

SOCIETY NOTES

LIFE'S MAZY WHIRL

New Year's day was a day of unwonted festivity even for a holiday, and the ladies who were expected at the numerous formal and informal receptions, donned their proud clothes early in the afternoon, and went from one place to another drinking tea and exchanging felicitations. The arduous duties of this week have so fatigued the devotees that there will likely be a lull next week, and ladies can devote their attention to the art exhibit and the bargain sales.

Persons who are on the list for the annual New Year's eve celebration at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sawyer, always look forward to this event as one of the most enjoyable of the year. The entertainment offered varies from year to year, but is always original and full of interest, and the Sawyer home is so brimming over with hospitality and good cheer, that it is an inspiring place in which to welcome the New Year. On Wednesday evening occurred the twelfth of these annual gatherings, and one hundred and twenty guests shared the pleasures offered by their host and hostess.

The following Scotch and Irish numbers composed the musical part of the program: Piano—"Katie Darling," played by Mrs. Joseph Wurzburg; "Come Back to Erin," "Loch Lomond," Mr. Clemens Movius; "The Harp That Once Thro' Tara's Halls," "My Heart is in the Highlands," Mr. Joseph Wurzburg, with harp accompaniment by Mrs. Wurzburg. A Scotch hymn by MacDowell, played on the piano by Mrs. Will Owen Jones. Previous to the playing of this number Mr. Sawyer read the following poem, which was used by Mr. MacDowell as the basis of his composition:

"Far on Scotland's craggy shore,
An old gray castle stands
Braving the fierce north sea,
And from a ragged casement,
There peers a lovely face,
A woman white with woe,
She sweeps the harp strings sadly,
And sings a mournful strain;
The wind plays through her tresses
And carries the song again."

After the music Professor H. W. Caldwell gave an address on "Light in Dark Places," his talk bearing upon the race problem. Mr. Caldwell considers this the most difficult question before the country at the present time.

A poem written by Mr. A. L. Bixby was read by Mr. Will Owen Jones, after which there were quotations on light and darkness given by all present. Refreshments were then served.

As the midnight hour approached the Virginia reel was danced, and as the striking of the clock announced the death of the old year and the advent of the new, congratulations were exchanged and all joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne."

The formalities being at an end many of the guests departed for their homes, but some lingered to enjoy impromptu music, and conversation.

Out of town guests were Mrs. John S. Briggs, Miss Frances Briggs, Mrs. W. S. Summers, Mr. F. R. Rush, all of Omaha.

On Wednesday, at high noon, at the church of the Holy Trinity, was celebrated the marriage of Miss Anna M. Betts to Reverend Mr. James Wise, rector of St. Martin's Episcopal church in South Omaha. The bishop of this diocese, assisted by Reverend F. W. Eason and Reverend Mr. Moore of Fremont, read the service. Miss Stella Rice played the wedding music, using the Lohengrin march for a processional. The vested choir entered the church first followed by the ushers, Reverend Mr. Knickerbocker of Nebraska City, Reverend Mr. Moore and Reverend Mr. Young of Omaha, Reverend Mr. Fitz of St. Luke's church in this city. The maids, Miss Maude Tyler, and Miss Fannie Hewitt of Neligh, walking singly, were followed by the maid of honor, Miss Josephine Abbott; then came the bride upon the arm of her brother-in-law, Mr. G. E. Finney, who gave her in marriage. Reverend Mr. White of Omaha served the groom as best man. The bride wore an exquisite gown of white satin with over-dress of embroidered chiffon. She wore a veil and carried a white prayer-book. The bridesmaids were in pure white, and the maid of honor in green and white, wearing a

short tulle veil. All three carried shower bouquets of maidenhair fern. The church was elaborately decorated with holly and Christmas greens. The altar was especially beautiful and was decorated by the altar society, of which the bride is a member. Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Finney had issued invitations for a large reception for Reverend and Mrs. Wise, but because of the bride's illness, were obliged to recall them. The gifts to the bride were many and beautiful.

A beautiful and elaborate reception was given New Year's evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Whedon, by the ladies of the Southside circle of St. Paul church. All members of the church and congregation were invited and special invitations were extended to the clergymen of the city, and to Governor and Mrs. Savage. Those in the receiving line were Messieurs and Mesdames C. O. Whedon, F. L. Wharton, J. L. Kellogg, J. A. Piper. Mrs. D. A. Risser introduced the guests. A wealth of American beauties and meteor roses adorned all of the rooms except the dining room, which was decorated with holly. The table was laid with Mexican drawn work. Mrs. C. F. Harpham

tea room, the lace dollies on the table were lined with scarlet, and a wreath of scarlet flowers encircled a silver candelabrum holding red candles, which occupied the centre of the table. Mrs. L. A. Sherman poured tea and was assisted in serving by Misses Baxter, Henry and Eleanora Miller, the first two in white, the latter in a scarlet gown. A large number of ladies called during the receiving hours.

A company of young people spent New Year's eve delightfully as guests of Misses Helen Uhlich and Florence Elmgren at the home of the former, 930 K street. The entertainment was dubbed a peanut party. Various games were played with peanuts and prizes were awarded to Mr. Armin Birkner and Misses Louise Bagnell, Ethel Spence and Florence Elmgren. Refreshments were served at ten o'clock. Those present were: Misses Tessie White, Ethel Spence, Mollie Gilmartin, Eleanor Bolshaw, Ethel Fulton, Mabel Albers, Margaret Byam, Emma Schroeder, Maude Noble, Pauline Veith, Dorothy Cornell, Louise Bagnell, Hazel Masters; Messieurs Roy Albers, Raleigh Wilson, Sam Noble, Arbor Barth, Walter Mann, Richard Wallis, Donald Bagnell, Bert Candy, Arthur Uhlich, Albert Watts, Armin Birkner, Harold Bowers.

A club with a gruesome name, the "Skull Klub," has existed for a year in a city not far distant. This club is composed of thirteen young ladies who are certainly not superstitious, and the meetings, which occur weekly, are devoted to study followed with refreshments and a social time. The subjects for talks

Miss Ruth Holmes, who are spending their holiday vacations at home. Pink candles cast a soft glow over the darkened room and pink carnations adorned the table. Guests were Misses Mary Minor, Ruth Holmes, Grace White, Fanchon Hooper, Marie Talbot, Silence Stewart, Hazel Vandenburg, Louise Hoover, Neva Hibner, Mabel States, Helen Waugh, Ruth Jakway, Margaret Wharton.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. George Risser entertained sixteen babies and their mammas in honor of the second birthday anniversary of her daughter Marion. The house was decorated with holly, and there was a Christmas tree for the children. A luncheon in three courses was served to the mothers. The babies invited were Burks Harley, Clark Hoover, Duane Alley, Robert Faulkner, Arnet Folsom, Francis Gerhart, Genevieve Bergers, Beatrice Sheetz, Marjorie Reese, Margaret Everett, Allen Wolcott, Eleanor Talbot, Katharine Evans, Virginia Crandall, Olive Meeds.

Mrs. C. W. Turner and Miss Grace Cutter gave a reception yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Sarah L. Arnold of Boston, who was one of the lecturers on the program of the teachers association. The house was decorated with roses, carnations, palms and ferns. All members of the teachers' association were invited to call. Guests were received by Mrs. Turner, Misses Cutter, Arnold, Towne, Tuttle and Caldwell. Punch was served by Miss Tibbetts, assisted by Misses Adams and Stevens.

The marriage of Miss Margaret Edith Smith of Omaha, an attractive young lady with many acquaintances in Lincoln, to Lieutenant Clarence Richmond Day, Fourteenth United States cavalry, will be solemnized at Trinity cathedral in Omaha on Wednesday evening, January the twenty-eighth. There will be twenty in the bridal party and a large reception at the home of the bride's parents will follow the ceremony.

The members of the Mnekelceh club and a few other girls were delightfully entertained by Miss Catharine Lee New Year's night. Mr. Lee, who is an adept at legerdemain, performed mysterious feats for the pleasure of the visitors. Delicate refreshments were served. Besides club members those present were Misses Claire Canom, Dorothy Miller, Mariop Swindley, Helen Bonekemper and Master Donald Miller.

Chapter K. of P. E. O. gave a party Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dunn, as a farewell to Miss Bess Ringer, who is soon to go to Des Moines. The chandeliers were festooned with Christmas greens, and wreaths of holly were the principal decorations. Red candles and red flowers were used. Music and ping pong were the amusements, and a supper in two courses was served.

The coterie of young girls who had such a merry time during the holidays will be, for the present, broken up by the departure early in the week of Misses Dorrance Harwood and Ruth Jakway for Lake Forest, where they are entered as students at Ferry Hall. Misses Ruth Holmes and Mary Minor will also depart to resume their studies at Brownell Hall, Omaha.

A handsomely appointed dinner was given by Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Hargreaves Monday evening, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Burr of New York. A brilliantly lighted Christmas tree stood in the centre of the table. Holly was used in the decorations, and sprays of it in water colors ornamented the place cards. The candles were red. Covers were laid for fifteen.

The Q. A. T. girls gave a card party Thursday evening at the home of Miss Minnie Jo Don, 1210 K street. Holly and Christmas greens, with the club ribbons, pink and red, adorned the house. A different game was played at each table and pretty prizes were bestowed upon the successful contestants. A luncheon was served.

The Cotillon club danced the old year out and the new in, and the party was one of the prettiest given by this club. Doctor C. F. Ladd as leader introduced many new and novel figures. The favors were lovely and the refreshments delicious. Out of town guests were Mr. Milo Eames, Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Miles, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McClucas.



MAURICE GLENN ODELL.

Four year son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Odell.

poured coffee and Mrs. S. A. Foster served ices, their assistants being Misses Piper, Piper, Williams, Williams and Woodworth. Punch was served above stairs by Miss Risser assisted by Misses Lindly and Bixby. Mrs. J. L. Kellogg and Mrs. L. W. Garoutte directed the guests to the refreshment room. Miss Lucille Foster and Master Julius Harpham directed the ladies and gentlemen to the dressing rooms. A string quartette played in the upper hall. About two hundred persons called during the evening.

Notable among the very pleasant events of New Year's day was the reception in honor of Mrs. Jacob Gould Schurman of Ithaca, New York, given by Mrs. A. Ross Hill. Mrs. Schurman is a handsome and charming woman, and her admirers in Lincoln are limited only by the number of persons who were privileged to meet her. Mrs. E. Benjamin Andrews received with Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Schurman, and Mrs. Hill was assisted in the drawing room by Mesdames C. E. Bessey, E. W. Davis, C. R. Richards, E. L. Hinman, A. S. Tibbetts, E. A. Burnett, W. G. L. Taylor. The scarlet and cream of the university prevailed in the decorations. Red roses, white hyacinths and narcissus were used in the drawing room and library. Red and white carnations adorned the

and discussions the past year have been for the purpose of gaining practical knowledge upon physiological and hygienic topics. The coming year the work will be upon biological and historical subjects, each topic to be made more clear and interesting by special work with the microscope. During the summer months the social hour was dispensed with and the affairs of the club were placed in the hands of an entertainment committee.

The Browning club of the high school received all of the other clubs of the high school at the attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. George Crancer on New Year's afternoon. Scarlet flowers and festoons of evergreen adorned all of the house except the dining room, which was in the club colors, pink and blue. Daylight was excluded and the house was illumined entirely with candles. The callers were received by Misses Julia Wallace, Pauline Burkett, Gertrude Kincaide, Minnie Sweezy and Camille Hall. Refreshments were served in the dining room by Misses Annie Jones, Neva Hibner, Elsie Benters, and Ethel Perkins.

A dainty breakfast was given at twelve today by Miss Helen Laws at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. E. Hardy, in compliment to Miss Mary Minor and