

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

H. R. Nissley was in Denver this week.

Mrs. C. A. Robbins has gone to Elmwood, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Van Brunt have gone east.

John M. Stewart was in St. Louis this week.

C. H. Morrill has joined his family in Salt Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Vaill left Monday for Galesburg, Ill.

Miss Myrtle Coon of Omaha spent Sunday in this city.

Mrs. W. R. Fuller of Edgar is visiting Mrs. A. W. Gale.

Professor and Mrs. Wilson left Monday for Chicago and Chautauqua.

F. W. Collins addressed a large audience at Ashland the Fourth of July.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Plank have gone to Colorado Springs for the summer.

Rev. O. W. Fifer, formerly of this city, now of Geneva, was in town this week.

Chancellor and Mrs. MacLean have arrived safely on the other side of the Atlantic.

J. H. Mauritius, formerly of Lincoln and now of New York, was in town this week.

Fred Woodward spent the Fourth of July in Beatrice, the guest of "Chic" Harrison.

Mrs. Todd, who was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Thompson, has returned to Chicago.

Dan Cook of Beatrice spent Sunday in this city, the guest of his brother, Frank Cook.

Miss Maud Oakley spent the Fourth of July in Plattsmouth, the guest of Mrs. Dovey.

S. J. Dennis is in Hot Springs, S. D. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williams are in Buffalo, N. Y.

Miss Inez Burnham of Omaha is visiting Miss Jessie L. Lansing, daughter of J. F. Lansing.

Mrs. S. Simpson of Deadwood, S. D., has gone on to Denver after a visit with Miss Mamie Wells.

Miss Belle Eads of Burlington, Ia., is in the city, the guest of Misses Marguerite and George Oliver.

Amasa Cobb Wilson has returned to Denver after spending several weeks with his relatives in this city.

Mrs. R. S. Grimes and daughter Sadie left Monday for a visit with friends and relatives in Indiana.

Mrs. John Slaker and two daughters of Hastings are in the city visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Painter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ogden left Sunday afternoon for Newark, O., where they will spend the month of July.

Miss Ana Closson of Michigan is spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Closson, 1301 Q street.

Miss Quick of Port Jervis, N. Y., and Mrs. Coffin of Des Moines, who were Miss Carson's guests, returned home last week.

Captain and Mrs. John F. Guilfoyle left the early part of the week for Ft. McKinney, where they will spend the month of July.

Many Lincoln people have visited Crete this week. The Chautauqua assembly appears to be enjoying its old time popularity.

Miss Emily Webster of Winneconne, Wis., teacher in the Oshkosh state normal school, is visiting with Rev. J. McC. McDonald and family at 2407 O street.

Secretary of State Piper delivered an address on "Patriotism" before the scholars of the Sunday school of the Grace Methodist church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Clinton R. Lee left Wednesday for Houston, Tex., where she will join her parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Jones. They expect to spend the summer at Galveston beach.

Prof. Lawrence Fossler delivered an interesting lecture on "Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush" Sunday morning at the Universalist church.

Misses Ella Rax and Lillian Muncey expect to leave shortly on a vacation trip to Colorado. Miss Bax will visit in Colorado Springs, while Miss Muncey will go to Pueblo.

R. B. Howell of Omaha spent the Fourth in Lincoln. Mr. Howell has only recently returned from Annapolis, where he went as a member of the government visiting board.

H. F. Mitchell, formerly managing editor of the Call, and C. A. Douglas, recently employed on the Courier, have formed a partnership, and on Sunday issued the first number of the Sunday Morning Tribune.

J. H. Harley, D. W. Cook, N. S. Harwood, W. C. Wilson, Frank E. Johnson, H. B. Thomson, C. O. Whedon, F. M. Hall, W. W. Wilson, J. W. Deweese and J. H. Ager left for Chicago Monday.

A cablegram received from H. P. Lau

yesterday announces the safe arrival of their party at Coatzacoalcos on the Isthmus of Tehautepeck, Old Mexico. Letters from them speak of a most delightful trip, with no warmer weather than we have had during the past two weeks.

Frank C. Zehring is perambulating the Rialto in New York. He will continue to perambulate for several weeks. From private advices it is learned that he is cutting a wide swath. Mr. Zehring is said to be booking everything in sight for the Funke opera house.

Mr. C. P. A. Clough of Omaha spent Sunday in this city. Mr. Clough's frequent Lincoln appearances continue to be a feature of local society. The attention he receives doesn't seem to bother him a bit. Mr. Clough and Mr. Joe Mason are much together when the former is in the city.

Among the departures for Chicago Monday were: Congressman J. B. Strode, Judge Cornish, Judge Holmes, Judge Cochran, Mayor Graham, Councilmen J. D. Parker and William Lawlor, D. G. Courtney, John McManigal, T. H. Benton, Fred Miller, Joe Herrick, R. J. Greene and Ed Barnes.

Clem Kimerer, who is playing second base for the Cedar Rapids club, is visiting his friends in Lincoln for a few days. Clem says that since the club management has been changed it has taken a decided brace and with any kind of luck the "Rabbits" will finish in the first division.

Guy Hurlbut left for the east the early part of the week. Mr. Hurlbut will spend a month or two shedding radiance on the select seaside resorts. He will incidentally absorb the latest ideas in sartorial embellishment, and his friends may expect to see him return even more stunning than when he left.

Monday Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Baldwin and Mattson Baldwin moved out to Meadowbrook farm for the summer. They will live in the club house built by Mattson last summer. Meadowbrook is one of the most beautiful farms near Lincoln and the Baldwins will be nicely fixed. Miss Mame Carson will be the guest of Mrs. Baldwin a portion of the time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewis Baker and son, Master Phillip Baker left on Friday for an eastern trip and expect to be absent the balance of the summer. They will visit Mr. Baker's mother and sister in Chicago for a short time and will then go to Rockport, Me., stopping en route at Niagara Falls, Montreal and Portland. Miss Baker will accompany them on their departure from Chicago.

Last Friday night a number of prominent society people, members of the married set, had an interesting time serenading. They started from the neighborhood of Seventeenth and G streets, and because of the premature explosion of fire crackers, or something, they decided that it was useless to try to sleep. The accordingly visited their friends' houses and insisted on their leaving their couches and joining the party. Numerous recruits were obtained. An interesting experience was had in one house occupied by a very prominent citizen. In answer to the usual summons the lord of the mansion appeared in all the white glory of his lingerie, with his bare feet trailing along below. He didn't seem to mind it a bit. The party did not stay long.

A company of Plymouth Christian endeavorers, consisting of W. R. Dawes, Albra Cook, L. C. Smith, Miss Jeanette Green, Misses Agnes and Anna Bethune, Miss Grace Dobson, Miss Thompson, Mrs. L. C. Chapin, Mrs. J. P. Walton and son Eddie, Master Ernest Bridge and Will Cook, spent Tuesday, Christian endeavor day, at the Crete Chautauqua. While there they visited camp Lincoln, in which are housed Misses Gertrude and Annette Abbott, Miss Anna Horton, Miss Clara Walton, from Plymouth Christian endeavor; also two young ladies from Weeping Water. Some also paid a visit to the Smith cottage, which is opposite the auditorium, where were found Mrs. Helen Powell and daughter Grace, Mrs. H. D. Saunderson and Miss Gertrude Smith of Plymouth; Miss Hammond of the Third Presbyterian church, and Mrs. Douglas and Miss Jones of Seward. They all were enjoying themselves to the best of their ability, taking in all the lectures and addresses. They expect to stay until Wednesday of next week.

Some two or three weeks ago there was talk of two large picnic parties to be given on the Fourth of July, one to be under the management of R. M. Joyce and the other to be given by Mattson Baldwin at Meadowbrook farm. For some reason both were given up. Mr. Baldwin joined his

friend George Woods at the bicycle races, and Mr. Joyce organized a small informal party that spent the afternoon and evening very delightfully at the home of Miss Lucy Griffith on North Sixteenth. The beautiful grounds of the Griffith mansion afforded an ideal place for a lawn party and the picnic was enjoyed without the discomforts that generally accompany a long drive into the country. In the evening there was an elaborate display of fireworks. The party included Misses Griffith, Marie Marshall, Mae Mount of Omaha, Alice Slaughter, Helen Nance, Olive Latta, Mae Moore, Hudson of Cairo, Ill., Mae Burr, Kelley; Messrs. R. B. Howell and C. P. A. Clough of Omaha, Mallaleu, Smith, Honeywell, Mason, Hurlbut and Joyce.

The city library board met this week in the library rooms. President Gere presided. Of the members Mrs. McConnell, Mrs. Austin, Messrs. Pentzer, Easterday and Bushnell were present.

The new members of the board are Mrs. Austin, W. S. Summers and H. M. Bushnell. Mrs. L. C. Richards was reappointed. They took their places on the board last night.

Messrs. Pentzer and Hyatt, who were appointed to examine Secretary Geisthardt's books, reported that they were in excellent condition, everything having been kept most systematically. They found that \$2,283.29 had been collected by the librarian from October, 1891, to June, 1896, and every cent had been turned over to the city treasurer. The secretary had insured the property under the direction of the board, for \$6,000. Upon the receipt of the report the following resolutions were introduced and adopted:

"Resolved, By the board of directors of the Lincoln public library that the thanks of the board are due and are hereby tendered to Mr. S. L. Geisthardt as an expression of our appreciation of the faithful and efficient services rendered by him to the library as secretary of the board.

"As evidence of his integrity and accuracy in handling and disbursing the library funds, we have his carefully kept records, with all bills vouched, audited and pronounced correct by a special finance committee of the board.

"Notwithstanding the demands upon his time in his own profession, he always freely gave his time and services whenever the interests of the library demanded them. To his executive ability and fidelity to the public trust committed to him the library owes much of its past progress and present usefulness.

"It is ordered by the board that a copy of these resolutions be entered upon the records of the library, that a copy be sent to Mr. Geisthardt, and also that one be sent to the papers for publication."

The resolutions were drawn and introduced by Mrs. J. L. McConnell, Mrs. L. C. Richards and J. C. Pentzer. Officers were elected for the ensuing term. C. H. Gere was re-elected president of the board; Mrs. McConnell, vice-president and C. D. Hyatt, secretary. Mr. Gere appointed the following committees:

Finance, Pentzer, Hyatt and Bushnell.

Books, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Richards and Summers.

Rooms, Mrs. Austin, Easterday and Gere.

Harry M. Shaeffer, W. N. Hicks and Ed R. Sizer, jr., returned this week from South America, where they went in search of their fortunes. Accompanied by Harry Hotchkiss of this city and C. D. Jensen of Geneva, they left this city on February 18. They travelled directly to New Orleans, where they shipped for Colon. From Colon the journey to Cartagena, Colombia, was soon made. Then steamboat passage by way of the river Atrato was secured to Quibdo, a distance of 675 miles. At Quibdo innumerable small rivers and creeks branch off from the Atrato river. One of these was followed, the men travelling in canoes. They journeyed as far as the Cordilleras mountains, where they expected to find what they were searching for.

Once in the mountains they did not anticipate much trouble. In this belief they were disappointed, however, as it rained steadily and one after another they were taken sick with fever resembling malaria. It seemed to rain continuously. Between showers they managed to examine the bed of one of the creeks. They found that gold existed there in paying quantities, but the water was so uncertain, being high one day and low the next, that it was unsafe to attempt to take it out.

After exploring the country pretty thoroughly they decided to return to Quibdo. Mr. Hotchkiss had made himself sick by continual doping. He would take half a dozen different kinds of medicines daily. The result was that when they returned to Cartagena he was burned out, his system destroyed and he left a physical wreck. For a week prior to the arrival of the party in Cartagena he was unconscious. As Mr. Jensen did not intend to return it was decided to leave Mr. Hotchkiss in his charge. His companions claim that it will be a miracle if he leaves Cartagena alive, as he lies in a comatose condition and is expected to die daily.

Young Sizer did not want to come back with the party. He was exactly the opposite of Mr. Hotchkiss. He declined to take any medicine at all. Mr.

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