

Society

By MELLIFICIA. Wednesday, December 8, 1915.

At last Omaha has caught the ice skating fever, and rather late in the infection, some are thinking. There is a very credited rumor afloat that the old base ball diamond at the Field club will be converted into a rink.

With the windows of Omaha shops displaying such attractive skating costumes in such fetching caprices of modes, it is a great wonder that some hidden influence has held back the skating impulse this long. It has been raging in that hub of all modes and fancies, New York, long enough, the white world knows. It has struck Chicago and struck a telling blow. The last Sunday's papers were filled with it, it had invaded the restaurants; and, where the light hearted formerly danced between the courses of luncheons and dinners, not to speak of suppers, they are now going to skate, or dance on skates.

The Ice Tango and Jack Frost Hesitation are the steps of the moment, every one is learning them; but, above all, everybody is dressing for them.

At the first Chicago indoor gambol on ice, a marked feature of the frolic was the number of women who wore ice-dancing frocks that were fashioned for the ballroom; silks, laces, nets. In a few more days, the change had come—the women danced, looking the part.

If there is one thing under the sun that can make a woman more adorably fascinating than another, it certainly must be known to that specialist in such refinements, Mr. Florenz Ziegfeld of the Follies.

Four years ago it is now since the skating girls of the Follies set New York and the world that goes to New York into a state of abject bewilderment of admiration, and the girls were dressed in far more clothing costumes than the ballroom demanded.

Melba Concert Box Parties.

At the Melba concert this evening at the Auditorium, the third of the charity concert course to be given under the auspices of the Associated Retailers, the box holders will make a creditable showing for Omaha society.

In the box with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wetters will be their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin and Mrs. George Barker, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Louisa Nash will have for their guests Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Westbrook and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Swobe.

The George Brandeis will entertain the Karl Louder and Miss Lillian Rogers of Chicago.

Dean and Mrs. James A. Tancock, with Mr. and Mrs. George Seabury, will occupy the Edgar Moreman box.

In the box of Dr. B. B. Davis his niece, Miss Dorothy Myers, will entertain a party of the pre-debutante set under the chaperonage of Mrs. Frank H. Myers.

The guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard H. Haldrige were the John A. McPherson, Mrs. F. P. Kirkendall and Mrs. Edward Crain of Springfield, O.

Debutantes Luncheon.

In honor of Miss Margery McCord, the debutante of last week, Mrs. John S. Brady was hostess this afternoon at the first given-in-honor affair for the buds.

The guests of the occasion were the debutantes of this year and last, who were seated at luncheon at five tables decorated with sweetheart roses. Those present were:

Misses—Margery McCord, Marion Kuhn, Isabel Vinsonhiser, Frances Hochstetler, Harriet Smith, Harriet Metz, Mary Megesth, Eugene Patterson, Marion Towle, Charlotte Callahan, Louise White, Alice Jacquith, Helen Ingwersen, Eleanor Mackay, Gertrude Metz, Helen Clarke, Lucille Deuel, Anne Gifford, Stella Thummet.

For Miss Stewart.

Mrs. Walter Roberts entertained a bridge-luncheon this afternoon in honor of Miss Marguerite Stewart of Muncie, Ind., the house guest of Miss Elizabeth Davis. The guests of Mrs. Roberts were:

Madames—Kenneth Patterson, Ralph Peters, Paul Gallagher, John P. Webster, Ben Wood.

Misses—Margaret Baum, Elizabeth Bruce, Mildred Rogers, Gladys Beyer, Louise Dinning, Daphne Peters, Elizabeth Davis, Katherine Thummet, Mary Burdley.

The Christmas party to be given by Miss Elizabeth Bruce to ten guests in honor of Miss Stewart, followed by a supper at the Pontenelle, will not be an event of this evening, as first planned. Owing to the Melba concert Miss Bruce has postponed this entertainment until Friday evening.

News of the School Set.

Miss Vivian Barkalow, daughter of the Newton Barkalows, who have come to Omaha from Denver to reside, will arrive December 19 from Sweetbriar college, Sweetbriar, Va., to spend the holidays with her parents.

Miss Gwendolyn Wolfe is expected home from the east, where she is attending school, about December 15 to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. M. Haldrige.

Club Luncheon.

Mrs. J. F. Harklerode was hostess this afternoon to the Ladies' Social club of the United Commercial Travelers' society. Twelve guests were entertained at luncheon, followed by cards.

Today's Events.

Mrs. Edgar Scott entertained twelve guests this afternoon informally at luncheon, followed by whist.

Popular Holiday Guest.

Miss Lillian Rogers of Chicago, sister of Mrs. George Brandeis and Mrs. Karl N. Louder, arrived in Omaha Tuesday morning to be the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Brandeis throughout the holiday season.

Miss Rogers will be one of the out-of-town guests at the ball of the A. Y. Klunlers given at the Hotel Pontenelle Saturday evening. Preceding the ball Mr. and Mrs. George Brandeis will give a small dinner in Miss Rogers' honor at the Pontenelle, when they will dine with the John L. Kennedy, Miss Lucille Bacon, Dr. Flahighan and Mr. Stockton Heath.

Yuletide Tea Boom.

Mrs. D. A. Mathews gave a luncheon this afternoon at the Yuletide Tea Room for her mother, Mrs. Freeman. Those present were:

Madames—O. W. Megesth, George Natling, George Payne, G. A. Hulbert.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. D. O. Hostetler of Kearney is the guest for the coming two weeks of her daughter, Mrs. Anan Raymond.

Dr. and Mrs. B. B. Davis left this afternoon for Kansas City to be gone for a few days.

Miss William H. Dix and Mr. T. J. Eyrnes are Omahans who were registered at the Hotel McAlpin in New York City during the last week.

Miss Duff Sherman.

The New York club has drafted R. F. Sherman, who will be in the Ohio State during the season.

Contract Marriage Succeeds, Will Have Old-Fashioned Wedding Now



PHOTO BY INTERNATIONAL FILMS SERVICE

Miss Gertrude Hassler, formerly known as the "Velvet Slipper Girl," is to have a real old-fashioned wedding, a ter her two years' experience with a "contract" wedding.

Several years ago Miss Hassler married Carl G. Fisher of Indianapolis, and speedway fame. The marriage turned out badly and she sued him for \$9,000 and compromised for \$3,900.

Then she met Frederick A. Carpenter, a Chicago business man, who proposed marriage to her. Miss Hassler thought she loved Carpenter and thought that she loved her, but with her disastrous experience fresh in her mind, was a bit wary. She wanted a legal contract, and she got it. This is what Carpenter said:

"I, Frederick Carpenter, by this contract take as my lawful wife Gertrude W. Hassler, and I solemnly promise and agree to be true, faithful in word and thoughts and deeds, to protect and love and devote my life to her, to bring her the happiness and contentment she so well deserves."

The document was signed before a regular judge in Kenosha, Wis., and no other ceremony was performed.

Since then things have changed. The contract, now a regular ceremony, is to be gone through in the old-fashioned way. A marriage license has been issued at Elgin, Ill.

Further investigation. Fuga tells a rambling story that he and Rudman were held up by a man and a woman at Thirteenth and William, and he ran. He further asserts that this was when Rudman was shot. Three men arrested were descriptions of the trio under arrest were seen running up an alley near where Rudman was found, shortly after the shot was heard.

At a meeting of the committee at noon, the proposed budget system of raising in one fund all the money for all the charities of the city was further discussed. If this plan is finally adopted it will probably not be before next year. The money is coming in in fairly good shape at present, it was reported, but much more is needed.

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Rudman died early this morning in a local hospital half an hour after he was found lying in the street at Fifteenth and William with two bullet wounds in his body.

M. B. Corey, 146 South Thirteenth street, at midnight heard three shots fired. He rushed in the direction of the firing. As he approached he saw a man running. Rudman lay without consciousness. One bullet had entered the shoulder and a second had penetrated the abdomen.

Rudman boarded with Stephen Stanale, 141 South Twelfth street. He was unmarried.

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LAD HIT WITH GUN THAT SHOT RUDMAN

Prokop Synek, jr., Finds Weapon Which Killed Austrian and Accidentally Shoots Brother.

THREE ARRESTED BY POLICE

With the same revolver that is believed to have been the one that shot Carl A. Rudman, machinist apprentice, at Thirteenth and William streets yesterday morning, Prokop Synek, jr., aged 14 years, shot his brother, Edward Synek, in the forehead.

The accident occurred in the Synek home, 1306 South Twelfth street, when Prokop brought home a revolver which he found near the curb at Twelfth and William streets. He was showing the weapon, which contained four empty and one loaded shell, to his brother, when the thing went off, and the bullet struck the elder lad directly in the center of the forehead.

X-Ray Picture Taken. Dr. Charles J. Nemes was called and he made an X-ray examination. He discovered the lead had lodged in the frontal bone, and announced it probably would result in nothing serious. The bullet glanced slightly upward and considering that the two boys were only ten feet or less apart when the accident occurred, Dr. Nemes asserts he is decidedly puzzled at the result. Edward was taken to St. Joseph's hospital yesterday afternoon and the lead was removed. He was sitting up in a chair fully dressed and reading a book at noon, and said he would walk to the hospital.

Finds Gun in Weeds. The younger boy was on his way home from communion service at St. Wenceslaus church, Fourteenth and Pine streets, and at Twelfth and William caught the flash of the weapon in the weeds. A trail of blood led from the spot north on Twelfth street for several blocks, which leads the police to believe that Carl Rudman's murderer may have been wounded. The father of the two boys, Prokop Synek, Sr., who is employed in a South Omaha packing house, notified the police of the find. Detectives Dunn and Kennedy are investigating.

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HOTEL CLERKS TO TEND TO BUSINESS

Association Decides to Fire Officers Who Fail to Attend the Meeting.

VISIT THE OMAHA HOTELS

If an officer of the Nebraska-Iowa Hotel Clerks' association is absent from three successive meetings in the future, without a valid excuse, he is fired.

That is one bit of ruling the clerks agreed upon at their morning session at the Paxton hotel. It was explained that the members would be

reasonable about determining who constitutes reasonable excuses.

The delegates took breakfast at the Paxton hotel. At 9 o'clock they began their business session at the Paxton.

Shortly after 12 o'clock they started in a body on their round of visiting the various hotels in Omaha. In rapid succession they were received at Hotel Carlton, Hotel Plaza, Midwest hotel, Reporter plant, Millard hotel, and then they halted at the Loyal for luncheon. Ladies were included at this luncheon party.

Following luncheon they visited Hotel Edwards and the Midland hotel, after which they repaired to the Loyal hotel for the final business session. The ladies quit them to go to the Empress theater at 2:15.

Keep Bowels Regular. Nothing better than Dr. King's New Life Pills for constipation, indigestion and sour stomach. Get a bottle only 25c. All drugists.—Advertisement.

Creche Ball Profit Over Four Hundred

A special meeting of the Creche board, held this morning at the home of Mrs. Warren Rogers, was called to determine the profits of the charity ball Monday evening in the ball room of the Hotel Pontenelle. Mrs. Arthur Crittenden Smith presided in the absence of Mrs. T. L. Kimball. The reports of the heads of committees and the auditing of the accounts showed that more than \$400 profit was netted from the ball.

ENTICED INTO VACANT HOUSE AND IS ROBBED

J. L. Shotfield complains that a colored person enticed him into a vacant house at Eighteenth and Nicholas streets, Tuesday and robbed him of \$55. Shotfield lives at 2217 North Twenty-first street.

BRANDEIS STORES

We have plenty of the imported dolls and toys—no scarcity here. Special values for Thursday from Santa Claus headquarters.

Stoves, with cooking utensils. Oven opens and shuts with reservoir. Special price. 49c	Brass Boiler Steam Engines, will run small toys. Thursday 89c	Iron Celebrated Motors and Hubs, will lift 50 pounds. Special. Thursday \$1.98
Children's Easel Black Boards, top lets down to form desk; has large roll of animals, alphabets, house and numbers for copying. Oak finish, and very durable. Sale price— \$1.49	Strong Hard Wood Coaster Wagons, roller bearings, steer easily, iron axle with brake— \$2.49	Strong Well Made Doll Trunks, large 2 1/2 x 5 1/2 x 10 hold all Dolls' clothes. Up from— 98c
	Drums, Drums, Drums at— 25c, 49c and 98c	

HANDKERCHIEFS IDEAL GIFTS

A splendid assortment of canceled orders, back orders, odd lots, and sample lines from the best makers and importers, Men, women and children share the bargains.

- Women's Kerchiefs, each, 15c.
- Women's Kerchiefs, Box, 25c.
- Men's Kerchiefs at 12 1/2c.
- Pure linen hand-embroidered. Some colored initialed and some colored edges. Imported from Ireland. Holly boxes.
- Finest quality of Shamrock lawn. One corner embroidered. Packed 3 in a box. A 39c value.
- Pure Linen Handkerchiefs. Full size, with 1/4 and 1/2 inch hems. Extra quality. In holly boxes if desired.

Women's Handkerchiefs, of extra India Linon. Beautifully packed for gift purposes in fancy holiday boxes. One corner embroidered, worth to 65c. Special at six for **45c**

SMART BLOUSES Most Appropriate Xmas Gifts

At \$3.69	At \$5.00	At \$1.95
Just 1,000 Sample Blouses	New Dressy Lace Blouses	Crepe de Chine Blouses, Lace Blouses.
Plaid Striped Blouses	New Crepe de Chine Blouses	Striped Tub Silk and Messaline Blouses.
Crepe de Chine Blouses	New Radium Taffeta Blouses	Convertible collars that can be worn high or low neck. Sizes 34 to 44.
Georgette Crepe Blouses	All new colors—White, flesh, maize, peach and navy.	
All new models and shades.	Christmas Boxes Given Upon Request.	

Jewelry Popular Gifts

Quadruple Silver Plated Toilet Sets, comb, brush and mirror. Like illustration. Regular \$5.00 value sale price. **\$3.69**

Fine French Pearl Beads, with solid gold clasp. \$300 values, special **\$1.00**

Nut Pick Sets in fine Maplewood box. 6 Picks and 1 cracker. Sale price **50c**

La Vallieres, solid gold pendants, beautiful designs. Sale price **\$1.00**

Women's Kid Gloves \$1.25

These gloves are specially priced, indeed. They are made of real French kidskins, two-clasp style, overseas sewn; light and medium weights, in white only, with heavy embroidered black backs. While they last, pair **\$1.25**

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