SOCIETY'S DIZZY VORTEX

It Whirls Anew with All Kinds of Pleasurable Demonstrations.

OPENING OF THE LEASON'S FIRST BUD

A Word with the Women as to the Proper and Reasonable Method of Alighting from the Street Cars.

Society has experienced a decided awakening during the past week, and seems likely to go on in the way it has begun for some time to come. This is the season of the bursting of buds, which is said to be an experience of unmixed delight and of the popping of questions, which is a pastime consenial to some and less so to others. Quite a number of these portentous explosions have been heard of late, attended with appropriate rejoicings and festivities, and more are in prospect, in view of which The Bee's best wishes are extended for the safety of all concerned.

A woman of some claim to social distinction was observed to get off a street car in the proper way the other day, which constituted a phenomenon so rare and strange as to deserve special comment. The inability of woman to throw a ball, arising out of some peculiarity in the structure of her clavicles, is well known and has served as the basis for numberless cribbed gibes and not a few scientific dissertations. The inevitable precision with which she gets off a car backward has not called for anything like the same amount of notice, although it represents an evil equally widespread and foreshadows a peril far more deadly. This is not the result of physical shortcomings like the other, because women can get on aright if they have been properly instructed or if there is a man by to show them how. The defect is rather intellectual, not peculiar to the sex, of course, as such, but not observable to any considerable degree in man. It is deferentially suggested to the Woman's club that so very important a topic might profitably be brought before it in the form of a lecture, or of lectures if more than one should be necessary, whereby the members might learn always to alight from a car facing the way the car is going and on the foot farthest from the car. So might, perchance a serious accident be averted, and, incidentally, the general information of womankind be enlarged by the acquisition of an important law of nature.

Miss Peck's Coming Out.

Mrs. Edward Porter Peck gave a delightful matinee tea last Wednesday afternoon from 2 until 6, the occasion serving as a formal introduction of her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, to her own friends in society. Mrs. Peck received in a beautiful gown of gray and white and black brocaded satin and carried purple violets. Miss Peck, the fair debutante, was charming in white moile trimmed with lace insertion. Her flowers were white roses. Mrs. Peck and Miss Peck were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Lyman, Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Barkalow, Mrs. Lyman Richardson, Mrs. W. V. Morse, Mrs. Funkhouser and Mrs. Morris. Mrs. Pritchett and Mrs. Kilpatrick served tea and coffee in the dining room, where the decorations were green and white. Ferns and chrysanthemums were employed in adorning the rooms, and cut flowers were everywhere in profusion. During the hours of the reception the continuous arrival of guests testified to the high esteem in which the hostesses are held.

On Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Peck opened their handsome residence for a dancing party intended to complete the launching of their daughter upon the voyage of social conquests. As on the former occasion, the spacious rooms presented literally the appearance of conservatories, so great was the volume of flowers which had been sent with congratulations to the fair debutante. The library and drawing room were set apart for dancing, and refreshments were served in the dining room. Mr. and Mrs. Peck and Miss Peck were assisted in receiving by Mr. Bishop of Denver.

Miss Peck wore a lovely gown, all of white, grenadine over taffeta and carried American Beauty roses. Other striking toilettes, with their wearers, were: Miss Creighton, white chiffon, embroidered, over light green silk; Miss Helen Millard, pink silk; Miss Grace Allen, pale green satin veiled with green mousseline de soie; Miss McEachron, blue crepe with violets; Miss Frances Gilbert, whose debut will take place this week, brocaded pink silk with green velvet, white mousseline de soie, pink roses; Miss Mae Hamilton, whose coming out is announced for next Friday, pink chiffon over pink silk; Miss Florence Morse, another of this season's buds, figured white silk, green miroir velvet, lace, yellow roses; Miss Taylor, pink and white silk; Miss Squires, pink silk; Miss Curtis, lavender silk and white lace. Miss Lindsey, Miss Palmer and Miss Buck, who were among the bridesmaids at the Burgess-Brown wedding, wore the gowns of white organdie in which they appeared on that occasion, and the toilettes of Miss Nash and Miss Creighton had also graced recent marriage ceremonies.

Those present were: Misses Allen, McEchron, Gilbert, Dickinson, Hoagland, Himebaugh, Taylor, Mae Hamilton, Buck, Nash, Lindsey, Creighton, Morse, Anderson of Wyoming, Squires, Crounse, Ringwalt, Curtis, Palmer and Millard; Mr. and Mrs. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Funkhouser, Mr. and Mrs. Peck, and Messrs. Hamilton, Tarleton, Crowder, Hutchison, Perry, Baldrige Young, Cooley, Colpetzer, Robert Patrick, John Patrick, Palmer, Hall, Morsman, Hoagland, Bishop of Denver, Shiverick, Cowin, Bridges, Galou, Wilson, Herbert Rogers, William Rogers and Floyd Smith.

Mrs. Kierstead's Card Party.

Mrs. W. I. Kierstead's entertained a number of her friends Thursday afternoon at cards. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers from her own conservatory. Twelve games were played; after which refreshments were served. The first prize, a Haviland chocolate pitcher, was won by Mrs. C. E. Ford; the second, Eugene Field's Field Flowers, by Mrs. John L. Kennedy. The players who cut and lost were consoled by bunches of chrysanthemums. Those present were: Mesdames M. Blackwell, O. M. Carter, George W. Covell, L. J. Doup, C. H. Dewey, J. H. McDonald, J. H. Evans, N. P. Feil, Charles E. Ford, Chris Hartman, George A. Hoagland, E. N. Hulst, C. W. Hull, Jensen, John L. Kennedy, F. P. Kirkendall, E. V. Lewis, W. P. Munaugh, T. J. Maloney, R. C. Moore, J. J. McMullen, S. D. Mercer, Ira P. Mapes, E. A. Mills, W. R. Morris, E. L. Palmer, Frank Ransom, C. S. Raymond, E. Rosewater, A. Rosewater, W. S. Rector, C. B. Rustin, C. B. Stone, E. L. Stone, C. D. Stephen, E. D. Cas Court, John Withnell and G. W. Wattles, and Misses Shattuck, Hartman and Dewey.

Seen by an Omaha Girl.

"I've been off on a journey,
I just got home today;
I've traveled east and south
And north and every other way;
I've seen a heap of country
And cities on the boom,
But I'd rather live in Nebraska,
Where the sunflowers bloom."

So says an old song, and this was also reiterated by an Omaha girl who has been spending five or six months abroad.

"Think of visiting in England three months and only seeing the sun on an average of once a week," said this girl. "Rain every day but three and when it didn't rain it was considered fine weather, however cloudy or threatening it might have been. Why should we complain with all our glorious sunshine? We don't half appreciate it until we have been away from it.

"However, leaving that threadbare topic, the weather, English life has its charms and fascinations which I had time to realize as I visited relatives and friends three months and saw a great deal of home life.

"Scarborough, that queen of watering places, with its gay delights; Llandudno, with its romantic surroundings and its fine concerts, which we attended twice a day; dear old Conway castle, with its towers and lovely situation, and Canarvon castle, a fine old ruin; Bettwys-y-Coed, with the grandeur of the Welsh mountains and such picturesque spots here and there; Chester, that quaintest of all old English cities, its walls and old cathedral; York, with its minster, Sheffield, which is described as a poor picture in a beautiful frame, referring to the beautiful surrounding scenery. Then London, with all its fascinations, St. Paul's, Westminster Abbey, the tower, etc.

"English scenery is certainly lovely and England is often spoken of as a beautiful garden with its pretty hedges, fine roads and finely cultivated country.

"Then Italy, with its beautiful blue sky and romantic places and intoxicating climate; Venice, with St. Marks, the Bridge of Sighs, the Rialto, Desdemona's house, Mrs. Browning's home and other beautiful spots, one could almost have imagined one's self in fairyland. Here we were stopping at the same hotel with Mr. and Mrs. Taber, who were studying Ramola.

"Then dear old Florence, where we spent six weeks studying their musical language and vocal. There every one is musical—even the babies sing instead of cry and the small boy sings instead of whistles and the air is full of music. Men, women and children sing as they walk along the streets and such singing one seldom hears elsewhere. Even the little children on the streets sing the well known airs from the Italian grand operas.

"About midnight the serenades begin and continue. For an hour or two sleep is impossible. What spirit, enthusiasm and soul ardor they put in their singing. Then the peasants collect on the back streets and sit on the pavement, twenty or thirty of them, and hum an accompaniment to one singing the air.

"The art galleries, too, in Florence are visited daily by lovers of art and contain gems by the celebrated artists. The grand cathedral and baptistry with its celebrated doors. Then Pisa, with its leaning tower of white marble.

"At Lucerne I had my first view of the mountains, the Alps, Mount Pilatus and the Rigi. Here, too, there is a beautiful lake and the Lion of Lucerne carved out of solid rock sixty feet high. Then Paris, too, that beautiful white city with all its beauties and lovely drives and the Louvre and other attractions. What pleasure it was to visit in a real French family and enjoy a little home life.

"In Italy we lived in such a pretty place with a delightful Italian family."

Hillside Silver Party.

During the campaign the guests of the Hillside have been about evenly divided on the gold and silver question. Some time ago it was decided that the vanquished party should entertain the victorious side when the result of the election should become known.

Thursday evening, November 12, the affair took place. The parlors were beautifully decorated in the national colors. In one end was hung the picture of Major McKinley, draped with smilax and yellow roses. Under it hung Bryan's words—"We submit to the will of the people." At the other end of the parlor hung Mr. Bryan's picture, decorated with smilax and white roses. Under it were his words, given to his followers since the election—"Not vanquished, but only overcome."

During the grand march little Edna Damon and Charley Kopald, both ardent admirers of Mr. Bryan, gave to each guest yellow chrysanthemums and a program adorned with Mr. Bryan's picture, over which was written, "Every cloud has a silver lining." The dances bore such names as "Repudiation Quadrille," "Sound Money Waltz," "Populistic Bluster Polka," etc. Another feature of the evening was the appearance of a very pompous colored "gem'men" labeled "Mark Hanna," but he did not have his "bar'l" with him on this occasion. Card tables were arranged for those who did not dance. Mrs. Kopald served refreshments. Among those present were: Messrs. Hull, Reed, Whitmore, Crisman, Sears, Damon, Whiting, Spooner, Kendis, Rubin, Mickle, Brehm, Reynolds, White, Foreman, Kopald, Dunobee, Schlank, Rothhulz and Schmoler; Mesdames McCaully, Selkregg, Tanssler, Whitmore, Buchanan, Rubenstein, Heft, Spooner, Rubin, Rightmire, Damon, Fisher, Brehm, Cramer, Reed, Priestman, Lloyd, Kopald, Schadell and Rothhulz.

A Pleasant Surprise.

One of the most pleasant surprise parties of the season was that given to Mrs. D. J. O'Brien on last Tuesday evening in the Drexel hotel parlors, the occasion being the thirty-first anniversary of her birthday. Her friends presented her with numerous presents, conspicuous among which was an elegant triple-plated mirror and a bouquet of thirty deep red roses and one white chrysanthemum, representing her age. Progressive high five was indulged in until a late hour, when prizes were awarded, the first lady's and gentleman's prizes going to Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Haight, consisting of a jewel case and an ash receiver. Mrs. H. G. Matthes and R. L. Huntley consoled themselves with one of Dave O'Brien's all-day suckers, weighing three pounds each. During the progress of the game salted pecans and assorted candies were passed around, and at the conclusion refreshments consisting of ice cream, assorted cakes and claret punch were served, after which the company adjourned to the rooms of Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien, where several pleasing selections were rendered on the piano by Mrs. F. A. Green. Those present were: Dr. and Mrs. W. Ross Martin, Messrs. and Mesdames William Harte, R. L. Huntley, F. A. Green, P. B. Haight, H. G. Matthes, Ed Sterricker, M. Dillon and Mrs. George Windheim.

Mrs. Brown Pays a Wager.

A very pleasant party was given by Mrs. G. W. Brown as the result of an election wager, in which she was the loser. The party losing was to entertain. She pinned her faith to Bryan's election, while Mrs. Burchmore had as much assurance in her own mind that McKinley would be a winner. Mrs. Brown's residence, at 816 South Twenty-second street, was tastefully decorated with flowers in honor of the occasion, and a very enjoyable time was spent with high five, enlivened with music. Miss Maude Brown read and Mr. Smith sang. Those who composed the party were: Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brown, Miss Maude Brown, Miss Bessie Brown, Messrs. and Mesdames Warren Smith, John Myers, T. Burchmore, Mr. Herbert Reader, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Connoran, Miss Irene Connoran and Master Fred Myers.

Montezumas' Dancing Party.

A very pleasant dancing party was enjoyed by the Montezumas and their guests last Thursday evening. The new club colors were very much in evidence, each member displaying in his coat lapel a dainty double streamer of lavender and cream ribbon. Many elegant costumes were noticed among the women present and the music was in quality all that could be desired. Refreshments were served during intermissions and a most enjoyable evening was experienced.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Reynolds, South Omaha; Misses Fanning, Brinkman, Linda Wigman, O'Neill, M. Reynolds, Hume, Allen, Sayre, Lundeen, De Jesne, Gamble, Russell of Sioux City, Frazier, Emily Wigman, Daugherty, McCormick, Burr, Evans, Tizard and Williams; Messrs. Bell, Borsheim, D. Nelson, Nordwall, P. Nestor, Whitman, Taylor, Lowry, Evans, Mettern, Burr, French, Honey, D. Reynolds, Gernhardt, W. Stockham, Cardwell, C. O. Nelson, O'Neill, Olmsted, Kingsley, Kaufmann, Forbes, C. Stockham, Hansen and McCulloh.

Danced the Night Away.

Among the noteworthy social events of the past week was a most enjoyable leap year dancing party, given by the Misses Fitzpatrick, Schierstein and Oerter, at Morsch's last Wednesday evening. The rooms were beautifully decorated with palms, potted plants and chrysanthemums, while the "cosey corners" with their settees and fancy cushions were very inviting. The ball room was as bright as though Old Sol was present in all his glory. The chandeliers and other illuminations were festooned and were covered with dainty pink shades. The floor was in excellent condition, and the musicians, concealed by banks of chrysanthemums, discoursed delightful music.

The usual informal reception preceded the dance program, and aside from the exchange of greetings and introductions the gentlemen were given this excellent opportunity to accustom themselves to the rules of the occasion. Programs were passed and the customs and usages of leap year parties were well followed. The gentlemen were permitted but one choice on the program, and other than that they were subject to the will of their fair friends. Delicious punch and light refreshments were served in the balcony between dances.

Among those present were Mesdames Fitzpatrick, Schierstein, Stephan and Oerter; Misses and Misses Herman Gunther, Jessie Lawrence; Roger Green, Nell Gregg, Edmund Krug, Mabel Fries; Ned Kessler, Celia Kessler; Joseph Madden, Myrtle Carr, Fred Nash, Ada M. Yule; Colt Campbell, Golda Frank; Willard Barrows, Hattie Gunther; Ben W. Cotton, Birdie Austin; Fred Cascaden, Blanche Howland; Ed Fries, Lyda Burns; H. S. Gillespie, Hazel Schmidt; Paul Epenetor, Ethel Whitlock; Wirt Thompson, Hattie Reed; George Winslade, Janie Salisbury; Purcell, Maud Her; Allen Fatconer, Louise Metz; Will Smith, Dora Baumer; H. T. Whitman, Margaret Beck; C. A. Shannon, Mame Shannon; Cook, Emma Gentleman; B. Van Camp, Jennie King, Fred Gramblish, Marie Rockbud; Allen Palmer, Fern Marty; R. C. Peregoy, Nellie McNamara; Art Grotte, Anna McNamara, Charles Whitting, Margaret King; G. F. Coleman, Miss McNamara; Will H. Fries, Olive Malley, Oliver Lewis, Lillian Bath; B. Nisson, Lillian Brenton; Mark Heller, Fay Wolfe; R. W. Gilkeapie, Tillie Andreesen; Charles Kosters, Helen Oerter; Rooney, Jennie Post; Phil Nestor, Clara Gentleman; Wallace Peak, Emma Potter; Lacey Patterson, Ora Abbott; Paul Beaton, Effie Oerter; Louis Bostwick, Fanny Schierstien; Jack Sharp, Jessie Fitzpatrick; Ed Davis, Rose Fitzpatrick; Charlie Beaton, Jennie Scherstien; Louis Nash; and F. V. Rooney, Miss Fitzpatrick, Council Bluffs.

Hudson-Benson.

The following, from Salt Lake City Tribune of date November 3 will be of interest to the many who knew Mrs. Benson during her former residence in Omaha:

The marriage of Mrs. Margaret E. Benson and Rev. Adelbert L. Hudson was solemnized yesterday. The happy event took place at 6 o'clock at Mrs. Benson's residence, 150 Brigham street, Rev. Clarence T. Brown officiating.

The marriage was private, only a few intimate friends being present. The bride wore a stylish going-away gown of brown.

Following the ceremony the newly-wedded couple, with their guests, sat down to a dainty repast. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George Y. Wallace, Miss Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Grant, Nat M. Brigham, Mrs. Marcellus Gray. Mr. and Mrs. Hudson left at 7:30 over the Rio Grande Western for a short trip, and on their return will be at home to their friends.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hudson are highly esteemed by a large circle of friends made during their residence here.

Mrs. Hudson has been quite prominent in literary and social circles, as well as being an indefatigable worker in the First Unitarian society, of which Mr. Hudson has been the pastor during the last two years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bonk Entertain.

Among the many enjoyable parties of the past week was the high five party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Bonk. The guests were those composing the Happy Home club. Mrs. Krebs won the ladies' first prize, Mr. A. Biurvall the gentlemen's first, while Mrs. Connoran and Mr. J. Meyer received appropriate consolation gifts. Refreshments were served. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames W. W. Connoran, T. C. Livingston, J. Meyer, W. B. Ostrander, C. A. Lewis, W. H. Krebs, W. R. Mathis, Ayer, Misses Lillie Bath, Rose Weeks, Ollie Lewis and A. Biurvall, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sutton, Miss Irene Connoran and others.

Weddings and Engagements.

Mr. F. F. Bradish of Burlington, Vt., and Miss Susie Huntoon of this city were united in marriage last Wednesday evening and left for Denver shortly after the ceremony, on a short bridal tour.

Mr. Charles H. Sharpe and Miss Katherine Thurber Showers were quietly married last Wednesday at the residence of Mr. Dexter L. Thomas, the uncle of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe left immediately for Newcastle, Wyo., where Mr. Sharpe has a large ranch and railway interests.

The marriage is announced of Miss Harriet Osgood to Captain Paul Clendenin, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., to take place at the Church of the Advent in Boston, at noon next Thursday. Miss Osgood has many friends in Omaha, having lived here for several years, while her father, Captain H. B. Osgood, was chief commissary of subsistence of the Department of the Platte.

Mr. Harry W. McConnell, a well known engineer of the Union Pacific, but now with the Fort Scott & Gulf road, was married October 21 at Fort Scott, Kan., to Miss Lela Foote. Miss Foote is kindly remembered as one of the bright and cheerful members of Prof. Gillespie's staff of clever women at the deaf and dumb institute in this city. Mr. and Mrs. McConnell are at home in Thayer, Mo., where Mr. McConnell is now stationed.

The marriage of Miss Sarah Jacobs, daughter of S. Jacobs, to Simon E. Kohn was solemnized last Sunday at 5:30 p. m. at the home of the bride, 2152 St. Mary's avenue, Rabbi Leo M. Franklin officiating. The affair was very quiet, none but relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties being present. The bride looked charming in a white gown, her veil decorated with orange blossoms. She carried bride's roses. Little Esther Kohn, the 13-year-old sister of the groom, rendered the march. A bounteous collation followed the ceremony.

Mr. Frank Leslie and Miss Jenny Smith were last evening united in marriage by Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Mackay, of All Saints' church, and after the ceremony a reception was given at the residence of the bride, 1718 Douglas street, to but a few intimate friends. The bride came to Omaha from New York three years ago to visit her sister, Mrs. C. A. Jacobson. She has since made this city her home, and has made a large number of friends in musical and social circles. The bridegroom is an insurance broker in the Paxton block. He will be missed by the bachelor fraternity in which he has moved. The musical program was furnished by the Jenny Lind quartet, of which the bride was a member last summer.

One of the quiet weddings of the week occurred Wednesday noon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Royce, at 4408 North Twenty-fourth street, the contracting parties being Mr. Robert T. Blackburn and Miss Eleanor Wade Royce. The bride has been a resident of Omaha but a few months, her home having been until recently at Hastings, Neb., where she has a large circle of friends. The groom is a well known former resident of Omaha, now located at Doniphan, Neb. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father, Rev. W. T. Blackburn, in the presence of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties only. After a wedding breakfast the newly wedded pair started at once for their future home in Doniphan.

Pleasures that Are Past.

Mr and Mrs. Dietz gave a small card party last Thursday evening.

The O. W. & D. B. society gave its first prize masquerade ball last night at Creighton hall.

Miss Nellie Robinson, 838 South Twenty-second street, was the recipient of a very pleasant surprise party last Wednesday evening, which was attended by a score of her little friends. Refreshments were served, after which music was the order of the evening.

Mrs. B. F. Reynolds and Mrs. J. J. Gibson entertained last Thursday afternoon from 2 to 5.

The Omaha Guards have issued invitations for the second dancing party of the season to be given next Thursday evening.

Mrs. A. H. Noyes entertained the women of Westminster church at a tea last Friday afternoon at her residence, 3614 Howard street.

About eighty couples enjoyed last Wednesday evening with the Hayden Bros.' G. F. club at Turnlor Hall. Clark's orchestra furnished the music. Harry Sage was prompter.

The Aurora club entertained its friends and acquaintances last Saturday evening at its club rooms. High five and dancing helped to make the evening pleasant. Mr. J. Johnson was very clever in exhibiting some of his card tricks, and Mr. C. C. Sundblad acted as entertainer for the evening.

One of the most enjoyable parties of the season occurred on Wednesday when Mrs. M. D. Husain entertained the Wisteria Afternoon club. Nine games of high five were played. The prize, a handsome Napoleon plate, was won by Mrs. Joseph McCaffery, after which dainty refreshments were served.

The Gemuethlichkeit High Five club was entertained at its regular meeting Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. C. Schaeffer. Prizes were awarded as follows: Mr. J. Baumer and Mrs. R. Roseurweig, first; Mr. J. Burster and Mrs. G. B. Dake, boobies. Mr. and Mrs. Burster will entertain the club at its next meeting.

Mr. Dennis T. Murphy was pleasantly surprised by his friends and neighbors last Thursday evening, it being his birthday anniversary. The guests enjoyed a pleasant evening and departed at a late hour, all wishing him many happy returns of the day. Mr. Murphy will long remember the day as one of the happy events of his life.

The engagement of Miss May Dandy to Lieutenant Dean, aide-de-camp to General Brooke, with station at St. Paul, was announced last Thursday at a luncheon at which were present: Misses Kountze, Lindsay, McKenna, Palmer, Andreesen, Ringwalt, Webster, Yates and Dandy, and Mesdames Powell, Mercer and Dandy.

Mrs. Ohern entertained a few of her friends at progressive high five last Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay carried off the first prizes, while Mr. Frank Harrison distinguished himself by winning the booby and Miss Lizzie Brody the ladies' booby. Among those present were: Miss L. Brody, Miss Burke, Miss Gentleman, Miss A. Gentleman, Miss J. Heelan, Miss Frazer and Mrs. Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rosenthal were at home to their friends last Sunday at a reception from 2 to 6 o'clock p. m. Mr. and Mrs. A. Mandelberg, Miss Dollie Pollack and Mr. Henry Rosenthal assisted in receiving. The parlor, dining and reception rooms were filled with roses and chrysanthemums. Punch and refreshments were served in the dining room. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenthal will be at home again today.

Mrs. C. H. Dewey and Miss Dewey entertained at a 5 o'clock tea last Friday afternoon at their rooms in the Paxton hotel in honor of Mrs. Avery of Chicago, who is their guest. Those present were: Mesdames Avery, Schwan, Meikle, W. T. Wyman, Kilpatrick, Clifford Smith and Slaymaker of St. Paul; the Misses Yates, the Misses Balcombe, Miss Curtis and Miss Stewart of Council Bluffs.

The Chrysanthemum High Five club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Allen last Tuesday evening at their home on Charles street. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames C. Boggs, Baker, M. G. Bergen, Walters, Lamb, Evans and Mr. and Miss Casey. After the cards delicious refreshments were served and the guests were entertained by music from the hostess, together with anecdotes and recitations by Mr. Lamb and Mr. Walters.

A delightful Kensington was given by Mrs. Mel Uhl, 1531 South Twenty-ninth street, Friday afternoon. One of the features which created considerable merriment was the drawing of an elephant by those present for prizes. Mrs. Sumner receiving first and Mrs. Campbell the booby prize. Those present were: Mesdames Sumner, Campbell, Fuller, Vradenberg, Rhoades, Cameron, Shaw, Kemper, Blockman, Carrier, Dale, Johnson; C. A. Uhl and Milt Uhl.

A parlor musical was the entertainment provided for an appreciative audience Friday evening, November 13, at the home of Mrs. C. J. Ochiltree, 1915 Spencer street. A choice program of fourteen well rendered numbers of instrumental duets, solos, violin, mandolin and reading selections was participated in by Mesdames Lees, Ross and Ochiltree, Misses Campion, Ivins, Faust, Martin, Reynolds and Ochiltree, and Messrs. Wedge, Themes and Dr. Henry.

Miss Jenny Augustin, 823 Hickory street, kept open house in honor of her birthday anniversary on Sunday, November 8. Music, games and dancing sped the merry hours away, followed by a beautiful birthday spread. Those present were: Messrs. Fred Gramlish, Rangval Olson, Edward Augustin, jr., Joseph Renak, Frank Fees, Fred Timm, Leonard Burgot and Harry Strattan of South Omaha, and Misses Martha Seeberger, Mame Hogan, Bertha Seeberger, Minnie Kamph, Katie Jess, Fannie Smith, Mary Opencensky.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlson entertained the friends of their daughter, Selma, in honor of her seventeenth birthday last Tuesday evening. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed and lunch was served at midnight. Those present were: Misses Grace Berka, Dell McIlvaine, Addie Clinchard, Ada Carlson, Edna McLean, Bertha Willie, Esther Carlson, Bertha Beska, Lizzie Maxwell, and Selma Carlson; Messrs. Joe Burke, William Driver, Charles Smith, Wilburn Lunon, Fred McLain, George Morton, Mark Morton, Charles Phelps, George Clinchard, and Arthur Briggs.

The Excelsior Whist club held its initial bi-monthly meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Mittauer Friday evening, November 6. Mr. Mittauer and Mrs. Young won the first. Mr. McCullough and Miss Fruehauf were awarded the boobies. The following members were present: Messrs and Mesdames J. Burster, G. Williams, Mr. H. Fruehauf, Miss Fannie Fruehauf, Messrs. and Mesdames W. Wigman, J. A. McCullough, George Mittauer, R. L. Young and E. L. Hoag. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wigman.

The friends of Mrs. Charles W. Savidge gave her a surprise birthday party Tuesday evening, November 10, at her home, at Leavenworth street and Twenty-fifth avenue. The guests came in a body promptly at 8 o'clock and filled the house. The occasion was the celebration of Mrs. Savidge's thirty-seventh birthday. The evening was spent very pleasantly with conversation, music and prayers for God's blessing to rest upon the hostess, her family, and the work in which they are engaged. Refreshments were served and a number of useful and beautiful gifts were bestowed by the friends present.

The first of the series of parlor entertainments given by the Ladies' Auxiliary society of the Beth Eden Baptist church Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. D. L. Campbell proved a great success. The parlors were filled with a very appreciative audience and the program was rendered in a manner to please the most critical. Mrs. Turner sang and Miss Yetta Zangs, a very talented and pleasing reader, who has recently come to live in Omaha, was received with much enthusiasm. Prof. Baetens, Mr. Martin Cahn and Mr. Conrad need only be mentioned to assure the completeness of the evening's entertainment.

The fifth anniversary of the birth of Gladys Thompson was celebrated last week by a merry party of little men and women at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thompson, 1614 Corby street. Those present were: Byron Neiman, Harry Delamater, Howard Delamater, Josie Hannabery, Ella Myers, Stanley Canover, Irene Este, Mildred Esta, Pearl Lindley, Gertrude Weeth, Fred Cady, Maud Greba, William Chapman, Anita Chapman, Albert Napp, Audrey Creitz, Ruth Lindley, Dorcas Lindley, Sarah Sears, Ellen Metcalfe, Beulah Metcalfe, Wilson Heller, Grace Sharp, May Egleston, Jim Egleston, Catherine Lonhart, Blanche Parker, Irene Sheppard and Babe Lindley.

On Friday, November 6, the friends of Misses Josephine and Lulu Stafford gave them a pleasant surprise at their home, 2418 Seward. Music was furnished by Misses Mabel Dodsworth, Blanche Donahue, Isabelle Baldwin and Lavinia Jackson. Messrs. Charles Keefer and Ralph Libby contributed largely to the pleasure of the evening, while games and a delicious luncheon were enjoyed. Among those present were: Misses Mary Flanagan, Isabelle Baldwin, Martha and Vera Stafford, Julia and Elizabeth Shortliff, Blanche Donahue, Mabel Dodsworth, Josie Parkins, Lucia Switzer, Flanagan, Ada Magnin, Carrie Gibson and Ellen Wolf, and Messrs. Ralph Libby, William Fairchild, George Walters, George Hadfield, Newton Battelle and Charles Keefer, Mr. and Mrs. Stafford and Mrs. Jackson.

A surprise party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Berka, at 1131 South Twenty-eighth street last Monday evening in honor of their daughter, Grace. Music and games were the program of the evening and a dainty lunch was served. The invited guests were: Misses Myrtle Spencer, Bessie Sedwick, Selma Carlson, Helen Spencer, Bessie McElroy, Lillian Mullen, Ada Carlson, Addie Clinchard, Ethel Spencer, Bertha Willie, Esther Carlson, Amelia Clinchard, Dell McIlvaen, Edna McLean, Lizzie Maxwell, Mammie Micheal, Edythe Ewers, Ruth Cultra, Bird Berka, Mayme Garmond, Myrtle Clarke, Mrs. Frolich of South Omaha; Messrs. Willie Dewer, Charles Phelps, Charles Willie, George Clinchard, Bert Burr, Earnest Powell, Edward Clinchard, Frank Brizzelle, Willie Clinchard, Joseph Burke, Bert Orchard, Ned Vanborn, George Vradenburg, George Walker, Charles Smith, Mark Morton, Jake Girler, Wilbur Lemon, Rollie Cornish, Charles Dutton, Charles Mullen of South Omaha, Charles Clinchard, and William Jones.

Pleasures in Prospect.

The Oriole club issues cards for a masque social on November 19 at Cosmopolitan hall.

Miss Grace Allen will give an afternoon tea next Tuesday for her friend, Miss McEchron, of Glens Falls, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hamilton announce a dancing party for next Friday evening, to mark the debut in society of Miss Mae Hamilton.

Invitations are out for the second Young Men's Institute social, which will take place at Morand's hall on Thursday evening, November 19.

The seventh annual musical and ball of the employes of the W. R. Bennett company will occur at Metropolitan hall next Thursday evening, November 19.

Mecca court No. 13, Tribe of Ben Hur, will give a literary and dancing party at the hall of the court, in The Bee building, next Friday evening, November 20.

Mrs. George I. Gilbert and Miss Gilbert will receive their friends next Thursday afternoon at their residence, 1806 Chicago street, the occasion serving as Miss Gilbert's formal introduction to society. The reception will be followed by dancing in the evening.

Fifteen women of York, Neb., have organized a "Review and Art club" for self-improvement during the winter months. The aim of the club is sufficiently indicated by its title; the wide scope of the undertaking may be gathered from the announcement of subjects, which range from Andrea del Sarto and Raphael in painting, and Browning and James Whitcomb Riley in literature, to Marie Corelli and Ella W. Peattie in fiction.

People Who Come and Go.

Miss Anderson of Wyoming is visiting Miss Dickinson.

Miss Creighton is at home after a long visit in Ohio.

Miss Flora Webster is visiting friends in Nashville, Tenn.

Rev. and Mrs. Morgan are the guests of Bishop and Mrs. Worthington.

Miss Curtis, at the Madison, will entertain Miss Boal of Chicago this week.

Miss Georgia Sharp has returned after a four months visit in Chicago.

Miss Emily Galt of Sterling, Ill., is the guest of Mrs. Henry F. Wyman.

Mrs. James R. Kelby has returned from a visit among friends at Albany, Mo.

N. H. Tunnicliff and wife have taken rooms at the Millard for the winter.

Dr. Victor Rosewater is spending a much needed vacation in Jacksonville, Fla.

Mr. Clement Chase, accompanied by Mrs. Chase, is spending a fortnight in New York City.

Mr. N. Wetzel and daughter Anna have taken rooms for the winter at the Barker hotel.

Mrs. E. E. Edwards of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clement Chase.

Mrs. G. W. Roberts of Philadelphia is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Manchester.

Mrs. James H. Little and Mrs. W. D. Fuller of Chicago are the guests of Mrs. W. S. Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Smith are expected in Omaha this week, and will remain during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Callingham are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. McConnell and Miss Isaacs have removed to the residence at 602 Park avenue.

Miss Bessie Yates left last Sunday evening for Chicago and the east, to be gone for several weeks.

Miss Kinsler returned home Friday from a three months visit in Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sioux City.

G. B. Jones and daughter left on Tuesday for Chicago, where they will visit friends for a short period.

Mrs. W. R. Kelly is at home from Boston. Miss Kelly will remain in the east for some time to come.

Mrs. Eleazer Wakeley returned last Monday evening from St. Louis, where she had been visiting her son.

Mrs. Herman C. Schultz and daughter have returned after an extended visit in St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Miss Rolfe and Miss Wilson of Nebraska City are expected to spend a week with Mrs. Heth later in the season.

Miss Georgia Raymond of Sioux City was in Omaha last week on a short visit with friends, while on her way to Denver.

Mrs. Charles H. Sawyer, who has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. F. Kleffner, returned to Kansas City last Thursday.

Misses Luella and Josephine Allen returned home Tuesday from a three months' visit with eastern relatives and friends.

Miss McEchron of Glens Falls, N. Y., who has been visiting Miss Grace Allen, will spend the coming week with Miss Mabel Taylor.

Dr. Guy Wendell Burns, who has been for some time past professor of anatomy in the Northern Institute of Osteopathy, has returned to Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Willey J. Fellheimer (nee Miss Blanch Baum) of New York were here on a short visit with their aunt, Mrs. J. Goldsmith, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Wallace, who have been visiting Mrs. Wallace's sister, Mrs. Joseph R. Campbell, for the past ten days, leave for Santa Fe, N. M., Tuesday, where they will spend the winter.

Mr. John C. Larimer, for some time connected with the Standard Oil company in this city, has gone to accept a position with the Cudahy Packing company at Newcastle, Pa.

City Comptroller Westberg has returned from Denver, where he was called by the dangerous illness of his wife. He left Mrs. Westberg much improved and her recovery is now looked for.

Mrs. N. Wetzel and daughter Edna left last Tuesday to spend the winter in the east visiting Cleveland, New York City, Philadelphia and Washington, D. C., where they expect to be during the inauguration of President McKinley.

Mr. and Mrs. Potter come to Omaha from Mexico, Mo. They have already made a number of friends in this city, especially among the young folks, of whom they are a part. They have taken up their home at 2202 South Eleventh street, where they will be glad to received their friends and parishioners.

Rev. Leslie F. Potter, the new rector of St. Matthias' Protestant Episcopal church, and Mrs. Potter were formally welcomed to Omaha last Wednesday evening, when a reception was rendered them in the parish rooms of the church by the members of the congregation. Bishop Worthington and Mrs. Worthington assisted in receiving the guests, and presented them to the new rector and his wife. The rooms were prettily decorated with potted plants and cut flowers, a fine display of chrysanthemums being noticeable among the latter.

Between the hours of 8 and 10 a large proportion of the congregation, many of the young women pupils of Brownell Hall, and a number of other residents of that section of the city called to greet the newcomers and to assure them of their loyal support. Refreshments were served late in the evening and several musical selections were rendered.

Stereoptican Lecture.

The art department of the Omaha Woman's club gave the first of its series of stereoptican lectures, entitled "A Review of Greek and Roman Sculpture" at the club rooms yesterday afternoon to a large audience.

The subject of the day was "The Buildings of the Acropolis." Mrs. Keyes began her talk by calling attention to the map of Greece and showing how its geographical features had influenced the character of its people—hence its art. She said the peculiar characteristic of Grec