

KEPS UP ITS RAPID PACE

Many Small Functions Grewed Into the Social Whirl.

ALL KINDS OF ENTERTAINMENT FURNISHED

Every Indication that Fourth Week of New Year Will Be a Busy One—Review of Queen Polaris's Coming.

The third week of the first month, as the Quakers would say it, has been notable for the great number of smaller functions that have happened within the labyrinth known as society. "Variety is the spice of life, which gives it all its flavor," and so we have had all kinds of entertainment afforded us during the week just past. Naturally the events concomitant with the coronation of Queen Polaris took a strong hold on the populace. Whatever may or may not be said regarding these, they afforded no small amount of genuine pleasure to the many fair young women in whose honor they were given and reflected some credit on those who contributed toward their success. The Hamilton-Van Gleason wedding was the most notable function of the week.

The meeting of the Married People's Dancing club was a distinct social success, and there were an innumerable lot of teas, luncheons and dinner parties. The theaters were fairly well attended last week. The Quakers did not flock to hear El Capitán, but it did not wear its best clothes; that is, not to any noticeable extent.

During the fourth week of the first month Omaha society is apt to be pretty busy. A glance at the pleasure in prospect scheduled on this page will show a fine array of the pleasant little affairs which give the devotees of dame society opportunities to wear their best gowns and to talk of engagements and to make public and pertinent subjects. The cards of Mrs. Casper E. Yost for Thursday afternoon indicate that a new form of entertainment is to be introduced to Omaha society.

Kensington Luncheon.

"Suggests something new."

We have met these functions before, but separately, not in such close union. In the calendar there are several small dinner parties, but the Cotillion club will not meet again until the following week, when an elaborate party will be given at the home of Miss Yates.

Wednesday promises to be a day that will keep the dear society maiden on the move every minute after she arises, just before noon. There are enough receptions, teas and card parties on the tapis for that afternoon and evening to be spread over several days in any city but a metropolis.

A Detroit society woman denounces in the most scathing terms the social lapses of a certain set of young men of that city, who, she says, by officers varying from "outlandish" to "barbaric," have been "honorably" earned the comprehensive English epithet of "fools."

If this hostess, or any other hostess, in or out of Detroit, is inconvenienced by such conduct, she has only herself to blame, for the remedy is in her own hands. Let her refuse to invite such men to her parties. That is the way several Omaha women who entertain a great deal have handled the troublesome question, and run as it that future excesses in this direction are to be stopped by general emulation of their worthy example.

The ice carnival did not include the program of outdoor events that had been scheduled for it because the weather was not a bit favorable until too late in the week. The indoor events in connection with the carnival, however, were all that could be desired, and will be pleasantly remembered for some time to come by those who participated in them.

The reception at the Millard hotel on Tuesday afternoon was a very successful affair. Miss Millard Stephenson, named Queen Polaris, received the guests in a gracious manner, and was assisted by her sister, Miss Mary Love, who as Omaha has had the pleasure of entertaining in some time. After a timely address of welcome by Mayor Frank E. Moore, light refreshments were served and the guests spent in social intercourse. In the evening the coronation ceremonies took place at the Millard hotel, and the coronation was a most enjoyable occasion. There were on hand a goodly number of dancing young men, both civilians and military, for the guests to select from.

On Thursday evening the queen and her maids occupied a half dozen boxes at the Mue. searchers and on Friday they left for their respective homes.

Pleasures in Prospect.

Mrs. Brady will entertain at cards on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Martin will entertain at the C. A. L. Kensington club on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Henry S. Winston has issued invitations for a 5 o'clock tea for Saturday.

Mrs. Frances M. Munnah will give a studio tea on next Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Carter will entertain the H. T. Card club on Wednesday evening.

The Young Men's club of All Saints church will give a party on Wednesday evening.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. C. E. Yost will give a Kensington luncheon for a number of friends.

On Wednesday and Friday afternoons Mrs. Ellis Bowerman will entertain a number of friends at two Kensingtons.

Mrs. E. E. Bruce will entertain the members of the Port Hill Card club at her home on Wednesday evening.

On Thursday afternoon from 1 until 3 o'clock Mrs. Edward Porter Peck and Miss Elizabeth Peck will entertain at luncheon.

The Thurston Rifles have issued invitations for a party on Wednesday evening, January 25.

The next meeting of the South Side Whist club will be on Wednesday evening, January 25, at the residence of Mrs. Rogers, 2210 South Thirty-second avenue.

The Jolly Eight club will give a dancing party at Patterson hall on Saturday evening. The committee has been elected and the charge includes Misses Alice Sterling, Pearl Stewart, Susan Studabaker and Meara, J. P. Bender and Edwin Oliver.

Weddings and Engagements.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Mr. L. B. Walmer and Miss Myrtle V. Beebe, both of this city, to take place February 9 at the home of Mr. Walmer's parents, near Portsmouth, Ia.

Mrs. F. H. Davis entertained at luncheon on Thursday in honor of her nieces, the Misses Hamilton of Topeka. Miss Clarkson of this city on this occasion received the congratulatory and friendly wishes of her recent announcement of her engagement to Mr. Laurence Sumner Fox of Lewiston, Me.

There has been no prettier church wedding in Omaha this season than that of Miss Adine de Mobray Van Gleason, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Van Gleason, to Mr. James William Hamilton at All Saints Protestant Episcopal church on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by the rector, Rev. Thomas J. Mackay. The church was prettily decorated in palms and evergreens. The bride wore a very handsome gown of white satin with ermine trim. A tulle veil was worn with a wreath of orange blossoms.

and was caught with a magnificent diamond tiara and the gift of the groom. She also wore a handsome bracelet of pearls, which her mother had worn at her own wedding. Her flowers were lilies of the valley. She was attended by her two sisters as bridesmaids. Miss Louise Van Gleason was becomingly attired in white silk and chiffon. Her bouquet was of yellow roses. Miss Helen Van Gleason wore a blue silk and chiffon and carried white roses. The groom was supported by his brother, Dr. Hamilton, as best man, and the ushers were Messrs. Thomas R. Porter, George Trine, Joseph Joplin and Frederick Sangsack. Following the ceremony, which was witnessed by a large number of invited guests, a wedding supper was given to the bridal party and a few relatives and intimate friends in the white and gold room of the Millard hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton now have a new home in Dunlap Place soon after February 1.

Entertainments of the Week.

Mrs. Dallas Baehle entertained at dinner on Thursday.

Mr. Clinton N. Powell entertained for a few friends at a dinner party on Friday.

Mrs. Hillis entertained at luncheon on Thursday for Mrs. Gregg of Cincinnati.

Mrs. Joseph R. Lehmer gave a delightful card party to a number of friends last evening.

Mrs. George A. Houghland yesterday entertained for the young women of the Flower mission.

Miss Helen Millard gave a delightful luncheon on Friday in honor of the Misses Hamilton.

Miss May Hamilton entertained a number of the younger women at luncheon on Friday.

Mrs. James H. Parrott gave a pretty luncheon Thursday afternoon for her sister, Mrs. Lawson of Macomb, Ill.

Mrs. George Smith yesterday gave a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Gertrude Peck, who is the guest of Mrs. William T. Wyman.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Richardson entertained Mrs. T. C. Whiteside and Mr. and Mrs. Walker Whiteside at dinner on Wednesday.

A very pleasant informal musical was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert M. Hitchcock on Saturday evening of last week.

Mrs. C. E. Bates and Mrs. White entertained the Matinee club Thursday afternoon. The prizes were won by Mrs. Knox and Mrs. Welch.

Miss Edith Cheney delightfully entertained her friends at a Kensington on Wednesday afternoon. In honor of Miss Campbell of Seward, Neb.

Mrs. S. D. Barklow on Tuesday afternoon gave a delightful luncheon in honor of Mrs. Fache, who is soon to remove from Omaha to Washington.

A card club met with Mesdames Canover and Pardee at 1122 South Thirtieth avenue on Tuesday afternoon. Prizes were won by Mesdames Jeffries and Anderson.

The L. P. C. Card club was pleasantly entertained at the residence of Dr. Robert S. Seward.

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One of the most pleasant events of the week was the party of the Dancing club given at Morand's hall on Monday night. The party was the most successful and brilliant of the season and a number of strikingly handsome toasts were displayed. The cotillon took a culinary form which particularly commended itself to the hostesses present, the favors for the four direct figures danced being such useful kitchen utensils as tin cups, dust pans, match boxes, egg beaters, rattles, pie tins, dippers and spoons. Mesdames W. H. McCord and Paul Charlton very graciously presided at the favor table.

Mrs. B. F. Weaver and Mrs. Charles Ross entertained on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at three beautiful card parties, six-hand and five-hand games. The house was lighted and trimmed with palms, smilax and cut flowers. The prizes were all handsome, three being given each day to

the successful winner. On Monday the prizes were won by Mesdames B. P. Crumme, Joseph Gies and P. P. Kirkpatrick. Tuesday by Mesdames N. A. Miller, P. A. Young and W. W. W. Wednesday by Mesdames Charles Becker, Ormand Stricker and W. J. Bradbury. The invitation list for the three parties included about 200 names.

One of the most pleasant gatherings of the city among the younger set was a delightful birthday party given by Miss Edith Donnet on Thursday evening at her home, 2122 Laurel street. The guests were invited to the party by the hostess, who was assisted in receiving by Mesdames Lindsey, Kirkendall, Reed and Clark. The out-of-town guests were: Mesdames S. C. Key of Council Bluffs, J. H. Key of Anselmy, M. A. Hunter of Broken Bow, D. C. Giffert of West Point, Hollenbeck of Fremont, A. W. Field and A. W. Sawyer of Lincoln, England, and Elk City, J. B. McPherson of Fairbury, F. Johnson of Crete, Kittle Dutton and Hattie Tyffe of Hastings and Miss Helen Chase of Papillion.

Mrs. Gordon W. Wattles entertained the members of the Women's Board of Managers of the exposition at supper Tuesday afternoon. The house was beautifully decorated with palms, carnations and red and pink roses, in honor of the distinguished guests. In a corner of the hallway, concealed by a beautiful bank of palms, the Sinfonia orchestra played throughout the evening. Mrs. Wattles was assisted in receiving by Mesdames Lindsey, Kirkendall, Reed and Clark. The out-of-town guests were: Mesdames S. C. Key of Council Bluffs, J. H. Key of Anselmy, M. A. Hunter of Broken Bow, D. C. Giffert of West Point, Hollenbeck of Fremont, A. W. Field and A. W. Sawyer of Lincoln, England, and Elk City, J. B. McPherson of Fairbury, F. Johnson of Crete, Kittle Dutton and Hattie Tyffe of Hastings and Miss Helen Chase of Papillion.

Movements of People.

Mr. George Dietz has returned from a trip to Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Branch have returned from a trip to Buffalo, N. Y.

Miss Dorothy Parker of Cincinnati is the guest of Miss Florence McPherson.

Mrs. T. E. Green of Cincinnati is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Lent.

Mrs. F. A. Davenport has gone to Florida to spend the remainder of the winter.

Judge and Mrs. Irving P. Baxter are spending a short time in New York.

Mr. Dow Fonda has returned to Albany, N. Y., after a visit with his parents in this city.

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It was a big week—big in values—big in sales—you should not fail to come Monday night. In on the ground floor of Drexel & Robinson's sale—there may be others, but really think they are selling shoes, but we know we are—crowds all the time—and no wonder—for never have we—the known shoe values given of Omaha—ever given so much real worth for so little money—this sale isn't going to last always—it can't—for the shoes will all be gone—but you've another chance, and that's Monday—we open at 8—better get in line.

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Our piano business continues to grow—it's grown so large we've had to have more room—and have just added space that gives us a chance to show twice as many pianos as before—and we have the extra pianos to show—carloads received in the past week—the Kimball—Knabe—Kraichle & Bach and others—the finest money can buy at our ever popular prices. You will find these new piano salesrooms very interesting and we invite you to call. Entrance as always, 1513 Douglas.

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of the neighborhood and have the best wishes of all.

E. H. Walker made a trip to his farm in Iowa last week and has had a lot of cordwood he has had cut this winter.

The postoffice was brightened one day last week through the kindness of George Sorenson, who brought a choice lot of plants for the front window.

Jonathan Lodge, No. 225, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will give its first annual ball of the city hall January 29. Refreshments will be served.

Miss Edna Peterson went to Crescent, Ia., Saturday and visited over Sunday with her parents, returning Monday. She is making her home here with her aunt, Mrs. George Stahon, and attending school.

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