

SOCIETY FEELS THE SPELL

Lenten Solemnity Finally Checks the Whirl of Social Gaiety.

Turns to Theater for Relaxation

Absence of Big Events Sends Those Who Are Not Keeping Lent to Playhouses to Get Their Amusement.

The Flickering Jet. Gas low, Brave, fair, You're here, There, here, Soft eyes, Old time, Long sighs, Sweetest, Years pass, Dream's over, Low gas, Once more, A yawn, Bone sighs, E-om-ies.

The Social Calendar. TUESDAY—Unity church annual dinner. WEDNESDAY—Mrs. Preston entertains the Luncheon club. THURSDAY—Mr. and Mrs. DeFrance, a "society party."

In the main it is the theater to which society is chiefly indebted now-a-days for its entertainment, for, excepting a very few affairs, there was little that included the smartest of the fashionables.

In almost all matters the west can boast as many innovations as any section, but when it comes to matters social experience has taught the fashionables to turn their eyes eastward for inspiration.

Among the after-Easter events that society is anticipating is the presentation of "Mr. Bob" by a number of members of the young set.

In the absence of the Lenten musicales, which have in previous years been given here, the social net Saturday afternoon by George Crampin, the English basso, at Chambers' comes as a pleasant oasis.

Social Gossip. Mr. W. M. Bushman has received word of the safe arrival at Plaza Rico, Ecuador, of his son, Dr. Louis Bushman.

Miss Carita Curtis has taken the place on the staff of assistants at the public library made vacant by the resignation of Miss Blanche Joslyn.

Mrs. Edward Dickinson and Mrs. Harry Lyman expect to leave soon for Kansas City, where they will join Mr. Dickinson and make their home in the future.

Mrs. Guy Howard and Miss Bessie Howard sailed from San Francisco for Honolulu Tuesday on the United States transport Sherman.

The marriage of Miss Florence Dufur and Mr. Emil R. Zieke was solemnized at the home of the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lufur, 183 Jackson street, Friday evening, February 23.

Promise of the Future. The members of the Cooking club will be guests of Miss Preston at luncheon Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. DeFrance have invitations out for a "society party" to be given Thursday evening.

Thursday evening, Thursday afternoon Mrs. De France will entertain a party of women at cards. The visiting nurses sewing circle will meet at the residence of Mrs. George Barker, thirty-seventh and Jones street, tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. John A. Dempster has gone to South Dakota. Mrs. E. S. Newman has returned from New York. Miss Terrill and Miss Lou Terrill are in New York.

Mr. Arthur Crittenden Smith is visiting her parents in Brookline, Mass. Mrs. John R. McDonald has as her guest Miss Faith Andrews of Topeka, Kan.

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their husbands. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Letovsky, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kavan, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Miskovsky, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kuntz, Miss and Mrs. Anton Novak, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Novak, Mrs. S. B. Letovsky and Master Stanley Letovsky.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bryson gave a handsomely appointed dinner Wednesday in celebration of Mrs. Bryson's birthday. The table was most artistically trimmed, having for the center a bunch of red and white carnations and being lighted with candelabra, each tied with bows of red chiffon.

On Monday evening, February 29, the Local Freight Agents' Card club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Woods at their residence, 1317 Corby street.

Mrs. Samuel Katz gave the second of a series of musicales Monday evening to about sixty friends at her home, assisted by Mrs. Arthur L. Sheets, with Miss Grace Hancock accompanist.

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WOMAN IN CLUB AND CHARITY

There is one item in the treasurer's report of 1903 as it appears in the new year book of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs that has occasioned not a little comment among members of the Omaha Women's club, that is the item under receipts, "Received from the industrial committee for Jane Addams fund, \$7." This statement is confusing as well as misleading.

As a matter of fact, Miss Addams' coming to Nebraska to address the state meeting of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs that was made possible by the Omaha Women's club, which gave \$25 of the \$27 of her expenses. The limited funds of the state program committee is always a handicap in providing even speakers from outside the state, to present even those subjects being carried by the state.

The defeat of the bill to prevent the employment of children in the department of the Omaha city government, which in the house comes as a serious disappointment to the club women of the state, who have worked so hard to influence its passage. The bill had previously passed the senate after numerous amendments, but was lost in the house by a vote of 37 to 23.

The women of the Congregational church of Council Bluffs are conducting an art loan exhibit that is well worth the attention of lovers of old and rare collections of Omaha as well as Council Bluffs. The exhibition is housed at the old W. H. M. Pusey home on Pearl street, which, with all its memories, affords a fitting setting for the collection.

The musical department of the Woman's club will present a Schumann and Brahms program Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the First Congregational church. The program is to be exceptionally good and will include some of the best professional talent of the city.

It is expected that the program for the second district convention of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs, to be entertained by the Omaha Women's club March 2, will be announced this week.

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