lend-a-hand met with Miss Joan Anderson Wednesday.

Land Withdrawn. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—Secretary of the Interior Fisher withdrew from entry today 6,790 acres of lands in Washington state and Central Utah.

Tells of Lee's Surrender to General Grant

I have recently read in Harper's Monthly for February an article by Major A. R. H. Ransom entitled, "General Lee's Last Sad Night Before His Surrender to 'That Man Grant.'" To me its interest was much marred by the reckless statements of its author, in consideration of which I am moved to place before the public my own recollections of some of those historical events. The major says: "It had been raining all the afternoon and I was quite wet," that in General Lee's tent "they sat on bundles of rye straw, and the ground was wet from the rain." And again, "My poor mare lay flat on her side in the rain, fast asleep." Now as a matter of fact it did not rain on Saturday, April 8, 1865, in the vicinity of Appomattox Court House, Va., nor to amount to anything, if at all, that week. I, as first lieutenant in company D, Second New York Cavalry (Harris Lights) had the honor to be detailed in command of General Custer's advance guard on

the afternoon of the 8th of April, 1865, and with orders to go to Appomattox station to arrest all men and hold for Custer to question and to notify the general when near the station. My memory is clear that the weather was also clear and pleasant that day. But having in mind that these events occurred 46 years ago next month, I have fortified my memory by consulting with my neighbor and friend, Captain John B. Foreman, late commander of the Fourth North Carolina infantry, who also was surrendered under Lee. The captain has a good memory and is well posted in history. And by courtesy of Colonel C. C. Royce of Chico I have been able to consult the official Union and Confederate war records, covering the Appomattox campaign. The official reports of many colonels and generals on both sides make no mention of rain that week. Returning to the advance guard as we approached the station about 5 p. m. hearing the rattle of moving trains and whist-

ling of locomotives, I sent a courier to General Custer telling him we were about a half mile from the station and not expected, as we met no skirmishers or pickets. General Custer ordered the lieutenant colonel of our regiment (my brother) to take the first battalion of the regiment, charge the station and hold the trains and he would be supported, just as we began to see light beyond the woods (the station was in a clearing surrounded by timber) the first battalion overtook us on a gallop, and we swept down the station to find four trains loaded with supplies for Lee's army, and three engines. The roads were filled with wagon trains just arriving for rations. A part of us gave out attention to the wagons firing some, overturning others crosswise of the road and cutting loose many mules, thus blocking any attempt to move the wagon trains. Others took charge of the railway trains, Lieutenant Cronett, an engineer, jumped into one engine, an enlisted man

and another and a negro into the third and slowly the supply laden trains moved toward Farmville, from which direction Sheridan's galloping regiments were first advancing to our help. Quickly, perhaps 10 or 15 minutes after our arrival, the enemy opened upon us a brisk artillery fire. We threw down a rail fence and went after the battery, but were repulsed. We rallied as our regiment came up and charged again, but the enemy had also been reinforced and we had to retire again, but the continual arrival of reinforcements enabled us to take the cannon, my brother being the first man to lay hands on one of them. But let me quote from General Custer's report. He says: "Learning that the enemy was moving a large wagon train from Appomattox Court House, towards the station, guarded by about two divisions of infantry (about 20 regiments) and over 30 cannon under command of Major General Walker. Most of the enemy's guard was in position and

their fire was concentrated upon the road over which we must advance. They repulsed most of our attacks until about 6 o'clock p. m., when, in a general advance, we forced them back, taking 24 pieces of artillery, many prisoners, a number of battle flags and all wagon trains. Our advance reached Appomattox Court House that night and charged into the camp of the rebel army. The next morning, the 9th, we moved towards the courthouse about which the whole of the rebel army was massed, moving rapidly under a heavy artillery fire. I played my command on the extreme right of our army (meaning General Sheridan's forces), which were then moving to the attack, when a flag of truce came into our lines, asking for a suspension at once of hostilities. General Custer at once, and above galloped over to the rebel lines which were in plain sight and about half a mile off. Of course we of the rank and file could only guess at what was going on, but our guess

was a good one, for soon General Custer, a superb horseman and magnificently mounted, came back at full speed and when near enough to be heard he reined in his horse and standing in the stirrups, swinging his broad-brimmed cowboy hat, his long yellow curly locks tumbled by the breeze, made a picture to be long remembered. Then in voice clear and ringing he said: "General Lee is going to surrender with his whole army." What a soul-inspiring occasion to be there, a participant in these momentous events; it was a privilege highly esteemed by the writer. The effect of that announcement upon the troops within hearing beggars any powers of description, and even now, nearly a half a century later this memory picture is almost overpowering. It seemed as though we would go mad with joy. Amid cheering and shouts, hand-shaking and embraces, at mock auctions in which the boys (we were all boys, myself not yet 22) offered for sale

their horses and equipments, back pay and prospective bounties and land warrants, many wrote hurried letters with the glad news to dear ones at home. And where was Ransom that he heard neither shot nor shell? Was he in the rear, wet with the rain that never fell? D. M. BIRDSEYE, Late of Second N. Y. Cavalry.

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