

SOCIAL ACTIVITY

There was a fine attendance at the chicken supper given by the Ladies Aid society of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the Assembly hall on Tuesday evening from five to eight o'clock. The supper was preceded in the afternoon by a church bazaar, which netted a nice sum for the society.

Tonight (Thursday) at eight o'clock occurs the regular monthly meeting of the Luther League in the Assembly Hall. Refreshments will be served and a good time is promised. Everyone is invited to come.

Mr. Arthur L. Crandall announces the marriage of his daughter, Helen Dunton, to Mr. Caryl H. Ripley which took place yesterday afternoon at the family residence. Mr. and Mrs. Ripley left immediately following the ceremony for Los Angeles, Cal., where they will spend the winter. They will return to this city the first of April to make their home.

Mrs. William A. Alexander entertained the Y. W. C. A. board members at luncheon at the Y. W. C. A. cafeteria Tuesday.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Mary Keane of Boston, Mass., and Mr. James Kilkenny of this city which took place November ninth at eleven o'clock high mass in the R. C. Cathedral, Boston. After a short trip through the east the young couple will make their home in Highland Park. Mr. Kilkenny was recently discharged from the Merchant Marine.

Mrs. R. S. Anderson was hostess at an informal tea, yesterday afternoon to the young married women of this city in honor of Mrs. Arthur Emerson, who recently moved to Highland Park from Providence, R. I.

Mrs. S. Wright was hostess to the Euchre Club last evening.

Miss Salome Brand entertained a number of her young girl friends on Saturday evening at a taffy pull, held at the Brand home in Central avenue.

Public attention recently has been divided between the trans-continental air race, and the hot air contest in the senate over the League of Nations.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Mrs. Lucy Fitch Perkins spoke to about three hundred children and mothers and other friends of the Library on Monday last, at the Public Library. She read some delightful bits from her book, "The Irish Twins," and told how she wrote and illustrated her own books. Her books are so much loved by the children that everyone felt as if they were meeting an old friend when she came. The climax of the afternoon was the free-hand sketches of characters from her books which she drew, right up before everyone. These "chalk talk" drawings are on exhibition in the Public Library this week. They are simply rough pencil sketches, so Mrs. Perkins hesitated to sign them, but finally consented to do so, knowing how greatly they would add to the pleasure of everyone. It was proposed that the sketches be sold, for the benefit of the children's room, but thinking that more children would benefit by keeping them, it has been decided to keep them to add to the many little treasures which generous friends have given to our juvenile room.

New yellow slip-covers add a sunshine effect to the children's room, and are a practical benefit also, for they fill in the gap which comes in the back of the chair just where a child wants to lean. They carry out the yellow color tones in the fairy tale pictures which are a recent gift. We hope soon to have yellow parchment shades for the reading lamps above the tables. A new black waste basket, with a gay yellow picture, is trying its best to add another festive and distinctive feature to the children's room. All these gifts are so tremendously appreciated.

On Thursday, Nov. 13, Miss Clara White and her pupils will hold an hour on "Books and Children's Reading" and on Friday Mrs. Carl Leo will have a story hour when she will tell Uncle Remus stories. All her life Mrs. Leo has had an old darky Mammy who has told her stories, and all her life she has just told such stories or made them up, and you can imagine what a treat we have in store for us. She will come to tell us stories every week as long as her husband is stationed at Fort Sheridan.

The assembly room of the library in which these meetings are held is for rent for private gatherings and for club meetings, etc.

The exhibits of books are on the tables in the children's room and in the

fiction room, upstairs. All of the books on the shelves are "on exhibition," but the special books are those on the tables which are not to be circulated until next week.

If there is any book in the library that you see and think that you would like to own, you may order it from Larson's representative who will have an exhibit in the library this week, and who will order for you any book that is in print. They have in stock many of the books which are in the special exhibits. In price they run from 25 cents up. The library copies are for your free use at any time. "The Builders," by Ellen Glasgow, is a book about people and American life of the last two years, dealing in part with the political problems directly before us and showing the effect of the war on a man intensely patriotic from boyhood and yet who had been rather a spectator than a publisher's claim that even Cappy Virginia home. The heroine is a woman who always appears right but who is always wrong, the wife of a man who always appears wrong but is always right. This is the first novel from Miss Glasgow in three years. The result is a book of wide interest and strong appeal.

For "The Green Pea Pirates" the publisher's claim that even Cappy Ricks is no better—maybe not so good. If that is true in the opinion of the large majority of people, this will certainly be one of the great demands of the new fall fiction readers. However that may be it certainly is an entertaining tale. To say that it is written by Peter B. Kyne is to prove that it is "easy to look at."

Three of the new books on the teachers' reading list for 1919 have arrived. The schools and their influence on the children of our town are of so tremendous importance that these books may well arouse considerable interest among the parents. Aside from that, the books themselves are surprisingly suggestive and readable—which is a good deal to say about any specialized type of technical reading.

"The Vitalized School" by Pearson is an attempt to interpret some of these school processes in terms of life processes, and to suggest ways in which these processes may be made identical. The sooner school becomes realized as a vital part of life the better.

"Measuring the Results of Teaching" by Prof. Munroe of Illinois University is a new tool for estimating the personal efficiency and self-improvement of teachers and teaching. The use of the tests means a new ability to diagnose and prescribe. They prevent a waste of teaching energy by preventing over-emphasis, and set standards in instruction which are indisputable because they are based on the school practice of the best schools of the United States.

"Moral Education in School and Home" by Engleman, superintendent of schools at Decatur, Ill., is a book for which several people have been looking. It is not an infallible guide to be adhered to rigidly, but it certainly is full of suggestion. The chapter on Moral Education through Reading and Literature is especially noteworthy, as is the chapter on Thrift, Boy Scouting, Motion Pictures and Sex Instruction.

"Limehouse Nights" by Thomas Burke is not "pour les Jeunes" says the reviewer in the Boston Transcript but these tales of London's Chinatown are certainly written with a simplicity and beauty that crouches close to the grotesque and horrible, like a Chinese dragon upon an embroidered screen. You may love the color and line upon that screen, but you don't want any real live Chinese dragons running around in your happy home.

People have looked forward to see what Margaret Deland's war experiences would do to her novel writing. Well, now we have a new volume by her, "The Promises of Alice." It was written last year, but—well now, aren't you curious to see what it is like?

"The Querrils," by Stacy Aumonier, is a story of English country life (yes another one!) but it is not at all like Archibald Marshall. However, you may like it. The Querrils have shut out from their charmed circle of living everything that is not respectable and comfortable and pretty. When some of the realities of life that are pretty, break through the exclusiveness, it makes an interesting story.

To the thousands who read "Slippy McGee" with surprised delight, it will be a joy to know that a new book by Mrs. Cemler has been published, called "A Woman Named Smith." Life is up-hill and down-hill and a pretty good old place to live in, after all, in her novels, and the characters are human.

"Caké Upon the Waters" by Zoe Aikens, gives a bright breezy comedy sort of story with a charming widow as the heroine, and her old friend and lawyer as the hero. The story moves with the speed which appeals to American readers and the end is altogether as it should be.

"Yellow Men Sleep," by Jeremy Lane is a thriller with the scene laid in

the desert of Gobi, China, and the United States. United States Secret Service men, a beautiful American girl, and her captors, all act their dramatic parts. It is a book not conducive to a night of restful sleep.

The senatorial idea of the way to get their ideas on the peace treaty before the public, is to make speeches so long that none of the newspapers will print them.

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Wednesday Nov. 19. Harry Morey in Vitagraph feature "Beauty Proof." Also Big V Comedy.

Thursday Nov. 20. Bessie Love in "Carolyn of the Corners." Late Pollard Comedy and two first-class Acts of Vaudeville.

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