

one of a business nature, and who have never written a line about social matters in their lives, have been forced to withdraw their names. The Metropolitan people, however, are indignant against Ward, and they are determined to make him resign his membership. A private paper has been in circulation to that effect, and many men have refused to enter the club doors because they do not wish to associate as a club member with the ex king of the 400. McAllister, I understand, has been apprised of the feeling, and is very bitter about it."

Robert Wilson, Jr., superintendent of Bradstreet's local agency, left Wednesday for Newport, R. I., to attend the funeral of his father.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Goudy entertained their former pupils from Webster county, who are students in the state university, at dinner Monday evening at the Lindell hotel. Those present were: Messrs. Schuyler, Miller, Cluncy, Warner, A. A. Pope, MacPope, Fred Maurer, Bruce Paine and Nellie Bently.

The Lincoln Light Infantry appeared Wednesday afternoon in their handsome new uniforms and gave an exhibition drill at the corner of Twelfth and M streets.

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Mr. Taber gave a very successful and entertaining concert at the First Congregational church on Monday night. He was assisted by Mrs. Nye, Mr. Fisher and the Temple Quartette.

Miss Palmer gave a very delightful dance to the Debutants Cook-ag club and their friends on Monday evening.

Mr. Wm. G. Doane left Monday night for Portland to be best man at the wedding of Mr. Henry Rustin, formally of Omaha.

On last Monday night the Coliseum was resplendant with electric lights, brass buttons and pretty women. The occasion was the presentation of a new stand of colors by the Ladies Auxiliary Corps to the Thurston Rifles. After drills by the Omaha Guards the Dodge Light Guards, the Thurston Rifles, the High School Cadets of Council Bluffs and the Omaha Guards Gatling Section, the Hon. John L. Webster in a very patriotic speech turned the beautiful flag over to Chaplain Butler who made the response for the Thurstons. General Brooke and his staff were present in full uniform. Governor Crouse and his staff and the colonels of the First and second regiments Nebraska National Guard. Governor Crouse made a few remarks as did the Hon. John M. Thurston.

Following the speeches was dress parade and that wound up the military proceedings. Later dancing was indulged in until the wee small hours.

I drove over to Council Bluffs early this week for the races and although Tuesday was not a representative day as far as attendance was concerned, still the grand stand was well filled and much interest was taken in the horses. The track was in excellent condition and the running very good. Each race was close and I spent a very enjoyable afternoon. I wondered that more Omaha people did not take advantage of this meeting for they would be well paid for the trouble of going over.

Miss Kountze, Miss Oliver and Miss Kohlsaat and Mr. Charles Kountze made up a very jolly party that left for the east Tuesday and on Wednesday. Mrs. Ezra Millard and her daughters started for the other side to be gone a year or more.

Truly Omaha is rapidly becoming very metropolitan and society is closely following in the footsteps of her eastern sisters. Not long since one prominent young woman was heard to remark that she really must have a cigarette after each meal and that if she did not have the usual morning cocktail she felt "done up" for the rest of the day. She also confided to another friend that the only way to keep the attentions of a man today, was to become engaged to him. I must confess that both the assertions startled me at first but I was told that we were living in a progressive age and that every girl wished to be considered *fin-de-siecle*.

A concert was given by the Second Infantry band at Capt. & Mrs. Parsons on Thursday evening to which a number of town people were invited.

The death of Mr. John M. Clarke, whose funeral took place Monday morning removed from Omaha one of her oldest and most respected citizens. Mr. Clark was in his eighty-seventh year at the time of his death and left four daughters to mourn his loss.

Miss Chaunte, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Morris for a few weeks, returned to Chicago yesterday.

Mr. E. E. Balch and family have leased Mrs. Ezra Millard's house for a year.

It is with great regret that I hear of the permanent removal from Omaha and vicinity of Mr. E. H. Sherwood's family. The family estate at Southport Connecticut that has recently descended to Mr. Sherwood will be their future home. Enroute east Miss Sherwood will be Mr. and Mrs. Offuth's guest.

Now that the weather is cool and pleasant afternoon and evening picnics seem to be the order of the day. Mr. Mathews and Mr. Darling took a very jolly coach load down to the range on Saturday and the same afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wheeler chaperoned quite a number of young people over to the woods back of Council Bluffs. On Decoration day a merry party drove up to Calhoun for supper while Dr. Miller's and Mr. Walker's places were also the scenes of similar gatherings.

Mr. Clifford Smith and Mr. Fairfield entertained a few intimate friends at a Dutch supper at The Bachelors on Wednesday evening.

Capt. Crowder returned home early this week from St. Paul where he had been in connection with the court martial of Lieut. Maney.

The G. A. R. Posts in Omaha had their usual Memorial exercises at Hanscom park on Decoration day. The parade which consisted of the Seventh Ward band, the Omaha Guards, the Thurston Rifles and a number of veterans following in carriages, marched at two o'clock from Fifteenth and Douglass streets. The park was crowded with visitors so witness the ceremony which was never more impressive than on Wednesday last.

When the Omaha Guards returned to their Armory from participating in the Decoration day exercises at Hanscom park, they were met with a very pleasant surprise. During their absence, the many young women friends of this popular organization had gotten up a very pretty supper for the members of the company. Down the length of the room was one long table fairly groaning under the weight of so many good things to eat. The men were made to sit down at once and were waited upon by their charming visitors. After supper dancing was indulged in and about eight o'clock two large wagons drove up and the entire party went on a straw ride out to Cortland Beach where they spent the balance of the evening. A royally good time was enjoyed by all.

I drove out to Cortland Beach Saturday afternoon and for so early in the season, was surprised to see the number of people on the grounds. I was also surprised to see how well the place was looking. The pavilion and boat house have been freshly painted and every thing had a new and very clean appearance. The music by the band was not particularly good but I hear that from now on every afternoon and evening the orchestra from Boyd's theatre will be in attendance. Notwithstanding the weather was a trifle cool, I noticed several in bathing and I was glad to learn that it was not stagnant nor back water from the river, as I had heretofore supposed, but came fresh from a number of springs on the north side of the lake. The "merry-go-round," shooting gallery and roller coaster were all in full blast. In fact the Beach is a smaller Coney Island with the objectionable features left out. In the ladies pavilion only light refreshments, ices, lemonade, etc., will be served—the bar is in a separate building in another part of the grounds. As I sat on the porch smoking a cigar I thought it was the only place in and around Omaha where, on a hot and sultry night this summer, one could be at all cool. The management simply cater to the better classes of the pleasure looking public and have spared no expense this year to attain their end. I wish them all success.