

SOLELY

TALES OUT OF SCHOOL

Honolulu, December 17, 1914.

Dear Polly,
The Christmas season is surely on the students in the boarding department of the academy have all gone to their homes on the other islands and most of the teachers are "visiting out." Aside from the holly and snow, Christmas in Hawaii is quite like Christmas everywhere else, a little more generous if anything, for everyone has enormous lists of remembrances, including your very true friend. The ladies vow they are giving on a much smaller scale this year, and it makes me gasp for such long lists I have seen and such delightful things included in them.

I have been to a number of parties this week though most of them were small. The biggest was the dinner and dance at the Moana, and that was not very large in the sense of some great affairs, for there were accommodations for only a limited number of guests. It was really a cabaret dinner, though some Honolulu folks seem to disapprove of the term cabaret, and call it a dinner-dance. From what I have heard of tales of eastern affairs, cabaret is far more fashionable just now.

I was very much impressed with Fanchon and Marco Wolff, the dancers, for they were clever, though their dancing was more suited to the stage than the ball room. After their exhibitions they danced with several of the guests and were very graceful. The impoliteness of some of Honolulu's young men rather shocked me, though. When it came dancing time one gallant sought out Marco and brought him over to a group of dancers. He introduced him to the girls and quite overlooked the chaperone. In the introductions to the girls it was also noticed that the dainty Fanchon was not included, though the young men eagerly surrounded her, seeking at least a single dance. Of course, she gave the good-looking ones as many dances as she could spare, though it was noticed that some of her partners were stubby fat men who knew nothing of Terpichore but dragged the fair lady across the ball room. Marco, too, had his share of troubles and while he was fortunate enough to meet a number of the best dancers in the younger set, yet some of his partners fairly had to be jerked from one side to the other.

All evening Peggy Center was one of the belles of the ball. She wore a simple costume of white lace with a long blue sash which was exceedingly becoming. Many said she was the prettiest girl there, though she seemed quite unconscious of the stir she was creating.

It seems that there is always some one in Honolulu to rave about. First there was the pretty bride who wore black, and now there is a fascinating widow who wears pink. She was at the Moana dance the other evening and there was a crowd of men around her all the time. I noticed a number of pointing fies and drawn eyebrows as the fair Honolulu maids sat demurely against the wall.

Engagements are coming in by the score this week. The betrothal of the dainty Miss Carol Low and Kenneth Schute was made known and I fear that in mid-summer Gloucester will claim Carol as one of its society matrons. The affair was very romantic, I am told, for after spending a few weeks of the summer at Winnepeaukee in June, young Mr. Schute offered his hand and heart to Honolulu's fair maid. We all wonder why she so far away from home. But then most of the young men seek wives away from here. This was clearly shown when Kenneth Abley went away telling his friends he was going to take up farming. This week little betrothal cards were sent out telling of Kenneth's engagement to Miss Helen Weaver, a charming Oakland society girl.

I have been told that the society girls here are to take up the cotton hat night after Christmas and that there is to be a cotton bazaar. Just what the proceeds of the affair will



Mrs. Arthur A. Wilder, wife of Judge Wilder, who returned to her island home yesterday after a mainland visit.

be used for I do not know, but they will no doubt be donated to some charitable institution. Even now some of the girls are buying pretty muslin dancing frocks in place of the silk ones. They say they are going to show their love for the United States, even if it will not give any immediate benefit to Hawaii.

I have some Christmas bundles to get off to the other islands, Polly dear, so it must be good bys for this time.

As ever,
PEGGY.

The Children's Attitude Towards Christmas.

Perhaps it was with a tugging at the heartstrings that some of the charitable Honoluluans gave up the idea of the mythical Christmas tree for the poor of Honolulu, but they gave as a very good reason that the dependent children of the city had been given too much in the past. In fact, they had been given almost enough to spoil them.

The children, however, do not seem to have been spoiled. Of course they want to see Santa Claus and have presents, but they hold no grudge against those who have bestowed their charity on others this year.

The other day a ragged little youngster stopped a man who has always

lighted a big tree in his garden for the youngsters of the street.

"You gotta' have a Christmas tree this year, mister?" he asked.

"Not this year, sonny. There are too many little children starving in Europe, who need the money."

"All right," laughed the ragged one, as he doffed his cap, "I go Salvation Army."

And perhaps he did. For the youngsters at the Salvation Army home were given a jolly time on Thursday evening.

Kindergarten Teachers' Christmas Party.

Last Saturday the young society girls who are teaching in the Free Kindergartens closed their term's work with a Christmas party at the Castle Kindergarten, and while the affair was most enjoyable, the final was not just as it had been planned.

The pretty teachers dressed up as children; some of them little boys and other little girls having a baby party with all the baby games. In the midst of their game "Ring Around Rosie," a Santa Claus hopped in at the window with a huge bag filled with candy hanging over his shoulder. Now this was not at all in the program, and at the cry "It's a Man, the fair ladies fled. One teacher, however, played the little girl to the finish. She sat upon Santa's lap and told him what a good little girl she had been, whereupon he gave her all the candy. Later it developed that she was not on speaking terms with the young man and upon learning his identity she was very much embarrassed.

How did the young man find out about the party? One of the girls in the younger set who was not a teacher was told of the entertainment and planned the joke herself.

Some of the girls who took part in the frolic were Miss Dorothy Guild, Miss Helen Spalding, Miss Geraldine Berg, Miss Dorothy Wood, Miss Sara Lucas, Miss Harriet Lucas, Miss Bola Logan, Miss Marie Herbert, Miss Marian Chapin, Miss Pauline Schaffer, Miss Bertha Kōkō and Miss Esther Eopke.

A New Card Club.

The remaining members of the old Luncheon Club with a few new ones have formed a card club which meets on alternate Thursday afternoons. The first meeting of this winter was held on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Edgar T. Robinson on King street. It was the custom at the Luncheon Club to entertain one guest. Following this the Card Club entertained one guest table. The guests on Thursday were Miss Blanche So-

per, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mrs. James Cockburn and Mrs. C. Schmutzler. The members of the club who took part in the affair were Mrs. Arthur Hodgins, Mrs. Edward Dekum, Miss Louise Lucas, Mrs. Antone Perry, Mrs. M. M. Graham, Miss Barrie Gamble, Miss Katherine Woodford and Mrs. Robinson.

Salvation Army Festivities.
"Twas the night before Christmas, And all through the house Not a creature was stirring, Not even a mouse."

This nursery rhyme to which thousands of tots in Honolulu have listened breathlessly each year has been retold many times this week when the numerous organizations in Honolulu have given Christmas parties to their children.

The Salvation Army children were given their Yuletide treat on Thursday evening. According to one of the little girls in the home who told of the celebration, "Lots of people came, we said 'hello' and had a good time. We had singin' and dancin' and Ernest Kaal played on his instrument. Then the girls played instruments, then we had ice cream, and they went home and we went to bed." If the lassie's word is to be taken the little children who are cared for by the Salvation Army were given a truly enjoyable time.

The young people at Punahou Academy held their Christmas entertainment last Friday. The day scholars celebrating during the school hours and the boarders entertaining in the evening.

Christmas trees, Christmas carols and recitations occupied the time of the students at the public schools yesterday morning, and at noon each youngster carried home a basket of candy and some little remembrance from teacher or friend.

Perhaps more time has been given to the Christmas exercises by the Palama Settlement girls and boys than by any other body of young people. For weeks Mrs. Francis Day and Miss Topham trained a group of the settlement folk for "The Chimes," while Miss Nora Swanzy instructed some of the girls in folk dancing. On Thursday evening, before their parents and friends, the settlement girls and boys presented this little playlet much to the delight of all who were present. During the evening they were assisted by the Oahu College Glee Club that furnished a part of the music. Tonight this same play will be repeated for which tickets are being sold.

Sparkling with hundreds of tiny candles and a myriad of bright tinsel ornaments a huge Christmas tree befringed the (cradle) baby's babies at Central Union church yesterday afternoon, and a real live Santa Claus distributed toys and candy much to the enjoyment of the tots.

The grown-ups' Christmas at Central Union will be held tomorrow night. There will be a special service and a Christmas musical program, with the cantata "The Coming of the King."

Central Union's regular Yuletide festival to which hundreds of young people look forward each year, will take place on Tuesday evening. There will be a Christmas tree and candy, but the Sunday school children have generously voted to bring money for the suffering Belgians rather than gifts for each year. With this unselfish thought in mind there is no doubt but that this year's celebration will be more enjoyable than any in the past.

Children of the Latter Day Saints church are eagerly looking forward to their Christmas exercises, which will take place on Wednesday. This is the first entertainment given here for the building is but a few months old. The youngsters have been promised a tree and all the accessories that go with it, however.

The home entertainments will not take place until Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, but every child in the city has discovered enticing little packages which look promising and inviting, but alas they are all marked, "Not to be opened until Christmas." And who would take even the tiniest peek?

Christmas at Kailua Home.

The Kailua Home for Girls began its Christmas celebrations by an informal musical and dance at the home on Thursday evening. The program consisted of violin solos by Prof. De Graca and Mr. Hubert, vocal selections by Miss Elizabeth Jones and Mr. Stone, quartets by Kamehameha students, two selections by the home girls, opera selections by Victoria. Accompanists, Misses Peabody and Momi Keola. All the numbers were delightfully rendered and much appreciated by the guests. Dancing and refreshments followed.

Hawaiian Vaudeville Artists Are Married.

William Trask, a native of Honolulu, and Miss Juanita Dean, a native of Michigan, both members of the Hawaiian vaudeville troupe which has been playing in this city for the past week, were married yesterday afternoon at the parsonage of the M. E. Church, South, by the pastor of the church, Rev. Z. J. Needham. The company left yesterday evening for Turlock, where their next engagement will be played. Later the young couple expect to make their home in Honolulu.—Modesto, Cal., Herald.

Miss Katherine Buehler of Newark, N. J., was struck and killed by a west line pole which fell from the yard next to her home.

CALLING DAYS FOR HONOLULU.
Mondays—Punahou, Makiki.
Tuesdays—Waikiki, Kapiolani Park, Kaimuki, Palolo. First Tuesday—Fort Ruger.
Wednesdays—Nuuanu, Puunui, Pacific Heights. First and third Wednesdays, above Nuuanu bridge; second and fourth Wednesdays, below bridge; fourth Wednesday, Pacific Heights; first and third Wednesdays, Alewa Heights.
Thursdays—The Plains.
Fridays—Hotels and town, fourth Friday; Fort Shafter, first Friday; Manoa, College Hills, first and third Friday.
Saturdays—Kalihi, third and fourth Saturdays; Kamehameha schools, last Saturday.
Fort Shafter—Calling day every Friday.
Note—The telephone number of the Society Editor is 2799.

Society Personals

Hamilton P. Agee of Honolulu, head of the experiment station of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association, is at the Stewart.—San Francisco Chronicle.

After spending nearly a year on the mainland Mr. Walter F. Dillingham returned to Honolulu in the Manchuria. He was in Washington for a large part of the time.

Shortly after the Christmas holidays are over, Mrs. Charles Adams, mother of Mrs. Walter Dillingham, will leave Honolulu for Virginia, where she will attend the wedding of her son, Harry Gaylord, which is to take place early in the new year.

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Hoogids entertained informally at dinner on Thursday evening for Mrs. W. R. Davis, wife of Captain Davis, at her home on Thurston avenue. Covers were laid for Mrs. Davis, Justice and Mrs. E. M. Watson and Dr. and Mrs. Hodgins.

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