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**SOCIETY**

The week has held little of interest that has not in some way been related to the reception to our gallant First. The preparations which have filled the past two weeks were so complete, thanks to the indefatigable energy of the committees, that the soldiers were fittingly received and feasted upon their arrival. The ladies who have had in charge the arrangements for the serving of meals, are much to be commended for the business ability and practical grasp of large affairs displayed, as well as for the taste and ingenuity exercised in the decorations of the dining hall as a whole and of the individual tables. The hall used is in the form of a maltese cross. In the center, a platform, draped in red, white and blue, with upright pillars twined with bunting, furnished a pleasing point from which the long rows of tables radiated. This stand was occupied on Wednesday during the time of the evening meal by Hagenow's band which rendered a pleasing program. Wednesday was the first day of the feast and much curiosity was evinced by the crowds who surrounded the open doors, and many commendatory remarks were heard concerning the interior arrangements. The entire ceiling space was hung with triangular banners of pink and green, forming an overhead sea of soft and pleasant coloring. The center of it was filled with flags and a profusion of small flags and streamers of bunting distributed about the walls added the necessary patriotic touch. At the north entrance was a large arch of the delicate green of asparagus ferns, and decorated with tiny flags. Mrs. Will Wittmann was in charge of the decorations of the hall and everyone was surprised at the transformation wrought by the thousands of pennants depending from the roof and strung in converging lines towards the center. Passing through the arch the soldiers distributed themselves through the room and selected places at the daintily prepared tables, each of which was presided over by the chairman who had been responsible for its preparation. The bevy of young ladies who assisted in serving were charmingly gowned, those at each table presenting some individual feature, such as dainty caps or distinctive rosettes, which added to the charm of the scene.

The ladies in charge decorated their tables with a success which bespoke a devotion and enthusiasm which merited the admiration of all. The decorations can not be described fully but the merest outline must suggest the care given to their arrangement. In the north wing were five tables presided over by Mrs. W. B. Ogden, Mrs. D. D. Muir, Mrs. John Dorgan, Mrs. Lyon and Mrs. C. H. Ladd.

Mrs. Ogden's table was decorated in pink and green, a huge jardiniere of ferns occupying the center of the table while bowls of bridesmaid roses lent a touch of color. A rose at each place completed a most dainty whole.

Mrs. Muir's table was in red and green, the blossoms used being scarlet geraniums and cannas to which ferns added brilliancy by contrast.

Mrs. Dorgan's table was in pink and green, a large canopy formed of pink chrysanthemums and asparagus ferns, overhung the center. From each corner depended tendrils of green which were fastened to upright wreathed columns rising from the four corners of the table.

The fourth table at which Mrs. Lyon presided was done in red and white carnations with a touch of green. Tiny flags added to this brilliant and effective decoration. The beauty of the fifth table, Mrs. C. H. Ladd's, was also due to a tasteful arrangement of small flags.

The first table in the west wing, Mrs. Lew Marshall being in charge, was most appropriately adorned. Cross guns in the center supported a basket of trailing vines with blossoms of red, white and blue peeping out here and there. Red white and blue asters at each place added the last bright touch to a very unique and striking table. A cozy corner adjoining made inviting by a generous use of rugs, divans and cushions was evidently much appreciated by the sons of Mars who chanced upon it.

The next table presided over by Mrs. W. A. Green was gay with golden-rod, massed in big yellow jardinieres with the ever-present flag appearing here and there amid the gold. Mrs. Carl Funke had chosen flags and asparagus ferns as the medium for working out a pretty scheme for a table surrounded by white capped maidens. The central piece was a large American flag draped from the ceiling.

Mrs. Albert Watkins, with red and green as color scheme, worked it out uniquely with flowers and fruit. Scarlet geraniums and ferns formed a center piece, while at each end of the table watermelons carved into pyramidal shape upheld the dignity of the vine.

Mrs. Mitchell's table was in green and white charmingly cool and refreshing in effect, due to the tasteful arrangement of white carnations, palms and ferns. Mrs. Barbour used flags and ferns to most artistic purpose in the decoration of her table.

In the south wing two small tables under the care of Miss Clara Smith were decorated alike with red geraniums and asparagus ferns.

In the east wing Mrs. Frank Woods presided at the first table which was gorgeous in red and yellow, cannas being the stately flower chosen. These were massed in yellow jardinieres with a bit of green to emphasize their brilliance.

Mrs. Walter Hargreaves chose golden-rod as a seasonable decoration. A great mass of it glowed in the center of the table, while foliage plants with their soft rich coloring, subordinating themselves to the rich yellows, made a harmonious and artistic whole. Glints of vivid red here and there added to the satisfaction which the beholder felt.

Mrs. C. E. Yates had chosen green and gold and her table was beautifully dressed in ferns and golden-rod while graceful palms added a suggestion of the far tropics whence our own are returned.

Miss Hollowbush's table had a pyramid of fruit with asparagus ferns making a delicate tracery. At each place a red and a white carnation tied with red, white and blue ribbon spoke of the flag again.

Mrs. R. C. VanBrunt presided at the coffee urn, no small duty when coffee is served to hundreds. It is estimated that more than six hundred soldiers partook of Lincoln's hospitality during this, the first day, and surely, none of them can ever doubt the sincerity of the wel-