

News

BY MOLLIE RUNCORN.

of the dining-room, soft-tinted old rose dahlias ornamenting reception hall and living-room, where palms lent a graceful suggestion of greenery.

An announcement giving unusual pleasure is made by Professor Wallace MacMurray, A. M., instructor of literature, of Willamette university, who will give a modern drama lecture course on "The Drama of Today." These discussions will be held in Eaton Hall and are planned to acquaint the "general public" with the higher dramatic works. The first lecture, "The Drama as a Literary Form," a rapid survey of the evolution of the drama, with emphasis on its requirements as a form of literature, will be given October 12th.

The schedule for the remaining subjects will be as follows:

Ibsen and the Modern Movement—An appreciation of Ibsen's relation to the theater of today. "The Doll's House," the drama of social life; "Rosmersholm," a study of the decay of character.

Shaw and the Irish theater—"The Growth of the Irish Drama," "Doctor's Dilemma," "Man and Superman," "Devil's Disciple."

Syngue—"In the Shadow of the Glen," "Playboy of the Western World," "Riders to the Sea."

Lady Gregory—"Seven Short Plays," "The Drama of Truth," Kennedy—"The Terrible Meek," "The Servant in the House," "The Necessary Evil," Galsworthy—"Justice."

The Drama of Real Conflicts. Brieux—"Damaged Goods."

The Drama of Aesthetic Appeal. Noyes—"Sherwood."

Rostand—"Chanticleer."

Maeterlinck—"Blue Bird."

The American Drama. Moody—"The Faith Healer," "The Great Divide," Mackaye—"Cantebury Pilgrims," "Mater," "Sajmho and Phaoon," "Thomas—As a Man Thinks."

The Importance of the Theater.

A group of merry little folk enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Harry H. Olinger, Monday afternoon, who entertained on the event of the fifth birthday of her interesting little son, Harold Matthews. The guests were for the most part about the same age as the honor guest, and the afternoon was passed with juvenile games of every description until the luncheon hour, when they were admitted to the dining room, which was transferred into a veritable fairy-land bower.

Mrs. Milton Meyers and Mrs. George Brown assisted in the entertaining, Miss Gertrude Cunningham presiding as the piano as the small guests marched to their places at the prettily decked table. Favors were found at each place, forming floral decorations. Five candles were placed on the huge birthday cake, which displayed a floral center. Strands of pink ribbon, suspended from the electric lights, culminated in brilliant sparklers, which aided in lighting the darkened room.

Those who were bidden to this happy affair were: "Margaret Olinger, Dorothy Livesley, Maxine Glover, Margaret Corey, Mildred Roberts, Helen Roberts, Constance Smith, Constance Yantis, Rosalie Buren, Lucille DeWitt, Ruth Griffith, Margaret Griffith, Edwin Cross, Frederick Schrock, Jr.; John Meredith, Homer Smith, Jr.; Tommy Livesley, Charles Bier, Jr.; Derrell Meyers, Karl Cory, Robert Bishop, Chandler Brown.

For the pleasure of Mrs. E. E. Waters, who was celebrating a birthday, Mrs. George E. Waters was hostess at a prettily appointed dinner Wednesday night, laying covers for eight guests.

Miss Genevieve Frazier was the inspiration for a farewell surprise Wednesday night, about 25 of her friends calling at the home of her parents, Mr.

Salem Girl Writes From Europe

WRITING to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Baldwin, from Berlin, Miss Gayln Baldwin writes graphically of situations in Switzerland and Germany. Miss Baldwin is studying the violin in Berlin, and friends here have been much concerned as to her safety, to whom the following excerpts from her letters will be of great interest:

The first, dated August 18, is from Luzern. It reads: "I am just now on the train going from Luzern to Bern. It is wonderful here, almost too beautiful to describe. In Luzern there is nothing but Americans, and they are all planning how to reach America. I never saw such a commotion in my life; everyone is excited. There is a best I should go on. I went by way of Thun, Interlaken, Brienz, Meiringen and Brunnig, so went all alone, and had a chance getting home, and will take the first steamer possible. I will stay in Schwanden until it is perfectly safe to get to Berlin, for there it is perfectly safe. I would have telegraphed, but that had to be done in German, and then would have cost a great deal. In Berlin everything is twice as expensive now. It seems impossible that there is really war, but I don't know just what to do. If it is to be a long war things will settle down pretty soon, and if not it will soon be over; so it is best that I stay in Schwanden a little longer. I haven't had any news from Berlin yet, so don't know everything that is going on. I can practice flute here, so I am not losing much. Things are so stirred up everywhere that it rather makes me so, too. I will be glad when I get back to Schwanden, for there I won't hear all the horrors of war. Don't send mail to Berlin, for it will never reach me. Send it to Schwanden and I will get it. Nothing is accepted in Germany but postals written in German."

The second letter, dated August 26, at the same place, reads: "Well, I am back in Schwanden again, and it seems good to be quiet and settled again. I had such a lonely visit with —. They own a pension next door, but they live in their private villa. Their daughter-in-law was there and they just had news from Africa, where the husband and children live, that they had all been taken to inner Africa and were held as prisoners of war. They were begging for freedom. The poor woman was almost crazy. She has four children, the youngest a little girl just a year old, and she was afraid they would never be able to stand the

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New, she has since kept steady pace with the advancement of this work into the educational fields and the playground proper. Miss Hofer has a perfect system of play for the schoolroom which combines good fun and happy play with strenuous exercise, the entire lesson building out from general subject matter. Festivals result without effort.

Emphasizing the value of her work to the leaders of educational thought in Oregon, Miss Hofer is not coming as a stranger. Her published texts are in the state lists of recommended helps for teachers in this phase of child culture. Also her work as a teacher and lecturer in many universities has been an aid to the teaching force of the country and instrumental in shaping the playground to the need of the various sections.

A letter was sent from the department of public instruction to county superintendents advising them of her visit to Oregon for the fall months and that her services on the institute lecture staff would be available. She will appear at the state normal school, at the Eastern Oregon State Teachers' association and institutes of various sections. She is desirous of giving her full strength and ability to this work in Oregon, and is prepared to take lecture dates to the full extent of her time.

Arranging several tables for cards, Miss Ethel Trindle asked a number of friends to her home on South Twenty-second street Thursday night. Following card diversions, guests were served a chafing dish supper. Table decorations were carried out in pink, this color being noted in the candles and geraniums, which were used with geometry as a centerpiece.

Guests were: Miss Lucy Hinton, Miss Violet Welborn, Miss Margaret Parrott, Messrs. Percy Reed, F. A. Boyington and Henry Compton.

Miss Winifred Byrd, who will shortly resume her piano class, will add materially to the winter's entertainment program, as she has consented to appear in several concerts. She also announces that her pupils, who number some of the best musical talent in Salem, will be presented in recital several times during the season.

Miss Byrd is a graduate of the soloists course in piano, New England Conservatory of Music, Boston. She is a former pupil of Baurmann, of Boston, and Mme. Teresa, Carreno, of Berlin, George W. Chadwick, director of the New England conservatory, paying her the following compliment: "Miss Byrd is one of the most musically students ever graduated from this institution."

Musical activity is very marked at the school of music, which recently opened for the year's work. Sara Glance Bowman, who has recently been added to the vocal department, spent Friday in receiving students desiring to study voice placing and tonal development. Mrs. Bowman has had superior advantages because of her training under Madame Vredemann, the teacher of Melba and head of the famous conservatory of music at Melbourne, Australia.

Mr. Mendenhall will reorganize the musical clubs in a few days and is planning some especially fine music for the coming year. Mr. Mendenhall also reports that there will be several graduates in piano this year, and therefore some unusually fine recitals may be expected.

The First M. E. church choir resumes work tomorrow under Dean Mendenhall's direction. Mr. Mendenhall will resume her place as soprano soloist. Some fine cantatas will be rendered by this excellent organization during the year.

Honoring Superintendent and Mrs. O. M. Elliott, Principal and Mrs. J. C. Nelson, newly-appointed members of the high school faculty, older members of that institution will preside as hosts and hostesses at an informal reception tonight in the high school gymnasium.

All new faculty members will be welcomed and invitations will also be extended to the members of the school board and their wives, Superintendent and Mrs. J. N. Smith, Superintendent and Mrs. W. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank K. Welles, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. William Burghart, Jr. Although planned informally, a short program has been planned. Solos will be given by Miss Amy Martin, Miss Greta Phillips and Miss Ruth Fugate, with Miss Davis and Miss Regina Long appearing in readings.

A body of pretty high school girls, Miss Lois Martin, Miss Vician Hargrove, Miss Edna Howd and Miss Grace Holt, will serve refreshments.

Mrs. George Meek left for her southern California home Thursday, after a month's sojourn in Salem as the guest of her mother, Mrs. M. M. Chapman.

Assisting Miss Jane Reed Babcock in her violin concert next Tuesday night will be Miss Alicia McElroy, formerly of Salem, who will appear in several piano numbers, and also as an accompanist; Christian church male quartet; George C. L. Snyder, the well-known baritone. The concert will be given in the First Christian church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Craig and daughter, Miss Bernice, with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Downing, will leave next Monday for Pendleton to attend the Round-up. The Craigs will visit friends in Pendleton and will also spend some time in Walla Walla.

Miss Ethel Hixon entertained a number of her friends recently at her home on Summer street. The evening was pleasantly spent with music, after which a dainty luncheon was served. Those present were Misses Alice Hollinger, Mildred Hawthorne, Mary Henningsen, Genevieve Enos, Muriel Fisher, Florence Smith, Elizabeth Bayley, Iona Fisher, Marie Hovdebo, Ethel Hixon and Mrs. Hixon.

Thursday evening the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Sawyer, of Salem Heights, was opened to a number of invited guests. The affair was given as a farewell attention for their daughter, Miss Doris, who will leave Sunday for Corvallis to enter the Oregon Agricultural college.

The hours were passed with social games and music, after which refreshments were served.

Miss Sawyer will be missed by her many friends of Salem high, where she attended school the past three years.

Among those who were present were: Misses Martha Wickberg, Ruth Woodward, Leon Morris, Miss Chase, Minnie Spranger, Alice Riens, Olga Wickberg, Julia Chase, Martha Woodward, Messrs. Athos Miller, Ben Sawyer, Jay Morris, Arthur McClain, Fred Spranger and Maurice Sawyer.

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Daddy's Bedtime Story
A Monkey Warns His Master Of Robbers.

HAVEN'T told you a story about a monkey in a long time, have I, kid?" asked daddy.

"No, daddy; not in a long time," said Jack and Evelyn, who were sitting upon the broad settee by daddy's side.

"I heard a good one the other day that I'll tell you. Down in the lower part of New York city there is a settlement of Italians. Among them is a man named Pasquale Fiorella.

Pasquale owns a monkey and a tiny old fashioned hand organ, which he carries around with the monkey perched on top of it.

The monkey's name is Tony, and when Pasquale takes him out on the top of the little hand organ he wears blue breeches with a scarlet stripe down the side, a scarlet jacket buttoned with brass buttons and a little pill box on his head.

The little chap runs up and down the fire escapes to get the pennies for the monkey. So one evening when Pasquale was playing in the street he was surprised to see Tony come flying down the fire escape which led from the flat where Pasquale lived with his wife.

"What did surprise Pasquale, however, was the fact that Tony was tied up in a pillowcase.

"Pasquale caught the little fellow as he reached the ground and, untying him, let Tony scramble up on his shoulder, where he sat and chattered and caused all this tempest in a teapot.

"He reached the flat and burst through the door. Lying upon a bed in one corner of the room he found Mrs. Fiorella, bound and gagged.

"Tony came as Tony made them! Around and around the bed he ran.

"When Pasquale's wife regained her consciousness she told Pasquale that she had the pillowcase over Tony's head.

"But Tony had fought so like a little demon that he frightened the would-be robbers away. Then he had bounded out of the window and down the fire escape.

"Tony is very proud now of the new clothes which his master has bought for him and is very proud of his little pet and tells every one the story of how Tony saved the flat from being robbed."

dent; Mrs. George G. Brown, secretary. The members are: Mrs. George G. Bingham, Mrs. J. M. Martin, Mrs. E. C. Small, Mrs. George Pearce, Mrs. Perry Raymond, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. H. Dayton, Mrs. Lot Pearce, Mrs. Alice Dodd, Mrs. Eugenia Gillingham, Mrs. U. G. Shipley, Mrs. William Stenloff, Mrs. M. M. Chapman, Miss Stoughton, Mrs. Z. F. Moody.

Felix R. Davis, eminent commander of De Molay No. 5, left yesterday for Ashland to attend the Knights Templar convocation, which will be held Thursday, September 24. Others who will attend from here are: Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Thielson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Shafer, who will leave for Ashland Sunday night. Temple Hills or Mystic Shrines will convene at the same time and will be officially visited by the Imperial Potentate. During the day grand commandery officers, visitors and ladies will be furnished an attractive entertainment program. The freedom of the city will be theirs, and auto trips through the adjacent country will also be given.

An interesting group of young women, ambitious to attend the Panama exhibition next year, have selected a plan whereby they may secure an amount sufficient to cover expenses of their contemplated trip. Forming a club, the "Arto-Frisco," they will give a series of dances this winter in the Moose hall, for which the dates of September 23, October 28, November 27, and December 23 have been selected. The following are the members of the club, also composing the young women's drill team of the United Artisans from which part of their endowed name is derived:

Mingron Oliver, Audrey Hicks, Susie Englebart, Leah Watson, Rosalia Bach, Anna Guertay, Anna Quinn, Ruby Baker, Florence Smith, Rose Breitenstein, Fannie Penn, Tina Bewley, Grace Tolman, Adda Zosel, Dora Andersen, Olive Casto.

Miss Hazel Kennedy, an interesting society girl of Astoria, was expected to arrive in Salem today to be the guest of Mrs. Ada Strong. Monday morning Miss Kennedy will start her kindergarten classes in the guild room of the Episcopal church on Chemeketa street. She has special ability for child-training work, and already has the support of many prominent Salem women.

Celebrating his twenty-third birthday Wednesday, the day was made the occasion for a gathering of intimate friends and relatives of E. C. Thurmond, one of Salem's best-known pioneer residents. Mr. and Mrs. Churchill opened their home on North High street in the evening, planning an informal dinner and entertainment for their guests. The house was festooned with bright-hued blossoms, varicolored dahlias forming a table centerpiece. The huge birthday cake was artistically perfected in pink and green and embellished with the numerals "73."

Those who enjoyed this pleasant affair were Mrs. Louisa McKinney, who was the oldest guest present, being 78; Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Veatch, Harold McKinney, W. A. Churchill, Eldon Churchill, Miss Mathew Churchill.

Mr. Churchill has resided in Salem 50 years, crossing the plains with his parents in 1847. For many years he was actively engaged in business here, retiring two years ago.

Mrs. R. S. Wallace was the first hostess for the "Leisure Hour Book Club" this season, entertaining at her Court street home Wednesday afternoon. She was assisted by Mrs. Charles A. Park and Mrs. Herron. A reading program for the winter was considered, in which Hon. T. T. Geer's "History of Oregon" was discussed conspicuously. Officers of the club are: Mrs. H. J. Clement, presi-

dent; Mrs. George G. Brown, secretary. The members are: Mrs. George G. Bingham, Mrs. J. M. Martin, Mrs. E. C. Small, Mrs. George Pearce, Mrs. Perry Raymond, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. H. Dayton, Mrs. Lot Pearce, Mrs. Alice Dodd, Mrs. Eugenia Gillingham, Mrs. U. G. Shipley, Mrs. William Stenloff, Mrs. M. M. Chapman, Miss Stoughton, Mrs. Z. F. Moody.

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by Miss Lorene Porter, the clever daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Porter. A reading, "Woman's Work," was given by Mrs. Leo M. Childs, who also responded to an encore. Two pleasing soloists, B. C. Kennedy and Mrs. Albert Penstman, added materially to the afternoon's enjoyment, the former rendering an old-time song, with violin accompaniment by Mrs. Babcock, and Kennedy's accompaniment by Miss Ruth Kennedy, the audience joining also in the repetition of the verses. Mrs. Penstman, accompanied by Professor Newberry, gave two Indian songs, the program concluding with a selection given by a quartet composed of Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Porter, Mrs. Porter and Miss Kelllogg, Miss Kennedy assisting at the piano.

The Better Babies contest at the state fair this year will be bigger and better than ever, so say those who are in a position to know, and proud mothers and fathers who have registered the names of their handsome little sons and daughters are ready to believe this assertion.

Besides prizes of money, the child who scores highest will be known as the state champion and will receive from the Woman's Home Companion a beautiful medal in gold.

Four Better Babies medals in bronze will be awarded to the highest scoring boy and the highest scoring girl in division A and B, except when one of these babies is the state champion and wins the gold medal. In this case, the bronze medal will go to the child making the second highest score.

Better Babies diplomas will be given to all first-prize winners in all classes and divisions, and a Better Babies certificate of examination, beautifully printed in colors, will be presented to each and every baby examined in the contest.

Lovely Salem children who will compete for these prizes will be: Glenn Mathis, Robert Hutchison, Marion Ruth Ceruk, Beatrice Ceruk, Marie Lary, Ardeth Vordia, Nellie Louise Richards, Chester J. Beach, Harriett Madeline, Mazon, Ruthie Sue Hoffield, Robert Murray Anthony, Leonard Spencer Messer, Geo. Larson, Stinner, Elenor Wenier, Margorie Marcus, Mabel Agnes Wenier, Reginald Harwick Rees, Robert DeLacey Kerr, Eleanor Faye Wright, Vernon Clifford Bushnell, Helen Rolph, Richard Franklin Smart, Arthur Charles Bueschen, Woodrow P. Crisp.

Colonel and Mrs. Ernest Hofer have with them as their guest Mr. Hofer's sister, Miss Marie Hofer Hofer, of Chicago. Miss Hofer has visited Salem before, and is widely known through her activities in child welfare work. As a lecturer on playground and public recreation, and as a writer on these subjects, she enjoys a reputation distinct from any other person with like interests. She has filled positions in many prominent educational establishments in eastern states, at present being principal of Chicago playground training school and lecturer in University of Chicago playground department.

The visit to Salem is in her professional capacity, as she is endeavoring to impress educators here of the necessity of the recreation movement and the importance of the folk song and dance in the playground development of the educational work of the state. All over the country the recreation movement is among the important topics considered for social and civic betterment.

Miss Hofer is an authority on all phases of the playground subject, being principal of Chicago work in the vacation schools of Chicago and then publishing the first book of child play in this country, "Singing Games, Old and