

THE SOCIAL CALENDAR

Breezy Story of Trip to Wonderland

(By Mollie Runcorn.)

A trip to Belknap Springs is a journey into Wonderland, for the place a miniature wonderland itself, is reached by a road of ten thousand wonders and happy surprises.

This place, a few years ago, unknown to tourists and practically unknown to the people of Oregon, has rapidly gained in favor until it has become one of the most popular resorts in the state. As an outing place it could be no more delightful or better equipped to suit every individual taste. Away up, nearly 3000 feet in the heart of the beautiful Cascade mountains on the rushing, sparkling McKenzie river it is ideally located.

For scenic loveliness it is unsurpassed surrounded as it is by towering fir-clad mountain peaks. Within a few miles are the snow-capped "Three Sisters", and to the north and south on a nearby prominence can be seen the glistening spires of Mt. Hood, Mt. Jefferson, John Diamond, Diamond Peak, Mt. Washington and other lesser peaks. Its scenic location alone makes it a desirable outing place, but undoubtedly its greatest asset is its remarkable mineral springs which come up boiling and steaming out of the ground at a temperature of 187 degrees. The water is of wonderful curative quality containing a perfectly combined proportion of sulphur, anhydride, chlorine, potassium, sodium, magnesia, calcium oxide, silica, iron and aluminum oxide and manganese oxide. Remarkable cures have been effected by its use and it is recommended for and guaranteed to relieve almost everything from freckles to rheumatism. However, the number of ill people who visit the place is comparatively small, the larger patronage being by vacationists, sportsmen and auto enthusiasts.

Amateur and expert fishermen hasten here at their earliest opportunity, well supplied with rod and reel, and other fishing paraphernalia, and for their delight the McKenzie has an unlimited supply of Dolly Vardens, Reddies, Speckled Mountain and Salmon Trout in all their aqueous beauty. The huntsman sharing in the pleasures of outdoor life finds this indeed a sportsman's paradise, the surrounding mountains abounding in splendid deer and smaller game.

For the artist with brush or camera the place also affords the best, nature in her gentlest mood fashioning picturesque loveliness on every side. She has also wrapped this country in a fascinating mystery, and its subtle charm is felt from the early Spring when the forest trees begin to put on fresh raiment, and the luxuriant rhododendron displays its rainbow-tinted blooms, until the arduous sun of Indian Summer touches the somber mountain sides with a fiery flame and they burst into a brilliant flame of reds, orange and yellows.

The discovery of Belknap Springs by the pioneer after whom the were named is remembered by older Lane county residents. Coming down an old Indian trail in the middle of winter he

was suddenly startled by coming upon a group of deer feeding on a large grassy plot, completely bordered by a road of snow. Investigation disclosed the cause of this phenomenon—steam arising from an underground hot spring melting the snow and keeping the grass green and luxuriant through the freezing winter period. Immediately upon his discovery Belknap pre-empted upon the land and upon securing his possession papers from the government built a good-sized hotel upon the present camping grounds, planted fruit and maple trees and made many other improvements. Several years later the buildings burnt, after which the property passed into the possession of others; at present being owned by capitalists of Portland, who realizing its possibilities are contemplating the erection of a modern hotel and other up-to-date improvements.

The McKenzie river at Belknap is at its loveliest. Originating in the "Three Sisters", thirteen miles distant, it flows down these mountains in a slender stream, suddenly disappearing under an immense lava bed twenty miles square, to appear again as the underground source of beautiful Clear Lake for which it is the only outlet. From there until it reaches the Willamette it keeps a uniform width of one hundred feet, so swift that in no place would it be possible to wade across, and so clear that its rocky bed can be seen throughout its entire course.

The road to Belknap is known as the Lincoln Highway, or the McKenzie trail and crosses the summit a few miles further on in the renowned McKenzie Pass. It closely follows the McKenzie river seldom getting beyond sight or sound of it, until it reaches Belknap, on this road are located the towns of Springfield, Thurston, Waterville, Vida, Deerhorn, Leaburg, Blue River, Nimrod, McKenzie Bridge, and also the once much-talked-of "Lucky Boy" and "Gold Hill" mines. At Vida is one of the state's largest fish hatcheries, where millions of tiny fish in all stages of development can be seen, later to be used in supplying the various streams throughout the state. Immense schools of salmon, are also included in fish ladders at this place. At Nimrod is the new \$40,000 home of the McKenzie Anglers Club, a handsome structure rustically furnished and constructed entirely of logs. It is in charge of C. E. Ireland, president, and A. Crossen, secretary, native Oregonians and former Salem residents. It is located on 190 acres of virgin territory, and also has a mineral spring, the chemical analysis of which has not yet been made. The buildings are electric lighted and supplied with hot and cold water. Sportsmen are erecting artistic summer homes here, being entitled to a club membership by so doing. The place is also open as a hotel. The names of the following local people are found on the register: State Treasurer and Mrs. Thomas B. Kay, Miss Marjorie Kay, E. E. Lavallee, Mrs. Charles A. Gray, Miss Ida Jones, Miss Gertrude Jones, Mrs. W. Irwin, Werner Bryman, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Eldridge, Dr. and Mrs.

Harry E. Clay, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Asahel Bush, J. R. Linn, Miss Paula Linn, and Mrs. A. B. Todd. Mr. and Mrs. D. P. MacCarthy of Salem are now entertaining Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hertz and son of Portland.

At McKenzie Bridge is the well-known Log Cabin Inn, and other splendid rustic structure which is owned and managed by Mrs. George Greener of Eugene. It is yearly visited by many Salem people. The John Maurers and their sons Paul and Glen are now enjoying an outing at this place. The following from Salem registering as visitors this season: John Lynch, Mrs. G. W. Gray, Werner Bryman, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Eldridge, Lawrence Purvine, Wayne G. Allen, James Linn and Miss Paula Linn, the Eldridges and Mr. Bryman expecting to return for a longer stay later in the season.

Poley Springs is on a branch road five miles from McKenzie Bridge, and is owned by Mrs. Ella Halfinger of Eugene, who conducts a modern hotel.

Annual patrons of Belknap are many of the wealthier residents of valley cities, who spend a few days or weeks rustling and enjoying its primitive attractions. Among this list are the John Yeans, J. H. Hawks and W. Howells of Portland. Salem people who have been here this year are the Carey P. Martins, B. F. Steeves, T. B. Kays, F. W. Burford and the E. T. Barnes.

Beautiful and picturesque summer homes of wealthy residents of Eugene, Portland and elsewhere are located along the McKenzie road and temporary camps are established at frequent intervals.

Week-end excursions to these resorts attract many, the road which is in excellent condition with the exception of a few miles especially appealing to motorists. The government is appropriating thousands of dollars and levying special taxes for its betterment and with the work donated by city-dwelling good road enthusiasts who stop here for the summer, it is expected that shortly there will be made one of the best mountain roads in the state. Dr. G. S. Wright, the well-known dentist of McMinnville, is at present supervising a number of good road boosters, in improving the highway between McKenzie Bridge and Belknap.

A few miles from Blue river the road enters the national forest reserve with its wealth of superb timber—hemlock, pine, laurel, ash, cedar, maple, yew and joint firs, so high that seemingly they brush the sky. Fire warnings are everywhere and forresters and their guards daily patrol this region under the jurisdiction of Smith L. Taylor, whose headquarters are at "Paradise", one of the most important ranger stations of the Cascades.

At present Belknap and the other McKenzie river resorts are reached by stage, but it is only a matter of a few years until they will be accessible by rail when they will probably enjoy an extensive reputation, renowned not only as pleasure resorts, par excellence, but as the American Carlsbads, Kissings and Wisenbadens.

Miss Jo, of Manor, Pa., arrived in Salem Friday, to be the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Eismann, of South Fourteenth street.

Mrs. and Miss Mathias left Manor

June 6, and have been visiting various places of interest on their way here. The most interesting was a trip through Yellowstone park. Mrs. Mathias is an aunt of H. J. Eismann.

ONE of the charming affairs of the week was an informal afternoon tea given by Mrs. William C. Knighton, Tuesday, at her home on Summer street, complimenting Mrs. George Mack (Miss Lora Chapman) of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Edward Tillson, of Spokane, who has been the house guest of Mrs. Richard Cartwright. Especially pretty were the large bunches of variegated sweet peas which lent a summery decoration throughout the rooms. Mrs. C. L. McNary and Mrs. Fred Shannon Stewart assisted the hostess in putting. During the afternoon Mrs. Tillson rendered exquisitely some gems from Schubert. She is a talented musician. Twenty guests enjoyed the delightful mid-summer function.

MRS. H. W. BROSS, of Fairview avenue, gave a picnic party Wednesday afternoon for little Miss Josephine and Master Manning Bross and their friends. Games were played in the nearby grove, the young folks enjoying the gaiety of potato and cloverpin races, and an hour was spent in story-telling. The children invited were: Eileen Johnson, Esther Ostrand, Hadi Brill, Wayne Elgin, Florence Elgin, Neal Wesson, Katherine Brunner and Elsie Boynton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ling and Miss Addie Swartz will leave Sunday morning for Newport. Miss Swartz will spend the month of August at the coast and the Lings will remain a week.

Mrs. Victor E. Beno and son Kenneth, of West Lincoln, and Mrs. John Tollock and daughter, Helen, of Third street, returned Wednesday from a fortnight's sojourn at Newport. Messrs. Beno and Tollock joined their families for the week-end and the party enjoyed the home during the mid-week.

Dr. and Mrs. O. B. Miles and Mrs. Ruth Miles returned Monday from the beach, where they have been sojourning for some weeks at the Cole cottage at Nye Beach.

The First Christian Sunday school classes of Loyal Sons and Daughters were entertained at the McKinney ranch home near Turner the first of the week. The young people went in the motor cars of W. A. Bullock, Victor Swartz and Dr. H. C. Epley. Music and games formed the evening's entertainment. There was a duet by Miss Ruth Hollister and Ivan Shomaker and a solo by Miss Wilda Siegmund. Those present were the Misses Wilda Siegmund, Eugenia Siegmund, Grace Baker, Elizabeth Jones, Mary Jones, Golda Waeeler, Mae Ward, Juanita Christing, Blanche Applegate, Roberta Morton, and Ruth Hollister, Messrs. Ivan Schomaker, Fred Schomaker, Ray Crown, Frank Zinn, James Walker and Victor Swartz.

KEENLY felt in club circles is the departure of Mrs. Maud S. Willey, president of the Women's Relief corps of Salem. Mrs. Willey left Wednesday to spend a few days with her mother in Portland, from where she expects to go to Chicago to join her husband, James M. Willey, there, and together they will go to Washington, D. C., for a business trip. Later they probably will make their headquarters at Chicago. The Willeys have resided in Salem for the past two years during the time Mr. Willey was employed in the office of the state railroad commission. During the winter Mr. Willey received an important appointment as engineer with the interstate commerce commission and since that time has made his headquarters in New Orleans, Mrs. Willey remaining in Salem.

In January Mrs. Willey was elected president of the Women's Relief corps and she has become known to the various Salem organizations, endearing herself to the many with whom she became acquainted, through the importance of her work and her charming personality.

The Misses Lina, Lulu and Laura Heist, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. S. Heist, of North Commercial street, are visiting in Newport. Lulu Heist will remain for a fortnight before returning as the German instructor in the Albany high school, but the Misses Lina and Laura will remain at the coast for a month.

Mrs. Joe Mathias and her daughter,

Miss Inez Goltra entertained informally Tuesday evening at her home, 725 Court street, with a rook party. Tables were set on the veranda and the joys of a delightful summer evening at home and yet out of doors, was the pleasure of the guests, who were the Misses Lucile Kuntz, Genevieve Avison, Misses Goltra, Messrs. Alfred Schramm, Faul Homan, Errol Gilkey and Frank Bagley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Churchill, with their daughters, Marie, Florence and Dorris, left Friday for Newport-by-the-Sea, where they will sojourn for a fortnight.

Mrs. L. D. Hall has been the guest of Mrs. William Burghardt, Jr., at the Newport summer home of the Burghardts this week. L. H. Hall, who has been in the state architect's office, and Mrs. Hall will leave this week for Washington, where Mr. Hall has accepted an appointment.

Miss Maude Durbin, who went east with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Watson in June, is visiting at Peoria, Illinois, and is not expected home until the middle of September.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Fred West motored to McMinnville Sunday and brought home with them little Miss Ruth West, who has been entertained at the Brown home, 230 South Commercial street, during the week.

A dainty mid-summer children's party was that given by Mrs. Albert L. Brown, Thursday afternoon, for Miss Ruth West, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Marion Ogle, of McMinnville. The rooms and tables were prettily adorned with pink and white sweet peas. Miss Edna West assisted the hostess in serving. The little folks brought their dolls and otherwise amused themselves playing games. The little honor guest, Miss Ruth, will continue her visit here for another week.

Mrs. G. Schaefer and daughter, Louise, who have been domiciled at the "Schafmoor" camp at Newport for the past six weeks, joined by Mr. Schaefer, returned home Wednesday. Mrs. Arthur Moore will remain at the shore until the close of the summer season. The Schaefer family joined the Beno and Tollock families, forming a two-car motoring party in returning from the coast.

The Joseph Harris family are domiciled in their summer home, "Harrisburst," at Nye Beach. Mrs. Harris and the children will remain through the season and Mr. Harris will join them at week-end intervals.

Mrs. Ralph Watson entertained at a birthday dinner last night in honor of her husband, Ralph Watson, state corporation commissioner, at their home on Fourteenth street. Red dahlias, red candles and bonbon dish favors formed the decorations in keeping with the general color scheme of crimson carried throughout the rooms. Covers were laid for eight. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Myers, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Durbin.

Gratified interest and support are being displayed by music lovers who are putting forth their efforts in making the winter concert course a success. Miss Minetta Magers, assisted by prominent society women, is earnestly working to obtain a large subscription list, and daily it has been growing, pressing on towards the mark of success. Many people have not yet been reached, but this week the following names were added to the list already published:

J. H. Albert, Jos H. Albert, G. A. Anderson, Mabel Albee, Dr. Richard N. Avison, A. N. Bush, Mrs. A. N. Busa, Chauncey Bishop, C. P. Bishop, Judge Bingham, Judge Burnett, W. H. Burghardt, Sr.; J. Baumgartner, J. J. Brown, Hazel Bishop, U. G. Boyer, Georgia Booth, Mrs. Dr. G. Merz, Mrs. E. M. Croisan, Mrs. Conn, the Misses Campbell, Dr. H. E. Clay, Mrs. Jacob Cooper, R. W. Dilley, O. K. DeWitt, Mrs. S. C. Dyer, Mrs. C. M. Eppley, Judge Eakin, W. W. Emmons, Mrs. Marie Ehmer, Mrs. R. L. Farmer, R. B. Flemming, Dr. E. E. Fisher, Dr. Ward Fisher, Mrs. Frank Flint, T. K. Ford, Carl Gabrielson, Mrs. J. O. Goltra, Mabel Hudelson, Prof. Harr, Mrs. Florence Irwin, Mrs. Susie Jones, Mr. C. J. Keith, Jas. McNary, C. L. McNary, E. T. Moore, W. S. Miller, Rev. H. E. Marshall, Mrs. P. A. Mize, the Misses McNeal, Mrs. Frances Newberry, Mrs. S. Pigler, Geo. F. Rodgers, Mr. Carl Smith, J. L. Stockton, Mrs. J. N. Smith, Fred Thielsen, Mrs. Geo. Pearce, Virginia O. Weaver, W. A. Weist and Mrs. Tom Wilson.

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BEAUTIES OF THE 'SPOT LIGHT' GIVE REASONS WHY THEY'RE ON THE STAGE.

MISS MARGARET MORRIS. MISS CONSTANCE STEWART. MISS FLO HART. MISS ELEANOR ST. CLAIR. MISS MARIE WALLACE. MISS HAZEL LEWIS. MISS IDA HOWE. MISS VONNIE HOYT. MISS JULIA DEABUEN. MISS BESSIE GROSS. MISS GLADYS LOFTUS.

Above are beauties of the "Follies" but few ever hear, save friends and relatives, why the girls of the chorus go. But to the facts and figures:—

Miss Julia Deaubien says she went on the stage because she thought she had stage talent. But she admits honestly that she's been on the stage three years and has not advanced.

Miss May Carmer's reason—To get away from school.

Miss Bettina Touraine—Disappointed in love. Took to stage to forget it.

Miss Margaret St. Clair—Answered a "Chorus Girl" Wanted advertisement in order to be curious and was engaged.

Miss Rose Wertz—To help support a family.

Miss Hazel Lewis—To earn a living.

Miss Margaret Dana—Likes to travel.

Miss Marjorie Beverly—Because she had to wash dishes at home.

Miss Bessie Nelligan—Went on the stage at the age of six.

Miss Eleanor St. Clair—Stage struck.

Miss Polly Bowman—Former department store saleswoman. Could earn a larger salary on the stage.

Miss Bessie Gros—Because she thought she looked like Adele Gencere dancer.

Miss Lottie Vernon—In order to change her name from Schmidt.

Miss Dorothy St. Clair—Needed the money.

Miss Flo Hart—Unhappily married.

Miss Gladys Feldman—To earn a living.

Miss Helen Meyer—Because she could not wear lights.

Miss Lillian Tschman—In order to get out of a convent.

Miss Pearl Gabrielle—To earn a live hood.

Miss Dorothy Newell—Had a faint singing voice and has hopes of becoming a prima donna.

Miss Marie Wallace—To find a wealthy man and marry him.

Miss Helen Felsman—Left home because she had to cook for a family of eight.

Miss Dal Vayne—To earn money.

Miss Gladys Loftus—Wanted to travel and see America.

Miss Hilda Hirsch—Because her twin sister went on the stage.

Miss Ida Howe—Native of Essex Junction, Vt.; the town became too small for her.

Miss Edith Whitney—To earn a living.

Miss Vonnie Hoyt—Went on the stage at the age of ten.

Miss Fawn Conway—Because she was offered \$15 a week.

Miss Violet Draper—Likes to travel.

Miss Mabel Perry—Better occupation than that of a telephone operator.