

SOCIETY'S OUTLOOK IS DIM

Season Begins to Take on Real Sackcloth and Ashes Aspect.

WEEK HOLDS VERY LITTLE OF PROMISE

Weddings to Come After Easter Are Being Announced and the List is Coming to Goodly Proportions.

Easter Hats.

New York Times. At Easter a woman's hat is foremost on her mind. She wants the very latest style, the most expensive kind, all through the day, all through the night, about it she will chat. The while her husband has to wear his old plug hat.

On Easter day she will parade along the avenue; her bonnet trimmed with violets, and costly roses, too. She is the cynosure of eyes, the subject of each chat. The while her husband calmly wears his old plug hat.

Tomorrow will close the season of the Monday evening table d'hôte dinner at the Omaha club and society will be reluctant to give it up, too, for without doubt it has been one of the smartest and most satisfactory institutions of the winter and has done more than other agency to stimulate the fashionables to certain things that they have hitherto been a bit dilatory in adopting. As one young matron expressed it who entertains a great deal, "It is the most up-to-date institution we have." While the dinner lists for Monday evening have not yet been given out, the attendance promises to be larger than it was last week and there is to be at least one party of size.

The week's calendar is anything but promising so far as announced and things promise to be unusually quiet, even for Lent.

On Monday Mrs. Arthur Pinto will entertain the Practice Whist and Mrs. W. P. Mikessell will entertain the Hanscom Park Sewing circle of the Visiting Nurses' association.

On Tuesday Mrs. Dilworth is to be hostess to the meeting of the South Side Whist club, the meeting to be rather exceptional in that the men friends of the members are to be included.

At 11 o'clock the board of directors of the Young Women's Christian association will give a breakfast to about 200 guests; in the evening a number of young people will present the little comedy, "Mr. Bob," at the Metropolitan club. Miss Ellen McShane will entertain the Euchre club.

On Wednesday evening Mrs. N. H. Nelson will entertain at cards.

On Friday the Women's alliance of Unity church will give a card party at the home of Mrs. A. D. Hoag, in Kountze place, and in the evening Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Yetter will entertain at cards.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Rogers entertain the Chaffing Dish club; the dinner for men at the Omaha club and the last of the Lenten musicales at Kountze Memorial church.

It is beginning to look as though society is to have some more substantial assurance than gossip of a whole lot of weddings this spring, for though it is still early, the engagement announcements are beginning to come and many of them accompanied by the wedding date. If any dependence is to be placed upon what some of these people are saying about themselves, the announcements are not all out yet, and never will be, for it is probable that the wedding cards will be issued directly after Easter. At least two weddings of size and consequence are to occur the week following Easter, one a church wedding and the other a home wedding, and if half the people who wish to entertain in honor of the prospective brides are successful in their arrangements the given-in-honor affairs will begin before the close of the Lenten season.

Among the most pleasant things in prospect for the post-Lenten season is a cotillion that, according to gossip, is to be given by a number of "the girls" as a return to the men who gave the series of cotillions during the winter. The personnel

of the prospective hostesses has not yet been announced. The marriage of Dr. George L. Miller and Miss Frances M. Briggs, which occurred at Arbor Lodge, Nebraska City, on Tuesday afternoon, was among the most pleasant surprises of the week. Dr. and Mrs. Miller went to Chicago immediately after their marriage and are expected back today. They will reside at the Normandie.

The third of the Lenten musicales was held on Saturday at the Lühinger art gallery and was, of course, from a fashionable standpoint, the feature of the week. The program was given by Mrs. Rita Johnson Shank of Chicago, assisted by Mrs. L. A. Crofoot, and was as follows:

- "A Barque at Midnight".....Lambert
"Summer Beat".....Gaynor
"Ah, Love, But a Day".....H. H. Beach
"Pat Twilicht".....Ronald
"Mrs. Rita Johnson Shank".....Ronald
"Carpetweaver".....Bruno Oscar Klein
"Penelope Poetique".....Bruno Oscar Klein
"Obstinacy".....Fontenaille
"Les Berceuse".....Faure
"Blissful Time".....Neville
"My Little Love".....Hawley
"Two Aprils".....Neville
"Romance".....Rubenstein
"Improvisation".....Chopin
"Requiem".....H. H. Beach
"Ob, That We Two Were Maying".....Neville
"Glorious Time".....Gaynor
"Cradle Song".....Gaynor
"The Willow".....Goring Thomas

The Harmony Card club was entertained last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Ewing.

The Neighborhood Card club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Palmater last evening.

The members of the Poppleton Avenue Card club met last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Bryson.

The West Farnam Pleasure club was entertained on Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hayner.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Learned, Mrs. Boardman, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Crofoot and Mr. William Poppleton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kountze at dinner on Wednesday evening.

Saturday evening's meeting of the Indian club was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Whitney on south Thirty-second street.

The new friends of Mr. R. B. Carter surprised him Saturday evening at his beautiful new home on Miami street to help him celebrate his 42d birthday. The spacious parlors were filled with guests, who passed the time with cards and music. Mr. Carter was the recipient of a beautiful painting.

The V. P. C. club was entertained Saturday afternoon, March 14, by the secretary, Miss Mildred Mitchell, at her home, 2109 Grant street. An enjoyable afternoon was spent in games and music and dainty refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. MacDonald entertained at Sunday evening dinner for Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ellick.

On Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. Jay William-Brown were given a surprise by a party of friends in celebration of Mrs. Brown's birthday. Games, music and refreshments contributed to a most enjoyable evening. The friends present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. J. Breslin Owen, Mr. Shirley McGill, Mr. Charles A. Powell, Mr. George Wells, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Gould, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Larkin and Mr. Harry Gould.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. King announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Sidonie King, and Mr. Harvey Y. Roadinger.

The marriage of Miss Mary Esther Barker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Barker, and Mr. Francis T. B. Martin will occur at the residence of the bride's parents, at 622 South Thirty-seventh street, on the evening of April 15.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Withrow announce the engagement of their daughter, Mrs. Carrie Pickering, and Mr. Charles Allen, the wedding to occur in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sprague expect to open their house near the Country club about April 1.

Mrs. W. G. Templeton left on Friday for a week's visit with friends in Nebraska City.

Mrs. A. Darlow and son have returned from a two weeks' visit in Indianapolis. Miss Josephine Bredy returned on Saturday morning from the east.

Mr. O. E. Williams has returned from a three weeks' trip to California. On his way home he stopped at Las Vegas, N. M., where his family is spending the winter.

Dr. Von Mansfield of Ashland stopped in Omaha on his way home from a meeting of physicians and surgeons in Iowa.

Mrs. P. J. Quealey of Kemmerer, Wyo., accompanied by her son and her two sisters, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Quealey of 1924 South Twenty-seventh street.

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Mrs. I. E. Frederick expects to go to Denver the middle of the week for a few weeks' visit with her daughter, who will return with her.

The Modern Priscilla Kensington club met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Howard, who entertained with an elaborate luncheon, preceded by a unique program. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Reveal on Wednesday next.

Mrs. J. Percy Fleishel, nee Miss Ruth Veller, is expected to arrive in the city Sunday afternoon and will spend two months visiting at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Veller, 2102 West street.

Following is the cast of "Mr. Bob," a two-act farce, which will be given at the Metropolitan club on Tuesday evening:

- Phil Ryan.....Mr. Phil Swartz
Katharine Brown.....Mrs. Katharine Brown
Johnking, the butler.....Mr. Overcast
Aunt Becky.....Mrs. Henry Hiller
Katherine Brown.....Mrs. Gehrle
Mr. Bob.....Miss Minnie Hiller
Patsy, the maid.....Miss Hattie Behfeld
Miss Clarke of South Omaha, coacher.

Mrs. Ogden of Lincoln and her daughter are visiting with Mrs. E. S. Dundy.

Mrs. N. P. Fell, with her daughter, is expected today from Cleveland for a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rosewater.

Word has been received of the safe arrival of Mrs. A. D. Brandeis in California on Lincoln, and was attended by Messrs. Koolan, the famous Bohemian violinist, informally at their home last evening.

New spring and summer hats. F. M. Schadel.

WOMAN IN CLUB AND CHARITY

Preparation has commenced for the next annual meeting of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs to be held in Fremont, October 5, 7 and 8. Inclusive, the program committee having been called together on Wednesday to meet with the chairman of the various standing committee and several of the state officers. The meeting was held Wednesday morning at the Hotel Lincoln on Lincoln, and was attended by Messrs. J. Fordyce of University Place, Smith of Omaha, Minnie Cline of Minden and E. J. Hainer of Aurora, of the program committee; Mrs. Harriet S. MacMurphy of Omaha, of the household economics committee; Mrs. C. S. Lanworthy of Seward, chairman of the art committee; Mrs. E. L. Hinman of Lincoln, chairman of the educational committee; Mrs. W. G. L. Taylor of Lincoln, chairman of the civics committee; Mrs. A. A. Scott of Lincoln of the reciprocity bureau; Mrs. W. E. Page of Syracuse, state president; Mrs. H. M. Bushnell of Lincoln, state auditor; Mrs. F. M. Hall of Lincoln, former chairman of the art committee; Mrs. W. H. Clemmons, Miss Nanette McCann and Mrs. D. V. Stephens of the local committee on entertainment of Fremont. Mrs. H. M. Bushnell represented the industrial committee in the absence of Mrs. C. S. Lohninger. The purpose of the meeting was for conference rather than the transaction of business, suggestions being made by the different committee chairmen for their respective programs. It was the judgment of all that there should be fewer papers and more time for the discussion of the subjects presented; that the time be employed to draw out suggestions from the women generally rather than to hearing the opinions of a few, it being especially desired that there be an exchange of the working experience of the individual clubs. The afternoon sessions are to be but two hours long, from 2 until 4 o'clock, and the remainder of the time will be devoted to conferences on the various lines of work. This plan, it is believed, will enable the women to get what they wish in any of the departments and will admit of several conferences on the same subject for those who wish it.

The presence of Mrs. Denison, president of the General Federation, promises to be one of the pleasant features of the meeting. Mrs. Denison having agreed to be present provided her time can be arranged to compass the meetings of several of the western federations which occur about that time.

As the Nebraska Library association will be in session in Fremont at the same time as the federation, it is probable in view of the general interest of clubs in library work, that one session will be co-operative probably the session when the library association will have its strongest speaker. It was also suggested that in the interest of household economics, which claims the interest of so many women, that a model kitchen be arranged and a dietetic luncheon be served. It is doubtful if this plan can be carried out owing to the work it would entail, unless the women of Fremont feel inclined to undertake it. There will be co-operation of the education and household economics committees, however, in some feature of one of their programs.

Some emphasis of the work of the reciprocity bureau will be another innovation, an explanation of the work and suggestions of its advantages and how to embrace them, being the preferred plan. It was decided that the social session be postponed until the last, that it might not interfere with the work of the convention. It is to be hoped that similar caution will be exercised to prevent the over-emphasis of other features, programs and the like, that in spite of previous experience, are annually allowed to crowd the business sessions and that, with their acknowledged over long or too numerous papers, occupy time that might be much more profitably devoted even to receptions and teas, for such programs are an injustice to all concerned.

Following the morning's business the visiting women, who had been met with carriages at the station by the Lincoln women, were taken to the home of Mrs. E. E. Lehr, where they were entertained at luncheon, Mrs. Lehr, Mrs. A. W. Field and Mrs. H. M. Bushnell being hostesses. It was an elaborate affair and was followed by another brief business session.

Upon request of the officers of the congress Mrs. Mary H. Hunt of Boston, well known as the leader of the scientific temperance education movement, will represent the United States at the international anti-alcohol congress, which is to be held in Bremen, Germany, during Easter week. The congress will include representatives of the countries and universities of Europe, the invitations having been issued over the signatures of the secretary of the Home department of the German empire and the mayor of Bremen, the honorary president.

The program of local charities will be continued at Monday afternoon's meeting of the political and social science department. Mrs. George Tilden to preside, and W. Clarke will speak of the work of the Child Saving Institute and Mrs. R. H. Walker will talk of the Creche.

The Woman's society of St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church, having pledged itself to raise \$1000 of the \$10,000 debt of the church, has set about its task in a systematic way. The society has been divided into ten branches, each of which is to raise \$100. On Thursday evening the young ladies' auxiliary, Mrs. J. H. Evans, chairman, presented the always popular

"Deestriet Skule" as a means of raising their share of the obligation, and their effort was most successful.

The educational meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance union will be held at the rooms of the Young Women's Christian association next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The program will consist of a symposium, each member present being called upon to state, first, why she joined the union; second, what one of the forty-two departments of work she considers of the most importance at the present time. Members are urged to come prepared to take part. All women interested in women's work are invited.

The annual conference of the national congress of mothers will be held this year at Detroit, May 5 to 8. To the board of management the congress has intrusted the conduct of its business for three years, thus giving more time for conferences, lectures and discussions. An important feature of the work of the congress is to secure the co-operation of home and school, which has been effected in hundreds of schools on plans outlined by the congress.

The following program will be presented by the oratory department of the woman's club at 2:30 o'clock on Thursday afternoon in the club rooms:

- Piano Solo.....Mendelssohn
a Hunting Song.....
b Spring Song.....
c Sabbath Song.....
Miss Mackin.
Recitation—"When the Train Comes In".....Mrs. D. Gross
Vocal—Selected.....Mrs. J. W. Thomas
Recitation—"The Doctor's Story".....Mrs. Gehrle
Recitation—"The Theater Party".....Mrs. Schneider
Mrs. Burch.
String Trio.....Mr. Gellenbeck, leader
Recitation—"The Doctor's Story".....Mrs. Gehrle
Recitation—"Leah".....Mrs. Ryan
Recitation.....
a "To a Mountain Daisy".....
b "To a Mountain Daisy".....Robert Burns
Vocal Solo.....
a "The Song of the Lark".....
b Irish Melody.....
Miss Sorenson.

The department of oratory has arranged Mrs. J. W. Thomas to give their opening day program before the club, April 13. Mrs. Southwick and her husband, Dean Southwick, are at the head of Emerson College of Oratory, Boston, Mass. This will be a treat for the club members and their friends. A large attendance is desired.

Twenty-five per cent reduction on all Oriental rugs. Baker Furniture company.

Maccabees Cure for Miller.

OMAHA, March 21.—To the Editor of The Bee: My attention has been brought to an article in your paper relative to the circumstances of my husband and myself. I would like to say a few words to inform the public, including the party who is responsible for the article in question, that our family has been afflicted since my husband's illness by the members of the Maccabees, to which order he has belonged for several years, to the extent of supplying us with groceries, meat and coal. My husband's illness is of such a nature as to require my constant attendance upon him; this has prevented me from giving proper attention to the clothing of my children. However, I wish to thank the Maccabees for their generous assistance thus far, feeling that they have done far more than their duty toward my family.

MRS. E. F. MILLER, 4506 North Twenty-eighth avenue.

New spring and summer hats. F. M. Schadel.

Federal of Samuel R. Mumagh. Members of late Company L, First Nebraska Volunteer Infantry, and all other members of Spanish-American war veterans are requested to meet at Bradley & Dorrance's, Twentieth and Cuming streets, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, to attend funeral of Corporal Samuel R. Mumagh.

Miss Blanche Sorenson, voice, 550 Rango building.

SOROSIS

Advertisement for Sorosis shoes, highlighting comfortableness and price. Includes an image of a woman's foot in a shoe.

Advertisement for Edison Phonographs and Victor Talking Machines, priced from \$10.00 to \$75.00. Includes an image of a gramophone.

Advertisement for Nebraska Cycle Co., featuring bicycles and other cycling equipment. Includes an image of a bicycle.

Nebraska Clothing Co. CLOTHES FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Monday's Interesting News in Our Popular Women's Dept

This great third floor department, the largest, lightest and brightest in all Omaha, is full to its utmost limit with a magnificent display of women's outer garments. We are determined that every woman in Omaha and vicinity shall know that the garments we are showing are positively the authority for swiftness. We also positively assert that every woman can get better values here than in any other store in America.

Women's Tailor-Made Suits

Made of very fine Venetians, etamines and pebble chevots, collarless cape blouse effect with large puff sleeves, tucked skirts, kilt flare bottom, fit and workmanship the very best, suits sold elsewhere for \$22.50—our price..... 16.75

Woman's Tailor-Made Suits

In four new handsome blouse effects of finest broadcloths, chevots and etamines, in all shades, cape effects with fancy revers, fancy pleated bishop sleeves, latest flare and patel shaped skirts, positively the best values ever offered at this price..... 22:50



Women's Tailor-Made Suits

In broadcloths and chevots, black, blue, brown, made in neat collarless effect, new bishop puff sleeves, skirts with very newest cut, unlined—these suits are handsomely trimmed with braid and taffeta band, \$25 values—our price..... 18.75

Women's High Grade Tailor-Made Suits

Made of this season's swellest materials, such as imported fancy mixtures, crepe cloth, etamines and French voiles, in the very newest and handsomest styles, by the best artists in New York; these garments are sold elsewhere at \$35 and \$40..... 29:75

Women's White Shirt Waists.

The white waist is winning its way to greater popularity. We are showing the handsomest and largest line west of Chicago—in the newest materials, medium weight madras, fancy mererized figured stripes and basket weaves. Also in imported damask, large, beautiful patterns—low priced, yet stylish, handsome waists, at 95c, \$1.25, \$1.45, \$1.90, \$2.90 and \$4.90.



We have just received a swell line of new ideas in women's short and long kimonos. The prices that we make on them are extremely low.

Women's Dress and Walking Skirts

Daily arrivals in dress and walking skirts, now so much in demand. WALKING AND RUNABOUT SKIRTS, strictly man-tailored, Scotch tweeds and new mixtures, splendid values, at \$4.90, \$6.90, \$7.90, \$9.75, and \$12.75.

Handsome Etamine and Voile Dress Skirts

Just arrived from New York's best makers, in black, blue and tan, some unlined and some with silk drop skirts for evening or street wear, at \$9.75, \$12.75, \$18.75, \$24.75 and up to \$65.00.



Advertisement for O.K. Scofield's new spring goods, including waists, dress suits, and walking skirts. Includes an image of a woman in a dress.

Advertisement for Davies' Smart Millinery, featuring Paris Design and French Models. Includes an image of a woman in a hat and dress.

Advertisement for O.K. Scofield's pictures, frames, and framing services. Includes an image of a framed picture.

Advertisement for Mrs. J. Benson's infants' wear, featuring a large line for spring in blouses, robes, and dresses. Includes an image of a child in a dress.

Advertisement for Kearn's millinery, featuring the largest exclusive retail millinery house in the west. Includes an image of a woman in a hat.

Advertisement for Lieberthal & Russell's ladies' tailors, featuring novelties for spring and summer suits. Includes an image of a woman in a dress.