

days ago, when the conversation turned to the "horseless age." Trolley cars, automobiles, and airships had their share of the talk, when one of the party, a young man well known in New York clubland, said: "I wonder if they will ever invent silverless dinners."

"Silverless dinners!" exclaimed the others.

"Yes; dinners at which one will not have to bother with knives, forks, or spoons; where everything will be prepared in such fashion that one can simply take it in his fingers and still not require a pail of water alongside of him."

"I doubt it," said another. "In fact, I don't see how such a thing could very well be."

"Well," continued the man who had made the proposition, "I am willing to wager the cost of a dinner that I can get up one which you will call excellent, and we won't have a piece of silver on the table."

The wager was at once taken, and the young man sought the chef. Next night the five men were again together, and each had brought a woman to pass judgment on the meal. It consisted of eight courses, and all those present voted it a perfect success. The menu was as follows:

Oysters on the half-shell, to be eaten from the shells.
Consomme in cups.
Frog's legs, with a sauce on the side.
Half of a baked squab, with the leg in paper cap.
Lamb chops, with the ends in paper cap.
Stuffed celery.
Ice-cream sandwiches. Coffee.
—New York Times.

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In honor of her husband's birthday, Mrs. John B. Wright gave a large dinner Thursday evening. The two large round tables at which the guests were seated, the one placed in the dining room, the other in the library, were arranged with the same exquisite taste which is always displayed at Mrs. Wright's parties. In the centre of the table was a hand-painted lamp with the most beautiful pink tiger lily shade, which was just sent to Mrs. Wright from Paris. The lamp stood on a mirror and around it, reflected in the mirror, were pink candles under silk shades. The tables were further adorned with pink roses and ferns and the bon-bon boxes were in the shape of pink chrysanthemums. The names of the ladies spelled backwards were written on cards and a card was handed to each gentleman upon his arrival, who in this way found his partner for dinner. Les Bohemiennes and their husbands were present, and from out of town the following: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burr, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Baum, Mrs. A. G. Beeson, Mrs. Thomas W. Griffith, Mrs. Olive Watson and Mrs. Ballantine.

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Tuesday evening, in the ordinary at the Lincoln hotel, a dinner was given by Mr. and Mrs. Lionel C. Burr for Miss Burr, Mr. Meadows and their bridal party. A large table, accommodating ten persons, stood at one side of the room and was half surrounded by a semicircle of five small tables. The decorations were of unusual beauty. In the center of the large table was a large mound of American beauties encircled with maiden-hair fern. Outside of this mound were crystal candlesticks bearing white candles arranged in a five-pointed star. The star was outlined with ferns. The points of the star extended to the edge of the table and two persons were seated between each of the two points. On each of the small tables were two candles in crystal sticks, and between the guests were long-stemmed American beauties extending from the floor above the table. The plate cards were done in water-colors by a New York artist. They were heart-shaped and the decorations were typical of a wedding. Thirty persons were present at the dinner.

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On Monday and Tuesday afternoons of this week, Mrs. C. H. Gordon gave ken-singtons. In anticipation of the approaching Christmas season, the house was adorned lavishly with holly, which formed arches over the doors, was fastened to the balustrade with ribbons, which matched the scarlet berries, and was arranged in bouquets placed advantageously. A luncheon was served each afternoon. A feature of the Tuesday party was a Christmas story told in a captivating manner by Mrs. Caroline Phillips, Superintendent and Mrs. Gordon gave a dinner Monday evening. Small tables were used for the repast. Guests were Reverend and Mrs. F. L. Wharton, Dean and Mrs. E. W. Davis, Professor and Mrs. W. G. L. Taylor, Professor and Mrs. W. L. Sheets, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller, Mrs. Warren J. Keifer, Mrs. Lowry of Chicago, and Doctor H. B. Lowry.

Phi Delta Theta gave a theatre party Thursday evening.

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Phi Gamma Delta will give a party Wednesday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hatch entertained the L. M. H. last evening.

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The University Club gave a dance at Fraternity hall last night.

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The Saturday night club will give a dance next Saturday night.

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The Pershing Rifles will give their annual hop next Friday evening.

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Mrs. E. J. Burkett will give a one o'clock luncheon next Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gerhart will entertain the V. V. club tonight.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Clark entertained "The Jokers" Tuesday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Foster entertained the C. D. F. club last evening.

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Phi Kappa Psi will give a dancing party tonight at the chapter house.

The active members of Delta Gamma sorority will enjoy a Christmas party at the chapter house before separating for the holiday vacation.

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Kappa Sigma gave a smoker last night at the chapter house. There were twenty-five members of the fraternity present and ten guests.

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Mrs. F. M. Johnson has issued invitations for a luncheon to be given Monday, the twenty-second, in compliment to Mrs. Spielman of Chicago.

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Mrs. A. G. Beeson and her daughter Katharine, who were in town to attend the Burr-Meadows wedding, returned to their home in Omaha yesterday.

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Mrs. Phillip Campbell of Custer county, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Milton Scott, for several weeks, left for Hastings on Wednesday.

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Mrs. Henry Gund entertained in a delightfully informal manner last Saturday in honor of Mrs. L. C. Pace of Montana. About a dozen ladies were present.

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Mr. Oscar Gareissen, the well known and popular Omaha singer, who has been heard here several times, will go to New York the first of the year to reside permanently.



MRS. C. F. HARPAM.
One of Lincoln's well-known matrons.

Mrs. C. F. Harpham will entertain the L. A. Kensington Tuesday afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Boggs entertained La Veta whist club Tuesday evening.

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Mrs. Charles H. Sharp is the guest of Mrs. John S. Finch, 1950 Euclid avenue.

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A number of Kappa girls constituted a box party at the Oliver Thursday evening.

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Mrs. D. E. Thompson will give a luncheon to Les Bohemiennes next Wednesday.

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Mr. J. M. Gulle is in Washington, D. C., where he went as delegate from the anti-saloon league.

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Mrs. Tobias Castor has gone to California for the winter, hoping that the change will benefit her health.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ross Curtice gave a family dinner in honor of Miss Burr last Sunday. Covers were laid for fifteen.

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Mrs. J. M. Jaques will give a reception next Thursday in honor of her sister, Mrs. J. L. Parsons of Connecticut.

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Mrs. S. C. Ballantine, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Leonard, started for her home in Seattle yesterday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mason Keifer will give a reception next Friday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard Ashton.

Delta Upsilon gave its fifth annual banquet Tuesday evening at the chapter house, 1437 S street. Cut flowers, ferns and the fraternity colors were lavishly used in decorating. A nine-course dinner was served. Previous to the dinner new members were initiated. The following were the toasts: "Chapter Policy," H. O. Rowlands, Colgate, '72; "The Scarlet and the Cream," F. M. Lipp, Nebraska, '03; "Our Chapter House

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