

Omaha Maids Show Modes of Fifty Years Ago

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Calendar of Club Doings

- Monday—**
Omaha Woman's club, Y. W. C. A. auditorium, 2:30 p. m.
Child Conservation league, Dundee Circle, Mrs. W. E. Burroughs, hostess.
Chautauqua circle, Tennyson chapter, Mrs. H. F. Curtis, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
Franco-Belgian Relief society, lectures by Miss Florence Schofield and Miss Elnor Fell, Hotel Rome, 8 p. m.
- Tuesday—**
South Omaha Woman's club, home economics department, Library hall, 2:30 p. m.
Business Women's club, Y. W. C. A., 7 p. m.
Omaha Woman's club, oratory department, Metropolitan hall, 10 a. m.
Business Girls' Council, luncheon and prayer meeting, court house, 11 a. m. to 2 p. m.
Sermo club, Miss Lillian Gwynne, hostess, 1 p. m.
U. S. Grant Woman's Relief Corps, Memorial hall, 2:30 p. m.
George A. Custer Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Kate Remington, hostess.
- Wednesday—**
Association of Collegiate Alumnae, story tellers' section, Mrs. Vincent Hascall, hostess, 4 p. m.
Mu Sigma club, Mrs. W. F. Negele, hostess, 9:30 a. m.
Dundee Woman's club, Mrs. Charles Leslie, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
Omaha Woman's club, literature department, Y. W. C. A., 10 a. m.
Visiting Nurse association, board meeting, city hall, 10:30 a. m.
Clio club, Mrs. R. McEachron, hostess.
Omaha Suffrage association, Mrs. Thor Jorgenson, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
Railway Mail Service Woman's club, Mrs. C. E. Presson, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
Miller Park Mother's circle, school auditorium, 2 p. m.
- Thursday—**
P. E. O. Sisterhood, Chapter E, Mrs. R. B. Zachary, hostess.
Omaha Story Tellers' league, public library, 4:15 p. m.
Omaha Woman's club, home economics department, Y. W. C. A., 10 a. m.
Benson Baptist Missionary circle, Miss Jessie Moulthrop, hostess.
- Friday—**
Child Conservation league, North Side circle, Mrs. R. M. Brown, hostess, 2 p. m.
W. C. T. U. of Benson, Mrs. J. M. Bailey, hostess.
- Saturday—**
P. E. O. Sisterhood, Chapter B. N., Mrs. J. G. Buffington, hostess, 10 a. m.
Association of Collegiate Alumnae, music section, Central High school auditorium, 2:30 p. m.

Portraying the Signing of the Original Charter of the Y.W.C.A.



Inez Kynex - Esther Stewart - Faye Boesenberg - Rose Rusicka

SOCIETY

Social Calendar

- Monday—**
Holland party at Indoor Golf school.
Holland party supper at Fontenelle.
Dinner and theater party for Mrs. Arthur Krook, Mr. Otto Bauman, host.
Matinee party for Miss Mildred Brown at Orpheum, Mrs. James Conrad, hostess.
- Tuesday—**
Thimble club, Mrs. L. D. Carrier, hostess.
Maple Leaf chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, card party and dance at Chambers' academy.
- Wednesday—**
Oriole club leap year dancing party, Hanscom Park pavilion.
Afternoon bridge for Mrs. Edward O'Brien, Mrs. Ben Wood, hostess.
Leap year dance at Prairie Park club, given by B'nai Brith ladies' auxiliary.
Afternoon bridge, Mrs. Alvin Johnson, hostess.
- Thursday—**
Morning Glory Kensington club, Mrs. Harry Hyte, hostess.
Subscription club dance at Turpin's hall.
Dinner preceding Subscription dance, given by Mr. and Mrs. Howard H. Baldrige.
Creighton Glee club concert at Brandeis theater.
Cincom club dance, Scottish Rite cathedral.
Box parties at Creighton Glee club concert, given by Mrs. L. B. Bushman, Mrs. Charles F. Crowley, Mrs. C. Will Hamilton, Mrs. Daniel C. Stapleton, Creighton university faculty, Mr. John D. Creighton and Mr. Lester Caldwell.
- Friday—**
Dundee Dancing club dance at Harte's hall.
Afternoon bridge for Miss Ellen Weart, Miss Dorothy Weller, hostess.
- Saturday—**
Dinner-dance at Fontenelle.
Week-end Dancing club dance at Chambers' academy.

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The young men of the club represent nearly every state in the union and two Hawaiians, Messrs. Fred Lamm and King Che Chock, represent the possessions.

Seventy girls and matrons, representing the most prominent families in Omaha are the patronesses of the Glee club concert and have done much to make the affair one of the notable events of the season.

Aside from Columbia university, New York City, there is not a seat of learning in the United States that does not affect the social and intellectual life of the city where it is situated more than any other influence. Even Boston, for all its size and history, cannot get bigger than the fame of Harvard at Cambridge adjoining. Of course, there is Chicago university in Chicago; but the college is so much newer than the great commercial center of its site and consequently the two seemed doomed to remain distinct from each other.

Is Creighton university to become an active influence in Omaha life, socially and intellectually?

Will the two, the city and the university, have the same connection that is implied between Providence and Brown, between New Haven and Yale, Nashville and Vanderbilt, and a score of other towns and their colleges?

When Harvard meets another team on its stadium, it is the biggest event in Boston and thereabout and Mr. Somebody and his wife and family are out with their steamer rugs to see the game; when the glee club gives a concert, it is really more of an affair than if every star in the operatic firmament should appear together that evening.

These are the things which go to make a college an institutional part of a city, one a very part of the fiber of the other.

And Omaha and Creighton seem fortunate in having started out in the right way.

The social disappointment of the week will be the postponement of the Fritz Kreisler concert of Tuesday evening. The great violinist will not appear in Omaha until March 28.

An unexpected addition to the calendar are the talks by Miss Florence Schofield and Miss Eleanor Fell at the Rome hotel Monday evening. These young women speak under the auspices of the Franco-Belgian Relief of Omaha, and come here after speaking before the Colony club of New York, perhaps the most exclusive club in the country, as well as one of the most influential. While in New York City Miss Schofield and Miss Fell had the patronage of Mrs. Vincent Astor, Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Mrs. Boardman Harriman, Mrs. August Belmont and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt. While in Washington the young women were entertained by Madame Paul Vignal, wife of Colonel Vignal, military attaché at the French embassy. Colonel Vignal is brother to Madame August M. Borglum of Omaha.

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Real 1866 Costumes Are Dug Up from Old Trunk to Illustrate 1916 Contrast

THE demure maid of 1866, walking with downcast eyes and gazing neither to the left of her nor to the right, will be contrasted with the brisk stride of the self-reliant 1916 girl in the historical pageant, "Girls of Yesterday and Today," to be given in connection with the fiftieth anniversary of the Young Women's Christian association. The pageant will be presented on Washington's birthday, under the direction of Miss Louise Curtis.

For this occasion well known Omaha matrons have delved into long-stored-away trunks in forgotten attics for gowns, hats, shawls, parasols, fans and brooches to resurrect for the pageant. Mrs. W. R. Bowen discovered a dream of a lavender brocaded satin trimmed with rare old lace which falls in ruffles and a bawldering cascade effect. Mrs. Allan Koch had a charming model of the early days after the war, which she has loaned, and Mrs. Lucretia S. Bradley a gown that was worn by her great aunt. Miss Curtis had a gown worn by her grandmother when she was a young girl and Mrs. Nels Jensen a gown which has additional interest, since it is not only old, but has been brought to this country from Denmark.

Consternation seized the women at the first rehearsal for the pageant, for even the slenderest of 1916 girls could not be fitted into the tiny-bodied, small-waisted gowns of their grandmother's day. Skillful needlewomen, however, remedied the difficulty by altering the gowns so that girls of the athletic type of the present day could insinuate themselves into the olden gowns.

Mrs. Mary Harte was the only Omaha woman who discovered some quaint poke bonnets of the period and loaned them for the occasion. What is conceded to be the piece de resistance in adding atmosphere to the production, however, is the genuine Paisley shawl brought to light by Mrs. Bradley.

Not only the costumes of 1866 will be worn by the 150 girls who participate in the pageant. There will be a girl dressed to represent each decade from then to now—the 1876 girl, 1886, 1896 and 1906 girls as well. Indeed, every period from the crinolines, tight-bodice, voluminous skirts, bustles, Gibson waists and straight front effects in women's attire for the last half century will be reproduced.

Mrs. Edward Johnson, Mrs. T. C. Brunner, Mrs. Chester Wells, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Latin are among the women who have provided costumes for the pageant.



Clara Drake
1866 GIRL



THE 1916 GIRL
Corinne Armstrong

"DRESS" from all angles and points of view, has been the subject paramount for discussion in the Woman's club home economics department. "Dress" and "Clothes" from the standpoint of the woman, from that of the shopkeeper, and last, but not least, from the standpoint of the husband or father who pays the bills the first of the month—all this has been argued back and forth in the department, which, until recently, knew but the high cost of living and the advantage of labor-saving household appliances.

"Dress Reforms," however, is the topic for Thursday morning's meeting, which is to be held at the Young Women's Christian association, with a little of the "History of Dress" on the side. The dress reforms attempted by Beatrice Forbes-Robertson, Annie Jenness Miller, Isadora Duncan and other women; to say nothing of the much-vaunted Polymurel, will be discussed.

"What we would like to get at is, how did men come to adopt such a convenient and conventional garb," asks Mrs. F. J. Burnett, leader of the department, "How did they do it?"

There is another matter of dress which the club women expect to take up this next meeting, to get an early start on the June graduations. It is relative to caps and gowns which the women think should be worn by high school girls at the commencement exercises. The club women will commend the plan to Miss Jessie Towne, dean of girls at the Central High school, for her to place before the girls for consideration.

It is a far stretch from the seemingly frivolous subject of dress to war and peace but these two subjects are also occupying the attention of the Woman's club. Prof. Henry Oelrich's talk on Wilson's plan of preparedness given for the social science department, Monday of last week, will be followed tomorrow by a talk on "World Peace and How to Obtain It," by John L. Kennedy. This will be part of the current topics' department open day program.

The educational committee of the club, headed by Mrs. W. S. Knight, has been considering the presentation of a peace pageant. Whether to give it as a small affair for the club members only, or to attempt a more pretentious pageant in which a large number of young women should participate, has not been decided although the possibilities for the latter presentation are few, owing to the gloom cast over the club by the absence of its late president.

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