

SOCIETY

The one big social event of the holiday season will occur Christmas night, when the alumni annual Christmas ball takes place at the Natatorium. Although over a week will elapse before Christmas, every one is looking forward to this notable affair with no end of anticipation. The alumni are striving diligently to prepare for the comfort and pleasure of the many guests who will attend. No pains will be spared to assure the complete success of this big annual event. The large hall will be completely transformed by a beautiful and unique scheme of decoration, which will carry out the holiday atmosphere in every detail. A large orchestra will supply the latest in live dance music for a diversified program of twenty dances. Clever programs, novel effects, an excellent floor and plenty of punch will combine in showing the guests a royal time. The invitation committee will have the invitations ready for mailing the first of the week. All alumni college and high school students and a limited number of outsiders will be invited.

The Roosevelt Parent-Teacher circle met Friday afternoon. The children of Miss De Vore's room sang two songs and Marvel Williams of the fourth grade played a violin solo, as opening numbers. Mr. Hillis addressed the circle, the subject being: "Saving Time and Testing for Efficiency." He spoke of time saved to the child by the system of promotion whereby a child may be advanced as rapidly as his mental capacity will warrant; also of the saving of time by the elimination of subject matter which bears no vital import to the future life of the child, and of the broader treatment of texts whereby the aim of study is not what is it? but what of it? Following this, the method of testing and keeping track of the progress of the work was outlined. Graphs of the tests in arithmetic and spelling based on the Russell Sage foundation tests were shown and the progress in efficiency proved gratifying to the parents. Mrs. Heine entertained with two readings, and an article by Mrs. Stoner, read by Mrs. Buncie, closed the program.

The Alpha Delta class of the Christian church met with Mrs. G. H. West at her home on West Second street Thursday afternoon. The hostess' rooms were very prettily decorated with Christmas greenery, holly and mistletoe. A number of selections on a Victrola was very much enjoyed. Mrs. West was assisted in serving by Mrs. Ben Garnett, Mrs. Jonas Wold and Mrs. B. L. Van Gilder. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. E. Eads, 26 South Orange street, at which time an interesting program will be given.

The Parent-Teacher circle of the Washington school held their regular December meeting at the school building Friday afternoon, with about forty present. The subject for the afternoon was "Religion and Morality in the Public Schools." Very interesting papers and talks were given on the subject by Dr. J. Lawrence Hill, Professor Gramer and Rev. Carstens. In the absence of Mrs. Mears, the president, Mrs. Boos presided over the meeting.

Teh High School Parent-Teacher circle will have fresh home-made candy for sale Friday afternoon, December 22, in the high school building. The candy will be made by the domestic science department and the proceeds will be used to help buy uniforms for the high school band. An excellent program will be given at 1:30 by the pupils, orchestra and band. Those who have heard the band play feel deeply interested in this work and it is hoped that all parents and friends of the school may respond generously.

Two very enjoyable musicales were given Friday evening and Saturday afternoon by pupils of Fred Alton Haight in the chapel of the Presbyterian church. Miss Bess Bryan, Edward Charles Root and Bliss Heine assisted in the musicales.

Mrs. C. R. Welch and daughter, Miss Mildred, of Oakland, Cal., are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Hollis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Churchill and Percy W. Churchill of Yreka, Cal., have been spending the week here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Walther.

Mrs. O. C. Boggs entertained La Sañedi club this afternoon at her home on South Orange street.

A number of high school students and members of the local alumni gathered at Brown's Friday night and participated in a novelty candy dance at which Luther Denel and Leon Speck were hosts. The novelty effect came in the manner of distribution of a number of large boxes of candy and a Christmas stick weighing twelve pounds. On the dance floor were painted a number of circles, each bearing a number. When the whistle was blown each lady occupied a circle, the wheel bearing corresponding numbers was given a whirl and the holder of the lucky number received as prize a box of candy. This affair was the first of a series of novelty dances to be given by high school students and alumni during the holiday season.

The regular monthly meeting of the members of the Drama League was held last evening at the public library. Stephen Phillips' "Paola and Francesca" was read by S. V. Beckwith. The play is a charming romantic tale of love and honor, told in most beautiful phrasing. Mr. Beckwith possesses a pleasing, sympathetic voice and showed a keen appreciation of the dramatic feeling of the play. His splendid interpretation held the fascinated attention of the audience from the first word to the very last. Those who were not there missed one of the finest readings that has ever been given in Medford.

A meeting of the alumni was held at the Hotel Medford Monday evening for the purpose of discussing and making ready for the annual Christmas. It was decided to stage the affair on Christmas night, December 25, which falls on Monday. The large hall of the Natatorium has been engaged for the affair and no details will be overlooked in an endeavor to make this affair the crowning success of the social season. The invitation lists have been carefully gone over and will be ready for mailing by the first of the week.

The regular business meeting of the Eastern Star was held Wednesday evening at the Masonic hall. During the business session the following officers were elected: Mrs. O'Brien, worthy matron; Mrs. O. C. Boggs, associate matron; J. A. Perry, worthy patron; Mrs. Ben Garnett, conductor; Mrs. R. W. Stearns, associate conductress; Mrs. Witte, secretary; Mrs. Strang, treasurer. After the business meeting a social time was enjoyed, refreshments being served by the committee in charge.

An informal social gathering will be held at the St. Mark's hall this evening at 8:30. All members and friends of the Episcopal church are invited to be present to meet Rev. Walter T. Sumner, bishop of Oregon, who is in Medford for the dedication services of the new St. Mark's church.

A very pleasant affair was held at the L. O. O. M. hall Tuesday night, Ashland and Medford lodges holding joint initiation. The hall was prettily decorated, adding much to the occasion. Light lunch was served and dancing was enjoyed by all.

Charles S. Newhall entertained at dinner Friday evening at his ranch home. The following guests were invited: Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln McCormack, Mrs. Patterson, Miss Hubbard, Leonard Carpenter, Alfred Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bowne.

The Lady Elks will hold a luncheon and card party on December 29 at the Elks temple at 1:30 o'clock. All Lady Elks are urged to be present. Those wishing to attend please notify Mrs. Gus Newbury or Mrs. Jonas Wold by December 22.

Mrs. S. C. Hamaker has returned to Ashland after visiting her friend, Mrs. Eva Morton, of Phoenix. She expects to leave soon for her home at Bly, Ore.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church will give a social in the church this evening. A large crowd and a good time is anticipated.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Conwell were dinner guests of the Misses Zorn and Verna Griffin Thursday evening at their home on South Laurel street.

The Junior Shakespeare club met with Miss Catherine Denel Wednesday evening.

Mrs. L. A. King spent Sunday in Ashland with her daughter, Mrs. D. M. Watt.

Friday evening a very interesting time was had by the Epworth league at the Methodist church. As a result of a membership contest the whites, under the able direction of Dean Carder, gave a very enjoyable program, which consisted of: Tableau, "Events in American History"; solo, "Neptune," Dean Carder, in costume; banjo duet, Bliss Heine and Nolo Lindey; solo, Eunice Brandon; ukulele duet, Misses Elene French and Norma Barbee; recitation, "The Phonograph," Glenn Conwell; song, "O, Dear Me," by octette; address, Dr. Rollins. After the program various games were played and refreshments served in the social hall.

The plans for a municipal Christmas tree were completed Thursday evening when the committee in charge met at the Hotel Medford. It was decided to have the tree Saturday night, December 23. A large tree will be placed on the lawn of the library park and will be decorated and illuminated. The high school band will play and the school children will sing Christmas carols under the direction of Miss French. Tuesday will be tag day and ladies will canvass for free-will offerings to pay for a treat which will be given the children.

Stephen F. Smith and Miss Christina L. Hoeft of Egle Point were united in marriage in the Presbyterian church of this city Saturday evening, December 9, at 8 o'clock, the Rev. A. Hogg officiating, using the beautiful and impressive ceremony of the Presbyterian church. The wedding was private and only a few friends of the happy young couple witnessed the ceremony.

The Epworth league of the Methodist church held their regular business meeting at the church Tuesday evening. Miss Edna Gore was elected second vice-president, as Miss Annie Bateman, the second vice-president, resigned. Hereafter a social will be held in connection with the business meeting the second Tuesday in every month.

The Missionary society of the Presbyterian church was pleased to accept the hospitality of Mrs. G. G. Gould last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. F. S. Carpenter had charge of the devotionals. The program, which proved especially instructive and interesting, was presented by Mrs. Torney.

The Parent-Teacher Circle of the Lincoln school will hold their regular monthly business meeting at the school building next Friday afternoon at 3:30. A special Christmas program will be given in the different rooms and the meeting will follow the programs. A large attendance of the parents is desired.

Mrs. Eva Morton has been at Ashland the forepart of the week visiting relatives and calling on old-time friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Lumsden entertained the Monday Evening club at their home last Monday evening.

Mrs. Edwin Janney was hostess to the Girls' Bridge club at her home Thursday afternoon.

The W. C. T. U. met in regular session at the public library Thursday afternoon.

Jap Andrews is in Ohio, where he was called on account of illness.

Mrs. D. W. Luke entertained the Monday club Monday afternoon.

The Wednesday Bridge club met with Miss Helen Dahl Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Gladys Natwick leaves this evening for an extended trip in the east.

DRAMA LEAGUE NOTES

Volumes XIX and XX of the Drama League Series of Plays have been added to the Drama League shelf in the public library. Volume XIX is "Malvalouga," by Brothers Quintero, translated from the Spanish by J. S. Fasset. The brothers are chroniclers of the life of Andalusia. "The details are of unimpeachable veracity, it is all palpably real." These plays have been translated into many languages, but this is the first time they have been given to the English reading public.

Volume XX, Washington Square Plays, contains "The Clod," by E. L. Beach, Jr.; "Helma and Husband," by Philip Moeller; "Overtones," by Alice Gerstenberg; "Eugenically Speaking," by Edward Goodman, American.

New members are coming into the league every day. Membership in the league entails no burdens or obligations unless the member is willing to take part. Every member is invited to assist in the programs, but is at perfect liberty to decline. The business of the league is conducted by the executive board and board of directors and the work by committees appointed. Members receive the "Drama League Monthly," a live magazine filled with current news and timely articles pertaining to the drama.

The monthly meetings for the members are well attended, showing the interest taken in the reading of plays.

In a place where legitimate drama comes so seldom, this fills a definite need. Every drama deals with some phase of life, the one thing that interests people more than anything else. Gossip is a perverted form of this interest which is universally condemned. Why not indulge this tendency legitimately by reading and discussing good plays?

Neighborhood circles or groups of six congenial friends may meet one afternoon a week, read a play and then discuss it over the cup of afternoon tea, spending the afternoon both pleasantly and profitably. The inevitable fancy work will, of course, be in evidence.

The Wednesday afternoon circle of the Drama League met with Mrs. Geo. B. Dean, reading one of Bjornsen's plays.

The Colony club has taken up a course in drama this winter.

HOLLAND CAFE

Sunday Dinner

- RELISH. Ripe Olives
Dill Pickles
- SOUP
Chicken Gumbo with Okra.
- FISH
Fillet Sole, Tartare Sauce.
- ROAST
Young Turkey, Sage Dressing with Cranberry Sauce.
Prime Ribs of Beef au Jus.
- VEGETABLES.
Steamed Potato Mashed Potato
Fresh Spinach.
- SALAD.
Crab Salad.
DESSERTS.
English Plum Pudding Pumpkin Pie
Mince Pie Apple Pie
Sunshine Cake.
- DRINKS
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