## TTER OTEL TEL TATES THE UMAHA DAILY BEE: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1894-SIXTEEN PAGES.

SACKCLOTH IN THE SADDLE

Little Doing in the Circles of the Howling Swells.

CHRONICLES OF THE PAST FEW DAYS

Thurston Lifles Have a "Smoker" that Scores a Success-Valentine and Sleighing Parties Galore - Reception to Miss Von Stosch -Doings of a Minor Character.

Lent exists only in Omaha as far as Omaha society is concerned. And even here it is not what it used to be. It has lost its austerity, it has a more cheerful way about it, in short it is a rather jolly period and comes with fewer terrors on its heels. After a season of unusual gayety Lent comes as a blessed relief to the surfeited society men and women who have basked in the sunshine of countless functions.

Nobody ever expects Lent to be wildly merry, consequently nobody is ever disappointed when it is not. When it is, as it has been of late years, society says so much the better; it looks for nothing, but it accepts thankfully when in town whatever it can get in the way of teas, dinners, concerts sewing classes and other forms of innocent amusement, and there is prospect enough that the innocent amusements will not be given over entirely to a study of Baxter's "Saints Rest" and other forms of religious reading. The first week of Lent shows wonderful falling off in entertainments, but this is to be expected. The snow has given no end of amusement to the devotees of fashion, and sleighing parties have been the rule during the past seven days. One of the joiliest parties of the season was that given by Mr. Ed Mullen Friday evening chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Meikle After the ride about the suburbs, "over the hills and far away," a delicious supper was served at McTague's. The guests on this occasion were: Miss Woodworth, Miss Rod-man, Miss Curtis, Miss Doane, Miss Wakely, Miss Hughen, Miss Himebaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Meikle, Mr. Guiou, Mr. Doane, Mr. Clark Redick, Mr. Charles How, Mr. Zug, Mr. Garneau, Mr. Mullen.

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The very tragic ending which May Brookyn lyn chose for her life came to her few friends in Omaha as a profound shock, for In life she was not usually morbid, but in-clined to the brighter, happier side of things. Quite ten years ago the woman who showed in her death that life was things. not worth living without companion-ship was a second - rate actress "barnstorming" about the country in "Burr Oaks," a lurid melodrama of the coal fields the east. But even then she showed ability of an uncommon order and her ulti-mate success in the profession she loved showed how well she had been schooled in the technique of the stage acquired through long association with provincial companies on the other side of the Atlantic. Thoroughly English in every respect, she still loved America, for here it was that she won her greatest successes. May Brookyn's candle burned luminously when it did burn. Its light always shed a good warm glow that found its way into all corners of the stage, and to many of its people stood a beacon of intelligence. Out into the space beyond the proscenium arch its diffusiveness a fascinating atmosphere such as the theater is fast losing hold of; It is escaping through the crannies and chinks of modern-day building where foundation stones are rotten and the mortar used for binding is but dust. May Brookyn's disappearance into the great sea of mystery make a few tiny ripples, but to those who still linger on the shore the little waves break silvery with recollections of the many characters she had portrayed through her long association with the stage. It was in the "Pharisee" that she won her greatest triumph, her individuality being most agreeable, suggesting in methods and law. general style Agnes Ethel when she was at If there is any elysium reserved for the dead she will come to it with her harp in her hand, and the mists of remorse and the fires of disappointment will take on a new sceming as she touches the golden

Thurston Rifles,

George H. Rareshide, musical director, and Mr. James McDuff, were next introduced and bidden a cordial welcome. Cornell. Prof. Shunke and band played a charming waltz.

A very amusing sei-to with the gloves tok place between Private Al Stuht (six feet four) and Private Bert Gwin (five feet four). First Licentenant Poye acted as referee, and after witnessing the customary three rounds, declared the contest a "draw," during a

torm of laughter. Prof Rareshide responded to an invitation to "play something," and performed a brilliant selection upon the plano, which was received with such tumultuous applause that he was compelled to repeat the performance. Private Frank Wallace resited a comic version of "Mary Had a Little Lamb," and sang "Sitting by the Kitchen Door" as an encore

her participants being Belle Baker, Mabel Higgins, Louise Baker, Nellie London, Bes-sie Ford, Frederika McIntosh, Bertha Wille, Mr. McDuff gave a number of "imitations" in a very artistic manner, and received quite an ovation in conclusion. He gave a Louise Evans, Clair Northrup, Marie Carter, Alice Haya, Marion Connell, Edith Higgins, He gave numorous recitation in response to loud calls for "more." A song by Private Frank Wallace, "When I Dwelt in Marble Halls," was well rendered, and for an encore he Carrie Purvis, Lillian Daws; recitation, lit-tle Louise Bennett; song, Kittle Hobble. Carrie Furvis, and the song, Kittle Hobble. the Louise Bennett; song, Kittle Hobble. Miss Hobble's singing was a pleasing feature of the program. She has a sweet voice, together with very good gestures for so young a child. She is a great favorite, as gave a number of facial imitations in his inimitable manner, evoking foud applause. Captain Scharff made a few remarks in be-half of the Thurston Rifles, stating that Good Night March, six little tots in night-gowns; Sun Flower cantata, with Artie the company was in excellent thane and was recruited to the maximum strength, Weshans and Fannie Forsyth as the old man besides having a dozen men on the recruit and woman, and chorus by the misses in tennis drill. The duct sung by F. Northroll, and concluded by reciting "The Charge of the Light Brigade," as an illustration of the exemplification of duty and discipline in rup's daughters, Claire and Grace, was very

its highest state well rendered. Prof. Rarcshide gave another finished per on the plano, which was listened Those who were privileged to attend the to with great pleasure. wedding ceremony Tuesday evening at Fort

Sergeant Lee Forby spoke, by request, a Omaha which united in marriage Miss Celia number of funny regitations, containing some very laughable jokes and puns, which were E. Haze, the charming daughter of Mr. and very amusing. Mr. James G. Brown kept the boys in peals Mrs. Peter Haze, and Mr. Thomas Skeahan, unite in pronouncing it one of the prettlest

of laughter by reciting his thrilling poem, 'Kerdunk." For an encore this gifted generemonies which has occurred at the gartleman responded with another poem, pointing a moral, entitled "The Artist Maid," rison. At the conclusion of the services the bride, upon the arm of the groom, folwhich was given with great effect. This brought the entertainment proper to owed by the guests, were escorted to the Red Men's hall, where a splendid supper was servel, after which cards and dancing rounded the evening splendidly.

an end, and after giving three cheers for Prof. Shunke and his band and the gentle-men from "Our Country Cousin" troup the ompany "broke ranks," the lights were exinguished and the second smoker and stag party of the Thurston Rifles became a memory of the past. About 100 members of the company and

their friends were present, the members wearing the fatigue blouse and cap to distinguish them from the invited guests. Re-grets were received from Jules Lumbard, Prof. Butler, organist Trinity cathedral, and

Mrs. A. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. George Frate, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Keenan, Mr. and Mrs. Pieronit, Mr. and Mrs. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Ketchmark, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Coady, Mr. and Mrs. A Grather, Mrs. Hendi Mrs. Retchmark, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Coday, Mr. and Mrs. A. Grube, Mrs. Manning and daughter, Mesars, P. Murray, Leffler, Krenckebery, Kelifuss, Skeahan, Nelson, Norton and Miss Koopm..... Kohnstamm, who were prevented by sickness from being present. The drill last Monday evening was in the manual of arms, marching movements, and included the "loading and firings." The company paraded its usual number of files. the formation being twenty-four files double

First Lieutenant W. J. Foye was put in charge of the company after the first "rest" and demonstrated his ability to act as in-structor in a very creditable manner. Second Lieutenant J. H. Johnson is on the sick list, suffering from an attack of the  $\operatorname{grip}$ 

Private Al Stuht reported by letter that ickness prevented his attending drill last Monday.

At the punch tables were Miss Kimball, The following visitors were noticed at the Miss Helen Millard and Miss Alice Chase. armory last Monday evening: Corporal Spayde of Rapid City guards, Comrade Mabry of the Fort Worth fencibles and Miss Von Stosch is a delightful person to meet and this feature of the reception was Comrade Frank J. Reynolds of company of course the main pleasure of the after K, Third regiment infantry, Illinois national Among those present were Mrs. Bache, guards, residing at Rockford, Ill. Mrs. Babcock, Mrs. Reed of Council Bluffs, Mrs. Chase, Mrs. Baum, Mrs. J. E. Baum,

Private Coverdale met with a painful ac-cident by running the point of an indelible Mrs. Taliaferro, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Mc-Kenne, Mrs. Grabel, Mrs. Kimball, Mrs. Willead pencil into his finger, causing him considerable pain and inconvenience. helm, Mrs. Burt, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Wessels, Mrs. Bennett, Miss Private A. W. Evans has applied for an

nonorable discharge on account of removal from jurisdiction, having gone to Clinton, In., to live Mr. Harry Kirby left for San Francisco on

Wednesday last. Captain Scharff is in receipt of a letter

A Delightful Sleighing Party. Monday evening a very enjoyable sleighfrom Colonel John P. Pratt, commanding the First infantry N. N. G., in which he coning party was given by Frank Newcomb. From his residence six horses drew the gratulates the Thurston rifles upon being the first company in the regiment to reparty from one end of the town to the other cruit to the maximum number allowed by until a late hour, thence to Mr. Newcomb's residence, Where Mrs. Brady, Mrs. Innes The committee appointed to compile the and Mrs. Newcomb received the guests, a by-laws, rules and regulations governing the company will report next Monday after drill.

fine musical program being rendered. Miss Susie Newcomb gave a number of t is very important that every member of he "rifles" should be present at the reading dano solos, Miss Alice Brady pleased everyof the by-laws, which, when accepted and approved by the commander-in-chief, bebody with her charming songs, entitled 'Won't You Buy My Pretty Flowers" and "My Sweet Red Rose." Mr. Danny Brady sang very effectively, "Sweet Love, Be True to Me." A delicious supper followed the program carved by Mar Dark Mark ome binding on every member of the com-

Perry, Lieutenant Landis, Lieutenant Sewell, Captain Pitcher, Lieutenant Heiner, Lieuten-aut Merillat, Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Douglas Penoyer, Roll Smith. Miss Berryhill, who has been the guest of

The Tennis Drill, The entertainment given so successfully Omalia. Friday evening a week ago at the St. Mary's Avenue church was repeated Thursday even ing with even greater success. The "tennis drill," which is original with Mes. J. T. Wertz, under whose direction the enteralnment was given, being very enthusianti-

The program was as follows:

A Very Pretty Wedding.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Peter Haze, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Haze,

Mr. and Mrs. Koopman and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Vandercreek and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Vandercreek and family, Mr. and

Mrs. H. Doedyus, Mr. and Mrs. William Knuald, Mr. and Mrs. George Hale, Mr. and

eIn Honor of Miss Von Stosch.

The musical department of the Woman's

club played hostess at the Commercial club

room parlors on Thursday afternoon in honor

of Miss Leonora Von Stosch, the talented

club's concert Thursday evening. The ladies who received the 200 guests were:

Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Ford,

Mrs. Buchanan, Mrs. Whitmore, Mrs. Met-calf, Mrs. Hawley, Mrs. Meyer, Misses Hawley, Miss Taliaferro and Mrs. McIntosh.

Balcombe, Miss Collins, Miss Summers, Miss Barnard, Miss Isaacs, Miss McConnell, Miss Wallace and Miss Alexander.

oung violinist who assisted at the Apollo

cally received

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Carls C. Knode, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Knode, to Mr. Carl R. Ross of New Orleans, La. Selected. Eanjo club of class of "96"; violin solo, Mabel Higgins; tennis drill, led by Ethel

ouri Valley, Ia

A reception for George and Martha Wash-ington will be held in the parfors of Ply-mouth Congregational church Toesday even-ing. February 20 - All are invited. Tukey, who is one of Omaha's prettiest young ladies and an excellent leader, the

Dr. Victor Resewater has been engaged to deliver a course of six weekly lectures upon topics on municipal finance before the students of the Nebraska State University mmencing Tuesday a week.

Wednesday evening a sleighing was given Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cahn, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cahn, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brandeis, Mr. and Mrs. Kratz, Mr. and Mrs. Cohn, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lobman, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosenstock.

Among those present were Mr. George Pray and Miss Gertie Parkhurst, Mr. Clare Hitchcock and Miss Margarett Pouder, Mr. Joel Wright and Miss Wittle Folcy, Mr. James Kilby and Miss Edith Foley, Mr. Charles Wright and Miss Georgia Richards and Mr. Fred Walker and Miss Fannie Thompson

The valentine party given yesterday afternoon by Prof. Morand to his pupils was one of the prettiest parties of the year, the young folks enjoying the unique features introduced to a charming degree. Never have the assembly rooms looked so attractive as yesterday, and the little people danced like veterans.

A pleasant birthday party was given by Miss Kitty Boyce at 1609 Davenport street, attended by the following: Misses Henningson, Vernia Sharpshire, Misses Mammle Emma Lamp, Nellie Taylor, Maud Spain, Messrs, Jake Henningsen, Henry Henningsen, Fritz Henningsen, James Hadlock, Jack Langan, H. M. Andrews, Otis Hyatt.

For her guest, Mrs. Ashton, Miss Dundy gave a delightful luncheon Thursday after-The table, with its appointment of glass, silver and La France roses, was most attractive and the elaborate menu served completed a perfect entertainment. Those present were Mrs. Ashton, Mrs. Wheeler Mrs. Redick, Miss Dandy, Miss Turner, Miss Hoyt, Mrs. Dundy,

The rumored marriage of Mr. C. B. Roders of Wymore, agent of the B. & M. at that point, to a young lady in Galveston, turns out to be unfounded, Mr. Rodgers having been the victim of a practical joke originated by some of his friends in the headquarters building in this city. Mr.

Rodgers is in San Francisco. At the prize mask ball given by the Omaha German Ladles society at Washingon hall prizes were awarded as follows First ladies' prize, to Mrs. Meyers of Albright, a tea set; second ladles' prize, to Miss Edith Schneiderwind, a handsome mir-ror. First gentlemen's prize, to Mr. Julius Hoffman, a zither; second gentlemen's prize, to Mr. Noble, plush collar and cuff box.

A jolly sleighing party was given Wednesday evening by several north Omaha young people. After a long drive they returned to the home of A. G. Knapp, 2511 Davenport street, where refreshments and dancing rounded the evening. Those present were Misses Cora Knapp, Mollie Reynolds, Helen Sharp, Julia Burket, C. Brown, Emma Quick, Lizzie Phillipps, Hanna Frontgate. Messrs. Ed A. Knapp, Ora Wertz, H. Taylor, George Robinson, W. G. Clowery, Eugene Sullivan, Frank Robinson, Wallace Taylor,

Messrs. Shekels and Brazil gave a sleigh ride Friday evening to a number of their friends, among whom were Misses Engle, Emma Houck, Carrie Ocumpaugh, Katie Warner, Nellie Waugberg, Ella Bonine, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Brazil, Mr. and Mrs. Quirey Mrs. Pinkham, Mr. Shekels, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Miller, Mr. G. Potter, Mr. Hendrickson. On returning, Mr. and Mrs. Brazil entertained the party at their home with a sump uous repast, followed by music.

The Merriam botel people arranged a thoroughly enjoyable high five party on Monday evening last and filled twelve ta-bles, which occupied the parlors and Dr. Crummer's rooms. The refreshments were prepared by the ladies, and consisted of hicken salad, jelly, claret punch and coffee, all of which were warmly praised for ex-cellence. The prizes were won as follows: cellence. First lady's, Mrs. J. J. Bliss; second, Mrs. Cole, first gentleman's, J. G. Gaddis; sec-

Gordan, Edith Ydankun, Messrs, Charles ruary 27 the club is invited to the home Smith, Ray Bowen, Allen Smith, John of Miss Fairbrother, 318 North Eighteenth street.

At the meeting of the Kountze Place Cur-Mrs. Brisdin, will spend next week in Coun-cil Bluffs and then will finish her visit in News club, which was held at the home of Mr. W. H. Gates, the program was as follows: Plano solo, Mrs. Lawrie; subject The son born to Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Allee of the evening, "Thomas McCaulay, Sketch of His Life," Miss Otis; a well prepared paper on his instorical works, E. V. Lewis; a nicely last Monday has been named William Colt, in honor of his grandfather, Dr. Colt of Misendered poetical selection was read by Mrs Julia M. Chrisney; a brief and pithy paper about his missellaneous works, W. H. Gates; vocal solo by Mrs. Lewis, piano accompaniment by Mr. Lewis; vocal solo, "Annio Laurie," by Mr. Lawrie.

The burning of the college at Knoxville, fenn., as mentioned in The Bee's telegrams Friday evening, was a matter of more than dinary interest to several Omaha people. This was an institution for colored people, and was under the care of the United Presbyterian denomination. The president was Dr. McCulloch, whose eldest son, Bruce, is ditor of the South Omaha Stockman Another son, Paul, is connected with the Morge-Coe Shoe factory of this city. The matron of the young men's hall, where the fire started, was Mrs. M. A. Wallace, who has frequently visited her Omaha sons, G. G. and R. B. Wallace.

IN LOCAL MUSICAL CIRCLES.

An impromptu recital at the Omaha School of Opera Wednesday morning afforded an enjoyable hour's entertainment to the few pairons of the institution who were fortunate enough to be present. The program was furnished by Mrs. F. H. Millar, who sang the part of Azucena from Verdi's well known opera, "II Trovatore," and the famous "Jewel Song" from "Faust." The task to which Mrs. Millar was as-signed was a trying one and the manner in which she acquitted herself was at once a surprise to her friends and a source of cratification to Mr. Maretzek, under whose utelage she has been finishing her musical ducation. Although gifted with a voice of sceptionally pleasing quality, which has been faithfully cultivated for many years, Mrs. Millar has heretofore modestly rerained from a public appearance in Omaha. Meanwhile she has none the less diligently improved her school and developed her tone, so that her performance of Wednesday was a delightful surprise to her auditors, who recognized in her rendition of several most trying selections a taste and accuracy but eldom excelled.

Mrs. Millar's voice is a mezzo soprano of xceptional range and purity. She sings with case from F below the staff to B above. and her rendition is a pleasing illustration of the pure Italian method. Her chest tones are full and well rounded, without losing a particle of their natural purity. Her voice lacks the fault so often remarked in mezzo sopranos, who sing the chest tones perfectly but fall entirely to render the higher notes with equal sweetness. While her head tones can scarcely be said to equal the exquisite purity of her lower register they are clear

and perfectly modulated. In the selection of "II Trovatore" Mrs. Millar was heard to the best advantage in the "Dagger Song" and in the duo with Manrico, "Wilt Thou Leave Me Here in Sadness?" Although the inspiration af-Sadness?" Although the inspiration af-forded by the responses of Manrico was wanting in the latter song, no shade of the intense feeling of the music was missed. The strain was well suited to the voice of the singer and it was rendered with a tone and expression but seldom excelled on the proessional stage.

The "Jewel Song" was an equally commendable performance and no one who listened to her effort can doubt that Mrs. Millar is likely to attain an enviable posi-tion not only in the musical circles of Omaha, but of the west.

Mr. W. T. Taber will give his seventeenth organ recital this afternoon at 3:30 in the First Congregational church. Mr. Taber will be assisted by Miss Gertrude McMacken, soprano, and Mr. Hans Albert, violinist. Miss McMacken is a resident of Clarinda, Ia., although she has had the benefit of a two years course of study with Sig. Carpi of Chicago. Miss McMacken has received great deal of praise from those who have leard her sing. - Her voice, although so prano, has a mezzo quality which gives i a roundness that is very refreshing. Mr. Albert needs no introduction. The program is as follows:

PART I. 

city appearing on this occasion. 



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take place at Boyls open and even at this carly date indications point to a large audience. Tickets were placed on sale Wednesday, over 150 being sold in the ACCIDENTS. Union Pacific headquarters, where Mr. Wil-kins is employed. The program will be varied in character, the best talent in the Covered by other insurance policies are all covered by our

In years to come, when the Thurston Rifles shall have become famous as a crack military company, they will look back with pleasure to the "stag" party given on Saturday evening. February 10, at their armory on Harney street. While the attendance was intended to be limited strictly to members of the company, there were present about twenty invited guests, among whom were some prospective recruits. The program, consisting of instrumental and vocal music, recitations, boxing and a "mock trial by jury," lasting from 9 o'clock until 12:30, was inaugurated by the sounding of the "assembly," when all took seats in the drill hall, forming a semi-circle in front of the music stand, pipes and cigars were lighted and the boys started in to enjoy themselves. Upon taking the chair Captain Scharff presented the company with a large "L" in roses and greens, representing the company letter, at which three cheers were proposed and given with a will for Colonel John P. Bratt, commanding the First infantry, to which regiment the rifles were assigned by the state military board upon the request of Captain Scharff, commanding the company. The Banjo and Guitar club of the Omaha High school class of '96, composed of Messrs, A. H. Gsantner, Ralph Connell, Carl Connell and Private Wirt Thompson banjos, and Willard Kreidler, William Lyon and Willie Godso guitars, with Prof. Cummings, the club's instructor, rendered a lively march, and were compelled to respond to an encore. A clever exhibition of the "manly art" was next given by Prof. Godso and Mr. Lou Adams, who sparred three rounds for "points" only. The contest was very interesting, both men

being good boxers. The Tyrolean club, consisting of Measrs. G. S. Andrus, Paul McCullough, T. L. Combs, M. S. Wright, Claud Stockham and C. Sharp, favored the company with a pretty selection upon their instruments and were recalled, Messrs. Andrus and McCullough responding. Messra. Combs and Goodyear performed a duct for plano and mouth organ which received merited applause, and Mr. Goodyear responded with a piano solo. At this stage of the proceedings the chairman appointed Privates Stuht and Page "police-The members of the entertainmen committee furnished each man with a corn cob pipe and an unlimited supply of smoking tobacco, besides passing the cigars to all who preferred them, and were very as-siduous in the discharge of their duties.

At 10 o'clock the company formed and marched upstairs, where refreshments, conmarched upstairs, where refreshments, con-sisting of sandwiches and coffee, were served in the club room. After supper a mock trial by jury was held, with the following participants: Judge, Private Herbert Tay-lor; clerk, Private Claud Stockham; sheriff, Corporal Coleman; prosecuting attorney, Sergeant Lee Forby; counsel for the de-fense, Sergeant Burt Fowler; bailiffs, Pri-vates Pare and Stuht. An information was vates Page and Stulit. An information was filed against Private Ratekin, and he was duly arraigned, the jury of "six good men and true" were empaneled, and the pris-oner, although ably defended, was found guilty and sentenced.

From the ladies' parlor came the strains of martial music, where, unknown to the company, Prof. H. Shunke and Messrs. Lutz, Taylor and Schwarkopf had stationed them selves. After playing two selections, which were vociferously applauded, the captain in-troduced the musicians who so kindly volunteered their services, and escorted them into the hall, where they played the "Star Spangled Hanner" by request, the entire company joining in the chorus. It is the desire of the company to have Prof. Shunke appointed bandmaster of the First infantry band, and a petition to that effect is being circulated to be forwarded to the authority. The band played another fine

A party of gentlemen members of the "Our Country Cousin" Theatrical company, in-gluding Mr. James G. Brown, manager; Prof. Benton, Lieutenant Kennon, Lieutenant

Military Social Event.

pany.

The Washington Star of February 8 gives the following very interesting account of Mrs. Daniel Lamont's visit to Fort Meyer as the guest of Colonel and Mrs. Guy Henry, well known to our own people. The Star says: Misty and muggy and rainy as it was, this day was brighter than are most days

at Fort Meyer. Even had the weather been very much worse than it was, it would have had no effect on the combined military-social event for which the post-always in what seems to be perfect condition-this morning put on its best bib and tucker.

Exercises in the riding hall are quite com-non at Fort Meyer, but it is only at rare intervals that the wife of a secretary of war, accompanied by a distinguished party, climbs the short stairway to the riding hall balcony and watches the troopers go through their invariably interesting program. That, however, is what happened this morning. It was not a surprise party, though, for

Colonel and Mrs. Henry had invited Mrs. Lamont and her friends to breakfast, and had arranged matters so that their guests should see how well trained and how agile are the soldiers who are at Fort Meyer, because they are especially deserving of the honor of being stationed at the "show post" of the army. The equestrian exercises were competitive

Instead of ordering but one troop into the hall, Colonel Henry had the troop com-manders each select the twelve men who would be the most likely to do their re-spective troops credit, and the result was a performance that fairly rivaled the widely advertised military tournament over which Chicago and New York went into spasms of admiration. First to pound over the tan bark were the

twelve men and horses from troop A. First cavalry, commanded by Lieutenant J. F. R. Landis; then came the delegation from K of the Ninth, under Lieutenant Alexander W. Perry; the twelve from H of the Eighth, under Lieutenant Alfred C. Merillat, and then the representatives of F of the Seventh, under Lieutenant Rebert Seventh. inder Lieutenant Robert Sewell.

Details of the feats that were performed would bear close resemblance to the pro-gram of a four-ring circus. There was hur-dle jumping by files, by twos and by fours; there was mounting and dismounting in all sorts of fashions and while the horses were moving at all varieties of pairs.

Some of the men jumped from a spring-board over the backs of one, two and three animals, and one acrobatic irooper did the feat with a finale to it which included standing on his head on the further horse's before dropping on his feet on the bark. Then the horses were thrown without any apparant effort on the part of those who did the throwing, and it didn't seem to be at all hard for one horse to carry three or four soldiers around when such an exhibition was called for was called for.

Occasionally there was some especially lever work that would bring out a round of applause from the deeply interested spec

When Colonel Henry's whistle notified the last twelve to retire from the arena Lieutenant Landis took command of the consolida dation and then eusuad a troop drill that had in it innumerable opportunities for confusion-not one of which was taken advan tage of. It was excellent throughout, the circling

by fours being marvelously accurate and the more wonderful when it is remembered that the nice were from different companies and are not drilled in that mixed-up way very frequently, if ever before.

It was noon when the exercises were over and then the invited guests proceeded to the commanding officer's quarters, where Mrs. Henry awaited them and where, after the formal courtexies were attended to, breakfast was served. The decorations were tasteful throughout

and the monu all that could be expected of a skillful chof. Those present were: Mrs. Lamont, Miss Sanders, Miss Lockwood, Mrs. Collamore, Miss Candels, Alias Lockwood, Mrs. Collamore, Miss Gornell, Miss Scott, Miss Blackburn, Miss Breckinridge, Mrs. Kennon, Mrs. Benton, Miss Ruggles, Miss Slocum, Miss Huddleston and Miss Brice; Lieutenant Benton, Lieutenant Kennon,

program, served by Mrs. Brady, Mrs. Innes and Mrs. Newcomb. The following guests wore present: Leno Felber, Susie Brady, Lottie Metcalf, Emma Frost, Alice Brady, Carrie Sheller, Essie Beeman, Mary Balley Jewell Leider, Annie Calvin, Amelia Boseacker. Messrs. Ambrose J. Ellington, Charles B. Rutlige, George Stafford, Danny Brady, F. E. Newcomb, Joe Beeman, Sam Howe, F. S. Newcomb, A. Innes, A. Heislop, G. Innes, J. McKinney, W. Innes, G. Roche, R. Murphy, W. Cathers, G. Gurney.

An Evening with Hearts.

The entertainment tendered the guests of the Albany, at 2101 Douglas street, by Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Pearson, the host and hostess, on Tuesday evening, proved to be very unique and enjoyable. After a very pleasant evening at progressive hearts, in which the handsome prizes were captured by Mr. and Mrs. East and Mr. Todd, all were invited to partake of the delicious luncheon, which had been

laintily arranged to suit the occasion Vocal and instrumental selections were rendered by Miss Dunn and Mr. Abel, and few very appropriate selections in elocution y Miss Day took up the rest of the evening Among those present were: Judge and Mrs. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Brando, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. East, Mr. and Mrs. Laederich, Mr. and Mrs. Raiston, Mr and Mrs. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Masters, Mr and Mrs Pickering, Judge Eighmy, Mrs.

Judson, Misses Chapman, Dunn, Struthers Day, Paterson, Price and White; Messrs. Todd, Draper, Bird, McDonald, Dr. Mc-Mullen, Abel, Pierce, Williams, Edwards and Sunderland.

Valentine Dinner, Wednesday evening, at the residence of

Captain and Mrs. Ayers on Capitol avenue, was given one of the prettiest and most original dinners of the season. It was designated a valentine dinner and was carried out in a charmingly artistic and effec-tive manner. Hearts held sway in the decorations, the table center piece being formed of red tullps arranged in the shape of a heart, with hearts suspended from the chandelier. Heart-shaped cards were found at each guest's place, with an appropriate poetical quotation. Those present were Miss Woolworth, Miss Doane, Miss McKenna, Miss Rodman, Mr. Doane.

Doane, Mr. Gulou, Mr. Fairfield, Mr. Redick. Doings During Lent. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Brown left yesterday

or California. Master Lake Deuel is ill with a slight atlack of scarlet fever.

Mrs. Joseph Barker has been ill with the grip, but is recovering. Miss Marshal of Lincoln is the guest of Mrs. D. H. Wheeler, jr.

Misses Minnie and Daisy Lemon are visiting relatives at Hillsboro, O. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Withnell have gone to Los Angeles for the winter.

Miss Millard and Miss Anna Millard are coxering from an attack of the grip. Mrs. John F. Getty and Miss Maud Stoney will leave this evening for New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Hoel and family

and Miss Katherine Morse have returned to the Madison Dr. P. H. Metz has returned from New City, where he recently completed a

post-graduate course in medicine. Major Paddock was accompanied to St. Paul last week by Colonel and Mrs. Wilson, Miss Wakeley and Dr. Summers. The many friends of Mrs. George Worth-

ington will be pleased to know that she is convaloscing, after her attack of the grip. Mr. C. E. Wilkins, traveling salesman for McCord, Brady & Co., is at Hot Springs, Ark., being treated for sciatic rheumatism.

Mrs. Moyers of Chicago celebrated her 74th birthday last Sunday at the residence of her daughter. Mrs. Sam Dreyfus, at 1917 Саня The Jolly Five gave a sleighing party Wednesday evening, in which they invited several of their young lady friends to par-ticipate. The fortunate ones were: Misses Susie Curtis, Cora Cox, Nora Williams, Grace

Lamentation ... ond, George D. Miner. The Home circle was entertained by Mrs

B. Harris, 1618 Chicago street, last week The first part of the evening was taken up by the club's regular scheduled high five games, after which dainty refreshments were served. The entire membership of the club was present, as follows: Mr. and Mrs. M. Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. B. Harris, Misses Jennie Blum, Flora Anchell, Bella Keiffer, Frances Van Mesriz, Minnie Levy Carrie Nathan; Messrs. Alfred Keiffer, Myron Kahn, Henry Hirshstein, Joseph

Blum, Sol Frank and Louis Keiffer. The third and most enjoyable high five party of the Ideal High Five club was given at the residence of Mr. Clare Hitchcock, 2056 South Twentieth street, Friday evening, February 9. Most of the evening was spent at cards and greatly enjoyed by all. Mr. George Pray and Miss Gertie Parkhurst were the winners of the first prizes, and Miss Wittie Foley and Mr. Clare Hitchcock put one more feather in their hat by winning the booby prizes. A dainty lun-cheon was served, after which Miss Gertle Parkhurst and Misa Georgia Richards ren-dered instrumental and vocal solos, which were highly appreciated by all. Tuesday night the fourth S. T. N. A

dancing party was given in Erfling hall. Fifty couples were present in response to invitations issued by the club, and from 9 to 12 o'clock enjoyed a very choice program of dances to splendid music. The members of the club were pleasantly surprised by the ladies, who appeared in the ball room in valentine costumes. The costumes were unique and furnished variety enough to make the scene a charming one and the oc-casion enjoyable. These parties have all been very enjoyable and popular. The club gives the next one March 13.

Bishop Hare of South Dakota is expected to be the guest of Bishop Worthington on the 21st and 22d of this month and will ad-dress the Woman's Auxiliary at their quarterly meeting in the cathedral on the 21st at 3 p. m. The quiet day for the women of the diocese will commence with a celebra-tion of the holy communion in the cathedral at 10 a. m. on Thursday, 22d, when there will be a special address by Bishop Hare. The services of these two days should have the special prayer and thought, if not the presence, of every churchwoman of the city and liocese.

Miss Myrtle Norris en'ertaine la number of ner young friends at a progressive neart party Wednesday evening at her heart home, 2578 Harney, Dainty refreshments were served on smajl tables at 11 o'clock. Miss Marie Price won the ladies' prize, and Mr. Carl Hoffman the gentlemen's. Those present were: Misses Myrtle Coon, Getty, Helen' Getty, Ada Gilmore, Marie Price, Einama Goodman, Grace Marty, Mrs. Coon: Messra. Will Tippery, Judy Dahlstrom, Sam Evans, Fritz Marty, Frank Williams, Cark Hoffman, Will Piyley Frank Williams, Carl Hoffman, Will Pixley Archie Coon, Ad Arter.

One of the most enjoyable sleighing parties of the season was given last Tuesday evening by a number of the young people of North Omaha. After three hours of pleasure the party refurned to the cosy resi-dence of Mr. and Mrs Charles Pulso at 1538 North Eighteenth street, where a delicious oyster supper awaited, then. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pulse, Misses Clarisa Wilhelmy, Mamie Wichelney, Fannie Davis, Hattie Berlin, Minnie Berlin, Edith Kuenhy, Clara Yoeder, Mamie Yoeder, Elizabeth Leeder, Carrie Leeder, Julia Leeder, Messrs, Charles Althouse, Jerome Miller, Fulton Berlin, Wymuller, August Mc-Donald, Ralph Weller, Emery and S. W. Leeder

The Y. E. G. Whist club spent a pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robertevening at the nome of Mr. and Mrs. Robert-son, Fortleth and Grand, Tuesday evening. Whist was played, after which  $\tau_{-1}$  eshments were served. The club took advantage of the fine sleighing, and enjoyed a ride the line sieigning, and enjoyed a ride through the beautiful whiteness in a "hob." Those present were: Misses Blanche Elling-wood, Daisy Ledgwich of Harlan, Ia., Anna Gulick, Elnora England, Agnes Gulick, Georgia French, Mary Fairbrother, Edna and Carrie Robertson; Messrs, George Gilleaple, Will Ure, Robert Gillespie, John Gillespie, Thomas Thornton, Frank Dibble, Sawyer Gullespie, Burt Mason and others, On Feb-Gillesple, Burt Mason, and others. On Feb-

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' PART II.
Angel's SerenadeBraga Miss McMacken.
Violin ObligatoMr. Albert a Serenade (by request)Czibulka b Transcription of Mendelssohn's Song-
Auf Flugeln des Gzsanges Whiting
Faust FantasleSarasate Mr. Albert.
Festal MarchCalkin Mr. Taber.
The plano recital by Mr. Theodore Salmon
Monday evening at the First Congregational
church gives promise of being one of the
musical events of the season. In addition
to Mr. Salmon, who is a finished artist, Mrs.
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J. W. Cotton, Mr. Martin Cohn, Mr. W. T. Taber and Mr. J. E. Butler will appear in an exceptionally good program as follows: Variations for two planes, Op. 35. Saint Saens Mr. Theodor Saimon, Mr. Martin Cahn. Rossini a. Romanza Salmon 

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The program for the ladies' musical society on next Wednesday afternoon at Meyer's music hall, which has been arranged by Mrs. H. P. Whitmore, is as follows:

During the past month a small music club has been organized by Miss Poppleton to en-courage all lovers of art in the study of it. Every two weeks they meet at the different houses of the members and have some composer discussed and a paper on his life read, and afterwards a program with selections by each of the young ladies. On Wednesday the meeting was at Miss Poppleton's and all evinced much interest in the proceedings. Next time there will be a paper read by Mrs. A. C. Smith. Those fortunate enough to be charter members are Miss Poppleton, Miss Doane, Miss Nash, Miss M. Nash, Miss J. Yates, Miss H. Millard, Miss Chandler, Mrs. Learned, Mrs. Smith.

While the Hanlon's "Fantasma" company were in Omaha last week Mr. Max Meyer invited Miss Myrtle E. Coon to sing for Mr. Ed Hanlon at Mr. Meyer's store Saturday afternoon, February 10. Mr. Hanlon ex-pressed his appreciation of Miss Coon's voice by extending her an invitation to be-come a member of the "Fantasma" com-pany, but Miss Coon could not see her way clear to accepting the offer.

Under the auspices of the St. Vincent de Paul association the Stryken-blas-Lust club will give a concert Thursday evening of this week in the hall at Creighton college. The program will be a varied one, and the reputation the club has made ought to assure a full house,

Miss Helene Wyman, the charming daugh-ter of Mr. A. U. Wyman, is one of the pupils at the Omaha Opera Festival school and a very great favorite of Mr. Maretzek. Th who have heard her sing do not hesitate say that she has a voice very reminiscent Van Zant, and with education will be a gre redit to the school over which Maretzek ably presides.

The complimentary benefit concert ten-dered Mr. W. B. Wilkins by his friends will All seats free.

The mention of a musical event of more han ordinary importance was neglected last week, being the dramatic cantata of "Ruth" given at the First Christian church under the direction of Mr. A. S. Roe, Mrs. J. I. Cook as Ruth sustained the part with great fidelity, her conception of the character being very realistic. Her solo in the wed-ding scene was sung with feeling and bril-liancy. Miss Myrtle Coon as Naomi won ding scene was sung offit form as Naomi won liancy. Miss Myrtle Coon as Naomi won well deserved applause, this being her first appearance on the lyric stage. Miss Holt as Osper astounded every one with her good acting, especially in the parting scene with Naomi. Miss Ina Kennedy as the Jewish maiden sang with her usual vivacity, her being being beautiful and appropriate. costume being beautiful and appropriate. Mr. Conrad as Boaz sustained the part with all the dignity with which the part is en-dowed. Mr. Able, the first tenor, surprised his friends with the sweetness of his Dr. Bailey as messenger and assistant reaper received well merited applause. The chorus was evenly balanced and sang their parts with expression and feeling. The good work of the chorus and general cast reflect eat credit on the director, Mr. A. S. Roe. The following excellent program has been ranged to be given at Creighton College all, Thursday, February 22, by the Strvk-Blas-Lust club, Dr. Charles Bactens,

rector: Paraphrase-Heart Whispers...... ... Demcour Vocal Solo. Miss Frances Roeder.

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Plano Solo i lo Pollsh Dance ... Scharwenka i lo Polka – Violetta ... J. Strauss i (b) Polka Mazurka M. Heyer Violincello Solo – Romance ... Baetens Mr. John Brown. Vocal Solo – The Secret ... H. G. Ganss Miss Mamie Munchhoff. Operatic Selection – Erminie ... Jacobowski March Militaire .... Sch uber

High School Sophomores. The Debating and Literary society of the class of '96 held its regular monthly meeting,

which was also the semi-annual business meeting, on Friday afternoon. An excellent literary and musical program was rendered

as follows:

Recitation. Wrighter Wood Following the literary program came the semi-annual election of officers. Class of '96 President Ralph Connell was again elected president of the society. Ray Wagner was elected vice president and Fay Cole secre-

This class is meeting with much hearty commendation from the teachers for the ex-cellent work being done by its literary society and for the complete and satisfactory rganization it has effected so early in its history.

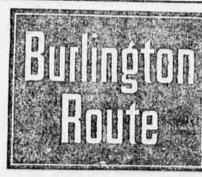
Washington's Birthday Celebration Washington's birthday will be duly ob-served on the evening of Thursday next, February 22, by a public meeting of 'citizens at the First Baptist church, corner of Fifteenth and Davenport streets, where the following program will be rendered, beginning at 8 o'clock sharp:

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## WAS A STRANGE FUNERAL.

Lion Tamor Thiemann's Burial Services Held in the Animals' Cage.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17 .- A remarkable funeral took place at the Midwinter fair grounds today-that of Castilo Thiemann, the lion tamer, who was mortally wounded by lions in the arona of Boone's wild animal show a few nights ago. The services were held within the cage where from day day the fierce brutes which mangled Thiemann perform. As the services went on they were from time to time interrupted by fierce growts from the beasts. These suggestive and uncanny sounds were sup-plemented by sights as strange, as natives rom every country of the globe gathered about

The Iowa State band played while the Hawailans sang a dirge in their nativo tongue.

## Eva Mann Decided Against.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.-Eva L. Mann, who claimed to be the wife of Robert Ray Hamilton, has again suffered defeat in her efforts to establish the claim. At the previous trial it was shown that she and Joseph Mann had lived together as man and wife. The surro-gate court decided that a previous common law marriage had been established with Mann. From that decision she appealed to the general term of the supreme court, which has just decided the case against har