

SOCIETY IN QUIESCENT MOOD

Small Doings Among the Fashionable Men and Women of the Metropolis.

MRS. LEWIS' ESTIMATE OF HOWELLS

Card Mathews by Mrs. Irving Baxter—Surprise During the Past Week—Chat About People Well Known in Omaha—Small Circles.

The party given by the Paladins Monday evening at their hall, Seventeenth and Farnam streets, had as its hostess Mrs. Harry Woodward...

ace, Grace Richardson, Nettie Adams, Per... Mrs. C. M. DeWard, Mrs. M. C. Davenport, Harry Woodward, Quincy A. Knost...

ADVANCE GUARD OF SPRING HATS

It Promotes Pleasant Things Concerning the Coming Army of New Hoppers. The advance guard of spring hats promises pleasant things concerning the army that will



Moderate and becoming. In the world a little later. Some of them are of the smart, jaunty order, with brims coquettishly bent in unexpected places...

Mr. Baxter's High Five. Mrs. Irving Baxter gave a lively high five party yesterday afternoon assisted by Miss Edith Morton. The house was prettily decorated, the guests playing under daintily

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Wilhelm Steiner of the Burg theater of Vienna, Hermine Weidman of the Stadt theater of Hamburg, Franz Hillmann of the Heintzeberg Court theater and Marie Harburg of the Stadt theater of Cologne, supported by the excellent stock company of the German Theater company of St. Louis, will play a "block" engagement.

An enjoyable party was given last Wednesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas at 826 South Forty-first street in honor of Miss Lillie Brenton. The evening was pleasantly passed and the refreshments were served and at the close refreshments were served.

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Remarkable Results Achieved by Building and Loan Associations.

Density of Population Averted and the Public Health Promoted—Program of the World's Congress—The Repeat Bill Shelved—National Statistics.

The rapid development of building and loan associations within recent years is amazing. Within less than a score of years they have grown from an insignificant number to a total of 7,000 in the United States.

The benefits derivable from these associations are not imaginary. They are real, substantial and visible. Individuals are taught habits of economy, industry and frugality, which add directly to the prosperity of the community.

Philadelphia is an illustration of the benefits flowing from the practical operation of building and loan associations. It is estimated that 60,000 workmen have thus been enabled to build homes in that city.

The small knotted sealings are in the lead at present, and they are made in very close resemblance of the self-tied articles in the made-up goods. The neckwear of spring is in exceedingly tasteful colors.

There will be some new designs in belts, and white kid gloves are again in vogue. They will be made of heavy kid-finished skins instead of leather.

The shades for spring walking gloves are in tans in various shades with red and self-tinting, and pique backs. The tans graduate from the dyes, Russian red, brown, along by two easy stages.

The rivalry of the night shirt specialists is one of the sights of the town. There is a white and gold Louis XIV. salade, with a black and white pique.

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The eighth annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mutual Building and Loan Association was held in the Board of Trade rooms on the evening of the 6th. The attendance was moderate.

The Mutual has 1,848 shares in force, of which 741 are pledged by borrowers. The first series of shares upon which ninety-six monthly payments of \$1 each have been made have earned \$70.48 per share and are now worth \$1.48. If the same rate of profit is maintained the shares in this series will reach

par value in fourteen months, and show a net profit of \$60 on each \$10 invested.

The conditions confronting the Mutual emphasize the necessity of creating and maintaining reserve funds. Most associations are pledged with rules which prohibit sinking funds. The practice is to liquidate by withdrawing shareholders to one-half the monthly receipts, the remainder to be loaned.

The matter of reserve funds should receive the consideration of the State Banking Board. Every measure which would increase the safety and solvency of building-loan associations is within the province of the board. No more effective safeguard could be had than a reserve fund, and no great amount of official pressure would be necessary to insure its adoption.

Many association men labor under the mistaken impression that a reserve fund means the hoarding of a cash surplus. It is nothing of the kind. The reserve is invested profitably in the most liquid, safe and simple means a special account designed to cover investment losses sustained in the due course of business.

The World's Congress. The World's congress of building and loan associations, which will be held in Chicago in June, promises to be an important epoch in cooperative financing. It will be the first of its kind. The program as far as arrangements for the attendance of delegates from the United States, which of itself can hardly fail to have an important bearing on the advance of this form of co-operation.

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NEW BOOKS.

Book News for this month is on hand a usual with full information as to all new books, their price, authors and publishers, and has in addition a fine sketch with portrait of George MacDonald, D. Appleton & Co., Rond street, New York.

Those alleged critics of poetry, who by their remarks show chiefly what they do not know, are reprimanded pretty sharply by the Rev. Francis H. Hornbrook, in his article "What Should Be the Attitude Toward His Critics," in the March Post-Lore. He also shows wherein some immortals have done well, and wherein some have done poorly.

"Poetry: A Study in History," by J. B. Ford, is a volume of criticism which would do well to be read by all who are interested in the art. It is a study in history, and the history is written in a way that is both interesting and instructive.

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