

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Meadows are guests of friends in St. Joseph for a week.

Mr. O. A. Abbott of Grand Island, attended the Thompson reception Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Leonard will go to New York next week for a three weeks' sojourn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McDonald will give a dinner-dance at the Lincoln hotel February fourth.

Miss Boggs and Miss Caffyn entertained La Veta whist club at dinner Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lee will give a card party next Saturday evening for Mrs. Herbert Marsland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Le Grand Kellogg gave a dinner Monday evening. Covers were laid for twelve.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fair of Council Bluffs were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kennard this week.

Mrs. Olive Watson of Friend, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. F. Ladd, for a day or two this week.

Miss Conrad of Erie, Pennsylvania, will arrive next week and will be the guest of Mrs. J. W. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schlesinger entertained the Unity club this week. Prizes were won by Miss Friend and Mr. J. L. Herzog.

Mrs. Ballantine of Omaha came down for the Thompson reception and is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Leonard.

Mrs. Ross Curtice entertained the Strollers at luncheon on Wednesday. Mrs. Herbert Marsland of New York was the guest of honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Marshall have leased their house for two years to Mr. Dierks, and have taken apartments at the Lincoln hotel.

Miss Alice Howell entertained thirty-five of the younger members of the university faculty Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Puffer and Miss Roundy.

The game of hearts was the chief amusement. A profusion of roses and carnations adorned the house.

Doctor and Mrs. J. F. Stevens gave an informal dinner last evening. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Hill, Miss Baxter and Mr. Baxter.

At the home of Mrs. W. H. Fry, a reception was given Thursday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Broadshaw. Twenty-five guests were present.

Tuesday evening, after the wedding rehearsal, Miss Ada Belle McFall entertained the members of her bridal party at her home. An elaborate supper was served.

Miss Nora Whippen and Miss Clara Shenberger entertained at cards in their rooms, 1345 N street, Tuesday evening. Refreshments were served. A most pleasant time was enjoyed by all present.

Doctor and Mrs. Joseph Scroggs will leave the first of February for a three months' sojourn in southern California. Dr. Scroggs is not in the best of health, and he hopes to be benefited by the change.

Out of town guests who attended the Bell-Ringer wedding were Mrs. D. T. Cook, Miss Cook, of Kansas City; Miss Lois Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Grant McFarland of Omaha; Mrs. and Miss Warren of Red Cloud.

Cards have been received in Lincoln to the marriage of Miss Margaret Edith Smith, to Lieutenant Clarence Richmond Day of the United States army, to occur next Wednesday evening at Trinity Cathedral, Omaha.

Mr. Theodore Westerman was in town for two days this week before going on to St. Louis. Mrs. Westermann will spend a week in Fairbury and continue her visit here for a time before joining her husband.

Miss Anna Gertrude Childs, who formerly resided in Lincoln and was prominent in musical circles here, passed through the city last Saturday en route to Tecumseh to visit relatives and stopped for luncheon with her former choir confrere, Mrs. E. Lewis Baker. Miss Childs is a member of a concert company that is soon to make a short tour of Kansas.

historical societies, Sons and Daughters of the Revolution and kindred organizations, over a proposition in congress to destroy genealogical records contained in census reports of the United States, beginning with the first census, that taken in the year 1790. These papers are now stored in the interior department and contain a mass of material of peculiar interest to the genealogist and student of history. These reports cover accurate enumeration in each census taken. If a person desires to read the names of every householder in any town in the United States of any year he can get it here. The older records are on this account the most valuable, and the senate proposes the preservation of the schedules of the first three and of the eighth census, and destruction of all the rest. These old censuses supply information as to families that can be gotten nowhere else. They give not only the householder's name, but also the number of free whites, male and female, in the family and the number of colored people.

Mrs. H. M. Bushnell returned Thursday evening from Falls City, where she and some of the other officers of the state federation of clubs were entertained at a house party by Miss Rebecca Wilson, the vice-president for the federation of the first congressional district. Other ladies in the party were Mrs. W. E. Page, president of the federation, of Syracuse; Mrs. Nellie B. Miller, corresponding secretary, of Douglas; Mrs. Belle M. Stout-enbough, chairman of correspondence, of Plattsmouth, Mrs. C. B. Letton, a vice-president, of Fairbury, and Mrs. D. B. Cropsey of Fairbury.

A reception was given Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Wilson, president of Sorosis, in honor of the visiting ladies. Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Holland, and Mrs. Jussen were in the receiving line. Wednesday morning the guests inspected the new Falls City library building and Wednesday afternoon they were privileged to listen to a very excellent musical and literary program given by members of the different Falls City clubs.

Wednesday evening another reception was given in their honor at the home of Miss Rebecca Wilson, their hostess, when two hundred persons were entertained.

Mrs. Bushnell reports a delightful time throughout the entire two days of her absence.

That the members of the Women's club are fond of elocution cannot be doubted after the large attendance of members at the meeting on Monday to hear Miss Howell, who is the popular and capable director of the elocution department at the state university. She gave three readings Monday afternoon, "The Honor of the Woods," by Murray; "Just Like Other People," John Sherman Haight, and the statute scene from Shakspeare's "Winter's Tale." Miss Howell possesses great dramatic ability and a voice of fine carrying quality. Her audience was very enthusiastic and she was recalled after each selection. Between the first and second readings Miss Elizabeth Michenor and Miss Mary Smith, both of the musical faculty of the Wesleyan university, played one movement, the moderato con moto, from a Ruebinstein sonata. Mrs. George Hibner, leader of the literature department, presided during the program. At the opening of the meeting Mrs. F. M. Hall, the president of the club, was in the chair.

Mrs. A. W. Field conducted a short parliamentary drill, and announced that the next regular meeting, which is in charge of her department, will be addressed by Mrs. Hanford of Omaha.

Mrs. Hall appointed the leaders of departments as members of a nominating committee, with Mrs. H. M. Bushnell as chairman. This committee will report at the next regular meeting and the election will occur on February sixteenth.

The secretary was instructed to send messages of condolence from the club to Mr. H. W. Brown in the loss of his daughter and to Mrs. W. H. McCreery, Mrs. J. H. Auld, Mrs. C. F. Harpham and Mrs. W. C. Henry, in their recent bereavement; also to Mrs. W. S. Decker of Denver, a prominent club woman whose husband died very suddenly last week.

Mrs. W. E. Page of Syracuse, president of the Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs, is an earnest, active and efficient worker in the interests of the women of the state. She has sent out, with the compliments of the federation, an open letter, to be used in club extension work. Following are some extracts from the letter:

"It is a duty that women owe to themselves and to their families to grow in-

tellectually. How better can this be done than through systematic study? And this latter may be more certainly and easily accomplished through an organized effort on the part of the women of one town who feel the need of mental growth and this means a woman's club by whatever name it may be called.

"Organization will call into action the talents we now possess and develop many latent ones."

The following is given under the "Benefits of Federation":

"The Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs is composed of 102 clubs, having a membership of 3,700 women, representing seventy towns.

"It stands for education and progress; it is non-sectarian and non-partisan; as must also be all clubs affiliating with it.

"The federation, in bringing the club women together, gives them a unity of interest, a comparison of methods of work, and the opportunity of making the objects of the individual club public property from which may be taken all that is best.

"It has standing committees on art, education, household economics, civics and forestry, music, library work, and industrial subjects whose chairmen are specialists in their respective departments, and who will gladly assist clubs along any of these lines.

"A bureau of reciprocity contains 160 book reviews, essays, and papers on various subjects written by club women, and is open to clubs making application to its chairman. It also contains a list of lectures with subjects appropriate for club entertainments.

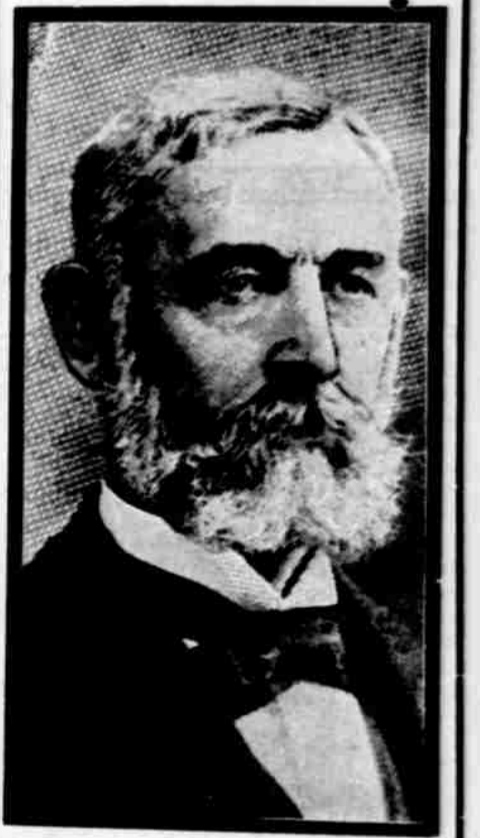
"The Omaha club graciously loans a collection of 300 pictures arranged in art portfolios of fifteen each. The only expense is the express on the same.

"A year book is sent to every federated club. It contains suggestions from state officers and chairmen of committees, a full club directory, and a catalogue of manuscripts and lectures in reciprocity bureau."

Four Score and Ten

The likeness on the Courier cover this week, is of Rev. Samuel Davis Cochran, a retired minister of the gospel and venerable Lincoln citizen who resides at 1512 K street. The Rev. Mr. Cochran was ninety-one years old January 8th. He is still very active for one of his years and can often be seen on the streets making his way unassisted.

DRYDEN SOUNDS A WARNING.



Senator Dryden is president of the Prudential insurance company, and his views are particularly important because he represents in the senate, New Jersey, in which state most of the great corporations and trusts have been chartered. He warns all his colleagues to go slow, lest in trying to remedy congress may injure the leading industries of the country and those dependent upon them, as investors and wage-earners, may be in turn injured.

CLUB NOTES

THE WEEK'S REVIEW

The French department of the Woman's club met with Mrs. Simpkins on Tuesday.

The Hall in the Grove will meet next Friday afternoon with Mrs. E. P. Smith, 645 South Fourteenth street.

The Fortnightly club met on Tuesday with Mrs. E. B. Andrews. Mrs. J. E. Tuttle talked on the Congress at Paris—1871—Crimean War.

The Aldine club met Wednesday morning with Mrs. W. E. Burlingim. Mrs. Riordan and Mrs. Burlingim reviewed "Dombey and Son."

The state president of P. E. O., Mrs. Burch of Omaha, was in town for a few hours yesterday, and held a council with members of the Lincoln and University Place chapters at the Lincoln hotel.

The New Book Review club met with Mrs. E. W. Nelson on Wednesday. Miss Anna Howland reviewed "The Puppet Crown," by Harold McGrath. Mrs. J. F. Stevens gave an interesting biographical sketch of the author.

The art department of the Woman's club met yesterday with a large number of members present. Mrs. W. E. Barkley gave a bright and interesting talk on Indian basket weaving, and exhibited some very fine specimens of work.

Miss Jackson entertained the Thursday night club at the home of Miss Spalding this week. The hour appointed for the meeting of this club is eight o'clock. Beginning at a quarter to nine an hour is devoted to reading, after which refreshments are served. The members separate about ten o'clock.

The Taka Art club had a pleasant meeting with Mrs. Joseph Burns on Wednesday, and the members made good progress with their embroidery. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. Joseph Burns; vice-president, Mrs. J. A. Mixer; secretary, Mrs. J. E. Marsh; treasurer, Miss Blanche Priest. The club will meet next with Mrs. Mixer, 240 South Twenty-sixth street.

A meeting of unusual interest was that held by the Century club at the home of Mrs. Atwood on Tuesday. The program was made up of subjects postponed from several past meetings, and consisted of a thorough and scholarly synopsis by Mrs. M. H. Garten of the "Influence of Charles Dickens' Works," a general discussion, led by Mrs. F. E. Campbell, on "The Value of the Newspaper as an Educator," and a bright talk on the "Effects of the Civil War Upon the South," by Mrs. Milton Scott. Mrs. Campbell's discussion was skillfully conducted and was participated in with great zest by each member present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. E. Hays on February third.

Great interest has been excited among