

# SOCIETY NOTES

## LIFE'S MAZY WHIRL

This week commenced auspiciously with the MacDowell concert given Monday night by the Matinee Musicale, which was a success musically, socially, and financially, and ends with a cup of fragrant tea, drunk by society at the function given this afternoon by the ladies of the Second Presbyterian church at the residence of Mrs. Dayton.

Sandwiched between have been many dinners, card parties, and other events, formal and informal, keeping people busy and happy.

It was prominent musicians who occupied the boxes at the concert Monday night, while those who usually frequent these conspicuous seats, contented themselves with the dress circle. Among those noticed in boxes were Mrs. E. H. Barbour, president of the Matinee Musicale, Mrs. A. R. Mitchell, and their young daughters. Others were Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Levering, Miss Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewis Baker, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Butler, Professor and Mrs. Willard Kimball, Miss Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Raymond and Mrs. Ross Curtice.

A little four-year-old girl, who inherits

ed the guests to the receiving line, in which were Mesdames W. L. Dayton, B. M. Long, H. C. Swearingen and F. M. Hall.

Mrs. M. H. Everett and Mrs. J. H. McMurry did the honors in the living room, and Mrs. Callen Thompson was on duty at the dining room door.

The dining room was effectively done in the colonial colors, buff and blue. A mound of yellow tulips and bows of blue ribbon rested on a mirror in the centre of the table, and at either end was a quaint colonial candelabrum bearing blue candles. Mrs. C. H. Eubank and Mrs. C. F. Ladd, the one in a buff gown, the other in blue, presided at the table. Tea was poured from an old pewter teapot, and preserves, seed cakes, and buff bonbons and wafers were served by Mrs. H. H. Everett in a blue empire gown, Miss Mary Bardwell in buff, Miss Mary Watkins and Miss Stella Morrison.

Punch was served by Mrs. Ralph E. Johnson assisted by Mrs. H. F. Stephenson, Miss Mickey, Miss Marie Talbot, and Miss Catharine McLaughlin. Mrs. Thomas Callanan was at the door of the

Thompson wore an old berege gown trimmed with duchesse and point lace, cameo and pearl jewelry. Mrs. Ralph Johnson's gown was of white silk and old lace, and she wore a wedding veil of real Irish point lace made in a convent in 1830, and some lovely old jewels. Among the interesting articles exhibited were a gown and a lace mantilla with stole ends, brought by Mrs. Johnson's grandmother from Europe in 1830.

One thousand invitations to this tea party were sent out, and as a result the building fund of the Second church is considerably enriched.

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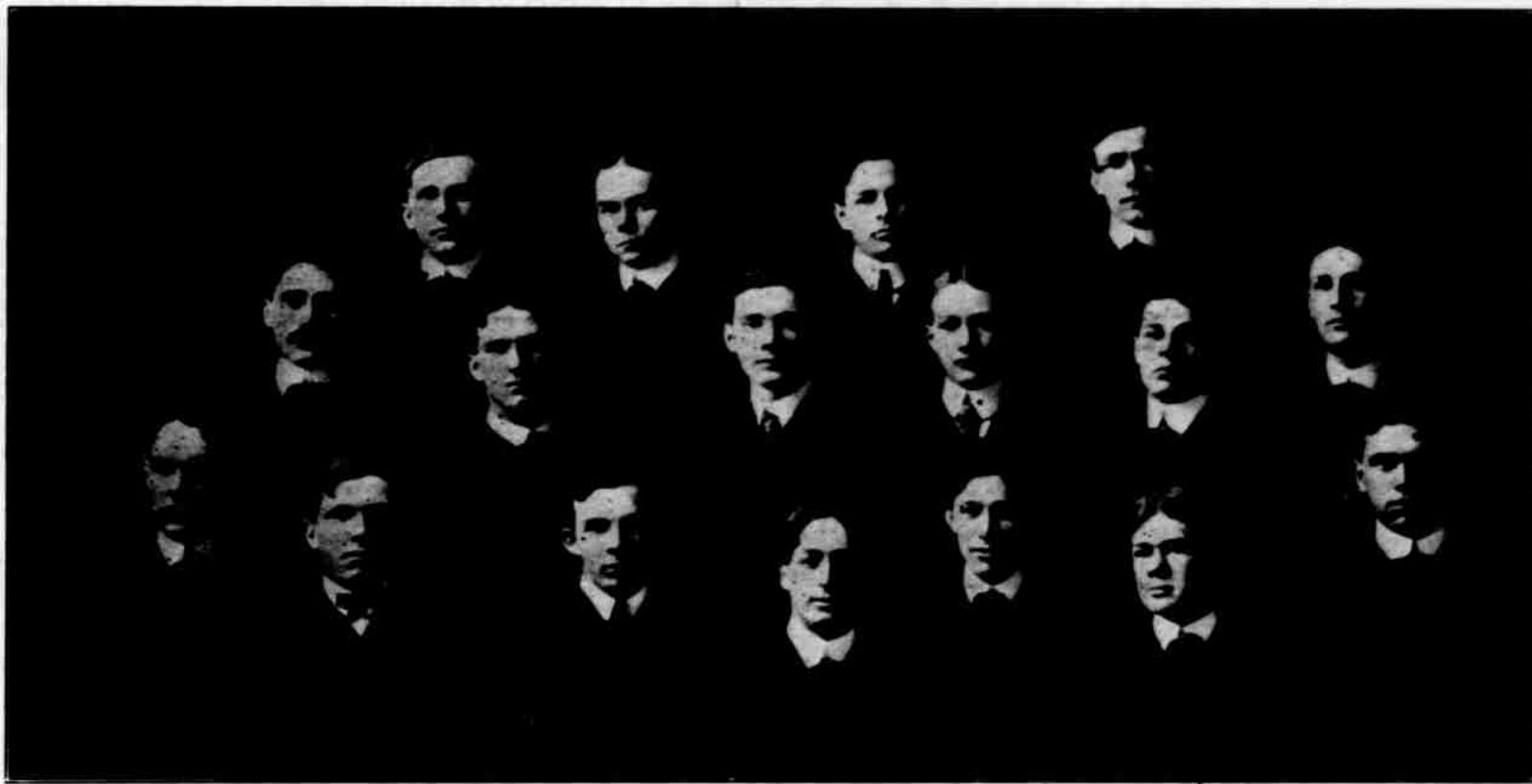
Mlle. Irene des Planques and Alexander Parlow, Russian Minister to Corea, will be married on Thursday, February 19, at the Russian Embassy, in Washington, where the bride has been the winter guest of Countess Cassini. The bridegroom-elect and M. des Planques will sail from France on the 28th for this country, and as Mme. des Planques and a younger daughter are already at the embassy, the family party will be complete. Countess Cassini, who is girlishly enthusiastic over the details of her friend's marriage, will be the maid of honor, and Mlle. Ladyginsky, daughter of the Russian Consul General in New York, and Miss De Smirnof will be bridesmaids, while the bride's young sister will act as the crown bearer. The bridal gown is of white satin and lace, and has a train of cloth of gold, and will be brought from Paris by the bridegroom, who has also selected his bridal

center of a table was a forest inhabited by souvenirs or a millpond of real water. About five years ago it was fashionable to have all these outlandish effects, and a hostess was perplexed sorely to devise some novel scheme of decoration. To Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs is attributed credit for the first step toward simplicity. When she gave an elaborate betrothal breakfast for her sister, now Mrs. Willie K. Vanderbilt, jr., it was expected that the table would be a perfect jungle. Instead there was an artistic scattering of ferns on the cloth, and in the middle there was a silver bowl of roses. After that came the vogue of candles, and hostesses vied with one another in displaying costly candelabra. The Astors used candle-bearers of gold. But now all is changed, and the fewer of these gewgaws the better. A mere clump of stunted palms with trellises of leaves or smilax will suffice for the most pretentious dinner. Tiny Japanese plants are in good taste, and the scarlet poinsettia is in high favor. Red is the approved color. At the Gerry musicale the lights in the conservatory were shaded with red, and red roses were everywhere. At the Astor ball, except for the ball room in lilies and orchids, there were displays of American Beauty and Meteor roses exclusively. In Washington, Lady Herbert, wife of the British ambassador, confines her decorations to poinsettias, but Mrs. Roosevelt is an exception, and clings to pink roses and carnations.—New York Press.

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The university cadet officers' club gave

## BETA TAU CHAPTER OF DELTA TAU DELTA.



Beta Tau chapter of Delta Tau Delta was founded at the university of Nebraska in the year 1894. Since that time it has enjoyed a period of prosperous and active growth and at present numbers seventeen active and pledged members. They are A. Kimball Barnes, Fred E. Hess, A. M. Hull, Ernest L. Bridge, N. A. Huse, Sterling H. McCaw, James R. Farney, Chancellor A. Phillips, Mont-

gomery B. Case, Glenn C. Hupp, Lyle D. Milliken, R. C. Campbell, Julius F. Johnson, Mason Wheeler, E. M. Marvin, Lawrence Paul, Don C. Despain and O. S. Kretsinger.

The chapter is now located in a beautiful and commodious house at 1643 Q street. In all of the student activities at the university the chapter takes an important part.

The national organization was formed just before the outbreak of the civil war in 1860. Its first chapter was located at Bethany college, Virginia, but the original charter was transferred to Alleghany college at Meadville, Pa., where Alpha chapter was established and still remains. From this chapter as a nucleus the fraternity grew to the southward first, then to the westward and north-

ward and finally entered the eastern fields, where it has taken a place in the front rank.

Among some of the alumni members who have become prominent in business and professional circles in Lincoln are J. L. Teeters, M. I. Aitkin, C. H. Gordon, E. C. Strode, Don C. Love, W. T. Stevens, C. C. Marlay, H. J. Lenhoff and A. L. Brown.

musical taste and a correct ear, was taken to church by her father on a recent Sabbath. She enjoyed the music of the sanctuary very much, and also heard the McKinley chimes. Upon reaching home she brought two cow-bells and commenced ringing them for her father, saying, "These are the chimes."

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Perhaps the most brilliant social event of the week—having also a practical side—was the Colonial tea given this afternoon by the ladies of the Second Presbyterian church, at the spacious home of Mrs. W. L. Dayton. Mrs. Sherwin and Mrs. Covert, in Colonial costumes, greeted the callers at the door and kindly kept in view a suggestive box, into which rained silver quarters all afternoon.

At the foot of the stairs Mrs. John Williams and Mrs. J. F. Stevens directed the guests. Mrs. E. Burton Robinson and Miss Craig were in charge of one cloak room, and in the other were Mrs. Eugene Tullis and Miss Mabel Guile.

Mrs. Clinton R. Lee stood at the entrance to the drawing room and present-

punch room to invite the guests to enter and enjoy the colonial beverage served within. Pink and white was the color scheme in this room. A mirror reflected the bouquet in the centre of the table, and at either side stood five-branched candlesticks with pink shades. Rare old china adorned both punch room and dining room, and the house was set with colonial furniture.

A spinet more than a century old was played to accompany Miss Elma Marsland, who sang some ancient love ditties.

Among the gowns worn by the assisting ladies, all of whom were in costume, were treasures which would have made the relic hunter green with envy, and some were copies of gowns worn in yestern tyme. Conspicuous among the latter was the dotted swiss empire worn by Miss Marie Talbot, which, it is said, is a faithful reproduction of one worn by Rebecca Gratz, the heroine of Ivanhoe. Miss Alice Craig, who served the assisting ladies from a silver tray of colonial design, appeared in a blue and gray silk gown of the same period, and shoes with mother-of-pearl buckles. Mrs. Callen

gift, a collarette of pearls, with diamond bars and clasps, which the bride will wear at the wedding. The Russian Ambassador will act as the father of honor to the bridegroom during the ceremony, and Mrs. John R. McLean will be the mother of honor. The six witnesses required by the Russian law will be Baron Albert Schlippenbach, Consul General at Chicago, and the members of the embassy staff, Bishop Tikahon, Primate of the Greek Orthodox church in America, will officiate, and will be assisted by the Rev. Alexander Hotovilsky, pastor of St. Nicholas's church in New York. The details of the ceremony will be even more elaborate than that at the last Russian marriage here. A typical Russian wedding feast will follow. The Russian Ambassador's wedding gift to Mlle. Irene des Planques is a pair of large pearls that have been mounted as earrings.

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The fashion of table decorations changes often, and at present red is in the ascendant. Table decorations are more simple these days than ever before. It is not so many years ago that the

a hop last night at Fraternity hall. The decorations savored of the military, guns being stacked at either end of the hall, and the American flag was in evidence. Lieutenant G. B. Kimball was chairman of the committee, and Captain J. R. Farney was master of ceremonies. A full orchestra played delightful music for the dancers. Sixty couples participated in a program of twenty-two dances. Professor and Mrs. Willard Kimball, and Professor and Mrs. E. H. Barbour were chaperones. The military uniform worn by many of the men, and the pretty gowns of the ladies made an attractive picture.

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A delectable luncheon was given Monday at one o'clock by Mrs. W. C. Griffith. The guests were a few ladies who are interested in basketry, and after the luncheon, which was served in five courses, the afternoon was devoted to work and gay conversation. Those present were Mesdames A. L. Candy, A. G. Billmeyer, C. I. Jones, E. P. Brown, R. T. Van Brunt, J. W. Winger, Phelps.