

## Another Notable June Wedding in Omaha

### CLUBDOM

#### Calendar of Club Doings

- Tuesday—**  
North Side Mothers' club, Mrs. David Northrup, hostess, 1:30 p. m.  
George Custer Woman's Relief corps, Memorial hall, 2:30 p. m.  
Business Women's Council luncheon and prayer meeting, court house, 11 to 2 o'clock.  
Society of American Widows, Y. W. C. A., 2 p. m.
- Wednesday—**  
Women's clubs march in flag day parade.  
State P. E. O. convention opens at Alliance, W. C. T. U., Omaha chapter, Y. M. C. A., 3:30 p. m.  
W. C. T. U., Frances Willard chapter, Mrs. Leroy Savell, hostess.
- Thursday—**  
J. F. W. club, Mrs. Vincent Hascall, hostess.  
W. C. T. U., West Side chapter, Mrs. A. K. King, hostess, 2 p. m.  
W. C. T. U., Omaha chapter, flower shower for Mrs. Sarah Powells, 11 a. m.  
Joint celebration, Omaha and Major Isaac Sadler chapters, Daughters of American Revolution, Happy Hollow club, 1 p. m.  
Society of American Widows, Y. W. C. A., 7:45 p. m.
- Friday—**  
W. C. T. U. of Benson, Mrs. M. D. Veno, hostess.
- Saturday—**  
"Sanctuary" at Childs Point by Audubon society, 4 p. m.

### Forgan-Congdon Bridal Party Is Made Up of Some of the Best Known of Our Buds and Matrons

### SOCIETY

#### Social Calendar

- Monday—**  
Forgan-Congdon wedding.  
Luncheons at Happy Hollow, given by Mrs. Mary I. Creigh and Mrs. F. B. Haight.  
Card party to Custer Trio club, Mrs. John S. Harpster, hostess.
- Tuesday—**  
Dinner-dances at Happy Hollow and Seymour Lake clubs.  
Ladies' luncheon at Field club.  
Dance for Miss Elizabeth Mitchell at Country club, given by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pixley.  
Elks' celebration at Field club.
- Wednesday—**  
Dinner-dances at Field and Country clubs.  
Larae club dance at Happy Hollow club.  
Country club dinner-dance.
- Thursday—**  
Ladies' luncheon at Happy Hollow club.  
Comus club, Mrs. Ben F. Marti, hostess.  
Central High school seniors banquet at Happy Hollow club.  
Ladies' luncheon at Field club.
- Friday—**  
Dinner-dance at Seymour Lake Country club.
- Saturday—**  
Dinner-dances at Country, Field, Happy Hollow and Carter Lake clubs.  
Les Amies Whist club, Mrs. C. A. McKenzie, hostess.



**S**TRIKING definitions of the woman's club were uttered at the great biennial vesper service by Dr. Percy Stickney Grant. "The woman's club is the instrument and symbol of woman's new place. The club is the co-operative school of social service in which all topics pertaining to welfare are taught and discussed. In her new place woman has two things to do—she must face the problems of housecleaning and house enlargement; she must clean up America not only of defective and destructive human material but of defective and destructive ideas. Your leadership is of the brain and heart united for humane and patriotic purpose. In face of this great organization, I see no place left in American life for the purely 'society leader' or the woman of only social influence," he said.

That the federation has become so great numerically is cause for entire satisfaction; that some other basis for representation must be found is obvious. A hall large enough to admit full representation on the present basis would preclude the possibility of satisfactory participation from the house.

Next in importance to the election returns was the decision of the federation to eliminate alternates in future conventions. Every effort is being made to reduce the size of the convention body. It is necessary, according to officers and delegates, to reorganize the federation so that it can be made less unwieldy. Of recent years it has been almost impossible to find any place big enough to hold the meetings. Some of the women suggested that all social programs be eliminated from the convention and that the delegates and officers adhere strictly to business when attending a convention.

The federation voted to join the International Council of Women. It will first become a member of the National Council. The idea back of this move is that the women think they will have a genuine part in the readjustment of Europe when the war is over.

That it was decided to enlarge the directorate to include a board member from each state is gratifying. This enlarged board, numbering fifty-seven members, will give country-wide representation in the executive body.

The forty-eight state presidents formed an organization in the afternoon which will have for members only the presidents of state federations of women's clubs. This new organization, which they decided to call the Club of State Presidents, will join the general federation. They elected Mrs. George Winslow Perkins of Boston, president; Mrs. J. N. Paul of St. Paul, Neb., vice president, and Mrs. R. H. Ashbaugh of Michigan, secretary and treasurer. The club will have both social and philanthropic aims. It will meet once a year, when the General Federation council meets, and the alternate years when the biennial convention is held. In the meanwhile the members will write round robins to the club telling of the work of the other states and making suggestions for improvements in the workings of the state federations.

Hot Springs, Ark., delegates invited the federation to hold its council next year there, and Mrs. William R. Chivvis of St. Louis, Mo., invited them to come to her state. "We can promise you a convention hall where you can be heard and hotels within comfortable distance from it," she told them. At this the New York women looked disturbed and hurt. They appeared to feel that they had been openly criticized.

Reports from each state were made by the state presidents. The "teachings," recommended several years ago by Mrs. Percy Pennybacker, the retiring federation president, was the strong point in Mrs. J. N. Paul's report. Briefly summarizing, it stated that Nebraska has improved rural conditions until thirty-one consolidated schools and 170 rural high schools and twelve "teachings" are established. Pupils are transported by motor buses to the consolidated schools, and the portable school-house is used where there is shifting population. Nebraska's large body responded in song.

Mrs. E. M. Syfert, president of the Omaha Woman's club, returned Friday morning. Other delegates and alternates are lingering in the east, but are expected home within the next few weeks.

Club circles, particularly those especially interested in suffrage, had much to watch during the week, with the vote in Iowa on the suffrage amendment, the convention in Chicago to form a new woman's party, and the demonstrations there that brought about the platform expressions by the republicans and progressives. The progressive platform, as before, flatly endorse woman suffrage, and promised a national enactment on the question. The republican platform endorses the principle, but relegates the main question to the states for such action as they may see fit to take. This is the greatest victory the suffrage workers have so far achieved, as it brings their propaganda into the realm of national politics, and with the endorsement of the leading party the workers are greatly encouraged.

The Larae club dance will be at Happy Hollow club Wednesday evening and the Central High school seniors annual banquet at the same club the following night.

Three hundred Elks will attend the dinner at the Field club Tuesday evening.

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**T**HE week just passed was marked by one of the largest weddings of the year, an affair falling on Wednesday, and, consequently leaving the clubs practically deserted that evening, with the exception of one dinner party at the Country club.

Further than this, the week's activities were chiefly confined to club affairs, with large parties in popularity. The advent of the eastern advertising men served in bringing out a fair showing of masculine hospitality at which one particularly smart local leader was host at the Country club to some sixty commercial associates.

Probably the best sport of the week was the taking of the "society movie," at which everybody but the over-worked directors seemed to have had the time of their lives. Of course, the best part is still to come when the films will be screened for the benefit of the Child Saving institute, and the most confirmed of Omaha bachelors, as well as the most popular, will be seen as a bridegroom, at least in shadow, if not in substance.

But the birds are for the coming week with Mr. A. W. Jefferis in the role of a Kentucky cardinal, trimmed out with wings and top-knot, and looking quite the part. "Well, if Bob Burns can get married, I reckon I can fly," the "lead" of the bird masque "sanctuary," is credited with saying.  
Mr. Harry Palmer, looking for all the world in dress and wistfulness of expression, like Dante when he first saw Beatrice, will be Alwyn, the poet; and the part of Quercus, the fawn, will be taken by Mr. Hugh Wallace. When Mr. Joseph Lindon Smith took this role at the initial performance of "Sanctuary" to Miss Eleanor Wilson's "Ornis," the eastern gentleman wore fleshings—Mr. Wallace, however, will appear in tan colored trunks. The committee which chose fleshings for the first "Quercus" was composed of matrons of national prominence, among them the first Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, Mrs. Kenyon Cox, Mrs. Percy MacKaye, Mrs. Ernest Harold Baynes, Mrs. Maxfield Parrish and Mrs. Augustus Saint-Gaudens. Just why the Omaha committee voted against fleshings has not been made quite plain, a decision which was made before Mr. Wallace, who is quite as shapely as Mr. Joseph Lindon Smith, had been chosen for the part.

In addition to movies and birds, the great patriotic parade of Wednesday stands prominently out in the week's calendar, as much an event for the society page as the news, embracing as it does women from every financial and social condition in the city. Mrs. Edmund Minor Fairfield is chairman of the women's section in the flag day parade and has enrolled many of the most prominent girls and matrons in the Country club set.

The second Ak-Sar-Ben queen of the year will become a bride Monday evening, when Miss Elizabeth Congdon will be married to Mr. Robert Forgan of Chicago, the dean of the Episcopal cathedral officiating. Miss Congdon will be married at the home of her parents, where two of her sisters before her became brides. A distinguishing feature of the wedding will be the number of matrons of honor with one lone maid of honor, Mrs. Josephine Congdon, sister to the bride, and just graduated from Vassar college. Mesdames Arthur S. Rogers, Herbert French of Louisville, sisters to the bride; Barton Millard, Walter Roberts, Denise Barkalow and George Redick are the matron attendants. Edward Rogers, the young nephew of the bride, will act as usher to the bridal party, an office he performed at the wedding of his other aunt, Mrs. Herbert French.

There is an old southern superstition that the spot on which one happily married pair have stood during the solemnization of the rite has a virtue to be transmitted to all who follow, and sister after sister choosing to become brides in the same section of the same room.

Locally, the flag day parade of Wednesday is the red letter mark on the calendar. The general committee for the women's section of the parade, headed by Mrs. E. M. Fairfield, has been working all week to reach every woman's club in the city, to urge its members to march in the parade.

Close to 2,000 club women alone will march, it is reported, irrespective of the employed women who will march with their organizations and the members of patriotic organizations like the Woman's Relief corps, who will be included in the Elk's delegation of 2,000.

All white is the costume recommended by the women's committee. All the women who will march have been requested to wear white, but it is by no means necessary or required. If the all-white costume is not worn, however, a white shirt-waist or as much white as it is convenient will be proper. Mrs. C. T. Kountze, Mrs. Warren Rogers, Mrs. Z. T. Lindsey and Miss Jessie Millard and Mrs. H. E. Newbranch are assisting Mrs. Fairfield on the committee, as well as a large number of representative women.

Aside from the Forgan-Congdon wedding, entertainments for the week will be restricted largely to the country clubs. Here the school set will predominate, the youngest of the "young set" to be entertained at the Country club Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pixley, complimentary to their daughter Virginia's guest, Miss Elizabeth Mitchell of Fort Leavenworth.

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