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The Social Side of Life
 Local Affairs of the week
 By the Observer

Miss Edith Fyffe has invitations out for a supper and toboggan party at Exmoor on the twenty-seventh.

Mrs. Carleton Vail of E. Laurel Avenue, entertained the Bridge Club, Saturday evening at her home.

Mrs. Marshall Marsh of Belle Avenue, will entertain the Bridge Club at a Christmas party, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Richards of N. Green Bay Road, celebrated their golden wedding, Wednesday evening, December eighth. Thirty guests were present who enjoyed a pleasant evening. After a very dainty supper, music was enjoyed. The house was beautiful in decorations of flowers, while a centre-piece, a white and golden wedding cake, made the table very attractive. The out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. L. H. W. Spiedel and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Richards and family, and Messrs. William and James Gannon, all of Lake Forest.

Mrs. A. B. MacCaughy was hostess at eight tables of bridge yesterday afternoon.

A dinner and dance for the benefit of the Ogontz Day Nursery of Chicago, was held on Monday evening at the Blackstone Hotel, in Chicago. Those going from here were: Mr. and Mrs. A. B. MacCaughy, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Prindville, Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Dean, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. L. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tuttle, and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Doty.

Miss Syble Kozminski is giving a dance at the Winnetka Woman's Club on December thirtieth at eight o'clock.

Dr. H. B. Favill will be entertained at dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice W. Kozminski this evening before he addresses the mass meeting, telling of the needs of a hospital in Highland Park.

The Embroidery Club will meet with Mrs. H. H. Chandler of S. Sheridan Road, Wednesday afternoon, January fifth.

Elizabeth and Darrhah Loderback will give a dancing party to a number of their friends on Monday evening, January the third, at Exmoor Club.

Miss Kathleen Bergen of E. Laurel Avenue, will be hostess to a number of friends at a dinner party, on the twenty-ninth, preceding the Iota Pi dance at the Highland Park Club.

Little Alice Larson was hostess to nine little girl friends on Friday afternoon, celebrating her ninth birthday. Games were enjoyed.

On Monday evening ten friends of Ernest Gieser and Charles Morris enjoyed a sleighride around town followed by refreshments at the Morris home.

Miss Loudon of N. Sheridan Road has invitations out for a dinner party, to be given at Exmoor on the twenty-eighth preceding the Junior Dance at the Highland Park Club.

Highland Park Woman's Club

The Christmas meeting of the club was held Tuesday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock in the Trinity church parish house. The program consisted of a paper, "Some Christmas Pictures," by Mrs. H. B. Roberts and musical numbers by Mrs. Herbert R. Smith, Mrs. George R. Jones, Miss Bertha Harbaugh and Mr. Day Williams. The hostesses of the day were Mrs. William Terry, chairman, assisted by Mesdames Henry Atwater, F. H. Bingham, Geo. H. Campbell, Calvin R. Dobson, John Gourley, Arthur L. Gourley, Frank P. Hawkins, H. P. Jeppesen, Frank B. Knight, Geo. H. Merryweather, J. B. McCrystle, Sidney Miller, Geo. R. Nichols, A. L. Renning, A. A. Putnam, Arthur Purdy, A. Strong, Jesse Sobey, A. C. Torbert, Clarence Thayer, Nathalie Van Riper, Chas. H. Warren, Edward A. Warren, J. W. Welch, Mrs. C. A. Winston, James Watson, Hamilton Smith and Dr. Roberta Moore and Miss Mildred Coale.

The children's party will be given Tuesday, December 28th, in Trinity parish house.

Ravinia School Notes

Tonight the children will gather at the Village House from seven to eight o'clock to sing Christmas carols which will be illustrated by stereopticon slides. There will be a Christmas tree—a real live one—which will be decorated with ornaments and gifts, later to be given to the parents. Tomorrow after the kindergarten children have enjoyed the tree, it will be planted in the school yard. The school reports a good attendance and little sickness. A two weeks' vacation begins next week.

D. A. R.

A very interesting meeting of the North Shore Chapter of D. A. R. was held at the R. W. Patton home on Monday afternoon. Much important business came before the chapter, and after minutes were read, Mrs. E. Ward Knapp sang very sweetly, "Her Love Song," by Mary Ternur Salter, and "In the Time of Roses," a German composition; Miss Shields accompanied Mrs. Knapp on the piano. Following this delightful music was a reading, "The Colonial Sunday, and Old Time Neighbourliness," from Colonial Times by Alice Moss Earle, given in a most entertaining way by Mr. John Fritch Curtis. What made the reading more interesting was the numerous personal reminiscences by Mr. Curtis, in which he told of his home life in the early days. After adjournment tea was served. The next meeting will be on January seventeenth at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Boyd, at 445 E. Laurel Avenue.

Fort Sheridan

Major and Mrs. Charles E. Clark and their daughter, Mrs. Jeanette Smith, who have been stationed at Chicago, have taken apartments at the Fort. They are from Tientsin, China.

North End M. E. Church

Services are held at the church as follows: Mid-week service, Wednesday evening, at seven forty-five; Sunday services are, Sunday School at nine forty-five; Junior League at two-thirty; Epworth League at six forty-five; Public Worship at eight o'clock.

WAKING DREAMS.

A Long Series of Events Can Be Crowded into a Few Seconds.

It is more than likely that the great majority of dreams belong to the few moments when we are falling off to sleep and the equally brief time we take to wake up. In fact, nothing is more fully established than the fact that an apparently long dream can unfold itself in an infinitesimal space of time.

Alfred Maury relates how he had a long and vivid dream of the reign of terror in France, which included his trial before the revolutionary tribunal and his execution. He actually felt the guillotine fall. Yet that dream from beginning to end was actually caused by the fall of a curtain rod which struck him on the neck and woke him up. The whole lengthy dream lasted really a couple of seconds.

A well known writer in London was sitting up late writing something he much wished to finish. Suddenly someone came into the room and announced that he was called to go to Manchester. He went out and packed his bag and went to that city, where he stayed several days and saw innumerable people. He returned in due course and transacted a lot of business in town and actually contracted for and started a new book.

Yet when he woke with a start and found it was all a dream the ink of the last word he had written was as fresh and needed the blotting paper as much as if it had only just been written. He could not have dozed longer than ten seconds.—Pearson's.

SPOILED HIS FISHING.

An Angler's Abrupt Departure From an Uncongenial Visitor.

An easterner was spending his first summer in Montana, says the Washington Star, where he had a good opportunity to indulge in his favorite sport of trout fishing. One afternoon he had been unusually successful, but just as he was setting out for camp with a heavy string of fish he caught sight of a great pine that had blown down and was lying with its top in the water—just the place for hooking a monster trout.

Pushing along to the fallen pine, he climbed upon it by dint of hard scrambling, holding on as best he could with his rod in one hand and his string of fish in the other. The tree was close to the bank, and the stream was running bank full. He was in the midst of the branches, crowding onward, when suddenly an immense bear rose up close beside him.

There was no hesitation. To run was impossible. On the impulse of the moment the man dashed his string of trout full in the bear's face. In doing so he lost his balance, and the next instant there was a tremendous splash, and he disappeared in the rushing water.

The fisherman emerged some distance farther down the stream and scrambling to the bank, looked back. There on the pine sat the bear, intently watching the hole where he had disappeared. He did not go back to inform her that he was not there, but made for camp at good speed.

A Plank's Inside and Outside.

There is an inside, also an outside, to every plank or board, the outside being the side farthest removed from the "joints" or center of the tree from which the plank was cut. The careful workman always bears this in mind when fixing boards. He leaves the outside exposed to the air. If the inside is exposed to the atmosphere the earlier layers will ultimately shell out in shreds and strips owing to the action of the air destroying the timber's cohesive properties. As a result the even surface will be destroyed, a serious defect in better class work.—London Answers.

Origin of Comets.

Professor Ellis Stromgren, director of the Copenhagen observatory, has carried out, with the aid of J. Braae, an investigation to determine whether comets come originally from interstellar space, as has been commonly supposed, or originate within the solar system. His method of research involves the backward computation of planetary perturbations for eight comets. The conclusion reached is that all comets heretofore observed have originated within the solar system.

An Unfortunate Accident.

"Goodness, little boy!" exclaimed the kindly old gentleman to the weeping youth: "what on earth is the matter?" "I had a terrible accident," howled the boy.

"Gracious! What was it?" "I met pop when I was a playin' hokey!"—Ladies' Home Journal.

Impudence.

The only cure for impudence is the suffering which impudence entails. Nothing but bringing him face to face with stern necessity and letting him feel how unbecoming, how unjustifying it is can improve the man of ill governed desires.—H. Clert Spencer.

Candid Analysis.

"Can you dance?" "Yes," answered the self approving man. "I ain't much for style, but I've got wonderful endurance."—Washington Star.

None For Him.

"Why did you quit your last place?" "Wasn't your work congenial?" "Lady, no work is congenial."—Detroit Free Press.

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