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Nebraska weather has been on its good behavior this week. With the memory of the long hot months of summer still fresh in our minds, and with a vivid recollection of the cold, windy weeks just passed, these "calm, mild days" bring a peace of mind and body not unmixed with surprise that such an ideal condition can actually exist. "Happy is the bride that the sun shines on" is a familiar saying. "Happy is the hostess that the sun shines on" is equally true. There is an unconscious harmony between a bright, sunny day and a group of human beings gathered together for social intercourse and entertainment which is none the less real because undefined.

"A Spinners' Tea" was the wording of the invitations issued for an original entertainment recently given at a country home near Brooklyn. A clever pen and ink sketch of a cat formed the heading of the invitations. The guests were requested to appear at three o'clock in the afternoon arrayed in the traditional spinster costume, and each was invited to tell a story of her courtship and why her lover was rejected, the one telling the best story being rewarded with a picture having a cat for the subject. Many of the guests wore curls and elaborate headresses, with quaint, old-fashioned jewelry, and all carried reticules containing sprigs of fennel and sweet-flag root or peppermint drops. Supper was served on a long, old-fashioned mahogany table, the menu including hot biscuits, cold chicken, cookies, preserves and rich fruit cake. Before leaving for home the guests sang many sentimental ballads of olden times, ending with "Auld Lang Syne."

The coming-out party of Miss Alice Roosevelt will occur on January second, in the east room of the White House, and will take the customary form of a five o'clock tea. Miss Helen Roosevelt, a cousin of the President's daughter, will make her debut at the home of Mrs. William S. Cowles, after which she will participate in the White House functions. Other debutantes prominent this season are Miss Miriam Grant, daughter of Jesse D. Grant and granddaughter of Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant; Miss Florence Field, niece of Marshal Field and stepdaughter of Thomas Nelson Page; Miss Mathilde Townsend, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Townsend, and Miss Marion Jones, the tennis champion of the United States and daughter of Senator John P. Jones of Nevada.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Davis was thrown open on Wednesday afternoon, when a hundred and twenty-five guests were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Walter Davis. The hostesses were assisted in receiving by Mrs. A. G. Davis and Mrs. A. A. Kennard. Mrs. James Jarrett met the guests at the head of the stairs and directed them to the dressing rooms. Lemonade also was served up stairs by Miss Kellar, assisted by Miss Mabel Johnson. The dining room was a bower of beauty. Pink roses and maiden-hair ferns were used in profusion, while the table was laid with Battenburg and lighted with pink candles. Mrs. Latahaw presided at the coffee urn, and Mrs. George Rissler served ice, assisted by Mrs. Van Brunt,

Mrs. Irene Thompson, Mrs. Shockey and Mrs. C. H. Harpham, all of whom were gowned in pink and white. The spacious rooms, which are so well adapted to entertaining, were given a tropical appearance by the lavish display of palms. A rare treat was furnished in the form of a lecture by Doctor Lowry, who spoke in his usual graceful manner of "Belgium and Holland from a Car Window." Two beautiful solos and an encore were rendered by Miss Bessie Turner, whose singing is a valuable addition to any program. The beautiful sunshine within and without, the magnificent entertainment furnished and the cordial welcome extended by the hostesses made this occasion one long to be remembered by those privileged to be present.

The beautiful new home of Doctor and Mrs. A. O. Faulkner, located at Fortieth and South streets, was the scene of a brilliant social function on Tuesday afternoon, when Mrs. Faulkner and Mrs. A. R. Talbot entertained a large number of friends at an informal musicale. The many-colored autumn foliage formed an appropriate setting for the flower-decked house. The hostesses were assisted in the parlors by Mrs. W. A. Green, Mrs. I. G. Chapin and Mrs. D. A. Rissler. On the lower floor the refreshment room was decorated in pink and lighted with pink candles. Here salad was served by Mrs. Paul Holm, assisted by Mrs. J. L. Kellogg and Misses Marie Talbot, Edna Baker, Gladys Garoutte and Cora Faulkner. On the second floor Mrs. John Reed served coffee from a table ornamented with ferns and lighted with green candles in crystal candlesticks. Mrs. Reed was assisted by Misses Rissler, Houtz, Richards and Jenkins. The musical program was furnished by Mrs. Mark Woods, soprano; Miss Ina Ensign, violinist; Miss Lillian Eiche, cellist, and Mrs. P. V. M. Raymond, pianist. Mrs. Woods' numbers were "Memories," by Neidlinger, "He was a Prince," by Lynes, a group of Japanese songs, with "Absence," by Frances Allitson and "The Summer Girl," by Cora Sargent as encores. Miss Eiche was heard to advantage in a "Tarentella" by Popper, while Miss Ensign gave selections from Schubert and Botticini. The closing number was a movement from a trio by Arthur Foote of Boston, whose compositions are commanding serious attention from lovers of true music.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Webster celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on Thursday evening with a dinner party. The table decorations were chrysanthemums and carnations. The guests were: Mrs. Ruth Webster, mother of Mr. O. W. Webster, Mrs. De Pue, Mrs. Frahllick, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. A. Black of Bloomington, Nebraska, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Clapps of Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. George Meisner of Liberty, Nebraska, Doctor and Mrs. Winnett, Doctor and Mrs. M. H. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Babcock, and Mr. and Mrs. Callen Thompson.

On Thursday evening occurred the first of a series of card parties given by Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Folsom and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Folsom. The tables were arranged for six handed euchre and a two course supper was served by