SHOWS SIGNS OF REVIVAL

Society Mends Its Pace in Anticipation of the Coming Season.

BRILLIANT LAWN FETE FOR CHARITY

Tide of Popular Movement is Turning Omahaward from Mountain, Ocean, Lake and Plain.

Last week differed from every other week in the society summer in that it contained one of the largest and most enjoyable social events of any and all seasons—the charity lawn fete on the Joslyn grounds. An extended account of this pretty festival will be found elsewhere on this page, which should make those who staid away regret their non-attendance and recall pleasant memories to those who went. An artless, but particularly effective feature about the advertising connected with this entertainment was the indication let fall, by way of the merest hint at first, that there would be bathing in a pond on the lawn, and that suits a la mode would be furnished at reasonable rates at the dressing rooms along the shore. It would doubtless be hazardous to assert that such a prospect attracted more spectators to the beautiful grounds on West Davenport street than motives of philanthropy or of curiosity otherwise manifested. But it is borne in upon the observer of results that the bathing scheme was a master stroke of the diplomacy of advertising. To be sure, there was not a great deal of bathing in the pretty little pool, with its pond lilies and rushes; but it is not likely that those who gave the matter much thought expected another Coney Island. At any rate, the gratifying financial success of this festival, following within a month upon a similar enterprise happily carried out on the Kimball lawn, is likely to set a pace for such entertainments which may be emulated once more before the early frosts, and is sure to be imitated in coming seasons.

Encouraged by this prosperous venture, yet still anxious to extend the sphere of its activity, the Visiting Nurses' association will cry "Ho!" to everyone that thirsteth next Saturday, and will dispense carbonated drinks at a Dodge street fountain at the hands of a round dozen of charming girls. Some embarrassing mistakes have taken place heretofore, when soda water was drawn under similar delightful circumstances; and to avoid discomfiting error, old customers are soberly advised to have their winks registered as early in the week as possible that the young women may not be hampered by a conflict of unfamiliar signals.

A report is current about three of the younger members of local society—who, by the way, promise to be among the most popular of next season's debutantes—that brings to light a quite unique case of "hookey."

Of course it is admitted that Omaha is dull during the summer months; but that three of its foremost young women should give the slip to what gayety there is in the way of evening parties and afternoon functions, in favor of a small theater company, is something decidedly new.

True it is, however, that when three fond mammas lay drawing mental pictures of their darlings at an evening party, mammas' darlings were at a local playhouse—untrammeled by party manners and evening gowns and enjoying the situation to an extent that would have sent the mammas into social retirement for life had they been so unfortunate as to have appeared on the scene.

It is a pity that the attraction these fair girls have so well advertised has such a limited time left out of its extended engagement in which they may reap the benefit of it all.

Visiting Nurses' Lawn Fete.

Undoubtedly the largest and most important society event of the summer season was the lawn fete given at the Joslyn place last Tuesday evening for the benefit of the Visiting Nurses' association. The rain which threatened early in the evening did not materialize, and there was nothing to keep away the crowds of people who had been anticipating the entertainment. The spacious grounds which surround the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joslyn are naturally adapted to the requirements of an outdoor festival, and have been constantly beautified by the efforts of the owners. The special decorations for this occasion were arranged under the efficient supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Charlton. A large artificial lake, near the center of the grounds, was likewise the center of attraction for many visitors, for it was there that the much discussed bathing would take place. Aquatic sport of this nature, however, did not constitute a very prominent feature of the evening's pleasure.

A dancing pavilion stood nearby, whereon visitors and participants in the entertainment disported themselves, the latter in the various picturesque costumes appropriate to their employment. At the Russian tea house the cup that cheers but not inebriates was dispensed by Mrs. Ebell from a samovar. She was assisted by her vivacious little daughter, Alice Olga, and by Mesdames Stoecker and Swoboda and a number of children, all in Russian costume. A chorus of men sung college songs and coon melodies, under the direction of Mr. Herbert Rogers. The candy booth was managed by Mesdames Warren Rogers and Allison, Miss Schroeder and Miss Kosters, and the affairs of the flower tent were administered by Mesdames Sterling, Ogden and Offutt, Misses Peck, Helen Peck and Nellie Baum. At the dairy-maids' booth were Mrs. Kountze, Mrs. Mercer and Misses Kountze, Lionberger, Helen Millard, Kilpatrick and Mercer. In the gipsy tent Mme. Thiessen told fortunes; Mesdames Chase and Victor Caldwell and Misses Higginson, Wyman, Lindsey, Kelly, Towle and Goldsmith ministered to the various wants of patrons. The Japanese tea garden, west of the lake, was charmingly attended by Mesdames Martin Cahn, Albert Cahn, Katz, Haas, Polack and Brandeis and Misses Chambers and Polack. The general refreshment pavilion was in charge of Mrs. Henry T. Clarke, and guests were waited on by Mesdames Wilbur, Carter, Redick, Poppleton, Summers, Wheeler and Lyman, and Misses Knight, Taylor, Moore, Alexander, Wessells and Millard. The Fort Crook band furnished instrumental music throughout the evening. Messrs. Wilson and Chase acted as floor managers for the dancing and Mr. H. S. Mann kept the outer gates. In the course of the entertainment Mr. Joslyn gave a most enjoyable performance with his trained horses. The entire grounds were surrounded by a temporary fence of white sheeting, which is to be worked up for the use of the poor. The proceeds of the festival amounted to about $300.

Agreeable Surprise Party.

A very pleasant surprise was given to Miss Mary Peets by the Misses Jennie Post and Katie Swift at Sanders' hall last Monday evening. Dancing was enjoyed till a late hour, after which refreshments were served.

Among those present were: Mesdames W. Arnolde, Cushing and Kochem, Misses Lillie Bernhart, Ottie Bernhart, Lizzie Brady, May Brady, Minnie Carey, Teresa Carey, Agnes Clare, Katie Cusick, Julia Dailey, Katie Dailey, Nellie Dailey, Clara Engel, Maggie Frewn, Francis Gallatin, Mamie Hegarty, Mamie Healey, Katie Hinchey, Josie Hinchey, Agnes Meaney, May Mulligan, Katie Mullick, Jennie Post, Libbie Post, Doll Post, Mary Peets, Katie Swift, Nellie Swift, Mamie Walls, Stella Nilson and Frankie Bristol of Columbus, Neb., and Messrs. William Arnoldi, Tom Barry, H. Crampton, John Dailey, Robert Dailey, Fred Evans, Maurice Eldrege, William Fyfe, M. Hegarty, D. Hegarty, Frank Harrison, D. Hinchey, William Horrigan, Fred Kopps, John Kelly, James Lynch, Ed Lafferty, V. Lilly, James Meaney, Will Monaghan, John Mullen, Charles McCoy, Frank Murphy, Tom O'Connor, Tom Quinlan, J. Riley, William Riley, Mr. Roberts, Luke Shannon, Owen Shannon, Fred Stiles, Phil Smith, Ed Welsh, William White, T. Walker.

Pleasures that Are Past.

The Misses McShane entertained on Friday from 5 o'clock until 7 in honor of Miss Myers of Dubuque.

In honor of a wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Nattinger entertained at dinner on Wednesday.

Last Saturday Mrs. Carolys Mercer entertained for Miss Meyer of Dubuque, who is the guest of Miss Nash.

Mrs. Martha Field Heth entertained a small party of friends yesterday afternoon for Mr. and Mrs. Woodgate of Kansas City and Mrs. Wyatt of Omaha.

Miss Grace Van Kirk celebrated her birthday Friday afternoon by tendering the inmates of the Old Ladies' home a delightful luncheon, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The Misses McShane gave a tea on Friday afternoon from 5 to 7 in honor of Miss Meyers of Dubuque. Those who assisted at the refreshment tables were Miss Adeline Nash, Mrs. Allison, Miss Amy Barker and Miss Barber.

A garden party, largely attended by those interested, was given Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brandeis by the Omaha section of the Council of Jewish Women to raise funds for their philanthropic work.

Several pretty entertainments were given last week in honor of Miss Lionberger, who is the guest of Miss Kountze. Prominent among them were the dinner last evening given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Kountze and Miss Kountze's dinner on Wednesday.

Miss Bessie Poff entertained a few of her young women friends at her home on Bancroft street Friday evening. Miss Poff rendered several solos, and Miss Maud Marshall recited. Those present were: Misses Gordon, Davis, Marshall, Smith, Elson, Pearl Swanson, Sorenson, Endicott, McCartney, Jacobsen, Swanson, Poff, Schultz.

A pleasant party took place Thursday evening, August 26, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Chapin, 2580 Horney street. Dancing, music and cards were enjoyed, after which lunch was served. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Carlton, H. Kessler, H. M. Johnson, C. S. Stockham, Joe Wright and Mel H. Redfield, Misses Susie Redfield and Nellie Wright, Mrs. Carlton, Miss Carry Midgley. Banjo and guitar music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Carlton.

Miss Annie Montage was pleasantly surprised at her home on Bancroft street last Friday evening. The evening was pleasantly spent with games, after which refreshments were served. Those present were: Misses Violet E. Galles, Annie Montage, Mabel Cline, Minnie Johnson, Clara Schultz, Mary and Minnie Warner, Theresa Hoffman, Minnie Wolffe and Mary Daniels; Messrs. Charlie Ries, Charlie Moutage, Will Johnson, Henry Koll, Humphrey and Dennis Lynch, Art Warner, Herman Konrofsky, Otto Wilson and James Goff of Barnard, Mo.

Mrs. Fred H. Krug, jr., entertained the women of the High Five club on Thursday afternoon, on the occasion of her birthday. After the games and guessing contests a supper was served. The table was beautifully decorated with roses, and at each plate was a very pretty souvenir in the shape of a napkin ring, the artistic work of the hostess. Those present were: Miss Ray Lewis of Minneapolis, Mrs. Phillip Windhelm, Mrs. William Wigman, Mrs. C. Weideman, Mrs. William Webber, Mrs. John Wittig, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. W. C. Heyden and Mrs. H. W. Fitt.

One of the most successful events of this season was the lawn fete given by Vesta chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Friday evening, on a lawn on Sherman avenue. The lawn was ablaze with Japanese lanterns and headlights. The Woodmen of the World band of eighteen pieces furnished most excellent music for dancing. Tents occupied part of the lawn and in these were found Mme. Vesta, the fat woman, weighing 900 pounds, the Gypsy fortune teller, the wonderful photographer and other freaks too numerous to mention. The flower and popcorn girls were kept busy, while beautiful Rebecca served lemonade at the well. Ice cream and cake were also served. About 500 people were present.

Weddings and Engagements.

The wedding of Mr. Alfred Kennedy and Miss Jessie Cameron Godso will take place on Wednesday, September 8, at the residences of the bride's parents.

It is announced that the marriage of Miss Julia Della Burket, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Burket, and Mr. T. Orson Putnam will occur on Wednesday, September 8, at high noon.

David Trail is receiving the congratulations of his friends upon his coming marriage with Miss Mabel Emerson. Mr. Trail has long kept the engagement a secret, but as the date set for the nuptials is September 1 it leaked out a few days ago. Upon the conclusion of the ceremonies Mr. and Mrs. Trail will leave for a month's tour of the New England coast resorts. Upon their return they will be at home to friends at 2116 Binney street.

The wedding of Mr. Robert T. Watkins and Miss Grace Louise Williams, which took place last Monday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Williams, 1544 Sherman avenue, was a simple and pretty home affair. The service was performed by Rev. J. P. D. Llwyd of the Church of the Good Shepherd under a canopy of smilax, in the presence of about fifty guests, and the rooms were daintily and appropriately decorated with flowers and foliage plants. The bride was attired in white swiss, the bodice trimmed with Valenciennes lace, worn over cream satin, and carried roses. Mr. and Mrs. Watkins left at once on an extended wedding trip.

The marriage of Miss Mary C. Furlong to Mr. Daniel J. Hennessy of Butte, Mont., was solemnized Wednesday afternoon at St. Peter's church in the presence of the bride's most intimate friends. The decorations and music well fitted the happy occasion. The bride, always fair and gracious, was especially charming in her bridal gown. After the impressive ceremony the guests repaired to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leary, at 1296 South Thirtieth avenue. Dainty refreshments were served in the dining room, which was decorated with smilax, white ribbons and roses. The presents were numerous and elegant. The many congratulatory telegrams and costly presents from the home of the groom testified strongly of his popularity there. Mr. and Mrs. Hennessy left amid showers of rice on an evening train for an extended tour through the eastern states and Canada. Their future home will be in Butte, Mont.

An "Out of Town" card appeared in the waiting room of J. E. Clausen's office on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, but the occasion of his absence was explained on Wednesday evening, when he arrived in the city with his charming bride. The papers of Denison, Ia., announce his marriage to Miss Alexina F. Harding, who during the last year spent a few months in Omaha and endeared herself to all her acquaintances. The wedding occurred at the family residence of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Morrow of Denison, Ia. Precisely at 11:30 a. m. the groom appeared, supported by Rev. L. McEwen of Anamosa, Ia. The bride followed, attended by Miss Ethel Miller of Denison. Rev. R. Venting performed the ceremony. Only a few intimate friends were present. Congratulations were most tender and cordial, after which an elegant dinner was served. The bride was the recipient of many valuable and beautiful presents. Mrs. Claussen is favorably known and is held in high esteem by those who are familiar with her character. Besides her many other accomplishments, she has spent considerable time in the study of medicine. The groom has furnished an elegant home for his bride, where they will meet their friends after September 20.

Pleasures in Prospect.

George R. Custer W. R. C., No. 82, will give a high five social at Redmen's hall, Continental block, Tuesday evening, August 31. All Women's Relief Corps and Grand Army of the Republic members are cordially invited.

A farewell reception will be given Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McAllaster, to Rev. and Mrs. J. P. D. Llwyd, who are about to remove to Seattle.

People Who Come and Go.

Mr. Frank H. Broadfield is at Keokuk, Ia.

Miss Exie Van Pelt is visiting in Chicago.

Miss Mabel Stuht is visiting at Broken Bow.

Mr. Homer Moore has returned from the east.

Mrs. T. C. Brunner is at home from Clear Lake.

Miss Minnie Doyle is visiting at Elkhart Lake, Wis.

Miss Doris McMasters returned Thursday from Denver.

Mr. and Mrs. Pritchett are visiting in Utica, N. Y.

Miss Minnie Burgess is visiting her sister in St. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Balbach are at Colorado Springs.

Miss Sarah Baum returned from Lincoln last Thursday.

Mr. R. B. Howell has returned after a long visit in the east.

Dr. and Mrs. Anglin returned yesterday from Utica, N. Y.

Miss Chandler has returned after a summer in Wisconsin.

Miss Jessie Woods is visiting her old home at Galveston, Tex.

Dr. O. S. Hoffman spent a few days in Denver last week.

Miss Louise Korty is expected home from Kansas this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Holyoke have removed to 2572 Harney street.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Burkley are at home from Lake Okoboji.

Mrs. Fred Williams of Lincoln is visiting Mrs. T. S. Denman.

Miss Nellie Gallagher has returned from a visit to Fort Yates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Knox are spending a few days in Chicago.

Miss Jessie Bowie is visiting in Colorado Springs and Denver.

Miss Gertrude Clarke left last week for Chicago and the east.

Mrs. O. C. Holmes has returned from a visit in Burlington, Ia.

Rev. and Mrs. Newton M. Mann are expected home this week.

Mrs. C. K. Coutant has returned from a visit to Kingston, N. Y.

Mrs. J. B. Meikle has returned after a summer at Clear Lake.

Dr. C. E. Smith has returned from a trip to the Big Horn mountains.

Misses Jennie and Fannie Schierstien returned from Colorado Friday.

Mrs. Palmer and Miss Palmer returned Wednesday from Dome Lake.

Miss Lida Wilson returned last week, after a summer vacation in the east.

Mrs. Z. T. Lindsey returned last week from an outing in Wyoming.

Mr. A. M. Cowie left Wednesday for New York, to be gone several weeks.

Mrs. J. M. Hendrie and her daughter, Helen, are visiting in the Black Hills.

Mrs. Arthur Cowie has returned with her sister, Miss Conrad, to Grand Island.

Mr. Bert Schneider has returned, after a three weeks' visit to the northern lakes.

Mr. Walter Preston of Minneapolis has been in the city during the last week.

Mrs. M. Meyer and her children, and Mrs. H. Anbach are visiting in Titusville, Pa.

Mr. R. C. Hayes and his family leave today for Hot Springs and Deadwood, S. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Orcutt and Miss Jennie started last week for a trip around the lakes.

Miss Helen S. Wainwright returned yesterday from a visit at Dubuque and Waterloo, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Ford have returned from an extended eastern trip to the sea shore.

Mr. Reynolds Barnum is visiting his brother, Lieutenant Barnum, at Fort Assiniboine.

Mrs. H. Hiller and Mrs. H. May are paying a short visit to relatives in Des Moines, Ia.

Mr. A. Sherman Pinto left Thursday on his wheel for St. Louis for a three weeks' visit with his sister.

Miss Olive Frederick has returned from the south, where she has been spending her summer vacation.

Mrs. O. C. Holmes returned Friday morning from a six weeks' visit with her parents at Burlington, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wilhelm are to be congratulated on the birth of a daughter, Friday, August 20.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Babcock's address, until after September 1, is Hotel Preston, Beach Bluff, Mass.

Mrs. George B. Tzschuck has returned from a six weeks' visit to Pueblo, Manitou and Cascade, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hitchcock, their children and the Misses Crounse returned from Colorado last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hancock will remove about September 1 to the residence at 418 North Thirty-ninth street.

Mrs. J. Benson and her niece, Miss Jennie Jessop, left last night for New York. They will be absent two weeks.

Miss Harriet Dreyfus, who has been visiting friends in Lincoln for a month, returned home last Thursday evening.

Mr. Frank J. Haskell of the Omaha National bank has returned from his vacation, which was passed at Spirit Lake.

The Misses Orcutt, who have been spending the summer at Manitou, will remain in Colorado until late in the autumn.

Miss Zelta Matthews is visiting in Moberly, Mo., the guest of her uncle, Dr. C. B. Clapp, surgeon in the Wabash hospital.

The Misses Littlefield, Mary, Hogan and Alice Parker have returned from a two months' stay on the Pacific coast.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Whitmore and Miss Eugenie are spending a few weeks in New York and at various seaside resorts.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Doherty are in Buffalo, N. Y., and will return home September 1, bringing Miss Doherty with them.

Mrs. A. A. Haney returned today from Tacoma, where she has been spending the summer with friends at her old home.

Mrs. Robert R. Ringwalt and Miss Ringwalt left for Grosse, Ill., last Sunday. From Detroit they go east for two months.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Balch will soon remove to the former residence of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Rogers on Farnam street.

Misses Lena and Hanchen Rehfeld, who have been visiting friends in Burlington, Ia., for a short period, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Remington and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Rogers will occupy adjacent cottages at Jackson and Thirtieth streets.

Mrs. Charles H. Townsend and her daughter Bessie returned last week from a month's visit in the Muskoka lake region, Ontario, Canada.

After an absence of two weeks, pleasantly spent among the lakes of northern Wisconsin, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Tallaferro have returned to Omaha.

Mrs. E. P. Caldwell and her daughter, Margaret, have just returned home after passing a very pleasant summer at Manitou and other Colorado points.

Rev. T. J. Mackay was in the city last week, having been called to officiate at the funeral of the late Mr. M. E. Smith. He has returned to Harbor Springs, Mich., and will bring his family back next week.

Mrs. W. B. Wallwork has returned from a four weeks' visit to relatives and friends in Chicago, Philadelphia and New York. Several of the summer resorts and watering places on the Atlantic coast were also visited.

Miss Minnie Thomas has returned from an extended trip down the St. Lawrence river, stopping at Toronto, Montreal and Quebec with side trips up the Saguenay river, returning via Lake Champlain, Lake George, the Hudson river and New York City.

Mrs. S. G. V. Griswold and her son Girard returned Friday evening from a summer trip to the coast. Mrs. Griswold was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jack O'Neil, and her brother Will, at Portland, Ore., and Mrs. H. Clarke Herndon at Long Beach on the Pacific.

Misses Frances M. and Blossom H. Pratt of 2435 Hamilton street, left Tuesday evening for a visit with their sister, Mrs. A. P. Maclay, Dubuque, Ia. Mrs. S. E. Pratt, who has been on an extended visit to Chicago, is now at Dubuque, and will return with her daughter, Miss Frances, in two weeks' time, leaving Miss Blossom to visit there until Christmas time.

Miss Dora Benham went back to Stanford university last week, which opens September 1.

The many friends of Mr. Charles E. Clapp will be glad to learn that he has sufficiently recovered to be able to leave the hospital in Chicago for his home in Warren, O.

Out of Town Guests.

Miss Ellis is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. W. Keysor.

Miss Josephine Stanton of Washington is visiting Miss Bartlett.

Miss Milward of Lexington, Ky., is the guest of Miss Sarah Baum.

Miss Ruth Woodard of Peoria, Ill., is visiting the Misses Comstock.

Miss Anna Tibbetts of Lincoln is visiting Mrs. Cornish of this city.

Mr. Ed McCann of the City of Mexico is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Nash.

Miss Anita Keller of Fort Yates is the guest of Miss Nellie Gallagher.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Palmatier of Coldwater, Mich., are visiting their son, Mr. William E. Palmatier.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rathbun, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Mills, have returned to San Francisco.

Mrs. John E. Hodge and her daughter Margaret, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Sunderland, 1329 South Thirty-second street.

Miss Minnie Arnold of Pittsburg, Pa., is visiting friends in the city and will be the guest of Miss Harriet Dreyfus for a fortnight.

Mrs. David Chambers and her sons, Albert and Fred, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sunderland at 1522 South Thirty-second street.

NOTES FROM OMAHA SUBURBS.

Benson.

E. Hills has been on the sick list several days of the past week.

William H. Bosse of Bloomfield was a visitor among friends in Benson during last week.

Wilber McDill returned to his home in Hiawatha, Kan., last Friday after a visit with his uncle.

J. Goodall, who was in Benson some time last winter, visited here a day last week with old friends.

The Sunday school of the Methodist Episcopal church held its annual picnic at Hanscom park last Wednesday.

Mrs. J. A. Morgan accompanied her class of Sunday school girls at a day's outing last Thursday in a grove near Cole creek.

Morton Orendorf and Earle Barnes of Missouri arrived in Benson last week and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Horten.

The trustees of the town hall board will give a dance next Friday evening, September 3 at the town hall. Everyone is invited to come.

Miss Minnie Bortz of Irvington is at the home of her sister, Mrs. O. Merman, while attending the Teachers' institute held in Omaha this week.

Miss Bea Hoffman has returned from her visit in Havelock. She was accompanied by her cousin, Daisy Roop, who will visit with her for some time.

Services will be held at the Methodist Episcopal church today. No services were held last Sunday on account of Rev. Mr. Grey being called away by his father's sickness.

ANOTHER BLACK HILLS EXHIBIT.

Plan for Reproducing the U. S. Grant Mine.

The Black Hills country of South Dakota has already made considerable progress in working up an exhibit for the Transmississippi Exposition, and it is certain that the minerals, the woods, the grains and grasses of that section will be displayed in endless profusion. Committees in Lawrence, Pennington, Custer and Fall River counties have been appointed, the members of which are now busily engaged in collecting and preparing the material. Merchants, bankers, mineowners and all classes are taking hold of the project, and are subscribing liberally in order that the South Dakota exhibit, or at least that from the Black Hills, may compare favorably with any that will be placed before the people.

One of the latest propositions to be called to the attention of the exposition is a scheme to reproduce in miniature the U. S. Grant mine, showing the shafts, drifts and the pay streaks, together with the tools used in operating a gold mine. The promoter of this scheme is Colonel Richard Lee, an old miner, who has made a fortune in the Black Hills.

This exhibit, if it is made, will be located upon the bluff tract and will cover something like an acre of ground. The exhibit will be constructed in the form of a mountain and will be strewn about with rock brought from the Black Hills. The entrance will be at the base, a drift running fully 100 feet, from which a shaft will run down into the ground, with drifts running off in several directions.

Receives a Scalp Wound.

John Christoferson, living at 2513 Marcy street, while attempting to alight from a street car at the corner of Twenty-fourth and Leavenworth streets last night, fell and sustained a painful scalp wound. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and taken to his home. His injuries are not serious.

Fire Due to Matches.

A blaze due to matches broke out in the residence of John Walters, 2217 Poppleton avenue, last evening, and before it was extinguished caused about $15 damages. The fire department was called and succeeded in putting the fire out after a few minutes' work.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

C. G. Bosch of Davenport, Ia., is at the Barker.

C. J. Cowles and wife of Lincoln are in Omaha.

Frank Murphy has returned from a trip to the east.

E. F. Ellwanger of Rochester, N. Y., is a Barker guest.

J. A. O'Neil is registered at the Barker from Rock Island, Ill.

J. B. Pader and wife of Duluth, Minn., are stopping at the Barker.

D. C. Woodring of Lincoln and I. L. Fiske of Beatrice are stopping at the Barker.

George J. Sternsdorff of Chicago, formerly of Omaha, is visiting friends in the city.

Henry W. Yates has returned from Detroit, where he attended the bankers' convention.

E. O. Brandt, traveling auditor for the Burlington, left last night for Chicago and the east.

H. B. Kelly has gone to Chicago on a visit of a week's duration with friends and relatives.

J. K. Chambers, Union depot ticket agent, is visiting friends for a few days in Davenport, Ia.

Hon. A. M. Post of Columbus, republican candidate for supreme judge, was a visitor in Omaha yesterday.

H. G. Enders of Cheyenne, Wyo., is in the city on business, together with a short visit among old friends.

Fred Streeter of Princeton, Ill., accompanied by his wife, is visiting the family of A. Blakeley of this city.

J. F. Richardson, local general superintendent of the Pullman company, left last night for Denver on business.

L. H. Batchelder, superintendent for the Pullman company at Los Angeles, Cal., is in the city on a short business trip.

Nebraskans at the hotels: W. H. Needham, Niobrara; A. G. Foster, Chadron; W. S. Bentley, Lincoln; James Watson, Hebron; D. A. Hall, Ashland.

Claude Rodney of the Burlington, located in Chicago, is visiting the family of C. Mason Talcott, assistant superintendent of the Pullman company.

William Weeks of Hastings, who has been sojourning with his family in the Colorado resorts during the summer, is in the city on a visit with friends.

Henry Blum, stenographer for Governor Holcomb, came to Omaha yesterday to visit friends, and incidentally to watch the democratic county convention.

State Superintendent Jackson, who has been attending the Douglas county teachers' institute at the High school building, left yesterday for Papillion, where he will attend the Sarpy county institute. Superintendent W. H. Skinner of Nebraska City, who is the principal instructor at the local institute, is the guest of Superintendent Pearse of the Omaha schools during his stay in the city.

AMUSEMENTS.

The formal opening of the local theatrical season is near at hand, and about both the play houses of Omaha is heard the pleasant hum of preparation. Boyd's will be thoroughly renovated from top to bottom, in so far as the limited time now at the disposal of the management will allow. Two seasons of at most only moderate good fortune have left this pretty theater sadly in need of repairs, and nothing which can be done in the next two weeks will be left undone to further the comfort and convenience of the high class of patrons which the entertainment offered there is expected to attract. The scheme of immediate improvements does not contemplate a new drop curtain, much as such a benefit is to be desired; and the same scenery with which the local public has become pleasantly familiar will for the most part do duty for another season. But the cramped and uncomfortable seating arrangements, which have in the past caused unrelieved annoyance to theater goers, will be altered without delay, with a trifling loss of capacity, but with great gain to the physical enjoyment of sitters. Water for drinking will be passed between the acts, which is also a new thing at Boyd's.

As heretofore announced in The Bee, only the high priced attractions will be played at Boyd's this season. "High priced" is by no means always synonymous with "best," as experienced play goers know; and there will be abundance of excellent entertainment of all the better classes at both houses. The eye, in glancing over the published list, is agreeably conscious that no Davis & Keogh shows are included in it, no Lincoln J. Carter "Tornados," no Uncle Tommery; and those who follow the metropolitan production of new plays will recognize the names of most, if not all, of last season's New York successes. Several plays yet to be brought out in the east will come here later in the season, if they make a favorable impression on trial, and a number of stars, who are about to enter upon protracted New York engagements, will surely include Omaha in their first provincial tour. Among these are Sol Smith Russell and Maud Adams, neither of whom is booking time definitely, pending the outcome of their New York season. Their admirers in Omaha, however, are reasonably certain to see them before the winter is over.

Much might be written in description of the plays and players already actually booked at the two local theaters. It is believed, however, that most, even of the new plays, are known to intelligent theater goers who read the newspapers. After a preliminary week, beginning next Sunday, with the vitascope pictures of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight, Boyd's theater will open its regular season Monday evening, September 13, with John Drew in a repertory not yet announced. Mr. Drew is supported this year by Isabelle Irving, Arthur Byron and an excellent company. The Woodward organization will remain at the Creighton two weeks longer, and the season will be formally opened at that house on Sunday evening, September 12, by the perennial Corinne, in "An American Beauty."

The full list of actual bookings at both houses, set down without regard to sequence of dates, is here reprinted from Monday's issue:

"Never Again," "Under the Red Robe,' "The Heart of Maryland," Primrose and West, William H. Crane, "At Gay Coney Island," "McSorley's Twins," Stuart Robson, Julia Marlowe, Edwin Milton Royle's "Captain Impudence," "In Gay New York," Al Field's Minstrels, T. W. Keene, Hoyt's "A Contented Woman," "The Prisoner of Zenda," Lillian Russell, Della Fox and Jeff D'Angelis in "The Wedding Day," William Gillette in "Secret Service,' E. H. Sothern, Mr. and Mrs. Kendal, DeWolf Hopper, Francis Wilson, Frank Daniels, Minnie Maddern Fiske in "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," "Pudd'nhead Wilson," Lewis Morrison, "The Good Mr. Best," "The Sign of the Cross," Robert Downing, the Frawley Stock company, Olga Nethersole, Richard Mansfield, Roland Reed, "The Privateer,' the Bostonians, Nat Goodwin, "The Whirl of the Town," James A. Herne in "Shore Acres," "A Round of Pleasure," "The Sporting Duchess," Hoyt's "A Milk White Flag," Mme. Herrmann, "Miss Francis of Yale," Clay Clement, Otis Skinner, "The Twelve Temptations," Andrew Mack, "Superba," "Sowing the Wind," Robert Mantell, "The Woman in Black," Bancroft, the magician, "My Friend from India," "The Last Stroke," "Little Bo Peep,' Flo Irwin in "The Widow Jones," May Irwin in her new piece, Digby Bell in "The Hoosier Doctor," "Hogan's Alley," "The Broadway Girl," the Nawns in "Shantytown," "A Bunch of Keys,' "1492," "Piney Ridge," "A Black Sheep," Donnelly and Girard, "McFadden's Row, or Flats," Tim Murphy in a new play, "Chimmie Fadden,' Hopkins' Transoceanics, James O'Neill, "Money Bags," "The South Before the War," "Shall We Forgive Her?" "Courted Into Court," by Marie Dressier; "The Cherry Pickers," "Jack and the Beanstalk,' Lillian Lewis, Harry Conor, in Hoyt's new play, "A Stranger in New York," the Empire Stock company, and Sousa's band, which will be heard both by itself and later in conjunction with DeWolf Hopper and his company in "El Capitan."

The Woodward Theater company, at the Creighton, opens its eighth week today with the five-act drama, "The Bankers Son," and Miss Irene Franklin as the special feature of the week. The business of this company increases every week. It is seldom a good seat can be secured after 8 o'clock, and several times each week people are turned away unable to secure admission. This has been the record of the past seven weeks. The company is furnishing good entertainment, and the specialties alone are worth the price of admission. As long as the present standard is maintained, no doubt the house will be filled. Monday evening this company will celebrate its 100th consecutive performance, and souvenirs will be presented to every one in attendance. The advance sale shows nearly 1,000 seats already sold for this performance.

Miss Jessica Webster Pond, whose excellent work as Henriette in the Woodward production of "The Two Orphans" last winter will be pleasantly remembered by theater goers and who has recently appeared with much success with the Woodward company at the Creighton, has received an advantageous offer for the season from the Carlton-Lord company, a repertory organization of good standing, and will join her new associates September 1.

Two of the best known of the sporting fraternity of this country, George Siler, who was the official referee at Carson City for the Fitzsimmons-Corbett contest, and Louis Houseman, the well-known sporting editor of the Chicago Inter Ocean, who was Mr. Fitzsimmons' timekeeper when the event came off, will both accompany the veriscope and the pictures of the contest. The veriscope and the pictures are one of the genuine sensations of the year, and not only those interested in sporting events, but those who are watching the progress of photography as well, can ill afford to miss the coming exhibition of the contest as given by the veriscope at Boyd's theater for one week commencing September 5. It has been a noticeable fact wherever these pictures have been shown that the women appear to take as much interest in them as the men, for in all the great cities fully 40 per cent of the audience s are of the gentler sex. Dan A. Stuart, president of the veriscope company, has copyrighted all of these pictures—in all there are 143,097—and will protect his rights to the fullest extent of the law. These pictures are projected upon a white screen, and give, even to the smallest detail, the greatest contest of the century, and they are said to be absolutely faithful, even to the movements of the muscles of the two men. The tour of the veriscope and the pictures is under the direction of Duncan B. Harrison. The veriscope and the pictures make a complete evening's entertainment, running two hours and ten minutes.

Work at the Government Building.

A carload of radiators for the steam heating are being distributed over the postoffice building. The steel casing and doors for the vaults in the building are being placed in position. The doors are painted a pretty light blue, the only embellishment being the United States seal in the national colors. Work upon resetting the stone steps leading to the building has been commenced. Work upon the new sidewalks will be commenced as soon as the government approves of the granite selected for the curbing. Contractor Jobst has just telegraphed the department at Washington urging haste in the approval of this part of the contract, that the walks may be laid before cold weather comes on.

HORSES AND BARN ARE BURNED.

Fire Visits the Hitchcock Premises with Considerable Loss.

The barn, two valuable carriage horses and two carriages belonging to G. M. Hitchcock were totally destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon, entailing a loss in the neighborhood of $1,000, which is fully covered by insurance. The blaze occurred on the Hitchcock premises at Twentieth and Dodge streets.

A domestic is held responsible for the fire. She dumped a pan of hot ashes in a pile of refuse in the rear of the barn. The strong south wind which was blowing fanned the embers into life. The entire barn was in flames within a few minutes. For a time it seemed as if the residence of Mr. Hitchcock and Judge Scott would be set on fire, as the wind drove the flames toward them and the roofs were several times blazing. By hard work these buildings were saved.

The fire in the barn was not noticed until it had gained some headway. As a consequence, but little effort could be made to save the horses within. One man attempted to do so but was driven away. The animals were a pair of carriage horses and were valued at $500. Two carriages were also burned. The barn was totally destroyed.

There was considerable delay in bringing a stream to bear upon the blaze. When steamer No. 3 arrived on the scene it would not work, and consequently the pressure was not sufficient to throw the water upon the blaze. A delay of several minutes occurred before another stream was laid.

ED BURK IS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

He is Charged with Passing Counterfeit Money.

Ed Burk was taken into custody yesterday by the police on the charge of passing counterfeit money. He is a peddler and is said to have given some bad money to Mrs. William Licker of Fifth and Cedar streets at a market at Eleventh and Howard streets.

The police believe that they have made a good capture in Burk. They allege that he has passed bad quarters and half dollars on a number of different people recently. Such coins have been circulated to a considerable extent lately and the authorities have been trying to discover the source from which they come. Burk denies that he is in the business of uttering base money and says that he unknowingly passed the counterfeit upon Mrs. Licker.

HEAD COLLIDES WITH A PITCHER.

Sykes and His Brother-in-Law in a Rough-and-Tumble.

A wagonload of policemen were driven at a breakneck speed to 2038 Farnam street yesterday afternoon in response to a report that a murder had been, or was being committed. By the time the bluecoats arrived on the scene, however, the affray had dwindled down into a common assault and battery case.

The residence was occupied by the family of Caleb Sykes, who came to this city from Memphis. With the Sykes lived a brother of Mrs. Sykes, Cass Bryant, a porter in a downtown saloon, and several male boarders. The presence of the boarders caused the trouble, as Sykes suspected that his wife has had something to do with them more than to cook the food.

When the husband came home yesterday he found at the door of his and his wife's bedroom a pocketbook containing a lot of sample cards, evidently the property of some drummer. He at once concluded that some visitor of his wife's had dropped them. The wife denied any knowledge of the pocketbook and the result was a quarrel. This was going on when B