

News of the Week in Social Circles : Activities in Women's Realm



Phyllis Luman

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Lovely Trio of Girls About Whom Much Social Interest is Centered

Miss Phyllis Luman of Salt Lake City is visiting her sister, Mrs. Carl Lomis Meyer. Omaha maids and matrons vie with each other in showering social attentions on this fair young guest.

Miss Frances Fitzpatrick has but recently come to Omaha with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Fitzpatrick. Their home is at the Blackstone. Miss Fitzpatrick attended the Bristol school in Washington, D. C. She takes her rank in the bevy of Omaha's beauties.

Miss Mary Burkley's marriage to Mr. Lawrence Brinker, Thursday will be the first wedding ceremony at which Archbishop J. J. Harty will officiate.

Frances Fitzpatrick

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Patriotic Spirit Pervades Opening Dinner-Dance of Country Club

GAYEST among gay parties was the opening dinner-dance at the Country club last evening. Palms and ferns banked throughout the rooms furnished a background for American flags of every size, which were the chief note of decoration. Combined with them were the flags of England and France, which lent a patriotic air to the festive scene.

The advance of one month in the date of opening of the club season has spared the eager people of the Country club set much anxious waiting this year. From now on there will be table d'hote dinners and dances each Wednesday and Saturday evening, a golfers' luncheon Sunday noon and a table d'hote dinner Sunday evening. With Mr. Fred Hamilton as chairman of the very important house committee, the club expects to have a more than successful year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. French and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Folda.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Low, Mr. and Mrs. Clement Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Osgood Eastman, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Hull, Messrs. Harry McCormick and A. H. Bannister dined together.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Burgess entertained Judge and Mrs. W. A. Redick, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Foye, Mr. and Mrs. Will Burns and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clarke Coit had Mr. and Mrs. Ross Curtee and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilson of Lincoln and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. C. Kennedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Burns had Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hoshoff and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis as their guests.

Mrs. B. B. Wood entertained Mr. and Mrs. John S. Brady, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Stevens, Mrs. J. R. Lehmer and Miss Benlah Sharp.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Huntley, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Swales and Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Carlyle dined together. W. Farnam Smith had a party of six.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baldrige had with them Mr. and Mrs. Howard Baldrige and Frank W. Judson.

Among the foursoomes there were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pritchett, Miss Menie Davis and Roger Keeline, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Baum, jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Harley Moorhead; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Preston and Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Belt; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boston and Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Starz; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sprague, J. A. Cavers and King Denman.

Miss Anne Gifford, Messrs. Newman Benson, Jack Summers and John Caldwell will form another party.

Mr. and Mrs. Windsor F. Megeath entertained a party of eight for Mr. and Mrs. Harold Boyle, who have just returned from their wedding trip.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wickham of Council Bluffs entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Madden, Mr. and Mrs. George Van Brunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. John Melhop, jr.; Messrs. George Baldwin of Appleton, Wis.; W. Farnam Smith and J. A. Cavers.

Mr. Drexel Sibbensen had a party of fourteen.



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Mary Burkley

Red Cross Ball, Franco-Belgian Art Exhibit and Wedding Occupy Week

LITERALLY snowed under last Friday morning, the social world is now facing the pleasant prospect of being figuratively snowed under this coming week. War relief work, whether it be for the National League for Woman Service, the Red Cross, the National Surgical Dressings Committee or any one of the many organizations already formed or just forming, we now have with us like the poor. Aside from that, however, we have the most interesting variety of social events this week that has been gathered together by Dame Chance for many moons.

A bride, a Red Cross ball, a May fete, a large art exhibit, several card parties and numerous affairs at the now-open Country club furnish a varied program. Every one of these is a sure-enough, dyed-in-the-wool society event calculated to attract the interest of the most listless worldling.

Biggest of the benefit affairs to raise money for the financing of war relief is the Red Cross ball which Mrs. George Brandeis and her committee, Mesdames Louis C. Nash, Charles Thomas Kountze, Joseph Barker, William A. Redick, and William Tracy Burns, have arranged for Tuesday evening at the Hotel Fontenelle. That the ball will be a stupendous success seems certain. Mrs. Brandeis and her committee expect to clear \$2,000.

Sponsored by Society, the best of whose names comprise the official list of the Omaha branch of the Red Cross, the ball is sure to be a truly patriotic event. The popularity of the cause, the special dinner which the hotel is providing for its patrons, the elaborate preparations being made or patriotic decorations, all these are factors contributing to the success of Omaha's first Red Cross ball.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brandeis will entertain the members of the ball

committee and their husbands at the dinner which precedes the ball. Mr. L. A. Cavers will have another dinner party.

After Tuesday Miss Mary Burkley, the society bride of the week, will refuse all engagements, preferring to be rested, rather than a much-touted bride those last few days. This evening Miss Ellen Creighton gives a supper party at the Country club in honor of Miss Burkley and Mr. Brinker. The party will include Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Creighton, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stewart, 2d; Mr. and Mrs. McMillan Harding, Mrs. Fred Daugherty, Miss Elizabeth Fleming of Burlington, Miss Daphne Peters, Miss Stella Thummel, Miss Betty Bruce, Messrs. Herbert Connell, Ben Gallagher, Robert Burns, Elmer Redick and Cuthbert Potter. Monday Miss Daphne Peters will give a large afternoon brige for Miss Burkley Tuesday. Mrs. Ralph Peters is having a tea for the bride and when this is over the bridal affairs will be ended.

The marriage ceremony will be performed at 8:30 o'clock Thursday evening at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Frank J. Burkley. The large reception following the wedding will be one of the brilliant social events of the week.

Contrary to custom, there will be no private view of the big French-Belgian art exhibit which opens Tuesday at the Auditorium. Members and friends of the society will receive invitations, but the exhibit will be open to the public on the first day. Not only is this the largest exhibit which has ever visited Omaha, but it is also the largest which has ever traveled across the United States.

Paintings, sculpture, water colors, etchings and drawings are all included in the collection. All are for sale, the proceeds to go to the maimed artists or the families of artist-heroes who have lost their lives in the great war. Admission will be only 10 cents. The gallery will be open each day from 10 to 10 and on Sundays from 2 to 10 o'clock.

Looming on Social Horizon.

All Saints Parish Aid society, of which Mrs. Tom Davis is the head, is planning a dance to be given on Tuesday, May 15, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Bradford.

Mrs. Walter Page will give a luncheon Wednesday at the Country club for her daughter, Mrs. John Trinder. The Prettiest Mile Women's Golf club will give a May breakfast at the Blackstone Tuesday, at 12 o'clock. Reservations have been made for seventy-five guests.

Chaperons for the Creighton Mixers' dance to be given at Keep's Tuesday evening in honor of the Creighton students who have enlisted will be: Drs. and Mesdames Rudolph Kiz, Floyd S. Clark, G. W. Dishong and Prof. and Mrs. L. J. Te Poel.

Te Mars club will give a May dancing party Thursday evening at Keep's academy. The last club dance will be given May 15.

Mrs. Torrey Everett of Pasadena will read one of her plays at the home of Mrs. Myron Learned Monday afternoon to a group of about sixteen

Social Calendar

Monday—

Bridge luncheon for Miss Mary Burkley, Miss Daphne Peters, hostess.

Original Monday Bridge club, Mrs. W. A. Redick, hostess.

All Saints' Parish Aid, card party at parish house.

Tuesday—

Red Cross ball at Fontenelle.

Thimble club, Mrs. F. R. McConnell, hostess.

Creighton Mixers' dance at Keep's academy.

Luncheon for Miss Mary Burkley; Mrs. Ralph Peters, hostess.

Prettiest Mile Golf club, May breakfast at Blackstone.

Wednesday—

Clairmont Bridge club, Mrs. A. L. Rush, hostess.

May fete for new Unitarian church at Joslyn gardens, 4 p. m.

Luncheon at Country club for Mrs. John Trinder, Mrs. Walter T. Page, hostess.

Mid-week dinner dance at Country club.

Thursday—

Brinker-Burkley wedding.

Comus club, Mrs. Charles Berrie, hostess.

Afternoon for Mrs. Clem F. Waldron; Mrs. Samuel W. Reynolds, hostess.

Original Cooking club, Mrs. William Sears Poppleton, hostess.

Friday—

Luncheon at Blackstone, Mrs. L. M. Talmage, hostess.

Saturday—

Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Miss Flora Cooper of Council Bluffs, hostess.

May day party for Miss Flodell C. Higgins, Miss Mary Chase, hostess.

Friends. (Tea will be served after the reading.)

Residence Changes.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Holdrege and family will move early next month to 224 North Forty-ninth street, next door to their daughter, Mrs. Robert Hollister, and Dr. Hollister. The house was recently bought from G. W. Wickersham by Mrs. T. L. Kimball, mother of Mrs. Holdrege.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clarke Coit and family moved from the Blackstone to their Benson home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wood, jr., have bought the home of Mrs. Theodore Ringwalt at 429 North Thirty-eighth avenue and will take possession in June. Mrs. Ringwalt and her daughters will move to 212 South Thirty-seventh street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCord have given up their house and are at the Fontenelle until the completion of their new home in Dundee some time in June.

Mrs. E. L. Robertson is giving up her apartment and will stop at the Sanford until June, when she goes to visit her daughter, Mrs. Campbell, in Alaska. Mr. and Mrs. William Leet are with her.

Mrs. James E. Davidson of Portland, with James, jr., Dorothy and John E., have joined Mr. Davidson here and are at the Colonial until a house is prepared for them.

Cupid's Darts

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kieffer of Charleston, W. Va., formerly of Omaha announce the engagement of their daughter, Estelle Douglas Kieffer to Mr. Gerhard Frederick Harms, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harms of this city. The wedding will take place soon. Miss Kieffer is at present visiting her brother here.

Miss Flodell C. Higgins has set June 6 for the date of her wedding to Mr. Earl Bragg. The ceremony will take place at the North Side Christian church. Many pre-nuptial affairs are scheduled for Miss Higgins and Mr. Bragg, who is a graduate of Ames college and a member of the University club. Miss Mary Chase, a bridesmaid, gives a May day party Saturday. Mrs. E. Lynne Kilgore entertains the bride May 11, and the Misses Maud Pierce and Thelma Carlyle, other bridesmaids, June 2.

From San Antonio, Tex., comes the announcement of the engagement of Miss Pauline Fordstran to Mr. Rudolph Groos, the wedding to take place in June. Miss Fordstran will be remembered as the charming young girl who visited Miss Alice Coak a year ago.

May Fete With Woodland Songs and Dancing on Green of Joslyn Gardens

NO doubt your favorite fashion magazine has recently depicted a ravishing scene of outdoor dancing? Pretty barefoot maidens in abbreviated Greek costumes have been circling round the marble border of a shady pool or dancing with abandon through the green groves of some country estate.

If those scenes of distant people have delighted you, how much more will you enjoy the delightful May fete which will be given Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Joslyn gardens for the building fund of the new Unitarian church.

Before a background of shrubs, with a rustic arbor at the extreme right, on the east lawn of Joslyn gardens ten pretty Greek maidens in gowns of pale blue, pink, lavender, green, yellow and white will dance. An amphitheater of chairs will be arranged for the spectators. In a rustic booth Mrs. Robert French Leavenworth will direct the sale of candles and her aides will pass among the audience selling confections from wicker baskets. Mrs. C. W. Russell will have charge of the ushers. General arrangements are in the care of Mesdames Draper Smith, chairman, C. W. Russell, William Newton, Robert F. Leavenworth, N. P. Dodge, jr., Guy Spencer, George A. Joslyn, and William F. Baxter. The entrance will be at the Thirty-ninth street gate and that will

be the only place where tickets can be procured. In case of rain the fete will be deferred until the next day. General admission is 50 cents and reserved seats are 25 cents extra.

Mrs. O. W. Eldridge, or as she will appear on the programs, Mrs. Hazel Smith Eldridge, who is a beautiful young woman with a pleasing voice, will open the program with "Springtime" by Grieg and "The Heaven Is Blue," by Hildach accompanied by Henry Cox and a string quartet from his Omaha symphony study orchestra. She will wear a Grecian gown of white and around her brow will be the green wreath of the Greenian Muse. The accompanists, Miss Grace Slabaugh, Miss Eloise West, Mr. Cox and the stringed orchestra will be concealed, so that the music may sound like the pipes of Pan himself.

Miss Pleasant Holyoke, who has been training the children for the affair, will appear as the second number in "The Song of the Robin," and also in the concluding number called "A Nile Maiden and Her Slaves," with Miss Fortia Mansfield Sweet and Miss Charlotte Perry. The latter two will appear in the second and third numbers of the program, "A Wood Nymph," and the "Shepherd's Dream." They will then combine in a number called "Youth and Maiden Playing Ball." In the Chopin waltz which follows, Misses Polly Robbins, Martha Dox and Eleanor Baxter will dance. After another number, "Breath of Spring," by Miss Sweet, Mrs. Eldridge will sing a group of songs, written by Rachinoff, Vidal and Charles Gilbert Stross. After "Bacchanale" by Miss Sweet and Miss Perry (title Misses Eleanor Kountze, Polly Robbins, Martha Dox and Katherine and Eleanor Baxter will dance the "Blue Danube." Another number, "Happy Beggars" by Miss Sweet and Miss Perry will follow.

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Omaha Men to Serve.

John Caldwell and Lawrence Brinker returned Tuesday from Chicago, where they went on business connected with the recruiting of the officers' reserve corps.

Albert Sibbensen arrived home Tuesday from Dartmouth to enter the officers' reserve corps.

Hugh Mearns, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Mearns, sailed last Saturday for France to enter the ambulance corps.

Charles Squires, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Squires, left Friday for Newport, R. I., to join the coast patrol fleet. He expects to meet many Cornell men there.

Social Gossip.

Mrs. Sam Caldwell returned Wednesday from St. Louis, where she visited her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles How.

Mrs. M. J. Carney of New York was here from Sunday until Wednesday, the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Brandeis.

Mrs. Louis Kormeyer of Lincoln, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. P. Taylor, left Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank Judson has been at Farmington, Minn., for the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baldrige and Mr. Howard Baldrige returned last week from the east, where they at-