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Social Activities of the Week

Reported by Mrs. W. R. Lees

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Mrs. E. A. Huffman of West Central Avenue left last week for Denver, Col., where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. Mary Armstrong and Miss Doll Loughrey of Spokane, Wash., are visiting Mrs. C. E. Rank and son of 585 West Highland Avenue.

Mrs. A. R. Hinton of East Montecito Street has just returned from a week's visit to Mrs. Figg-Hoblyn of Santa Barbara.

Mr. A. J. Barker of East Highland Avenue arrived from the East on the 20th. He visited his sister in Milwaukee and friends in Mason City, Iowa, while away.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodson Jones, Mrs. Genevieve Neutel and son Henry, and Mrs. Julia Shannon attended an anniversary dinner at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Madri of Covina last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Harley and two sons of Springfield, Mass., arrived last Saturday to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carpenter of East Alegria Street for some time.

Mrs. Frederick P. Sperry and Miss Harriet arrived home Tuesday night after a three weeks visit in the East, principally in New York. They were a week on the return trip, stopping in Washington and New Orleans, and say they had a most enjoyable trip in every way.

Miss Hardenburgh and Doris Bayard of East Laurel Avenue had for luncheon guests last Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bayard of Los Angeles, who have recently returned from an extended trip through the East.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pegler are down from Palmdale for the Horticultural Exhibit in Los Angeles and are occupying the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hartman on South Lima Street while the latter are spending the week with Mrs. Hartman's sister, Mrs. Lester Tartar of Fresno.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dietz of South Baldwin Avenue entertained at dinner Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bassett and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Rhodes. The evening was spent in cards.

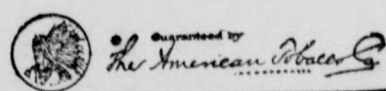
Mrs. W. S. Andrews of West Central Avenue entertained the Dickens Fellowship Wednesday afternoon. Believing that consistency is a most admirable quality, she served English muffins and marmalade with the refreshments that the truly Dickensian flavor should be in evidence in the eats.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Anderson of West Mariposa Street are enjoying a visit from their son, A. J. Anderson of San Francisco, and his family. Mr. Anderson, Sr., states they are endeavoring to persuade the younger generation that this part of the state is the best for permanent residence.

Miss Rose Gerson of the Valley View Ranch on East Grand View was given a surprise party in honor of her fourteenth birthday last Saturday evening by her mother and sister, Dorothy. The evening was spent in games and dancing and Mrs. Gerson, assisted by Mrs. Lannon, served delicious refreshments. Those present were Esther Lomax, Margaret Mayer, Hazel Kincaid, Angela Schneberger, Ela Reeves, Lois Woodruff, Ruth Bloodworth, Margaret Lannon, Robert Woodruff, Lester Bodine, Alfred Bolohayek, Perley Cox, Dudley Shaw, Otto Kittleson and Billy Summers.



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Personal Liberty Cannot Override Public Safety

THE diphtheria situation in this city has once again reached the serious stage, though we are very much better off than many cities in the state. So far we have been fortunate in that there have been but two deaths, one last spring and another last week.

The doctors state that the disease is of a more virulent type this fall, which means that unless precautionary measures are properly enforced there will be mourning in more than one household in this city.

This disease, which is essentially a children's disease, is subtle of attack and swift of action—it won't pay to take chances with any sore throat or cold.

The overwhelming sentiment of the community is supporting the members of the School Board, who insist on a strict enforcement of the State Board of Health regulations regarding this disease.

Some parents who have refused to conform to these regulations resent the ruling which excludes their children until the regulations have been complied with. They argue that their personal liberty is being interfered with.

Personal liberty is perfectly all right until indulgence in it injures some one else, then it ceases to be permissible. You may own your house and you may not like it, but you will not be allowed to set it on fire and burn it down, owing to the risk to your neighbors. Personal liberty interfered with again!

If you own an automobile and start demonstrating your belief in personal liberty by running it according to your own desires regardless of traffic rules, you will probably land in jail.

The whole structure of civilized society has its foundation on law and the enforcement of law. There would not be any schools to send children to nor any protection to life and property at home or abroad if it were not for the law.

The people who are protesting against the enforcement of one section of the law, owe every item of their well being and their safe existence to law. If everybody began picking out the sections of law that displease them and refusing to obey because such sections interfered with personal liberty, society would be in a pretty mess in no time at all. The law is the law, and in nine hundred and ninety-nine cases out of the thousand it works to the greatest good of the greatest number.

With four hundred children attending our public school and a state-wide epidemic of diphtheria showing a lively disposition to invade this town also, there can be no question as to what the few objectors must do.

Either conform to the regulations which experience has proven can control the epidemic, or keep your children away from the school. There is no desire or disposition to quarrel with any one's religious belief, but the four hundred must be protected. They are the most valuable possessions the city has.

Problems That Affect the Other Fellow Are So Easy

WHAT a thoroughly nice world this would be to live in if everyone were tolerant! Most of us pride ourselves on being broadminded and thoroughly impartial in our judgments, and a good many of us are fairly so until our own toes are stepped on, and then that's an entirely different matter.

It is so easy to be calm about some one else's problem. We are so sure that if we were in Tom Jones' or Dick Smith's shoes we would treat the difficulty with which they are struggling with efficiency and promptitude, and would have everything straightened out in less than no time with the best possible results for everybody concerned.

But when the twin to that difficulty comes and takes up its station on our own doorstep, giving every indication of a determination to make us a good long visit, that wonderful poise and discrimination take unto themselves wings, and we are apt to give a lifelike imitation of a chicken with its head off flopping around, kicking up an awful dust.

There's one comfort, though, as we get along in years and have a little better acquaintance with the amusingly inconsistent human nature with which we are all endowed—we are not so prone to tell the other chap what to do. We don't say, "If I were you, I would—" half so often as when we were twenty years younger. We may think it, but we don't say it.

And when we get educated a trifle further in life's school and instead of thinking that, we think, "Thank heaven, I don't have to wrestle with that trouble," we are in a fair way to be comfortable people to have around.

News of the Churches

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
Rev. Wm. Carson Shaw, Rector.
Holy Communion 8 a. m.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.
Evening prayer, 7:30 p. m.
Woman's Guild meets every Friday at 2:30 p. m.

BETHANY

Dr. W. H. Rawlings, Pastor.
11:00 A. M. Morning Service.
6:30 P. M. Senior Young People's
7:30 P. M. Evening Service.
Wednesday evening 7:30 prayer meeting.
Mr. F. R. D. Moots, Sunday School superintendent.
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Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Geo. Morgridge, Superintendent.
Adult Bible Class.
Christian Endeavor Society, 6:30 p. m.
Church services 11 a. m. and 6:30 p. m.
You are invited.

THEOSOPHISTS

The Children's School of Theosophy, under the direction of The United Lodge of Theosophists, will be reopened on Sunday morning for the winter season. Parents who are interested are invited to visit and to send their children. There is no charge or collection. Ten o'clock Sunday morning, at 162 East Central Avenue.

NEW THOUGHT LECTURES

Under auspices of Home of Truth, Los Angeles, founded by Mrs. Annie Rix Millitz. Every Tuesday afternoon, 3 o'clock, 49 East Central. November 1, subject, "What All the World is Seeking."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

11:00 a. m. Morning Service, subject Sunday, October 30, "Everlasting Punishment."
Services of the Christian Science Society of Sierra Madre are held in the Kindergarten building West Highland Avenue.
Testimony meeting Wednesday 8 p. m.

Making a Fern Bed

By Jessie Ward

Everyone loves a fern bed and every home has some corner or spot where one can be made.

The right situation for a fern bed is the place where it is shady through the hot hours of the day all the year around. You can find a place like this along the north side of a house, garage or fence, or under an evergreen tree, such as an oak or pine tree.

A fern bed is beautiful every day of the year. It is cool and refreshing in the summer, clean and dignified in the winter. The most charming fern beds are those in which the ferns are interspersed with begonias and other shade-loving plants. These plants brighten up the bed and give it more interest.

In preparing a place to have the fern bed, the ground should be spaded up to a depth of one foot or more and leaf-mould or well-rotted stable manure mixed with the soil until it is loose and pliable. The ferns and other plants should be planted about one foot apart and soaked with water as soon as planted. The bed should always be kept rather damp, and on hot days it would not hurt to sprinkle the bed two or three times a day. Ferns are native to swampy ground and they do not mind getting their feet wet.

The hardiest ferns and the ones that are grown with the greatest success here are the Woodwardia ferns and the Sword ferns. The Woodwardia ferns should be planted in the background, as they are taller. Fuchsias look well in the background also, and sometimes climb up on the house almost like vines. Their bright colored blossoms, in contrast, are very handsome.

The dwarf bedding begonias are splendid for planting among the sword ferns. They bloom every day of the year, even their foliage is pretty. These come in either red or pink. The taller varieties of begonias, of which there are a great many, can be planted towards the back of the bed and the dwarf varieties in the front. Other good flowering and foliage plants for the fern bed are forget-me-nots, primroses, cyclamen, cinerarias, coleus, aspidistra and aucuba.

After the fern bed is established, a dressing of leaf-mould and commercial fertilizer should be applied three or four times a year, and all dead or yellow fronds clipped from the ferns. Missing plants should be replaced with new ones.

NO LONGER APPROPRIATE

An Indian named Man-Afraid-of-Nothing married a white woman in Montana not long ago, and in one week after the wedding he applied to his tribe to have his name changed.—Boston Transcript.

AND SILENCE ENSUED

A meddlesome woman, riding in a trolley car, began sneering at a young mother's awkwardness in holding a fretting baby.

"I declare," she snorted, "a woman ought never to have a baby until she knows how to hold it."

"Nor a tongue, either," calmly responded the worried young mother.

THE KRAZY KAFETERIA

"Give me a combination salad without any dressing."

"Yes, sir. What kind of dressing do you want it without?"

"Without mayonnaise."

"Sorry, sir. We haven't any mayonnaise. You'll have to have it without French dressing."—Orchard and Farm.

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