

FESTIVITIES BEFORE LENT Social Circles Contract in Anticipation of the Continental Season. BRILLIANT GERMAN AT COURTLAND PLACE Several Dancing Parties, a Goodly Number of Kensingtons, a Luncheon or Two and a Couple of True and Diverging Stories.

The past week has not been the greatest nor yet the least of the season in point of the number of things that have happened. Although no events of exceptional magnitude have occurred, in which all society might participate, there have been quite a number of parties which might reasonably lay claim to the distinction of size. Miss Worthington's cotillion is spoken of by some who shared in it as the most delightful event of the year, and the dancing party given by Mr. and Mrs. Haller, in honor of Miss Haller, was just large enough to make the occasion the thoroughly pleasant one which parties at the Livington mansion invariably are.

There is a young woman quite popular and equally prominent in the very best circles of Omaha society whose handsome face and graceful carriage have not failed to have her from a reputation of coldness and aloofness which was to be expected of her. Miss Worthington is not, it is to be expected, a person who would seem to be in a measure unwarranted for those who know the young woman best are unanimous in asserting that she is a person of a most amiable and cheerful disposition, and it is not surprising that she should be so popular. Her gracefulness is not, it is to be expected, a person who would seem to be in a measure unwarranted for those who know the young woman best are unanimous in asserting that she is a person of a most amiable and cheerful disposition, and it is not surprising that she should be so popular.

Miss Worthington gave a very delightful cotillion at Courtland place last Thursday evening, her guests being Miss Tuttle of St. Louis. The dancers were: Mrs. Herbert of New York, Mrs. Warren Rogers, Mrs. Kuntze, Misses Libby, Yates, Beale, Yate, McKee, Keenan, Howard, Bingham, Palmer, Houston, Webster, Helen Millard, Peck, Warner of Chicago, Tuttle of St. Louis and Westworth, and Messrs. Heath, Willard, Palmer, Warren, Warren Rogers, Will Rogers, Herbert Rogers, Cowin, Robert Patrick, John Patrick, Pratt, Perry, Platt, Smith, Hedgeson, Howard, Hallock, Hall and Foxon. Music was furnished by a full orchestra. The guests were all in patches and comical dresses, and Miss Tuttle was asked to come in white, with patches of various shades. The favors were unusually elaborate and beautiful, and they were all very much enjoyed.

One of the most enjoyable evenings of the week was spent at the home of Miss Josie Perkins Friday, February 12. This closed the fifteenth year of her life. Miss Josie received a number of dainty and pretty gifts from her friends, and the evening was very enjoyable. The guests were: Misses White, Walker, Dett Stone, Grace Brewington, Georgia Patterson, Grace Davis, Josie Stanford, Misses Starnes, Lulu Starnes, Lottie Parlin, Blanche Pray, Messrs. Arthur Rockford, Alfred Taylor, Allen Scott, Channing Parker, Fred Rockford, George Walker, Walter E. Keenan, M. W. C. Brainer, Lawrence Sidwell and Ralph Libby.

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much exploited of late in St. Nicholas. Prizes offered for proficiency in this art were won by Mr. F. A. Leavelle. Among the guests were: Messrs. and Mrs. James W. Allen, W. H. Alexander, Kitchell and Carrigan, E. M. Richardson, E. A. Cady, H. B. Whitmore, F. P. Kirkland, J. M. Vail, W. A. Carter, C. S. Cullingham, W. F. Barton, George Mercer, Messadmas Heih, Blackwell, Beck and W. J. Morris; Misses Alexander, Florence Morse, Peck, Gilbert, Palmer, Barker, Mary Barker, Wood, Harriott Rock, Storch and Misses Greath and Messrs. Palmer, Hech, Blackwell, Wing, Allison, Short, Wheeler, Raymond and Lieutenant Howell.

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The Swedish Ladies' choir is a musical organization lately established by women. Its first entertainment, partly in elaborate costumes, last Saturday, was a great success, and will be repeated next Saturday at the same place, Myrtle hill, in the Central block. The society is under the direction of Mrs. Adolfin Egler, and judging from the program it will play music-loving people to attend the next concert. Instrumental and vocal selections will be rendered. Some of our most prominent talent, Mandolin, Kitiolin, violin and other will be played by competent soloists on the various instruments. In addition to the usual program a lunch will be served, and the entertainment will wind up with a dance.

Miss Martha Stone has returned from Atchison, Kan. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Burns left Friday evening for Atchison, Kan.; Messrs. J. G. Gilmore of St. Louis is visiting Mrs. Edward A. Cudahy. Mrs. Charles E. Ford and Miss Hartman spent last week in Chicago. Mrs. W. Farnam Smith has returned from a stay of some weeks in the east. Miss Bertha Stone's address in Washington, D. C. is 1000 M Street, N. W. Mrs. G. M. Marston of Wisconsin are guests of Mrs. Dauserman. Miss Anna Haller of Davenport, Ia., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haller. Mr. and Mrs. North, who has been visiting in North Platte, returned to Omaha Friday. Mrs. W. H. Roberson and Miss Edith Hart left for New York via New Orleans last Tuesday. Miss Sloan started east last Friday and will visit in New York, Philadelphia and Washington. Dr. and Mrs. Horton of Newcastle, Wyo., returned from a short stay with Mrs. Miller of Orchard Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Elias Cobb have taken rooms at the Meridian, where they will be at home until the latter part of the month. Miss Kuntze will leave this week for Indianapolis, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Nicholson. Mrs. Charles H. McDowell of Chicago is the guest of Mrs. Arthur E. Rose at 2501 California street. Mrs. George Canfield and Miss Elizabeth Canfield of Wyo., are visiting friends in this city. Miss Turner of Chicago has returned to her home after a visit at the home of General and Mrs. Dandy. Mrs. A. J. Adams of Des Moines, Ia., is the guest of her niece, Mrs. Henry R. Roberts of South Eleventh street. Mrs. J. W. Wade, accompanied by Mrs. Matheson, who has been seriously ill for the past fortnight, is making rapid progress towards recovery. Mrs. W. Ernest Johnson is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Hellings, at their home in Jamestown, N. Y. Miss Grace Allen went to Chicago last week, where she will be the guest of Miss Drake during the month of March. Mr. and Mrs. Frank McGowan, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. Bruner, returned to their home in Wisconsin. Mr. Joseph Moore of Indianapolis is visiting her daughters, Mrs. W. I. Walker and Miss Helen Moore, at 2011 Sherman avenue. Mr. Casan street, near the corner of 16th and 17th, will soon leave for Fort Robinson, having rented their house on Georgia avenue for a year. Mr. W. K. Richards of Meadville, Pa., and Mrs. Darius Tallandge of Columbus, O., are visiting their sister, Mrs. Frank Field of Thirty-first street. Mrs. Henry B. Roberts and her little son, Harry, of South Eleventh street, returned on Wednesday from a visit with friends and relatives in Chicago. About the middle of the month, Mrs. W. P. Hellings, who is visiting with friends in the city last week, she departed Tuesday morning for Los Angeles and other points in California. Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Tallandge have gone to New Orleans for the Mardi Gras festivities. They will also visit friends at Pass Christian before returning to Omaha. Mrs. C. A. Clavin of Omaha is the guest of the Captain and Mrs. C. B. Rustin. It is likely that they will make their permanent home in Omaha in the near future. Miss Hunting of Boston, who has been spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Arthur B. Smith, left for the east last Wednesday, accompanied by her son, who is in Chicago, returning Friday morning. Miss Georgia Lindsey will leave early this week for the south, where she will witness the funeral of her father. She will be accompanied by her son, who is in Chicago, and spend some time with friends in Biloxi, returning to Omaha in about a month.

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