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**HEADQUARTERS FOR
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Golden rod and bitter-sweet berries formed the very effective decorations. A chafing dish supper was served to the forty guests with Mrs. O. E. Rector presiding at the coffee urn.

Mrs. Grant Watkins and Mrs. George Schwake gave a kensington on Thursday afternoon at the home of the former. Miss Barnaby sang a number of pretty songs and luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Davis have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mary Vincent Davis, to Mr. Edwin Ernest Peake. The marriage will take place early in October.

Doctor Fletcher L. Wharton is attending the Nebraska conference at David City. Services at the Oliver will be conducted next Sunday by Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews.

Mr. W. J. Bryan will soon begin the erection of a handsome new residence about a mile from the Lincoln Normal. It is expected that the foundations will be laid this winter.

Mrs. Anna Dobeon entertained the E. D. kensington Wednesday morning. Nearly all of the club members were present.

On Thursday morning Mrs. R. T. Van Brunt gave a pleasant informal party in honor of Mrs. E. S. Sayre of Grand Island.

Gregory, The Coal Man, 11th & O.

Mrs. Plank who formerly lived in Lin-

coln is visiting Mrs. Holm, and will be very glad to see all her old friends there.

Mrs. W. B. Ogden and two children have returned from a summer spent with her mother on the homestead in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Campbell have gone to Los Angeles, California, where they will remain during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crancer have issued cards for a reception to be given on Wednesday evening, October 2.

Married, on Wednesday evening, at the home of the bride, Mr. William O. Hale and Miss Eulalie McKee.

The American Savings Bank of 132 North Eleventh street, pays interest on deposits.

Mrs. George Waite gave a tea on Thursday evening for her guest, Mrs. E. F. Fair of Grand Island.

Professor and Mrs. T. M. Hodgman entertained Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Sayre of Grand Island this week.

Reverend and Mrs. F. M. Williams left on Wednesday for Seattle, their future home.

Mr. Milo D. Eames is entertaining his father, Mr. E. W. Eames of Buffalo, New York.

Mrs. H. K. Burkett is entertaining Mrs. T. N. Burkett of Des Moines.

Mrs. H. C. Young is entertaining her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon of Holdrege.

Mrs. W. C. Wilson entertained Lee Bohemiennes on Wednesday.

Dr. Carr, surgeon, 141 South 12th.

OMAHA LETTER.

Omaha, Nebr.,
September 24, 1901.

Dear Eleanor:

Why is it that the silence which follows after noise seems more oppressive than the silence which has never been disturbed? The contrast, I suppose, emphasizes it. The heart of the universe seems beating low and slow tonight. The moon wanes feebly through light scattered clouds and the stars look very far and pale. The earth seems like a death chamber, where a painful struggle has ended in defeat.

The echoes of dirges, marches and sobs rise, now and then, like ghosts to haunt the memory. The air seems full of intangible murmurs. "The vanishing encounter and endeavor, of things what are and are not in the room."

The assassin's bullet stilled forever only one heart, but it wounded millions. It detached countless thoughtless souls from the feverish maelstrom of rushing, strenuous, every day life and brought them still and shocked face to face with the uncertainty and futility of humanity.

We may drape the very sun of this free land in mourning; we may muffle every drum, and tune our very breath to funeral notes, and yet we cannot now or ever hide our bleeding wound. To the uttermost ends of the earth our impotence is punished. We may hedge about and perhaps save others, yet the horrible, hopeless fact flames red, that this man, in the fullness of life and strength, died ignominiously for—what? The highest skill ministered and when ministrations were no longer of avail, dissected, and showed us, learnedly, the path the fatal bullet took. It is dismal comfort to learn it was a weak bullet! It was strong enough, God knows, to quench the light. Now it is time some inspired prophet looked to the living. If cancer lurks beneath the fair flesh of the Republic, then the knife rather than decay. Abraham prepared to sacrifice his best-beloved. God gave His son. Has he allowed this man to be an expiatory offering for the millions—"lest they forget?"

If our well-beloved martyr, as he passed over to the Beyond, could see so clearly—"It is God's way," what are we that we dare, so long as we wait here, "forget?"

But we do forget! Alas—how easily. "The funeral baked meats" coldly furnish forth the marriage feast. Scarcely have the last strains of the dead march from saul died away until the tom-toms of the Midway and the fifes of the drum corps shrilly sound out invitation to the dance. We perhaps weep no less sincerely with one breath because we are likely to laugh with the next.

If we hold high festival when our neighbor mourns, it is not fair to hate him, because we know he will give parties when crepe floats at our front door. It is the way of the world, and the world's way seems very heartless sometimes.

King Ak-Sar-Ben entered a rather sloppy kingdom Thursday, and found a

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