

SOCIETY

Pleasures of the Week.

Old Elks and young Elks, tall Elks and short ones, fat ones and lean ones were all gathered together in a "round-up" at the club rooms of Norfolk lodge, No. 653, Friday night, which proved altogether one of the most delightful affairs the Elks have ever put on the boards.

The banquet was served by the Ladies' guild of Trinity church and the service was up to the usual standard of excellence established by that organization on such occasions.

Great credit was accorded the entertainment and particularly the chairman, Dr. C. S. Parker, for the success of the affair.

The out-of-town guests were: W. L. Mote and Dr. Barnes, Plainville; Count von Rhaden, Creighton; Lane Williams, Columbus; George Davenport, Madison; Lee Martin, Schuyler; William Alton, Long Pine; Judge A. A. Welch, Wayne; Mr. Rhea, Columbus.

The dancing party given by twenty of Norfolk's charming young women on New Year's eve in Mast hall was one of the prettiest and most successful ever given in Norfolk.

Miss Marion Maylard will entertain tonight at the last of the series of three entertainments given complimentary to Miss Marie Hall, who leaves Sunday for her future home in Kansas City, Mo.

Miss Ruth Witzgman, Lois Hardy, Gladys Cole, Elizabeth Sprecher, Marion Maylard, Marie Hall, Beulah Hayes.

Quite a few of the members of the Ladies' Aid of the St. Johannes Lutheran church called on Mrs. R. Thiel Thursday afternoon, the occasion being her birthday.

Nearly two score of neighbors and members of the Eastern Star of Norfolk surprised Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Musselman at their home on West Norfolk avenue last Saturday evening, the occasion being in honor of Mrs. Musselman's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol G. Mayer entertained the employees of the Star clothing store at a 6 o'clock dinner on Thursday. Covers were laid for eleven at a beautifully appointed table.

Mrs. W. N. Huse entertained the Bridge club at a 1 o'clock luncheon on Thursday, complimentary to Mrs. D. Mathewson, who is soon to go abroad.

A farewell surprise was given on Mr. and Mrs. Martin Brubaker by a large crowd. Mr. and Mrs. Brubaker will soon leave for their new home at Salem, Ore.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. S. Wells and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Durland were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Reynolds on New Year's day.

Mrs. J. P. Mueller entertained the Frauen Verein of the Christ Lutheran church Thursday evening. Light refreshments were served.

Mrs. George Spear and daughter Irma, and Miss Jessie Key braved the storm on New Year's day to take dinner with Miss Mason, corner Madison avenue and Tenth street.

Misses Ruth and Daisy Davenport entertained a small company of little friends on Thursday. The guests spent the afternoon and stayed to enjoy a 6 o'clock dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Burnham entertained Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Braden and Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Colegrove and daughter Katherine at dinner on New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Salter entertained Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Salter and family at dinner on New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Mathewson dined with Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Butterfield on New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Rainbolt are packing and storing their household

goods and will leave in a few weeks for an extended trip south which will include Havana and a long stay in southern Florida. When they come back they will not return to the old home, which has recently been sold. The Rainbolt home has always been one of the handsomest and most hospitable in Norfolk, and many friends here will miss its ever open door, but they are inspired with the hope that Mr. and Mrs. Rainbolt will continue to claim Norfolk as their home.

The ladies of Trinity church met with Mrs. Asa K. Leonard on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Mathewson expect to leave Norfolk the nineteenth for a delightful trip abroad of several months. They will sail on the Celtic from New York city the 25th, going directly to Nice, France. After a short stay there they will go to Italy to spend some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol G. Mayer and family will leave next Thursday for New York City, where they will remain for a two months' sojourn.

Mrs. S. M. Braden went to Chicago on Tuesday to visit with her sister, Mrs. G. H. Culver.

Mrs. E. A. Bullock has gone to Omaha to spend several weeks with Mr. Bullock.

Misses Jeannette and Ruth Bell returned to their home in Omaha on Tuesday, after a short visit with their cousin, Miss Lois Hardy.

Miss Melle Bridge returned Saturday from a short stay in Council Bluffs.

Mrs. P. H. Salter and daughter Dorothy were Omaha visitors on Wednesday.

SAYS HIS DOG CAN TALK.

German Scientists Take Cognizance of a Gamekeeper's Story. Berlin, Jan. 7.—The claim of a gamekeeper near Hamburg that his dog can speak German and has an understanding of the language sufficient to answer questions intelligently has been taken so seriously by German scientists that Professor Pfungst of Berlin university headed a commission of investigation.

It is stated that the commission found the animal possessed of a vocabulary of seven words, which were clearly articulated. Of the number, four were words of two syllables.

It is asserted that the dog understands what is said to him and replies to the inquiries of strangers, within the limits of his knowledge of the language, without aid or suggestion from his owner.

To Telegraph by Typewriter.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—A feature of the electrical show which opened at the Coliseum here today was the telegraph typewriter. A large number of railroad men from the western states especially have come here to see the machine, because it is of peculiar interest to them. Mistakes in telegraph in future will be almost an impossibility where this instrument is used.

The marvelous strides in electrical invention and development are displayed in hundreds of other exhibits, ranging from musical instruments to punching bags. The Chicago show is always looked upon as the most important of the many electrical shows held annually in America. Forty thousand square feet of space have been allotted to exhibitors and the exhibits represent hundreds of millions of dollars.

SIX DIE IN CHINATOWN FIRE.

Half Dozen are Thought to Have Perished in New York Blaze. New York, Jan. 7.—Six persons are believed to have perished in the fire which destroyed "The House of Entrances," a five-story tenement house in Chinatown. Two bodies have been recovered and firemen who explored the ruins say four more are still in the ruins of the third floor.

The building is in such an unsafe condition that Chief Crocker ordered the search suspended.

The two bodies recovered are said to be those of relatives of Tom Lee, "mayor of Chinatown."

The last fireman to leave the building said that one of the four seen was that of a woman.

SYSTEMATIC MAIL ROBBERY.

On Four Separate Occasions Registered Bags Have Disappeared. San Francisco, Jan. 7.—Chief Postal Inspector H. B. Hall admitted that on four separate occasions in the last two weeks registered mail pouches had been stolen as they were being transported across San Francisco bay.

The first pouch was stolen on December 25; the second on the night of December 26; the third on December 29, and the fourth last night. The latter two were destined for stations between this city and Portland.

Hall denies that any of the pouches contained valuable packages, but it is known that the local postal authorities are deeply concerned and they admit that some of the pouches contained currency.

The Yokohama Specie bank has received no report from several valuable registered packages and it is known that at least one of the missing pouches contained packages mailed by the bank. Postal detectives say that thefts were the result of the operations of an organized band, the members of which were familiar with the movements of mails out of this city.

Each pouch was missed when the mail matter was checked before being placed on board mail cars at the Oakland pier. The pouches were in the personal charge of mail clerks who stood beside the truck on which the mail was piled while it was being taken across the bay.

On The Stage

"The Newlyweds and Their Baby" is the title of the chuckling, bubbling song-comedy which will be seen in Norfolk at the Auditorium on next Wednesday night.

The piece is in two acts and four scenes. Little Earl Knapp, the forty-two inch high comedian will be seen as "Napoleon," the baby, while Emory Alton and William Clifton will be "The Newlyweds," and Louise Amber will be seen in the role of the nurse. D. L. Don one of the best known German comedians in the country has the laughing success of his career as A. Nichol, the bucolic waiter. The chorus is a large one and the song hits are many. The production is said to be handsomely staged and beautifully gowned. There are 60 1/2 people in the company.

That Norfolk people will see an excellent musical comedy in this piece with clever people in the cast, is indicated by the press notices the show is receiving. F. W. W., dramatic critic in the Rocky Mountain News at Denver, gave the show two columns, including the following praise:

It would seem almost impossible to make a play out of the Sunday comics. And yet it has been done and with considerable financial success in the past.

The works of Kenyon Cox, of Outcault, of Opper, of Swinnerton and McCay have been staged and with satisfying results.

And now comes the latest aspirant for public favor. George M. Cohan tells us five persons are responsible for this entertaining affair. The book is by Aaron Hoffman and Paul West, two men who are notably clever.

The music is by Seymour Brown, Nat Ayer and John Bratton. Some of it is very good music of the light, airy order, and while the lilt that runs through it suggests the Yama Yama dance in "The Three Twins," and the Marsellaise is heard for the benefit of Young Napoleon, there are other good things that are brightly and prettily original.

Taken as a whole, "The Newlyweds" deserves all the success I hear it is achieving.

NEW YORK DRAMATIC LETTER.

New York, Jan. 7.—"We Can't Be as Bad as All That," the new offering at the Nazimova theater, can certainly be called one of the cleverest works produced by Harry Arthur Jones. This, according to Mr. Jones' own calculations is his seventh-act play including, of course, one-act sketches, etc. It has much of the strength of the celebrated "Mrs. Dane's Defense" and shows that Mr. Jones' skill is in no way diminished and his wit by no means impaired. He has taken for his subject a certain phase of English society, the picture of which he believes will and many to acclaim with George Meredith, "We Can't Be as Bad as All That."

Sam Bernard has entered upon his last week at the Casino theater in "He Came From Milwaukee" a play that has kept New York laughing since last September. It is one of the best vehicles Bernard ever had and leaves the Casino because it is impossible to extend the engagement longer.

Lulu Glaser continues her eminently successful engagement in "The Girl and the Kaiser" at the Herald Square theater, under the management of the Messrs. Shubert. The opera is an American version of one of the most sensational German musical successes of the century. Miss Glaser has a splendid supporting company and the play will no doubt have a long run in New York.

Miss Billie Janis would be a success for her elysium and sprightliness, even without a dainty play to help along. In "The Slim Princess" her latest production, however, she has a play that is better suited to her talents than anything in which she has appeared in some years. She succeeds Mme. Bernhardt at the Globe theater.

Miss Leslie Carter begins the last week of her six weeks engagement at the Lyric theater in "Two Women" next Monday evening. Mrs. Carter has never had a play that gave her better opportunities for showing her emotional powers, and there is no reason why she should not meet with the same success on her coming tour of the road that she has enjoyed in New York.

Annie Russell, still as charmingly appealing as ever, is appearing in the comedy "The Imposter" at the Garrick theater. There are thousands of Mary Pentons in America as well as in Europe, who have found themselves suddenly without relatives, friends, food or shelter and with no better prospect before them than the streets. What is to become of all such is the story of "The Imposter."

MUST THE KILLING GO ON?

Discussion Now Turns on the Air Meet and Its Waste of Life. The deaths of the three young men—Johnstone, Moissant and Hoxsey—who were helping to advance the science of aviation, has already called attention to the air meet as a needless sacrifice of human life. Should such attempts be permitted to continue; how can they be safeguarded; the strengthening of weak parts—all these questions, it appears, must now be

taken up, discussed and settled before the list of those whose lives have been given because of some of these larkies is increased. Comments of some newspapers on this are here given:

The Record-Herald said: News of the accidents by which Moissant and Hoxsey lost their lives was received generally with the feeling that a severe check had been given to aviation. The fatalities had been multiplying, there had been nine of them in December alone, the year of flight records had been the year of death records, and now the last day there were two more victims. The first impulse was to condemn the whole dangerous business and to say that the rivalry in reckless daring must stop.

Of course, however, neither the inventors nor the aviators will give heed to this prohibition and though they must be seriously affected by the tragedies of the year, though some of them may be discouraged, most of them, we may be sure, will not admit defeat. They will go at their absorbing and fascinating problem again with new determination. How is the fragile machinery to be improved? What better methods of protection can be devised against treacherous air currents and those holes in the air? These are among the questions that will occur to them and that they will try with unflagging zeal to answer satisfactorily.

The New York Herald said editorially: Heavy is the toll death collects in man's contest for the mastery of the air. But a few months ago it was Monsieur Hoxsey, the brilliant young South American, who fell to death after showing the world the way across the Alps. A few weeks later it was Ralph Johnstone, dead in Denver. This morning it is John B. Moissant, dead in New Orleans and "Arch" Hoxsey, dead in Los Angeles.

In the case of Monsieur Chavez, it is settled that structural weakness of his machine was responsible for his death. The preponderance of proof would indicate a similar cause in Mr. Johnstone's case. Monsieur Felix, Mr. Moissant's former mechanic, inclines to the belief that careful examination of his friend's machine prior to his flight would have saved his life. M. Hubert Latham thinks a broken wire caused Mr. Hoxsey's death, an opinion concurred in by F. S. Jackson of the Wright company.

Each case emphasizes the imperative need of official strength tests of all aeroplanes, long urged by the Herald. It is not pleasant to think that these men, or but one of them, pre-eminence in their profession, might have been spared to carry on their work had their machines been subjected to rigorous examination by competent officials.

The New York Press said: How very dangerous the new sport now is the death list for 1910 shows only too plainly. Many of our readers will be only shocked at what they regard as nothing but a preventable waste of life. And in a sense these lives were wasted. All these brave men might have been alive, and are not. Yet the human race is a better and more admirable thing, because men exist who are willing to take these risks.

To Arrest Tilden.

Neligh, Neb., Jan. 7.—Special to The News: Within a few hours after taking the oath of office as county attorney, E. D. Kilbourn filed charges in the county court before Judge Wilson Thursday afternoon, charging Elijah Aschcraft of Tilden with selling intoxicating liquor without a license to a certain person in that town.

The warrant was at once placed in the hands of Sheriff Miller, who proceeded to serve the same. It is not known the day the hearing will be held.

Little Done in Congress.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The house of representatives devoted all its time to consideration of private claims bills and adjourned until today. The senate was not in session.

Battle Creek News.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Simmons, accompanied by their three youngest children, went to Gregory, S. D., last week for a visit with the Wilberger family. Mr. Simmons returned Tuesday, but his family will remain for some time.

Rev. Mr. Angel arrived here Saturday from the southern part of the state with a carload of household goods and will perform the duties of the Methodist congregation here.

August Mantey returned Wednesday from Bloomfield, where he was visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. John Ernst. Mr. Mantey has rented a farm near that place and will return Saturday.

Next Tuesday is waterworks bond election day here. The belief is that it will carry strong. One fellow said if we get waterworks he will quit drinking whisky.

Mrs. Lambert Kerbel arrived here Tuesday from Spencer for an extended visit with her many relatives. She was accompanied by her children. They formerly lived in Battle Creek.

Frank Meyer and Julius Glandt, jr., were here Wednesday from Gross visiting friends.

Next Sunday afternoon the voting members of the Lutheran church will hold their annual general business meeting.

John R. Witzgman has resigned his position as cashier at the Battle Creek Valley bank. The stockholders held a business meeting Wednesday. Assistant Cashier G. C. Benning was promoted to the first place. There were several applicants for his place and John Dupfey, a straight and well known Battle Creek boy, was elected.

Ed Wolke was here Wednesday from Tilden visiting relatives and friends.

IDENTIFY GRACE'S GLASSES.

Spectacles and Cap Picked up at Sea Belonged to Lost Aviator. London, Jan. 6.—Word was received that the cap and glasses picked up in the North sea off Mariakerke, Belgium, were identified as those belonging to Aviator Grace, who was lost crossing

the English channel from Calais to Dover on December 22. A diligent search of the coast in the vicinity of Mariakerke is being made in hope of recovering the aviator's body.

Last Stage of Tobacco Case.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The final contest over the dissolution of the American Tobacco corporation began today in the supreme court of the United States. J. C. McReynolds, special assistant to the attorney general of the United States, made the opening address to the court on behalf of the government. He was followed by Delaney Nicoll, one of the half dozen or more attorneys representing the so-called "tobacco trust."

Worth, Mo., Jan. 6.—The dead body of T. E. Conway, the druggist who late yesterday shot and killed M. F. Stevens, a retired farmer, on the street of this village, was found in a clump of bushes today by boys. There was a bullet hole in his head and beside him lay the gun with which he had killed Stevens. Both men had families.

DRUGGIST KILLS A FARMER.

There had been bad blood between Conway and Stevens for some months. Some think Conway was insane.

FRIDAY FACTS.

S. M. Johnson of Wayne was here. Opie Chambers of Dallas was in the city.

Rosa Martiny of Winside was in the city. Miss Dorothy Green of Hoskins was here.

George O'Shea of Madison was in the city. D. H. Foster of Dallas was a visitor in the city.

G. M. Fowler of Fremont was here on business. A. H. Lane of Niobrara was a visitor in the city.

E. O. Patterson and E. G. Barnum of Dallas were here. T. D. Preece of Battle Creek was a visitor in the city.

Harriet E. Wilbur of Madison was a visitor in the city. Sam Kline and James Craig went to Omaha on business.

County Attorney James Nichols of Madison was in the city transacting business. Mrs. Abe Levine returned from Omaha, where she spent the holidays with relatives.

W. W. Weaver, formerly a Norfolk resident but now of Dallas, was in the city visiting with friends.

Harold S. Gow, who was here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gow, has returned to Carlock.

J. J. Johnson has gone to Omaha for hospital treatment. He is suffering from gangrene in one of his feet, with serious complications. Mr. Johnson is one of the prominent traveling salesmen out of Norfolk.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. S. Wells, Jr., near Osmond, a daughter. Mr. Wells is the son of Rev. J. C. S. Wells of Norfolk and Mrs. Wells is the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Butterfield of this city.

A number of farmers living south of the city suffered greatly from last Sunday's storm. Six hogs were frozen at the Frank Tannehill farm, while at the Tom Scribner farm it is reported several of the hogs were also frozen.

SOUTH DAKOTA AT A GLANCE.

New buildings costing over \$250,000 were erected at Gettysburg last year. The commission plan of city government is being advocated at Aberdeen. Livestock has suffered little on the ranges so far this winter.

Fire destroyed the G. D. Smith elevator at Huron, entailing a loss of over \$5,000. George B. Raymond of Aberdeen has been granted a patent on a stabilizing device for aeroplanes.

Short courses in agriculture and engineering have been started in the state college at Brookings. Bruce business men have organized a building and loan association with a capital stock of \$25,000.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the South Dakota Horticultural society will be held at Pierre January 17-19.

The supreme court organized for the next year by the selection of Justice W. G. Smith as presiding judge.

Losing her mind because of the death of her husband, Mrs. Mary A. Roberts committed suicide at Tyndall. Mayor Howard, as the head of a reform administration, is making it unpleasant for the saloon men at Lead.

Woonsocket Masons, assisted by the Eastern Star lodge, dedicated the new Masonic temple at that place with impressive ceremonies.

The Pierre board of trade will offer prizes for the counties having the largest attendance at the conservation congress to be held there.

William Franklin, a school teacher at Le Beau, narrowly escaped drowning when he walked into an airhole in the Missouri river.

Tom Darner of Ottumwa has been held by the circuit court at Yankton in \$500 bonds on a charge of "rolling" William Farrell.

L. R. Whitney of Highmore sued Cary C. Neff in justice court and Neff secured a judgment of 70 cents and the case will be appealed.

The town board of Irene has granted Jensen Bros. a franchise for establishing and operating an electric light system. The franchise is for twenty-five years.

Twelve cases of infantile paralysis were reported in the state in December, there being three deaths. Diphtheria was the most prevalent contagious disease, with 167 cases.

Patrick Noonan died at his home at Yankton of heart failure. He had resided here since coming to America from Ireland in 1880.

A jail delivery occurred at Bridgeport when Jack Danaber, alias "Whistling Jack," a notorious character about town, held on the charge of bootlegging,

made his escape from the city jail by prying open a window during the temporary absence of Sheriff Thomas F. Ryan.

NEW DANCE AT WHITE HOUSE.

"Boston Trot" Gets Recognition at Ball in Honor of Miss Helen Taft. Washington, Jan. 7.—The "Boston Trot," newest of dances, got its official recognition at the ball given at the white house for Miss Helen Taft. The new dance promises to enjoy a vogue in Washington this winter. It was especially affected by the college men, who attended the white house party.

The new waltz, for waltz it is, is a great contrast to the glide which has had the boards for the last decade, and much resembles the rather ridiculous dance of the Dutch burghers in Rip Van Winkle. It is strenuous and particularly graceful.

Notice of Probate of Foreign Will.

In the county court of Madison county, Nebraska, The State of Nebraska, Madison county, ss:

To Metta B. Higman, widow, Ruth Higman, Marietta Higman, Helen G. Higman, Arthur B. Higman, Mable Higman Flood, Bertha Higman, Louise Higman Price, John Floyd Higman, Ada B. Higman Fox, Mary L. Higman, Anna B. Fowler, H. C. Higman, Comfort B. Higman, W. E. Higman, John Higman Flood, Anna Higman Webb, Nellie Higman, Margaret Higman, Edna Higman Wilder, Carlissa Fowler Murdock, Jane Fowler, Mary Fowler, Mable Alliston, Grace Higman, Helen Higman, Lulu R. Baker, Ethel R. Fowler, Helen Ray Lee, Florence Barlow, May Barlow, Olive Barlow, Ruth Barlow, Esther Barlow, Anna H. Ray, John Barlow, Katherine Higman, Margaret Higman, Elaine Higman, Sally Douglas Flood, Barbara Wilder Price, the First Baptist church of Benton Harbor, Mich., Children's Home society, St. Joseph, Mich., and all persons interested in the estate of said John Higman, late of Benton county, state of Michigan, deceased.

Whereas, Metta B. Higman, Bertha Higman, Irving W. Allen and Oren B. Hipp, executors of the last will and testament of said John Higman, have filed in my office a duly authenticated copy of an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of John Higman, deceased, and of the proceedings and probate thereof in, and by the probate court for the county of Benton, in the state of Michigan, and also their petition, duly verified, praying that said instrument may be probated, allowed and recorded in this court as the last will and testament of said deceased; that letters testamentary or letters of administration with the will annexed issue to Metta B. Higman, Bertha Higman, Oren B. Hipp and Irving W. Allen, and for such proceedings as the law requires.

It is therefore ordered that the 24th day of January, 1911, at 1 o'clock, p. m., at the county court room in Madison, in said county of Madison, Neb., is the time and place appointed for hearing said matter, when all persons interested therein may appear at the hearing in the county court to be held in, and for said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petition should not be granted and the said instrument probated and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereon be given to all persons interested by publishing a copy of this order in The Norfolk Weekly News-Journal, a legal weekly newspaper, printed, published and of general circulation in said county, three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

Witness my hand and official seal at Madison, in said county, this 27th day of December, A. D., 1910.

Wm. Butts, County Judge.

(Seal)

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