

# Society

By MELLIFICIA. Wednesday, December 23, 1914.

THE calendar tells us that these are the very first days of winter. This being so, it is not a little apropos to mention the fascinating muffs Jack Frost is bringing with him.

The fad for the large floral muff is the moment's vogue. One recently displayed and greatly admired in Omaha was made of large velvet panes in shaded tones of light and dark purple. These were literally massed together in the fashionable barrel shape and edged with accordion-pleated frills. This muff sets off the one-piece suit most effectively and is an appealing style to the aesthetic dresser.

Others are using the plain satin and velvet, muchly tufted, shirred or otherwise trimmed in self material and having a border of flowers or a possible cluster of them appearing in one corner. But flowers somewhere must be used.

### Christmas Visitors

Mrs. Charles F. Hoffer of St. Joseph, Mo., has arrived to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Schmidt. Mr. Hoffer will come up to spend the week end.

Mr. William M. Gunlock of Chicago has arrived to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Murphy. Mrs. Gunlock and Miss Natalie Gunlock have been in Omaha for the last two weeks and will remain until after the holidays.

Mrs. James Blackney, formerly Miss Ann Rowley of Omaha, has arrived from Kansas City to spend the holidays with her mother and relatives. Mr. Blackney is to arrive Thursday evening to spend Christmas in Omaha.

### To Honor Bride

Miss Sarah Leaf entertained informally at the Metropolitan, Tuesday evening, in honor of her cousin, Miss Minnie Frank, who will be January Bride. An entertainment consisting of piano duets, by Misses Esther and Anna Leaf; a reading from "Nicholas Nickleby," by Miss Gertrude Marks; jingles, by Miss Tillie Heinsteck, and a chalk talk, by Mr. Maurice Leaf, was followed by dancing. The rooms were tastefully decorated in red and green, and dainty souvenir programs were presented to each guest. Over thirty couples were present.

### To Honor Debutante

Mr. and Mrs. C. Will Hamilton will entertain at a dancing party this evening at Chambers' academy in honor of Miss Harriet Smith, the debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crittenden Smith. The ball room will be profusely decorated with Christmas trees of strand greens and Christmas novelties.

### High School Class

The senior class of the Omaha High School of Commerce gave a theater party at the Orpheum Monday evening. Those present were:

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| Misses—<br>Rose Adelson,<br>Bea Barling,<br>Laura Goehring,<br>Mildred Hamann,<br>Mildred Hartwell,<br>Mildred Jensen,<br>Regina Tauchen. | Messes—<br>Hannah Kooper,<br>Edna Letowsky,<br>Margaret Mergen,<br>Clara Norgard,<br>Clara Olson,<br>Leona Snyder,<br>Jennie Spigle. |
| Messes—<br>Dan Gruening,<br>Melvorne Lyck-holt,<br>Ben Novitsky.  | Messes—<br>Arthur Peterson,<br>Irving Sorenson,<br>Clinton Tebbens,<br>William Turner.   |

### For Wedding Party

Miss Margaret Prentiss gave a luncheon today at her home in honor of her wedding attendants. Pink and white roses decorated the table and covers were placed for:

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| Messes—<br>Mollie Adams,<br>Mary Sheets,<br>Hauok,<br>Meadames—<br>Adams. | Messes—<br>Adelaide<br>Punkhouser,<br>Margaret Prentiss,<br>Meadames—<br>Prentiss. |
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### Tri-Quad Club Entertained

Mrs. Arthur Kuhn entertained the Tri-Quad Card club Monday afternoon. At this meeting the card game was set aside and the members dressed Christmas dolls. Mrs. O. H. Lepplin was the guest of the club. Those present were:

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| Meadames—<br>Arthur Kuhn,<br>J. B. Critch,<br>J. J. Mullen,<br>F. W. Greenman,<br>E. Lovejoy,<br>N. Kline. | Meadames—<br>B. Hickox,<br>J. T. Busch,<br>Dr. Winterzon,<br>N. M. Carey,<br>R. M. Brown,<br>J. M. Gunston. |
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### Wedding Announcement

The wedding of Mr. Allen E. Young and Miss Palmato Pangle of Council Bluffs, stepdaughter of Mr. A. Hoopes, took place Sunday afternoon in Blair, Neb. Mr. and Mrs. Young will reside in Omaha.

### Wedding Guests

Miss Helen Miller of Chicago, formerly of Omaha, will arrive Saturday to be one of the bridesmaids at the Adams-Prentiss wedding Tuesday, December 29.

### Les Hiboux Club

Les Hiboux club, the first social club to be established at the Central High school, in planning several parties for the holidays. The annual banquet of the active members and the alumni will be given Saturday evening at the Rome hotel. Covers will be placed for seventy-five. Wednesday evening, December 30, the annual ball will be given at the Rome hotel.

### Bowling Club Meets

The A. L. C. Bowling club met Tuesday afternoon. The high score was made by Miss Mollie Corby. Those present were: Mrs. Samuel Glander.

### Pleasures Past

Miss Smith of the Boyles college faculty entertained the young women of her classes in the parlors of the Young Women's Christian association, Saturday evening. Vocal and piano musical numbers were given, following which Miss Smith entertained at a theater party. Miss Smith leaves for New York on January 1.

### Informal Luncheon

Miss Amy Gilmore entertained at luncheon today at the Paxton. The guests attended the matinee afterwards. The table was decorated with Christmas greens and covers were placed for eight.

### Dinner Before Dance

Mr. and Mrs. David Baum will entertain at dinner this evening before the subscription dance at Turner's academy. The table will be decorated with Christmas greens and holly, and covers will be placed for:

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| Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Low,<br>Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson,<br>Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackson,<br>Mr. and Mrs. Baum. | Messes—<br>Hours,<br>Katherine McCornick Howard Beldridge. |
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### Fashion Hint



By LA RAconteuse.

Black velvet toque, stiff crown with soft inset of velvet. Feather fancy trimming at right side.

## LIEUT. TEST SUES FOR HIS DAUGHTER

Starts Habeas Corpus Proceedings to Get His Child from Dead Wife's Parents

### HEARING ON YESTERDAY

Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bixby, Would Retain Possession of Little Tot, Taken When the Mother Died.

Lieutenant Frederick C. Test, United States army officer, well known in Omaha, has started a habeas corpus suit in district court in an attempt to compel Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bixby, 1623 Emmet street, parents of his dead wife, to return to him his 6-month-old daughter, held by them, he alleges, against his will.

An order directing Mr. and Mrs. Bixby to bring little Jo Janeline Test into court was signed by District Judge English at Lieutenant Test's request.

The baby was born at Santa Fe, N. M., whither Lieutenant Test and his wife, who was Miss Josephine Bixby before her marriage, made their home when Lieutenant Test was sent to the Mexican border by the government at Washington.

Mrs. Test died May 23, less than two years after her marriage. According to Lieutenant Test's allegations in his petition, he gave the temporary custody of the child to Mr. and Mrs. Bixby. Now, he alleges, he desires to care for her himself, but her grandparents refuse to give her up.

In order to show his ability to care for the baby, Lieutenant Test informed the court that he receives a salary of \$200 a month from the government, with additional allowances. His mother is in charge of his home in Santa Fe.

Mr. Bixby is a salesman for the Linsinger Implement company. He formerly resided in Council Bluffs, as did Lieutenant Test. Both Lieutenant and Mrs. Test were prominent in Omaha social circles during their residence here.

## Wakefield Confesses to Theft of Furs

Harry Wakefield, arrested for the theft of a number of overcoats, confessed to stealing a box of furs, valued at \$600, from Wells-Fargo Express company. He implicated Tony Rogers, 2302 North Twenty-seventh street; Frankie Thornton, state hotel; Win McCullough, 1123 Capital avenue, and Frank Wick, 217 South Twelfth street. All four have been arrested and are being held for investigation. It is asserted by Wakefield that the four above named people received the stolen property from him.

## COLORED FOLKS TO DANCE AT AUDITORIUM FRIDAY NIGHT

The Dunbar Colored Athletic club will hold its annual ball at the Auditorium Christmas night. Music will be furnished by Desdume's orchestra, and more than 200 hundred couples already have procured the necessary pasteboards for admission. A special car from Kansas City will arrive Christmas eve for the function, which is the one big event held by the colored people during the year. Refreshments will be served.

## Over Two Thousand from Rotary Ball for Omaha Charity

Net profits from the Pavlova charity ball given last week by the Rotary club will be well above \$2,000, according to an incomplete report made at the club's noonday meeting at the Henshaw.

## MISS COOLEY WILL DINE FIFTEEN POOR CHILDREN

Janetta L. Cooley, the little daughter of Judge and Mrs. J. S. Cooley, will treat fifteen poor children to Christmas dinner at the family residence, "The Maples," Twenty-fourth and Bristol street.

### Informal Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. John A. McShane will give a dinner this evening at their home preceding the Hamilton dance at Chambers' academy. Covers will be placed for:

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| Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Burns,<br>Mr. and Mrs. John T. Stewart 2d,<br>Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Frew,<br>Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hontford,<br>Mr. and Mrs. McShane. |
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### Greetings from China

Christmas cards have been received in Omaha from Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sumner Lobinger, who are now living in Shanghai, China.

### Custer Post and Corps Meet

Mrs. J. W. Foley, president of the George A. Custer Woman's Relief Corps, entertained the corps and post at a Christmas party at her home Tuesday evening. The program consisted of talks by the present commander, W. H. Stevens, and the newly elected commander, Emory W. Johnson. Violin selections were played by George Rathborn; recitations were given by Mrs. Emma J. Clark; mandolin selections by C. B. Mape; fancy dancing by Miss Lamona Mape; impersonations by George Rademacher; vocal numbers by Miss Margaret Emerson, and selections by the drum corps. The rooms were attractively decorated in Christmas greens.

### Former Nebraskan Dies in California

Dan Horrigan, local attorney, has received a telegram stating that his elder brother, C. W. Horrigan, died of brain fever at Oakland, Cal., Tuesday night. The deceased lived for a great many years at Hastings, Neb., and went from there to Oakland to take the position of cashier with the Booth Fisheries.

## Sale of Red Cross Seals Locally is Bigger Than Ever

Sales of Red Cross anti-tuberculosis seals in Omaha are bigger than ever, according to Mrs. S. P. Sears, local manager of the campaign. More than \$1,000 worth have already been sold here in stores, hotels, depots and the postoffice. A still greater demand for the little red stickers is expected the last few days of the campaign. Proceeds are used in fighting consumption.

## GRANITE RATE CASE HEARING NEXT MONDAY

Three United States district judges will sit in special session at Omaha, December 25, to hear arguments by counsel for the Central Vermont and four other eastern railroads, which seek an order restraining the Interstate Commerce commission from enforcing lower freight rates on mountain hauling, so should continue to have mental granite shipped from Vermont to Missouri river points.

By a recent decision, rates on mountain and building granite were equalized, after the former had taken a higher rate for many years. The railroads allege that mountain granite is not competitive with building granite, and requires more careful handling.

### Checks Croup Instantly

You know croup is dangerous. And you should also know the sense of security that comes from always having Foley's Honey and Tar Compound in the house. It cuts the thick mucus and clears away the phlegm, stops the straining cough and gives easy breathing and quiet sleep. Take it for cough, colds, tickling throat, hoarseness and for bronchial and influenza gripes. Contains no opiates. Every year is a friend. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

## BULL MOOSE MERELY THE GROUCH OF ONE POLITICIAN

"Yes, I strayed off like some other good republicans in 1912, but I'm back in the fold to stay now," said Oscar Knox, one of the prosperous farmers of Buffalo county, who represented his district in the house in the legislature of 1903 and 1905.

"I was fooled by the bull moose, but it didn't take me long to see there was little to it except one man's grouch. I think bull moosism is as dead as a doornail and the G. O. P. about the liveliest there is in this country today."

"Incidentally, while we have had a few lean years down our way, we are out for a fat one in 1915. We have lots of winter wheat in, for one thing."

## J. A. DEMPSTER IS BURIED

Funeral Services Held Under the Auspices of the Masons.

### REV. E. H. JENKS OFFICIATES

Civil War Veterans Assist at the Services of Department Commander of Grand Army of the Republic.

The funeral of John A. Dempster, who died Monday morning after a long illness from Bright's disease, was held from the Masonic temple at 230 yesterday afternoon. The Masons, assisted by the Grand Army of the Republic, conducted the services, and Rev. Edwin Harte Jenks, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiated.

Mr. Dempster was a member of Tangier temple, Shriners; Mount Calvary commandery, Knights Templar; Capital lodge, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, and Bellevue chapter No. 7, Royal Arch Masons. He was commander of the survivors of the battle of Shiloh, and was department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic and past commander of the U. S. Grant Post No. 110, and Fifty-second Illinois Infantry.

Survivors of Mr. Dempster who attended the funeral from out-of-town are: Edward J. Dempster of Geneva; J. Henry Dempster of Sioux Falls, Mrs. Mabel Christenson of Sioux Falls, his children; A. R. Dempster of Sioux Falls, Charles B. Dempster of Beatrice, brothers; Mrs. John Burgess of Beatrice, sister; Dr. E. N. Robertson of Concordia, Kan.; Claude H. Robertson of Ann Arbor, step children.

The honorary pall bearers were selected from the Masons and the Grand Army of the Republic. They were:

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| R. H. Robison,<br>Cadet Taylor,<br>Edward Uplike, | C. M. Haverly,<br>R. S. Wilcox,<br>Jonathan Edwards. |
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## Wilson Will Have Family Party at the White House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson will play Santa Claus Christmas day for his small grand niece, Anne Cothran, who will spend the holidays at the White House with her mother and grandmother, Mrs. Anne Howe, the president's sister. A large Christmas tree was delivered today at the White House.

The president, with his three daughters, Mrs. F. B. Sayre, Mrs. W. G. McCado and Miss Margaret Wilson, and other relatives, plans to go to church Christmas morning, to take an automobile ride in the afternoon and take dinner at the White House in the evening. He will attend only to absolutely necessary business during the day.

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We wish you "many happy returns"—but happiness is really only a reflection of health. It depends largely on the digestion. If you are poorly as a result of a weak stomach, inactive liver or clogged bowels we urge a trial of

## HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

It brings back appetite, aids digestion and is beneficial to the entire system. Start today.



## It Burns and Burns and Burns

The first time you use Lehigh Valley Anthracite you will be surprised at its staying power, the length of time it lasts. As days go on the fact will become less extraordinary. Eventually you will simply say that you use less and get more heat than from any other coal you ever burned. The

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**All Merchandise Bought in Our Stores Up to 7 o'Clock Thursday Evening Will Be Delivered the Same Day**

**We Are Ready for You Even If You Are Late**

Everywhere, with but few exceptions, you will find complete stocks. It is at the last moments that the superiority of our stores' merchandising system and our ability to serve you best reveals itself most unmistakably. Come in absolute confidence of finding here exactly what you planned on buying. You will not be disappointed. Indeed, the late shoppers will reap unusual bargains Thursday, for in many departments

**There Will Be Reductions of 25%, 33% and 50%.**

**Sweet Land**

Pompeian Room Brandeis Stores

**Santa Claus' Headquarters for Pure Sweets. We will fill your orders to the very last minute Thursday night**

15 Pink Candy Beads—Red, pink and white..... 5c  
Candy Cakes—2 for 5c, 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c each.

Special Christmas Mixtures—Dozens of kinds at 10c, 15c, 25c and 50c pound. These mixtures are especially adapted for filling stockings, cornucopias, etc.

Box Candies—Hundreds of kinds to choose from, all moderately priced.

Beautiful Line of Hand-Painted Silk and Satin Boxes—Filled with Fine Chocolates... \$2.00 to \$10.00

**From Our TOYLAND**

Will have come most of the playthings that will gladden the hearts of Omaha's children on Christmas morn. If you have not yet provided for Santa Claus' fulfillment of your children's dream, come to our Third Floor.

We have by far the largest assortments of Toys and Dolls.

**Books--The Best Friends**

Gifts That Grow Dearer and Dearer as the Years Roll By

Will you come Thursday to select a few choice subjects for someone who will joyfully appreciate these long-remembered tokens of esteem? Will you be seeking books that will be most welcomed by some dear friend of mature years—or will you seek books that will engross and enrich the juvenile mind of a child who is dear to you? You will find them. We have them here. More books to select from than anywhere else in Omaha—and we realize that

**All Booklovers Will Be Pleased to Know That Our Stocks of Books Are Still Complete.**

**Cut Flowers**

Rich Blooming Potted Plants to add the finishing touch of cheerfulness to the Christmas Feast

We are ready, and will be ready up to the very last minute Thursday, to provide all kinds of flowers and floral decorations.

**Thursday We Will Feature Especially**

Potted Poinsettias— At 29c Each  
California Pepper Plants— At 49c Each  
Fine Begonia Plants— At 98c Each  
Holly Wreaths— At 20c Each

Also a very large assortment of Blooming Plants at very special prices. Our Cut Flower department will deliver all evening as late as practicable Thursday—and then as long as necessary to make all deliveries Christmas day. We are also in position to ship to any point you may wish. Everything carefully packed to insure its being received on time and in good order.

**Fine California Violets, American Beauties, Carnations, Roses, Cut Poinsettias, etc., at Special Prices for Christmas.**

**Our Leader**

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