



Society enjoyed a novelty Monday evening in a "Cake Walk," an entertainment that afforded much amusement and hilarity for a large number of young people. It was a most successful affair. A couple of concerts and one or two small events complete the sum of the week's social activity. Looking into October one can see considerable life in society and it is already apparent that the bug bear, "hard times," is not going to keep people from enjoying themselves.

The cake walk given by Miss Grace Oakley and Mr. Harry Lansing at the Lansing hall on Monday evening was the first entertainment of the kind ever given in the city and without doubt the jolliest. Miss Oakley and Mr. Lansing received their guests at the door. Miss Oakley represented a fetching little darkey girl, dressed in red flowered calico, blue slippers and a crownless hat covered with sunflowers and roses. Mr. Lansing represented a summer beau dressed in a white duck suit, white sailor hat and red necktie.

The participants, all members of society, appeared in genuine burnt cork and a profusion of gaudy finery. The costumes were representative of every degree of social prominence from the swell with the large expanse of white linen to the little gutter urchin. At nine o'clock the music for the grand march burst forth and soon a long line of darkey belles and darkey beaus appeared. The dancing program was as follows:

Grand March.....	.....
Shin Dig.....	..... Polka
Hoe Down.....	..... Lanciers
Toe Shake.....	..... Waltz
Cake Walk.....	.....
Everybody Rag.....	..... Virginia Reel
7 Come 11.....	..... Two Step
Hop and Swing.....	..... Schottische
Virginia Skedaddle.....	..... Quadrille
Toe Shake.....	..... Waltz
Shin Dig.....	..... Polka
Hop and Swing.....	..... Schottische
Come Again.....	..... Home Sweet Home

After the third dance came the cake walk and as each couple passed from one room to another their names, such as George Washington Davis, Jane Marie Bank, Susan Ann Snowbell, etc. were called out by Isaac Williams, a genuine colored gentleman. In the center of the ball room were two large barrels decorated with smilax and sunflowers and on each side were placed a large fruit cake and a bunch of red roses and ferns. Messrs. and Mesdames W. B. Hargreaves, D. E. Thompson, J. B. Wright and L. C. Burr acted as judges and after much deliberation they agreed that Miss Grace Burr and Mr. Will Meyer had, without exception, the best make-up; and Miss Nellie White and Mr. Guy Hurlbut received the booby prizes. Those who took part in the dance were:

Miss Jeanette Wilson, representing a belle of the first water; her costume was yellow tulle over silk, a large white hat trimmed in pink roses.

Miss Olive Latta was a success in pink tulle with a profusion of drapery and a flower garden for a hat.

Miss Mae Burr, as a little ragged street girl, was 'cute.

Miss Nellie White made a sweet black baby.

Miss Rachael Brock was a darky maiden, gowned in yellow silk and purple lace.

Miss Bertie Clark was a lovely bride, dressed in white satin, tulle veil and dazzling jewels.

Miss Grace Burr, as Topsy, wore a gunny sack; her hair was done up in curl papers.

Miss Lucy Griffith wore a yellow and black costume.

Miss Jessie Leland's costume was yellow and black.

Miss Hallie Hooper appeared in a blue skirt, flowered waist

trimmed in yellow and white hat loaded with red roses.

Miss Maud Oakley—yellow cheese cloth with green trimmings.

Miss Stella Curtice wore a gown of yellow and green.

Miss Forbes, of Chicago, was attired in a red flowered calico dress and blue sun bonnet.

Most of the gentlemen were swells in all the bright colors and flaming jewels imaginable. They were so gorgeous that their costumes were beyond description. Among the gentlemen of color were: John Dorgan, Matt Baldwin, Will Meyer, Ross Curtice, C. Y. Smith, Geo. Woods, Will Johnson, Fred Houtz, C. P. A. Clough, Pratt, John Lottridge, Frank Burr, Oliver Lansing, Fritz Westerman, Joe Mason, Frank Polk. Ices were served during the evening from a prettily decorated table.

Among the spectators were: Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Oakley, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Hargreaves, Dr. and Mrs. F. D. Crim, Dr. C. E. Spahr, Mr. H. C. Young, Mr. Head, of Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Green, Mr. Frank C. Zehring, Miss Price, of Chicago; Mr. Lew Marshall, Mr. W. D. Robinson, Miss Fay Marshall, Miss Sarah Harris, Mrs. A. B. Clark, Mrs. D. D. Muir, of Denver; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McFarland, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Oakley, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Burr, Mr. B. G. Dawes, Miss Bertie Burr, Miss Hollowbush, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Ladd.

The meeting of the Cheese and Cracker club that was to have been held Thursday afternoon at the residence of Miss Jeanette Wilson was postponed owing to the illness of Mrs. Amasa Cobb.

Miss Mame Carson has been ill for the past week.

Mrs. Morris Turner left Sunday for Cleveland, Ohio, to visit friends and relatives for several weeks.

Miss Rosa Kohn will entertain the following young ladies at tea this evening at her home 1537 G street: Misses Clara Leese, Frankie Burleigh, Helen Dorothy, Sallie Burkson, Sue Bartram, Bernice Merrill, Bertha DuTeil, Mable Parish and Jessie Greedy.

Miss Forbes, of Chicago, who has been Mrs. W. B. Hargreave's guest for the past two weeks, has returned to her home.

Mrs. E. E. Fife, wife of the pastor of the United Presbyterian church of this city, delivered a very interesting address at the church Wednesday evening taking for her subject "The Life and Customs of the Natives of India."

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Taylor have gone to Houston, Texas.

Rev. Robt. J. George left Tuesday for Portland, Ore.,

Mrs. J. H. Bullock departed Tuesday for the South where she will spend the winter.

Mrs. V. O. Strickler, of Omaha, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hoover of the Lindell.

Prof. Ward, who has been very ill with fever, is rapidly recovering.

The Mendelssohn society held a very enjoyable social at the conservatory of music on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. D. E. Thompson gave a very delightful informal dinner party Saturday evening.

Miss Mae Burr departed Tuesday for Sioux City.

Mrs. W. R. Kelley, of Omaha, who has been visiting relatives in this city, has returned home.

Miss Maude Hammond departed Sunday for the east where she will continue her education.

L. B. Cornell has returned from Falls City.

The Burr-Dawes wedding will be the principal society event of the coming week.