

# Social and Personal

By MOLLIE RUSCORN

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Hughes will return from Portland this evening, where they have been spending a few days. Mrs. Hughes' sister, Miss Lillian Baker, of Eugene, who has been passing several weeks at their home, will leave for her home in a day or two.

The marriage of Miss Esther Ferguson, of this city, to Leslie C. Newton, a former Willamette university student, was solemnized very quietly on New Year's day at the home of Mr. Newton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Newton, in Hood River. Both have a large circle of friends here. For the present they will take up their residence at Canby.

Arthur Tasto, a former Salem boy, now located in Santa Barbara, Cal., who has been passing the holidays with his father, Herman Tasto, and other relatives here, will leave shortly for his home. He is the possessor of a beautiful tenor voice, and while here was a pupil of Professor Hall. Since going to California he has frequently contributed to various affairs, and his work has met with as great approval there as it did in his home city.

Miss Mabel Whitman, of Portland, is expected to arrive tomorrow to be the guest of Mrs. P. E. Graber, for the week-end.

Complimentary affairs of various descriptions are being given for Miss Gertrude Lesser and Harry Mendelsohn, by their Portland friends, in the nature of pre-nuptial events. Dr. and Mrs. M. P. Mendelsohn entertained for them at the Hotel Marion during the holidays and the Portland Journal yesterday describes another event in their honor.

One of the prettiest affairs of the holiday season was the dancing party given by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mendelsohn at the Benson hotel, Sunday evening, January 3, complimenting Miss Gertrude Lesser and H. I. Mendelsohn, whose engagement was recently announced. About 75 friends enjoyed their hospitality. The many handsomeness worn by maids and matrons caused the Tyrolean room to present an unusually attractive scene. An elaborate buffet luncheon rounded out the evening.

The home of Mrs. Mary Leisi, corner of Twenty-fifth and Lee streets, was the scene of a merry gathering last night when a large number of young people, members of the Luther League of the Evangelical Lutheran church were entertained for a social session.

A pleasing program, arranged as follows, was given: Selia Frieda Spitz-

bart; address, Rev. Kahler; piano duet, Gertrude Tasto and Dora Niederkrom; solo, Martha Corrodi; duet, Mary Leisi and Esther Spitzbart; solo, Arthur Tasto.

Guests for this event were: Misses Frieda Spitzbart, Esther Spitzbart, Ina Proctor, Marybelle Reinhart, Tillie Daller, Edna Deller, Emma Henke, Marie Blumenburg, Gertrude Tasto, Dora Niederkrom, Mary Leise, Miss Kuney, Rose Leise, Helen Leise, Mrs. Austman, Martha Corrodi, Messrs. Leo Spitzbart, Arnold Kruger, Rev. G. Kahler, Frank Simon, Errol Proctor, Oscar Zeller, Virgil Seamester, Fred Niederkrom, Herbert Tasto, Arthur Tasto.

Mrs. E. W. Wallace was at home to the Oriental D. M. C. club this afternoon, asking Mrs. L. L. Nicklin to assist her. A miscellaneous luncheon was an interesting feature, each guest being served differently. Mrs. Mary Fallick was an additional guest, club members numbering fourteen.

In honor of the eleventh birthday of her daughter, Florence, Mrs. W. C. Young entertained a party of small maids Saturday afternoon at a doll party in the Young's apartments at the Leonard hotel. Each small guest brought their Christmas doll, who shared with their owners the entertainment furnished. Holiday decorations beautified the rooms, and also decked the pretty luncheon table. Those who participated in this happy affair were: Lucille Moore, Lois Jory, Hollis Vick, Thelma Young, Genevieve Vandevort, Winifred Rinsart and Helen Corey.

The sixth birthday anniversary of Emily Frazer Brown was appropriately celebrated yesterday afternoon when her mother, Mrs. Walter F. Brown, entertained for her, asking ten small friends of her little daughter to assist her.

A watch party held at the home of Mrs. M. E. McFarlane, of Fruitland, Thursday evening of last week was attended by a large number of young people of the community. The following were present: Emil Sundberg, Francis Schronk, Bert and Nina Bressler, Walter Ransom, Gladys Sarff, Jessie and Esther Bowers, Roy and Marvin Hammer, Avis Williams, Rubio Greenfelder, Grace and Leah Coleman, Carroll and Kenneth Ruemer, Grace Baker, Joe Fliegel, George Wolfe, Averill and Charles Ransom, Bessie Donaldson, M. M. Ransom. The party was chaperoned by Mrs. M. M. Ransom and Mrs. Emma Bowers.

F. D. McDonald, of Eugene, is in the city today.

## SCHOOL FUND TO BE SWELLED BY 50,000

### A. C. Shaw Says Clients Will Pay \$2.50 Per Acre For Land

When State Treasurer Kay this morning fixed his signature of approval to the draft of a resolution, which has been heretofore agreed upon by the governor and Secretary of State Olcott, it operated as an acceptance of the proposal of A. C. Shaw, made to the board some time ago, wherein, upon the payment of the minimum price of \$2.50 per acre by his clients to the state, the state will surrender quitclaim title to approximately 20,000 acres of land embraced in the 60,000-acre group of lands involved in the celebrated Benson-Hyde land fraud operations. This will mean the augmentation of the state school fund principal to the amount of \$50,000 and is one of the direct results of the suit brought by the state land board for the cancellation of the deeds to the lands involved in the Benson-Hyde transactions.

The suit to cancel the Benson-Hyde deeds to approximately 60,000 acres of state school lands located within the boundaries of the Cascade forest reserve in Linn and Marion counties, was brought by the state, at the instance of Governor West, after Benson and Hyde had been convicted of fraud in the manner of securing possession of the lands and the case is still pending in the courts. A. C. Shaw, who represents holdings of lands embraced in the Benson-Hyde speculations amounting to about 20,000 acres and is made a party defendant in the suit for cancellation of deeds, offered to compromise with the state land board by agreeing to pay \$2.50 per acre as his clients are innocent purchasers, in exchange for a quitclaim deed from the state, and the acceptance of his offer on the part of the land board carries with it the condition that Shaw must prove to the satisfaction of the board and the department of the interior that his clients are innocent purchasers.

The acceptance of Shaw's proposal also operates to eliminate his holdings small as most of the business for the text of the resolution, which is a virtual acceptance of Shaw's proposal, reads:

"It is the sense of the board that innocent purchasers and holders in good faith of titles to lands selected in lieu of said base lands, shall be entitled to confirmatory deeds upon such showing being made to the board within ninety days, and payment of \$2.50 per acre to the state. Provided, however, that each case shall be first submitted by the board to the interior department for approval.

## PERSONALS

E. H. Jefferson, of Portland, is registered at the Bligh.

Frank Durbin, of Durbin & Conroyer, is in Harrisburg today.

Charles L. Dick, local manager for Mason Ehrman & Co., went to Albany today.

Professor F. G. Young, dean of the graduate school of the U. of O., is in Salem today on business.

M. T. Grier, of Falls City, recently elected to the legislature, is registered at the Marion.

George A. Cable, C. E. Green, J. W. Simmons, J. G. Tate and Bert Nebler, all of Portland, are registered today at the Bligh.

Prof. E. E. DeCou, head of the mathematics department of the University of Oregon, arrived in this city today to deliver an address tonight before the Parent-Teachers association of the Salem Heights school, on "The Twentieth Century School."

Dr. Joseph Shafer, head of the department of History of the University of Oregon, delivered an address at Turner today on the subject, "Education as a Social Adjustment."

R. W. Smith, of South Bend, Wash., arrived in Salem today to make this his future home. He will have charge of Westcott & Thielsen's meat department.

## RAILROAD SECURITIES

Washington, Jan. 8.—The Keayburn railroad securities bill, the third of the anti-trust bills originally introduced in the administration, was introduced in the senate this afternoon by Senator Pomeroy.

## LADIES! LOOK YOUNG, DARKEN GRAY HAIR

Use Grandma's Sage Tea and Sulphur Recipe and Nobody can Tell. Brush it Through Hair.

Gray hair, however handsome, denotes advancing age. We all know the advantages of youthful appearance. Your hair is your charm. It makes or mars the face. When it fades, turns gray and looks dry, wispy and straggly, just a few applications of Sage Tea and Sulphur enhances its appearance a hundred-fold.

Don't stay gray! Look young! Either prepare the tonic at home or get from any drug store a 50-cent bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy." Thousands of folks recommend this ready-to-use preparation, because it darkens the hair beautifully and removes dandruff, stops the scalp itching and falling hair; besides, no one can possibly tell, as it darkens so naturally and evenly. You darken a sponge or soft brush with it, drawing this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears. After another application or two, its natural color is restored and it becomes thick, glossy and lustrous, and you appear years younger. Local Agent J. C. Perry.

## BERRIDGE FAILS TO APPEAR BEFORE COURT

### Man Who Experted County Books Threatens to Bring Suit

Arthur Berridge, the Portland expert accountant who went over the books of the Marion county officers and presented a bill for \$1523.11 for the job, did not appear before the county court at its regular session yesterday, as he announced was his intention when he left this city after his bill had been refused by the county court. Insurance Commissioner Ferguson approved the original bill for \$1523.11 but stated informally that he thought the bill should be cut in half. The county court was even more conservative and offered to settle with Berridge for \$350. This sum Berridge refused to accept and wanted the county court to pay him \$500 on account while the matter was pending settlement. The county court refused to comply with Mr. Berridge's request.

Berridge left this city with the unofficial statement that he would commence suit against the county to collect the full amount. The county court, while not anxious to become entangled in a lawsuit, was willing to contest the claim with Mr. Berridge in order that the matter of the constitutionality of the law might be tested. The county court of this county doubts the right of the state to contract bills to be paid by the county and moreover views with alarm any precedent which would permit such action, because the court believes that if the right is admitted in a small amount there is no limit to the obligations that might be piled up by the state. No word was received yesterday from Mr. Berridge explaining his absence, but his presence would not have changed the opinion of the county court nor caused them to take any other than their original stand.

## OPPOSE CREATION OF NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Movement to Divide District 72 and 27 Into Three Districts Not Favored

A lively contest has been precipitated in school district No. 72, south of this city, over the submission of a petition for the cutting off a portion of this district, and taking as a part of district No. 27, known as the Looney district, and a part of the Jefferson district to create a new district, which will be fought out before the school district board this afternoon. A spirited remonstrance has been filed against the division of the present district 72 and the controversy promises to wax warm before final settlement is arrived at.

The petition for the creation of the new district bears the signatures of B. L. Carothers, Frank Myers and about 40 others, and is supported by petitions signed by Joe Hampton, Cora Hampton and 11 others in Looney district, and O. M. Smith, R. J. Pease, and five others from the Jefferson district, who, if the proposed division is allowed will be incorporated in the new district. The remonstrance to the proposed new district is signed by Wm. S. Finlay, William Finlay, and 53 others, and the principal contentions embraced in the remonstrance are as follows:

"That it would break up one good and efficient school district and create two poor ones. That it would cause an increase in taxes, as a special tax would have to be levied in the old district to maintain a six-months school. That the district (72) as now bounded and school house located affords the greatest accommodation to the greatest number of scholars in the districts, and they pray for the maintaining of the boundaries of the district as they now exist.

The petitioners for the division of the old district and the creation of the new base their support of the petition upon the contention that under the present arrangement their children have to travel from 2 1/2 to 3 miles to attend school, while in the Jefferson district the petitioners claim that their children have to travel five miles to attend school. They are willing to assume the expense of the erection of a new school house for the new district and bear such other burdens of expense of maintaining the district which would devolve upon them under the change if allowed by the court.

While the residents of the old district (72), the remonstrators, will be permitted to retain the school house as it stands, they further complain that the cutting off of the residents of the district who are petitioning for the new district will carry with them the major portion of the taxable property that is now embraced in the district and would work a heavier burden of taxation upon those remaining in the old district in maintaining the school. If the petition is allowed asking for a new district it will take about 40 pupils out of the old district and leave but 40 pupils to attend school in the old district, No. 72.

## FOR COAST SURVEY.

Washington, Jan. 8.—President Wilson's recommendation that six ships be built for the coast geodetic survey for us on the Pacific was being considered this afternoon by the house commerce committee. The department of commerce had urged a favorable report.

IMMIGRATION BILL. Washington, Jan. 8.—The following were named this afternoon as senate conferees on the immigration bill: Senator Smith, of South Carolina; Senator Robinson, of Arkansas; and Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts.

## WOULD ISSUE SECOND OREGON BLUE BOOK

### Secretary of State Olcott Will Ask Legislature to Order Publication

Because the "Oregon blue book," and official publication which has been compiled and issued by the secretary of state and has created such a great demand from all public sources, "is almost invaluable as a supplementary text book on the civil government of the state and fosters a spirit of patriotism and loyalty." Secretary of State Olcott will recommend to the coming legislature that some provision be made for compiling and issuing a 1915-16 blue book that shall "fully set forth the official interests of the state with such additional information as may be of greatest assistance to those for whom it is chiefly intended."

Secretary Olcott calls attention to the original publication of the blue book, which was issued in 1911 in response to an insistent demand for a work of such character and in harmony with the custom of many other states, and particularly to the issue of 1913-14, which was a very complete directory, not only of all state, district and county officials, institutions, departments, commissions, etc., but contained a wealth of information of more than ordinary interest and value to the general public that a second edition of the booklet was necessary to supply the demand.

It was very popular with teachers, students, city, county and state officials, and many other patrons of the various libraries of the state, and it was in great demand as a dependable handbook on all governmental functions. "Requests for copies of it came in from all parts of the state and it became evident that the Oregon blue book was regarded as a reliable source of important and valuable information, says Secretary Olcott. The last session of the legislature neglected to provide funds for the issue of the book and Secretary Olcott got it out with the aid of the funds and the force of employees of his own department, but he asks the legislature to make such provision that the publication of the blue book may be continued.

## ELECTION PETITION MUST BE FILED BY TOMORROW

Douglas County to Experience Much Difficulty in Electing a Senator at This Time.


If the electors of Douglas county desire to avail themselves of the privilege offered them by Governor West to elect a successor to George Neuner, Jr., to fill the vacancy caused in the upper branch of the assembly by the resignation of the former senator, to secure representation in the senate of the approaching session, they will "have to hurry," for, under the provisions of the election laws applying to special elections in such emergencies, the candidate must be nominated either by a political party, a convention or assembly of the electors of the county or by individual petition, and the certificate of election must have been filed with the secretary of state by tomorrow night.

Although Senator Neuner resigned the office before the first of the year, Governor West did not issue the writ calling for a special election to fill the vacancy until January 5, and, under the provisions of section 3312 of the election laws, the certificates of nomination of candidates must be on file with the secretary of state 10 days prior to the date of the election. The election date has been fixed for January 20, hence, under the ruling and instructions issued yesterday evening by Secretary of State Olcott, the certificate of nomination must be in his hands on January 9, which is tomorrow.

Certificates of nomination may be placed on file with the secretary of state either by letter, or, if the time is too limited before the expiration of the time limit to comply with the law by mail, the certificate may be filed with the county clerk, and the county clerk, upon being tendered the cost of transmitting the same, may telegraph the original to the secretary of state and mail the duplicate by registered letter. The secretary of state is required to file the telegraph copy of the certificate the same as though it were the original and also the duplicate when it shall have arrived by mail.

## CARDINAL'S CASE SETTLED.

London, Jan. 8.—According to a news agency dispatch received here this afternoon from Amsterdam, news has reached here from Berlin that the Cardinal Mercier incident has been settled satisfactorily. Cardinal Mercier of Belgium was reported arrested for telling the Belgians that they were no bound to obey German orders.



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## Dudley Clark Expects to Land Reading Clerk Job

Dudley Clark, of Portland, reading clerk of the house of the last session of the legislature, and candidate for the same position for the approaching session, was in Salem this morning. He feels confident of being successful in securing the reading clerkship of the house, although there are three other who after the job, and he thinks also that W. A. Weist, the Salem candidate for reading clerk of the senate, stands a good show of election over Frank Motter, of Portland, who served in that capacity for several sessions prior to the session of 1913. Fred Drager, of Salem, Mr. Clark says, has practically no opposition to the position of chief clerk of the house of representatives, which position he has filled for the past two sessions.

A woman raves over a matinee idol that she wouldn't live with for 10 minutes if they were married. To Extract Thorns and Splinters.—Nearly fill a small-necked bottle with very hot water and then press the affected part tightly over the neck, so as to prevent the steam escaping. This will soften the flesh and draw the splinter to the surface, when it can easily be removed by a pair of nippers, or even by pressing between the finger and thumb. Common Twist Candy.—Boil 3 pounds of common sugar and one pint of water over a slow fire for a half-hour with out skimming. When boiled enough take it off; rub the hands over with butter; take that which is a little cooled and pull it as you would molasses candy, until it is white; then twist or braid it, and cut in up in strips. By letting boil a trifle longer and stirring in peppermint flavoring just before removing from the fire this makes a nice mint candy.

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