

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

THE number of people in society in Lincoln who observe Lent is small, very small; but there are a few who do so for fashionable reasons only, to rest and recuperate. There is nothing connected with the church that is so generally abused as Lent. In fact Lent, like charity, covers a multitude of sins. I am surprised that the latest eastern fad has not made its appearance in Lincoln, and I wonder who will be the first to introduce it—the wearing of chameleons or salamanders as ornaments to a dress. They are attached to the cloth by gold chains. In some eastern cities the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals has taken the chameleon question in hand, and the women have been compelled to remove the slimy things. Until this season there has been a more or less pronounced disposition on the part of the "university people," as they are called, to flock together, and they have mingled but slightly with mere common people. This winter, however, there has been a change in the attitude of the members of the university circle, that is, the faculty and attaches. They have joined "outside" dancing and card clubs, and in the words of a young woman who recently commented on this subject, they are "getting very gay." Society is distinctly the gainer by the admission of these people. Another rather remarkable symptom of society this winter is the unbending of the people who have heretofore attended dances occasionally, but who never danced. The dancing craze has reached out in all directions. It sounds a little surprising, but it is true, that the most numerous and enthusiastic class of dancers this season has been, not the young and giddy set, but the sedate papas and mammas and in some cases, I believe, the grandmammas and grandpapas. People have danced this season who never danced before, and what is known as the "older set" has had a very gay time of it. The young people do not attempt anything but the waltz and schottische and folks and lancers, with an occasional Newport or rye; but the seniors are learning all the new dances. There never was half as much dancing in Lincoln as there has been this winter. The manner in which every newspaper in the city promptly and emphatically paid its respects to "Toby Rex" for his coarse remarks concerning Miss Jeanette Wilson's appearance at the Irish musicale must have been gratifying to that young lady. Even the *Journal* had its say. The people who enjoy going to weddings will have some occupation this spring. There will be at least two or three in which society will be interested. For instance there's—but. . . . What has no end of enthusiastic devotees. The young women who play whist are divided into two classes—those who like to play with Mr. W. F. Kelley, and those who do not. The latter say that he plays so beautifully that he makes them nervous. . . . Quite a flutter was recently caused in society in New York by the sudden appearance of Edward Parker Deacon in the world of fashion. Mr. Deacon attended the Patriarch's ball and promenade with Mrs. Paron Stevens, but did not dance. J. Coleman Drayton is also evincing a disposition to re-enter society. . . . The ceremonies and festivities at the state university this week had a most enlivening effect, in fact they furnished about all there was of social activity. The junior promenade at the capitol last evening was the most brilliant affair of its kind in university annals. . . . It has been said that Mr. T. H. Benton and family were going to reside in Chicago. Mr. Benton states that such is not the case. He will be away with Mrs. Benton for some months but their absence will only be temporary.

Tremain, Miss Johnson, Miss Jones, Miss Hopper, Miss Florence Smith, Miss Tuttle, Mrs. Manning, Miss Parker, Miss Barbour, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Bates, Miss Blair, Mrs. Bowen, Miss Wilder, Miss Pound, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Robbins, Mrs. Broudy, Mrs. Watson and other ladies of the law faculty, Ex-Chancellor Benton, Ex-Chancellor Fairfield, Miss Ellen Smith, Professor Hitchcock, Ex-Regent Gere, and ex-members of the faculty and ex-regents; assisted by Mrs. Dales, Mrs. Field, Mrs. Gere and Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Beesey, Mrs. Ingersoll, Mrs. Barbour, Mrs. Bruner, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Brance, Mrs. Stout, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Carl, Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Hampson, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Lloyd, Miss Bouton, Miss Boose. The members of the Y. W. C. A. received in union hall from 3 o'clock to 5.

Governor Crouse and staff and the state officers held a reception in Grant Memorial hall from 3 o'clock to 4:30.

Wednesday evening an interesting entertainment was given in the chapel by the literary societies to an audience that crowded the hall. There was music by the university cadet band, and songs by the Friday Night Glee club with scenes as follows: "The Typical Student," "Disciples of Hercules," "The Welkin Wrung," "The Welkin Ringing," "Our Dear Professors," "Going Through the Mill." Miss Maude Hammond gave a piano solo.

PROFESSOR HOWARD'S ADDRESS. Thursday evening at the Lansing theatre, Professor George E. Howard, of Leland Stanford university, formerly of the University of Nebraska, delivered an address on "The West and the American Public University." A musical program was also rendered and degrees were conferred.

Miss Joy Webster and members of the Delta Gamma fraternity gave a reception Thursday evening at her residence, 1345 N street.

STUDENTS PROGRAM. As a part of the general program the students presented scenes from the Greek plays "Antigone" and "Elektra," and the Latin students gave a version of "Captivi," at the Lansing theatre yesterday morning. Miss Grace Morgan, Miss Maud Hammond, Mr. Alan Fling and Mr. James A. Canfield appeared in "Antigone," and Miss Gertrude Laws and Miss Maude Hammond impersonated Elektra and Chrysothemis in "Elektra." In "Captivi" the following appeared: Mr. C. J. Elmore, Mr. C. F. Tucker, Mr. J. W. Dixon, Mr. N. C. Abbott, Mr. A. J. Weaver, Mr. W. W. Woods, Mr. J. P. Beardsley, Mr. R. A. Jones. The presentations were under the direction of Mrs. C. B. Manning, Dr. James T. Lees and Professor G. E. Barber. Professor Menzendorf trained the chorus and Miss Ray E. Manley rendered valuable assistance in the preparation of the plays.

At the Lansing theatre Friday morning in addition to the plays the students rendered the following program: Music, "Scarlet and Cream," University Glee Club; Latin, "Antigone," University Glee Club; Latin, "Elektra," University Glee Club; Oration, "A Quarter of a Century," University Glee Club; H. W. Quintance, '08; Music, "Bella Bocca," University Mandolin Club; Oration, "Man or Men," F. F. Tucker, '04; Music, "The Hunting Chorus," (Robin Hood), De Goven, University Glee Club; Oration, "Individuality," I. H. Hatfield, '04; Music, "Spin, Spin," Funget, University Glee Club.

There was an exhibition drill in the armory at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

At 5 o'clock Friday afternoon the Alumni held a re-union in the chapel and at 6 o'clock Professor Fossler delivered the annual alumni address.

THE ALUMNI BANQUET. Nearly four hundred people were present at the Alumni banquet held in Armory hall last night. It was a most distinguished gathering and one of the most notable in the history of the state.

JUNIOR PROMENADE. The hall of the house of representatives was beautifully decorated last evening, the predominating colors being scarlet and cream, and the hall was filled with a large and brilliant assembly, the occasion being the Junior Promenade, which was the closing event of the week in university circles. There was a large number of prominent people present, including state officers. Music was furnished by the state orchestra, and the dancing was continued into the morning hours. It was one of the most charming and delightful dances that has been given in Lincoln.

Members of the senior and junior classes of the high school, and their friends were received by the members of the class of '08 in union hall last night from 8 to 11.

AFTERNOON RECEPTION. Mrs. Frank Hall gave a large reception Thursday afternoon in the parlors of the Grand hotel, in honor of Mrs. Katherine B. Wadsworth of Council Bluffs, Iowa, Miss Marguerite Arnold, Miss Minnie Gaylord and Miss Marie Hoover, the musicians who participated in the musicale at the Central Church of Christ Wednesday evening.

THE TUXEDO MANDOLIN CLUB rendered a number of excellent selections during the afternoon.

Valentine Party. Miss Gertrude Smith, of South Lincoln, gave a charming valentine party Wednesday evening. There were cobwebs to unwind, severed portions of hearts to be matched, etc. Partners for the evening were secured by the last

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named process. After refreshments were served there were two minute discussions on a number of interesting subjects. Those present were: Misses Clara Bryant, Imogen Clinton, Mary Cunningham, Grace Thompson, Eva Meadows, Laura McGreer, Louie McGreer, Gertrude Abbott, Messrs Will Cook, Clara King, John Love, John McGrew, Stephen Corey, T. J. Cunningham, Smith.

Sigma Chi Hop. Alpha Epsilon chapter of Sigma Chi fraternity gave another delightful hop in their hall, 1132 N street, last Friday evening. The rooms were beautifully decorated in blue and gold, the fraternity colors, and scarlet and cream, the college colors. There was a profusion of smiles and carnations. Those present were: Misses Burks, Risser, Sewell, Seacrest, Winger, Moore, Griffith, Garten, Whiting, Janet Underwood, Mary Underwood, Nellie Lau, Fiske, Shaw, Harley, Roberts, Cochran, Gaylord, Kelley, Burnham; Messrs Dixon, Pulis, Packard, Andrews, Mallalieu, Risser, Hebard, Frank, Young, Shannon, Langworthy, Bert Wheeler, Low, Kelley, Saxton, Cullen, Duff, Bulla, Harley, DeBravo, Lewis, Lieutenant Pershing, Professor Owen and Professor White. The party was chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Wheeler and Professor and Mrs. Richards.

Round Table. The Round Table club met Monday evening at the residence of Mr. Henry E. Lewis. The subject under discussion was municipal government. Those present were: Mr. E. E. Brown, Mr. Albert Watkins, Mr. C. G. Dawes, Mr. W. B. Morrison, Dr. F. D. Crim, Dr. Hill, Professor Strong, Mr. W. Morton Smith, Rev. E. H. Chapin and Mr. H. M. Bushnell.

Teachers Entertained. Mrs. Culla Phillips entertained a few friends Saturday evening in honor of the teachers and training class of the city kindergarten schools. Those present were: Miss Mary H. Barker, Miss Besie Whitmore, Miss Mary Hamilton, Miss Elizabeth Shute, Miss Gertrude Mosley, Miss Nellie Laverty, Miss Vinie Beach, Miss May Philpott, Miss Lizzie Smith, Miss Bordert, Miss Eckhardt, Miss Whitman, Miss Newberry, Miss Ida McNuir and Mrs. Beecham.

Pleasant Birthday Party. Mrs. De Mott Smith entertained a small party of happy children Saturday afternoon at the Lindell hotel, in honor of the sixth birthday of her little son Watson. The room was prettily decorated in pink and a tempting luncheon was served. Those present were: Louise Hoover, Vera Nobbs, Helen Laws, Cleo Moore, Prudence Gibson, Paul Yates, Thomas Ewing, Alex Gibson, Clyde Nobbs, Ned Sone and Carlisle Smith.

Olympic Whist Club. The Olympic Whist club was entertained in a delightful manner Thursday evening of last week by Miss Grace L. Ashton at her home, 746 J street. The guests were: Miss Josephine Lottridge, Miss Sadie Graham, Miss Helen Hoover, Miss Ada Heaton, Miss Ethel Hooper, Miss Fannie Rector, Miss Maud Shaw, Miss Emma Sherwood, Mr. Harry Evans, Mr. Homer Honeywell, Mr. Park Garroutte, Mr. Harry Harley, Mr. Arthur Walsh, Mr. Harry Goupe, Mr. Frank Kitchen, Mr. George Johnston, Mr. Arda Chapman and Mr. Wilson Winger.

Fletcher-Wilson. Mr. Clarence C. Fletcher and Miss Florence J. Wilson were united in marriage Monday at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Chapman, 1127 Huff street, Dr. O. A. Williams performing the ceremony. Mr. Fletcher is well known in this city. He has recently been appointed to a responsible position in the agricultural college at Pullman, Wash., where Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher will make their home. The bride is a sister of Mrs. Chapman and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wilson, of Chicago, who formerly resided in Lincoln.

Hard Times Whist Club. Miss Hallie Hooper entertained the Hard Times Whist club Saturday evening. Those present were: Miss Anne Funke, Miss Mae Burr, Miss Bertie Clark, Miss Nellie White, Miss Fay Marshall, Miss Jeanette Wilson, Miss Janet Underwood, Miss Rachel Brock, Mr. Lew Marshall, Mr. W. F. Meyer, Mr. F. W. Houtz, Mr. C. Y. Smith, Mr. Frank S. Burr, Mr. R. M. Joyce, Mr. John T. Dorgan, Professor Owen, Mr. Charles L. Burr.

A delightful concert was given at the Central Church of Christ, Wednesday evening for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Katherine B. Wadsworth, of Council Bluffs, formerly of this city, Miss Gaylord, Dr. Eddy, Professor Hagenaw, Miss Arnold, Miss Marie Hoover and Mr. J. H. Sims contributed to the program. Selections were also given by the Tuxedo Mandolin club.

Miss Daisy Robinson, of Chicago, sister of Mrs. John B. Wright, of this city, died Tuesday evening at San Antonio, Texas. Mrs. Wright had been with her sister for some weeks and was present at her death. Miss Robinson was well known in this city, having visited here frequently, and she was universally admired.

There was a merry sleighing party Tuesday evening composed of the following:—Mr. Frank S. Burr, Mr. Lew Marshall, Mr. Charles L. Burr, Mr. Mattson Baldwin, Miss Rachel Brock, Miss Anne Funke, Miss Mae Burr, Miss Nellie White, Miss Olive Latta, Mrs. L. C. Burr.

Professor L. A. Sherman closed his series of lectures on "Cymbeline" at the university chapel Monday evening. Next Monday he will begin the discussion of "A Winter's Tale." These lectures are open to the public.

Mr. T. E. Wing, who has been at Spearfish, S. D., engaged in railroad work, came home to attend the exercises at the state university this week. Mr. Wing contemplates remaining in the city.

Mr. W. E. Hardy, Prof. Fossler Gates Pres. of Iowa College and President Harper of the University of Chicago, addressed the high school students at Y. M. C. A. hall Thursday afternoon.

Miss Almena Parker of this city, and Mr. G. E. McDonald, of Geneva, will be married February 27.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Yates entertained a few friends very pleasantly Wednesday evening, the occasion being an informal dance.

A pound party for the benefit of the poor was given at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Manchester last evening.

Messrs F. W. Brown, K. K. Hayden, L. P. Young, F. E. Hill and H. C. Holt left Wednesday for Houston, Texas.

The Pythian sisterhood gave an enjoyable masquerade ball at Castle hall Wednesday night.

Miss Olive Latta, Miss Bertie Burr and Miss Mame Carson returned from Alliance Tuesday.

Miss Lulu White, of Plattsmouth and Miss Phillipi of Omaha, are the guests of Mrs. Yates.

Prof. George E. Howard of California renewed old acquaintances in this city this week.

There will be a general Chautauqua reunion at the Y. M. C. A. hall Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Samuel Shears and daughter, Miss Leila, made a brief visit to Denver last week.

The Comus club gave a masquerade party Thursday night in the Halter hall.

The Empire club gave a very enjoyable party Saturday evening at the Lansing.

Mrs. Cora K. Pitcher will be "at home" Friday evening, February 23.

Mrs. E. E. Brown and Mrs. C. Thompson left Monday for Chicago.

Messrs W. H. and Robert Dorgan left Tuesday for Texas.

Mr. Ed. A. Church returned Monday from Chicago.

Miss Fay Marshall was an Omaha visitor Tuesday.

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