SMALL DOINGS IN SWELLDOM

Few Events of Interest in the Realms of Social Life and Fashion.

MRS. GARNEAU'S LITERARY AFTERNOON

Marriage of a Former Union Pacific Em ploye at Holy Family Church-Miss Baum's Dancing Party-Chat of a Dull Week of Society,

Outside of a few events of local importance society has been in a very depressed condition the past week. There have been a number of small happenings, which filled the days delightfully, but nothing of great moment has occurred to draw the minds of the gay world from the work of preparing for the summer outing by sea and shore.

The disagreeable weather has materially detracted from the round of social duties, so that altogether the week has been very

The first straw hat of the season made its appearance last week. This statement may be somewhat brainless and insignificant, but really it is nothing of the sort. There is an air of importance about "the first straw hat" which few things in reality possess, and it achieves a distinction which seldom falls to the lot of inanimate things.

"The first straw hat" is to summer what the first wild goose or the first blade of grass is to spring. It indicates the change of the season, and there is a kind of jauntiness to its wearer which seems to show that he appreclates his enterprise in so far as getting ahead of his fellows. He wears it with pride, unless, perchance, a sudden shower comes up, and then, indeed, is its and his

The "first straw hat" has but two rivals. "the first open car" in summer and "the first sleigh" in winter. But even as these are of but transitory importance, others springing up in abundance immediately afterwards, so the wearer of the first straw hat reigns supreme but for a short time, when he becomes again simply one of the common herd.

A Scotch wedding in the east last week was novel and interesting in that the thistle confined the bride's veil. The bridal bou-quet consisted of white heather and white roses. The clan plaid ribbon marked off the seats set apart for relations, and was caught with immense branches of thistle. The groom and ushers' boutonnieres were of heather. The bridesmaids were dressed in white chiffon, with broad white satin sashes over the shoulder fastened with a gold thistle, the gift of the bride. The bridesmaids entered the church in the form of a cross. On their heads were white vel-vet "Tam o'Shanter" hats. The music, soft and low, was Scotch airs.

Mr. George W. Lininger, who has just re-turned from a two weeks visit to the World's fair, chatted pleasantly the other day with a BEE man of the art exhibited at the fair, a Bee man of the art exhibited at the fair, and incidentally giving his ideas as to how the exhibit in the American section might be improved. Mr. Lininger has been a globe trotter for years, and having seen at least four World's fairs is in a position to speak intelligently upon the subject.

"The exhibit in the first place is by no means complete, therefore it would be invidious for me to pass judgment upon the

vidious for me to pass judgment upon the canvasses still remaining boxed. But judgcanvasses still remaining boxed. But judg ing from those hung the exhibit is only a triffe better than you see at the yearly salon in Paris or Munich. Many of the best painters are not represented, even several of our American artists refusing to go into the exhibit because of atrocious management on the part of those having the exhibit in charge. Everything was in a state of indescribable confusion when I was there, and seemingly approximately approximate and seemingly everybody worked at their own sweet will. The loan exhibit is undoubt edly the finest ever seen on this side of the water in one collection, the committee hav ing the pick of the best paintings owned by Americans to choose from.

The American section makes up in quan

tity what it lacks in quality, and is hardly up to the standard of our artists. Omaha is represented in this section by J. Laurie Wal-lace's portrait of James W. Scott, editor of the Chicago Herald. In finish and quality | either the American or English sections, and had he put in his portrait of Mr. Jules Lumbard and of myself I do not believe any artist in the exhibit would come within halling distance of him when the awards are made by the committee of unbiased judges. But there have been so many mistakes made throughout and the lack of executive ability is so apparent in what has been done that that I can see only

failure for the World's fair."

Apropos of Mr. Lininger's estimate of Mr. Wallace the following reference to the picture is taken from the Chicago Times: "The portrait of James W. Scott, which holds proud place in the World's fair art gallery, is ever surrounded by an admiring throng. But somehow the table at which he is represented as sitting is very slenderly spread. There isn't a single wine glass in sight. And what in the world could the artist have meant by taking away his knife and fork and putting a pen in his hand?"

To Aid a Worthy Charity. For the benefit of the St. James orphanage, Mrs. Joseph Garneau has given two literary afternoons, the former having been brightened by the presence of Mrs. Elia W. Peattie as the reader of the day, the latter being given on Wednesday, Mrs. Homer P. Lewis reading a very carefully written paper on "Romola." Incidental to the reading there were several musical numbers, the violin playing of Miss Allen being received with marked applause. Miss Allen is a willowy young girl, gifted as few girls are at her age, or any age for that matter. She is her age, or any age for that matter. She is a musical prodigy, and promises to be heard from in the musical world. Two numbers were given by this young violiniste, Mrs. G. M. Hitchcock accompanying beautifully, the first, Raff's cavatina, the second two movements of De Beriot's concerto, which won an encore. Mrs. Percy Ford also contributed to the very charming afternoon by singing two sweet songs, the first Grieg's exquisite tone poem "Solveig's Song," and the second, "S'il est un charmant gazor," by E. Gambogi. This latter is one of the recent successful songs of a young composer (herself a brilliant operatic singer) now meeting with much favor at St. singer) now meeting with much favor at St.

James hall and Crystal Palace. The composition is singularly graceful and melodic, indicating talent of the highest order and it was sung with all of Mrs. Ford's well known

Light refreshments of teas and wafers were served. Miss Anna Millard presiding at the table while Mrs. Garneau and Mrs. Ringwalt served refreshments.

The guests present were: Mrs. Leavitt Bumham, Mrs. E. A. Cudahy, Miss Sharp, Miss Ida Sharp, Miss Nash, Mrs. Levi Carter, Mrs. H. P. Whitmore, Mrs. W. J. Hughes, Mrs. Thomas Kipatrick, Mrs. Wm. Wallace, Misses Helen Millard, Carrie Millard, Anna Millard, Mrs. Percy Ford, Mrs. G. M. Hitchcock, Mrs. Dr. B, F. Whitmore, Mrs Jeseph Barton, Mr. Creighton.

Lovely Dancing Party. One of the prettiest functions of the week was the dancing party given Friday evening by Miss Sadie Baum at her residence, 2211 Howard street. The younger society set, ever on the alert for a waltz, was out in full force on this occasion, and as the night was beautiful, just cool enough for dancing, and all the arrangements for the comfort of the guests perfect, a thoroughly beautiful evening was the result. Four rooms had been canvassed for the dancers, and pretty floral decorations throughout made a lovely picture with young womanhood in the fore-ground gowned sweetly in the costumes of spring.

Boring.

Refreshments were served during the evening the music being furnished by the Union orchestra. The guests invited were: Misses Mabel Kelly, Marie Price, Mabel Brown, Edith Orcutt, May Bartlett, Jessie Dickinson, Marian Day, Bessie Hulett, Louise Squires, Buelah Sharp, May Mount, Ura Kelly, Nellie Bell, Edna Cowin, Lella Carter, Fannie Gilbert, Jessie Godso, Bessie Wilson, Bessie Hulbert, Darlene Coe, Mame Hall, Emma Crandall, Mansie Battin, Pauline Lowe, Grace Allen, Fannie Duryea, Emma Moore, Louie Drake, Alice Drake, May Morse, Florence Morse, Ethel Morse, Edith Preston,

May Hamilton, Bertha Sloan, Helen Hoag-land; Messrs, Fred Lake, Sam Burns, Will land; Messrs, Fred Lake, Sam Burns, Gardner, Wilbur Christian, Will Hu Joe Barker, Otto Bauman, Frank Haskell James Wallace, Evan Floyd, John Burgess Blackwell, Ralph Connell, George Purvis, Rae Hobbie, Charlie Pratt, Russell Wilbur, Estabrook, James Wallace, Ross Towle, Bert Morse, Art Cooley, Bert Butler, Will Bat-tin, Luther Tate, Fred Schneider, Henry Clark, Gordon Clark, Arthur Carter, Carroll Carter, George Gilbert, Moshler Colpetzer, Frank Fields, Ed Bridges, Ed Swobe, Dwight Swobe, Byron Kuha, Byron Irons, Hallie Burgasse.

The Young Women's Christian association through its house committee, consisting of Misses Littlefield, Skinner and Sumner and Mesdames McShane and Bowman, is progressing rapidly with the work of furnishing the headquarters in the McCague building. It is now thought possible to have the formal opening the first week in June, when a brief program will be carried out, followed by an informal reception. The noonday rest will be inaugurated immediately after the

The responses to appeals for furniture and decorations has been generous, but there is still much to be supplied and the committee will be very glad to receive voluntary contri-

opening. It is expected to have the rooms

open every evening as well as during the

butions from any who are interested The interest in the association appears to be on the increase and any member will be glad to give further information as to the aims and work of the society. It is again requested that all members who have not yet paid their annual dues, will forward the same at earliest convenience to Mrs. H. J. Penfold, 628 South Nineteenth street, as all available funds are needed.

As a reading room is to be one of the features of the "Rest," suitable matter for that department will be welcome. It should be borne in mind that there is no place of the kind for young women in Omaha, and the need thereof is very great. Any help given to the association will be directly and indirectly a benefit to the city, and should therefore have the hearty co-operation of all the citizens of every class and especially of

Wedding at Holy Family.

A very pretty wedding was that solemnized Tuesday morning at Holy Family church, Rev. L. V. G. Hillman officiating when Miss Mary Shannon and Mr. Patrick H. Cosgrove were united in marriage. The bride was attended by Miss Mamie Fitzpatrick and the groom by Mr. N. P. Cosgrove The bride wore a beautiful gown of white silk trimmed exquisitely in valenciennes lace, the bridesmaids also appearing in white. As the brides party entered the church Miss Nellie Cosgrove played the march from "Lohengrin," later Mendelssohn's wedding march as a recessional. The wedding party in their march to the altar was headed by the ushers, Mr. F. Rooney and Mr. J. Casey.

After the ceremony a prilliant reception was held at the residence of the bride, where many and beautiful presents were displayed. Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Cos. grove left for their future home in St. Joe where Mr. Cosgrove is stationed in the em-ploy of the St. Joe Terminal Railroad company. The bride until her marriage was prominent in Catholic society circles and is esteemed by many friends.

Floral-Wooden Wedding.

The floral-wooden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Fischer was celebrated last week by a number of their friends treating them to an old-fashioned surprise party. The guests gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fischer with baskets laden with gifts of flowers, bric-a-brac and refreshments. By aid of an accomplice in the house they succeeded in obtaining an entrance without the knowledge of Mr. and Mrs. Fischer, who were called into the parlors and overwhelmed with congratulations on their fifth-sixth wedding anniversary.

Among those present were: Presiding Elder T. C. Clendeney and wife, Mrs. Conrad S. Zorbough of Council Bluffs, Prof. and Mrs. C. C. Wentz, Prof. and Mrs. W. E. Taylor, Prof. and Mrs. Charles A. Comp. Miss Ella Rudd, Prof. Charles A. Locke Messrs. Arthur, Joe and Hugh Joplin, Carl Ederer. Mr. Ederer treated the party to a zither solo played in an artistic manner.

Another Dancing Party.

Tuesday-evening Union Pacific council of the Royal Arcanum gave a very enjoyable dancing and card party in its rooms in The Bee building, quite a number of members and their wives being present. Those who oid not desire to dance were privileged to play cards, but few availed themselves of the privilege, contenting themselves with the airy measures of the waltz.

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Among the many present the following were noticed: Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Gedney, Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Rhoades, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Connor, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Preston, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McKelvy, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Potter, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Walter, Mr. and Mrs. Scribner, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Brink, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. English, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Suthen, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Vierling, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Kelley, Miss Livesey, Miss Zimmerman, Miss Zang Miss Livesey, Miss Zimmerman. Miss Zang of Ottumwa, Ia., Miss Dyball, Miss Storck, Mrs. Dyball: Messrs. George B. Dyball, R. W. Dyball, H. A. Sander.

A Catchy Charade.

The young people of St. Matthias church owe much to Mrs. Van Dusen, who threw open her house Thursday evening for the performance of a very laughable charade written and stage managed by Mrs. Macnab, wife of the rector of St. Matthias. The word was 'In fat-u-ate,' the first syllable illus-trated by a scene in an English inn, the sec-ond by a very fat waiter in Pickwick style, the third a scene between an aunt and niece in which each was trying to cast a reproach upon the other, repeating "It was you!" "It was you!" and the last the celebrated scene from the story of "Blue Beard," the eight unfortunate wives represented by eight lovely gir's suspended in the fatal chamber, and the whole represented by a bovy of young girls, all, save one, infatuated with Count Capatalioni, otherwise Blue Beard. The entertainment was interspersed with songs, piano solos and duets and a recitation by Mrs. Macnab in her susual felicitious style, en-titled "That Vulgar Boy."

Celebrated Their Fifteenth Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary in a manner quite unexpected Tuesday evening. It was their intention to quietly spend the evening at home, but Mrs. W. G. Sloan invited a number of mutual friends to 'hap-pen in' upon Mr. and Mrs. Johnson on the evening in question to the very great, but very agreeable surprise of the celebrants. Cards were played and delicious refreshments served, provided, of course, by Mrs. Sloan. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coe. Mr. and Mrs. Brady, Mrs. Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkendall, Mr. and Mrs. Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. J. P.

Williams, Mr. and Mrs. William Goss. Sad Home Coming.

Mr. Caldwell Hamilton, who went to Colorado Springs some weeks ago with the hope that the change in climate might prove beneficial to him, but who grew worse instead of better, reached home yesterday at 4 o'clock in the Pullman car "Malay" of the Rock Island. Mr. Hamilton, while very weak, stood the trip fairly well, being accompanied by Mr. Frank Murphy, who has been with the invalid for a forthight. night. A crowd of friends were at the depot to welcome back one of Omaha's best known young men, and the physician hopes the change will prove of great benefit to the in-

Five O'Clock Tea.

A dainty 5 o'clock tea was served on Wednesday afternoon to a company of ladies by the Misses Abbott of Woolworth avenue, in honor of their guest and cousin, Miss Pauley of San Diego, Cal.

Those entertained were: Mrs. Geisler of Wilton, Ia., Mrs. Jones of Council Bluffs, Mrs. Keliey of South Omaha, Mesdames Chase and Noyes, Misses Chacomini, Carrie Giacomini, Alexander, Stephens, Slater, VanCuran, Evans, Fuller, Edna Fuller.

A Pretty Luncheon Mrs. Dr. Arnold, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. H. B. Coryell, gave a beautiful lunch

con Friday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Cole,

who is the guest of Mrs. W. G. Templetonwho is the guest of Mrs. W. G. Templeton-The table was exquisitely decorated, the service being remarkable fine. The guests were: Mrs. Pennock, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Arion, Mrs. Fitch, Mrs. Vernon, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Templeton, Mrs. McConnell, Mrs. Claffin.

Closing Days of May. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Smith have re-Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Carr left Sunday for Chicago.

Mrs. H. H. Martin left for Columbus, O. on Thursday Dr. R. W. Connell has taken a house at 2215 Webster street. Mrs. A. F. Cutter of Davenport is visiting the Misses Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lyman and family are expected home today. General and Mrs. Dandy and Miss Dandy are quartered at the Paxton. H. D. Neeley leaves this afternoon or a ten days' trip to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Reeves have taken coms at the Frenzer for the summer. Mrs. A. R. Bradley is visiting her mo ther, Mrs. J. T. Allan, 2208 Buct street. James W. Nye of Chicago was th guest of the Ringwalt brothers last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron L. Learned returned Sunday from their wedding journey. Mrs. Ayres of Brooklyn, N. Y., is the guest of Captain and Mrs. James C. Ayres. Mr. and Mrs. John P. Williams leave this week for a month's visit to the World's fair. A. H. Comstock of the Omaha Printing ompany was a World's fair visitor last

Mrs. John Barker and Mrs. Churchill Parker will leave the first of this week for Chi

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Swobe and Mr. W F. Bechel and daughter are home from Hol Springs, S. D. Miss Nettie Collins and mother have re-

from Europe and are at the Millard for the present. Collector W. H. Alexander and wife reurned Tuesday from a three weeks trip in the south.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Patterson and family of Tacoma, Wash., have taken rooms Miss Bessie Peck and Miss Florence Kilpatrick arrived home Saturday from their

chool in Minneapolis. Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Bailey returned home last week after an extended trip through Texas and Arkansas.

Mrs. Herbert Alien of Janesville, Wis., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tracy, at 2631 Harney street. Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hoagland returned this week from Lake Washington, Minn., where they have been for a few weeks.

Mrs. A. D. Morse was called to Chicago Thursday night by the news of the death of Mrs. Bert Morse, her daughter-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. George M. Reed of Chicago are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wil-

liams, 719 North Twenty-second street.

Mrs. Z. P. Foster and Mrs. J. E. Denel of Santa Ana, Cal., are the guests of Mr. Jay D. Foster, 1514 North Nineteenth street. A. M. Fleming and family of Logan, U. T., enroute to the World's fair, visited his sister, Mrs. V. H. Bartlett, the past week. Judge and Mrs. E. Wakeley have as their guests Miss Kinzie of Denver and Miss Thomas of Des Moines. They arrived Sat-

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Peck have purchased the farm adjoining that of W. B. Millard beyond Calhoun, and will spend their summers there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Rector and sister, Miss Minnah Hawke, are in Chicago taking n the World's fair, and are quartered at the Auditorium. Ladies belonging to the historical class of

the Woman's club are requested to meet at the Young Men's Christian association hall Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Goldsmith gave a

lovely dinner party last Sunday in honor of the engagement of their son, Louis Gold-smith, to Miss Lena Goldman. Mrs. J. B. Brown and her mother, Mrs. Henderson, left Wednesday for their old home in Thomaston, Me. Mr. Brown accompanied them as far as Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Sutton, father and mother of Mrs. E. I. Dundy, jr., who have been visiting the latter for a fortnight past, leave Friday for their home in Ohio. Miss Yates, Miss Gertrude Chambers and

Miss Hall left Friday morning for a brief visit in Lincoln with Miss Lella Shears, who gives a coaching party for them while there. ent of Emma Louise Trott of this city to Mr. Robert Spaugh Parkhurst, the prominent cattle dealer of Denver, Colo., is announced. The marriage will take place Mrs. H. C. Fisher of Chicago, a sister of

Mrs. John Francis, is the guest of the latter and will be for several days to come. Thurs day Mrs. Francis gave a lovely luncheon for

Mr. Frank L. Robinson, who was for several years private secretary to S. H. H. Clark, and was greatly esteemed on the Missouri Pacific and Union Pacific roads, died last Sunday night in California.

The next meeting of the reading circle of the Young Men's institute will be held on next Thursday evening, when arrange-ments will be made for meeting every second week, instead of each week as formerly. All members are requested to be present.

Mrs. A. D. Morse went to Chicago Thursday night in response to a telegram announce ing the dangerous illness of her daughter-in-law. A later telegram to Mr. Morse con-veyed the news of her death. The body will be taken to Brookville, Kan., for inter-

Mrs. Thomas E. Metcalf and Miss Metcalf of San Diego, Cal., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Metcalf, South Tenth street, Mrs. J. M. Metcalf will give an informal musicale Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Metcalf, who is said to be a most charming musician. For Senator and Mrs. Manderson, General

and Mrs. Brooke gave a very elaborate and pretty dinner on Tuesday, the following other guests being present: Mr. and Mrs. J. N. H. Patrick, Mr. Robert Patrick, Mr. John Patrick, Captain Thompson, U. S. A., and Miss Stearns.

The mental and moral philosophy department of the Woman's club will meet at the parlors of the Young Men's Christian association Wednesday, May 31, at 4 p. m., to consider plans for the year's work. The department of literature will meet at the same place on Monday at 3 o'clock to lay out a course of study for the summer.

Miss Mellona Butterfield has received word from Chicago that her beautifully decorated mirror has been accepted in the competitive department of the Woman's building at the World's fair. The mirror is 39x51 inches in size and is framed in gold. The decorations are pink and yellow roses, but and leaves. It is an excellent bit of buds and leaves. It is an excellent bit of work that would attract attention anywhere.

where.
Thursday evening, May 25, Mr. Herbert N. Robbins of this city and Miss Maggie Martin of Chicago, were married at the bride's home in the World's fair city. Mr. Robbins is well known in this city. He established himself in business on Leavenworth street a few years ago and has met with flattering success. Socially he is popular among a wide circle of friends who esteem him for his good qualities. good qualities In honor of D. W. Simmons of Concordia,

Kan., a pleasant surprise party was given at the home of Mrs. D. C. Whitehead, 2719 Decatur street, by the members of the Ruth Rebekah lodge. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, Mr. and present: Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Desbrow, Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee, Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Kollets; Mesdamea Bends, Myers, Bleacher; Mesars Durbin, Lanstrom, Warpick, Basier, Whitehead. Cards and dancing were the order of the evening.

Misses Lydia and Anna McCague, who have been instructing a class of young ladies the past season with so marked success, will shortly close their term for the summer, to resume work again next fall. The class was originally organized by Miss Poppieton, but the demands upon her on account of her father's illness made it necessary for Miss Poppleton to give up literary work, the Misses McCague continuing the course mapped out by Miss Poppleton. The class is composed of a dozen or fifteen young ladies who are fitting themselves for higher courses of study at the best universities.

Preparatory to her departure for Chicago, a number of the friends of Miss Cora Weaver tendered her a jolly surprise on Thursday evening, going together to her home where they spent a delightful evening at cards, music and dancing. During the first part of

the evening Mr. Thomas, Mr. McClure and Mr. Weir kindly entributed vocal solos which were quite appreciated. Miss Weaver also gave some charming selections upon the plane and mandelin. Cards and dancing occupied the remainder of the evening. Dainty refreshments were provided by the thoughtful hostess for the following guests: Miss Inez Hascall, Miss Royce, Miss Miles, Miss Bargess, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Knouse, Mr. Palmatier, Mr. Miller, Mr. Weir, Mr. McCune, Mr. Beach.

Miss Julia Tallaferro, sister of T. W. Tallaferro, manager of the Omaha Packing company, arrived home Thursday after an absence abroad of nearly three years, where

sence abroad of nearly three years, where she studied voice cultaire under San Giovani at Milan until his death, which occurred sud-denly last spring. She then went to Genoa and was a pupil of Signor Cosmello until her and was a pupil of Signor Cosmello until her departure for home. She sailed from Genea the latter part of April on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm and experienced some very rough weather, the steamer being out fourteen days. She stopped off at Chicago, her old home, for a few days, visiting with friends and taking in the sights at the World's fair. She has an excellent mezzoneran voice and will prove to be contained. soprano voice and will prove to be quite an addition to Omaha's growing musical circles.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

Work Accomplished at the Last Meeting Under Favorable Conditions TO THE LADY READERS OF SUNDAY BEE: Dear Friends-Of course it is worse than

useless to speak of the weather last Monday, because if any of you were obliged to be on the streets you have evidence of the state of the same that is more than heresay. And it was a shame too, for the house and home committee of the Woman's club had made ample preparations for the entertainment of fully 200 ladies, and not more than fifty were able to be present, and you all know how provoking it is to be ready for a certain number of guests and then be disappointed, but the club met and carried out the program as intended in a satisfactory manner too, in spite of the odds.

After the secretary's report was accepted the annual report of the officers was called for, as it seemed desirable to establish a precedent in this direction. Mrs. Harris. the recording secretary, said she had always made a point of leaving any meeting when such reports were made, and hence never heard one in her life. The club had had no meetings and she had recorded nothing and her annual report was therefore based upon either history, experience or observation Her remarks were well received, and her popularity attested when the vote of the club on recording secretary was announced later it was found that she came within two votes of being elected unanimously. Mrs. Towns made a little speech in which she said that she had only a few words and those n the way of advice to offer and that was that the club continue to give the newly elected president the same hearty support that it had given the temporary chairman

The house and home committee then pre-sented the chairman with the loveliest bunch of La France roses, tied with a white ribbon you ever saw. Mrs. Towne responded you ever saw. Mrs. Towne res by saying sometimes the way did things was the very nicest way After the treasurer's report, which showed a balance of \$200.10 on hand, the departments were called on to make reports of progress in the way of organization and plans The department of political science, Mrs. Ford, chairman, has planned for four meet ings in the fall to discuss law, money and so on at each meeting, to have a paper presented by Mrs. Tracey, Mrs. Peattie, Ars. MacMurphy and Mrs. Ford in turn, as a foundation for discussion. The department of philosophy, Mrs. Andrews, chairman, made a good report in which the chairman said that their motto, 'Aim at the Stars and Strike Something, was to be the rulling idea in their delibera-tions. The department of literature has arranged for the study of German literatur most expensive course of reading laid out of any of the branches of the club. The educa-tional department will for the present give their attention to matters of interest in their line at the World's fair and have decided to have one or more meetings this spring.

At the request of five ladies, as prescribed by the constitution, a new department was formed for the investigation of psychology and also of English verse, with Miss McGee as chairman of the former and Mrs. Peattie of the latter. The club then listened to a lengthy and strong appeal from Mrs. Peattie in behalf of a holiday for the lady clerks, in which she requested members of the club to refrain from making any purchases on Saturday afternoons and thus help the movement to give these girls a half-noliday. It was moved and seconded that the club be orded as favoring the movement. The motion was carried unanimously. Resolutions were then introduced expressing the appreciation of the favors extended the club by The Bee and other city papers and to the Young Men's Christian association and others for the use of halls. The representative of THE BEE was also presented with a beautiful bunch of roses and that calls to mind the fact that the floral decorations at the gallery were un-usually attractive and artistic, no form being observed, just immense bunches of roses and snowballs wherever they would

it in the best. The club proceeded to the election of officers, several tellers being appointed to dis-tribute and collect the ballots which were printed after the style of the Australian ballot and the members instructed to make a cross after the name of the lady for whom they wished to vote. The election resulted in the choice of Mrs. Ford for Presi-dent; Mrs. S. R. Towne, first vice president; Mrs. A.S. Stiere Mrs. A. S. Stiger, second vice president;
Mrs. Charles L. Harris, recording secretary;
Miss Harriet Hickox, corresponding secretary;
Mrs. F. M. Richardson, treasurer,
Some little discussion arose here over parliamentary rules, and it was suggested that the club call on Hon. Lininger to settle the points under discussion, as he had probably points under discussion, as he had probably had more experience, but Mr. Luninger, being discreet, declined to take any part except that of host, which he filled very graciously, and, as he laughingly expressed it, to see that the ballot box was not stuffed and that each candidate had fair play.

The motion to adjourn was then adopted and the committee on house and home took matters into their own hands. And very

matters into their own hands. And very efficient hands they are, too. It was announced that we would first be favored with a short musical program, and Mrs. Hess-Fuchs was presented to the ladies as Fuchs was presented to the ladies as a very pleasant surprise, her return from Europe being known only to a very few of her friends. She and Mrs. Whitmore favored the club with a delightful rendition of Schubert's rondeau for four hands after which Mrs. Estabrook in her sympathetic voice sang "Where Did You Come from Baby Dear" and "Reveries." She was greeted with warm applause and all enjoyed her songs. A plano fuet, "Hungary," was the next number on the program and was followed by Mrs. Cotton singing "Heart's Delight." You all know how delightfully Mrs. Cotton sings and the encore she received was proof enough that she is a prame favorite. She responded by giving "Love May Come Tomorrow," with its beautiful refrain, which was received with appreciative enjoyment by all. Mesdames Hess-Puchs and Whitmore closed the program with another duet more closed the program with another duet entitled, "Spain," which was played with a

great deal of expression. ITE

Then came the refreshments. The lady fingers and the chocolate waters, the pinefingers and the chocolate wafers, the pine-apple sherbet served in such dainty style and the tea in its thy enga with cream and sugar would indeed tempt the gods to desert their famed nectar, and to affirm the state-ment of the chairman, that the way women do things is certainly the best way, not only sometimes, but always. Then the ladies feasted and talked to their heart's content, and as the oxession was so informal and defeasted and talked to their heart's content, and as the occasion was so informal and delightfully unconventional it was no trouble to be sociable, but simply impossible to resist the desire to be friendly and all forgot that there were many present who had not met before and were soon old friends and enjoyed the occasion as such. The idea of this annual meeting seemed to be more to "establish a precedent" than anything else, and if in years to come the club follows this precedent in the same spirit, and all house and home committees are as efficient as the one home committees are as efficient as the one which had this "precedent" in charge the club will have nothing to regret. Formal adjournment was had until the first Monday in October when the real work of the club will be begun in carnest A MEMBER.

Ladies call at Miss Johnstone's, 211 South Sixteenth street, and have your hair curled with Hawley's Unique Curlene; it is guaran-teed to keep the hair curled from one to two weeks during hot weather.

Henshaw and Ten Broeck in "The Nabobs ome back to the Farnam Street theater for five nights, beginning with today's matince. "The Nabobs" is advertised as a farce com edy, but might properly be called a semilegitimate. The term farcical, however, is not out of place, as the piece furnishes, and most consistently, too, tinusual opportunity for graceful dances by pretty girls, grotesque dances by clever men, comic songs and jolly horuses by a variety of versatile people. In pupils who care less for classics than a jolly good time and can kick higher than a first class in mental philosophy and give skirt dances that could scarcely be learned from books. Indeed, the work done by the female portion of the company would be a creditable show in itself. In the second act of this musical absurdity a lesson in mythology is taught by means of the seminary girls ar-rayed as Venus, Diana and other classical beauties. In the last act there is an almost constant stream of fun, interrupted only by some charming musical numbers and spe-cialty features. "The Nabob" is one of the prominent and cleverest farces ever seen in

Dr. Herbert L. Flint, the renowned mes will open a week's engagement at Boyd's theater tomorrow (Monday) evening. Dr. Fliat has been playing in the towns and cities of the Missouri valley and has made for himself a great reputation. Here is a description of his performance given at a Nebraska City: "He had a dozen or more subjects upon

the stage, not a single one of whom he failed to hypnotize. The first tests given by the doctor were physical, in which the operator showed the control of the muscular system. Subjects were made to forget their names, laugh, cry, dance and many other amusing things. The most sensational act performed was that entitled 'Catalepsy,' during which the doctor's daughter was put into a cataleptic state, with her head on one chair and her feet upon another, and a rock which required the strength of four men to lift it was shattered on her suspended body with a large sledge hammer. There is something wonderful and truly sur-prising in all of the acts performed by the doctor.

The closing attraction at Boyd's theater for the season will be Hallen & Hart in their new comedy, "The Idea," Tuesday and Wednesday, June 6 and 7. The play is built with the season blue as "Later the somewhat upon the same lines as "Later On," their old comedy, but is more modern and is brimfull of music. In fact, under the direction of John E. McWade, the old opera singer, the Hallen & Hart company has be come the strongest singing company of all the farce comedy companies on the road. This company is just returning from a suc-cessful tour of the Pacific coast. "O'Dowd's Neighbor. will be seen again

at the Farnam Street theater for three nights, commencing next Friday night. This will be the 1,000th performance of this funny farce, and every lady or child occupying a seat on the lower floor on Friday evening will be presented with a box of the finest French mixed candy. "O'Dowd's Neighbors" is justly spoken of

as an operatic farce comedy, the music of which that smart bit of a man, Mr. Mark Murphy, has put in the play justifying its title. In the course of the excitement the following are among the selections: An opening chorus by the O'Dowd quartet, Messrs. Rogers, Reynolds, Erhard and Riggs, which is received with great enthusiasm nightly, the voices being spoken of by New York papers as fairly rivaling the by New York papers as fairly rivaling the celebrated Clipper quartet. Probably the song "Papa Wouldn't Buy Me a Bow-Wow," by Mr. Murphy, makes the hit of the performance. Judging from the old saying "make extremes meet," it strikes one as being peculiar that the celebrated sextet from "Lucia di Lammermore," should follow "On the Bowery." Still this is the nature of things with "O'Dowd's Neighbors." Nothing has been thought of or said in New York in five years which was funny that cannot be discovered in "O'Dowd's that cannot be discovered in "O'Dowd's

Next Monday evening the Calhoun Opera company comes back to Omaha, this time to the Farnam Street theater. The company is known in this city as one of the best, if not the very best, of its class ever heard. ing the engagement at the Farnam the entire repertoire of the company will be sung, and it will probably be augmented by a splendid presentation of "H. M. S. Pinafore," though this as yet is not absolutely decided upon. The patrons of the rarnam Street theater will no doubt show their appreciation of Manager Burgess' enterprise n securing this very expensive organization by an unusually large attendance, as aside from the novelty of such an engagement at this theater the intrinsic value of the entertainment offered is far in advance of the prices charged. Wonderland and Bijou theater continues

to present excellent entertainment, the plays produced during the last few weeks being among the best and most successful dramas ever written. Next week's produc-tion will be no exception. A great perform-ance is promised of "The Private Secretary," which everybody knows as one of the most popular comedies ever presented upon any stage, and the Bijou stock company is capable of putting up a good performance of it. Manager Day has spared no expense to make it a success. The stage settings and costumes of the lady members of the company will be very elaborate. Preceding or concluding the drama an ex-cellent specialty program, containing some of the best known performers in the profes-

sion, will be given. At Exposition hall on Monday, May 29, at 3 and 8 p. m., Prof. Loisette will deliver his

3 and 8 p. m., Prof. Loisette will deliver his entertaining and instructive lecture on "Memory," or his new art of "Never Forgetting." A good memory is one of the things all desire and many lack. The professor's method, which he has taught for over twenty years and which has net with the approval of some of the best known men of letters and teachers, both in this country and approval as his teachers. both in this country and abroad, as his tes timonials will show, enables a person with a good memory to very much improve it, and as for a bad memory why he makes that a bsolutely good—so he benefits all. He has been very successful in the cure of mind wandering. On May 31 the professor will commence a course of class instruction, continuing the same Thursday and Friday, June 1 and 2, in the hall of the Young Men's Chris-tian association. His Monday lectures will be free to all and tickets can be obtained on application at Ford & Charlton's music rooms, 1508 Dodge street, and the rooms of the Young Men's Christian association, where tickets for the instruction class can also be obtained.

BUILDING ASSOCIATION NOTES.

Lincoln affords a most inviting field for a strong progressive local association. The "splendid investments" of national

associations are shown in the fact that thirty six foreclosure suits were on the docket of the Adams county district court last term The mortgagors doubtless thought the best

way out of a bad bargain was to let the

The Eastern of Syracuse favors THE BES with a neatly printed stenographic report of the addresses delivered at the annual meet-ing, March 15. The report fails to mention the interesting fact that this association was refused a certificate to de business in Nebraska because it failed to comply with

The character of the applicant as well as the security offered are now more closely examined by Omaha associations than ever before. Both are essentials in the fulfil-ment of contracts. The unloading of several chunks of undestrable property on the lenders tended to bring about conservative values and methods. Experience

The first annual meeting of the United States League of Local Building and Loan associations will be held in Chicago, in the World's Fair Auxiliary-building on the Lake front, beginning June 27. The world congress of all building and loan associations will meet during the same week. A program has been arranged to cover, in addresses and discussions, the whole range of organization and management.

A plain and unassuming cottage in the Philadelphia division of the Pennsylvania exhibit at the World's fair, presents an object lesson of co-operative effort. It typifies what building associations have accomplished in the Quaker city, where 80,000 homes are owned by wage carners, and largely through this instrumen tality. It also reflects what is being done by 7,000 associations throughout the U States, with a membership of 2,000,000.

Agents of foreign associations refused certificates to do business in Nebraska have not lost hope. They think that with the lapse of a little time the State Banking board will yield to their importunities and rescind the action of last January. A good deal of underhanded backcapping and malicious insinuations against employes of the banking department may be traced to this source. Members of the board are doubtless famil iar with these tactics and appreciate purpose. There is but one honorable way by which foreign associations can do busi-ness in Nebraska, and that is by complying with the spirit and letter of the law.

According to the report of the superin According to the report of the superintendent of the Banking department for 1892, there are 415 associations, with 166,323 shareholders in Ntw York state. The membership increased 20,000 last year and the assets \$10,000,000. The combined assets amount to \$\$37,385,173; receipts for the year, \$21,974,371; total loans, \$34,414,483. On the Ist of January there were 1,354,867 shares outstanding, the withdrawal value of which was \$31,353,443 and matured value considerably over \$100,000,000. The superintendent divides the associations into two classes— "local" and "national"—380 of the former and thirty-five of the latter, and makes an in structive comparison of their business. The proportion of business done is in proportion \$16,000,000 of new business during the year, against \$5,170,000 by the nationals: against \$5,170,000 by the nationals; the general expenses of the latter were \$236,299, as against \$201,964 spent by the locals.

There are recorded several instances in the political history of Nebraska where public officials have been the recipients of special favor at the hands of friends. Not many years ago State Senator Conger was "surprised" by his admirers and called upon to accept in open session a valuable gold watch and chain, said to have been presented to him by his comrades in the Grand Army of the Republic. The ceremonies attending the presentation would have made a horse laugh, could the horse have known the real motive that inspired the compliment. It was a howling farce. The gift was in compensation for services rendered—not in the interest of the state. In fact, the strong presumption was that the gold watch and chain had cost the state dearly.

Another gold watch incident has just come to light. The recipient was Steward Nickolls of the Norfolk asylum during a late administration. Upon his retirement, the merchants who had furnished supplies to the state presented him with a gold watch and chain. After the election of Governor Crounse, Nickolls sought a reappointment to his old position. In order to fortify his claims before the governor he drew from his pocket a superb gold watch. He handed it to the governor. His face was radiant. With pride and satisfaction he recalled the distinction paid him by his neighbors. He felt syre that this token of their confidence in him would impress the governor as noth ing else could do.

Much to his surprise, however, Governor Crounse looked at the valuable memento for a few minutes and then sententiously re

"Mr. Nickolls, you have made a great mistake so far as your own interests are concerned, in exhibiting that watch to me. Business men do not give away \$150 gold watches without receiving something in return for them, and this is evidence to me that you must have consulted the interests of the business men of Norfolk more than you did the interests of the state while you were steward there. I very much regret that this matter has come up in this way, but under the circumstances I do not think that I can consistently consider your application any further. Good day."

The man who has a stiff beard, unless he has a grudge against himself, better be hi own barber or let his beard grow. If he doesn't shave himself or let his beard grow (I am speaking of one of those very stiff, coarse beards) he is out of luck. One will occasionally find a barber who talks, and this is what one of that sort told me the

other day, the while he put a raw edge on my epidermis:
"That man just getting into the second chair has what we call an iron beard—very stiff, you know. He's tried every chair in the shop but that one, and when Shorty gets

through with him he'll never come back any more. Why? 'Cause Shorty'll hurt him. You see, when a barber has a customer with a beard like that he doesn't want him regular—see? So Mr. Iron-bearded Map gets a rough shave and goes somewhere else next time. If he gets an easy shave he rough shave and goes somewhere else next time. If he gots an easy shave he comes back, so a barber that's onto his business is careful not to be too easy with him. They're hard customers—those iron-bearded men—and mostly have tender skins, too, which makes 'em all the harder to shave; besides, this fellow's bald headed, so it doesn't pay to keep him. Ah! Shorty's doing a great job—that man'll never come back!"

Which shows that there are triple in all.

Which shows that there are tricks in all rades, and in the barbor's trade are son

mighty mean ones.

One of the most talkative men in Omaha took a day off recently and wrote the follow ing for Tag Beg:

"Speech is silver-silence is golden," it is

This is true, not because it should be, but pecause it is. The world is a faulty and misguided student of character, and this is one of the axioms it has hung up in a promi nent position, where all who run may read It has been the way of the world almos since its beginning to reward him who keep eth a close mouth, and to frown down him of the babbling tongue and the ready speech Hence the generally accepted belief that the man that never says anything is a wise man -a man of thought, whose seldom-spoker words merit the closest attention and whose utterances are to be accepted as oracular while he who talks, it is argued, is an ass, pure and simple, because—simply because he

What a fool world! There are rules and rules. To some of them there are more expulses. The there are to others. To ceptions than there are to others. To the rule set up by a mistaker world that the man of silence is necessarily a man of brains, and that the necessarily a man of brains, and that the man whose ever ready tongue is always getting him into trouble is utterly devoid of gray matter, there are more exceptions than to most rules. I know many a thick-header ass to whose credit it is ever being said "he doesn't say much, but he does a lot of thinking." Behold him, my friends! Befold him who receives the plaudits of an admiring world for having sense enough to keep his mouth shut, when, be it remembered, he has not sense enough to open it. intelligently, except at rare intervals! True, he does a lot of thinking. In many cases he has to keep thinking, day and night, in order to become possessed of a fully defined idea once in a while. I do not advocate the cause of the talking

man, nor do I wish to be understood as setting forth that a man is silent from stupidity more often than from weight of brain. But I do say that the world is a fool, that it worships fools, and that the talking fool, whose ideas crowd, has as strong a claim on the world's consideration as has the stupid fool, whose profound expression of brow and close set mouth make such a striking impression on the casual observer. But silence pays—there is no doubt of that. Hence, let us wear a perpetual frown and be chary of expressing our opin-ions, that in this bright world we may be esteemed as men of wisdom and men of

"It stands as an established fact that the majority of women are not averse to being admired. Can and will one of the sex stand forth and affirm that she would prefer to be glanced at and derided at 10 o'clock a. m., to being stared at and openly admired at a o'clock p. m. ? No? Well, then, please let us stare; for while we love gentle woman a iressed for the street and at her best.'

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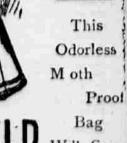
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