

HOME NOTES AND SOCIAL Gossip

NOTES ON OMAHA SOCIETY

Mrs. George Morton and Miss Alice Enell Give Bridge Luncheon.

NUMEROUS SUNDAY SUPPERS AT CLUBS

Fine Day Attracted Record-Breaking Attendance at Field Club and Large Crowd at Country Club.

Sunday was favored with unusually fine weather and in consequence the largest crowd of the season gathered at the Field club for supper. All of the parties were small, however, none of them exceeding six covers. Among those entertaining were: E. Peterson, three guests; Mr. Abbott, five; J. H. Conrad, five; P. L. Campbell, six; Judge Shields, two; James Allen, four; J. H. Penfold, three; Mr. Burley, three; E. B. Carrigan, four; Lynn Kemper, five; William Gilligan, three; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Palmatter, five; W. H. Eldridge, four; E. Johnson, four; O. W. Dunn, three; J. J. Eppinger, three; W. H. Garrett, three; W. H. Hughes, three; Mrs. Wagner, six; W. W. Incha, three; Mr. Rhoads, four; E. W. Wood, three; Mr. Gleason, three; E. Boyer, four; Mr. Adams, four; Mr. Moburg, three; Mr. Mikesell, four, and Dick Seaman, three.

A large crowd also gathered at the Country club, but entertaining was very informal and the parties were mostly family affairs or groups of friends at a table arranged after reaching the club. Among these were: W. R. McKee, who had four guests; Arthur Gulon, two; Herbert Wheeler, two; E. Westbrook, two; Mr. Cady, five; Mr. Miller, six; A. V. Kinzier, two; Wilson Lowe, two; Mr. Stevens, four; Mr. Walters, two; H. T. Lemist, six; Mrs. E. V. Lewis, six; C. H. Gulon, two; Francis Brogan, two; E. A. Cudahy, two, and W. O. Gilbert, four.

Bridge Luncheons.

Mrs. George T. Morton and Miss Alice Enell gave a bridge luncheon Monday in honor of Miss Clara Harvey and the Misses Bennett of Toronto, Canada. Luncheon was served at small tables which had charming decorations of yellow and white spring flowers. Those present were: Miss Harvey, the Misses Bennett, Miss Blanche Howland, Miss Fannie Howland, Miss Henrietta Rea, Miss Ophelia Harvey, Miss Maude Marriott, Miss Maude Keys, Miss Tress Keys, Miss Daisy Rogers, Miss Edna Jensen, Miss Florence Devera, Mrs. Robert Flenk, Mrs. Ralph Moody, Mrs. Harry Roberts, Mrs. Albert Egbert and Mrs. George Todd.

Mrs. F. P. Kirkendall entertained the Monday Bridge club this week. The members present were: Mrs. John Baldwin, Mrs. J. E. Scobie, Mrs. H. H. Baidrige, Mrs. J. E. Baum, Mrs. C. M. Wilhelm, Mrs. John A. McShane and Mrs. Warren Rogers. Luncheon preceded the afternoon of bridge. Mrs. W. E. Clarke entertained very informally Friday evening at two tables of bridge in honor of Mrs. Alfred Metcalf of Los Angeles, Cal.

Prospective Affairs.

Miss Alice Troxell and Miss Charlotte Pike will give a theater party tonight at Boyd's in honor of the senior class of Brownell Hall, to see Ethel Barrymore in "Captain Jinks." The party will include Miss Geraldine Whitte, Miss Dorothy Morgan, Miss Margaret Guthrie, Miss Ruth Falney, Miss Alice Carey McGrew, Miss Brangeline Homan, Miss Gladys Peters, Miss Dena Mellick, Miss Lella Galloway, Miss Macrae, Miss Stewart, Miss Troxell, Miss Pike, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Troxell and Mr. and Mrs. Pike.

Personal Gossip.

Miss Hortense Clarke has returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Sioux City. Mr. Frank Judson and small daughter, Dorothy, have returned from visit in St. Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Brady returned Saturday evening from a visit to California.

Mr. Harry Crandall of New York arrived Sunday evening and will be best man at the Dahlman-Collett wedding.

Mrs. Herman Kountze has given up Mrs. Ella Squires' home that she has been occupying all winter and is dividing her time with her son and daughter, Mr. Ben Cotton and Mrs. Jerome Magee, until she leaves for Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Marsh have moved into their new home on Twenty-fourth and Burdette.

Mrs. Alfred Metcalf, who has been visiting Mrs. John Barker and Mrs. Robert Smith, is now the guest of Mrs. J. M. Metcalf, but will leave Tuesday for Lincoln, where she will visit her mother before leaving for her home occupied by Miss Lyde Metcalf.

Mrs. W. R. Greig of St. Louis is visiting her parent, Mrs. D. C. Whitlock.

GUIDING A WOMAN'S CLUB

The New England Woman with the Idea and the Tactful President.

"Splendid!" repeated the little woman with the New England accent. "It was farcical!" Astonished looks from several of her neighbors seemed to demand further explanation. She cast a quick glance herself toward the confusion that always accompanied the breaking up of the Economic club's meetings.

"I am beginning to think with the men that my sex is incapable of sustained thought along practical lines," she said. "I do not mean to cast any discredit upon the lady who has just addressed us; her paper was very carefully built. It was as good, I think, as any we have had. In fact, it was typical."

Her comments were sufficiently unexpected to cause the women in that part of the room to move a little nearer. The crowd thus formed soon amounted to a meeting in itself, with the little New Englander valiantly defending her position in a manner that did credit to her Plymouth Rock ancestry.

Most of the women were a little in awe of Mrs. B. She had been a Vassar girl and was credited with bringing away from Poughkeepsie something more than a trunkful of crushed waists.

Whenever she took a decided stand, as she was doing now, the other members who were disposed to oppose her usually left the realm of facts and fell back on sarcasm. Through some agency known only to women's gatherings every one present was aware that an insurrection was on and that Mrs. B. was the head and front of it.

A large woman in lavender was slowly moving toward the animated group, smiling here, clasping a hand there, with a few words or a little confidential nod for each. She was headed for the seat of trouble, although apparently unconscious of the outbreak.

As she passed they instinctively realized why she had been the club's president ever since its organization. A superbly set up woman, her appearance was made more striking by reason of a quantity of white hair against which softly rested two immense lavender plumes, hanging from a hat of the same color. Her features were not masculine, as popular conception likes to have them in a leader among women. They were large, mobile and even motherly.

What made this woman such a success as a club executive? Why were there no scandals in the Economic club? Tact! If philosophy had a separate bump for this quality here would be the marvel of the science.

At the edge of the group she paused. What new dimension was this? Another factional difference to require delicacy of treatment from the president, upon whom fell all the adjusting of the club's internal difficulties. It might be a petty jealousy or it might rend the club asunder. Whatever it was this discussion was demoralizing to the club and must cease.

"Women's clubs fail," the intrepid Mrs. B. was saying, "because they serve no practical end. Instead of theorizing about the influence the toga had upon the Greek character, we might be seeking some practical means of eliminating the barbed wire of the present day through old methods, which make the lives of nine-tenths of our women a ceaseless slavery to our manner of living. I say, let us turn from Greek character to dishwashing."

WORK OF THE CLUB WOMEN

Missouri Federation Decides Upon Large Undertaking This Year.

TEACHERS MAKE RUGS FOR ANNUITY FUND

New York State Federation of Women's Clubs Announces Discussion of Woman's Suffrage at Annual Convention.

The Teachers' Annuity and Aid association of Omaha has undertaken the making of bath-room rugs to order, as a means of increasing its funds. A meeting was held Saturday afternoon to sew rugs for this purpose. The rugs are to follow those charming patterns in fine rugs so fashionable just now and so practical and sanitary, and they will be made in the size and color desired. Mrs. Martha Powell, principal of Walnut Hill school, is president of the association this year. The association is making every effort to increase its funds so that it may begin paying annuities, but this will be impossible for some time at the present rate of increase, although it has done very well. The members are soliciting honorary memberships, which cost \$10. Many teachers and former teachers of the city, together with many other persons who are unable to make large gifts to the association, will in this way be privileged to make acknowledgment of their appreciation of the work of the public school teachers who are growing old in the service, for which no salary can compensate.

Club Women to Discuss Suffrage. The increasing interest of women generally in equal suffrage is becoming more and more evident as one conservative organization after another is beginning to give the subject a hearing. Only a few years ago all reference to woman suffrage was carefully excluded from any federation meetings and if by chance it did creep in, the fact was hushed up and carefully guarded from the press. But that was in the days when the federations were composed chiefly of culture clubs and before the National Federation had pledged the support of all its members to work for the betterment of conditions of women and children. It was to be a campaign of education, but it has developed that few were more in need of or have profited more by this education than the women themselves. In announcing their programs for the fall conventions, several federations have included woman suffrage among the important subjects for consideration. It is announced as a drawing card and the widest publicity is given to it. The New York State Federation of Women's Clubs is among those to make such announcement, and Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, ex-president of the American Woman Suffrage association, will present the subject.

Mrs. Decker's Suggestion. In her recent message to club women, Mrs. Decker suggests that some uniformity be established in regard to the size of club year books, thus making it possible to compile these very necessary collections of club statistics in some convenient form. This lack of uniformity has been a serious inconvenience to every state president or other officer who has had occasion to keep a file of year books. It is almost impossible to keep them in any convenient way, thus making reference difficult. If some uniform size could be established, the same would be true of the books, making it possible to keep a definite, accurate working record. Under the present plan every club elects its officers according to its own convenience. As a result elections are being held all through the year, and it is impossible to make the state year book an accurate record of the fact, frequently occasioning much inconvenience and loss of time to state officers who would communicate with the clubs.

What Missouri Women Will Ask. The Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs has recently completed one of the largest conventions in its history at Joplin. A great deal of very important business came before the assembly, and among the efforts, the federation was pledged to the establishment of state annuities for teachers; securing women on school boards; the enactment of a state forestry law; improvement in the child labor law; compulsory education; and for the inspection. The state philanthropic and industrial committees were combined. The next state convention will be held at Springfield.

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