

Gabby Says—

THE oldest valentine in Omaha will come to light this week. Love notes our grandmothers received from our granddaddies will be drawn out of trunks and portfolios for the exhibit the Society of Fine Arts will hold, beginning Wednesday.

A national collection of old valentines arrives from the east that day and it will be the first one made in America. It was fashioned by Esther Howland of Worcester, Mass., in 1849.

Mrs. H. H. Jeffries, 58 years, who makes her home with her niece, Miss Corrine Potasant, will enter a valentine sent by the late Captain Jeffries in 1856, when she was Adeline Goyette, 19, of St. Louis.

With this valentine will be a pair of daguerreotypes of Captain and Mrs. Jeffries, wherein she wears a poke bonnet, with a brim couched in tiny blooms, and he a high stock and impressive tie.

Mrs. Mary Hulst will enter a valentine sent in 1857 to her mother, Mrs. Charlotte Mitchell, then Miss Rambo, daughter of Frederick, Md. The donor, later an officer in the southern forces, betrayed excellent taste in the silver lace which borders a white parchment heart.

Gabby looks forward to the first comic. Who has it?

OMAHA reels another of her daughters who bade fair to leave soon for residence in Boston. The girl, a senior at a famous eastern college, who recently became an heiress on the demise of her grandmother, has declared that the engagement announced last year is indefinitely postponed for she wants a career.

She is most attractive and, the three years she has devoted to her education have been the despair of Omaha swains who sought her hand.

SHAME on the magnates of American magazine fame who push minute recipes of success for an astounded world to follow.

Mrs. R. J. Dinning has had, perhaps the most conspicuous success, as mistress of a well-ordered household, of any woman in town. She has kept the same cook, Mary, for 28 years, and all she will say about her methods is "We both run things together and we improve with age."

Mary is that American rarity, an old family retainer, and an artist in her field. Many an enviable household has sought her services, but she has always resisted their blandishments. Each week—just as an extra attention she sends salad dressings and cakes to the Robert Dinnings.

Emma, the second girl, has been with Mrs. Dinning for three years, but she has long served her as seamstress, and made the baby dresses in which Mrs. Allan Tukey (Louise Dinning) was so fetching.

Friends of Mrs. Dinning never marvel at these feats for she is renowned for her tact and amiability.

Children's Parties for the Marionettes on Thursday.

Parties are being planned almost daily for the "Marionette Players" appearing at the Brandeis theater February 12, sponsored by Omaha Altruism club to raise money for the national Altruism convention to be held in Omaha in April.

Matinee box party hostesses include: Mrs. Arthur Gulou, who will give a party of 12 for her daughter Joan; Mrs. William Herdman who will have 8 guests for Mary Jane Herdman; Mrs. Henry Dooley 4 guests for Peggy Dooley. Line parties at the matinee for children will be given by Mrs. A. W. Gordon, who will have 4; Mrs. Frank Martin, 5; Mrs. W. R. Wood, 3; Mrs. Sidney A. Manley, 4; Mrs. V. R. Gould, 5; Mrs. W. L. Shearer, 4; Mrs. George Rasmussen, 6; Mrs. Arthur Rogers, 5; Mrs. J. C. McClure, 3; Mrs. H. B. Harms, 2; Mrs. George L. Howell, 4; Mrs. Christianity, 4 for Betty Jane; Windsor Meath, 6; Mrs. John Smith, 4; Mrs. Harley Moorehead, 5; Dr. Nora Fairchild, 12. Mrs. C. F. Pratt's pupils in the School of Individual Instruction have made up a line party of 10. Three boxes have been reserved by the Business Women's club through their president, Miss Anna Oleson.

Miss Woods' class room of Dundee school, having earned a half holiday on account of high averages, has voted to attend the Brandeis for the marionettes.

The eighth grade of Cemenius school, chaperoned by their teacher, Miss Lulu M. Hickey, will also attend in a body.

Losers at Bridge Give Winners Dinner Party After a Year's Play.

Four prize winners of a bridge club of eight will reap the rewards of a year's canny playing on Tuesday evening when they with their husbands will be guests of Mesdames George A. Steinheimer, J. W. VanCamp, S. J. Farrington, and J. H. Ready and their husbands at the Steinheimer home.

The lucky ones are Mesdames H. B. Ramsey, A. M. Giles, B. E. McCullay and R. L. Gilmore. They were high scorers during 1924 at their weekly bridge eightomes. Prizes were declared taboo, but to avoid overbidding a penalty of a dinner given by the losers to the winners was placed on the game.

Valentine Luncheons. Mrs. Ray Styfker will entertain at a Valentine luncheon at her home, Saturday, February 14.

Cosmo Hamilton Here Friday for Drama League

Cosmo Hamilton, a brother of Sir Philip Gibbs, will speak at the Brandeis theater on Friday afternoon, February 13, at 4, under the auspices of the Omaha Drama League. His subject will be "The Theater."

The Saturday Evening Post ran in the fall a series of articles by him on this subject and his photoplay, "The Scandal," was shown at the Sun. He has spent a great while in Hollywood, aiding in the production of his own dramas and studying the needs and possibilities of future productions.

His latest book, called "Fifty Years History" contains reminiscences of famous folk as varied in character as are Sir Philip Gibbs, Rudolph Valentino, Mrs. Margot Asquith and Mary Pickford.

Percy Hammond says he is perhaps the most brilliant man of his acquaintance. "I am seldom so happy as when he is near by, stimulating me with his profound and witty conversation. I have never heard him make a cheap or dull remark."

Admission is free to Drama League members. Two dollars single admission or \$3 for Cosmo Hamilton on February 13, and Maj. Vivian Gibbot on March 17.

Misses Keller and Reed Give Tea for Miss Wolfe and Guests.

Miss Emily Keller and Miss Erna Reed will give a tea today from 5 to 7 at the home of Miss Keller, for Miss Gwendolyn Wolfe and her guests, Miss Letitia Creighton, and Mrs. Ensign Otis, all of Rockland, Me., who arrived Saturday and are at the Joseph Baldrige home.

Mrs. Ware Hall entertained the visitors at a luncheon given on Saturday in her home, and Friday of next week Mrs. Fred Daugherty will give a luncheon at the Omaha club. That evening the party will leave for Minneapolis.

Book Club Meeting.

The Book club will meet with Mrs. William D. McHugh, Jr., on Wednesday afternoon.

Bridge Club Meet Friday.

Mrs. Joseph Lewis will entertain her bridge club on Friday.

Elizabeth Barker Sets Wedding Day for Feb. 23

A surprise to their friends was the announcement made today by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barker of Monday, February 23, as the wedding date of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Barker, to Mr. Irving Busing of Toronto, Ontario, as the wedding had already been announced for June.

The wedding will take place at high noon at St. Barnabas Episcopal church. Rev. Lloyd Holsapple will read the marriage lines. The bride and groom will make their home in Toronto for a time, later going to New York City to live.

Miss Barker is an active member of the Omaha Junior League and a former princess of Ak-Sar-Ben. She distinguished herself at Columbia university last year.

The week end of February 21 will be a busy one for Miss Barker's sister, Miss Virginia Barker, who will be maid of honor for her sister, and a bridesmaid at the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Elliott to Mr. Philip Downs, which will take place February 21 at Trinity cathedral.

Society



Mrs. Charles W. Morton, Jr. HOME PORTRAIT BY CARVER

Mrs. Lloyd Smith AND Lloyd Stanford, Jr. HOME PORTRAIT BY CARVER



Mrs. J. C. Rahel DEWELL PHOTO



Mrs. C. A. Cushman AND Robert DEWELL PHOTO

Perhaps none of the younger matrons has so wide a field of interests as Mrs. Charles W. Morton, Jr. Her first interest of course is in her small Patricia, and her second perhaps in the Book club, of which she is president this year.

Mrs. Morton is also a member of the Monday morning French history class and of a Tuesday afternoon bridge club. Besides all this, she has time for her Great Dane, Zeus, one of the largest and certainly one of the finest pedigreed animals in town.

A most attractive mother and child are Mrs. Lloyd Smith and Lloyd Stanford, 13 months old. Mrs. Smith is an active member of the Junior League, a worker in one of the sewing groups, and baby Lloyd is the adored grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Clarke. Mrs. Smith before her marriage was Miss Helen Clarke.

Mrs. Clarence A. Cushman and son Robert, who is just three, are spending several weeks at the Blackstone hotel with Mr. Cushman and Miss Virginia Cushman. The Cushmans, whose home is in Chicago, spend several months each year in Omaha. Robert's two older sisters, Doris and Helen, are students at the University of Wisconsin. His older brother, Sumner, is a student at Shattuck Military academy, while his brother, Clarence, junior, attends Kemper Military Academy.

Mrs. J. C. Rahel is one of Omaha's attractive young matrons and an active worker in the First Presbyterian church. At present she is interested in the Pietra You organ recital which will be given at the church on February 14. Mr. and Mrs. Rahel have purchased the Bob Loomis home, 5628 Jones street, and will take possession about March 1.

The Donald Lyles Hosts. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lyle will be evening bridge hosts on Saturday, February 21.

For Mrs. Barnettter. Miss Irene Powell will entertain at luncheon at her home Wednesday for Mrs. Richard Barnettter, a recent bride.

Sunday Supper Party. Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Davis will entertain at a dinner party at their home this evening.

Masquerade Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dinning, Jr., will entertain at a Valentine masquerade buffet supper for 30 guests Saturday, February 14, at their home.

Alceon Club Masquerade.

Alceon club will entertain at a masquerade Valentine party Friday evening, at the home of Mrs. Eunice

Windheim, 917 South Thirty-eighth street. Register with Miss Sleeper at the Y. W. C. A. by Thursday evening.

To Address Business Women.

Rev. Ada Stone Anderson will address the Omaha Business Women's club at the Y. W. C. A. auditorium, on Tuesday, February 19, at 8 p. m., on the subject "Personal Queries."

Preceding the address by Mrs. Anderson will be the fellowship dinner, at 6:35.

Rev. Anderson received her education in Omaha, taught in schools for a number of years and is now associate pastor of the Plymouth Congregational church.

Saturday Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Skoglund will entertain the following guests at the Valentine dinner dance of the "66" club at the Fontenelle hotel February 14:

Measars and Mesdames—Sam Drescher, H. E. Nover, Lewis Noctice, A. E. Swanson, F. E. Carpenter, G. E. Brown, A. E. Rasp, P. C. Parsons.

Mrs. John L. McCague, Jr., is in Chicago.