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SOCIETY

One of the most useful institutions in this city is the Y.W.C.A. Under the present devoted and efficient secretary many of the young women of Lincoln who are earning their living have a pleasant home and a clean, cheerful place in which to eat their luncheon. Lunch is served a la carte, and as it is the object of the association to serve rather than to make money, any young woman is allowed to bring her own luncheon and eat it with the addition, if she desires, of a cup or tea or coffee or a bowl of soup. At noon the big, clean room is filled with girls eating and chattering and resting. Miss Kyle, the secretary, has made the lunch-room more than self-supporting, although the highest priced item on the menu does not exceed five cents. The food is very well cooked, the table linen is clean and the aspect of the lunch-room invites refreshment of body and spirit.

There is a parlor where habitues retire to do fancy work, or to sing and play on the piano. The management of the association is planning to put in a gymnasium. If this could be accomplished it would increase the number of visitors and double the usefulness of the institution to the present members.

There are a number of persons who constantly make vague plans for the betterment of the race, who deplore the ostracism of working women and denounce our social system, but their helpfulness never gets further than the mouth. They are not members of this one institution which is of more service to the young women workers of Lincoln than anything else I know of. They neither visit it nor pay so much as a dollar a year, which is the regular fee, toward its support. If a homeless girl is stranded here she is taken to the Y. W.C.A. rooms. Lost, despairing or discouraged women by the hundreds have been helped and comforted and encouraged to be somebody by Miss Kyle of this association. The latter is practical, non-sentimental and an extremely helpful woman, withal a woman of the world and of affairs whose advice and sympathy are worth receiving. The institution is non-sectarian and deserves the help of every patriotic citizen of Lincoln.

At the home of Dr. and Mrs. Mitchell on Thursday evening, a few friends listened to a piano recital by Mr. Butler of Omaha. It was an evening of rare musical enjoyment for the few who were privileged to hear him. The opportunity was appreciated the more because it is for only a short time he remains in this part of the country. In a day or two he leaves for the Pacific coast. Mr. Butler is master of a fine technique. His velvet-steel fingers fall upon the keys so that all the tone concealed in the long twisted steel cords is rendered. No sound or sense of percussion as the fingers strike the keyboard, but the sweetness, smoothness and meaning of his tones are the distinguishing marks of a virtuoso. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell's home is the meeting place for artists, musicians and those who are appreciative without being themselves creative.

A dancing party was given by Kappa Alpha Theta on Monday evening at the home of Miss Agnew. American beauty roses were used in the reception hall

and music room, with asparagus on the staircase, chandeliers and in the fire-places. The dining room was decorated in the fraternity colors, yellow and black. Ices were served by Misses Juliette Atwood and Margery Agnew. The guests were: Misses Haggard, Jessie Macfarland, Ruth Macfarland, Douglas, Jane Douglas, Post, Jeannette Post, Loomis, Harper, Wirt, Gilmore, Patterson, Tuttle, Carson, Millar, Wilson, Towne, Cornell, Reese, Stephens, Agnew and Sallie Agnew; Messrs. Dewees, Raymond, Tomson, Neely, Lau, Gaines, Farnsworth, McCreery, Roth, Loomis, Clark, Roth, Baldwin, Paine, Brown, Adams, Kimball, Randall, Allen, Thomas, Atwood, Dickey, Ingalls and Crandall.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Cropsey of Fairbury have issued invitations to the wedding of their daughter Cora, to Mr. MacLucas of the same place. The wedding will occur at eight o'clock in the evening, on October ninth. Miss Cropsey is an alumna of the University and a Kappa Kappa Gamma. She is a pretty, a popular and a very intelligent young lady, and her marriage to Mr. MacLucas, which has been anticipated for some time, will call out the best wishes of a large number of people.

Colonel and Mrs. C. J. Long gave a reception on Tuesday evening in honor of Judge George W. Jones of Carthage, Illinois. The guests were principally old friends of the guest of honor. Those present were: Judge George W. Jones, Professor L. F. M. Easterday, Professor D. Frank Easterday, Messrs. C. H. Jenkins, J. M. Camp, M. L. Easterday, and William Griffiths; Mesdames L. F. Camp, M. L. Easterday, William Griffiths, Hannah Pike and Miss Laura Easterday.

The marriage of Miss Laura Conger, daughter of Minister and Mrs. E. H. Conger, to Lieutenant Fred E. Buchan, was celebrated very quietly last Friday evening at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. J. S. McConnel, 4359 Lake street, Chicago. Lieutenant and Mrs. Buchan will soon return to the Philippines.

A farewell reception was given on Tuesday afternoon by the ladies of Trinity M. E. church to Mrs. D. T. Cooke, who will remove with her husband to Kansas City next week. A short musical program was rendered, after which a history of the church society was given by Mrs. Cooke. Remarks were made by the new president, Mrs. States, and refreshments were served.

The Cotillion club held a business and social meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Crittenden on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Walter Hargreaves was re-elected president with Mrs. Ross Cur-tice for secretary and treasurer. Elaborate parties are planned for the coming season, and the membership will be increased from twenty to twenty-four.

Mr. Ernest Bessey, who has been the guest of his parents, Professor and Mrs. C. E. Bessey, left on Monday for Washington, D. C. On Saturday evening Mr. Bessey entertained twenty of his Lincoln friends.

An informal dance was given on Monday evening by Delta Delta Delta at the home of Mrs. James Manahan.