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Society News.

Miss Stumbo was hostess to a number of friends on Wednesday evening, at her home on South McLane Street.

Fred Cleveland gave a farewell dance to a number of his friends on Monday evening at the Bode hall, before his departure for Nebraska City. It was thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

The Married Ladies Kensington was entertained on Thursday afternoon in the most charming manner by Mrs. Will Holt. These affairs are always interesting and have proven a decided social success.

Josie Gilroy very pleasantly entertained about eighteen of her friends on Wednesday evening. It was a Valentine affair and was a decided success. Refreshments added to the pleasures of the evening.

The Shakespear Club held a very interesting meeting on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Robert Rule as hostess. The stormy weather had no effect on the usual good attendance and the afternoon passed too quickly.

On Wednesday evening of last week the M. E. Kensington were delightfully entertained at the home of Misses Emma and Rose Schiabe. Miss Plum assisted the ladies. The guests were especially favored by music furnished by Mrs. Frank Schiabe.

Thursday afternoon will be long remembered by the guests at Mrs. Chas. Hargrave's at home last week. About thirty of her friends were present and were entertained in the most elaborate manner. An elegant five course luncheon was served.

A very pleasant tournament whist party was given by Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Reavis Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Maust were the best players and Geo. Jennings and Mrs. E. H. Towle were the worst. Refreshments were served and an unusually enjoyable evening was spent by those present.

Elizabeth Miller entertained in a most charming manner the members of the Presbyterian C. E. and several of their friends, on Tuesday evening, at a Valentine party. The rooms were tastefully decorated with red cupid hearts and formed a pleasing coloring to the bright scene. An elegant luncheon proved among the many pleasures of the evening.

Mrs. Charlie Banks and Miss Banks will give their third musical evening Monday, Feb. 19. The program will be as follows:

- PART ONE
 Vocal—Ave Maria Millard
 Piano—Two Nocturnes
 a—No. 4. A Major John Field
 b. Op. 15, No. 2 Chopin
 Vocal—Adelaide Bethoven
 Piano—Sonata, c sharp minor, Moonlight Bethoven
- PART TWO
 Vocal—Dramatic Melody Rossini
 Piano—Two Etudes Henselt
 a—La Gondola
 b—Spring Song
 Vocal—
 a—A May Morning
 b—Shoogy Shoo
 Vocal—Duet, selected.

The ladies of the Episcopal St. Martha's Guild and their husbands surprised Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Cleveland at their home last Friday evening. All the guests were arrayed in masquerade costume and scarcely any were recognized, the costumes being so well personified. Several Topsy were present in splendid southern regalia. The solos by Mrs. Henry Benton Smith and P. H. Unsen were received with ap-

plause. In the colonial games, reels and cotillions Judge Wilhite took first place as the prize dancer of the evening. The ladies brought an elegant luncheon with them which was greatly enjoyed. The guests presented their hostess with a beautiful set of sterling silver spoons.

On last Tuesday at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Roberts occurred one of the most brilliant social events of the season. On this occasion the ladies of the M. E. Kensington entertained their husbands or gentlemen friends. The rooms beautifully draped and decorated in red and white were converted into a bower of beauty. Here cupid and heart held sway. Red hearts and white hearts, large hearts and small hearts, paper hearts and wax hearts, frosted hearts and frozen hearts, young heart and sweet hearts, reminded one of the birthday of St. Valentine. Novel features in the way of amusement and delightful music furnished the entertainment for the evening. The queen of hearts was everywhere present at just the fitting time and with her grace and social bearing gave tone to the occasion. The delightful evening of enjoyment proved to the guests that the host and hostess were fully equal to the occasion.

The St. Martha's Guild of the Episcopal Church gave a novel valentine social Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Margaret Maddox. A fine musical program was rendered, while the excellent numbers rendered by musicians Spence & Furse were appreciated by all the guests. Much interest was manifested by the shooting at a large red heart with a bow and arrow. Queen of Hearts, personified by Edna Horricks gave heart shape valentines to all as souvenirs. The refreshments were all carried out on the heart-shaped plan; heart shaped chicken sandwiches, hearts of cheese, white brick ice cream with a red heart in the center and other toothsome dainties. A large number were present.

The Art department of the Woman's Club met Tuesday with Mrs. James Powell. The program, drawn from the works of Handel, was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Chas. Hoffman read an interesting paper on "The Messiah," and sang, "He Was Despised," from that oratorio, and also "Angels Ever Bright and Fair." "The Harmonious Blacksmith," played by Miss Reichers, and "Largo" by Mrs. Oswald were also very enjoyable. Another pleasant feature of the program was a song by a little guest Maudie McDermott. A short business session followed the program. The next meeting will be held with Miss Reichers in one week, Feb. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marts entertained a number of their friends at a six o'clock dinner on Wednesday evening. Various games were enjoyed and the elegant menu was perfection. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harpster, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. McNall, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jenkins and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Glaze.

Another Deal.

This week closed the deal concerning the sale of the building now occupied by the George Hall shoe store. O. Schoenheit purchased the building from the directors of the First National bank and intends to take possession about May 1st. Extensive changes will be made both up stairs and down.

Brethren Church.

Special meetings each evening next week at 7:45. Afternoon meetings from Tuesday to Friday at 2:30 p. m.
 E. E. HASKINS, pastor.

Episcopal Church.

Sunday February 18th.
 7:30 Holy Communion.
 9:45 Matins and Catechisms.
 10:45 Holy Communion and sermon.
 7:30 Evensong.
 7:30 Friday evening Litany.
 Strangers welcome to all services.
 H. B. SMITH, Pastor.

First Christian Church

9:45 a. m., Bible School.
 11:00 a. m., preaching.
 12:00 m. communion.
 3:00 p. m. Junior Endeavor.
 6:30 p. m. Senior Y. P. S. C. E. meeting.
 7:30 p. m. preaching. Subject, "The Love of Jesus."
 All are cordially invited to attend these services. Strangers and visitors in the city are cordially welcomed.
 T. A. LINDENMEYER, Minister.

M. E. Church.

The following services next Sabbath:
 9:45 Sunday school.
 Next Saturday and Sunday will be the 2nd Quarterly Meeting. Rev. Dr. George I. Wright Presiding Elder of Nebraska City will be present and officiate.
 7:30 p. m. Saturday, Quarterly Conference.
 10:45 Preaching, Dr. Wright.
 3:00 p. m. Junior league.
 6:30 Epworth league.
 7:30 Preaching
 You are invited to attend.
 W. T. CLINE, Pastor.

M. E. Supper.

On February 22, 1906.
 The M. E. church ladies a supper will fix;
 It will be served in the basement from 6 until 9.
 And all are most cordially invited to dine.
 The menu'll consist of pies, chicken and chery.
 Potatoes, etc., and should it be airy.
 A cup of hot coffee, with cream rich and nice.
 Will make up a meal that will surely suffice.
 The price? 'Tis as low as we really could make it.
 25 and 15,—please don't ask us to break it.

Bridge Burns.

The early morning passengers Wednesday were tied up for a short time on account of the burning out of a bridge Tuesday night, between Stella and Verdon. Passengers were transferred and No. 105 backed down to the local station. The damaged bridge was soon repaired and traffic continued.

Teams Frightened.

Wednesday afternoon two teams belonging to Mike Schable and Harry Wills were frightened by a passing thrashing machine, which passed where they were hitched near the Goldner blacksmith shop. One team ran down Main street and the other down Harlan. The former was caught in the Rey yard and the other just behind W. W. Leekins' residence. The horses were uninjured but the buggy belonging to Mr. Schable was badly smashed and the other one had a wheel torn off.

Geo. Holt Retires.

Many changes in the business world of Falls City have taken place during the past week, among them being the retirement of George Holt from the retail shoe business. Nine years ago Mr. Holt purchased the George Gehrhart stock of shoes and has been engaged in that

business ever since. He has always been very popular with Falls City folks who sincerely regret his retirement. He has ever been attentive to the customers and has taken pains to please his patrons. However, we are glad that he is succeeded by an equally capable and efficient manager as Geo. Hall, who purchased his stock, the contract being signed Saturday. Invoicing commenced Monday morning and in about a month the two stocks will be consolidated in the building occupied by George Holt. Mr. Hall's business career in this community has won him a host of friends who wish him unbounded success.

At Their New Stand.

The first of the week F. W. Cleveland and son, Fred, having shipped the remainder of their merchandise stock, left for Nebraska City, where they have opened up a new clothing store. In losing this estimable firm, Falls City people have many regrets both in business and social circles. F. W. Cleveland has been in business in this city for nine years and has been connected with every effort to build up and benefit this city. Such business men are what we term, loyal citizens. And although we are sorry to lose them, we wish them the most successful business career they have yet experienced.

At the Gehling.

Last Friday eve the famed "Gus Sun minstrels" played at the Gehling and presented excellent singers to Falls City people. Slack wire performer was fine and a novelty, the original Gibson girl, was put on. As is usual with a good, advertised show, it was witnessed by a crowded house.

Performed Operation.

Dr. Hannah Fleming, assisted by Dr. Reneker, performed a surgical operation on Mrs. W. C. Gibbs on Wednesday of last week. It was successful and the patient is rapidly recovering under the efficient care of her physician.

New Store.

A commission and second hand store has been opened by W. L. Sears in the building formerly occupied by the Shield's grocery store. He is still running his transfer line in connection with the store.

Big Bridge at Rulo in Danger.

About \$500,000 worth of government riprap work is about to go into the river about one and one-half miles northeast of Rulo. This work was done but a short time ago and the railroad company is keeping their eyes upon it steadily. The land is being washed away rapidly and is nearing the K. C. track. Just a few more feet and \$500,000 worth of government riprap work will be useless, the railroad company will be compelled to lay four miles of new track, and the Missouri river will break through into the big lake and change its course enough to make the million dollar bridge which crosses at Rulo stand over a lake and the company will be compelled to either build a new bridge or move this one where the Missouri river chooses to flow. The company is doing all that is possible to save things as they are.

The railroad company is spending \$100,000 in riprapping the river east of Rulo. They have a force of men at work under the general supervision of Mr. Scott, a well qualified railroad man who is well acquainted with the Missouri's ways.

Lecture and Banquet.

On Tuesday afternoon an invitation was extended the merchants and press of Falls City, by Wade A. Brown, E. L. Lind and M. T. Nichols to attend a demonstration and lecture to be given at the National hotel that evening in behalf of the Standard Oil people.

Ned Towle acted as sponsor and, with the above named gentlemen, made a detour of the local stores. Six brands of oil were secured and taken to the sample room where they were put into a many different lamps. Mr. Towle remained in the room during the preparations, thus denying the charges that any trickery was employed. These were lighted at 2:40 p. m and remained so during the demonstration. About 4 o'clock twenty-four gathered in the sample room and were given an interesting and instructive treat.

E. S. Lind of Omaha then introduced to the merchants and press represented, Mr. Wade A. Brown, of Chicago, as lecturer and demonstrator of the quality, care and general conditions of oil in its various stages of production, handling and consumption. Mr. Brown is an able and interesting speaker which was proven by the afternoon's discourse. Concerning his lecture: As conditions and environments change so it affects the product. Formerly gravity was considered the recognized test between the various oils, the differences being quite noticeable between the Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois and Kansas products of the same. The refining process employed by the Standard Oil Co. at present showed the vast amount of labor and care taken on the same. The crude oil was run through an eight inch pipe from their fields at the rate of 1000 barrels per hour. This was run into tanks of 60,000 gallons capacity and then heat to form a vapor which is composed of the purer elements from the crude state of the oil. In order to reduce this same vapor to the liquid form the ice cold water process was used after which the product was in good form. The portion of distillate obtained in the refinement of the crude and which is intermediate between the lighter gasoline and the heavier benzine is called naphtha, and is considered the lowest grade of gasoline made. Although there are claimed to be many different grades of oil, there are, to be exact, only three, viz.: Perfection, water white and prime white. There are now on the market almost 200 brands which by mistake are termed grades. A sample of coke, the last product of crude oil, was exhibited. Also two sample of the Indiana and Kansas crude were passed around for inspection in order to demonstrate the great difference of the product in the different fields.

Mr. Brown manufactured the most perfect of the red colored oil in the space of about ten seconds, by dissolving a very small quantity of aniline in a vase of the white oil. Eight and one-third cents worth of this is sufficient to color an entire barrel of oil.

Following are a few excellent pointers for housewives, taken from the lecture. The lamp should be thoroughly cleaned in the morning before and not after filling. The lamp should only be filled to about three-fourths of its capacity as the heat during the day would expand the

oil, causing a seepage if the bowl were full. Also the wick should be turned below the wick tube in order to keep the oil from soaking up through the wick and causing it to run over the top onto the bowl. This prevents odor and smoke when lamp is lighted. A good wick should be used and changed about every two weeks, the better light thus given and oil saved, over balancing the small expense.

The air flue at the side of the tube should be kept open, it is there for a purpose and should receive due attention. A float steel wire is very effective for this. Fill the lamp every day. Three pointers for securing of a good light should be remembered; the lamp, the customers' can and the dealers' tank.

Of-time the oil can is left in some coal shed, where it is subject to dust and other accumulations. The can should be emptied once a month, or the accumulation in the bottom of the can will be poured into the lamp, drawn up with the oil into the wick, causing the lamp to smoke and emit a strong odor. Care should be taken of the burner, and the air holes should be kept open and not clogged up with charred wick ends and burnt matches. As a barrel of liquid needs the bung-hole in order to assure a perfect and even flow, so does the lamp need the air and oxygen.

In closing, Mr. Brown asked the merchants to furnish him with a list of names of oil consumers and the Perfection Oil Company would furnish each one free of charge, a generous sample of their oil.

Then followed a general period of questions and answers which proved very interesting. Mr. E. S. Lind and M. I. Nichols assisting Mr. Brown in his demonstrations.

An invitation was then extended to the merchants and press represented, by Mr. Sidney P. Spence, to remain for a banquet. The invitation was accepted with thanks, the guests adjourning to the dining room. Upon entering, the orchestra, hired for the occasion, filled the room with exquisite music and continued the same during the evening.

The guests were ushered to the banquet board, which was profusely decorated with elegant ferns and cut flowers. Great velvety American Beauty roses, fragrant English violets, pure white tube roses and beautiful carnations filled the air with pleasing perfume. Dainty favors in the form of buttonhole hot house flowers were beside each cover. Mr. John Hinton, in behalf of Sidney P. Spence, welcomed them one and all. This was followed by a brief response from Mr. Wade A. Brown. The sumptuous banquet was then served. The elegant service, fare, beautiful music, lovely flowers and witty conversation made the affair long to be remembered by those fortunate enough to be present, and showed the remarkable generosity and royal entertaining qualities of Mr. Spence, the genial proprietor of the National Hotel. The following resolutions were signed by the guests:

"We the undersigned merchants of Falls City, wish to thank Mr. Spence, the congenial manager of the National Hotel for the hospitality shown us this evening and the elaborate dinner given us."