

SOCIETY

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THE historic news of Monday that caused the pulse of the world to go up at an overwhelming rate of speed, brought a wide variety of celebration in its wake, which towards night assumed a social nature in many instances, the participants in question preferring to share the rejoicing of the hour with groups of friends, a few playing the role of dinner hosts, while other merry-makers assembled later in the evening at one another's homes for a few hours of impromptu gaiety. The mantle of war-time restraint that has hung over the social affairs of the past year, and clung even more closely during the last month of influenza outbreak, was flung off in carefree abandon on Monday, and a hint of pre-war time gaiety was pre-figured for the coming season. A certain joyousness of atmosphere and relaxed freedom pervaded the various gatherings of this week, which has long been absent from all functions of the last twelfth-month, when hands and hearts were gravely taken up otherwise.

Signs of social life on a new and larger scale have already been indicated in announcements of the resumption of activity among numerous social clubs and diverse organizations of the city, which will hold opening and postponed meetings on various dates throughout the coming week.

The gayeties attendant upon the peace celebration Monday were delightfully rounded out in the evening for a coterie of friends, when Mrs. W. H. Lytle and Mrs. W. S. Walton presided as hostesses at a charming dinner party given at the Marion hotel, in festive observance of the day's events.

A handsome centerpiece of lovely lavender chrysanthemums decked the table which was further adorned for the occasion with a simple setting of artistic candlesticks.

Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Thielen, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Locke, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Burghardt, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ossett, Mr. and Mrs. Walton and Mr. and Mrs. Lytle.

A much-welcomed visitor in the city this week is Mrs. Henry D. Kimball of Pasadena, California, a former prominent Salem resident. Mrs. Kimball came north to attend the annual convention of the Columbia River branch of the Foreign Missionary society, which was to have been held at Boise, Idaho, but was postponed along with other public gatherings during the influenza ban.

Before coming to Salem the first of the week, Mrs. Kimball visited friends in Seattle and Portland. During her sojourn in Salem, her friends have shared the privileged role of hostess in her honor. Mrs. Henry J. Talbott, Mrs. C. A. Park, and Mrs. E. E. Upmeyer having entrained her at their homes throughout the week. She has also been the inspiration of several distinctive informal affairs, sponsored by her old time friends of the city. Mrs. Kimball made her home in Salem until about four years ago, when she changed her residence to California. The late Dr. Kimball founded and was subsequent dean of the Kimball School of Theology. Mrs. Kimball will remain until the fore part of next week.

Causing a ripple of surprise among her many Salem friends was the announcement received this week of the engagement of Miss Anna Yantis of Quincy, Illinois, to George Hudson Gasslin of Minneapolis.

The bride-elect is a former popular Salem girl and with her mother, Mrs. S. E. Yantis and sister, Miss Birdene Yantis, made her home in Salem a number of years, prior to the departure of the family for North Dakota, where they resided for over a year, later going to St. Louis Missouri, and finally taking up their residence in Illinois. She is also a sister of Mrs. Linn Smith of Salem.

A brother, David Yantis, accompanied by his wife and little daughter, also reside in Quincy, having left Salem soon after the departure of his mother and sisters about three years ago. The bride to be was a social favorite among a large contingent of Salem young people and was chosen Cherry Queen of the Salem Cherry fair in 1915. Miss Yantis met her fiancé shortly after her arrival in North Dakota.

Mr. Gasslin is stationed in the officers' training camp at Camp Grant, Rockford, Iowa. He was connected with the Lee tree concern in Minneapolis before entering the army. No date has been set for the wedding, which will probably not take place until after the enlisted men are returned.

The annual reception given by the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. of Willamette university to the incoming students and new members of the faculty, which was to have been held Saturday evening October 12, the date of the prohibitive order forbidding all large gatherings until the modification of the influenza outbreak, and consequently postponed, will take place to night at Eaton hall. The affair is one of the largest and most enjoyable social events of the college year and though coming considerably later than customary, is being none the less pleasurably anticipated by the guests of honor, who despite the advanced school term are still entitled to the complimentary rank of university newcomers.

The hall will be transformed into a gala scene, festive with patriotic color, quantities of flags being used for decoration, offset by effective arrangements of fall flowers.

A short program will be given, with several musical numbers by Professor R. Sires, dean of music at Willamette. The guests will receive small cards, distributed by Miss Vesta Mulligan, which bearing varied lists of names will be exchanged, and thus form the means of a general "get acquainted" hour. Later simple refreshments will be served by the upper class girls.

In the absence of the president of the Y. M. C. A. and the president of the student body, who were called to the student body, the vice presidents are to take their places in the receiving line which will be composed of President and Mrs. Carl Gregg Doney, Colonel and Mrs. George S. Young, Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Steves, Miss Lela Johnson, acting president of the student body, Homer Tasker, acting president of the Y. M. C. A., and Miss Gladys Nichols, president of the Y. W. C. A., and the new members of the faculty. Miss Mary Paroungian will present the guests to the receiving line.

Miss Mary Findley, as social secretary of the Y. W. C. A. has had charge of the arrangements of the reception, with Miss Charlotte Tebbins, as chairman of the refreshment committee and Miss Marguerite Wible, chairman of the decorating committee.

An orchestra will play during the evening, when it is expected about 300 university people and friends, will call.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Elliott entertained the members of the Original Dutch treat club Tuesday night at a pleasant supper party at their home on North Church street. This was the first gathering of the members for this season and was a particularly enjoyable one in view of the fact that it was in the nature of a renewal of acquaintanceship and club jollification after the summer's interim.

The table was centered with an exquisite cluster of pink roosebuds intermingled with greenery. The drawing rooms were aglow with masses of brilliant marigolds.

The club will meet next time with Dr. and Mrs. George H. Alden. Members assembling around the festive board on Tuesday night were: Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Steves, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Miles, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Legg, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Jones, Dr. and Mrs. George H. Alden, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott.

The Thursday Afternoon club will be entertained next week by Mrs. Fred Stewart and Mrs. Frank Spencer at the Spencer residence on the corner of Thirteenth and Chemeketa streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer T. Ludden have been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bagan of Toledo as their guests this week, at their home, 145 North 12th street.

Mrs. E. T. Barnes was a dinner hostess Thursday evening at her residence, 325 North Capitol street, in compliment to Mrs. H. D. Kimball of Pasadena, California, who is the guest of Salem friends this week. A color scheme of yellow was artistically developed in the table decorations. Covers were arranged for Mrs. Kimball, Dr. and Mrs. R. N. Avison, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Kirk and Mr. and Mrs. Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex A. Turner of Winifred, Montana, who have been spending several weeks in Salem as the guests of Mr. Turner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Turner, at their residence on North Capitol street, have left for Seattle, where they will visit Mrs. Turner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris, before going on to Montana.

THAT the artistic success of Miss Winifred Byrd in the world of music is now insured, was established at her second Aeolian hall concert given November fourth in New York. Miss Byrd made her musical debut at Aeolian hall last winter, when the superb artistry of her playing, won for her the unqualified praise of the New York critics and music lovers. In accordance with tradition, musicians entering the New York door of their art, invariably appear at Aeolian hall in a second concert following within the course of a year upon the first one, when the musical world is given an opportunity to set the stamp of permanent recognition and commendation upon the talent of the artist in question. Thus Miss Byrd's Salem friends received with pleasure word of the demonstrative ovation which greeted her at the close of this second recital, indicating as it did the entry of the Oregon pianist to an accepted position among the ranking musicians of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Asabel Bush of Salem, who are passing the winter in New York, were among those who had the gratification of hearing Miss Byrd on this occasion. Their comments as written back to friends in the city confirmed the complimentary verdict of the audience.

Speaking of Miss Byrd's concert the musical critic on the New York Times, James Gibbons Huneker, says:

"Sparks flew from the stage of Aeolian hall last night. A little blonde girl in Gainsborough blue, zoned with gold, flew at a grand pianoforte and her thin muscular arms were transformed into ferocious flails as she thrashed out Liszt's 'Campanella.' She scintillated and she soared, but the bells she rang were brittle in tone. It was Winifred Byrd, and her Buster Brown coiffure was to be noted throughout the audience; little Ethel Legrinskas, full of suppressed technique and boiling over with enthusiasm. (The original Ethel was also present and remained to the end.) Miss Byrd's piano playing is uneven, but always vital; therefore interesting, because suggestive. She over pedals, almost everything, and the overtones fight in the air like Spanish microbes when Dr. Copeland is discovered in the office. She has lapses of finger memory, which is not the same thing as a loss of musical memory; it merely means an occasional dropped note. And her massive chord playing is better than her single-finger runs, which lack proper relief. Perhaps this is natural finger weakness, or else it may be the young artist shoots her bolt too soon, anticipating her climax, and her nervous power is prematurely spent. We incline to the belief that she pedals every bar too much. It began in the arpeggios of the Chopin Fantasie, and was particularly noticeable in the A minor Study by the same master. The hard positivism of brilliant youth was also too insistent in its affirmations throughout the lovely Mozart Sonata in F—a favorite of the late Rafael Joseffy—while should be coaxed, not commanded.

"So much for the obverse 'side of Winifred Byrd's art. On the fair side of her slate much might be written. She blazes with temperament. She has the energy of a demon, as heard in the 'Dance of the Gnomes,' by Liszt. Her range of dynamics is excellent. She is musical. These were admirable things in the Chopin number; the F minor study from Opus 25, the 'Winter Wind,' aforesaid, and the great Fantasie. A study by Beethoven, sent well by Carl Baerman of Boston, delivered with a Mendelssohn song was preserved with sweet simplicity. We refuse to mention the Prelude by Rachinoff except to say that the Russian has written other preludes, one of which Joseph Hoffman plays with much effect. Miss Byrd achieved success with her hearers. She gave among her encores the C minor Prelude of Chopin, which did not sound altogether Chopinesque. Paderewski might call her, as he once called Fritz Scherff, 'the little devil,' not of grand opera, but of the keyboard."

The Sweet Briar club will be entertained by Mrs. C. C. Chaffee Wednesday afternoon at her residence on the Wallace road. The Sweet Briar club along with other organizations has been forced to discontinue all club gatherings during the past month owing to the influenza conditions. Mrs. Dudley Gibson, newly elected president will preside at the meeting Wednesday.

The Community Red Cross auxiliary, composed of members residing on or in the neighborhood of the Wallace road, will also resume work next Friday at the regular headquarters.

Mrs. L. G. Curtis is enjoying a visit from her son, Deane Curtis, who arrived Thursday night direct from Queenstown, Ireland. Mr. Curtis enlisted in the navy a year and a half ago, and has been serving on the battleship Conyngham, which plied between Ireland and England. He has now been transferred from the naval base at Queenstown to Maree and near San Francisco.

Mr. Curtis was a popular member of the Salem high school before his enlistment and will be better remembered by his school friends as "Larry" Curtis. He left yesterday for Corvallis, where he will visit his sister, Miss Irene Curtis, a student at the Oregon Agricultural college over the week end, also attending the football game between the University of Oregon and O. A. C., played this afternoon on the campus of the latter. He is on a ten days leave.

The advanced dancing class of Mrs. Ralph R. White will hold its first meeting of the year Wednesday night at Cotillion hall. This class numbers a group of the younger married set, many of whom belonged to the Monday Night Dancing club last year, and who are eager to perfect themselves in the late steps.



MISS ANNA YANTIS, the daughter of Mrs. S. Yantis of Quincy, Illinois, a former popular Salem girl, the announcement of whose engagement to George Hudson Gasslin of Minneapolis was received in Salem this week.

Unusually elaborate preparations are being made by the members of the Eastern Star in anticipation of the annual official visit of the Grand Matron, Mrs. Mabel Stettler on Tuesday night. The Salem members will assemble together with a number of visiting officers at the Masonic Temple for the regular lodge session, to be followed by a program and social time. The entertainment committee numbers Mrs. L. K. Page, chairman, Mrs. W. W. Moore and Miss Gussie Niles.

The Merry Go-Round club, one of the select club clubs of Salem society, will resume activity for the winter Tuesday evening, when Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Spencer will be hosts for the members at their residence, 287 North Thirteenth street. The president, Rollin K. Page, will preside at the business meeting preceding the evening's social hour, when the annual election of officers will take place.

A series of clever verses and accompanying thumb nail sketches, entitled "War-time Fancies" from the pen of Miss Vivian Bretherton, made their appearance in the society section of last Sunday's Portland Journal. Miss Bretherton is a sister of Mrs. Clifford Brown of Salem, and the daughter of Mrs. W. W. Bretherton of Portland. Though having resided in Portland for a number of years, she is well known in Salem being a frequent visitor in the Capital city.

Miss Bretherton is a contributor of verse to the eastern magazines, and as a complement to her talent in the literary line, she took a course of study in the art department of the University of California this summer, thus perfecting a natural gift for illustrating her work. She is now combining her writing and drawing abilities to advantage on the Portland Journal, where she is engaged in doing special features of a catchy nature.

A sprightly motif running through the rhymes written for Sunday's Journal depicts the modern maid in a variety of fetching war-time guises, beginning with the plight of the chic young waitress, staggering under a tray piled high with hot cakes, who catches her Red Cross sister overseas, in this wise:

"It's all very well,
Moaned Nancy Bell
To honor a Red cross nurse.
But I'd rather be there
With a ward in my care—
For feeding a nation is worse."
And in place of the raucous shout of the newsboy the reader hears in imagination the gentler tone of the trim little newsgirl pictured with her bundle of extras, and a lingo of her own:

"Buy a paper, buy a paper,
Learn about the war.
Kaiser's dead and Hindy's dyin'—
Huns are ruinin' sure,
Berlin a blazin', shrieks amazin'
Come from those poor Huns."
And most laughter-provoking of all is the disconsolate yeomanette, who firmly entrenched in two puddles of water aboard-ship, grasps a scrub brush in one and a mop in the other to the tune of:

"Swabbin' the decks in the early morn'
Sing ho, for a maited milk.
Time was—for so the story goes—
When maidens dressed in silk.
And being a tender debutante
Meant dances and dinners and trips.

But up with the sun is the modern bud,
For now is when ladies build ships."

Lieutenant Prince W. Byrd will leave Salem tomorrow morning for Port Oglethorpe, Georgia, where he will be stationed as a member of the medical corps, having recently been issued his commission by the war department. He will be accompanied as far as Portland by Mrs. Byrd. They will pass the day with Lieutenant Byrd's sister, Miss Edna Byrd, who is taking the reconstruction course at Reed college. Lieutenant Byrd will start south in the evening, while Mrs. Byrd will return to Salem.

"Although hundreds of Portlanders" said the Oregonian, "were disappointed at not being able to attend the wedding of Miss Fannie Chamberlain and Horace Wilton Tevis last night, owing to the quarantine ban, nevertheless, it shall go down in the annals of Portland society as one of the most notable and charming home functions in the city. The ceremony was solemnized at 7-45 Tuesday night at the home of the bride's parents, Senator and Mrs. George E. Chamberlain, on Tillamook street, Dr. E. H. Pence reading the impressive service.

"It was charming in every detail and most artistic, the rainbow effect of the attendants' attire against the lovely floral decorations of the drawing room being unusually attractive. The service was read before an altar of white chrysanthemums and palms, garlands of the fluffy chrysanthemums and fernery forming an aisle for the bridal procession.

"Senator Chamberlain, who came from Washington for the occasion, gave his daughter in marriage. She was

greatly admired in an exquisite gown of simple white satin, unadorned save for a few tiny clusters of orange blossoms on the panels of the skirt and at the corners of the full court train, which was gracefully draped from her shoulders. Her veil was fashioned in a coronet of Duchess lace and tiny sprays of the orange blossoms decked the sides. An exquisite shower bouquet of white spray orchids and gardenias completed the lovely costume.

"The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Charles Donald Wood, as matron of honor, and the Misses Cornelia Tevis, Nancy Holt, Miriam Reed and Pauline Wolfard as bridesmaids.

"Clarence Brazell was best man.

"Mrs. Chamberlain was admired in a handsome gown of black satin with overdrapage of net studded with cut-steel. She also wore a corsage of orchids.

"Mrs. Warren E. Thomas played the wedding march and during the reception Webb's orchestra played for dance. A buffet supper was served, the dining room being a veritable bower of pink roses. Quantities of fluffy pink chrysanthemums adorned the library and the reception hall was aglow with cerise petaled blossoms and palms.

"Mr. and Mrs. Tevis will upon their return from their wedding trip make their home in Winlock, Wash., where the former is manager of the Black Diamond Lumber company. He also is interested with his father in the L. B. Menefee Lumber company at Winlock.

"Mr. Tevis is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Tevis of Irvington, and he shares his bride's popularity in society. Mrs. Tevis is not only a social favorite in this city, but also in Washington, D. C., where she attended a finishing school and where she participated in numerous formal social functions."

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The total number of books taken from the library in October by adults was 1708 while the juveniles carried home 631. And all this circulation was during the 14 days of the month the library was open, which was closed part of the time on account of influenza.

Although the library was closed part of the time, the library force put in full time as 1700 books were mended and every book in the library, examined and repaired where necessary. Tipping file was organized and entries for the same made in the catalogue. During this time a classification of books in the adult room suitable for younger readers was made and the books marked for identification.

Fiction more than ever was the leader. In October, out of the 1708 books and periodicals taken out, those reading fiction called for 1213. The younger readers were not quite so strong for fiction as out of 631 books and magazines called for in October, only 387 were fiction.

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