

sport. A number of small parties were given both in the afternoons and evenings. A large party was given Friday evening by a number of men. After rising until 10 o'clock, the party returned to the Phi Psi chapter house where dancing was indulged in and refreshments were served. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Imhoff; Misses Woods, Gera, H. Wilson, M. Winger, A. DuBois, Turkey, Hargreaves, Vancil, Cunningham, Lansing, Cropsey, Weeks, Wigganhorn, Holbrook, V. Wilson; Messrs Haacker D. Reed, C. Reed, O. Brown, H. Shedd, Collett, Wigganhorn, Chapin, Williams, Fricke, Christie, S. A. White, F. and L. Korsmeyer.

Another very enjoyable sleighing party was given Saturday evening by the Sigma Chi fraternity. At 10:30 the party was driven to the chapter house where a dinner was served and a little time was spent with music and dancing. Those enjoying the ride were Miss Nash of New York and Miss Helen Allabach of Des Moines; Misses Houcke, Colson, Winger, Raymond, Whiting, Harley, Lansing, Williamson, Fechet, Sedgwick, Risser, Rector, Woodward, Carscadden, L. and A. Stewart; Messrs Gustive, Sheldon, Cake, Horn, Belknap, Halstead Bishop, Montgomery, Burgert, Young, Fechet, Cosgrove, Risser, J. and P. Fitzgerald, R. and I. Rainey.

Secretary J. Addison Porter, the Ward McAllister of the Administration, is in a cold chill lest some of the people invited to little suppers and receptions at the White House may do or wear something not strictly according to White House etiquette, as laid down by the Secretary (himself.) In order, therefore, to insure the President and President's secretary against any such annoyances it is his custom to call in such of the invited guests as he may have doubts about and rehearse them. On these occasions he is said to give them full instructions as to what to wear, what to say and how to act. He is in great distress apparently lest some of the gentlemen might come to these evening affairs attired in sweaters or golf suits, and the ladies in army blankets, such as are sometimes worn in high society on Indian reservations. J. Addison Porter, by the way, is a rich man, worth at least a million dollars. His money comes from the Sheffield branch of the family; a great uncle or a grandfather of that name endowed Yale with two million or three million of dollars. Lest it may be considered a joke that the President is assisting the Porter boom for Governor of Connecticut, it can be said in all seriousness that the Executive is so anxious to see his Secretary promoted out of the White House that the entire patronage of the State has been turned over to him. This to the consternation and wrath of the two Senators and the Representatives from Connecticut, who find it impossible to make headway against Mr. Porter.

John J. Ingalls, the spare ex-Senator from Kansas, has located in Washington for the winter and taken apartments at the Cairo. He is at work on a volume of memoris. When he left Washington after having been beaten by Peffer he swore an awful oath that he would not return to Washington until he could bear in his clothes a commission to again represent the State of Kansas in the Senate of the United States. He stuck by his vow until about a year ago, but since then he has been at the capital upon several occasions. The reporting of that prize fight at Carson City seems to have shattered his moral framework. After the first downward step the rest of the incline appears to have been greased. The Senator is not as affluent as he was several years ago, the failure of a Kansas City bank, in which he had \$100,000 on deposit, and the "lying down" of a regiment or two of Kansas grangers up-

on whose farms he held mortgages, put him temporarily upon the chrematistic rack. He expects to recoup by the memoirs route.

Lieut. Stotsenburg, the new commandant of the State University cadets, has arrived.

Police Judge Waters has returned from Marietta, O., where he was called by news of his mother's illness. His mother was much better when he left.

The Exhibition Committee of the Haydon Art Club has secured "Breaking Home Ties" to show with other beautiful pictures during the holidays. The railroad has granted special rates and school prizes of large, handsome pictures are offered by Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Rodgers and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moore to the school buying the largest number of tickets.

The Cotillion club, which met with Mr. and Mr. Buckstaff last week, was the beginning of a very enjoyable series of Germans to be held there this winter. About forty were present. Lieut. and Mrs. R. H. Townley led.

Members of the Haydon Art club listened to a very interesting illustrated talk on religion and art last Saturday night in the gallery of the Library building. Mr. Cornell threw the pictures on a sheet while Mrs. Hall spoke of them. It was an unusually interesting lecture.

The Society Play.

Mr. R. H. Townley, manager of the society company which played at the Oliver on Wednesday night, skimmed the town of its beauty and quick wits, and gave a performance which surprised and delighted everybody. Barring the long waits between the short acts of the first part, the show was more satisfactory than nine-tenths of those on the road. It is such a relief to see and hear a woman whose face is not hard and seamed, whose voice is not hoarse and whose carriage and walk do not suggest the Bowery, and experiences and ancestry we do not want to know anything about. The clean, starched or silken *frou-frou* was also a welcome sound. The soiled and wrinkled costumes the New York companies appear in when they stop over on their way to San Francisco, where I presume, they have them done up or dry cleaned, before showing them to a metropolitan audience, have prepared the way for a great hit for the first company that can afford to have their duds cleaned and pressed for a Lincoln audience.

The first part of the program consisted of living illustrations of Gibson's society pictures. The stage setting was sumptuous in color and texture and illuminated by American beauties whose fragrance set the slowest and most battered old heart to beating a little quicker. When so many are on a stage at once only the ensemble effects are noticeable and these were charming. The scenes concluded with a number by Miss Woods whose violin awakes memories in an old gentleman who coyly kept his face averted from the audience. Miss Woods played with her usual velvet still tone and earned the honors she received. The evening was divided into three parts as follows: live illustrations, musicals with five numbers and two curtain droppers which, like cafe noir, were pleasant to take and harmonized the rather long program. The musical numbers were given by some of the best musicians in the state. Mrs. Campbell's "That Lonely Night in June" was the most poetic number on the program. It was musically suggestive. In a foreign tongue it would make lovers sigh and blind maidens again with the spell of love and summer moonlight. The trio, Romanza Marscher by Misses Eiche of Lincoln, Allen of Council Bluffs and Chamberlin

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