

SOCIAL EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Those interested socially had opportunity during the week past in an appearance. Probably the best time had was that at the inspection and dance of the National Guard at the armory on Monday night. All the social young men were there and expressed themselves as having had one of the best times of the season.

The Assembly Club. The Assembly club will give the dance of the series at the Elks' Wednesday evening, April 8. The ladies will have this party in the evening and make it a leap year party. It promises to be the social event of the season. McElroy's orchestra will furnish a select program.

Card Party. Mr. and Mrs. St. Helen, assisted by their nephew, C. L. St. Helen, entertained the Whist club on last Monday evening. After a pleasant dinner a dainty lunch was served. The first prize was carried away by Frank Buckio, and Mrs. F. A. Jones received second. Mr. John Jones received first prize among gentlemen and D. D. Olmstead received second. The guests were all amateur players which added to the evening's enjoyment. Foot's day reached here before all had returned home.

Class Play. The Senior class of the High School are rehearsing for the play to be given about the last of the Grand opera house. The play is a burlesque on Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" entitled, "Merchant of Venice Up-to-date" and is under the direction of G. Trill. There are fifteen scenes in the play, and the enthusiasm of the students are showing in different parts in an assembly of a first-class production.

For Tam Gatch. Fred Myers entertained a number of friends Tuesday evening for Tam Gatch, who has been appointed as an alternate as candidate at the U. S. Academy at Annapolis. He has been in a couple of weeks. The party was entertained at the skating rink until about 10 o'clock then home. Songs and guessing were the amusements of the evening. Later refreshments being served. Lawrence Hofer and Alvin Jones were awarded the prizes in the guessing contests. Tam Gatch is the associate of Fred Myers at O. Other students of the Agricultural college who were present were Daniel Dyer and Tom Holman.

Farewell Party. A surprise party was given by Clyde McMillan of Higbland, Monday evening. About 20 friends gathered and a pleasant social time was had. McMillan left last Wednesday for Los Angeles, where he is on a position as motorman with the Santa Clara Electric Railway.

Priscilla Club Meets. L. Stockton charmingly entertained the Priscilla club last night at her residence 274 N. 1st street. The ladies sewed until about 5 o'clock and partook of a delicious dinner by their hostess.

Grade Room Entertains. The grade room of Lincoln school entertained the other rooms of the hall Friday afternoon. The program was as follows:

Room. Dean Curtis. Song by four boys. Song by Clair Hodgott. Song by Florence Esch. Song by Curtis Sutton. Song by Ada Snook. Song by Oris Fry. Song by Pearl Harmon. Song by Lila A-Kerman. Song by Dean Curtis. Program closed by singing.

Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary at their home Friday evening. They entertained the members

of the social whist club of Independence and a few relatives.

Dutch whist was the game of the evening. Mrs. G. W. Conkey and P. H. Drexler were the prize winners. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper were presented with a set of silver spoons by the members of the whist club. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Messner, Mr. and Mrs. L. Damon, Dr. and Mrs. O. D. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Conkey, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Kirkland, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kutch, E. E. Paddock, R. D. Cooper, Mrs. Anna Coad of Dallas, and Mrs. C. E. Ireland of Portland.

Knights of Pythias Convention.

At Independence the business session was detained until the arrival of the last train of the day, which was at 8:30 and on which came the delegations from Dallas, Fall City and other points. The address of welcome was delivered by L. R. Stinson, who acted in place of B. F. Jones, whose illness prevented his attendance. The address of welcome was responded to by J. S. Van Winkle of Albany. The convention had representations from the following lodges of the district: Laurel No. 7, Albany; Valley No. 11, Corvallis; Central No. 18, Salem; Leonidas No. 36, Seilo; Homer No. 45, Independence; Hermes No. 65, Aurora; Arian No. 57, Hubbard; Cascade No. 92, Falls City; Marmion No. 96 Dallas. Among the grand lodge officers present were L. R. Stinson, grand keeper of records and seals, and H. B. Stoff, deputy grand chancellor of district No. 3.

Two teams entered into the competitive drill for the handsome prize, which consisted of "The Little Knight" an emblematic pin for each member of the team. The award was made to Salem team which won over Hubbard by 118 points.

The banquet which followed the business session of the convention took place in the Mason's banquet hall. This was a sumptuous affair, at which no pains were spared in its get-up. A smoker followed the banquet and toasts responded to until almost all the prominent visitors were called on. The Independence orchestra furnished music during the banquet, adding much to the pleasure of the occasion.

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Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 3rd day of April, A. D. 1908.

THOMAS S. GOLDEN, Administrator.
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
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The following letter, concerning the plans of the Oregon Electric Railway company, now operating between Portland and Salem, will interest the people of Eugene and the entire upper Willamette valley. It comes from Guy H. Talbot, vice president and general manager, and states authoritatively that Eugene is to be the terminal of this splendid railway system, which, with its numerous feeders, will in a few years traverse the entire Willamette valley. This letter indicates that by the end of the year the line will have been completed to Albany, and that next year cars will be running into Eugene, although there is a possibility that work may be pushed on toward Eugene at even an earlier date. Mr. Talbot is to be commended for the business like letter he writes, as well as for the open and above-board policy of taking the public into his confidence and announcing fully and freely the plans and intentions of the company. No other course could more thoroughly, in turn, win the confidence of the public. Mr. Talbot's letter is as follows:
Portland, Or., April, 1908.

Mr. Charles Fisher, Publisher Guard, Eugene, Or.

My Dear Sir:--I am in receipt of your letter of March 31st inquiring as to our plans to build into the upper Willamette valley and to Eugene. Our articles of incorporation cover the territory to Eugene and we are making plans to carry out the extension to your city as rapidly as possible. We have all material on hand and are now formulating our plans to commence at once our Hillsboro extension from Garden Home and will have the line in operation in the fall. Our next work will commence at Salem south to Albany, and later on to Eugene. At just that time we will get three I cannot say, as it will be our policy to build link by link, and not undertake to try to cover too much territory at once; in other words, as soon as the line is ready for operation into Albany we will at once proceed with the Eugene extension. However, if money matters continue to improve we undoubtedly will push our line into Eugene as early as possible. I can say this much--that we are going to Eugene with our rails and will prosecute the work as fast as possible. It is not our policy to go into the field and cover a large amount of territory with our Eugene line as it is our policy to build it up immediately with turning the dirt. When we are ready to build promptly our Eugene line we will then bring the matter up before the Eugene people and then only ask for a franchise or terminals needed for the actual operation of the property, and from all indications I am sure that the people of Eugene will give us a pleasant reception. To sum the matter up, we do not want to build paper railroads.

There have been a great many articles published in the papers throughout the valley that our company was connected with the so-called Welch enterprises. I wish to advise you that we are not in any way connected with them and whatever we take through this territory will be entirely independent of their. Before the summer is over we should know positively at what time we should reach Eugene, and I assure you that I will be very glad, when a definite time is determined by our syndicate, to advise you, as we have nothing to cover up in any of our enterprises.

I have planned a trip to Eugene for some time past, but have been unable to get away, but hope to get to your city some time the early part of this month, as I desire to look over the situation in and about the city.

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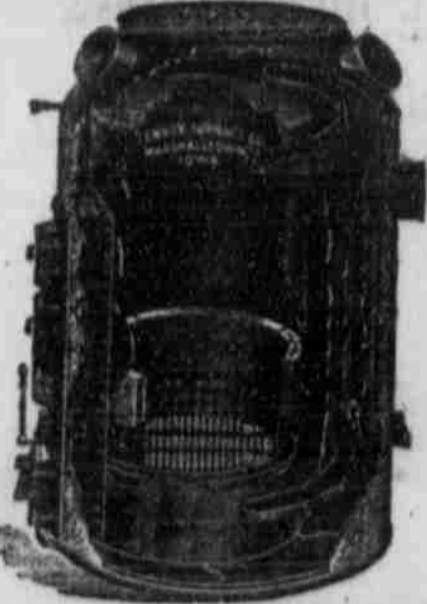


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