ART AT THE WORLD'S FAIR

Laurie Wallace's Estimate of the Efforts of His Famous Associates.

DOINGS OF THE WEEK IN THE SWELL WORLD

Miss Towle Gives a Tallyho Party in Honor of Her Girl Friends—Dancing at Seymour Park—An Orange Ribbon Social at Courtland Beach.

J. Laurie Wallace, the head of the Omaha Academy of Fine Arts, which begins its fall and winter season Monday, September 4, was sitting at his easel the other afternoon, with brush and palette in hand, limning the features of a young man posing in a chair near by.

"Just keeping my hand in," was the greeting the newspaper man received as he poked his head inside the room. "Have seen so much art recently that I thought I might have forgotten all I ever knew," said the picturesque director as he arose to welcome THE BEE representative, "and I was determined to find out whether the World's fair had completely dissipated all my ideas regarding art subjects—hence this painting spell on a warm summer's day."

It was just what the newspaper man wanted, an estimate from a well known artist whose picture of Mr. Scott, editor of the Chicago Herald, in the American section of the art gallery is receiving so much attention from the art critics the country over, and the newsgatherer so intimated to the painter.

"From a purely technical standpoint," said Mr. Wallace, "France leads all countries in the excellence of its collection, although what is most remarkable, America is a close second and Sweden is easily third, with Russia fourth. In this latter collection a few men stand out most prominently, especially Repine, whose magnificent painting, 'The Cossack's Answer,' owned by the emperor, attracts great attention. While terribly brutal it is full of character and shows the greatest possible originality on the part of a painter who is destined to live in history.

"France is remarkable not alone in the marvelous technique shown but in the absence of the men who are famous to the art world, the work of representation having been left entirely to the younger men, who, thank God! have learned how to paint. Leon Bonnat's painting of M. Renan, the man of letters, stands first in my opinion. Of course Bouguereau has several beautiful studies. There are a great many nudes necessarily, but they are exquisitely painted and show the masterful quality of the French school in this particular. Dagnan Bouveret's canvas in the United States loan collection, 'La Bernoise', is one of the best things by a French artist and it is a pity that this picture could not have been with the French collection instead of in the loan exhibit.

"One thing impressed me very strongly regarding the French collection and that was the tendency toward the impressionist school, all the exhibitors showing a marked characteristic in this regard. The American exhibit also shows an impressionist trend of thought, which is quite natural, as France sets the pace in art matters and we follow, no matter where our Gallic cousins may lead.

"Technically America is hardly up to the standard we had a right to expect, in view of the fact that so many of our leading artists have received their art education abroad, many of them still making continental Europe their home. But the vein of sentiment, which is so inherently a part of the American character, is beautifully reflected throughout the whole collection. Thomas Hovenden's 'Breaking of Home Ties' and 'Bringing Home the Bride' are treated with a skill and delicacy that makes one rejoice that he is an American artist. While we may lack in technique, we more than make up for it in sentiment that everybody can understand. Thomas W. Dewing, a New York artist, has a dainty portrait in the American section that is wonderfully well handled and beautifully executed. Thomas Eakins' realistic pictures of Drs. Gross and Agnew in the operating pit, 'Lecturing to the Students,' are among the most powerful pictures in the gallery of fine arts. He paints nature as he sees it, sometimes, I think, a little more brutally than nature is, but always virile. John Sargeant has a magnificent thing in a portrait of the child of St. Gaudens, the sculptor, so far as it goes, but it lacks the element of completion so essential to the good portrait. His picture of Ellen Terry, on the other hand, is perfect, the soul of the artist having in this case gone into the work itself, which is luminous with great ability.

"I cannot conscientiously call J. MacNeil Whistler's canvases anything else than utter rubbish. He has a portrait of a little girl on exhibition in the American collection that is positively a caricature of the worst possible description, and how Whistler could have attained to his present position is one of the things that no man can solve, unless it is that his book, 'The Gentle Art of Making Enemies,' so nauseated the critics that the only course left to them was flaggellation, which gave him a certain notoriety that he took advantage of. Whistler is one of the few artists living abroad of little credit to America. Alexander Harrison has two finely treated subjects in the collection, 'Arcadia,' and 'Girls on the Seashore.' Carl Marr boasts of the largest canvas in the collection, entitled 'Flaggellants,' but it is not a success. It lacks atmosphere and painting qualities that are very important. His other picture, 'Summer Afternoon,' is fine in its rendering of sunlight and shade, and very much superior to the large picture upon which he must have spent a great deal of time. Gari Melchers is represented by two excellent studies, broad and strong in treatment, 'The Sermon,' and the 'Pilots.' While a bit stiff and woodeny, they show superior painting qualities, and that is what America needs most. F. D. Millet, who has charge of the color decorations in the different World's fair buildings, has several pictures on the walls, all of them of a certain quaintness and sentiment that appeals to the picture buyer's heart, for which he seems to have catered. But they are very vapid from an art standpoint. Siddons Mowbray has a little gem in 'Scherherazade,' from the Arabian Nights, that is one of the delights of the exhibition. The color scheme is finely worked out, leaving little to be desired in its tonal qualities.

"Much might be said of the Dutch collection along the line of conscientious criticism. While it pleases many people it is really disappointing to the keen observer. All the canvases are in the interminable grays and browns without the sparkle and color which nature gives. The Dutch artists paint home subjects better than any nation on earth, but when it comes to technique they are not 'in it' alongside of either France or America. The chef d' œuvre of the collection is entitled 'Alone,' by Israels, and is absolutely a masterpiece. It is a wonderfully effective painting and necessarily attracts a great deal of attention.

"England has a big collection, but the representation is disappointing, the absence of well known names being much remarked. One is pained to see the work of such famous men as Sir Frederick Leighton, Frank Hall and Millais so very ordinary. Todema is represented in his usual vein. But the younger men like Stanhope Forbes and Frank Branley, who have learned how to paint, are at their very best. Forbes has a jewel in 'Forging the Anchor,' while Branley's 'Hopeless Dawn' is magnificent. There are many famous pictures in the English collection and all of them treat of home and fireside. Spain has nothing of note. There are a number of clever things in the Germany and Russia collections. Italy's display is of little value, which may also be said of Denmark, Norway, Brazil and Mexico. Austria shows many fine artists, Edward Charlemont's large canvas, 'The Pages,' owned by Yerkes, the street railway magnate, being particularly good. Franz Sinn has several charming studies, while Rudolph Bacher's 'Mater Doloroso' is full of a subtle quality that enthralls one.

"I spent almost a month wandering about the art gallery and I come back more of an enthusiast than ever, ready to begin the work of teaching the greatest art in the world."

Orange Ribbon Social.

Mr. Jonas Talmage of South Omaha, assisted by the Misses Gosney, gave an orange ribbon social and dancing party at Courtland beach pavilion last Friday evening in honor of his 21st birthday. A delightful program of fourteen numbers was danced to the strains of Venuto Bros. orchestra.

Those in attendance were: Mesdames Clark, Rockard, Watts, Winkleman; Misses Parish, Skinner, Baker, Talmage, Thomas, Hackenberg, Cheney, Morris, Ayre, Anna Gosney, Murphy, Callahan, Manchester, Hackenberg, Ella Eikenbary of Plattsmouth, Grace Richardson of Council Bluffs, Richardson of Omaha, Foley, Richards, Ella Gosney, Malissa Gosney, Esmond, Madge Hake, Blanchard, Austerman, Mabel Richards, Elliott, Davis, Allen, Thomas, Cora Gosney, Dunbar, Cooper, Anna Gosney, Schiller, Hake, Blake of Avoca, Ia., Lyde Blanchard, Lawrence, Honey, Goldman, Murphy, Moore, Smith, Allen, Eikenbary, Kenworthy, Cahn. Messrs. Talmage, Coombs, Schiller, Wagner, Francis, Hake, Manchester, Cuddington, Diamond, Seifskin, Schaller, Gosney, Cress, Winkleman, Hackenberg, Ferguson, W. Gosney, Templeton, Wilcox, Dugan, Cooper, F. A. Talmage, Johnson, Nelson, Gratiot, Hurley, Dyball, Frank Gosney, Alexander, Rosa, Clark, Heecox, Buck, Higley, Mills, Osborn, Watts, Kreiger, Norris, Hunt, Jones, Miller, Mills, Naudain, Dugan, Winkleman, Goetschall, Reckard, Gates, Bradley, Cahn, Nitsche, Wiley.

Saunterers About Spirit Lake.

Spirit lake and its chain of other lakes are receiving their full quota of summer saunterers, notwithstanding that the World's fair has largely detracted from summer resorts. Omaha is represented at Pike Point, Lake Okoboji, by Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Patterson and family, Mrs. J. E. Baum and family, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney, Eugene Montgomery and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Wheeler as guests of Mrs. Baum, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lehmer, Mrs. Congdon, Mme. Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Bresler, Miss Brownie Baum, Mrs. Charles Burr of Lincoln, Miss Lawrence.

At Omaha beach are Mrs. William Wallace, Misses Jennie and Mary Wallace, Miss Grant, James Wallace, Messrs. Hal Wallace and Ned Reynolds of Las Vegas, Miss Gertrude Clark, Messrs. Will, Henry and Gordon Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Stephens, H. P. Sutorious, Arthur Cooley, Henry Allen, George Purvis, Fred Preston, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Kuhn, Misses Edith and Kate Preston, Mr. and Mrs. William Preston, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clarke and Miss Helen Clarke and Mr. Howard Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. Ballou are at Smith's at Okoboji. Mr. and Miss Snow and Mr. Spangler, all of Omaha, are at Manhattan.

Bellevue Society.

Monday evening about fifty ladies and gentlemen took possession of the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wright, the occasion being the 22d birthday of their son Arthur. After congratulations for the young man the older folks extended their best wishes to Mrs. Martin, whose birthday it was also. After the breaking of the storm the young people played games, while the older ones amused themselves by serving refreshments. Among those present were: Dr. and Mrs. Buel, Mr. and Mrs. Betz, Mr. and Mrs. Gow, Mr. and Mrs. Laughum, Mrs. Goss, Mrs. Beeheardt, Dr. and Mrs. Keer, Mr. and Mrs. Stoffer, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Selmeyer, Mrs. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Estell, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Longsdorf, Mrs. Dietz; Misses Wallace, Flint, Wallace, Flint, Longsdorf, Selmeyer, Jones, Burtch, Ostler, Kust, Peters, Eddie, Estell, Eddie, Thompson, Wright, Betz, Wright. Messrs Mitchell, Zucher, Kiser, Selmeyer, Prof. Crothers, Atkinson, Longsdorf of St. Louis, Stoffer, Dollar, Rev. Mr. Keer, Hon. Harry Peters, Nolan, Peters, Ostler, R. K. Stow, John Arthur, Omaha; Miss Tessie Blake, Omaha.

The Girls Go Coaching.

Friday evening Miss Bessie Towle entertained a number of her young friends with a tallyho ride that was quite the jolliest ride of the season, "because there were no boys to annoy us," as one of the young ladies said. After a ride about the city, and it was a pretty sight to see these fair young women in their summer costumes, on top of the coach, they drove to Miss Towle's residence, 124 South Twenty-fourth street, where refreshments were served.

The young ladies were chaperoned by Mrs. Towle and Mrs. Shiverick, the guests being: Misses Grace Christian, Josephine Christian, Anna Shiverick, Darline Coe, Mona Martin, Carrie Mercer, Myrtie Robinson, Edna Robinson, Ethel Morse, Birdie Balbach, Genie Brown, Bessie Dumount, Della Fitzpatrick, Florence Kilpatrick, Rye Orcutt. Council Bluffs was represented by Misses Helen Baldwin, Lucille Pinney, Irene Test, Gertrude Bennett.

Danced on the Porch.

Seymour park was the scene of a pretty dancing party Friday evening given in honor of Miss Irma Morley by Dr. and Mrs. George Miller. The night was perfect and the drive to the beautiful home of Dr. Miller was thoroughly charming. In honor of the occasion the house was handsomely illuminated and decorated, the young people appropriating the wide porch for dancing.

Refreshments were served during the evening, and the drive home in the moonlight was a fitting finale to a lovely night.

The guests were: Miss Palmer, Miss Gertie Kountze, Miss Helen Millard, Miss Kilpatrick, Jentie Yates, Miss Jones, Miss Amy Burker; Messrs. Joe and Ed Morsman, Herbert and Will Rogers, Herman and Luther Kountze, Ezra Millard, Wing Allen, Bert Wheeler.

Celebrated His Fifth Birthday.

For their son, Clement Edward Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Clement Chase gave a right pretty garden party Wednesday afternoon in honor of the young man's fifth birthday. The guests invited were boys ranging from 4 to 6, the absence of girls being much remarked. A large tent was erected on the grounds in which refreshments were served to the happy urchins who played hard and fast during the hours of the fete. Master Chase's guests were: Joseph Ringwalt, Jack Poppleton, Charlie Hamilton, John Caldwell, Georgie Eddy, Lake Deuel, Sam Millard, and Dick Simons of Council Bluffs, son of the recent consul to Hong Kong, China.

A Shakespearean Dinner.

Thursday evening Mrs. F. P. Kirkendall invited a few friends to dine with her in honor of her guest, Miss Burgert of Toledo, O., and to the delight and astonishment of the guests the menu was Shakespearean in character, the courses being represented by quotations from the myriad-minded bard. The house, in honor of the dinner, was hung in pink—pink roses predominating in the flower scheme. The menus were exceedingly dainty, decorated by the fair guest, who has a natural talent for painting. The guests dining were: Miss Himebaugh, Miss Short and her guest, Miss Drennon of Kansas City; Mr. Hall, Mr. George, Mr. Hastings and Mr. Short.

Choir Boys' Outing.

St. John's Episcopal church, Twenty-sixth and Franklin streets, has a very efficient boy choir under the excellent direction of Mr. Thomas M. Morris, and so essential have the boys become to the services that Rev. Paul Matthews, rector of the church, took the choir on a week's outing Monday, to Honey Creek lake, Iowa. Mr. Matthews was accompanied by Mr. Morris and Rev. Messrs. Gallandette and Yardley. Under the lead of such fun makers as the older members of the party, the boys are sure to have the good time they have looked forward to so earnestly.

At Courtland Beach.

A very pleasant and enjoyable time was spent Friday evening at Courtland beach by a number of young people in honor of Miss Lulu Tompsett's birthday.

Bathing and boating was very much enjoyed by all and the time for departure seemed far too soon.

Those present were Misses Lulu Tompsett, Trosler, Light, H. Berlin, M. Berlin, Andreesen, Clark and Hodson. Messrs. Bostwick, Smith, Isaacson, Ratekin, Betty, Yost, Rich Trosler and Isadore Trosler.

Gossip of Summer Days.

John C. Wharton and sons have returned from the fair.

Harry L. Akin and Paul Ludington left yesterday for Corning, Ia., which point they will make the base of a two weeks camping expedition.

Andrew J. Renck and Ed Rand are in Chicago doing the fair.

Frank D. Muir has returned home after two weeks spent in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McClair are in Chicago on a ten days visit to the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Van Dusen have gone to Chicago to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Haller left Wednesday for an outing at Hot Springs, S. D.

Mrs. Welling B. Matthews has returned from a week's trip to the World's fair.

Miss Stacia Crowley has returned from a two weeks visit to the White City.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Pollan of Atlantic, Ia., were visiting in Omaha the past week.

Mrs. John A. Eyler has just returned from a three weeks visit to Chicago and the World's fair.

The engagement of Miss Elva Fisher of the High school class of '93 and Mr. Ed Wilbur is announced.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Templar, with their two children, have returned from their visit to the White City.

Miss Stella Striblen of St. Joseph, Mo., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. H. G. J. Lehmann, at 843 Park avenue.

Senator and Mrs. Allen and Congressman W. J. Bryan were guests of Hon. G. W. Ames Wednesday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Thain of the Plymouth Congregational church have returned from their summer outing.

Ex-Mayor Broatch and Mr. George Mercer have returned from a fishing outing in the Big Horn mountains.

Mrs. C. M. Powell and Miss Eloise E. Nichols returned last week from a three weeks visit at the great fair.

Mrs. Charles Holton of Clinton, Ia., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Merrick E. Lease, of Lafayette avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Bassett, Miss Grace Bassett and Master Henry Bassett have gone to the World's fair.

Mrs. Samuel Burns and family were passengers on the Q this morning, having done Chicago and the World's fair.

The engagement of Miss Eva M. Foley, 2052 South Twentieth, to Mr. Richard M. Bradley, 1917 Wirt street, is announced.

Mrs. William E. Clark and family left Omaha Tuesday evening for the World's fair. Their address will be 2346 Calumet avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Duryea have gone east for the balance of the summer. The First Congregational church will be closed during his absence.

Misses Daisy and Coryell Wood, formerly of the Madison, have returned from Philadelphia and Chicago and are guests of Mrs. Coryell, Walnut Hill.

Mrs. S. A. McWhorter has returned from her visit to the World's fair and has for her guest Miss Mignon Millikin of Hamilton, O. Miss Millikin is a cousin of Mrs. McWhorter.

Judge John M. Thurston, Mrs. Thurston, Master Thurston and the baby are journeying westward in Superintendent Brinkerhoff's private car O.T., having left on Thursday.

Mrs. E. P. Newhall, wife of the private secretary to E. M. Morsman of the Pacific express, and her two sons left Friday evening for Toronto, Can., where she intends sojourning during the heated term.

Dr. and Mrs. James L. Bevans of Decatur, Ill., rejoice in the birth of a daughter. Mrs. Bevans was formerly Miss Desdemona Millikin, well known in Omaha society, and a sister to Mrs. S. A. McWhorter.

The marriage of Miss Gabriel Sturney and Mr. Frank Pettie was solemnized Monday at 2 o'clock at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Edmund Peycke, Twenty-first and Half Howard streets. Mr. and Mrs. Pettie will make their home in Chicago.

General R. N. Batchelder of Washington, quartermaster general of the army, arrived last week from Denver, where he has been on a tour of inspection of the newly created Department of Colorado. During his stay in Omaha he was the guest of General Brooke.

Tuesday evening the marriage of Miss Nellie Alexander of this city and Mr. William Keary of Birmingham, England, was solemnized at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Louder, Forty-ninth and Burdette streets, Rev. Mr. Davis officiating. After the ceremony a wedding supper was served which was enjoyed by a few friends of the bride and groom.

Major Paddock went west Tuesday evening on a tour of inspection in the special car of the Union Pacific railroad. He was accompanied by Captain and Mrs. Rustin and their son, Fred, Mr. Will Doane, Miss Emily Wakeley and Miss Meliora Woolworth. They will be gone about three weeks, and expect to visit Salt Lake, Portland and the Puget Sound country.

Mr. A. B. Huberman, writing to friends from Hamburg, says: "The weather this summer has been very dry and warm all over Europe, and this continent will have to draw heavily on America for the products of the field. The state of health in Hamburg in general has never been so good, and of cholera there is no trace. One case of supposed cholera occurred three months ago, the only case this year."

N. Merriam is in Chicago with his family visiting the fair and has rooms at Jacob Williams' St. Albans hotel, 5216 Jefferson avenue, near Jackson park. The St. Albans is said to be very pleasantly and conveniently located and is a popular resort for Omaha and Council Bluffs visitors to the fair.

Balloon at 3 and 8, Courtland Beach.

GOOD RESOLUTIONS.

Never abuse your family.

Never betray a confidence.

Never break faith with friends.

Never laugh over serious matters.

Let no mean no and yes mean yes.

Never covet the belongings of others.

Never leave home without kind words.

Never make a promise that you cannot fulfill.

Never take that which does not belong to you.

Never feel happy in the misfortunes of others.

Never question a servant or child about family matters.

Never read letters which you may find addressed to another.

Never refer to a gift you have made or a favor you have rendered.

Never punish a child for a fault to which you are addicted yourself.

Never fail to meet your honorable engagements at the appointed time.

Never break faith with your banks, for they are indeed your friends.

Never appear to notice a scar, deformity or defect on any one present.

Never look over the shoulder of another when he is reading or writing.

Never when traveling abroad be overboastful about your own country.

Never associate with bad company, but assist them to do right if in your power; have good company or none.

By complying with the above simple practical rules you will not go far out of the way you will in the end be happier and better.

Balloon 3 and 8 o'clock today.

THE HARVEST MOON.

Margaret E. Sangster in Harper's Bazar.

Over fields that are ripe with the sweetness
That hides in the full-tasseled corn,
Over vineyards slow reaching completeness,
Dim purpling at dusk and at morn,
Shine down in thine affluent splendor,
O moon of the year in her prime;
Beam soft, mother-hearted, and tender;
Earth hath not a holier time.

For the seed that slept lon: in the furrow
Hath wakened to life and to death;
From the grave that was cerement and burrow
Hath risen to passionate breath.
It hath laughed in the sunlight and starlight,
Hath thrilled to the breeze and the dew,
And fallen, to stir in some far night,
And all the old gladness renew.

O moon of the harvest's rich glory,
Thy banners outflame in the sky,
And under thee men write the story
That cries to the heavens for reply—
The story of work and endeavor,
Of burden and weakness and strength,
The story that goes on forever,
Through centuries dragging its length.

And thou, ever stately and golden,
Thou moon of the latest year's prime,
What sight though thine eye hath beholden,
No grief to thy pathway may climb,
As over the fields that are reapen,
At evening and level and shorn,
Thou pourest thy splendors that deepen
The rose and the silver of morn.

ECHOES OF THE ANTE ROOM

Omaha is the Banner Woodmen City of America in All Respects.

ODD FELLOWS ALSO SEEM TO PROSPER

What Transpired in Secret Circles Last Week—Goats Are All in Good Working Condition in Spite of the Warm Weather.

Omaha is the banner Modern Woodmen city of America in all respects. Its lodges of that order are all in excellent condition, prospering and growing, and the combined membership of the camps places this city near the head of the list in the country. When the head camp convened in this city last year it voted to present to the camp showing the largest number of initiations a handsome banner. The time covered was February, March and April.

A number of the leading camps in the jurisdiction immediately turned their hustlers loose in the quest for new members and there was a lively scramble all along the line. Omaha camp 120 has among its membership some of the most persuasive hustlers in the universe, and they went to work with the determination of carrying off that banner. They labored incessantly and industriously, and it has borne excellent fruit. The award of the banner has been made and Omaha camp captures it. The records of the camp showed at the end of the three months the greatest gain in membership of any other camp. Now there is rejoicing in the circles of woodcraft, and especially among the members of camp 120.

Several other towns made a grand hustle, and camp 120 did not have a walk away by any means. The quiet little burg of Decatur, Ill., has a camp, 1626, that has its membership made up from that kind of material that wins. While Omaha camp adopted 109 new members the Decatur camp was a close second with 102. Half a hundred other camps competed and at the end of the six months showed adoptions ranging in numbers all the way from a dozen to forty. The only ones in the race were the Omaha and Decatur camps, and it was neck and neck between them.

The most exciting contest will probably be for the banner that will be awarded at the end of the year. There is lively competition for it among the camps, and those in the lead are Omaha, Decatur, Rockford Elgin, Beloit and Moline. Omaha camp is out for the banner and its members are fully confident of capturing the same.

As soon as the banner awarded is received it will be presented to the camp in royal style, amidst festivities and rejoicing. The banner is not yet completed, but it will be in a short time.

Preparations for the coming picnic at Calhoun, to be given by the Omaha camps, are going steadily forward and everything points to success.

The new ritual which the head consul is preparing under directions from the head camp will not be ready for distribution before the first of the year.

All of the vacant numbers have been filled in and there are now 2,000 live and energetic camps of the order.

New camps have recently been instituted in Nebraska as follows: Danbury, Axtell, Guide Rock, Pickrell, Atlanta, Hardy and Hubbell.

Knights of Pythias.

Custer lodge No. 61 of Broken Bow has been reorganized by Past Grand Chancellor Scism of this city. The following knights were present at the ceremonies: J. A. Harris, J. G. Haeberle, George Willing, J. S. Benjamin, J. W. Salisbury, E. P. Campbell, W. G. Purcell, E. G. Wait, W. R. Hutchinson, W. J. Woods, G. W. Apple, W. H. Cox and Joseph Heintz.

The officers of the new lodge were installed Wednesday evening as follows: Joseph Heintz, P. C.; W. R. Hutchinson, C. C.; W. H. Cox, V. C.; W. G. Purcell, R.; E. G. Waite, M. of W.; Joseph Heintz, K. of R. and S.; J. A. Harris M. of T.; G. W. Apple, M. of F.; J. S. Benjamin, M. A.; J. A. Harris, representative to grand lodge.

Planet lodge No. 4 of this city has selected as representatives to the grand lodge August Bohne and Jacob Frank.

The Knight Errant speaks of the order in Nebraska and its members as follows: "November next will chronicle the silver anniversary of the establishment of the order in Nebraska. The event will be fittingly remembered and already there are in contemplation many celebrations of the glorious times when Pythian knighthood was planted upon the fertile soil of this great state. Nebraska lodge No. 1 was the first established in Nebraska, and its birthplace was in Omaha. It is now prospering, has a large and earnest membership and is accomplishing a great deal of good in the fraternal world. The occasion will be a great one for George H. Crager, the veteran Pythian, who, on November 23, 1868, laid broad and deep the foundation upon which has been reared the grand jurisdiction of Nebraska. Brother Crager is still an honored and respected member of the order, and the Knight Errant sincerely trusts he may long be spared to see the accomplishments with which he had so much to do in making them possible."

Neligh knights will organize a division of the Uniform rank.

At the recent meeting of the grand lodge of Michigan, by a vote of 106 to 13, it was decided to exclude from membership in the order in that state all saloon keepers, bartenders and liquor dealers. The liquor dealers are protesting vigorously.

At the recent meeting of the grand lodge of Georgia at Macon 300 representatives were in attendance. One of the features of the session was the laying of the corner stone of the Pythian temple now in course of construction in that southern city.

Daughters of Rebekah.

The installation of officers of Golden Rule lodge No. 59, of Fremont, took place Wednesday evening at Odd Fellows hall. There was also degree work, and at the close of the session refreshments were served. Following is a list of the new officers:

Cora M. Coddington, P. G.; Nellie C. Shively, N. G.; Kate M. Nesbit, Y. G.; Maggie I. Wolz, T.; N. McCarn, S.; Emma Christensen, W.; Ida E. Mead, C.; Mary Day, C.; Addie H. Andrews, R. S. N. G.; Marion M. White, L. S. N. G.; Carrie Turner, R. S. V. G.; Ella Brown, L. S. V. G.; Katie Rogers, I. G.; N. Nielsen, O. G.

Friend lodge has installed the following officers for the ensuing term:

Mrs. S. E. Hulbert, N. G.; Mrs. W. L. Drehr, V. G.; Mrs. T. W. Brown, R. S.; C. D. Moffatt, P. S.; Mrs. J. M. Brown, T.; Mrs. W. W. Thomas, O. G.; Mrs. W. R. Wilson, I. G.; Mrs. N. B. Murray, R. S. N. G.; Mrs. C. W. Butler, L. S. N. G.; Mrs. H. W. Shufeldt, R. S. V. G.; Mrs. N. B. Gordon, L. S. V. G.; Mrs. R. Dine, C.; Mrs. W. E. Davis, W.; Mrs. W. Andrew, C.

A new lodge has been instituted at Gibbon. A party of twenty-four ladies and gentlemen from the Kearney lodges went down to Gibbon and instituted the lodge. They met in Independent Order of Odd Fellows hall with those who were to become members and a lodge of twenty-seven charter members was instituted under the name of Faithful lodge No. 89. The team from Kearney did splendid work, with which the members here were much pleased, and after the completion of the organization ice cream and other refreshments were served.

The officers of the new lodge are: Mrs. T. J. Mahoney, N. G.; Mrs. J. W. Wiggins, V. G.; Mrs. Eugene Avery, R. and C. S.; Mrs. C. J. McConnaughey, F. S.; Mrs. Thomas Robinson, T.; Mrs. Jacob Miller, W.; Mrs. R. E. Furgason, C.; T. J. Mahoney, R. S. to N. G.; Mrs. H. P. Smith, L. S. to N. G.; J. W. Wiggins, R. S. to V. G.; Miss Flora Mercer, L. S. to V. V.; R. E. Furgason, O. G.; Miss Rosa Furgason, I. G.; Mrs. J. P. Geyer, C.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

The following officers have been installed by Ord lodge No. 90: J. W. Warwick, N. G.; H. Gudmundsen, V. G.; M. E. Getter, Warden; H. E. Crow, I. G.; W. M. Way, O. G.; A. Rowan, R. S. to N. G.; Joshua Turner, L. S. to N. G.; J. V. Johnson, R. S. to V. G.; W. L. McNutt, L. S. to V. G.

At the last meeting of Fairbury encampment No. 43, the following officers were installed in their respective offices by Grand Patriarch J. F. Heller of Hastings: Patriarch J. H. Cookus, S. W.; H. B. Gahagen, H. P.; M. C. Davis, J. W.; L. S. Horrum, S.; J. C. Kesterson, T.; W. F. Downey, G.; S. A. Evans, O. S.; J. E. Carlyle, I. S.; J. A. Merrell, 1st W.; C. N. Austin, 2d W.; H. J. Sleevys, 3d W.; J. D. McCord, 4th W.; G. E. Tucker, 1st G. of T.; F. A. Stutevoss, 2d G. of T.

George Little, sr., of Lexington, district deputy, Friday night installed the officers of Gothenburg lodge No. 201, as follows: E. R. Ware, N. G.; A. L. Davis, V. G.; John J. Jennings, S.; F. P. Doolittle, T.; L. J. Malmsten, W.; F. G. Bryner, C.; L. B. Schoeline, I. G.; C. A. Morell, O. G.; J. H. Waples and H. H. Young, R. and L. S. N. G.; R. F. Young and Fred Hecox, R. and L. S. V. G.; F. A. Lundin and Jeff Haines, S. S. One of the pleasant features of the evening was the presentation of a handsome past grand collar to E. R. Ware.

Doings in Masonic Circles.

A new lodge was recently instituted at Palisade, this state. It starts out well and promises a flourishing future.

Magnolia lodge No. 220 of Emerson recently received its charter and the following officers were installed by Grand Master P. A. Black and Grand Custodian Lee P. Gillette: M. M. Evans, W. M.; F. O. Paulger, S. W.; P. G. Faucher, J. W.; William Merten, T.; A. A. Davis, S.; J. L. Davis, S. D.; Alfred Holt, T. The regular meetings of the lodge have been set for Wednesday evenings on or before the full moon of each month.

The grand commandry of Iowa Knights Templar recently closed its annual conclave at Spirit Lake. The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: C., W. J. Babb of Mount Pleasant; D. C., D. W. Clemento of West Union; G., E. B. Lacey of Council Bluffs; C. G., T. R. Ercanbrack of Anamosa; P., J. W. Geiger of Marion; S. W., S. L. Williams of Charles City; J. W., J. H. Pettibone of Burlington; T., O. P. Wyland of Harlan; R., Alf Wingate of Des Moines; S. B., J. E. Stanton of Chariton; S. B., D. F. Callender of Des Moines; W., C. L. Richards of Davenport; S., Theodore Schreiner of Mount Pleasant.

Friday evening the members of Adah chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of South Omaha, invited their friends to attend a picnic at Courtland beach. The response to the invitation was general and it was a jolly crowd of Magic City people who spent the evening at the beach.

Improved Order of Red Men.

At the last regular meeting of Pawnee tribe of Fremont the following officers for the ensuing year were installed:

W. H. Haven, P.; Waldo Wintersteen, S.; F. B. Stanford, C. of R.; M. G. Cook, S. S.; A. F. Cherry, J. S.; James Bennett, G. of W.; James Welstead, G. of F.; P. S. Smith, 1st S.; W. H. Mead, 2d S.; George L. Wellman, 1st B.; M. S. Conover, 2d B.; F. L. Nesbit, 3d B.; T. O. Carruthers, 4th B.; J. F. Budley, 1st W.; D. E. Welsted, 2d W.; H. Kremling, 3d W.; F. Muerrie, 4th W.; L. C. Truesdell and Roy Denny, scouts; George F. Wolz, captain degree teams.

Ancient Order United Workmen.

On next Thursday evening Omaha lodge No. 18, Ancient Order of United Workmen, will provide an entertainment for its members which will be entirely different from anything heretofore given.

A joint debate will take place on the subject, "What Attitude Should the United States Government Take on the Silver Question?"

It is thought that this debate will take a great load off the shoulders of congress, and it is hoped all members will turn out and assist in having a good time.

PHYSICAL CULTURE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

OMAHA, July 28.—To the Editor of THE BEE: On the occasion of the national tournament of the turners held at Milwaukee, Wis., that vast German-American organization of men and women for the advancement of physical and mental culture, and in response to a short article on physical training in our public schools, published in the daily papers a few days ago, some facts relative to the merits of the various systems in vogue would not be amiss.

There are in reality only two systems of physical culture: the German, or rational system, and the so-called Swedish system. All others do not deserve to be called systems, as they are not based upon any scientific principle for the thorough development of the human body. The alleged system of Delsarte is not physical culture at all; it is but an artificed method of "posing," well adapted for the stage and platform. But as a means of developing the growing bodies of our children, it possesses about as much value as the "faith cure" has for a suffering humanity.

The Delsarte "system" has never been recognized as a proper means of developing the human body; it has never received recognition as such in any of the institutions of learning, excepting in some young ladies' seminaries, where the outward appearance is all that is required to make up a "young lady's" education. Ten years of Delsarte in our public schools would not develop one ounce of muscle in any boy's body; but, on the other hand, if properly taught, and with the assistance of a fan, would enable our girls to learn the great art of flirting, with all the expressiveness of a Spanish senorita. Fashion papers are the only ones that advocate Delsarte. The Delsarte "system," as a means of properly developing the bodies of our children, is a useless waste of time and money. Its proper sphere is limited to the stage and platform.

The Swedish system, or as it was formerly called by the medical profession, the "Swedish movement cure," is all that this name implies. It aims to restore lost health, and to improve and build up the human body. It starts out with the proposition that motion is life, and that constant motion of any part of the body will strengthen and develop that part. The Swedish, or "Lingg's," system of gymnastics was introduced in many of the hospitals and healing institutions of Europe and the United States, and the rigid and strict rules governing it make it a valuable auxiliary to any institution for the cure of the physically deformed and the convalescent. Its present advocates have somewhat modified the system and the movements are not as monotonous as formerly, but the rapid and rigid execution of all exercises requires the closest attention and in consequence is a mental as well as physical strain. As this system does not employ music to assist in the rhymical action of the performers it becomes monotonous to the child and does not act as a recreation or relieve from the mental strain of prolonged study. The Swedish system has many advocates, but in spite of its merits as a promoter of physical health it does not possess the qualifications to popularize it and make it the property of the people and a part and parcel of popular education.

The German system of physical culture, or as it is often called, the "turners' art of physical training," is not composed of a series of violent exercises, as some have charged; but on the contrary, it may be successfully taught in the kindergarten as well as to the adult male and female. Its wide scope and diversified form of action permit of its being as successfully taught to the little tot in the nursery as to the man in the prime of life. While the Swedish system requires close attention to, and rigid observance of the execution of a series of monotonous movements, the German system is the systemized natural play of boys and girls, and therefore recreation. This system is successfully used in developing such muscles as have become dormant through physical inactivity or other causes. A vast number of people to this day confound the gymnastics of the turners with the aims and objects of socalled athletic or sporting clubs, which flourish in large cities and whose aims and objects are merely a matter of sport; the man of sport will only seek to unduly develop that part of his body which will assist him in accomplishing the object of his sport. The system of physical culture, as practiced by the turners, is based on scientific principles, a result of researches of men of science. If the excellence of any art or system of physical training can be estimated by the antiquity of its origin, the "art of turners" (Turnkunst) can justly lay claim to the highest honor and veneration, for its history dates back to the ancient Greeks, who considered it a necessary part of public education. The system of physical culture as established by the turners aims at a symmetrical development of the body; it is a promoter of health and if properly applied strengthens the will power. Calisthenics and gymnastics, as we apply them to our schools, are an excellent auxiliary to school discipline. They will train the mind as well as the body.

One of the founders of the German system of physical culture, in a terse and truly epigrammatic way, defines it as follows: "We are not athletes, and our youth shall neither knock out their teeth nor crush their ribs! They shall neither kill others nor wrench their own limbs! In our exercises we seek health, not its destruction; also strength, not the unfeelingness of a cannibal! We strive for manly sense and courage, not for unrestrained wildness and license!"

By a ceaseless and tireless effort on the part of the turners and progressive pedagogues, physical training has been introduced in almost all universities and colleges. The public schools of nearly all of our larger cities have adopted the German system of gymnastics and calisthenics, and ere long it will be a national institution. True to a great principle, we are striving to lead our people to mental and physical health, and we frown upon all efforts at mere athleticism in whatever form it may appear.

To an intelligent public it is needless to explain that the science of turning or true gymnastics cannot be confounded with athleticism or sport. The present national tournament of the turners at Milwaukee has practically demonstrated and proven the superiority of this system over all others.

PHILIP ANDRES.

ELECTRICAL NOTES.

London telephones cost $50 a year.

Electricity lights 1,850 American towns.

Cooking by electricity grows in favor.

Edison hopes some day to make Niagara furnish enough electric power to run every railroad train and light every town in the state of New York.

Electric street railways in the United States have in operation a mileage which exceeds the sum of street railways run by other powers, viz: 5,939 miles run by electricity, 4,460 by horses, 646 by cable, and 620 by steam.

A few months ago the shares of the General Electric company commanded $115 in Wall street and Boston, and the tip was given out that $150 would be the next stopping place. It is now selling around $50 a share, and last week it was kicking about under $47. The authorized capital of General Electric is $50,000,000, but the amount actually outstanding is $34,426,900 common and $4,236,900 preferred, a total of $38,663,800. In addition there is a 5 per cent debenture gold bond issue of $10,000,000, making a total stock and bond liability of $48,663,800.

The telectroscope is an instrument suggested by M. Leon le Pontois for the purpose of transmitting pictures or views of moving or stationary objects to long distances. The sensitiveness of selenium to light is well known, and this quality is utilized in M. le Pontois' invention. The transmitter is a selenium cell upon which the light from the object falls after modification by a rotating perforated disk. The little shower of rays is converted into a procession of momentary currents which pass along to the receiver. The receiver is a gas chamber, the valve of which is regulated by incoming currents of electricity, and thus a calcium light of greater or less intensity is produced.

The storage battery for traction work is steadily gaining ground. The Second avenue line in New York, which is partly equipped with storage battery cars, has done such creditable work during the past month that the officials propose to install the new power throughout the line. Cities which still retain a prejudice against the trolley are showing great interest in accumulator traction, and the Second avenue line has been visited by the representatives of different cities which have faith in the future of the storage battery. The results have been most satisfactory, so far as the effectiveness of the system has gone—the only question in doubt being whether it is possible to install the storage battery as cheaply as the trolley line.

One of the most desirable adjuncts to the electric car, which is now to be seen in every progressive city, is an effective fender. A safety appliance of this class has just been tried in Boston. Its inventor gave the most eloquent possible testimony as to his faith in its effectiveness by lying down on the rails and waiting there until the oncoming car reached him, when he was picked up by the fender. This fender, which is claimed to remove any object or person absolutely from the track without injury, is materially different from any seen on the cars at present. It extends twenty-four inches in front of the car, and is formed of a series of steel wires that curve in a gentle swell to the bar in front of the fender, which is a few inches above the track. A body striking the fender is scooped up on to the wires owing to their elasticity, and it is so retained that it cannot roll off in front of the car.

A new and remarkable method of electric heating was recently described in these columns, in which, by the use of a glass or porcelain vase lined with lead and nearly filled with acidulated water and a bar of wrought iron through which the electric current is passed, a heat so intense is produced that the iron melts and falls off in sparks and bubbles, leaving a clear, glowing surface in perfect condition for welding. The credit for this invention is claimed by two Belgian scientists. It now appears that a modification of this process has been known for some time in this country. By a slight change in the manner of carrying out this experiment a most brilliant arc is produced under water by the intensity of the heat generated. The practical advantage of the improved process, and one which in all probability will lead to its extensive use, is the total absence of oxidation of the heated metal. The sight of wrought iron melted like wax in a glass jar filled with water is astonishing to the layman, and suggestive of startling and marvelous possibilities to the electrician.

CONNUBIALITIES.

It is again reported that Mrs. Frank Leslie and the marquis de Leuville are making eyes at each other with matrimonial intent.

The marrirge of a Chicago chambermaid to an Austrian nobleman may be referred to as a marriage in high life. Chicago hotels are nearly all high.

Jack—How will I ever get along when you go to the seaside? Myrtylla—Oh! I shall expect you to come down at least once a week to get re-engaged.

Mr. South—I'll buy some of those new scarfs you so much admire if you refer me to somebody to tie the knot. Miss North—Why don't you see our pastor?

"Yes, George, I'll marry you," said the maiden to her ardent lover, "but we'll have to elope." "Why?" asked he in surprise. "Papa says he can't afford a wedding."

The daughter of the sultan who has been selected as the bride of the young khedive bears the name of Nasle, a peculiarly ominous name as far as Egyptian life is concerned.

Only 7.3 per cent of the 1,239 enumerated tramps are now married, while 4.4 per cent more are widowers. Their total of children is 215, or considerably less than two to a marriage.

He—I have decided to ask your father's consent by letter, Pauline. Now what sort of a letter would you advise me to make it? She—I think, Horace, that I would make it an anonymous letter.

He—Is there anything I can do to prove my affection so that you will not doubt it? She—There is. Marry sister. She is older than I, and mamma is determined to not let me marry till sister is disposed of.

Last year there were, according to the returns of the registrar general 226,922 marriages in England and Wales. The returns from Scotland and Ireland bring it up to a total of more than 275,000 for the United Kingdom.

Miss Ellen Windom, daughter of the late secretary of the treasury, it is announced, is engaged to Mr. Bentley Warren, a successful Boston lawyer, a member of the Union and Puritan clubs in Boston and of the Reform club of New York.

Miss Adele Grant, the New York beauty who several years ago refused the hand of Lord Garmoyle, is now said to be in Paris selecting an elaborate trousseau for her coming wedding, the happy man being Theodore Freylinghuysen, a rich widower.

The cold blooded business of mending broken fortunes by marrying rich American girls is now a recognized industry in England. The Spectator says of the losses in speculative investments that "business goes badly for a class, that is all; and the sufferers must marry Americans or get out of the scrape in any other less attractive way they can find." Light headed American heiresses, whose silly pride is flattered by the attentions of titled Englishmen, ought to make a note of this and ask in advance how much they will be expected to "put up" to help the crippled speculators out of their scrape.

Judge Moore, at Kansas City, has just entered a novel decree of divorce. A wealthy stockman sought a legal separation from his wife on the ground that the latter would not assume the responsibilities of housekeeping, that she would not live in Kansas City, where her husband necessarily made his home, and that she had persisted in residing in luxurious style in Boston, where her husband seldom saw her. Judge Moore granted a divorce and at the same time refused to give the wife alimony. "Mrs. Davis," said he, "has lived a life of idleness and elegant leisure. Like the lily she has toiled not, and I know of no interest, public or private, which will be served by continuing these people in unwilling and distasteful bondage for the sole purpose of enabling the wife to collect a debt that was never due."

TALK ABOUT THE YOUNGSTERS.

Harper's Young People: The boy was covered with mud to the top of his kilt skirt, there were mud patches on his face and hair, and he had lost his hat, but in his hand he grasped a chicken—a limp, wet, and muddy chicken. It was the cause of his trouble, for he had thrown stones in the yard that afternoon, and had accidentally killed the chicken. His sister had declared that she could not love such a cruel boy. Then he had disappeared, and had been found stuck in a swamp.

When he saw his mother his feelings overcame him, and he burst into a loud wail.

"My sister doesn't love me! my sister doesn't love me! I want to get losted in the woods, and let the bears eat me!"

"But," said his mother, "you cried when you pinched your finger with the clothespin, and it would hurt you far more if the bears should eat you."

The boy was interested, and dried his tears. "I mean a kind, tame bear," he said, choking a sob.

"But a tame bear has sharp teeth."

The boy rubbed his eyes with his muddy hand, and was lost in thought for a while. Then he raised his head. His countenance was cheerful, there was not a particle of sorrow in his tone, and he cried: "I mean—I mean a nice little curly dog wifout any teef."

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There is a story of a benevolent gentleman who visited a certain reformatory institution near Boston, and while going over the place engaged one and another of the inmates in conversation. The good man was quite mindful of the fact, known to all who have seen much of that phase of life, that people in such places do not enjoy being questioned as to their personal history. At last he came to a very demure looking youngster, and his heart went out toward the unfortunate waif.

"Well, my little man," he said, "and what are you in here for?"

"Please, sir," said the little fellow, instantly, "I'm here to set the other boys a good example."

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Little Johnny wasn't lazy, but he did hate to get up in the morning. One day Johnny came down very late and his mother said to him: "Johnny, why did you not rise earlier this morning?" Johnny looked rather sheepish, but he was equal to the occasion. "Mother," said the rogue, "I dreamed that I found $500, and me and Charley Smith were having such fun spending it that I was afraid to wake up until I had got rid of all the money."

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"Johnny, would you like to be a missionary to the savages?"

"Sometimes I'd like to be a missionary and sometimes I'd like to be a savage," replied the boy.

"Why?" was the astonished query.

"Well, you see, a missionary has to wear clothes in summer."

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"Where is the island of Java situated?" asked a school teacher of a small, rather forlorn-looking boy. "I dunno, sir." "Don't you know where coffee comes from?" "Yes, sir; we borrows it from the next door neighbor."

A SEASIDE REVERIE.

Washington Star.

It's fun to lie upon the beach
And hear the breakers roar,
And see the wavelets strive to reach
A higher point on the shore.

It's fun to hoist a parasol
And dawdle all day long,
Regardless of what may befall
Amid the seething throng.

And yet, with deeper joy it thrills
To smite with tireless hand
That witless wretch who comes and fills
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