

# Society

INTERESTING MEETINGS OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

The Greater Medford club will hold its regular monthly meeting Monday afternoon, November 27, at 3 o'clock at St. Mark's hall. After the reports from the various committees have been read, several talks will be made on subjects of interest to the club. Rev. A. A. Holmes will speak on the Organized Charities society, which has just been formed.

Mrs. McCord, former president of the Civic Improvement club of Princeton, N. J., will give a talk along the lines of civic improvements. Mr. George Putnam will also speak on civic improvements.

A very pretty party was given in Central Point last Friday week, with Misses Etha Williams, Florence Stearns and Pearl Ross as hostesses. The scheme of decoration was red and green, madrone berries and ferns being used. Whist was played, and Mr. Childers won the gentleman's prize, a deck of cards; Miss Mary Wilson the lady's prize, a hand-painted plate, and Miss Josette Jiottonine the consolation. The invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. Childers, Mr. and Mrs. Stripes DeVore, Mr. and Mrs. Beebe, Mr. and Mrs. James Cornett, Mr. and Mrs. Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. Cheever, Mr. and Mrs. England, Misses May Davidson, Mildred Butcher, Mary Peniger, Ellison, Bessie Garrett, Mary Olson, Nettie Lewis, Annie Lewis, Rose DeFord and Josette Jiottonine; Messrs. Brydan Sanderson, Fred Farra, Floyd Ross, Dunlap, Earl Lewis, Den Little, Wayne Leever, Merle Kendall, Smith, Clarence Pankey, Adolph Swinefort, McNab and Will Hathaway.

The Ladies' Aid society of the First M. E. church met in the basement Wednesday afternoon with thirty in attendance. Much important business was transacted and considerable work done. Several new faces were present, and all strangers were cordially welcomed and invited to meet with the ladies and in that way become acquainted. Preparations for the coming fair to be held December 6 are under headway, and everything points to a most successful event. The president requests a full and prompt report of all the committees next Wednesday afternoon, as there will be only one meeting more intervening. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Hines, all business being laid aside for the time in order that all might receive benefit from the spiritual lesson.

Mrs. J. L. Helms entertained at five-hundred Wednesday evening as a return to her friends who gave her a wedding shower. The decorations were chrysanthemums. After the game a two-course luncheon was served. Mrs. Childs was winner of the first prize and Mrs. Manning the consolation. The guests were; Mesdames Frank Isaacs, Volney Dixon, H. S. Platt, Earl Gaddis, Delin, A Hubbard, Wallace Wood of Ashland, Enyart, Verne Van Dyke, L. G. Porter, Childs, Cartwright, Kinsman of Ashland, Mary Paine; Misses Maud Nichols, Turner, Suedicor, Haskins, Dahl, Manning, Lilly and Rose Patterson of Ashland.

The Five Hundred club of Jacksonville, which was recently reorganized, met at the home of Mrs. M. M. Taylor last Wednesday evening. Cards and music took up the greater part of the evening, after which refreshments were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. H. Luy, Dr. and Mrs. Golden, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dunnington, Mr. and Mrs. O. Dunford, Mrs. H. Cruch, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ulrich, Misses Isabelle and Nellie Collins, and Clyde Shaw.

Mrs. Carey entertained Saturday afternoon with a sewing party for Madame Harmon and Mrs. Laclaire. Masses of chrysanthemums were used in decoration. A very elaborate luncheon was served during the afternoon. Those present besides the honor guests were Mesdames Budge, Harmon, Woodford, Riddell, Glaise, Perkins, Rau, Root, English, Daniels and Purdin.

Mrs. Creswell entertained Thursday afternoon at her home on East Sherman street for Mrs. Harry Foster, Mrs. John Barneburg, Mrs. Dick McDowell, Mrs. Earl Gaddis, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Platt. The afternoon was spent in sewing and dainty refreshments were served.

The Knights of Columbus will hold an initiation here December 17, at which time the ladies of the Altar society of the Catholic church will

give a banquet to them at St. Mark's hall. The committee on arrangements for the banquet are Mesdames Garrett, Patton, Ready and Miss Kelihoe.

Mr. Fred Hopkins entertained at luncheon Wednesday at the Medford hotel. His guests were: General Superintendent Campbell, General Passenger Agent Scott, General Freight Agent Lounsbury, Superintendent Field, Engineer S. L. Burkhalter of the Southern Pacific company and G. Putnam.

The Ladies' Aid of the Christian church met with Mrs. E. R. Seeley this week, when plans and preparations were made for the bazaar which will be held November 27 and 28.

Mr. H. C. Morse of Pen Yan, N. Y., who has been visiting Dr. Henry Hart, left for his home Wednesday. He expects to return later and make his home here.

Mrs. Frank Applegate and children returned Monday to their home in Klammath Falls, after visiting Mrs. Applegate's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Williams.

Mrs. D. G. Morse of New York who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, left last week for southern California.

Mrs. Charles, who has been visiting her brother, F. W. Hutchison, and her sister, Mrs. M. E. Lumsden returned Thursday to her home in Los Angeles.

The Women of Woodcraft held a special meeting Tuesday evening for initiation. Those initiated were Mr. and Mrs. Beckett, Miss Storm and Mr. Beeson.

Mr. R. C. F. Ashbury, who has been abroad for the past six months sailed for New York on November 15 and will return some time next month.

The Wednesday Bridge club was entertained by Mrs. Scott Davis this week. Mrs. Morrison was the winner of the prize, a handsome olive fork.

Mrs. H. H. Hicks and son have returned from Olympia, Wash., where Mrs. Hicks was called by the death of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Conro Fiero entertained at dinner Wednesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hamill and Mr. and Mrs. McCormick.

The Folger family, except Mrs. Dodge, are going abroad next week—to Paris. Miss Mary Johnson probably will accompany them.

Mrs. E. E. Hanley entertain Thursday afternoon for Mrs. Rau, Mrs. Fiero and Mrs. Hafer. Auction bridge was played.

Mrs. M. J. Hosmer of Foots Creek who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. S. Rosenbaum, left for her home Wednesday.

Mrs. W. S. Swinton and children of Carrington, N. D., arrived in Medford this week and will spend the winter here.

Mrs. G. W. H. Davis of Tacoma, who has been visiting friends in Medford, left Wednesday for Los Angeles.

Dr. J. J. Meigs, who has been visiting Dr. F. C. Page and family, has returned to his home in Stockton, Cal.

Mrs. Paul Janney entertained at cards Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Glaise, Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Woodford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chambos left for Los Angeles Wednesday, where they will remain for the winter.

The Altar society of the Catholic church held a card party in the church hall Friday evening.

Miss Helen Von Valkenburgh of Berkeley, Cal., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. B. Shuster.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Grieve have returned from a visit to San Francisco.

Mr. Albert Worley and children of Aberdeen, Wash., are visiting Mrs. Glaise.

Miss Helen Dahl entertained at a bridge party Saturday afternoon at the pleasant home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stewart, of 708 West Tenth street. Those invited were: Mesdames Howard Hill, J. G. Wilson; Misses Hazel Davis, Bess and Ida Lee Kautner, Caroline Smith, Jennesse Butler, Bertha English, Gertrude Treichler, Mabel Scanlon, Jeanette Osgood, Phoebe Hance and Dot Berry. A delicious three-course luncheon was served. The home was beautifully decorated in pink and white carnations and ferns. Pink and white color scheme was carried out in the floral decorations and luncheon.

Mrs. E. E. Hanley entertained informally at Bridge Friday afternoon. Her guests were Mesdames Nancy Smith, Madden, Hafer, Perkins, Laclaire, Stokes and Miss Hubbard.

Mrs. L. D. Minear left Thursday for Los Angeles. Accompanying her were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Pike, of Maxwell, Iowa, who have been her guests.

Miss Rau entertained with an afternoon bridge this week for Mesdames Perkins, Laclaire, Hafer, Harmon and Madame Harmon.

Mr. and Mrs. McPherson and Miss Bertha left Thursday for Los Angeles, where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. H. L. Hatfield of Central Point is visiting Mrs. C. M. English and Miss Bertha Freideler.

Mrs. T. B. Kinsman of Ashland returned to her home Thursday after visiting friends in Medford.

The Misses Lillian and Rose Patterson of Ashland were the guests of Mrs. J. L. Helms this week.

Mrs. Charles Near, who has been visiting in Medford, returned Friday to her home in Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Haeni left Friday for Los Angeles, where they will remain for the winter.

Miss Alice McKay has returned to her home in Portland, after visiting friends in Medford.

Mrs. O. Wilsey has returned from Portland, where she has been visiting her daughter.

Mr. John Arnell left Thursday for Chicago, and expects to return about Christmas.

Mrs. A. Z. Sears has returned from an extended visit in Portland and Salem.

Mrs. Kelihor and Miss Kelihor have returned from a visit in San Francisco.

Miss Alice Ayer of Portland is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Van De Car.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Skeel left Thursday for Portland on a short trip.

The Thursday Bridge club met with Miss Bertha English this week.

Mrs. P. J. O'Gara returned this week from a visit in Central Point.

Mrs. Woodford is again living at her home on West Tenth street.

Hon. John A. Westerlund returned Friday from a trip to Portland.

Mrs. W. I. Vawter returned Thursday from a trip to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Hutchins of Hill, Cal., are visiting in Medford.

Mrs. M. E. West is visiting at the home of her son, T. L. West.

Miss Loraine Bliton will entertain the Question club next week.

Mrs. N. S. Bennett is spending a few days in Grants Pass.

The Friday Bridge was entertained by Mrs. Nye this week.

## Social Legislation in New Jersey

Social workers in the state of New Jersey have realized very notable rewards for their labors. Through their efforts both republicans and democrats have co-operated in putting through many needed reforms by way of legislative enactment. Now Jersey has quite demonstrated that it is possible to incorporate within a state organization the most enlightened ideas and systems, now—without letting such matters lie waiting attention until certain social evils cry vainly for remedial treatment. Following are some of their accomplishments:

A reorganization of the educational system of the state, whereby a commissioner of education is appointed at a salary of \$10,000 a year, to be selected "without regard to whether his place of residence is within or without the state," under whose regime the commonwealth is to standardize the teaching force of the schools, the buildings, and the sanitary and hygienic arrangements for the pupils. There is an employer's liability law which puts New Jersey in the fore ground so far as the statute law is concerned.

There are amendments to the child labor law which prohibit the employment of children during school hours in mercantile establishments and limit the number of hours children under 15 may be employed to 48 a week. Firms employing children are compelled to keep a register, giving the names, age and time of employment of such employes, and this record is open at all times for the inspection of the state commissioner of labor, who has charge of the enforcement of the law. Another measure—(Medford social workers take note!)—is one which forbids the attendance of children under 16 years of age at amusement places unless accompanied by parent or adult friend.

There has been the enactment of a statute codifying the poor laws, which transforms the archaic and ill-assorted laws into a consistent workable code, in which the most advanced and humane ideas are incorporated.

Public sentiment aroused by the Newark fire made possible the enactment of a thorough-going fire law for the state, making fire drills compulsory, providing more adequately for fire escapes, and strengthening the department of labor, which is responsible for the

enforcement of the law. Under the thorough machinery thus provided incipient conflagrations that occur with startling regularity in the basements of certain schools, thereby endangering the lives of many children, would be made practically impossible. The above are only a few of many excellent enactments, which will not lie about unenforced, but for which this progressive state has provided enlightened officials, well-paid, who will strictly enforce the laws.

Under an enlightened governor, who is proving his fearlessness in the practical demonstration of his ideals, Oregon and Oregon social workers should recognize both their opportunity and obligation in the matter of social legislation.

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