WHAT THE SWELLS DO

Entertainments that Have Illuminated the Past Seven Days.

BRILLIANT SUCCESS OF THE CRECHE BALL

Miss McKell Makes Her Debut as a Society Star—Functions Where the Gay World Held Sway—Events of Minor Character.

The week has been fairly interesting to the social world of Omaha, although the absence of large entertainments, barring the ball at the Millard for the benefit of the Creche, has been remarked. The near approach of Lent will put a quietus to the goings-on in the swell set, and the debutantes who have owned the season will have an opportunity to rest from their arduous duties.

Monday of the present week Mrs. Sam T. Cushing will give a reception from 4 to 6, Mrs. Myron Learned also receives from 3 to 5, while a musicale will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Meyer for the benefit of the Creche.

Tuesday will occur the marriage of Miss Valeta Ambrose and Mr. B. E. Griffiths at All Saints, 8 o'clock. Mrs. J. L. Webster will give an evening party, Mrs. C. B. Keller receives from 3 to 5, Mrs. F. B. Johnson entertains from 2 to 5.

Wednesday will be given over to Mrs. J. F. Coad's card party, Mrs. B. S. Baker's luncheon, and Miss Mackay's card party.

Thursday Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Yates entertain for Trinity parish, Mrs. C. A. Wilson and Mme. Wilson a reception, 3 to 6.

Beyond this nothing has been indicated.

For the Creche.

Notwithstanding the intense cold of Wednesday, a great many of the swell set braved the storm to assist the noble women who have made the Creche one of the notable charities of the city and who made the ball given in honor of the nursery one of the pleasant events of the season. Viewed from a social standpoint the ball was a pronounced success, although a larger attendance was deserved. The guests were received by Mesdames Richardson, Thomas Kilpatrick, Ezra Millard, James McKenna, Henry Yates, Guy C. Burton, George E. Pritchett, Thomas Swobe, James C. Ayers, Charles W. Lyman, and the floor managers were Messrs. Charles T. Kountze, Netherton Hall, Harry S. Lyman, James Dean, Charles H. Wilson, Arthur P. Guiou, John E. Patrick and Earl Gannett. The ladies who had the affair in charge desire to return their thanks to Colonel Thomas Swobe for his generosity in giving free use of the ball room of the Millard hotel for the occasion. Also to Chase & Sanborn of Chicago for their generous and liberal donation of coffee. The supper was donated by the following ladies: Mesdames Ayres, Bache, Brooke, Barton, Colpetzer, Cowin, Clarkson, Cushing, Doane, Dewey, Hoagland, Holdrege, Hanscom, Horbach, Kimball, Kirkendall, Kilpatrick, Morseman, Morris, Ezra Millard, J. W. Millard, Adolph Meyer, Pratt, Patrick, Pritchett, Webster, Wessels, Wheeler, Woolworth, Wakeley, Wood, Yates and Yost and Miss Kountze.

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Among those in attendance were noticed: General and Mrs. Brooke, Captain and Mrs. Ayres, Mrs. Dandy, Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Pritchett, Mr. and Mrs. Yates, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wood, Mrs. Hornbach, Mr. and Mrs. Garneau, Mr. and Mrs. McShane, Mr. and Mrs. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Swobe, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Meyer, Mrs. Eddy, Mr. and Mrs. Peck, Mrs. Lyman, Mr. and Mrs. Keller, Mr. and Mrs. McKenna, Mr. and Mrs. McCormack, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hall; Miss Kountze, Miss Nash, Miss Yates, Miss Bessie Yates, Miss Jentie Yates, Miss Dandy, Miss Webster, Miss Hughes, Miss Woolworth, Miss Curtiss, Miss Morse, Miss Barnard, Miss Wakeley, Miss Hambleton, Miss Himebaugh, Miss Cady, Miss Colpetzer, Miss McKenna, Miss Anna Millard, Miss Helen Millard, Miss Turner of Chicago, Miss Thomas, Mr. Hall, Mr. Kountze, Mr. Gannett, Dr. Summers, Mr. Baldrige, Captain Crowder, Lieutenant Penn, Lieutenant Prince, Lieutenant Dean, Mr. Doane, Mr. Guiou, Mr. Pierre Garneau, Mr. Horbach, Dr. Gifford, Lieutenant Hines, Mr. Heth, Dr. McElderry, Mr. Harry Lyman, Mr. John Patrick, Lieutenant Quay, Mr. Will Wakeley, Mr. Wilson, Mr. W. F. Smith, Mr. Walter Smith, Mr. Al Patrick, Mr. Bulkley, Mr. Houes, Mr. Zug, Mr. John Cudahy and Mr. Cook.

Their First Reception.

The first annual reception of the Young Men's Institute was held at their hall on Wednesday evening, January 24. The rooms were beautifully decorated with evergreens and tastily draped with the national colors, presenting a welcome appearance to those who attended. The reception was a great success, the attendance being large, and the dances well chosen and arranged. The grand march, lead by F. P. Rooney and Miss May Fitzpatrick, was exceedingly pretty, arousing the spirit of the young people. The committee in charge made preparations also for the entertainment of those who disliked dancing, a card party being held on the second floor and many of the older folks availed themselves of this form of amusement.

Among those present were:

Misses Sullivan, Kelley, Gorman, M. Kiley, O'Brien, Fitzpatrick of Council Bluffs, Reiley, Rooney, McGavock, Dunigan, Castle, Malone, Gleason, Baker, Whiteside, Whiteside, Kelley, Vears, A. Gleason, Smith, Nestlebush, Hayes of Platte Center, Hurt, Connalley, Devine, Allen, Philben, Lindeen, Beck, McElory, Erkhart, L. Gerke, Fitzpatrick, Mulick, Mrs. McGune, Miss McGune, Miss McGune. Crowley, Callahan, Gillen, Sawtellee, Cott, Hannah, Mrs. Kervan, M. Greeley, C. Greeley, Reagan, Nelson, Tracey, Cannon, Kelley, Davis, Mrs. Cornell, E. Weir, Weir, Weir, Weir, Reed, Truckey, Ryan, Clark, Klurker, Daniels, Brennan, Baker, Baumer, Dailey; Messrs. J. E. Swift, Ed Furay, Patrick, E. Fitzpatrick, Brennan, Copley, Philben, McKillip, Flanagan, White, Morrisey, Smith, McDonnell, Dumworth, Weir, Johnson, Gleason, F. Furay, Bowman, Crawo, Winters, J. C. Fitzpatrick of Council Bluffs, D. J. Sullivan, Malone, Kelly, W. Russell, Sawtelle, Kleffner, Mahoney, Gillon, Banson, Fitzpatrick, J. Sullivan, Catt, Kaesters, Tracy, Riley, Harrigan, Meele, Gallagher of Council Bluffs, Knapp, McQuillan, Brenton, Kervan, Rasyorshek, Reed, Truckey, O'Brien, Canan, Hawley, Carmady, Noonan, Hussey, C. Furay, J. N. Frenzer, Catlin, J. P. Frenzer, E. Tracy, German, Murphy, Pangton, Coffee, Dee, Maher, F. P. Murphy, D. J. Sullivan, Fitzmorris, Bradford, Tyfe, F. W. Murphy of South Omaha, Staples, Crawley, McDonagh, E. A. Murphy, Duckworth of South Omaha.

Masquerade at the Shriner.

At the Shriner, on Twenty-sixth street, there is a very lively party this winter and the evenings are made to pass all too fast. New Year's day was celebrated with an impromptu entertainment, in which songs and dances played an important part, and several similar events have been held since.

Tuesday of the past week had been set apart a few days before for a masquerade ball, and about two dozen of the members of the house party, and a few neighbors, appeared in costumes more or less elaborate. Among those present were: Hamlet, the Lady in Red, the Country School Girl, the Roman god Janus, the Black Lady, the Clown, Yum-Yum, and several whose identity was disguised with sheets and pillow cases without any attempt to represent special characters.

After the fun had been going on for a while the baby was brought in. "Our Darling" was not more than six feet tall, hardly that, indeed, but he was of broad build, and his hands and feet were developed in true proportion. The scarlet bows he wore on his little shoes were an object of special admiration, and as he sat on the floor and munched at a giant doughnut or made aggravating efforts to seat his little stuffed cat in his toy wagon the Shakespearian and historical celebrities crowded round and smiled to themselves behind their masks.

After about an hour of marching about the floor, shaking of hands and general mute congratulations and recognitions, the ladies were lined up on one side of the room and the gentlemen on the other, and the word given to unmask. Then the Virginia reel was danced, and other dances, including Miss Ruby Williams' "newsboys' dance," kept up the interest until nearly midnight.

Thurston Rifles.

The regular drill last Monday night was devoted to "setting up" exercises, "facings" and a few of the foot movements. The result of the roll call showed an attendance of fifty-four officers and men and six recruits, a total of sixty, the largest number paraded since the organization of the "Rifles."

Messrs. Abbott Bros., the company tailors, took the measurements of the noncommissioned officers for their new fatigue uniforms, which are to be made to order, and will include the chevrons and stripes of the respective grades. These measurements have been forwarded to Lincoln and it is expected the uniforms will arrive in about thirty days.

The following men have applied for membership in the recruit class: Frank A. Neal, John A. Shaw, Archie H. Short, Fred J. Wearne and Tobie Jensen.

Sergeant Lee Forby has been appointed instructor of recruits and will drill the men on Saturday evenings from 8 until 10 o'clock.

Hon. John M. Thurston has been invited to preside at the regular meeting of the company, which occurs on February 5, on which occasion the articles of incorporation will be acted upon by the company.

First Lieutenant William J. Foye, Second Lieutenant J. H. Johnson and First Sergeant W. E. Stockham have been appointed members of the company court of discipline.

Corporal H. E. Nason has been confined to his house by sickness for the past week.

First Lieutenant William J. Foye has been granted four days leave, expiring January 31, for the purpose of visiting some towns in the state on business connected with his firm.

Bids for supplying the company stationery have been received and will be opened on Monday evening after drill.

Invitations have been received from the Dodge Light guard of Council Bluffs to attend the first of a series of parties to be given at their armory Friday evening, February 2.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Doty Entertain.

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mr. J. F. Doty entertained in a very pleasant manner a number of their friends at their residence, 2308 Izard street. The principal feature on this occasion was the ever popular game of progressive high five, which was attended with much interest.

Mrs. G. H. Crager received a very unique gift, a miniature balloon, for the ladies' first prize. Mr. William L. Crager was awarded a handsome thermometer, being the gentlemen's first prize. Miss Hattie Gunnell was presented with a small drum, bearing the inscription, "Try and Beat This," as a consolation; Mrs. W. J. Doty also receiving a neat momento of the occasion in a small deck of cards, with an earnest desire that Dame Fortune might smile sweetly and she might receive a first prize at some future time.

After the prizes were delivered a number of choice musical selections were rendered and dancing indulged in by some of the guests.

A delicious supper was served, while several impromptu musical numbers were played by Miss Hattie Gunnell.

Those present were: William L. Crager, Mrs. W. L. Crager, Colonel G. H. Crager, Mrs. G. H. Crager, Miss Hattie Gunnell, Miss Gertie Gunnell, Mrs. W. J. Doty, Miss F. E. Doty, Mr. W. J. Doty, Mrs. James W. Bouk, Mrs. Nellie Fisher, W. C. Bouk.

A Tea that Didn't Come Off.

There is one society woman in Omaha who has recently learned a lesson which she will not soon forget. She had been invited out to receptions and kensingtons and other social affairs and finally came to the conclusion that it would be no more than proper for her to reciprocate the favors of a few of her lady friends by herself giving an afternoon tea. It did not take long to act upon the idea. The invitation list was made out, the various necessary knick-knacks ordered, and every preparation made to make the affair a success. One of her most intimate friends was urgently requested to come early and assist in receiving the guests. On the appointed day the woman in question, before retiring to dress, thought she would take a last look to make certain that all was in readiness. She found everything just as she would have it and one thing more. There, in the study, lay all the invitations which she had neglected to mail. Just at that moment the telephone rang, and her intimate friend's voice came through the 'phone: "I'm so sorry, but I won't be able to come over this afternoon. And say! Isn't it strange that I haven't received my invitation yet?" "Nothing strange about it! Neither has any one else," came the reply. The invitations will be sent out first the next time this woman entertains.

A Pleasant Surprise.

A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Bouk tendered them a surprise party last Thursday evening, which proved a complete and successful affair in every particular, the entertainment being very cleverly planned and executed. Without a word of warning the guests appeared in a body much to the surprise of Mr. and Mrs. Bouk, who had been invited out for a brief time, only to find upon their return their home filled with a jolly crowd. Progressive high five occupied the fore part of the evening, followed by an impromptu musical program.

Mr. E. C. Fell won the gentlemen's first prize, Mrs. C. Schierstein receiving the ladies' first prize; Mrs. Nellie Fisher and Mr. C. Schierstein receiving handsome souvenirs as consolation gifts, all the prizes being very neat as well as useful.

Miss Marie Parker, Dr. G. W. Williamson and others rendered some entertaining musical selections.

There were present: Dr. and Mrs. Searls, Dr. and Mrs. Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Schierstein, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. White, Miss Addie Burnett, Miss Marie Parker, Mrs. Nellie Fisher, Mrs. Porter, Mr. E. C. Fell, Mr. Craddock and Master Mark Williamson.

Mr. and Mrs. Connor Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Connor, assisted by Miss Kinsler, entertained a number of their friends very pleasantly at cards at their home, 2420 Cass street, Thursday evening. The parlors were tastefully decorated with palms and cut flowers. At 11 refreshments were served. Four prizes were awarded. The ladies' first prize, a royal Worcester plate, was won by Mrs. J. G. Gilmore; second prize, Japanese bonbon dish by Miss Haskell; the gentleman's first prize, a gold and garnet scarf pin, by Mr. Coit; second, ivory paper knife, Mr. Beach.

Among the invited were: Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Garner, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Madden, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kinsler, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cooley, Dr. and Mrs. Connell, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Phillipi, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Christian, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Pinto, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rhul, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bace, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. Hay of Lincoln, Messrs. J. E. North, E. W. North, Wier, Coit, Hastings, Beach Palmatier, Misses T. Hayden, M. Hayden, M. Magruden, B. Higgins, C. Gacamin, Fowler, Van Court and Gacamin.

Jolly Sixteen.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoag entertained the Jolly Sixteen at cards last Wednesday evening. Mr. Max Reichenberg and Miss Laura Schwab were the lucky winners of prizes. Messrs. Hoag, Pul and Windheim gave a comical recitation which was much enjoyed by those present.

The guests were: Messrs. Hoag, Pul, Meinlede, M. and L. Reichenberg, Henninger, Windheim and Fruehauf; Misses Tebbins, Theressa Jahn, Clara Jahn, Fruehauf and Schwab, and Mesdames Hoag and Pul.

In Honor of Dr. and Mrs. Mutro.

Tuesday evening a select card party was given at the Dellone hotel by Mr. and Mrs. James Casey and Miss Kinsler in honor of Dr. and Mrs. James Mutro, a newly made bride and groom, who were married in Pittsburg a week ago last Thursday. Mrs. Mutro was attired in her wedding gown of white satin, trimmed in blue velvet, with duchess lace. Sweet harp music entertained the guests while the tables were being placed, twenty-one in number, high five being the amusement. The ladies' first and second prizes, a white satin pillow and a handsome card case, were won by Miss Brown of Council Bluffs and Miss Giacomini. The gentlemen's prizes, a five-pound box of Huyler's and a cigar case filled with cigars, were taken by Mr. Thomas and Mr. Short. Later supper was served in the dining room, the tables being in the form of an "M" in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Mutro.

For Sweet Charity.

Mrs. J. N. Cornish gave a most pleasant social, musical and literary entertainment at her handsome home last Thursday evening. The social was given under the auspices of the Women's auxiliary of Trinity Episcopal church, and the proceeds thus realized will be devoted to missionary work by this society. A splendid program was carried out, but, owing to unavoidable circumstances, and much to the regret of those assembled, Mrs. J. W. Cotton was unable to be present. Among those who did take part were: Misses Hetzel and Collins of Brownell hall, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Matheson and Mrs. Macnab. A number of charades were enacted, after which elegant refreshments were served. A most enjoyable evening was passed by the large number of guests. These socials are of such a character that the friends of the auxiliary look forward with pleasure for the announcement of each succeeding one.

Huntzinger—Kriebs.

St. Mary Magdalene church was the scene of a pretty wedding Wednesday afternoon, when, with the impressive ceremony of the Catholic church, Rev. Father Glauber united in marriage Mr. Charles F. Huntzinger and Miss Fannie L. Kriebs. The wedding was a quiet one, none but immediate relatives and friends being present. A bountiful supper was served at the residence of the bride's mother, 1521 North Twenty-first street, at whose hospitable home gathered the many friends of the happy couple. The bride is one of the most popular of North Omaha girls, possessed of those qualities of mind and heart that instinctively attract. The groom is one of South Omaha's young business men and has hosts of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Huntzinger will be at home to their friends at 2299 South Fourteenth street after February 1.

Cards in Kountze Place.

The Kountze Place "H. T." club met last week at the residence of Judge and Mrs. Bradley and passed an enjoyable evening in progressive high five and dancing. The rooms were tastefully decorated with hot house plants and potted flowers. Mr. E. V. Lewis and Mrs. C. C. Chase won the first prizes and the booby prize was awarded to Dr. Edminston.

The members present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Holbrook, Mr. and Mrs. B. McAlister, Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Parks, Rev. and Mrs. J. P. D. Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Race, Mr. Brisbin and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Chase. Invited guests were: Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Van Court, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lowe, Dr. and Mrs. Edminston, Madame Powell, Miss Frost and Mr. Rosenweig.

For Miss Turner.

One of the pretty affairs of the week was the reception given by Miss Webster Thursday afternoon for Miss Turner, who was, to the great regret of the many friends she has made in Omaha, unable to be present at the affair in her honor. Miss Dandy assisted Miss Webster in entertaining. There was a large number of the leading society people present, among them being Mrs. Remington, Mrs. McCormick, Misses Chambers, Yates, Bessie Yates, Chase, Wallace, Barnard, Doane, Hoyt, McKenna, Mrs. Redick, Mrs. Meikle, Mrs. Lehman, Miss Baum, Miss Hartman, Miss Cushing, Miss Smith, Miss Hambleton, Miss Palmer, Miss Burns and Miss Jentie Yates also assisted the fair hostess throughout the prettily decorated rooms.

In Honor of Miss Canfield.

In honor of Miss Fannie Canfield of Sioux City Miss Myrtle Stuart gave a pleasant high five party Friday evening at her home, 1617 Kyner street. Refreshments were served and a most delightful evening passed.

The guests were: Dr. Hobbs, Mr. J. Bishop, Mr. E. Yingling, Mr. Ewall, Mr. Lou Peight, Mr. L. Reynolds, Mr. W. Beechler, Mr. G. Bramen, Mr. J. Quinn, Mr. B. Stine, Mr. Henry Carter, Mr. Frank Fisk, Mr. Erickson, Mr. G. H. Parker, Mr. G. Hill, Mr. Tucker; Miss Lena Hazzard, Miss Mamie Davis, Miss Gussie Edwards, Miss Reed, Miss Cora Reed, Miss Anna Carter, Miss Lizzie Rowan, Miss Katie Miller, Miss A. Leary, Mrs. Stine, Mrs. Parker, Miss Farr, Miss Allison, Miss Minnie Allison.

In Honor of Miss Robbins.

An enjoyable event took place Monday evening, January 22, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. Robbins, in honor of their daughter, who is visiting here from California. The evening was spent in games and music, after which refreshments were served.

Among those present were: Misses Clara Hutmaker, Kate Hutmaker, Nettie Hoel, Phoebe Hoel, Clara Abbey, Kate Peters, Hattie Eddy, Minnie Paul, Elith Conberry, Kate Shields, Alice Robbins, Mrs. William Anderson; Messrs. Milford Stone, Harry Payne, Lew Anderson, Fred Hoel, Frank Hoel, Wesley Conberry, Frank Benocklin, James Robbins and William Anderson.

High Five Surprise Party.

A high five surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. D. Boise at their residence, 3515 North Twenty-eighth street, Thursday evening by their friends, Mr. L. Connelly winning the first prize and Mr. B. George winning the "booby" prize, after which refreshments were served.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. D. Boise, Mr. and Mrs. H. Newton, Mr. and Mrs. B. George, Mr. and Mrs. W. Adams, Mr and Mrs. M. Mulvihill, Mr. and Mrs. L. Connelly, Mr. and Mrs. C. Fitzpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. A. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. G. Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bradfelt, Miss Sadie Fitzpatrick, Miss Minnie Ganz, Mrs. Kate Peters, Mr. P. Noonan and many others.

Played High Five.

Miss Lillian Upham and Miss Amy Hughes entertained several of their friends Thursday evening very pleasantly, high five being the feature of the evening. Mrs. Will Smith and Mr. Charles F. Rogers carried off first honors, while second prizes fell to Mrs. Herman Garlichs and Mr. Beakman. After a pleasant time the company adjourned to McTague's, where a delicious supper awaited them.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Garlichs, Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilson, Misses Armbruster, Terrill, Upham, Hughes, Messrs. Charles Rogers, Beakman, Cowherd, Rice.

In Honor of His Birthday.

In honor of Mr. H. R. Hopkins' birthday, a very pleasant high five party was given last Monday night at his residence, South Twenty-fifth avenue.

Miss Lena Ward took first prize, a handsome handkerchief box, and Mr. Kessler captured the gentleman's prize, a beautiful hand painted whisk broom holder. After cards delicious refreshments were served, Mrs. Hopkins doing the honors.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bryson, Mr. and Mrs. Kessler, Mr. and Miss Peikenig, Mr. and Mrs. Ward, Miss Lena Ward, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert R. Hopkins.

Reception for Mrs. McDearmon.

Violets and lilies of the valley were the floral decorations at Mrs. J. J. Dickey's reception given on Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. McDearmon of St. Louis. Assisting Mrs. Dickey in receiving and entertaining were Miss Clough of Leavenworth, Mrs. McDearmon, Mrs. Barkalow, Mrs. Squires, Mrs. Estabrook, Mrs. Love and Miss Mabel Pratt. Miss Clara Brown and Miss Diela Chandler were the goddesses of the coffee and the chocolate urns. Mrs. Dickey also held an at home yesterday afternoon, as so many were unable to attend owing to the unpleasant weather of Tuesday.

Luncheon and High Five.

A very enjoyable luncheon and high five party was given on Thursday by Mrs. R. E. Allen of 2019 Webster street, in honor of her friends, Mrs. Beresford of Chicago and Mrs. Horton of Coldwater, Mich., Mrs. Captain Phillips and Mrs. Horton carrying off the prizes.

Among those present were: Mesdames Atkins, Phillips, Mills, Traynor, Monroe, Naile, Hancock, McMahon, Cremer, Vance, Paul, Balliett, Garlicks, Arnstein, Sonnenberg, Cutler, Beresford, Horton, and Messrs. Naile and McClelland.

Another Bud Launched.

Nowadays the successful entrance of a young girl into the ranks of society involves much tact and an artistic appreciation of the eternal fitness of things. And such knowledge is possessed by Mrs. J. C. McKell, as evidenced by the brilliant debut of Miss Margaret McKell on Thursday afternoon of the past week. Tropical plants filled every nook and niche, contrasting with the red floral decorations in a beautiful manner. A charming picture did Miss McKell form in a simple gown of white chiffon, embellished with white roses.

Mrs. and Miss McKell were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Coutant, Mrs. Lake, Miss Brown, Miss Burns, Miss Cook, Miss Colpetzer, Miss Cady, Miss Jentie Yates, Miss Barker, Miss Reed, Miss Alexander, Miss Tukey, Mrs. Howard Smith.

Doings in Social Circles.

Miss Nellie Baum left last week for Philadelphia.

Miss Mabel Pratt left for California on Thursday.

Dr. Kobnstamm has gone to New York City for a trip.

Mrs. J. C. Cowin entertained at luncheon Thursday informally.

Mrs. George W. Holdrege entertained at cards Friday evening.

Mrs. W. S. Poppleton is ill with a severe attack of la grippe.

Miss Clough of Leavenworth leaves for her home on Sunday.

Miss Kathleen Hayes of Platte Center is the guest of Miss Margaret Riley.

The Auf Wiedersehen club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Squires Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tupper Wyman are very happy over the birth of a son Tuesday morning.

Colonel George B. Pickett of the Ashland (Neb.) News was in the city yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Collins announce the birth of a daughter at Columbus, O., January 11.

The friends of Mrs. J. M. Woolworth will be glad to know that she is much better after her serious illness.

Mrs. E. Stoddard and Mrs. N. E. Adams are spending a few weeks at Galveston and at other points on the gulf.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Millard left for California on Friday last to visit the midwinter fair. They expect to be gone about three weeks.

Mrs. Clinton N. Powell and Mrs. George Hicks were compelled to recall their invitations for yesterday on account of sickness in their families.

C. C. Hulett, manager of the Merchants, and his mother have gone to spend two weeks at the hot springs in Arkansas. Mr. Hulett goes to benefit his health.

Mrs. Jeannie Walters of 2319 Douglas street entertained a party of friends at a progressive high five party Tuesday night. The prizes were appropriate and a light lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Huddleston of Rochester, N. Y., who have been spending a few days with Mrs. A. H. Allen, left for California Monday. While there they will spend some time at the Midwinter fair.

The O. W. & D. B. society of this city will give a grand prize masquerade at Washington hall Thursday evening, February 1. Being under able management, it promises to be an enjoyable affair.

Mrs. J. A. Connor gave a high five party at her residence, Twenty-fifth and Cass streets, on Thursday evening. About thirty were present and a very pleasant evening was spent by all.

Mrs. Collins and Miss Collins will hold the last of their informal weekly "at homes" on Thursday from 2 to 5 o'clock. So charming have these informal "at homes" been that their revival after Lent will be eagerly anticipated by the swell set.

Mr. Albyn Frank, clerk of the United States district court, left last week for Portland, Ore., via Denver and San Francisco. He was joined by Mr. J. T. Ettien, who has recently located in California. Mr. Frank goes to inspect a tract of fruit land near Portland, which he recently purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hopkins entertained a party of friends at high five last night at 201 South Twenty-fourth street. The prizes were elegant and a delicious lunch was served. Mr. Hopkins is one of the district court reporters, and he and his charming young wife have arranged a series of delightful parties for this winter.

Mrs. John T. Cathers gave a very enjoyable afternoon tea at her residence on Locust and Twenty-first streets last Tuesday. Lunch was served, and those gathered around the board were; Mesdames Kennedy, McKenzie, Collet, Burgess, Conner, Percival, White, Bryce Crawford, Pickering, Van Camp, Trail, Eaton, Gedney and William Crawford.

The yellow reception given by Mrs. Ewing Brown on Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 6 was a very enjoyable affair. Her pretty house was decorated throughout in yellow roses, and in the dining room candles and ribbons were used effectively. Those assisting Mrs. Brown were: Mrs. Brotherton, Mrs. J. E. Baum, Mrs. Larimer, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. William E. Clark and Miss Pratt.

The following is taken from the Peoria (Ill.) Journal of January 20, 1894: "The engagement of Mr. Frank Harlem, well known in this city, to Mrs. C. Cummings of Omaha, Neb., is announced. The bride is a niece of the late Jacob Darst of this city, and is possessed of an abundant supply of this world's goods and chattels. The wedding takes place in this city March 21 next."

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Evans, 806 South Twenty-second street, celebrated the second anniversary of their marriage Wednesday evening, about thirty couples being present to join in congratulations to the host and hostess. High five was played. Mrs. J. G. DuBois and Mr. Tim Braden won the first prizes, Mrs. Taylor and Mr. James Murphy the consolations. Delicious refreshments were served, prepared by the fair hostess.

The ladies of Trinity parish will give a "sunflower" operetta and dramatic entertainment Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Yates. Those assisting are Mrs. Fitt, Miss Anna Millard, Miss Helen Millard, Miss Burns, Miss Palmer, Miss Thede Balch, Miss Mabel Balcombe, Miss Amy Barker, Miss Jentie Yates, Miss Doane, Miss Bishop, Mr. Deuel and Mr. Wilson.

Mrs. Dickson of Thirty-third and Poppleton avenue, assisted by Miss Annie Cameron, gave a surprise party to Miss Gertrude Luce Monday night, the evening being devoted to cards, after which refreshments were served. Miss Minnie Stout won the first prize and Miss Bessie Cameron the booby. Those present were: Mesdames Dickson, R. Kimball and Dr. Upjohn, Misses Luce, Stout, Paten, Robertson, Annie and Bessie Cameron, Drs. Upjohn, Beal and Armstrong, Messrs. Dickson, Cheatwood, Luce, Lynn Luce, Solomon, Haynes and Sloan.

The Cinque club of North Omaha met at the home of Miss Poppy Hostetter, 3014 Sherman avenue, last Saturday evening, and enjoyed a number of games. Miss Jennie Gregg and Mr. Frank Haskell were fortunate enough to win the head prizes. Those present were: Misses Helene Fowler, Salome Emminger, Fannie Bates, Blanche Van Court, Mamie Hall, Eva Jones, Mamie Hamlin, Jennie Gregg and the Misses Lehmer and Mrs. White; Messrs. F. Schneider, Will Walker, T. McKell, Brower McCague, Roy Beaudinot, Otto Bauman, Art Cooley, Luther Tate, Erdie Bruner, Wylie Jones, Charley Dickie, Frank Haskell.

Captain and Mrs. Wood entertained the High Five club at their pleasant home in Benson on Friday night, where a very enjoyable evening was spent. Dainty refreshments were served during the evening. Among the invited guests were: Judge and Mrs. W. P. Coe, Mr. and Mrs. Ed H. Cone, Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Dodson, Mrs. Celia N. Wolcott, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Trap, Mr. and Mrs. Keller, Mr. and Mrs. Maguire and Mr. James Murphy.

The reception given by Mrs. Norton at her pretty home on Pacific street, Friday afternoon, was a grand success. The affair was one of the prettiest entertainments of the season. All of the decorations were in pink; even the dresses of many of the receiving party were of the rosy hue. Mrs. Norton was assisted in receiving by Miss Norton, Mrs. Swan of Sioux City, Miss Butts and Miss Cleaver of Council Bluffs, Miss Curtis and Miss Drake.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Potter, 4722 North Twenty-fourth street, was the scene of a pretty high five party Monday evening last in honor of Mrs. A. L. Black of Marinette, Wis. Refreshments were served during the evening. Those invited were: Mrs. Black, Miss Katie Miller, Miss Cora Bell, Miss Bertha Cotton, Miss Laura May, Miss Mae Potter, Mr. S. H. Parson, Mr. J. D. Tracy, Mr. Charles McKenzie, Mr. C. O. Potter, Mr. Frank Derby, Mr. Dave McKenzie, Mr. E. L. Potter, Mr. Ed Shipley, Mr. W. H. Longenhagen and Mr. John Martin of Council Bluffs.

Friday afternoon, at their residence on Twenty-ninth street, Mrs. George Brown Dandy received for Miss Dandy and Miss Turner of Chicago. The house was decorated in red throughout. Mrs. Dandy received in black silk with jet ornaments and diamonds. Miss Turner wore a blue and pink striped satin gown, very becoming to her etherial style of beauty. Miss Dandy, petite and pretty, was lovely in white cloth with satin trimmings. Mrs. Dandy was assisted by Mrs. Brooke, Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Cushing, Mrs. Schwan, Mrs. Webster and the Misses Cushing, Yates, Jentie Yates, Webster, Colpetzer, Cady, Palmer, Hambleton and Burns.

The large card party given by Miss Weaver in honor of Miss McIntyre, Miss Pierson of Hastings and Miss Staughter of Fullerton, on Wednesday, was one of the handsomest of the season. The rooms were beautifully decorated in brilliant hues of pink and yellow, handsomely shaded lamps intermingled with candelabra holding candles of the season's favorite colors, which were displayed in much prominence throughout the brilliantly lighted rooms. The first prize, a dainty pin cushion in pink chiffon and silk embroidered, was won by Miss Georgie Rich. The second prize, won by Miss Marshall of Storm Lake, was a handsomely embroidered and drawn work center piece.

Miss Alice Isaacs, milliner, will shortly notify her customers as to her new location.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Dr. Patterson Still After Young Men—In the Pulpits Today.

Rev. J. M. Patterson feels greatly pleased with the response of the young men to his recent circular letter. He will continue and probably conclude the discussion of the answers Sunday night. He will devote a few evenings to the young women, beginning a week later. Mrs. J. G. Wadsworth of Council Bluffs will sing a solo. Dr. Thomas Marshall will preach Sunday morning.

Till a Pastor Comes.

The First United Presbyterian church, corner of Twenty-first and Emmet streets, is still without a pastor. Rev. L. E. Hawk, the pastor-elect, has accepted the call and will be on the ground in March. An arrangement has been made with Rev. M. B. Lowrie, D.D., to preach regularly in this church until the arrival of the pastor. Services may be expected each Sabbath morning and evening. Dr. Lowrie is a professor in the Presbyterian Theological seminary in this city.

Services Discontinued.

The Southwest Presbyterian church has discontinued preaching services and turned the Sunday school over to the First church. Mr. John L. Kennedy has taken it up and will hold a school every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. All old pupils and those who do not go to Sunday school are invited to come.

Pulpit Announcements.

Clifton Hill Baptist Mission—Military avenue and Grant street. Sunday school 11:30 a. m. Preaching 3:30 p. m. by Rev. W. P. Hellings, D.D.

At the First Methodist church Sunday evening the pastor, Frank Crane, will preach on "The Poor," with a prelude on "How to Deal with Prize Fighting."

Revival services will be continued every night this week at the Calvary Baptist church. Special services Sunday morning and evening. Baptisms at every service.

The First Society of Spiritualists will hold meetings at Myrtle hall, corner Fifteenth and Douglas streets, at 3 and 8 p. m. Sunday. All are invited. Dr. Grabendike in the evening. D. Dwelley, president.

African Methodist Episcopal Church—Corner Eighteenth and Webster streets. Services at 10:45 a. m., conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Braxton; at 7:30 p. m. by Rev. W. A. D. Venable. Sunday school at 3 p. m.

Rev. Luther M. Kuhns will conduct divine services at Grace Evangelical Lutheran church, Twenty-sixth street, between Poppleton and Woolworth avenues, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., and preach on "Christian Education" and "A Tried Christian."

Trinity Cathedral—Eighteenth street and Capitol avenue. Very Rev. C. H. Gardiner, dean; holy communion, 8 a. m.; men's bible class, 10 a. m.; morning prayer, litany and sermon, 11 a. m.; Sunday school, 3 p. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

Rev. Thomas Marshall, D. D., of Chicago will speak on "Foreign Missions," Sunday, January 28, as follows: 10:30 a. m., First Presbyterian church; 3:30 p. m., First Baptist church to Christian Endeavorers; 7:30 p. m. at Castellar street Presbyterian church.

Trinity Methodist Episcopal church—Kountze Place. W. K. Beans, pastor. Preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Kindling a Fire." Evening, "How God Awakens Men." Sunday school, 12 m; A. T. Rector, superintendent. Epworth league, 6:15 p. m.

Immanuel Baptist church—North Twenty-fourth and Binney streets. Rev. Frank W. Foster, pastor. Regular services Sunday. The pastor will have for his morning theme: "Hindering and Helping a Revival." For his evening theme: "Electricity," an illustrated sermon, being the second in the series that the pastor is now delivering. Revival meetings will continue all next week, preaching every evening.

Colorado's Contrary Senate.

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 27.—The lower house of the general assembly seems to have settled down to a winter's work and little is heard now about an adjournment. The bill for the construction of state canal No. 2, as the Mesa canal, was today discussed at length.

The senate, despite the defection of Messrs. Webber and Boyd on Friday, still stands firm. Senator Steck has a resolution to be sent to the governor, if passed, asking his excellency to prorogue the assembly, as it is evident the senate will block all legislation. The senate rejected the nominations of A. C. Fisk as immigration commissioner, Frank Finegan as trustee of the state institution for deaf, mute and blind, W. J. Jackson as trustee of the state industrial school, Boiler Inspector Hegwer and Mining Inspector Acker.

IN LOCAL MUSICAL CIRCLES.

A sacred concert will be given by the choir of St. John's Collegiate church (Creighton college), Twenty-fifth and California streets, this (Sunday) evening at 8 o'clock, assisted by Mrs. E. A. Cudahy, soprano; Mrs. T. J. Rogers, contralto; Captain John Kinzie, tenor; Mr. Jules Lumbard, basso; W. T. Taber, organist; Mr. H. P. Sutorius, mandolin; Mr. John A. Schenk, director.

PART I.

Chorus—Agnus Dei, from the Second Mass ..... Haydn
St. John's Choir.
Organ Solo—Adagio, from Symphony in B flat ..... Haydn
Mr. Taber.
Tenor Solo—O, Salutaris ..... Giorza
Captain Kinzie.
Mandolin Solo—Pastorale (by request) ..... Waefeighem
Mr. Sutorius.
Trio—O, Jesu Dei Vivi ..... Verdi
Mrs. Cudahy, Captain Kinzie, Mr. Lumbard.

PART II.

Organ Solo—Overture, Zampa ..... Herold
Mr. Taber.
Contralto Solo—Oh! Heavy Laden, Come to Me ..... Pease
Mrs. Rogers.
Bass Solo—Recitation and aria from the Creation, "Now Heaven in Fullest Glory Shone." ..... Haydn
Mr. Lumbard.
Soprano Solo—O, Salutaris ..... Verdi
Mrs. Cudahy.
Chorus—Kyrie, from Second Mass ..... Haydn
St. John's Choir.

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Mr. Taber will give his fourteenth organ recital this afternoon, at 3:30, at the Congregational church. Following is the program:

PART I.

Andante in C ..... Silas
Canon in Octave ..... Whitney
Im Wirthshouse, from Op. 17 ..... Jensen
Funeral March (by request) ..... Guilmant

PART II.

Offertoire G minor ..... Wely
Adagio, E flat ..... Merkel
Gavotte, G minor ..... Dupont
Evening Music ..... Schumann
Meditation, B minor ..... Guilmant

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The All Saints' choir under its efficient director, Mr. W. S. Marshall, will give an interesting musicale next Thursday evening at Metropolitan hall, beginning at 8 o'clock. This is the first of a series of choir entertainments inaugurated by Mr. Marshall for the promotion of a social feeling among the members. The program is as follows:

Song of the Triton ..... Malloy
All Saints' Choir.
Violin solo ..... Selected
Mr. Charles A. Higgins.
Song—The Flower Girl ..... Bivignani
Mrs. Edith Urquhart.
Chorus—Jack Frost ..... Gaul
All Saints' Choir.
Double Quartet—Jack and Jill ..... Caldicott
Chorus—O, Hush Thee, My Baby ..... Sullivan
All Saints' Choir.
Male Quartet—Robin Adair ..... Buck
The Bedouins.
Chorus—Song of the Vikings ..... Faning
All Saints' Choir.

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The Apollo Zither club gave its second concert since its organization, at the Young Men's Christian Association hall Tuesday evening. It was a musical treat. The club is well drilled, and, with the assistance of some local artists, gave a most enjoyable entertainment.

The principal features of the entertainment were a zither solo by Mr. Schepp, his own composition, in which the artist displayed skillful execution, and a soprano solo by Mrs. L. T. Sunderland, Ganss' popular polka song, "The Secret," which completely captivated the audience. The artist has a clear, sweet voice of wonderful power and wide compass. Her tones are pure and she sings with ease and expression. The mandolin club played four selections, all of which were well received. The hall was neatly decorated for the occasion, and although the room was only half filled the audience was appreciative and the Zither club may congratulate itself on a most successful entertainment.

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The musicale for the benefit of the Creche to be given at the residence of Mr. Adolph Meyer, Kountze Place, Monday evening, will introduce a number of Omaha's leading musicians, who have been importuned to appear for the benefit of this worthy charity. Not in a long time has so excellent a program been presented and the Meyer residence should be crowded on this occasion.

The program follows:

PART I.

Piano Solo—Chant sans Paroles. Tschaikowsky
Mrs. Hess-Fuchs.
Violin Solo—Souvenir de Bade ..... Leonard
Mr. Edwin J. Brett.
Tenor Solo—A Violet in Her Lovely Hair ..... Campbell
Mr. Walter B. Wilkins.
Trio—Andante, Finale, op. 49, No. 1 ..... Mendelssohn
Piano, violin and 'cello.
Messrs. Joseph Gahm, Hans Albert and C. Foehringer.

PART II.

Soprano Solo—Heart's Delight ..... Gilchrist
Mrs. J. W. Cotton.
Violin Solo { (a) Reverie ..... Vieuxtemps
(b) Spanish Dance ..... Sarasate
Mr. Hans Albert.
Bass solo—King and Miller ..... Keller
Mr. Jules G. Lumbard.
Piano solo { (a) Nocturne, op 17 ..... Brassin
(b) Allegro Moderato, from Sonata ..... Grieg
Mr. Joseph Gahm.
Duet—Quanto Voci ..... Martha
Messrs. Wilkins and Pennell.
Mr. J. E. Butler, accompanist.

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Mme. Patti extended to the Welsh music loving people of Chicago a reception at her parlors in the Auditorium hotel a week ago. At the appointed hour there assembled the Madoc male chorus, forty members, and some sixty other special guests, all of Wales. It made her think of home when the chorus sang "Land of My Fathers" (the Welsh song, "Home, Sweet Home"). Mme. Patti was thrilled and deeply touched. She was visibly affected, and in a few simple words thanked the sweet singers of Wales, saying: "It takes me to my home" (Craig-y-Nos, near Swansea.) "You are so good. Your Welsh music is beautiful. I am deeply honored."

After a few other selections the program closed with the national hymn. Everybody was introduced to the great queen of song, who took pleasure in shaking hands with all. The party then retired to an adjoining room to partake of refreshments and listen to toasts appropriate to the occasion.

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Mr. Theodor Salmon was greeted at his piano recital on Friday evening by an audience representative of the musical and social culture of the city. It is doubtful if a more appreciative audience ever assembled to listen to an artist than on this occasion. This must have been most gratifying to Mr. Salmon, who seemed to feel the inspiration, and it is not too much to say that a pleasanter musical feast was never enjoyed by an Omaha audience. Mr. Salmon's remarkable technique, broad singing tone, sympathetic touch, and brilliancy were given abundant opportunity for display in the program so admirably arranged. Miss Myrtle Coon was the vocalist, and added to the evening's enjoyment by her delightful singing.

Following is the interesting program:

Sonate—Op. 31, No. 3 ..... Beethoven
Allegro, Scherzo, Menuet, Presto.
Elevation ..... Floersheim
Rhapsodie Hongroise—No. 6 ..... Liszt
(Cadenza arranged by Mr. Salmon.)
Mr. Theodor Salmon.
Aria—Roberto, (Roberto il Diavolo) Meyerbeer
Miss Myrtle E. Coon.
The Two Skylarks ..... Leschetizki
Lullaby ..... Heller
Dance of the Elves ..... Kroeger
Mr. Salmon.
Songs { a. The Lark / b. Good Night } ..... Rubinstein
Miss Coon.
Prelude / Impromptu / Valse / Marche Funebre / Tarantella ..... Chopin
Mr. Salmon.

Musical and Dramatic.

Frank Butler, son of Rose Eytinge, is a member of a traveling company.

Berlin critics note the growing popularity of Liszt's orchestral compositions.

M. Paderewski has earned during the year just passed no smaller sum than $100,000. He is working hard upon his Polish opera.

In Antwerp the second and third parts of a triology by Zdenko Fibich will shortly be performed. The first part has already obtained a successful presentation in that city.

James K. Hackett, a son of the late Recorder Hackett of New York, is to go starring in "The Private Secretary," after a novitiate with Daly, Palmer and other managers.

A manuscript containing six sonatas, written by Mozart at the age of 18, during his second stay in Paris, was lately sold for 2,750 francs. It is in the composer's own handwriting.

It is estimated that there are in this country about 17,000 men and women who make a living in the theatrical business, and of these about 2,000 are in New York just now looking in vain for employment.

Arthur Nevin, a brother of the well known composer, Ethelbert Nevin, will make his first appearance in the world of composition with a number of song and piano works which are shortly to be published in Boston.

During the first performance of Andrea Guaga's opera, "Gualterio Swarten," at the Dal Verme theater, Milan, the composer was called before the curtain twenty-five times. Tamagno, the tenor, bore the vocal honors of the performance.

Emil Haberkorn, who married Margaret Mather and then separated from her by divorce, is an invalid at Pittsburg, where he has led an orchestra, and a concert was given there to raise money to send him to southern California.

Funds for the monument to Gade to be erected at Copenhagen, and the one to Gounod to be put up by Paris, have reached the sums respectively of 19,654 crowns and 96,000 francs. In Leipzig the projected monument to Wagner's memory seems entirely to have escaped public attention since the death of Rud Zenker.

A New York paper says: "Salmi Morse's passion play that the tenderly-nurtured aldermen of New York could not bear to see, will probably be given at El Dorado in the summer. The actor has not been selected for the part of Christ, but it is believed that Robert Hilliard will play Pilate. The scenery and costumes are expected to cost $20,000."

There is a quartet in London, the members of which play on Stradivarius instruments. The violins are dated respectively 1709 and 1711, the viola was made in 1728, when the master was in his 79th year, and formerly belonged to Charles Reade, and the violincello bears the figures 1721. The commercial value of these four "Strads" is placed at $25,000.

Tacatanee, an Indian, formerly Lillian Russell's coachman and later a participant in some amateur entertainments, is to go on a tour as a tragedian with Charles Leonard Fletcher, the dramatic instructor who was lately derided by a Connecticut audience. The venture is meant to repeat the money success and artistic absurdity of James Owen O'Connor in New York.

A cablegram from London says of Mr. Daly's latest production at his London theater: "Daly's production of 'Twelfth Night' has made a most profound sensation. Miss Rehan's enchanting Viola is her greatest triumph after Rosalind. The Saturday Review calls Mr. Daly's production 'a dream of delight.' The Athenæum says: 'Nothing in which she has been seen conveys a higher sense of her powers,' and calls the performance 'bewitching.' The house was packed everywhere at the matinee today and tonight. Nothing else is talked of in the clubs and receptions."

Bartered a Woman's Honor.

TOPEKA, Jan. 27.—The members of the administration were not anxious to talk about the Mrs. Lease letter today. A "middle of the road" populist, who is holding a job in one of the state departments, said: "I don't believe there are any such affidavits. I wouldn't believe she is other than a virtuous woman even if I were shown political affidavits."

A republican politician, who professes to know all about the affidavits referred to, says the documents spoken of by Mrs. Lease were secured by the correspondent of the Atlanta, Ga., Journal, who sold them to the Kansas fusionists for $500.

Woman's Loyal League Officers.

The Woman's Loyal League, an organization called into existence a few months ago, has perfected its roster of officers as follows: Mrs. Ottilie Lieberknecht, superior; Mrs. Anna Wulff, first officer; Miss Agnes Lieberknecht, recording and corresponding secretary; Mrs. Lizzie Stegmeyer, treasurer.

The society has been organized for mutual benefit, and meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month. The ladies composing it have now under consideration the giving of a masquerade social some time next month.

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STATEMENT of the condition of the Conservative Building and Loan Association of Omaha, Nebraska, on the 30th day of December, 1893.

ASSETS.	
First mortgage loans	$15,059 00
Loans secured by stock of this association	1,881 50
Real Estate (none)	
Expenses and taxes paid	763 46
Cash with treasurer	427 27
Dividends paid and transferred	969 69
Withdrawals	1,241 94
Over and short accounts	8 48
Total	$20,353 34

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid up	$17,695 39
Premiums paid	848 25
Interest received	848 25
Fines collected	41 86
Admission fees	885 00
Loan and transfer fees	12 50
Due borrowing members	2 09
Total	$20,333 34

State of Nebraska, } ss.
Douglas County. }

I, John F. Flack, secretary of the above named association, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement of the condition of said association is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN F. FLACK, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of January, 1894.

[SEAL.] JAMES B. MEIKLE, Notary Public.

Approved:
E. H. ROBERTS, C. RYLANDER, FRANK BURMAN, } Directors.

STATEMENT of the condition of the Bohemian Loan and Building association of Omaha, Nebraska, on the 30th day of December, 1893:

ASSETS.	
First mortgage loans	$40,000 00
Loans secured by stock of this association	8,400 00
Expenses and taxes paid	1,571 80
Cash with treasurer	3,882 59
Due from stockholders	1,253 85
Total	$55,108 24

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock, paid up	$29,226 00
Premiums paid	8,709 65
Interest received	16,108 19
Fines collected	705 40
Membership fees	218 00
Transfer fees	16 00
Due to stockholders on cancelled stock	125 00
Total	$55,108 24

State of Nebraska, } s. s.
Douglas county, }

I, K. W. Bartos, secretary of the above named association, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement of the condition of said association is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

K. W. BARTOS, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of January, 1894.

FRANK J. KASPAR, Notary Public.

Approved—
SOVERIN PRUSKA, M. BARTA, FRANK LANGPAUL, } Directors.