

SOCIETY

By GERTRUDE ROBISON

If a little old lady with white hair and a brown cape and blackthorn cane were to give you three wishes tonight, its dollars to doughnuts the very first one would be that you were a Cherrian, or the wife or sister or "first best" friend of a Cherrian. Because if you aren't a Cherrian or the wife or sister or "first best" friend of a Cherrian you might just as well put on your checkered apron or dark blue overalls, as the case may be, and sit among the cinders Friday night.

Heretofore it really hasn't made such an awful lot of difference. Because no matter if you were a Cherrian's oldest sister, or the one whom he had sworn to have and to hold and to honor and obey until death do you part, all the kings horses and all the kings men couldn't have got you into a Cherrian banquet hall.

Men are funny that way. They think it is absolutely essential that they have periodical gatherings from which all daughters of Eve are carefully excluded. Goodness knows what enjoyment they can find in an assembly of that kind; seems to me that it would be fearfully boring, doesn't it to you? Nevertheless they send each other engraved invitations, monopolize the best dining room in the city, buy out the nearest cigar store and spend a small fortune on decorations when the truth of the matter is that unless one is of the rare C. B. Glancey species he doesn't even notice if the table cloth is on straight. And they eat and make merry and wax witty over the coffee and sentimental over the cigars and go home when the small star specked ones are giving place to the slender dawn-streaked ones and begin to wait for the next occasion. Eccentricity thy name is man!

But its different now. The affair gives promise of being a veritable "dream of fair women." It gives promise of being more than that. There are vague whispers and suspicious rumors abroad of surprises that will be given to the merry makers, and of the amusement that will be afforded them.

And of the perfumes and the gowns and the little high slippers! O the happy laughter and the gay repartee! O the flowers that will wither on the Cherrian banquet table!

O well sitting among the cinders in a checkered apron one still can dream of marble halls!

Red, white and blue decorations, set off prettily by a wealth of Oregon grape and early violets formed the setting for a delightful birthday dinner given yesterday by Mrs. Al H. Steiner at her home on the Wallace road, in honor of her husband and her daughter, Margaret. Circling the table were Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. James Imah, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pennington, Mr. and Mrs. Moosa Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chaffee, Mrs. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall, Miss Mildred Imah, Miss Marie Marshall, Miss Margaret Steiner and Mr. and Mrs. Al H. Steiner.

In the evening a number of neighbors surprised them with a visit and the hours were spent with music and dancing.

Mrs. Grace Hoff was a charming hostess at an informal entertainment given at her home on Court street last Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. E. P. Dodd of Hermiston. A dainty springtime effect was achieved in the decorations of daffodils, and some of Salem's most prominent women were guests at the affair. Those present were Mrs. Dodd, Mrs. Tom Kay, Mrs.

Chas. Robinson, Mrs. Ben Cleott, Mrs. William Lytell, Mrs. E. Hartley, Mrs. B. W. Craig, Mrs. R. E. Lee Steiner, Mrs. E. C. Cross, Mrs. Wm. Steuseloff, Mrs. Frank Griffith, Mrs. Laura Harris, Mrs. Percy Cupper, Mrs. Cooke Patton, Mrs. John Scott and Mrs. H. J. Clements. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Hartley, Mrs. Craig and Mrs. Steuseloff.

Charming in every detail was the dinner party given Thursday evening by Mrs. Ronald Glover at her home, 635 North Commercial street, honoring Senator and Mrs. Marion D. Shanks of Condon, and Honorable and Mrs. L. E. Bean of Eugene. A beautiful art basket centered the table and the dainty color scheme of pale yellow was carried out in the delicate decorations and yellow candles circling the table were Senator and Mrs. Marion D. Shanks, Honorable and Mrs. L. E. Bean, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Hellett, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Boy Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Byars, Mrs. J. Frank Dunlap, Miss Marian Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Glover.

To honor Mrs. George Thacher Guernsey of Independence, Kan., president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. Frank Dexter Ellison of Belmont, Mass., regent of Multnomah chapter and Willamette chapter, Mrs. John A. Keating and Mrs. Esther Allen Jones, entertained national and state officers on an automobile drive to Multnomah Falls and a luncheon at Crown Point Thursday afternoon.

In the party were Mrs. Guernsey, Mrs. Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wilkins of Eugene, Mrs. Isaac Lee Patterson of Salem, Mrs. Judd of Pendleton, Mrs. S. L. Albaugh, Mrs. C. S. Jackson, Mrs. Alva Gage, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Mary Barlow Wilkins, Mrs. John Hall, Mrs. J. B. Montgomery, Mrs. John Pearson and Mrs. Keating.

You'll be there, of course. Everyone will be there, at the military ball to be given at the armory tonight by Company M. Select music has been secured and a great deal of trouble has been taken to make the affair a notable one in the annals of the dancing circles of Salem. The Cherrians magnanimously postponed their ball this week in order to give Company M the right of way and it is hoped that the public will show their appreciation of both these organizations by attending the ball tonight.

The first division of Oregon troops has come home. A great many Salem people went to Portland last Monday to greet the 65th coast artillery on its return from France. They all have the same tale to tell when questioned. No, the boys aren't sorry they went but they're oh! so glad that it's over. Yes, La Belle France is a queen among countries but they know of one that surpasses her. And the trip was wonderful and the whole experience a glorious adventure but oh boy! wasn't it good to feel American soil beneath one's feet again and see American skies above one's head! And so the story runs, with some slight variations now and then, but the same refrain throughout it all.

The question is, who is the happiest over the return—those who have come back with a wealth of experience and the burden of a duty, well done, or those that they left behind to wait for them?

THE mild Oregon winter has been kind to little bulb plants that border the walks of the great gray building at the end of State street. It is, I believe, a very efficient and comfortable building, as such places are judged, but for all that, God knows it is bleak enough. Last night, however, and the night before, in the large auditorium crowded with an eager and appreciative audience, one forgot the high iron fence and tall sentry towers and remembered only that the men who were putting on the two-act comedy, "A Midnight Caliber," were men of very human caliber, with faith and hopes—and loves, no doubt—differing no whit from our own. There was positive genius displayed throughout the entire performance. To waste words trying to comment on the remarkable ability of Fred Taylor, the author of the plot and leading character of the act, would be utter foolishness. Everyone present recognized a professional, and no mean one at that, before the comedy had progressed any length. Pomeroy and Graham with their clever team work, and Happy Gordon in the nonsensical role of "Cootie Clarence," were "screams." A pathetic note was produced in the tableau "Just Break the News to Mother," gently emphasized by the wonderful voices of those taking part. All through the second act an undercurrent of sadness was discernible, in spite of the irrepressible outbursts of the comedians, due perhaps to the novel interpretation by Jan DuMonte of "A Pool three Was," and his original toast, "Is the Debt Paid?" to those former occupants numbering a hundred odd, who had rallied to the colors at the outbreak of the war. It is pretty safe to state that no one who was present, will ever think of Kipling without remembering Jan DuMonte.

Faith, we have learned, is the essence of things to be hoped for. Let us trust, then, that some day, having kept their faith in the great outer world, those who laughed at us and sang for us over the footlights in the great gray building last night, may come at last to the foot of the rainbow.

With the prettily appointed table a perfect symphony in white and yellow, Mrs. Curtis Cross entertained a coterie of friends at a wedding anniversary dinner last evening at her home on north Fourteenth street. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hofer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spears, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Powell, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. David Eyre, Dr. and Mrs. Prince Byrd, Mrs. Elmer Strayer, Miss Maude Durbin and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cross.

During the evening Mrs. Hofer delighted the guests with a vocal solo, "Because."

Mrs. J. Frank Dunlap entertained a coterie of friends last Sunday at an informal dinner party in honor of her husband's birthday. A pink color scheme was carried out in the table appointments. Covers were laid for eight guests.

There has been so much said about the entertainment that the Patriotic League will present to the public Tuesday evening that there is scarcely any thing left to relate. However, concerning those who have so generously forced their services the authors of the production can not say enough. Mr. Bligh, who has allowed them the use of the opera house, Mr. Hamilton, who is furnishing the light; Mr. Steiff, who has donated the piano and Mr. Marvin

Society, for the present, is giving up other diversions to entertain the returning soldiers from overseas and to partake in the numerous activities being arranged in honor of the men. Plans for the reception of Company M are in full swing and now with the 91st division many of whom are Salem men, about to set sail for the states the minds of society folk are being doubly occupied. According to the latest dispatches the 91st division is due to sail on or before March 1st.

Celebrating Washington's birthday in true American style, the Mothers club of Highland school district met at the Highland school and enjoyed the following program: "Loyalty is the word today," and "My Own United States"—Chorus. Piano duet, "The Bells"—Lois Hack and Winnifred Richards. Dramatization of Cinderella—third grade. Song, "Land of Mine"—Fourth, fifth and sixth grades. Recitation, "The Cherry Tree"—Bertha Schaefer. Song, "Washington"—Fourth grade. "Our Civic Creed"—Ortha Harvey. The flag contest was won by the pupils in the second grade. It was brought to the notice of the mothers of the club that circumstances existed in the district in which some of the children were not able to come to school. Action was taken immediately to give them the privileges which are their due.

An invitation is being issued to the people of Salem to attend the five reel war picture that will be shown in the First Congregational church tomorrow evening. No admission will be charged but a silver offering will be collected for the War Mother's fund.

Miss Lenore Koon has gone to Portland for a week's visit with Miss Muriel Whitney.

who is giving his services in selling tickets to all these the league is deeply grateful. To the girls of the La Ara club also and Jimmie McFarland, who have offered to act as ushers for the evening, they extend their thanks.

The program follows:
Part One
(a) Gaily We're Tripping (Zeasie)
(b) Beneath Thy Lattice (Hopkins)
Girls glee club Salem high school, direction of Miss Lena Belle Tartar.
Classical dance, June Bug, Myrtelle Shipp, Pupil Mrs. Ralph White.

Violin selections by part of Miss Elizabeth Levy's ensemble club.
Monologue, "The Story Book Ball," little Jeanette Sykes.
Vocal duet, Misses Viola Finney and Romania Mailbox.

A Hoosier describes Rubenstein's playing, by Miss Ethelwynne Kelley.
Vocal solo, "Waltzes by Lieurance," Mrs. R. W. Simeral.
Address, Hon. Frank Davy, president Soldiers and Sailors' parent association.
Character dance, Spanish, Genevieve Harbour, pupil Mrs. Ralph White.
Vocal duet, Rev. H. C. Stover and Mrs. Guy Nugent.

Part Two
Goodnight, Beloved, Girls glee club, Salem high school.
Character dance, Sword, Myrtelle Shipp.
Harp solo, Miss Mary Lebold.
Reading, in Hoc Vice, Florence L. Barclay, Mrs. Leland W. Porter.
Male quartet, the Reuben boys.
Classical dance, Genevieve Harbour.
Pantomime, pupils from the physical culture class, Sacred Heart academy.
Tableaux, assisted by the girls glee club, Salem high school.

The curtain rises promptly at 8:15 p. m. General admission \$25, reserved seats 15c extra. Seats will be on sale at the Opera House Pharmacy Tuesday morning.

Mrs. E. D. Barton of this city has just received a letter from her brother, Dr. R. W. Walton, who was commissioned in the medical corps of the army early last fall. He has been stationed with the Eighth division in field hospital forty three at Camp Lee, Virginia. The doctor writes that he received his discharge from the army on February tenth among the last of the officers of the Eighth division, which has been recently mustered out. After taking a few weeks post graduate work at the clinics of New York and Boston, he will return to Salem.

A reunion of the family of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Briggs was held recently at their home, 344 South 19th street, in honor of the eldest son, Myron W. Briggs, who is home for the first time in twenty years.

Among those present were, Mrs. Minnie Briggs Monroe, Mrs. Alice Hamilton Briggs, Ben H. Briggs, Jr., Mrs. Anna Briggs Whittier, Miss Charlotte Whittier, all of Portland, Myron W. Briggs of Canada, Milton E. Briggs of Pendleton, Mrs. Leona Briggs Albert, Virginia Albert and Ebin F. Albert of Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kirk (Ella Briggs), and Anita Kirk of Chemawa, Mrs. Della Briggs Harris, David Harris and Herbert Harris of Hoquiam, Washington.

The Salem Council number 2622 of the Knights and Ladies of Security, entertained the members and friends in Hurst hall last Thursday evening. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs. Hagamore, Miss Egerley, Mrs. Rawley, assisted by Mr. Gregory and Mr. Rawley. A large crowd was present and for an hour enjoyed card games and other amusements, after which the evening was spent in dancing. Refreshments were served at 10:30 during which speeches for the good of the order were featured.

Mrs. W. D. Albright gave a farewell party yesterday afternoon to Miss Edna Smith, who leaves Monday for her home in Cripple Creek, Colorado. While in Salem she was connected with Barnes Cash Store. The guests included Mrs. Leona Yates and daughter, Crystal Marie Boone, Mrs. Edmondson, Mrs. Paul Parker, Mrs. L. E. Davis, Muriel Hansen, Mrs. Hubert Hansen, Muriel Edmondson, Wilma Miller and Miss Edna Smith.

Miss Edith Benedict of Salem has been re-elected to the office of recording secretary of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Word has been received that Frank W. Durbin, Jr., will arrive in New York today. Mr. Durbin, who needs no introduction to Salem society, has been in France for more than a year, having enlisted in Company M at the outbreak of hostilities.

Mrs. Elmer Strayer is the house guest of Mrs. Prince Byrd.

One of the brightest social events developing within the circle of the First Presbyterian church occurred last evening when a throng of church members and friends gathered in the parlors in a reception to Pastor Anderson and the new members of the church. The rooms were beautifully decorated with ivy sprays, baskets and vases of cut flowers. Sharing the honors of the evening with Mr. and Mrs. Anderson was Dr. Coan, the noted missionary from Persia, who recently addressed a mass meeting in behalf of the Armenian refugees. Dr. Coan was a classmate of Dr. Anderson, and during his sojourn here was delighted to meet also his former high school mate, Com. Chas. A. Park.

Jos. Albert, presiding over the meeting, called upon Dr. Avison, of the First Methodist church, who, as the oldest pastor in the Ministerial association, addressed a warm welcome to the Presbyterian brother, backing up his remarks with fitting passages of scripture. Dr. Anderson replying, expressed his hearty appreciation of the kindnesses he had received from the congregation and from the association which he had found a most genial and fraternal organization.

Mr. Anderson then requested that his friend from the old world should favor the audience with a brief address, and Dr. Coan proceeded to relate a number of the most thrilling experiences of his long career on the Persian field, thereby revealing incidentally that he is not only a man with a keen sense of humor, but of a magnificent courage and a profound faith.

Along with the addresses were several most pleasing vocal and instrumental numbers by Miss Gertrude Eakin, Miss Margaret Hodge and Miss Judd.

Following the program, the company were invited into adjoining rooms, where at tastefully decorated tables, they were served with dainty light refreshments, and lively sociability rounded out the evening.

Members of the West Central Circle of the First M. E. church were the guests of Mrs. Walter Winslow, 775 North Church street, last Wednesday afternoon. After the business session Mrs. B. L. Steeves took charge of the program. During the social hour dainty refreshments were served by the hostess, yellow being the predominant color. The tea table was centered with daffodils and a delicious birthday cake honoring those members whose birthdays fell in January or February, and on which the yellow candles were arranged in the form of a question mark was cut by the president, Mrs. I. L. McAdams. Fifteen guests enjoyed a delightful afternoon.

Miss Marian Miller was hostess to the La Ara club last Monday night at her home on Marion street. Early spring flowers and trailing greenery formed the lovely decorations, and delicious refreshments were served. Miss Joy Turner will entertain the members at the club at their next meeting.

Invitations have been issued by the Beethoven club, to a violin and piano recital to be given Sunday afternoon at the studio of Miss Joy Turner, 335 North Capitol street. The club is composed solely of pupils of Miss Turner and has acquired a reputation of giving high class recitals so that those fortunate enough to receive invitations are assured of a rare musical treat.

The Yeoman Lodge will be sponsors for a delightful dance next Wednesday evening in the Masonic Temple. This is one of a series that the lodge is giving on the last Wednesday of every month. Invitations may be obtained at the Red Cross Pharmacy, 286 State street.

The Knights of Pythias committed to which the affair has been assigned have arranged, with the assistance of the Pythian sisters, a program for the home-coming next Tuesday night.

As a proof that the services and ability of Mrs. Isaac Lee Patterson are highly appreciated by the Daughters of the American Revolution, she was nominated as vice president general of the national D. A. R. Mrs. Patterson is one of the most prominent club women of the state and has filled the office of regent of the Oregon chapter and, later, regent of the Multnomah chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She is the wife of Senator Patterson of Polk county and has two sons, both of whom volunteered in the service at the outbreak.

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