SOCIETY NOTES

LIFE'S MAZY WHIRL

Several small parties were given this week. May day was duly celebrated, and a lovely day it was with its wealth of bloom, and verdure, but not many large affairs were given. The Mayer luncheon was quite the event of the week, and has never been eclipsed here by a similar function. The Thomas parties will lead in importance next week.

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A luncheon, characterized by the beauty and effectiveness of the decorations and the daintiness of the menu, was given on Wednesday by Mrs. Charles Mayer and Mrs. Henry L. Mayer, in honor of Mrs. William Gold and Mrs. Simon D. Mayer, recent acquisitions to Lincoln's smart set, at the home of Mrs. Charles Mayer. Mrs. Charles Mayer was charming in a gown of gray linen batiste over blue silk; Mrs. Gold, who is a brilliant brunette, wore black etamine with pale blue and white trimmings; Mrs. Simon D. Mayer wore an exquisite gown of gray crepe de chine embroidered with cut steel beads; Mrs. Henry Mayer's costume was a handsome one of white point d'sprit, with pink garnitures. The hostesses were assisted by Mesdames O. E. Rector, C. H. Rudge, A. 8. Tibbetts, A. G. Billmeyer, C. D. Pitcher, S. Wessel, and Miss Schlesinger. Mrs. Rector wore a gown of black net over taffeta; Mrs. Rudge, green crepe; Mrs. Tibbetts, black silk with black and white trimmings; Mrs. Billmeyer, white Swiss with black rain drops, trimmed with lace; Mrs. Pitcher, lavender crepe, black and white garnitures; Mrs. Wessel, white Swiss with lace; Miss Schlesinger, pale blue mull. A large number of the guests were in white, the favorite gown of this season, while many of the others wore colors suggestive of the spring time. All of the gowns were noticeably new, and fresh. and lovely. Mrs. Mayer's house was a mass of apple blooms and ferns. The exquisite biossoms were in jars and vases, effectively grouped with palms and ferns to screen an orchestra which played gay airs in the reception hall. Mantels were banked with the flowers, and long sprays of them trailed across the mirrors and entwined the chandeliers. The receiving and assisting ladies wore them in their hair and carried them in their hands, and bouquets of them were on the tables where the luncheon was served. Daylight was excluded and green candles in silver candelabra illuminated the inspiring scene. Two hundred ladies were present.

Lincoln hostesses looking for novel ways of entertaining might copy Miss Constable's "stock exchange" party, which she gave this week at her brother's studio in New York city. The idea was to portray the various phases of life on 'Change, Bulls and bears took part in the opening, a new member was initiated, there was a panic, and other features were introduced. The studio was equipped with tickers, telephones, bulletin boards and so forth, all of which were in charge of friends of the hostess. There was also a chorus of lambs, whatever that may be. The invitations were engraved to represent certificates of stock, and were as follows:

"Retain this certificate to show at entrance. Incorporated under the laws of 22 East 16th street, No. 4-11-44 share 1. International Stock Exchange. Bond of indebtedness, 'nit.' This certificate entitles a 'lamb' to the privileges of the gallery and floor of the Exchange, which will be thrown open to the confiding public on Tuesday, April 29, 1902, at 9 p. m., 22 East 16th street, R. S. V. P. to Miss Constable, secretary."

It was likewise intimated that while

"ladies would be admitted in full evening dress," "men" would be "admitted in plain or gaudy business attire-no evening dress." The answer to the above is returnable on the stub which accompanies the certificate, and which reads as follows: "Return this stub to 22 East 16th street, accepted or regretted. No. K. K., certificate No. 4-11-44. For one share issued to dated April 29, 1902."

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Misses Ethel and Emma Tyler gave a very pleasant dancing party Wednesday evening at Walsh hall. The parlors were decorated with American beauties, red and white carnations, palms and ferns. Cream shades subdued the lights. Ices were served all evening. Mr. and Mrs. James Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Guenzel, and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Boyce were chaperones. The dancers were Misses Lindell,

members: Katherine Thomas, Jeannette Thorp, Minnie Morrill, Grace Montgomery, Edna Holland, Bess Heacock, Pearl and Alleyne Archibald, Blanche Meeker, Bessie and Lois Burruss, Katherine Whitmore, Elizabeth Marshall, Willa Allen. * * *

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. FitzGerald gave a beautiful May day dinner Thursday evening. The guests were seated at six small tables, all decorated with spring flowers, and all different. On one was a bouquet of sweet peas, on another were daisies, on a third, lilacs, a fourth, pink roses, fifth, white roses, sixth, pansies. Boutonnieres of pansies were on the name cards. The dinner was served in six courses, the men progressing with each course. The guests were Messieurs and Mesdames C. R. Lee, W. C. Phillips, J. F. Hutchins. D. M. Butler, C. H. Rudge, E. B. Finney, C. J. Guenzel, H. C. Young, H. J. Winnett, L. E. Wettling, J. C. Sea-

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At the performance given by Maude Adams and her company at the Oliver Monday evening the boxes were all occupied by handsomely dressed ladies and men and the scene throughout the house was a brilliant one. The first box at the right was occupied by Mr. and



MRS. J. F. STEVENS.

Corresponding Secretary of the Lincoln Womans' Club.

Lyons and Hutchison of Fairbury, Miller of Elmwood, Schlesinger of Denver. Lowrey. Haskell, Haskell, Wallace, Tucker, Deweese, Hanson, Foley, Berkson, Ledwith, Ledwith, Richeson, Schlesinger, Schlesinger, Menlove, Menlove, Chappell, Tatrose, Howland, Haney, McLennan, Hathaway, Piper, Lindeman, Cauger, Spurlock; Mes-Rector I Sipherd, Kimball, Hagensick, Ledwith, Burke, Bennett, Mills, Peters, Ewing, Ewing, Speiser, Shallenburger, Smith, Pond, Mercer, Hyland, Hancock, Harvey, Nelson, Mudge, Fredricks, Beckman, Lewis, Chaim. Lundeen, Campbell, Davis, Morse, Kimball; Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. James Tyler, jr., and Mrs. Ryan. * * *

Beta chapter of Pi Beta Phi will celebrate the thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the national sorority with a banquet given this evening at the Lincoln. The colors, wine and blue, will be used in decorating. The place cards are done in white and gold, with Gibson heads for ornaments. The menu is an elaborate one. Alumnae members invited are Mrs. W. Q. Bell, Mrs. F. Fisher, Mrs. George Risser, Mrs. Hare; Misses Jennie Barber, Gertrude Morris, Gertrude Branch of Omaha, Mary McGahey, Waugh, Henry, Darleen Woodward, Edna Carscaden and Katherine Sedgwick of York, Grace Andrews of Fairbury, Amy Robinson of Trenton, Melinda Stuart, Ada Quaintance, Florence McGahey, Bessie Turner. Active

Mrs. John B. Wright, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilson; in the second box were Mr. and Mrs. John Dorgan, Mr. and Mrs. George Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Curtice; the loge was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ode Rector, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Honeywell and Mr. and Mrs. H. Peter Lau. The first box at the left was occupied by Mr. Zehrung chanan, general passenger agent of the Elkhorn railroad, Mr. G. F. Kuhn and Mr. R. W. McGinnis, who are also Elkhorn officials; in the second box at the left were Doctor and Mrs. A. R. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Buckstaff, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Searles; the loge was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Munger and Professor and Mrs. C. R. Richards.

* * * Mrs. Henry B. Ward was at home on Monday afternoon, that her friends might meet Mr. Ward's mother, Mrs. R. Halstead Ward, of Troy, New York. No invitations were issued, and the reception was entirely informal. The drawing room and hall were adorned with palms and ferns. A bowl of violets stood on a Battenburg center piece on the dining table. Strawberry Sundae was served. Mrs. Ward was assisted by Mesdames E. B. Andrews, C. E. Bessey, J. L. Teeters, R. H. Wolcott, Willard Kimball and W. E. Hardy. There were sixty callers.

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On Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Eskew, Thirtyninth street and the boulevard, were

married Miss F. Dora Henderson ot Omaha, and Doctor Emil F. E. Wiederanders, of Gothenburg, Nebraska. Reverend L. P. Ludden read the service. The bride is a sister of Mrs. Eskew at whose home the marriage occurred, and is an alumna of the Omaha medical college. The groom is a member of the class of '02 of Creighton medical college. Doctor and Mrs. Wiederanders will reside in Harrisburg, Nebraska. Out of town guests at the wedding were Doctor Mary Strong and Mr. Harry M. Brown of Omaha; Mrs. W. L. Boylan of Emerson, Iowa; Mr. G. G. Wiederanders of Gothenburg.

Mrs. J. T. Curtis gave a children's party Saturday afternoon, in honor of the tenth birthday of her niece. Miss Lucile Helms. The afternoon was spent by the guests in a play room, decorated in pink and white. Games were played until five o'clock, when a four course supper was served. Mrs. J. R. Helms and Mrs. George Tobin assisted the hostess. Many birthday gifts were presented to the guest of honor. Those present were: Erma Rhodes, Emmett Horn, Eva Pierce, Florence and Nellie Harper, Edith Pikesley, Grace Thompson, Hazel Steinburg, Eva Burke, Florence Wanmer, Florence Allen, Roy and Burr Lincoln, Wallace Detweiler, Howard Helms, Lucile Helms, Ethel and Ruby Peterson, George and Dewey Curtis. * * *

Mrs. R. Stanhope and Mrs. I. H. Hatfield gave a kensington on Thursday at the home of the former. A feature of the afternoon was the winding of a May pole by Misses Hermine Hatfield, Winifred Estes, Charlotte Boggs, and Masters Plomer Gustin, Herbert Grummann and Wardner Scott. For an encore the children gave the "Rag Doll's Ball." The decorations were suggestive of May day. When the luncheon was announced the ladies drew flowers from a May basket, and by matching them with the bouquets on the tables, found their places for the repast. Seventy-five ladies were invited.

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Miss Anna Saults of Gordon, Nebraska, and Mr. Harry W. Wolfe of Sheldon, Missouri, were married Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Sarah J. Painter, 1720 M street. Judge Waters performed the ceremony. A small number of relatives and intimate friends were present. The bride was a student at the state university last year, and the groom was at one time telegraph operator for the Elkhorn and Missouri Pacific railroads here. Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe will reside in Sheldon. * * *

Judge and Mrs. E. M. Coffin gave a crokinole party Thursday evening in honor of their guests, Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Coffin, of Ord. Music and light refreshments also contributed to the pleasure of the guests. Besides the guests of honor, those present were Judge and Mrs. S. A. Holcomb, Messieurs and Mesdames Elias Baker, O. J. Wilcox, E. J. Clements, D. C. Perkins, W. B. Lynch, E. Mitchell, Hitchcock, Nordstrom, Wurzburg and Mrs. Witter.

The members of the L. A. kensington and their husbands formed a theatre party at the Oliver Monday evening. Those present were Messieurs and Mesdames R. T. Van Brunt, E. C. Rewick, A. G. Billmeyer, Walter Davis, C. I. Jones, A. E. Kennard, S. A. Foster, C. W. Toevs, J. C. Seacrest, I. G. Chapin, F. E. Campbell, A. D. Wilkinson; Mrs. C. D. Pitcher and Mr. T. P. Kennard.

Dr. and Mrs. R. Stanhope and Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Hatfield gave a card party and May day excursion Thursday evening. There were nine tables at six-hand euchre, each table representing a part of a train, as an engine. a chair car, a Pullman, and so forth. The house was adorned with apple blossoms and violets. A two course luncheon was served.