SOCIETY HAS A BUSY WEEK

Approach of the Holidays Brings Out Many Important Events.

BRILLIANT RECEPTION AT FOREST HILL

One Woman's Belated High Hat at the Play—More Than the Usual Number of Social Happenings.

The week which has just drawn to a reluctant close has been one of the most active of the season thus far in Omaha society. For many who are especially favored in the matter of friends, it has been a perfect whirl of gayety. The number of large entertainments has been unusually great, and there have been enough small ones to keep reasonably busy the projectors of them, the participants in them, and the news-gatherers who follow in their wake. Next week also promises to be full of events of a pleasurable kind, apart from the festivities which particularly appertain to the Christmas season.

The charity entertainment, which was given at Creighton hall last Friday evening, was made to take on the characteristics of a society event, by reason of the social prominence of the men and women who took part in the two little plays presented. The excellence of the performance has been commented upon at some length in the dramatic department. It seems to have been an uncommonly good entertainment, artistically and to have been measurably successful financially, for both of which reasons all who were in any way connected with the enterprise deserve hearty congratulations.

The question of big hats at the theaters has been so generally and auspiciously settled by the good sense of the former fair offenders, aided possibly in some measure by an opportune change in styles, that it is rare that any annoyance is caused nowadays by this obstruction, at least in polite audiences. The other night, however, at one of the local houses, a very pretty woman came in wearing a fine specimen of the old voluminous canopy which used to cut off the vision and darken the mind of those who sat behind it. Every eye was upon her as she followed her escort down the aisle. They were a little late, and following the inevitable natural law which governs such cases their seats were farthest of all the row from the aisle. Men and women already ensconced to the rear regarded each other with blanched cheeks and asked, with more or less bated breath, "Will she take it off?"

The curtain rose, and still she showed no sign of removing the all-obscuring headgear. There was a row of women back of her, stretching rearwards for several seats, and farthest from the hat was an intrepid member of the Society of Colonial Dames, who resolved to strike in the spirit of her heroic ancestors. She whispered to the woman in front of her, that woman passed along the whisper to the woman before her, and so the message passed along, as an impulse given to the end block of a long row of blocks will result in upsetting the whole series, until by the last woman behind the hat, who sat in the very adumbration of it, was communicated the courteous request, "Won't you please take it off?"

The outcome of this story is pleasant and calculated to restore the pessimist's confidence in the working together of all things for good. The woman not only took off the hat immediately, but apologized most sweetly for having offended in thoughtlessness. And the apology was carried back by the feminine chain to the woman at the very back from which the original impulse had come.

In view of certain examples recently held up to the admiration of Omaha society, it is said by those who know, or ought to, that it is perfectly correct, and indeed commendable when you are bidden to assist at an afternoon reception, and provided your duties are sedentary—such as pouring tea or presiding over a punch bowl—to bring your knitting along; a sock or a mitten or any old thing will do; and to work thereon industriously in the intervals of your service. And it is further prescribed that you shall not provide fresh work for each new function, but shall ravel out the results of each day's toil in the seclusion of your own home, and use the same material over and over again.

Reception at Forest Hill.

Mrs. Charles T. Kountze gave a reception at Forest Hill last Thursday afternoon for Miss Gertrude Kountze, the occasion being Miss Kountze's formal debut in society. The event was one of the largest and most delightful of the season. The Kountze residence is admirably adapted to the requirements of a large entertainment. Few houses in Omaha could so well accommodate a function of such magnitude as the reception of Thursday. The commodious rooms and ample halls were adorned beyond their wont with palms and roses, and the deep bay window of the dining room was a bower of palms and crimson poinsettias.

Mrs. Kountze and Miss Kountze received in the large hall. Mrs. Kountze wore white organdie and lace over yellow silk. Miss Kountze was charming in pearl gray silk. Her flowers were violets. Other women who assisted in various ways during the afternoon were: Mesdames Samuel Burns, Henry W. Yates, John C. Cowin, Charles F. Manderson, Howard B. Smith, Fred H. Davis, Charles W. Lyman, Clement Chase, W. A. Redick, Warren Rogers, W. B. Meikle, W. R. Morris, L. F. Crofoot, Harry Cartan, S. Wright Butler, George W. Mercer, Ward Burgess and Isaac A. Coles and Misses Taylor, Allen, Dandy, Ringwalt, Palmer, Gilbert, Peck, McKell, Flora Yates, Crounse, Doherty, Lindsey, Squires, Gleason of St. Louis, Florence Morse, Buck, Colpetzer, Cowin and Himebaugh.

Among the many women who crowded the apartments during the hours of the reception were noticed Mesdames Funkhouser, Alfred Millard, Samuel Brown, B. F. Smith, Clifford Smith, Stebbins, Page, Richardson, I. E. Congdon, Lehmer, R. S. Hall, McShane, Paterson, George C. Smith, McCague, Marples, Coutant, Bennett, Greene, Taliaferro, Irvine, Carrier, Offut, Odgen, Love, Remington, D. H. Wheeler, D. H. Wheeler, jr., Snyder, Lindsey, Wilhelm, Stiger, Griffith, Barton, Stephens, W. H. S. Hughes, C. T. Taylor, Gilbert, Swobe, Eddy, Buck, C. E. Squires, Yost, Stone, Kuhn, Perrine, Palmer, David Baum, Daniel Baum, McKell, Pritchett, B. B. Wood, Colpetzer, W. J. Hughes, J. F. Barton, W. B. Millard, J. E. Wilbur and J. K. Chambers, and Misses Bache, Sharp, Ida Sharp, Georgia Sharp, Tukey, Baum, Alexander, Kissam of Connecticut, Knight Balcombe, Dewey, Hanscom and Wakeley.

Mrs. Orcutt's Dancing Party.

A very enjoyable party was given Friday evening by Mr. and Mrs. C. Orcutt for their daughter, Miss Anna Ri.

The handsome Orcutt home was artistically decorated with palms, holly and bridesmaid roses. The whole lower floor was canvassed for dancing and the mantels in these rooms were prettily decorated with roses. An orchestra was stationed in the large reception hall, screened by large palms. On each side of the broad stairway were palms. Two of the rooms on the upper floor were transformed into reception rooms and these were gayly decorated with holly, in anticipation of the coming Christmastide.

Punch was served in the library during the evening. The punch bowl was on an exquisite centerpiece of drawn work, and carnations were strewn carelessly all around. The programs were given the guests by little Miss Jennie Orcutt, who looked like a fairy in green mousseline de soie over pink, the low neck finished with forget-me-nots.

Mrs. Orcutt was gowned in an heavy black silk trimmed in exquisite embroidered chiffon over white satin, with diamonds.

Miss Anna Ri wore an artistic gown of flowered taffeta and mousseline de soie over pale pink satin and trimmed in pearl passementerie.

The invited guests were: Mesdames Cudahy, Frank Haller, Patterson, Blackwell; Misses Ethel Tukey, Edna Robison, Ora Roe of Denver, Elizabeth Allen, Laura Mead of Fremont, Nellie McShane, Golda Frank, Mabel Boyd, Beatrice Hartman of Des Moines, Janet Rogers, Alice Weller, Herberta Jaynes, Ella Cotton, Mary Wood, Georgia Kennard, Bessie Fowler, Sadie Alexander, Eva Kennard, Rowena Higginson, Mildred Lomax, Alma Claflin, Fannie Purvis, Edith Thomas, Coreta Curtis, Lillian Moore, Fredricka Wessels, Fannie Cole, Louise Daugherty, Inez Grishouse, Blanch Miller, Grace Garner, Edith Jackson, Anna White, Helene Wyman, Mary Johnson, Harriet Marsh, Jeanne Wakefield, Belle Goldsmith, Jessie Lansing, Clara Shroeder, Mercedes Lowe, Blanch Lowe, Mary Barker, Lulu Peycke, Blanche Kinsler, Lulu Agbert, Hester Taylor, Louise Tukey, Anna Code, Rena Jensen, Alta Griffin, Florence Gridley, Mayme Burton, Stella Burton, Kathryn Pollack, Jessie McCune, Laura Hunter, Gertrude Macomber, Ethel Wilkins, Julia Hufmaire, Ethel Willcox and Messrs. Colpetzer, Shiverick, Hoagland, Tukey, Nash, Louis Nash, Wagner, Clark, Ward Clark, Towle, Thurston, Swobe, Godso, Towne, Leonard, Baird, Fonda, Knight, May, Chambers, Kennard, Mercer, Krug, Tinsey, Irons, Cotton, Collet, Squires of Council Bluffs, Warren of St. Louis, Morsman, Morrison, Clarkson, Keogh, Cusmaden, Barrows, Wood, Wallace Barker, Reed, Connell, McShane, Baum, Dickinson, Carter, Shiels, Manchester, Powell, Charlie Powell, Patterson, Sadler, Morehouse, Dr. Percy Jensen, Hunter, Mackay, Hoffman, Wood of Virginia, Warren Blackwell.

Palmer Dancing Party.

One of the pleasantest dancing parties of the season was that given by Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Palmer, for Miss Palmer and Mr. George Palmer, last Wednesday evening at their residence, 1322 South Thirty-second avenue. The spacious apartments were profusely decorated with holly, which lent a holiday air to the occasion and the entire first floor was canvassed for dancing, an orchestra providing the music.

Mrs. Palmer was attired in a becoming reception gown of dark red silk.

Miss Palmer wore white silk trimmed with mousseline de soie and lace.

Among those present were: Misses Allen, Cady, Sloan, Colpetzer, Gilbert, Creighton, Hoagland, Vineyard of St. Joseph, Kountze, Woolworth, Ringwalt, Peck, Florence Morse, Millard, Dickinson, Abell of South Dakota, Lindsey, Buck, Squires and Palmer; Messrs. and Mesdames Sterling, Cartan, Lewis, Reed and Meikle and Messrs. Tarleton, Cooley, Battin, Hoagland, Wilson, Pratt, Welch of Lincoln, Montmorency, Heth, Colpetzer, Floyd Smith, Cowin, Berlin, Charles C. Rosewater, William S. Rogers, John Patrick, Cowin, Hall, Cooley, Wheeler and Palmer.

Miss Colpetzer's Pretty Dinner.

In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Burgess, Miss Colpetzer gave a charming dinner last Friday evening. The decorations were chiefly of violets, which were profusely in evidence. Covers were laid for thirty-eight at small tables, each seating four. In the center of the tables were masses of violets which were attached to violet-colored ribbons running to the edge, and at the conclusion of the dinner it was possible by deftly pulling at the ribbons to resolve the central mass into individual bouquets, which were worn by the diners. Dancing followed the dinner.

Those present were: Misses Squires, McKell, Cowin, Sloan, Hartman, Palmer, Himebaugh Cady, Alexander, Kissam, Cook, Hoagland, Kountze, Allen, Taylor and Colpetzer; Mrs. Burgess and Mrs. Mercer, and Messrs. Wilkins, Fonda, Paxton, Will Clarke, C. C. George, J. E. George, Dietz, Floyd Smith, Burgess, Mercer, Cooley, Heth, Young, Pratt, Wheeler, Wing, Allen, Palmer, Cowin and Colpetzer.

Chicago Glee Club Coming.

Considerable festivity is expected to attend the coming concert of the University of Chicago Glee club, which is announced for Monday evening, January 4. Miss Gertrude Clarke will entertain the club at an afternoon reception at the Millard and a large reception and dance will take place after the concert, also at the Millard. The following have consented to act as patronesses for the concert:

Mesdames J. N. H. Patrick, F. P. Kirkendall, Clement Chase, Edward Dickinson, S. A. McWhorter, James McKell, J. E. Baum, Frank Colpetzer, Charles N. Dietz, Charles Kountze, William A. Redick, Thomas Kilpatrick, H. T. Cady, G. M. Hitchcock, George A. Hoagland, Charles E. Squires, William F. Allen, Will Millard, Charles Barton, Harry Burkley, Ward Burgess, Henry W. Yates, L. M. Bennett, Alfred Dunn, Truman Buck, W. V. Morse.

Miss Laura Winter's Party.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Winter of North Nineteenth street entertained a number of young people last Monday evening in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Miss Laura. Quite a number of friends of the young woman were present and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent. A feature new to the entertainments given in Omaha consisted of twenty-four questions concerning the origin and life of the lily of the valley, the replies to all questions to be answered by the name of a flower. The programs were very prettily decorated with pink and white carnations. Mr. Oscar Beindorff succeeded in capturing the first prize, Mr. T. R. Porter gaining the consolation after a hard struggle with several others present. Much merriment was caused by the different answers given. The refreshments served were very elaborate.

Entertains His Little Friends.

Master Ray Shields entertained a number of his young friends at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Shields, 1237 North Twenty-seventh street, last Saturday in honor of his seventh birthday. The evening was devoted to plays and games. During the evening lunch was served to the little folks.

Those present were: Masters Richard Updike, Edward Leigh, Clarence Snyder, Louis Whitmore, Walter Page, Henry Rasmussen, Carl Odoff, Albert Lindquest, Thurston Potter, Bennie Shufelt, Arnold Solomon, Merton White, Wilson, Carl and Roy Pressly, George Knapp and Tommie Horn, and Misses Fannie Beard, Anna Potter, Flora and Hallie Updike, Lucy Whitmore, Jennie Shufelt, Helga Lindquest, Kittie, Bessie and Lyda Horn, and Emma and Beulah Solomon.

Mr. Standard Was Surprised.

Mr. T. M. Standard, living at 2024 Spruce street, was tendered a surprise party by his family last Wednesday evening, the occasion being his forty-fifth birthday. A program, consisting of songs and recitations, was delightfully rendered during the evening by Mrs. Baxter, Miss Edna Moore, Mr. Welshans, Miss A. Grace Crawford and Mr. Woods. Cards were indulged in, after which winners and losers alike participated in a dainty lunch. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Rocheford, Brenenstall, Shoerder, Grimes, Jones, Lozer, Cox, Swanson, Japp, Nelson, Smith, Phelps, Day, Woods, Wisterman and Kennedy; Dr. and Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Sheiler, Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Green of Chicago, Mrs. Cullison, Mrs. Matheson and Mrs. Askwith; Misses Bruner and Standard and Mr. Davis.

Congregational Church Supper.

The Ladies' society of the First Congregational church gave a dinner last Tuesday evening at the church parlors to celebrate the discharge of the society's obligation of $500 to the trustees to apply on the church debt. A not exorbitant charge was made for participation in this material feast in order that the amount pledged might be paid in good measure. The achievement of the women of the church in thus raising so large a sum by their own unaided efforts since the early autumn is looked upon as a remarkable feat, and with their generous assistance the trustees have succeeded in reducing the debt by $10,000.

An assessment of $5 had been levied upon each woman member of the society, who was obligated to earn it herself and was further constrained to write or otherwise acquire a set of verses describing the manner in which she came by the money. Mrs. Ford presided at the supper table and called on each contributor in turn, prefacing the summons by apt remarks of a humorous nature. One woman owned up in rhyme to having taken her money surreptitiously from her husband's hidden store, excusing the seeming irregularity of her act by the reflection that he had contracted to endow her with all his worldly goods and that she thought she was entitled to so much on account. Others had written verses for their less richly gifted sisters, and so earned their money.

Pleasant Dancing Party.

One of the events of the week was a social dancing party given by Misses Anna Schurz, Sophie Bullenheimer, Jessie Goodlett and Ida Axford, chaperoned by Mrs. Schurz and Mrs. Itner, at Erling hall Tuesday evening. The hall was beautifully decorated with potted plants, ferns and cut flowers and a delicious lunch was served. The little Mulvihill sisters favored the party with a number of skirt dances.

Miss Schurz wore white silk; Miss Bullenheimer, cream silk; Miss Goodlett, pink satin; Miss Axford, white organdie over pink.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. N. Miller, Mrs. Mulvihill; Misses McGuire, Marnell, Bell, Higgins, Mershaum, McConnell, Morse, Fuller, Reynolds and Hardy; Messrs. Noyes, Fowler, Johnson, G. Kinney, F. Kinney, McGuire, Trimbell, Marnell, Miller, Broadfield, Dolan, Itner, Goodlett, Hartoon, Wallace, Morse, Pratt and Burns.

Heptamerons' Dancing Party.

The Heptamerons gave another very enjoyable dancing party at Morand's academy last Wednesday evening. Dimick's orchestra furnished the music. Refreshments were served to the merry dancers during promenades.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. Nordwall, Misses Berka, Andreen, Myrtle Spencer, Helen Spencer, Felber, Theinhardt, McQuillan, Scott, Williams, Frazier, Taylor, Moore, Pomy, Nestor, Murray, Rockbud, Heywood, Nordwall, Reuland, Woods, Bessie Grau, Ella Grau, Leeper, Brinn and Van Buren, and Messrs. Wright, Potter, Shaver, Woods, Magner, Vandervoort, F. E. Smith, Kranz, Wille, H. M. Eck, W. D. Eck, Bjorkman, H. Nestor, P. Nestor, Pomy, Hart, Horton, Nordwall, Koopman, Krug, Honey, Kent, Newcomb, Lowry, Shilsby, Mulvihill and Wilderman.

Kensington for Miss Kissam.

In honor of Miss Kissam, who has been visiting Miss Alexander, and who is about to return to her home, Miss Tukey gave a charming Kensington tea last Friday afternoon.

Miss Tukey wore a becoming gown of white Swiss. Miss Kissam was attired in white mousseline de soie, over white satin, trimmed with violets.

Miss Ethel Tukey, Squires, Stone, Pennell, Symns, McKell, Knox, Sargent, Warfield and Alexander assisted in receiving the guests.

Weddings and Engagements.

Adolph Fiala and Miss Kate Pauline Day were married Thursday evening, December 17, at the residence of the bride's parents, on South Eighteenth street, near Williams. Rev. Charles W. Savidge officiated.

A very pleasant and happy wedding was celebrated at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Hamblet, 3720 North Twenty-seventh street, Tuesday, December 15, at 3 p. m., the occasion being the marriage of their eldest daughter, Miss Elizabeth M. Hamblet, to Mr. Harry Seltz of DeSoto, Neb., Rev. A. W. Clark officiating. After the ceremony all partook of the bountiful repast prepared for the occasion, after which the bride and groom started on their wedding tour. They will be at home to their many friends and relatives after January 1, 1897, at DeSoto, Neb.

Pleasures that Are Past.

Miss Colpetzer gave a large kensington last Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Alexander gave a tea yesterday afternoon for her guest, Miss Kissam.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Smith gave a delightful small dinner Saturday evening of last week in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ward M. Burgess.

Miss Woolworth entertained at supper last Friday night after the charity entertainment the members of the cast of "In Honor Bound," besides a few others.

In honor of Miss Gleason of St. Louis, who is the guest of Mrs. Henry Cartan, Miss McKenna entertained at luncheon last Tuesday. Miss Gleason, Mrs. Cartan and Misses Millard, Peck, Lindsey, Kountze and Woolworth.

The Gemuethlichkiel High Five club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. P. Elsasser last Tuesday evening. The first prizes were won by Mrs. J. Burster and Mr. C. C. Schaeffer. Mrs. George Mittauer and Mr. J. Baumer won the consolation prizes. The club will be entertained on New Year's eve by Mr. and Mrs. R. Rosenzweig.

A card party was given by Mrs. W. B. Sterling last Monday afternoon in honor of her guest, Miss Abell. There were present Mesdames Taliaferro, Irvine, Bidwell, Carrier and Dunn; Misses Abell, Sharp, Ida Sharp, Lindsey, Squires, Morse, Alexander, Peck, Sloan, Cady, Moore, Fisher and Bullard of Council Bluffs.

Mrs. George W. Holdrege entertained the Forest Hill Card club delightfully Wednesday afternoon. The prizes, which were exquisite, were won by Miss Barker, Miss Fanny Cole, Mrs. J. N. Cornish, Mrs. Carson and Mrs. Bruce. At the conclusion of the games a supper was served. Miss Rogers sang beautifully during the afternoon.

Mrs. L. B. Hammond gave a delightful conversation party last Thursday evening at her residence in Kountze Place. Those present were: Misses Hamblin, Baumer, De Lorme, Furay, Seaton, Riley, Roberts, Hammond, Snyder, McCreary and Morse; and Messrs. Dorsey, Smith, Palmer, Nelson, Raymond, Meile, McCreary, Dudley, McAuley, Seaton, Avery and Hammond.

Mrs. Arthur M. Pinto gave a large and enjoyable reception last Tuesday afternoon at her residence, 2545 California street. The apartments were beautifully decorated with roses, palms, primroses and holly. Mrs. Pinto was assisted in receiving by her sister, Miss Fisher, and by Mesdames McMullen, Mapes and Garrett. Mesdames Conrad, Garner, Weller and Gruninger and Misses Orcutt and Ranger also assisted in the other duties of a large reception. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Pinto entertained at cards.

Last Friday night Mr. N. Sigwart, the father of Chief of Police Sigwart, was given a little celebration because he had reached the seventy-third milestone in his life. The affair was held at the residence of Mr. Sigwart's brother-in-law, Mr. James Haley, at Twenty-ninth and Dodge streets. A very pleasant evening was spent with cards and in social enjoyment. Very nice refreshments were served before the party broke up. The affair was attended by the relatives and most intimate friends of Mr. Sigwart.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hunter entertained the Lillian Whist club last Thursday evening at their residence in Kountze Place. The tables were especially made in the shape of the spots on the cards, a novel and original idea, and the score cards were also appropriately and tastefully decorated in accordance with the same design. Music and dancing filled out the evening after the cards and refreshments. Besides the full membership of the club the following guests were present: Messrs. and Mesdames Palmatier, Cole, Leavitt, Miss Ochiltree, Mr. Ochiltree, Miss Hungate and Mr. Hungate. Miss Hungate and Mr. Pritchard won the very pretty prizes offered.

An afternoon soiree at the cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar L. Leverton, 1895 Ohio street, was a most pleasant occurrence last Wednesday, given in honor of their aunt and cousin, Mrs. Rebecca Leverton and her daughter, Miss Harriet, of Chicago. The unique arrangement of the parlors makes the rooms especially suited for such an occasion. Mrs. Leverton looked charming in her magenta gown and proved her ability as a capable hostess. Among those present were: Mrs. Rebecca Leverton, Miss Harriet Leverton, Mesdames James Collie, Eldrich, J. N. Perkins, E. N. Bowles, James Dougherty, D. W. Tillotson, Oscar Millsap, R. W. Remington and Miss Ella Mosier.

Pleasures in Prospect.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Breckenridge and Mr. and Mrs. Ira B. Mapes will give a New Year's reception at the Breckenridge residence, from 7 to 11 on the evening of January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Kountze and Miss Kountze will give a large dancing party on New Year's eve.

Mrs. Lewis Reed will give an informal dancing party on Christmas night for her son and daughter.

Mrs. George A. Hoagland and Miss Hoagland will give a tea on New Year's day from 5 to 8 o'clock.

The next party of the Monday Night club will take place on Monday evening, December 28, at the Millard hotel.

Cards are out for a reception to be given by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Cowin next Tuesday evening, in honor of General and Mrs. Wheaton and Miss Wheaton. A dancing party will follow the reception.

The Montezumas have issued invitations for a novel dancing party to be held New Year's eve. The arrangements include an orchestra of seven pieces, a leap year program till midnight, when new programs will be issued. At about 1 a. m. a banquet will be served at the Merchants.

People Who Come and Go.

Mrs. Dallas Bache is at home after a visit in Ohio.

Mr. E. W. Nash and Miss Nash are in New York.

Miss Dickinson is spending a few days in New York.

Miss Ethel Morse is at home from school for the holidays.

Miss Ura Kelly has returned from Boston for the holidays.

Miss Hoe of Haverill, Mass., is the guest of Miss Hoagland.

Miss Hoagland entertained Miss Vineyard of St. Joseph last week.

Mr. W. Righter Wood is at home from Ann Arbor, Mich., for the holidays.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Powell have been in Chicago during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Yates entertained last week Mrs. Edward Smith of St. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of Lincoln spent a few days in Omaha last week.

Dr. and Mrs. Allison have removed to their new residence at 2015 Cass street.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Smith of Boston will pass the winter in Omaha.

Dr. and Mrs. Shannon of Fort Custer were in town last week visiting relatives.

Miss Ora Rowe of Denver is visiting Miss Edna Robison at 2548 Capitol avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCormick will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Fonda.

Mrs. T. H. Smith of Des Moines, is visiting Mrs. W. L. Beard at 2211 Webster street.

Miss Flora Webster is expected to return this week from her visit in Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Ray W. Vierling returned from Chicago Wednesday, where he has been attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Burgess have moved into their new residence at 315 North Twentieth street.

Miss Florence Kilpatrick has gone to Buffalo, where she will pass the holidays with friends.

Miss Helen Peck, who is attending school in Chicago, will pass the Christmas vacation at home.

Miss Edna Cowin came home last Wednesday from New York, and will remain until after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. William I. Walker and Miss Moore have moved from Binney street to 2011 Sherman avenue.

Mr. J. Wallace Broatch, who has been pursuing a post graduate course at Yale, returned home last Friday.

Mrs. Samuel Brown has returned from a long stay abroad, and is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Millard.

Miss Bessie Towle is at home from school for the holidays, and Mr. Ross Towle is expected to arrive before Christmas.

Mrs. J. W. Cupit, with her son, of Bay City, Mich., is visiting her brother, F. E. Hall, at 508 North Thirty-second street.

Mrs. William T. Kelly and Miss Briggs were called to Sioux City Thursday by the sudden death of their brother-in-law, Mr. Morley.

Miss Abell, who has been visiting Mrs. William B. Sterling for the past month, returned last week to her home in South Dakota.

Mrs. Wilson of Nebraska City, who has been spending a week with her brother, Mr. H. A. Doud, will return to her home tomorrow.

Miss Ballance of Peoria, Ill., who has been the guest of Mrs. Baldrige during the past month, has gone to West Virginia, where she will spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Kennedy have removed to the residence at the corner of Thirty-ninth and Farnam streets which was formerly the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larned.

Miss Alice Rickards, daughter of Governor Rickards of Wyoming, leaves this afternoon for Cheyenne. She will be accompanied by Miss Mae Fitchett, who will be her guest during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. H. Patrick, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Smith, Mrs. Barker, Miss Bessie Yates, Mr. R. W. Patrick and Mr. Barker constitute a party which is making an extended trip through California.

Miss Kathryn C. Creary, daughter of Major W. E. Creary, U. S. A., left Omaha last Thursday for Fort Keogh, Mont., where she will make her future home with her brother, Lieutenant W. F. Creary, Second infantry, U. S. A.

Mrs. C. L. Chaffee and her two children, Cora and Bert, left last Wednesday for a long visit at Santa Paula, Cal., the home of Mrs. Burroughs, who returned with them after a three months' stay with the family of Mr. Chaffee in Omaha.

NOTES FROM OMAHA SUBURBS.

Benson.

Mr. and Mrs. William McGinnis of Elkhorn were visiting in Benson last week.

Mrs. Norris of Omaha was a visitor at the home of Mrs. F. A. Bailey during the past week.

The school entertainment will be given at the hall next Wednesday evening, December 23, opening at 8 o'clock.

No services were held at the church last Sunday evening, as the preachers attended the lecture on Africa at the First Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. H. McGinnis intends to depart for the west next week. He will be joined by his family after the holidays. They will make their future home in Colorado.

The teachers in the schools are making preparations for a Christmas program, which will be given at the hall. Prof. Eby, with the help of the other two teachers, Miss McDunn and Miss Wohlgast, is daily training the students, and the indications are that the exercises will be a credit to all who take part in them.

The regular meeting of the literary was held at the hall last Wednesday evening. This has been the third meeting of the winter, and the number of attendance was greatly increased at the last. The president acted as chairman for the evening. The debate was upon the following: "Resolved, That the Cuban Insurgents Be Recognized as Belligerents." The question was given to the affirmative side. The next meeting will be held Wednesday evening, December 30.

Bellevue.

Bellevue college has just closed a very successful term's work. The attendance has been very good, the standard of scholarship high, so the college authorities feel much encouraged. The professors will spend the holidays in the village. Miss Lawrence will visit her mother at Holden, Mo. Misses Connor and Kerrigo go to Fort Scott, Kan. The college reopens January 5, 1897.

After nearly a year spent in the hospitals of Europe Dr. Mattice has resumed practice at Eighteenth and Farnam.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

John M. Daugherty has gone to Chicago on a business trip of a few days.

Phil M. Crocket and wife of Coin, Ia., are registered at the Barker.

A. Darlow of the Union Pacific left last night for the east, to be gone several days.

Miss M. Von Valkenberg left last night for Milwaukee, where she will visit friends during the holidays.

A. B. Alyan, a prominent stockman of South Omaha, returned home last night from a trip to Cheyenne, Wyo.

J. G. Tate, grand master of the Ancient Order of United Workemen, who has been in the city for a short period, left last night for Grand Island.

J. Hislop of Denver is stopping at the Barker.

Judge A. M. Post of Columbus was an Omaha visitor yesterday.

R. J. Miller and wife of Sioux Falls, S. D., were Omaha arrivals yesterday.

George W. Snow, wife and son of Springfield, S. D., were in the city yesterday.

L. M. Crawford of Topeka, Kan., lessee of the Boyd theater, is a Barker guest.

Judge W. H. Westover and daughter of Bushville were Omaha visitors yesterday.

P. A. Valentine of Chicago is in the city on business. Mr. Valentine is the confidential man of P. D. Armour.

Senator William V. Allen came in last evening from Washington on his way home to spend the holiday vacation.

R. Blackstone and Misses Flora and Louise Blackstone of Central City, S. D., were among the arrivals yesterday.

E. M. Gotthelf of New York, in advance of "The Shadows of a Great City" company, and Al McLean of New York, representing "Saved from the Sea" company, are stopping at the Barker.

Nebraskans at the hotels: F. E. Harris, Ashland; F. M. Polk, F. O. Kemp, Lincoln; J. W. Stewart, Fremont; D. C. Eldrege, York; Edwin R. Pease, Fremont; J. E. Smith, Beatrice; G. J. Evans, C. Webster, Hastings; Morris Palmer, Schuyler; A. W. Crites, Chadron; H. Schickedanz, St. Paul.

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Men's fine Tan Goat Slippers, $1.25 $1.75 and $2.00, worth $1.75 to $2.50.

Boys' fine Velvet Embroidered Slippers, 75c, worth $1.00.

Boys' fine Tan Goat Slippers, $1.50, worth $1.25,

Men's fine Calf Goodyear Welt Shoes, $3.00, worth $4.00.

Men's Calf McKay Lace Shoes, $2.50, worth $3.00

Men's fine Satin Calf Lace Shoes $1.50 $2.

Boys' fine Satin Calf Lace Shoes $1, $1.25.

Ladies' fine Enamel Lace $5 Shoes "Brook Bros., Rochester, make," $3.50, A to D, sizes 3 to 7. Ladies' fine Velvet Embroidered Slippers, 48c, 98c and $1.25, worth 75c to $1.75. Ladies' fine Felt Slippers 50c, 98c and $1.25, worth 75c to $1.75.

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