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SOCIETY

By ALINE THOMPSON

Music lovers will assemble at the Grand Theatre tonight to hear Skovgaard, the Danish violinist and New York Metropolitan Co.

Skovgaard was here in concert last season and has a number of admirers among the musical contingent.

Miss Alice Baker, who is attending the University of Oregon in Eugene, arrived home Thursday to pass the Christmas vacation with her family.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Roberts have gone to Portland to pass the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Paulus will go to Portland to pass the week end.

At the Old Peoples' home a delightful Christmas entertainment was given this afternoon by the members of the Epworth League of the Methodist church.

Among those participating in the programme were Miss Ruth Fields, Miss Mary Findley, Miss Lulu Walton, Miss Carolyn Sterling, Miss Mildred McBride and Miss Fay Bolin.

Miss Hazel Hockensmith a student of the Willamette university, has visited her mother, Mrs. G. T. Kockensmith of Albany.

Tomorrow afternoon from two until five o'clock, Louise Cronin Benjamin will act as hostess for the first of a series of informal Saturday matinee dances for students.

These dances will be held in the Moose hall and special instruction in all of the latest steps will be given before each dance.

Plans are being made by the women of the Relief Corps for a campfire to be held at the Moose hall on Saturday January the 30th.

All soldiers and sons of veterans are invited to participate in the festivity and the women of the corps are requested to come with well filled baskets.

Sunday evening at the First Christian church the young people of the Bible school will present the nativity scene, beginning with Zacharias in the Temple and closing with the flight into Egypt.

Among the young folks who will take the parts are: Harold Hull, Zacharias; Miss Iva Cave, Gabrielle; Miss Leah Nichols, Mary; Harold Secord, Joseph; Carl Wenger, George Brown and Glen Nichols will play the parts of the wise men, and the angel hosts will be made up of the primary children.

A chorus composed of the juniors and intermediates will intersperse the various scenes.

The public is cordially invited.

John Elliott who is attending the University of Oregon will come home to pass the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Elliott.

Friends of Mr. Elliott will be interested to know that he was one of the twelve, and the only student from Salem, being conferred with honors for the highest grades.

Mrs. A. Olinger of Everett, Washington, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Olinger, on the Wallace road.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roth of Washington are visiting relatives in Salem and will be here until after the holidays.

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Masonic Home Burns Five Are Missing

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 22.—By 1 o'clock this afternoon four bodies, all so badly burned that they could not be recognized, had been taken from the charred ruins of the \$300,000 Kansas Masonic home, burned here this morning. The bodies all were found in the basement. Firemen are now searching in 18 inches of water, rapidly turning to ice, for any other bodies.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 22.—Shortly before noon today it developed that four inmates and a waitress of the Kansas Masonic home which burned here this morning with a loss of \$300,000, were missing. At 2 o'clock it had been believed all had been accounted for but Joseph Deck, an aged inmate. Deck has been found uninjured. It is not known whether the five missing were burned in the building or whether they were rescued by neighbors and their whereabouts as yet unknown.

Two bodies, one of a man burned beyond recognition and the other believed to be a woman, were taken from the ruins of the Masonic home here at noon. The fire is under control. The destruction of the records and the fact that the persons rescued were taken to numerous residences in West Wichita make it difficult to account for the residents at the home, but at noon today it was still believed that only five were missing.

The missing are Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brown, an aged couple, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ferris, formerly of Atchison, Kan., and Gertrude Wegle of Burden, Kansas, a waitress, Mr. and Mrs. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Ferris had been inmates of the home for many years.

LUTHER BURBANK MARRIED

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Luther Burbank, the plant wizard, and Miss Elizabeth Waters, his secretary, at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon obtained a marriage license and went at once to the First Unitarian church, where they were married.

Burbank gave his age as 66 and his occupation as a "plant originator." He said he had been married before and divorced.

Miss Waters gave her name as Elizabeth Jane and her age as 32. She said her occupation was "literary critic" and that her residence is in Berkeley, Cal.

TURKEYS FOR WHITE HOUSE

Washington, Dec. 22.—There will be a fat Christmas turkey in the home of every white house attaché.

Following a custom he adopted when he came to the white house, President Wilson has ordered a bird for each of his employees—125 in all.

The 100-car freight train has become common.

ROSEBURG DOCTOR HEADS STATE BOARD

Work for Coming Year Is
Outlined at Session Held
Yesterday

Dr. W. B. Morse, Salem, president of the Oregon state board of health during the past year, retired from that position yesterday at the meeting of the board held in the state house yesterday morning and afternoon, and Dr. A. C. Seale, of Roseburg, was chosen to be president for the ensuing year. The personnel of the board remains the same, however, and is as follows: Dr. M. B. Marcellus, Portland, vice president; Dr. W. H. Roberg, Portland, was retained as secretary.

Dr. Morse, retiring president, was given a vote of thanks by the board for his services during the past year. During the coming year it is the plan of the board to make special effort for the improvement of sanitation in the rural schools, in infant and hygiene and welfare, a vigorous quarantine for communicable diseases, and the extension of epidemiological work throughout the state. It is planned to make revision of the rules and regulations relating to the control of contagious diseases so as to secure more stringent control.

One of the important actions taken by the board at the meeting yesterday was to make whooping cough and all communicable diseases compulsory quarantinable and the secretary was instructed to prepare instructions as to the quarantine enforcement and length of time the various maladies should be kept isolated. Whooping cough was shown by Dr. Roberg to rank third in the mortality rate, although it is commonly believed to be a minor disease. He declares drastic measures are necessary for its control.

Field Deputies Held Need

Special effort will be made to secure sufficient appropriation to employ field deputies to assist the state health officer in extension work. The state health officer has combined the work of the state bacteriologist with his own office eliminating the former office and expense. Health Officer Roberg spent much of his time during the past summer driving about the state in an automobile in extension work. He visited practically all of the 248 registration districts of the state.

A legislative committee composed of Drs. Andrew C. Smith, E. A. Pierce and D. N. Roberg of Portland and W. B. Morse of Salem was appointed to work out proposed amendments favored by the board.

The annual report submitted by Dr. Roberg shows that in addition to paying up a deficit of \$6000 from 1915, the board has finished the year of 1916 with about \$300 remaining of its appropriation.

Marcellus Questioned

Dr. Smith as chairman of a committee appointed some time ago to investigate reports of unsanitary conditions alleged to have existed in the various camps of the Third Oregon infantry while it was on the Mexican border, asked Dr. Marcellus concerning the truth of the reports.

Dr. Marcellus replied that the fact that no serious illness or death occurred among the 1200 men during the three months on the border despite the fact that the men underwent a radical change in climate and mode of life, was evidence of the care taken to safeguard health. He said as head of the hospital corps of the regiment he was under the strictest regulations and orders of regular army officers at all times.

Year's Work Reviewed

Dr. Roberg considers the past year the most notable in the history of the board in amount and character of constructive work accomplished, and gave a resume of the activities and achievements of the period.

He cited the regulations for the prevention and control of infantile paralysis drafted at a conference in Washington, D. C., August 17, which are patterned after similar regulations compiled following a conference of northwestern states in July, which was initiated by Oregon physicians. The prevention of an epidemic of the malady in the west is attributed largely to the care taken in watching persons coming from infected sections, a record being kept by means of a card index operated in conjunction with the railroads.

Dr. Roberg called attention to the working of the child welfare legislation enacted in 1915 which compels the reporting of sore eyes in children and investigations of their causes. The work of the traveling nurse to get data on causes and conditions concerning tuberculosis was mentioned as being valuable. The ordinances for the control of dogs to prevent spread of rabies, the conservation of purity of streams and various other work was cited.



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JUDGE GALLOWAY SIGNS THE DECREES

Saves Estate \$17,000, Appeal
Taken to Supreme
Court

Judge Galloway today signed the decrees in the Hubbard case. These provide for the continuance of the receiver, it reduces the attorneys fees from \$5,000 asked to \$750. It extends time of execution to November 1, 1917, the date of maturity of the note. The cancellation of the second mortgage of \$10,000 held by Welsh Brothers, on the ground there was no consideration, cancellation also of the third mortgage given to John Bayne, for \$1,500 attorneys fee, he having already received over \$700 for services in connection with the building. The court also decreed that the claim of the United States National bank for \$1,200 be held as a second lien subject to the Alliance Trust mortgage. A total of approximately \$17,000 in favor of Mrs. Hubbard. All the parties gave notice of appeal excepting the U. S. National bank. The court also held that there were overcharges in insurance, and that Mrs. Hubbard should be entitled to credit for the difference between this and the local rates here. The property is paying about \$1,100 a month clear of all expenses.

Would Probe Statements Made by Secretary

Washington, Dec. 22.—A resolution asking for investigation of conflicting interpretations placed upon the president's note to belligerent powers by the state department, and the consequent fluctuations of the market caused thereby, was introduced in the house this afternoon by Representative Wood, Indiana.

The resolution asks "that a committee of five representatives be appointed by the speaker of the house to investigate and make report as to whether or not anyone high in the administration or government affairs in the United States or any relative of anyone high in authority in the administration or government affairs in the United States profited financially either directly or indirectly by the fluctuations in the stock market occurring on Thursday, December 21, 1916, following the two contradictory interpretations given to the public from the office of the secretary of state concerning the note of the president of the United States, dated December 20, 1916, to the belligerent powers."

Wood did not formally present the resolution on the floor of the house. Instead he merely sent it to the resolution clerk who dropped it in his "resolution basket."

As the news spread about the floor members gathered in little knots to discuss it.

Explaining the purpose of his resolution Representative Wood stated that the house was fairly teeming with rumors that carried charges against parties high in the administration.

"If these rumors are true," he said, "it is right that we should know it and if they are not true then the records of those so charged should be cleared."

Wood added that names were being mentioned freely in the house and said that the "parties alleged to be concerned were so high up in the councils of the administration he felt constrained not to mention them himself."



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SLUMP OF STOCKS DUE TO PEACE NOTE

Recovery, However, Is Noted
In Many Leading
Industrials

New York, Dec. 22.—The recovery of the stock market from the 10-day peace slump, with its climax three million share day crash yesterday on publication of President Wilson's peace message, was helped today by King George's address to parliament, urging vigorous prosecution of the war.

During the first hour 640,000 shares were traded in. This compares with 849,000 during the opening hour yesterday.

United States steel sold to 104 at one time during the opening hour and at 11 o'clock was quoted at 105 3/4, up 4 3/4. After slumping to 78 3/4, Central Leather quickly climbed to 82 7/8. Marine preferred stood at 90 at the end of an hour's trading and Republic steel was quoted at 75 7/8.

A vigorous rally, in which buying was very active, carried prices upward shortly after 2 o'clock. United States steel sold at 107 5/8 at 2:15. Transactions of 5,000 and 10,000 shares of steel became common.

Crescent sold at 59 1/2, up 4 points from its low of the day; Industrial alcohol up 10 at 113 and Marine preferred sold up 4 1/2 to 93.

More than 1,000,000 shares were traded in the last two hours of heavy buying by speculators and investors. There was indication that bear plungers who hammered the market down on advance information from Washington, were buying in large volume and that banking interests were picking up stocks for investment purposes at bargain prices.

United States steel, on a quarter of a million share business, jumped to 108 5/8, up 5 5/8 from yesterday's close. Central Leather had soared upward, nearly nine points to 84 1/2; Anaconda was up 4 at 82 1/4, and Cuga sugar sold up 6 to 49 1/4.

The street was full of rumors today regarding millions made in a day. Barney Baruch, Tom Lawson, Burton Castles and the names of members of the German group in Wall street were mentioned as having guessed or having been informed the peace developments.

Total sales for the day totaled 1,779,000 shares.

United States steel closed at 107 1/8 up 6 7/8; Anaconda at 83 1/4, up 5 1/4; Industrial alcohol 111 1/2, up 14, and Marine preferred at 92 3/8, up 7 1/8.

The average passenger train carries 56 passengers.

Cherrians Are Active Working for Christmas

Now that the Cherrians are decorating the Christmas tree in the court house lawn, there seems to be a general demand for a general distribution of candy, nuts and apples to the children of the city, following the program.

Therefore, the tree will not only be decorated with hundreds of electric lights, but there will be appropriate exercises Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock on the court house steps and lawn.

The children of the primary department of the public schools under the direction of Miss Jessie Miller will sing several Christmas carols; the pupils of the high school with Miss Magers directing will sing; William McGilchrist, Sr., and his singers will assist in the program and the Cherrian band will do its part to make the occasion a festive one.

The school children will stand on the steps of the court house during their part of the program. Of course if it rains, all the singers and the public will adjourn to the armory.

Fred Mangis is chairman of the general committee and superintending all work. Paul Wallace and W. M. Hamilton are the program committee; C. E. Knowland, Frank Lovell and Watt Ship are providing a list of the families to be remembered by the Cherrians and F. S. Barton will arrange the decorations for the tree and street lights.



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