

News of the Week in Social and Club Circles



Mrs. William Farish and her daughters
Florence and Annette

MRS. WILLIAM W. FARISH AND HER DAUGHTERS, Annette and Florence, of Montclair, N. J., who spent a few days last week at "Hillside," guests of Mrs. Farish's aunt, Mrs. Henry W. Yates. Mrs. Farish was formerly Miss Florrie Lemon of St. Joseph and has many friends here. Both young women are debutantes of this winter.



Mrs. Joseph Maul Metcalf
From a portrait by Elizabeth Gowdy Baker

MRS. JOSEPH MAUL METCALF, president of the Equal Franchise society. Mrs. Metcalf is the daughter of the late Colonel J. N. Cornish, pioneer Omaha banker, and a sister of Judge Albert J. Cornish of Lincoln and Edward J. Cornish, high in New York financial circles. Her big home is often opened for social functions.



Mrs. James McKinley
with Margaret
and "Billy"

MRS. JAMES M'KINLEY with William, or "Billy," and Margaret McKinley, a delightful southern woman who is now making her home in Omaha. Her husband, Captain McKinley, who is in charge of the recruiting station here, is a nephew of the martyred president, William McKinley, for whom their little son was named.

Social Calendar

- Monday—**
Monday Bridge club, Mrs. E. A. Higgins, hostess.
Original Monday Bridge club, Mrs. A. G. Beeson.
Luncheon for Miss Marie Hodge, Mrs. M. D. Cameron, hostess, at Blackstone.
- Tuesday—**
Winter Dancing club, Dundee hall.
Pagaloo club dance at Keep's dancing academy.
Jolly Twelve club, Miss Georgia Astleford, hostess.
Informal bridge for Mrs. F. N. Heller, Mrs. Fred Wallace, hostess.
Tuesday Bridge club, Mrs. John Redick, hostess.
- Wednesday—**
Valentine dinner-dance at University club.
Rothschild-Orkin wedding at home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Orkin.
Kensington for Miss Marie Hodge, Miss Hazel Evans, hostess.
Gamma Sigma club party given by Mrs. Fred Wallace for her husband.
- Thursday—**
Original Cooking club with Mrs. W. S. Poppleton.
Reception and ball of Knights Templar, at the Blackstone.
Original Cooking club, Mrs. William Sears Poppleton, hostess.
- Saturday—**
Delta Delta Delta meeting, Mrs. Eugene Coffeen, hostess.
Rite dancing club party at Scottish Rite cathedral.
Luncheon for Miss Marie Hodge, Mrs. G. A. Rohrbough, hostess.

Davis originated the idea of gathering the crowd for another dance this year and largely through their efforts the party was a brilliant success. It may be that the lone effort of this club during this season will be followed with other parties of similar nature before spring.

One week more and a little over and Lent will be upon us. Parties for Miss Marie Hodge a February bride still continue to occupy a great many afternoons. Two popular dancing parties will take place this week, the one given by the Winter Dancing club at Dundee hall and the other a Valentine dinner dance at the University club.

The Creighton University Glee club concert Thursday evening will receive the hearty support of all friends of the school and its students. It is the only large local college musical event which Omaha boasts, and as such holds a unique place in social affairs. Managers and directors of the club stoutly assert that the event will be well worth hearing and will be novel in its nature. Box parties and line parties for the performance are planned by many people.

Dunsany Is Nephew of Plunkett.
Special interest attaches to one of the four plays which the Portman team players bring to the Boyd theater February 23, "The Gods of the Mountain," by the Irish playwright, Lord Dunsany, on account of the fact that Lord Dunsany is a nephew of Sir Horace Plunkett, who comes to Omaha quite frequently, or used to before the war, to look after his vast real estate holdings in Nebraska and here in the city.

Social Settlement Activities.

A veritable beehive of activity is the Social settlement on the South Side. Greatest interest is shown in the Saturday morning sewing class of Mrs. F. S. Hanna, which includes not only sixty-eight girls, but also thirty boys, all between the ages of 4 and 12 years. The boys would rather do manual training, of course, but since the board has been unable to secure a volunteer instructor, the boys do not consider it unmanly or beneath them to learn to sew. Indeed they can now mend their own clothes, Mrs. L. M. Lord vouches for them.

Mrs. Hanna is a trained volunteer worker. Before coming to Omaha, she worked in the Rivington Street and Hartley House Settlements in New York. So thorough is Mrs. Hanna in her methods that in order to teach the children how to sew on buttons properly, she went to a tailor shop and learned how herself. First the children are taught to make samplers using all the kinds of stitches they will later require. Now the girls are making outing flannel petticoats and the boys are making mufflers.

Every Sunday afternoon there is a story hour for the children. Tuesday evenings, the West Side Jollies, a girls' club, arranges dancing parties. Thursday evenings, a class of girls, who are learning dressmaking, meet to cook and serve their own dinner first.

Volunteer workers will always be welcomed at the settlement, Mrs. Lord announces.

Away to Balmey Climes.

Mrs. E. E. Calvin and Miss Nellie Calvin have gone to California. Mr.

Calvin accompanied them west, but will not remain long.

Dr. and Mrs. Ewing Brown left last week for Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Fort and daughter, Louise, were in Omaha Tuesday in their private car on their way to California, and were joined here by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Murray. They will be gone a month or six weeks. Mrs. Fort and Miss Louise spent the day with Mrs. Joseph Barker at the Blackstone.

Mrs. Ben Gallagher and son, Ben, left Thursday for Los Angeles, to be gone several weeks.

Mrs. Jay Northrup will leave Monday for Miami, Fla., where she will spend three months with her brother, Mr. J. R. Shane.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wharton, Mr. and Mrs. Moshier Colpetzer and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Burgess plan to leave about the 20th for New York, and from there will go to Palm Beach and Belleair.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Brady and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis, with the latter's children and a nurse, leave today for Belleair, Fla.

Mrs. Charles Meyer of Los Angeles. The other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wharton and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis.

Social Gossip.
Mrs. E. C. Jensen returned Monday from two months in San Antonio, where she visited the home of Miss Pauline Fortran.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Howe are in Chicago to spend the week-end with their son, Robert. Mrs. Howe will remain a week or so longer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fraser have returned from Excelsior Springs.

Mrs. W. F. Baxter is expected home from New York today.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Louis Meyer are expected home this week, the latter from a visit in St. Louis and Mr. Meyer from a business trip east.

Mrs. Wilson left Tuesday for Boston and Cabasset to visit her uncle and sister, Mr. Albert Brown and Mrs. Larned, for a month or six weeks.

Miss Marion Howe, who is studying music in New York, is enjoying a season of grand opera. Last week she was a guest in the Henry Frick box with Miss Margaret Homer, daughter of the singer, Madame Louise Homer.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keeline are in Chicago visiting their sisters, Mrs. Louis Jaques and Mrs. Conrad Spens.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoxie Clarke are spending the winter in New York City, having taken a furnished apartment at 45 East Eighty-second street, where Mrs. Clarke's mother, Mrs. Ella Squires, is with them.

Mrs. John C. Drexel and her sons, John and Herbert, and her mother, Mrs. John Brandt, left for California for a month's stay.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Coad have returned from Minneapolis.

Notes from Engagement Book.
Mrs. Gunner Nashburg will entertain the members of the Alpha Phi Alumnae association on Monday afternoon at the regular monthly meeting.

Mrs. Louis Oldfield will entertain the W. W. club at luncheon at her home Wednesday.

Club Calendar

- Monday—**
Omaha Woman's club, political and social science department, Metropolitan club house, 2:30 p. m.
Chautauque circle, Tennyson chapter, Mrs. H. F. Curtiss, hostess, 2 p. m.
- Tuesday—**
Omaha Woman's club, oratory department, 10 a. m.; current topics, 2:30; philosophy and ethics, 4 p. m.
Association of Collegiate Alumnae, vocational guidance section, room No. 212 Central High school, 4 p. m.
Drama league, Blackstone hotel, 4 p. m.
P. E. O. sisterhood, Chapter B, P. Mrs. H. L. Harrington, hostess, 2 p. m.
Daughters of American Revolution, Omaha chapter, Mrs. J. C. Weeth, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
North Side Mothers' club, Mrs. Charles Ziebarth, 1:30 p. m.
Business Women's council, court house, 11 to 2 p. m.
Business Women's club, Y. W. C. A., 7 p. m.
Y. W. H. A. Paxton block club rooms, 8 p. m.
- Wednesday—**
Dundee Woman's club, Mrs. John O. Yeiser, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
P. E. O. sisterhood, Chapter B, K. Mrs. J. T. Buchanan, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
W. C. T. U. Frances Willard union, Y. W. C. A., 2 p. m.
Omaha Woman's Press club, Hotel Loyal, 12:30 p. m.
- Thursday—**
Omaha Woman's club, art department, 10 a. m.; music, 2:30 p. m.
Omaha Story Tellers' league, Mrs. C. W. Axtell, hostess, 4:15 p. m.
P. E. O. sisterhood, Chapter E, Mrs. G. W. Tribble, hostess, 2 p. m.
Association of Collegiate Alumnae, tea, Mrs. H. E. Newbranch, hostess, 4 p. m.
Benson Woman's club, Benson city hall, 2 p. m.
- Friday—**
Society of American Widows, Mrs. B. C. Turpin, hostess, 7:30 p. m.
King's Daughters, Mrs. William Berry, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
- Saturday—**
Association of Collegiate Alumnae, Hotel Fontenelle, 2:30 p. m.
P. E. O. sisterhood, Chapter M, Mrs. William Berry, hostess, 2:30 p. m.
North Side Mothers' club, evening party, Mrs. S. F. Miller, hostess.

ARRANGEMENTS for all district conventions of the Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs have been made.

Mrs. J. N. Paul of St. Paul, the state president, announces, Mrs. C. F. Humphrey, president of the First district, will hold convention at Brook, April 2-4. Second district, Mrs. J. W. Welch, president, Omaha, last part of April; Third, Mrs. Erskine, at Oakland, March 27-28; Fourth, Mrs. Fenton, at Wymore, March 29-30; Fifth, Mrs. Dunham, at Curtis, March 19-21, and Sixth, Mrs. Tolbert, president, at North Platte, the date not set as yet.

Mrs. Paul also takes steps to revive interest in baby health week. Mrs. K. R. J. Edholm of Omaha, Mrs. Emma R. Davison of Lincoln and Mrs. Hugh La Masters of Tecumseh, health, home economics and civics chairman, will once more co-operate with the United States Federation of Women's clubs this year, in the conduct of a baby health week campaign.

"As the welfare of babies cannot be separated from the welfare of their mothers, material care is a subject that will be introduced in the coming campaign in May," she writes. "Each chairman and your president will be glad to help any desiring help or literature on this subject."

"Baby welfare work is one of the most worth while things that has been undertaken by the clubs. The greatly decreased death rate, demonstrates this beyond a peradventure. The first public has been cast upon the sea of facts regarding baby welfare and we hope and believe that the waves will extend to the farther most sections of the world.

"Medical inspection in the schools will, in our opinion, be a move toward a better school system and a stronger citizenship, and we would favor steps to make it compulsory."

Owing to the pressure of other duties, Mrs. Ella Flagg Young has been obliged to resign the chairmanship of the department of education in the General Federation of Women's clubs. Mrs. Mary C. Parker of Western Reserve university of Ohio, has accepted this important office and is urging vocational training in the schools.

Mrs. Paul and Mrs. A. G. Peterson of Aurora, former state presidents, will attend the mid-winter conference of eight Mississippi Valley states' federations, which will be held in Minneapolis, February 20.

Mrs. Thomas G. Winter, who spoke in Omaha two years ago, will give a tea for the visiting clubwomen. The first conference of the sort ever held was entertained in Omaha.

Mrs. F. H. Cole has a letter from Mrs. Josiah Evans Cowles, general federation president, bearing sad news of the death of Dr. Cowles' mother, Miss Georgia Bacon, another General Federation officer, is quite ill.

Supreme P. E. O. Convention Here.

Plans for the national P. E. O. sisterhood convention, which will be held in Omaha in October, were discussed at a special conference of Omaha chapters Saturday at the Fontenelle. The national president, who is a Nebraska woman, Mrs. E. G. Drake of Beatrice, came to assist in making arrangements. She and Mr. Drake are with their children, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Drake, for the week-end. Mrs. Drake is also vice regent for the Nebraska Daughters of the American Revolution.

Five hundred women will come on for the big convention, it is expected. Already the local P. E. O. has a snug fund on hand to entertain the visiting clubwomen, each of the chapters having taken different methods to raise the money. Some held Christmas sales, others made rag rugs

Work of the Club Women.

Miss Kate Neville of Kansas City will lecture on "The New Race—Signs of the Times" before the political and social science department of the Omaha Woman's club Monday at 2:30 o'clock at Metropolitan club house.

Mrs. F. J. Birss, who went to Lincoln last week in the interests of four bills endorsed at the last department meeting, will report her success with the legislators. Mrs. D. G. Craighead will tell the status of these bills now. Mrs. Edward A. Thomann will sing.

When the oratory department meets Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock the members will rehearse their open day program to be given the first week in March.

"The Dedication of the Temple" will be the topic for Bible study on

and still more unique plans have not been divulged.

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