

SOCIETY IN THE DOLDRUMS

Nothing Occurs During Week to Ruffle the Glassy Surface.

BRIGHTER DAYS SEEM NEAR AT HAND

Return of Fashionables from Abroad Brings Promise of Something Doing in the Smart Set Very Soon.

Excepting some half dozen informal dinners, most of which were given out at the Country club and a very few small afternoon affairs last week was devoid of social activity until last evening when, as if to make up for lost opportunity, society gathered in force at the Country club and Athletic club and the closing hours of the week were made merry indeed.

The rumors of weddings are more persistent than ever and the date of one of them has been entrusted to at least six young women whose positive refusal to disclose it has strengthened the report that they are to be the bridesmaids.

For next week the first play for the new Foye club by the women, which is to occur at the Country club on Wednesday, promises to be one of the interesting features. It is to be a hand-icup match of eighteen holes.

Invitations have been received to the wedding of Miss Joseph Morsman, formerly of Omaha, and Miss Helen Elizabeth Kimball of Chicago, which is to occur in that city at the Kenwood Evangelical church at 8:30 o'clock on Tuesday evening, September 3. The wedding is to be followed by a reception, which will be held at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Eugene S. Kimball.

Pleasures Past. Mr. Paxton entertained a small supper party on Thursday evening.

Mr. Keogh entertained a party at dinner at the Country club last evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Templeton entertained at dinner on Monday evening in honor of Adjutant General and Mrs. Byera and party, who had been attending the encampment at Manawa.

In compliment to the Misses Piper of Lincoln, Miss Henrietta R. Reese entertained about twenty-five young women at cards on Thursday afternoon. High five was the game, the tables being arranged out on the lawn, where a most delightful afternoon was spent under the trees. Miss Coris Beeman was awarded the first prize, a handsome Pan-American exposition souvenir spoon.

Movements and Whereabouts. Mr. F. L. Kopald has returned from Chicago.

Mr. John Redick has returned from Detroit.

Mrs. George W. Doane is in Charleston, W. Va.

Mrs. J. E. Summers has returned from the lakes.

Mrs. Harry Nott is expected home from abroad today.

Mr. Euclid Martin returned on Tuesday from an eastern trip.

Bishop and Mrs. McCabe left on Thursday for the Pacific coast.

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Mr. Daniel Bastin, Otterville, Ia., says: "Have had asthma and a very bad cough for years, but could get no relief from the doctors and medicines I tried, until I took Foley's Honey and Tar. It gave immediate relief and done me more good than all the other remedies combined."

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