

# SOCIETY

A surprise party was given on Elder Roods, the Seventh Day Adventist minister, Thursday evening, the 13th. Elder Roods, Prof. Lint and Elder Wade are holding a series of meetings at Central Point and those that had cars went to Central Point first and on the way back stopped for the party at Elder Roods' on the highway. About 65 persons were present. At 11:30 ice cream and cake were served. All enjoyed a very pleasant evening and were dismissed by a short talk from Elder Roods and prayer by Prof. Lint and ex-Elder Rothrock.

Mrs. Tom Rosebury entertained at her home on West Palm street Thursday afternoon in honor of the fourth birthday anniversary of her little daughter, Venita. The afternoon was pleasantly spent with various games and the hostess served ice cream and cake. The guests were Mildred Jenkins, John and Catherine Gribble, Bertha and Marie Applegate, Vivian Miller, Venita, Lorraine and little Mary Rosebury.

The Standard Bearers of the Methodist church with a number of invited friends met at the home of Miss Mary Tinker on Beatty street Tuesday evening. A program which had been prepared was very much enjoyed. The remainder of the evening was spent with singing and playing. Refreshments were served at the close.

Mrs. Stewart Patterson entertained at dinner Wednesday evening at her home on "Billy" Norris, who will leave soon to attend school. After dinner a theater party was enjoyed. The guests were: Misses Billy Norris, Eileen Reddy and Dorothea Hill, Brainard Beckwith, Roy Hill and Frederick Hopkins.

The Missionary society of the Presbyterian church will hold the first meeting of the year Tuesday, Sept. 11th, at 2:30 in the chapel of the church. Mrs. E. P. Geary of Portland will be present and be the guest of the society. All ladies interested in the church are urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Young arrived here Friday morning for a visit with Mrs. Young's mother, Mrs. M. Cross. They will leave for southern California to spend the winter, accompanied by Mrs. Cross and the Misses Nellie and Inez Cross, who have been spending the summer here.

Mrs. K. H. Roberts, who has been visiting her son, Geo. M. Roberts, and family, started for her home in Bloomington, Ind. Mrs. Geo. Roberts and children accompanied her and will visit relatives and friends in the east for several months.

Mrs. A. J. Vance and daughter Constance returned home Friday from a visit with Captain Vance at Ft. Columbia. They also visited with James and Winston Vance at Portland, who are going to the training camp at American Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gates left Wednesday for a visit with relatives and friends in Indiana. Mr. Gates will return in a few weeks but Mrs. Gates will remain for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivor S. Paley and home in San Francisco on Monday. They have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John S. White for the past two months.

Mrs. J. E. Reddy and daughter Eileen left Friday evening for Victoria, B. C., where Miss Reddy will attend school this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Roberts have returned from a ten days' auto trip to the northern part of the state.

Mrs. C. M. Kield will leave today for a few weeks' visit in New York city and other eastern cities.

Mrs. Porter J. Neff and son, John, left Friday for Los Angeles, where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. Jonas Wald will entertain the Wednesday Bridge club at her home next Wednesday afternoon.

Tuesday evening Waldo Willard entertained informally at dinner for a few friends.

The College Women's club met this afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. H. Porter.

Mrs. E. G. Riddell is expected to return from a trip to Portland today.

The W. F. M. society of the M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. I. J. Phipps on West Main street Friday afternoon. Forty were present. A business meeting was held at which the following officers were elected for the following year: President, Mrs. E. J. Phipps; vice president, Mrs. Jacobs; secretary, Miss Phipps; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Edmeades; treasurer, Miss Fielder; mite box secretary, Mrs. Manning. After which an interesting program was conducted by the leader, Mrs. C. C. Van Seoyoc. Papers were read by Mrs. Arnsperger, Miss Phipps, Mrs. Edmeades, Miss Fielder and Mrs. Steep. The program was completed with two instrumental duets by the Misses Willock and Heine. Mrs. Merdoff had charge of the "mystery box." Dr. Rollins made a few remarks congratulating the society on their record for the past year.

The C. W. B. M. of the Christian church met at the home of Mrs. D. W. Driskell on East Main street Thursday afternoon with a good attendance. After the business session the president turned the meeting over to Mrs. Bellinger, who had charge of the following program: Mrs. E. R. Seeley, reading, Argentina; Mrs. H. E. Tucker, piano solo; Mrs. Darnell gave a report of the convention at Turner which was very interesting; Miss Josephine Taylor of Eugene rendered a beautiful piano solo; she showed great talent and skill for one of her years, being only nine; she is a granddaughter in the home. Miss Bellinger gave a vocal number with Mrs. Tucker as accompanist. During the social hour the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Darnell, served delicious refreshments.

The adult ladies' Bible class of the Christian church was entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. S. S. Smith at 1501 West Main street, in honor of their teacher, Mrs. J. W. Driskell, and Mrs. Bryan, who leaves shortly for Chicago, where she will teach in the city schools. The afternoon was spent on the beautiful lawn in social intercourse and planning for future work of the class and church. Mrs. Smith was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Beaumont T. DeLosh. Refreshments were served. Those present were Mesdames Driskell, Bryan, Darnell, Boyd, Cunningham, Laidley, Tucker, McCurdy, Hull, Jackson, Rhodes, Campbell, Kirkpatrick, Coffen, Helms, DeLosh and Smith.

The Elks are making preparations for a dance in the near future. This being the first affair of the fall season, it will no doubt be well attended by the dancing contingent. All details will be carefully provided for by the committee in charge. However, everything will be on a conservation scale in accordance with the watchword of the nation, "Economy." Elaborate decorations, augmented orchestra and the usual supper will be dispensed with but everyone is promised a real time, notwithstanding. All Elks and their ladies will be invited.

Piano pupils of Mrs. E. E. Gore were heard in a recital at the residence studio, 116 Geneva avenue, Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Those taking part were Misses Marguerite Walters, Frances Cherry, Joyce Maddox, Isabel Robinson, Edith Gore, Dorothy Myers, Beulah Williams, Helen Philbrook. Others present were George Cherry, Marion Van Seoyoc, Gertrude Hargrave, May Heath and Jeanette Gore. The class is preparing for a public recital in the near future.

The Chrysanthemum Circle Women of Woodcraft will entertain for the children of the circle next Tuesday evening, September 11th, at the Odd Fellows' hall. All members and their families are requested to be present as this is the one night in the year set aside for the pleasure of the children. All members are requested to be present or they will miss a good time and a melon feed.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clark, Mrs. Clark of Chicago, Mrs. Chas. Conner and Miss Dorothy Conner are camping for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pike have returned to their home in Eugene after a month's visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gressley.

Mrs. R. Munkers of Brownsville has returned home after a visit with her niece, Mrs. R. Gray.

Word has been received from Mr. E. C. Root, violinist, of his return to Medford shortly. Mr. and Mrs. Root are at present in Minneapolis.

## Music Notes

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The day of cheap, trashy music, fake musicians and so-called improvisation in the motion-picture play houses is rapidly disappearing. The educational value of these theaters from a musical standpoint is wonderful. Just as thousands are being taught the great stories from the classics, the great plays and are able to travel on land and sea to the remotest parts of the globe while sitting comfortably in a cushioned seat, just as they are hearing and becoming familiar with the works of the old masters and the new, with selections from the operas, grand and light, compositions for orchestra or piano, classical or semi-classical. The possibilities for good in this way are unlimited. A musician who is pleasing her hearers to a very great extent is Miss Livermore, at one of local playhouses. Miss Livermore is a native daughter of Oregon, her first instructor being Miss Foulkes of Portland. Later she studied with one of Leschetizky's students. For eight years Miss Livermore has been perfecting her work as interpreter of the film stories, playing in the larger cities of northern and southern California. True to type, she also has a fruit ranch near San Jose where—but that is really another story. Miss Livermore's particular distaste is for the faker and his faking. "With so much good music to select from why should we be compelled to listen to the 'improvisation' which must nearly always be very inferior to real music by real earnestness of one with a purpose, that of elevating her work to as high a point of perfection as possible. "I play right thru the pictures," she adds, "as an interruption distracts the attention and is not conducive to the atmosphere the music is intended to induce. The greatest compliment I can receive is that my audience is so interested in the play they do not notice the music particularly. Then I know I have fulfilled my desire—the music is part of the story. There is so much melodious music that anyone must enjoy why should we not play that? All the theaters in the large cities consider nothing but the best and the position of organist is filled by the most experienced and capable musicians to be secured; The orchestral organ is complicated, but interesting to execute. I use the legato touch mostly of course, but sometimes a form of staccato playing, where light work is necessary to give a dainty touch and vary the tone. When the pictures are good, the playing is not tiresome, because I put myself into the work. When a certain decided atmosphere is requisite, I can play for hours with no sense of fatigue. That is what I enjoy the most. The serious type of play offers the greater opportunity for good music. A

real 'thriller' gives any number of chances to introduce the very best, Wagner, Beethoven, etc. For 'working up' an immense repertoire nothing could be better than the position of picture-play interpreter, calling as it does for such a diversity of selections.

It was a matter of much regret that the double quartet of singers from Company C was omitted from the benefit concert Monday evening. As always, "there's a reason." In this instance the imperative one of "duty before pleasure." All but two who were to take part were sent on guard duty out of the city. It is possible we may have the pleasure of hearing them at a later date. Another matter of great concern was the delay before the last number on the program, which was due entirely to lack of professional help in the setting of the stage properties, the men formerly employed at the Page having gone with the Seventh company.

A theater party at the benefit concert at the Page theater Monday evening included a number of musicians from Ashland, among whom were Madame Alma Tracy-Young, Miss Ruth Shouby and Mrs. Ernest A. Woods, pupils of Madame Tracy, and Miss Doris Bagley, vocalist. Dr. Woods was also of the party.

Miss Julia Pratt and Mr. Albert S. Brown, professional entertainers from Portland at the auto-dealers' convention in Medford recently, are well known in musical and social circles in the Rose city. Miss Pratt is a piano soloist, singer and accompanist, a pupil of Madame Laeile Valair, and one of the accompanists in her studio. Mr. Brown is a member of the Knickerbocker quartette and recently held position as soloist in the Fourth Church of Christ, Scientist, in Portland.

Miss Inez Cross will leave shortly for the east where she will continue her musical studies after a vacation spent in Medford with her sister and mother, Mrs. M. Cross. Miss Cross is a talented pianist who has been heard locally a number of times. A graduate of the musical department of the University of Kansas under Carl A. Pryor, Miss Cross continued her studies with Jean Paul Kursteiner in New York city, meanwhile accompanying in various vocal studios, among them that of Madame Parker.

Rumor reports the possible advent of "Carmen" within the near future. Not a picture play, not a home production, but an "honest-to-goodness" opera with real stars and satellites and an accompanying orchestra of 30 players. The company in question is a new one, the La Scala, which will show at the Cort theater in San Francisco for two weeks. It is composed of artists of the highest type, new scenery, stage properties and costuming. Most everyone is familiar with the story of Carmen and with at least one or two of the most popular numbers. It is without doubt one of the biggest and sweetest

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