

The Pleasant Hour club, the oldest dancing organization in the city, met Saturday last and partially completed arrangements for its twentieth consecutive season. The club starts in with an unusually large membership this year and the season bids fair to be one of the most successful and brilliant in the history of the club. It was decided to hold the first dance Thursday, November 29, Thanksgiving night, it having been the custom of the club for years to have a party on the evening of Thanksgiving. This first dance will take the form of a reception to Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Burr and Mr. and Mrs. Beman G. Dawes, thus observing another time-honored custom, that of giving a testimonial to each member of the club as he marries. The location of the reception as well as other arrangements for the season will be settled at an adjourned meeting of the club to be held today at 12 o'clock noon, at Zehrun's store. At last week's meeting W. Morton Smith was re-elected president, the other officers being filled as follows: Vice-president, M. H. Bald-Baldwin; secretary and treasurer, Will Johnson; master of ceremonies, Frank C. Zehrun; executive committee, Beman G. Dawes, Fritz Westermann and John T. Dorgan.

Sorosis held its third annual banquet at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sawyer, last Saturday night. It has grown into a cus-

tom with the ladies belonging to this society to turn aside each November and admit their husbands and sweethearts for once into the inner circle. This last meeting was one of supreme enjoyment. Every one knows what a beautiful home the Sawyer residence is, and how welcome guests are always made there. The decorations were palms, roses and pinks. The table was spread in the octagon front parlor. Each member brought a single guest. The lunch was all that anyone could desire, and was charmingly served by daughters of members. Mrs. Hodgman acted as toastmistress. She pleasantly introduced each speaker. Mrs. E. T. Harley responded to the sentiment, "Women's Clubs in General and Ours in Particular." She traced briefly the origin of clubs and their influence and did not fail to pay her respects to the young woman who recently wrote a criticism on clubs. She referred to the fact that in a morning paper it had been declared that Mrs. Peattie was the "brainiest man" on a metropolitan paper and could not refrain from referring to the "sawed-off joss." She added that the yards of embroidery taken off the child's gown added to the convolutions of the brain. Mr. Munger responded to "Clubs and Trumps." He confessed to some embarrassment; but it was not noticeable. He spoke of his own short suit, complimented the ladies on every occasion, told a few stories, and insisted that "hearts were still trumps." Mrs. Brace gave an interesting resume of the work of the club and of its prospective place. Mr. Maule was unavoidably absent and could not respond to "Woman." Mrs. Bryan recited an original poem which greatly delighted the guests. Her references to members were particularly enjoyable. Miss Richardson sang "Mona" and was heartily cheered. Miss Moore, now in Florida, sent a greeting to "Absent Members." Chancellor Canfield responded to "Home or Homer." He wondered why the gentlemen were brought there to be punished; were required to make speeches and furnish amusement for the guests. He took up the home question rather seriously. It was the duty of every parent to so equip his child that it would in no event become

a public charge. This was an age of progression; when the most useful citizen had ceased to be the one who could get the most out of a community. Now the best citizen was the one out of whom the community could get the most. He went over the necessity for better home training, and for a more thorough infusion of the idea that much was to be done for others, and that the home was the great place for the cultivation of all of the best qualities. Out of a number of short poems written by members that of Mrs. Canfield was selected and set to music. Standing about the festal board, members sang it with a hearty good will:

A SONG OF SOROSIS.

(Beulah Land.)

Once more we meet with song and cheer
To celebrate a fruitful year,
We gather a fraternal band
Joined heart to heart and hand in hand.

Refrain—

Fraternity, Fraternity,
So nobly crowns the century,
Thrice blessed of sisterhoods are we

For Home is safe while
Thought is free.

Wide field of knowledge
we explore,
Mines old and new yield
us their ore;
While torch of Truth with
blaze of light
Leads us along from height
to height.

Fraternity, Fraternity, etc.
Then join we all in song of
praise
To pledge Sorosis length
of days,
Oh may her incense ever
rise
From sordid earth to glow-
ing skies.

Fraternity, Fraternity, etc.

There were present:
Chancellor and Mrs. Can-
field, Prof. and Mrs. Bar-
bour, Professor and
Mrs. Fling, Professor and
Mrs. Hodgman, Professor
and Mrs. Adams, Messrs.
and Mesdames Brace, Bell,
Munger, Dr. and Mrs. Hol-
yoke, Burlingim, McGa-
hey, Guthrie, Ricketts,
Beebe, Bryan, Sawyer,
Hartley, Highland Wheel-
er, J. E. Miller, Summers,

A. S. Tibbetts, Maule, Welch, Richardson; Miss Kingsley, Miss Richardson, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Will Stull.

Miss Carrie Wasmer's friends in Omaha have interested themselves in her candidacy for THE COURIER prize of \$250. Miss Wasmer is an exceptionally popular young lady and her friends both here and in Omaha will make it interesting for her competitors.

The Lincoln Light Infantry boys evidently have a favorite candidate in our voting contest. Coupons with brass buttons all over them are coming in for a certain young lady.

Sam Low is visiting his home in Arkansas.

Members of the Pleasant Hour club are requested not to forget the adjourned meeting of the club to be held at noon today.



Johnnie—Everybody says the loaves ought to be larger, now that flour is so cheap.
Baker—Vell, youst tell der yeast man to leave double quantity yeast after dese.