

The Week in Astoria Society

On next Thursday and Friday evenings at the Astoria Theatre, an event that will long be remembered will take place. It will be the presentation of the old time favorite "Pinafore" that is always welcome when produced by a home company. The many friends of the participants in this familiar opera, wherever played take a keen interest in the showing made by the budding thespians and embryo stars. As a rule, of late years, the professional method of producing the tuneful opera, is to organize a juvenile company and depend on the friends and relatives of the child characters to see that the box office receipts are sufficient to make a success, financially of course.

In this presentation it is different. The names of the various participants as shown in the cast of characters shows that this will not be a "juvenile" presentation but one that should be on a par, and even above what would be presented by the average company playing this piece. There is no question that the theatre will be crowded at each performance. The proceeds will be turned over to the Astoria High School and aside from the promised excellence of the performance, this itself is an incentive for a large attendance. The following is the cast of characters:

Hon. Sir Joseph Porter, K. C. B., First Lord of Admiralty, W. F. Gratke; Captain Corcoran, Commanding H. M. S. Pinafore, V. A. Beharrell; Ralph Rackstraw, able seaman, in love with Josephine, J. J. Johnson; Dick Deadeye, able seaman, E. C. Judd; Bill Bobstay, boatswain, J. Eldredge; Bob Beckett, boatswain's mate, Dr. T. L. Ball; Tom Tucker, midshipmite, F. Gregory; sergeant of marines, F. Spittle; Josephine, the captain's daughter, Mrs. Harry Flavell; Hebe, Sir Joseph's first cousin, Miss Ella Thompson; Little Buttercup, a bumboat woman, Miss Laurie McCann; first lord's sisters, his cousins, his aunts, sailors, marines, etc.

Scene—Quarterdeck of H. M. S. Pinafore, off Portsmouth Harbor. Act I, noon; Act II, night.

The home of Mrs. Brenham Van Dusen was beautifully adorned yesterday afternoon on the occasion of the afternoon tea for the Ladies' Guild of Grace church, and about 75 ladies were present. The event was a combination of afternoon tea and musicale, being one of a series to be held during the winter by the ladies of the guild. Chrysanthemums and ginks predominated in the floral decorations. Mrs. Spittle, Mrs. McGee and Miss Simington sang, and Mr. Will Gratke also came in to sing a number.

The Athletic Club's new hall was

the scene of splendor and enjoyment on Wednesday night last, the occasion being the first dance and house warming of the new home of the club. The attendance was by invitation and the affair was a very select one and highly enjoyable. The music was fine and the dancers fully appreciated it. The arrangements were all that could be desired and the committee is to be commended for the success of their efforts. The members of the reception committee vied with each other in making everything pleasant for the happy throng made so by the untiring efforts of these gentlemen. A fine punch was served and at a seasonable hour the merry gathering dispersed with many good wishes for the A. A. A. Following is a list of the committee and patronesses of the ball: Reception committee—Dr. A. A. Finch, W. A. Sherman, Wilson Stine, Lawrence Rogers, Fred Simington, G. W. Roberts; floor committee—Frank Woodfield, Randall Reed, Merwyn Lounsbury, R. G. Prael, J. P. Badollet, A. V. Allen, Jr.; patronesses—Mrs. C. W. Fulton, Mrs. Frank Patton, Mrs. H. F. Prael, Mrs. E. Z. Ferguson, Mrs. F. I. Dunbar, Mrs. G. C. Fulton, Mrs. C. B. Allen, Mrs. G. C. Flavell.

The leading musical function of the past week by far, was the pipe organ recital given under the direction of St. Agnes' Guild on Friday night, Grace Episcopal church, where the recital was held, was filled to the doors by an appreciative audience that throughout the evening manifested their pleasure at the efforts of the entertainers. Mrs. A. A. Finch and Mr. Wm. Gratke covered themselves with glory by the excellent manner in which they rendered their respective solos. The other portions of the program were also carried out nicely and the singing of the choir especially enjoyable. Miss Carrie Short rendered some selections on the organ that showed her marked ability in the handling of this large and difficult instrument. She was the recipient of much congratulation on the results of her efforts and the evening will be remembered by those who attended and those who took part in successful event.

Mr. Adolph Hedlund and Miss Marie Heldt were united in marriage at the parsonage of the First Lutheran Church last Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The young couple will make their future home on Gray's River after a short honeymoon trip to the metropolis. The ceremony that united them for life was performed by the Rev. Gustaf E. Rydquist of the Memorial Lutheran Church and was witnessed by a number of friends of the contracting parties.

NOW FOR A NIGHT OF GENUINE FUN

Hip, Hip, Hooray With Pretty Girls and Music at the Astoria Theatre Tonight

A distinguished cast supports Rice and Cady, the two comedy stars in "Hip! Hip! Hooray!" which comes to the Astoria Theatre tonight after a year's run at Weber's Broadway Music Hall. Belle Dale last season played a leading role in Geo. M. ohan's "Talk of New York"; May Phelps, the prima donna, starred in "Bob White," and was featured in "The Gingerbread Man." Josephine Magee is pronounced by Anna Held to be the prettiest show girl in the world; Mazie Trumbull has danced all over America; Harry Shunk has a negro role and has been for years the leading comedian with Al G. Fields' Minstrels; Edward Lynch, the baritone, is from Fritz Scheff's company; Wellington Cross, juvenile, was featured in the "Top o' the World," and several of Geo. M. Cohan's productions. The company of 40 people includes one of the prettiest choruses ever sent on the road and a powerful cast in general. In staging "Hip! Hip! Hooray!" no expense was spared. All the gowns were made in Paris. The production comes here just as it was seen at

Weber's Music Hall. The scenes are laid at a famous University and are crowded with color; numerous song hits are scattered through the piece, and the show goes with a dash that makes it irresistible.

One night, some years ago, when Rice and Cady, the stars of "Hip! Hip! Hooray!" were dressing at a San Francisco theatre, a card was brought to them bearing the name of Joseph Jefferson. A moment later, the most distinguished actor on the legitimate stage of America was ushered into the presence of the delighted young actors. He complimented them both on the quality of their work, told them how much he had enjoyed their comedy, and turning to Rice, said: "You certainly have learned how to listen, and you looked so serious while you were doing it, that you doubled the value of your partner's work. That is acting, my boy." Rice and Cady are the successors of Weber and Fields, German dialect comedians, and in "Hip! Hip! Hooray!" they are seen in the biggest success that Jos. Weber's Music Hall has known in recent years.

A pretty wedding ceremony was performed at the First Baptist church last Tuesday evening when M. Lester Mowe and Miss Esther Warra were united in marriage. Rev. Conrad L. Owen officiated and the ceremony was witnessed by but a few of the friends of the happy couple. Mr. Mowe is from Vermonia, Ore., while Mrs. Mowe is from this city. Their future home will be at Vermonia.

A bazaar was held in Idu Hall, Uppertown, Thursday and Friday evenings and last night under the auspices of the young ladies of the Norwegian M. E. church. The affair was well managed and was a success in every respect. The Thanksgiving lunch was a pleasant feature.

The Idu Dramatic Club will give an entertainment at Idu Hall, Uppertown, on Tuesday, December 1st, commencing at 8:15 p. m. The plays "Rationell Fjostell" and "Ei Hugvending" will be produced and no doubt with the good music that will attend them they will be highly enjoyable.

On Friday afternoon a birthday party, given to the Sunday school children of the Memorial Lutheran church, was largely attended about 60 youngsters being present as well as the parents and adult friends of many. A splendid time was had and the parlors of the church rang out with many a childish expression of glee and happiness.

Misses Gertrude and Alice Kearney entertained a few friends at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Kearney on Friday evening. The occasion was in honor of Mr. Jas. E. Meehan, of Portland, who was making a visit to Astoria. Music, cards, and light refreshments were the order of the evening and a very pleasant time was had.

The Ladies Guild of Grace Church held a tea and sale of articles at the home of Mrs. Brenham Van Dusen yesterday afternoon which was a glowing success. Music and other features were introduced and a very pleasant afternoon was spent.

Dr. B. Owens-Adair of Warrenton, spent Thanksgiving day with friends in Portland. She also left with the intention of attending the State Convention of Woman Suffragists.

A young couple well and favorably known in Astoria were made one on Wednesday, the contracting parties being Orno L. Willert and Miss Blanch C. Clark, Rev. W. S. Gilbert, officiating. The bride recently came from South Dakota.

Miss Anna Belland, accompanied by Miss Thora Larson, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Belland, having come from Portland for that purpose. Mr. and Mrs. August Larson, of Altoona, were also the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Belland.

On Friday night the Dorcas Society gave its annual sale and entertainment in the parlors of the First Lutheran church. The function was well attended and enjoyed by all present and the receipts very gratifying.

At St. Mary's Hall last Monday evening, Rev. Father O'Hara, of Portland, delivered a very interesting lecture on "Education" that was thoroughly appreciated by all who were fortunate enough to be in attendance.

The Wike Wike Club will meet on

Monday night at the home of Miss Laura Fastabend. A "Stunt" party will be the feature of the gathering.

The Monday Club will hold their annual sale on December 5th. It will be held in the Sunday school room of the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. W. S. Kinney has moved into her new apartments in the Kinney building.

Floyd Dayton of Portland was a guest of his brother Arthur Dayton, on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Allen returned from Portland on Friday having spent Thanksgiving with friends there.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stokes were in Portland during the past week.

Miss Mabel Monroe spent Thanksgiving day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Monroe.

Capt. and Mrs. Richardson and the children were in Portland on Thanksgiving and took part in a family reunion there with several relatives coming from the East.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Beyer were visiting in Portland Friday.

MAILING LETTERS.

One Trick That Doesn't Go With the Postal Officials.

There are times when, for one reason or another, you may wish to post a letter to some one, indicating in the postmark on the envelope that it came from some other than your own home town. But accordingly, as you value the scheme which you are trying to work, don't make the mistake of trying to work the postmaster of that particular town into this particular scheme of posting the letter for you. In anything, from a harmless practical joke up to a penitentiary offense which you may be planning, the postal service will recognize in you only a scoundrelly intent to deceive and defraud, and it has schooled every postmaster in the country into that fixed belief upon which he must act.

For example, you have written your letter, which you desire to appear as having been mailed at a particular postoffice somewhere in the United States. You seal it, stamp the envelope and address it to the person. This letter you inclose in a larger envelope to the postmaster of that particular town with the written request, "Please post this inclosed letter at your office." The postmaster will do this. Oh, yes.

The postmaster, taking up the directed, stamped and sealed envelope, writes across a corner of the envelope a full explanation of the matter, reciting that it was received from Mr. So-and-so at a certain place, asking that the postmaster drop it into the mail as originating at that particular office over which he has jurisdiction. Nice little situation, isn't it?—Chicago Tribune.

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