

Castle Square Opera company of which she is a talented member. It is a stock company of high standing and Miss Oakley by her earnest, determined work has made a good impression and has very good reasons for the hopes she entertains of attaining eminence in light opera. Because it is a stock company it is presenting new operas constantly and Miss Oakley's repertoire is already large, though she has been a professional only a year. The company plays Chicago till Christmas week when it goes to New York. Then the New York Castle Square company will exchange cities with the Chicago company. Miss Oakley is doing faithful understudy work so that when her opportunity arrives she will be able to profit by it.

Mrs. A. C. Ricketts and Miss Ricketts gave an elaborate reception on Thursday from ten to twelve, at their home 336 South Thirty-third street. A refreshing shower which fell during the early morning clearing the air and freshening the grass and foliage, made the beautiful grounds surrounding the residence more charming even than usual. The bright drops still sparkled on the shrubbery, and the heavy vines about the wide porches, when the first guests arrived. The piazzas had been converted into ideal retreats by a generous distribution of chairs, divans, and cushions, while a profusion of palms lent a tropical touch to these out-door rooms, shut in by walls of thick vines. Within, the rooms were darkened, and softly shaded lights enhanced their attractions. The house was a very fair land of flowers, such seasonable blossoms as sun-flowers and golden rod vying with the daintier roses and carnations and banks of stately palms. As the guests passed the entrance they were welcomed by Mesdames Sawyer and Snell, and passing into the parlor were received by Mrs. Ricketts and Miss Ricketts, assisted by Mesdames Barbour and Raymond. The hall and parlor were in gorgeous yellow, with cannae as the predominating flower. In the library in which glowed with scarlet blossoms, Mrs. Field assisted by Misses Rice and Hammond directed the footsteps of the guests to the refreshment rooms. The room in which the punch-bowl was shrouded was cool and inviting in its dainty decorations of white and green; roses and ferns intermingled to form the delicate effect. Here Mrs. Raymond presided assisted by Misses Broady, Whedon, Gere, and Hammond. The dining room in pink roses and ferns was not the least enchanting of the dainty rooms. Mesdames Richards and Wilson presiding over the coffee and chocolate, were assisted by Misses Wine land, Gere, Outcalt, Richard, Raymond and Houtz. Between three and four hundred friends of the graceful and popular hostesses called during the morning.

Married, Tuesday September 5 at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Elmore at 1736 G street Miss Cora E. Elmore to Rev. Clark H. Bancroft. The ceremony was performed by the brother of the groom Rev. W. D. Bancroft of Palmyra. He was assisted by the brother of the bride Rev. W. T. Elmore of Ransomville, N. Y. Only the relatives of the bride and groom were present. After the wedding breakfast, served immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft left for Palmyra where they will spend a couple of weeks before going to Wabash, where the groom is pastor of the Baptist church.

Master Hubert Holben entertained a large party of his young friends at his home at Thirteenth and R streets on Friday afternoon from four to six o'clock. The little people were entertained by Misses Lela Foltz and Jewel Holben with kindergarten songs and games. Refreshments were served in

the dining room. Those partaking of Master Hubert's hospitality were: Valet Gould, Hazel Masters, Carrie Matthews, Luella and Nellie Shelter, Christy Wilson, Albert Burr, Fauny Wood, Frances Pierce, Alice and Eunice Hunter, Elsie Fitzgerald, Bessie and Robert Sittler, Johnnie White, Carrie Cultra, Lloyd DeWeese, Arthur Jaeger, Frances Ross, Dorothy Dorr, Dorothy and Helen Phillips, Genenieve Harmer, James Shallenberger, Walter Hendry, Lloyd and Noel Kiem, Barbara Osborne, Hazel Sietz, Sadie Angle, Albert Dann and Phillip Baker.

Lodge No. 1 Sons and Daughters of Protection tendered a reception to the Fighting First at A. O. U. W. Hall Thursday evening. More than two hundred guests were present. A pleasing program was rendered, after which dancing was indulged in until a late hour. The program was opened by an overture by Miss Willoughby's orchestra, after which Mr. F. W. Willoughby, president of the lodge, made a brief introductory talk stating the purpose of the reception. He was followed by Prof. Joseph Franta in a violin solo, which was much appreciated. Judge E. P. Holmes then delivered the address of welcome to which Captain James Cosgrove who saw service in the First, gracefully responded. Mr. W. L. Steward, vice president of the lodge also spoke briefly. Musical numbers by Mr. Will Hubbard, Mr. Stockfield and Miss Pearl McFadden lent variety to the program. After a social season of a half hour, the ball was opened by Captain Cosgrove with Miss McFadden. Later in the evening refreshments were served. The members of the lodge who were members of the First Nebraska were P. James Cosgrove, A. R. Chapman, F. H. Johnson and Aaron Smith.

Rev. Arthur F. Newell, for the past six years pastor of the Vine street Congregational church, has accepted a unanimous call from the Congregational church of Sayville, New York. Sayville is the summer home of many wealthy New Yorkers and contains one of the many Vanderbilt residences. It is on the south shore of Long Island and only fifty miles from New York City. While he has been a resident of Lincoln, Mr. Newell has identified himself with many practical efforts for the cleaning of the city and the purification of morals. His is a healthful, helpful everyday Christianity and his departure is a real loss to the city.

On Tuesday evening a jolly party met at the home of Will Ingraham at 2172 South Fourteenth street and proceeded to Normal in hayracks, where a watermelon feast contributed to the further pleasure of the guests, after which they returned to the city in hayracks as they went, declaring the whole affair no end of fun. Those participating were Misses Edith and Etta Parish, Flora Hartley, Marie Johnson, Nellie Campbell, Maud Miller, Josie Abbott, Lulu Abbott, Anna Betz, Rena and Lilly Smith; Messrs Borshell, Abbott, McNichol, Berge, Coener, Woodard, McCain, Stein, Ingraham.

Miss Flora Bullock has gone to Nebraska City to assume her duties as instructor in literature in the institute for the blind. Miss Bullock is unusually well prepared for her chosen line of work and her many warm friends in Lincoln wish her the success she deserves. Miss Bullock will correspond from Nebraska City with The Courier.

Mr. Edward Sizer who returned to his home in this city to be present at his daughter's wedding is looking very well indeed. He says it is not nearly so warm in Cuba as in Nebraska. The mean temperature there in summer being about seventy-five. The citizens dress for the climate, both men and

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women wearing straw hats and cotton clothes. The city streets are narrow, and shaded during the heat of the day by canopies which extend from one side of the street to the other, thus keeping it in perpetual shade. Mr. Sizer will return shortly. Meanwhile his friends are delighted to see him again.

The picnic at Cushman park Monday under the auspices of the Sisters of Charity of St. Theresa's pro-cathedral and the labor union was largely attended, seven coach loads of people leaving the city during the day. Owing to the extreme heat and the absence of some of the speakers expected, the program was abandoned, and the crowd spent the afternoon resting in the shade, dancing or patronizing the various amusements provided. Some impromptu races created additional interest. Many returned to the city in the evening, but some remained to enjoy the cool of the evening in the woods.

Misses Addie Williams of North Western University, Sue Stone of Missouri State University, Bertha Holland of the Indiana state university, Frances Madden of the Syracuse university, Jessie Lockhart of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Frances G. French of Hilledale college, Chicago, all members of the Pi Beta Phi fraternity and delegates to the convention of that order held in Boulder, Colorado, last week, passed through Lincoln on Tuesday and were met at the station by members of the local chapter. The Pi Beta Phi's report overwhelming hospitality on the part of the Boulder chapter.

On Friday evening September 7, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wilson entertained informally in honor of the forty-second anniversary of their marriage. Delicious refreshments were served and before the

departure of the guests a toast to the health and long life of the host and hostess was drunk in wine brewed by them forty years ago. Those present were Messrs and Mesdames Raymond, Burnham, Irvine, Beeson, Thompson, Harwood, Yates, Oakley, Wright Leonard, Hargreaves, Casebeer, Mitchell, Buckstaff, Mr. Will Wilson.

A quiet but very pretty wedding was that of Miss Josephine Hoyt to Mr. Austin B. McCulloch which took place at the family residence at 1810 N street. The house was beautifully decorated in green and white. The bride was gowned in white silk. H. T. Davis performed the ceremony which was witnessed by none but relatives. After a wedding breakfast served immediately, Mr. and Mrs. McCulloch left for a wedding tour east. They expect to return September 30 and will be at home to their friends at 2640 K street.

A party of friends "camped out" in a grove near the state farm last week, returning to town on Sunday. They report a jolly outing within sight of the walls of home. The party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Cowdrey, Misses Alice and Kittle Cowdrey, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ewing, Payson Ewing.

A jolly camping party chaperoned by Mrs. J. H. Geer returned on Thursday from Milford. Those enjoying the outing were: Misses Dorothy Griggs, Anna Hammond, Garnet Geer, Veima Baum and Gardner; Messrs. Paul Hunger, Ray Elliott, Ray De Putron and Fritz Funke.

Dy. Tyndale has returned to Lincoln. New York is not the fascinating place it seems from a distance of fifteen hundred miles. Dr. Tyndale says it's all right if it were not so remote—from