

The City's SOCIAL LIFE

Events, Gayeties and Personal Activities of the Week

The Ladies' Society of the Maennerchor is making elaborate preparations for the annual Easter ball, which will be given on the evening of April 16. The committees having the ball in charge are as follows: Reception committee—Mrs. J. P. Frenzel, Mrs. Frederick Franks, Mrs. Chria Weis, Mrs. W. Rhodehamel, Mrs. Herman Adam, Mrs. Frederick Rush, Mrs. A. Seidensticker, Mrs. Frenzel, sr., Mrs. H. Lawrence, Mrs. Joseph Schneider, Mrs. Frederick Scholz, Mrs. J. W. Schmidt, Mrs. Alfred Burdall, Mrs. G. Hecker, Mrs. Elizabeth Schmidt, Mrs. Henrietta Reyer, Mrs. Frank Happersberger, Mrs. Edward Hawkins, Mrs. Frank Mummenhof, Mrs. Charles Emmertch, Mrs. John Weinman, Mrs. William Jungelaus, Mrs. Charles Balke, Mrs. Julius Keller, Mrs. Louis Murr, Mrs. J. Rauch, Mrs. J. Woerner, Mrs. George Borst, Miss Louise Frenzel, Mrs. George Richards, Mrs. David Goss, Mrs. W. Holton, Mrs. Franz Hellinger, Mrs. George Dickson, Mrs. T. M. Gooding, Mrs. Reine Miller, Mrs. Annie Wright, Mrs. Cora Foster, Mrs. A. Hovey, Mrs. A. Seidensticker, jr., Mrs. M. Drach, Mrs. A. M. Kuhn, Mrs. George Mandfeld, Mrs. J. Aufderheide, Miss Lena Fertig, Miss Emma Fahrbach, Miss Minnie Straub, Miss A. Benner-scheidt, Miss Lena Goepfer, Miss Edith Newbacher, Miss Cora Goetz, Miss Alice Mueller, Miss Gertrude Erick, Miss Emma Frederick, Miss Agnes Hard, Miss Annie Greiner and Miss Johanna Fry. Decoration committee—Mr. J. P. Frenzel, Mrs. Julius Burkhardt, Mrs. Otto N. Frenzel, Mrs. Paul H. Kress, Mrs. Joseph Geiger, Mrs. George Amt, Miss Josie Klein, Miss Annie Lindeman, Miss Ella Lindeman, Miss Emma Bollman, Miss Elizabeth Minter, Emma Minter, Miss Gertrude Humma, Miss Louise Krockel, Miss Emma Bell, Miss Helen Muir, Mrs. Laura Haus, Miss Tillie Schmidt, Miss L. Kittenbach, Miss M. Schopp and Miss Eva Woerner. Supper committee—Mrs. Julius Keller, Mrs. Louis Murr, Mrs. John Rauch, Mrs. J. Woerner, Mrs. George Borst, Miss Louise Frenzel, Mrs. Sybilla Nilius, Mrs. Oscar Heiser, Mrs. George Alt, Mrs. Wm. K. Meyer, Mrs. Chris Off, Mrs. H. Roepke, Mrs. George Deluse, Mrs. Henry Bollman, Mrs. Julius Scholer, Mrs. William Jungelaus, Mrs. H. Runge, Mrs. A. Knapp, Mrs. J. A. Schumacher, Mrs. R. Hindel, Mrs. L. Rexroth, Mrs. Alvis Geiger, Mrs. Joseph Keller, Mrs. Robert Benz, Mrs. Albert Minter, Mrs. Chris Weis, Mrs. A. Hotze, Mrs. R. Haug, Mrs. Philip Haus, Mrs. Chas. J. E. Emmertch, Mrs. Harriet Human, Mrs. Ida Thisselle, and Mrs. Theodore Zell. Ticket committee—Mrs. J. P. Frenzel, Mrs. P. H. Kraus, Mrs. George Richards, Mrs. Herman Adam, Mrs. Chris Weis, Mrs. C. Balke, Mrs. Charles Adam, Mrs. Victor Jose, Mrs. Julius Burkhardt, Miss L. Kittenbach, Miss L. Frenzel, Mrs. O. N. Frenzel, Miss L. Fertig, Miss A. Mueller, Mrs. Julius Keller, Miss L. Haus, and Mrs. W. E. Kittenbach. Reception committee—Mrs. Charles Adam, Mrs. Emil Steinhauber, Mrs. Theodore Reyer, Mrs. Victor Jose, Mrs. Gustav Keckers, Mrs. Ernest Reyer, Mrs. Theodore Weis, Mrs. Oscar Frenzel, Mrs. Harry Bauer, Mrs. Tony Bals, Mrs. Otto Ehrhart, Mrs. Ferd Mueller and Mrs. Rudolph Mueller.

In Indianapolis for a few days to visit Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Heeb before going to their home in Cincinnati. Mrs. Martin M. Suesz will entertain the M. C. B. Club on Wednesday afternoon at her home, 244 Walnut street. Mrs. Charles Emmett Coffin entertained informally in honor of her little daughter's birthday yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Arthur Jordan entertained about fifty children yesterday afternoon in honor of her daughter Anna's birthday. Mr. and Mrs. William B. Krieger and Mrs. Elizabeth Mauer, who have been visiting in Dallas, Tex., are home again. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dill, of Richmond, who have been visiting Judge and Mrs. Lewis C. Walker, have returned home. Mrs. Proctor, of Tipton, who has been the guest of Mrs. Edwin B. Pugh, on East Washington street, has returned home. Miss Rose Kneifer entertained ten of her young friends at a 7 o'clock supper last night at her home on East Washington street. Mr. and Mrs. William T. Brown received informally last night in honor of their guests, Bishop and Mrs. McCabe, of Evanston, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith and Miss Josephine Smith have returned from Florida and will be at home after April 2 at the Victoria. Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Levey will entertain at dinner Monday evening in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, of New York. Mrs. Robert E. McGrath and two children, of Lafayette, are visiting Mrs. McGrath's mother, Mrs. Mary A. Ward, and family on North Capitol avenue. Mr. William Morrison, leader of the Corn Club, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Morrison, on North Pennsylvania street, for ten days. Mrs. Frederick Adams and her mother, Mrs. Stangor, will go to the latter's home in Marion next week. Mrs. Adams, who has been quite ill, is convalescing. Mrs. J. D. Johnson will receive informally Wednesday afternoon, from 4 to 6 o'clock at her home, in Woodruff place, in honor of her guests, Miss Johnson and Miss Cox, of Kentucky. Miss Frances Perry, who has been attending the University of Chicago, is home for a week's vacation, and will receive her friends informally to-morrow afternoon at her home, 307 Park avenue. Prof. Lester F. Ward, of Washington, D. C., who will address the Contemporary Club on Wednesday evening, will be the guest of honor at Mrs. Sewall's usual at-home on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Sewall has issued invitations to a few friends to meet Prof. Ward at dinner. The Sunday-school class of Miss Beatrice Tice, consisting of sixteen little girls belonging to Mrs. Fred Kneifer's Sunday school, will give a play April 5 in Mrs. Kneifer's drawing room. The invitations will be limited to fifty. It will be given for the benefit of the piano fund of the school. Mrs. G. W. Murry, of 2223 Ash street, will be the hostess for a tea given by the ladies of the College-avenue Baptist Church on next Wednesday from 3 to 5 o'clock. A musical programme will be given and light refreshments served during the afternoon. Mrs. R. Walde was the hostess Friday afternoon for a tea in honor of her sister, Mrs. Mary A. Henney. She was assisted in receiving and entertaining by Mrs. C. E. Kerner and the members of the Occasia Society, of which Mrs. Henney is the founder. The rooms were prettily trimmed with spring flowers and plants. In charge of Mrs. Claude Griffith and Mrs. Frederick E. Watson. Numbers will be given by the following ladies: Miss Anna McKenzie, Mrs. Lottie Adam Raschig, Mrs. Robert I. Blakeman, Mrs. Lafayette Page, Mrs. John T. Brush, Mrs. Harry S. New, Mrs. Ella Wilcox Barry, Miss Bernadine Smith, Miss Cora Daggett and Mrs. Frank T. Edenharter. Mr. Charles F. Hansen. Miss Florence Doremus was the hostess for a china shower yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Edna, who is to be married Wednesday evening to Mr. James Canada. Among the guests were Miss Elizabeth Edness, Miss Minnie Flemming, Miss Naomi Archer, Miss Hallie King and Miss Edna Smith, with Mrs. Bert Self, Mrs. William Gill, Mrs. Daisy Bachelor, Mrs. William Meyers and Mrs. Bert Woodbeck. There will be a parlor musicale given at the home of Miss Florence Coffin, 947 North Pennsylvania street, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock for the benefit of the Young Woman's Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church. Those who will take part are Mrs. John T. Brush, Mrs. E. B. Blakeman, Mrs. Lafayette Page, Mrs. Lottie Adams Raschig, Mrs. Anna Wilcox Barry, Mrs. Harry S. New, Mrs. Ella McKenzie, Mrs. Bernadine Smith, Miss Daggett, Mrs. Edenharter and Mr. Hansen. Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Katharine Giffin Broad daughter of Richard E. Broad, of Muncie, to Harrison E. Williams, of New York city. Miss Broad has quite a reputation as an art lecturer and the skillful method by which she colors the slides to illustrate her lectures. She has a number of friends in Indianapolis, and during her recent visit she was the guest of Mrs. George C. Hitt, on North Alabama street. Miss Broad expects to go abroad in May for six months. On Thursday evening, at 7 o'clock, Miss Marie Emma Kares and Mr. Frank Wittendorfer were married. Rev. W. W. Criley, of the First English Lutheran Church, officiated. A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kares, at which the relatives and most intimate friends were present. The bride and groom were the recipients of many handsome presents. Assisting the bride's parents in receiving were Miss Katherine Kares, Mrs. A. Zimmerman, Mrs. Fred Schaub, Mrs. Henry Heitkamp and Mrs. William Schaefer. Mr. and Mrs. Wittendorfer will be home after April 15 at 215 Spring street. Last night at 7 o'clock occurred the marriage of Miss Gertrude Talbot, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Talbot, to Mr. Fred John Denny at the home of the bride, 1816 North Pennsylvania street. The Episcopal ring ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Graham, of Christ Church, before the immediate relatives of the bride and bridegroom. The bride was becomingly attired in her wedding gown of white organdie and carried a bouquet of maiden-hair fern. After the ceremony there was a buffet party in the parlors, at which Mr. and Mrs. Denny went to the home of the groom's father, 416 North West street, where they will reside temporarily. The Young Woman's Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church will give a parlor musicale Friday afternoon at the home of Miss Florence Coffin, 947 North Pennsylvania street. The programme is in

**A White Ball.**  
Boston Herald.  
A white ball has been given by Princess Metternich in Vienna that should inspire New York society, to say the least, when Lent is over, or next winter if the fashionables are too dispersed to rally for the occasion so late in the season. The princess sent forth the decree: "Every one in white; white, only white." In spite of this, says a correspondent, she was inundated with letters, cards, visits, all with the same question: "Would a colored ribbon matter? Might such a ribbon flower be worn? Would not a pale shade of this or that suffice?" But all received the same answer: "White, and only white; pure white."

**They Tell Stories.**  
A bright club woman of New York has sprung a brand-new and highly enjoyable form of entertainment upon her circle of friends, says a writer in the Philadelphia Telegraph. It is the anecdote. The guests were invited and the menu arranged around the dainty table the hostess led off with a rattling good Irish story, and the others followed. It goes without saying that mirth and merriment reigned, and laughter is an aid to digestion such a luncheon would cure the most confirmed dyspeptic. The toast of the day was "The Woman's Luncheon—That happy commingling of beauty and brains, grace and gastronomy, ideas and wit."  
The idea is certainly a happy one, and it is worth being followed, and the women of the Quaker City had better begin looking for good stories and anecdotes to tell them well, for much lies in the telling.

**Ashes of Roses.**  
"Mid roses and rustic and laughter,  
And greetings and good wishes,  
The two of them met, a year after—  
What neither would say it mattered,  
That she could not say it mattered,  
Although with the eyes to see  
They gazed and gazed and chattered  
Of the marriages soon to be,  
The faint of the faintest of chances,  
And the strangers come to town,  
The fingers and the feet,  
And the death of poor Nell Brown.  
And he—oh, he spoke of his journey,  
And how Gibson had made a hit  
With his "Marianne and the Gunner"  
Was the model who sat for it.  
And they talked of Le Galles's novel,  
And she argued that Browning was wrong,  
With his riot about love and a boy,  
And humor and tales and legends,  
And they chatted and sipped and debated,  
And a man who was guest and a girl,  
Came and said that the carriage waited,  
And hurried and hurried and hurried.  
As so the crowd went on the same;  
And neither was broken-hearted,  
And she said that she had a car,  
A thought that they dare not cherish,  
How so much of them both could perish,  
Yet neither, indeed, he said.  
—Arthur J. Stringer, in The Smart Set.

**Personal and Society.**  
Mrs. Edward B. Raub is visiting relatives in Chicago and Rockford.  
Mrs. Quincy Van Hummel, who has been quite ill, is improving.  
Miss Clara Lynn, of Pittsburg, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Thomas Hadley.  
Miss Fannie L. Cornett is spending Sunday with her mother at Pleasanton.  
Mrs. Elizabeth Mewer, who has been visiting in St. Louis, is home again.  
Mrs. Frank B. Henderson, of Chicago, is the guest of Miss Martha Henderson.  
Mrs. George N. Catterton will not observe her usual Monday at home to-morrow.  
Mrs. A. M. De Souchet will not observe her usual Tuesday at home this week.  
Miss Emma Holloway is spending a few days with Mrs. Charles Reese in Chicago.  
Mrs. Joseph Marshall Francis, who has been visiting in Milwaukee, is home again.  
Mrs. Joseph Marshall and Miss Barbry have gone to New Orleans for a ten days' visit.  
Mrs. John Titus has returned from a visit to Philadelphia, New York, Washington and Buffalo.  
Mrs. Emma Brode, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Surbey, on Broadway, will return to Chicago today.  
The Jacqueline Card Club will be entertained Tuesday, April 3, by Mrs. S. H. Smith, 734 Fletcher avenue.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Peck will entertain at cards Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. H. M. Jones, of Portland, Me.  
Mrs. John A. Furgason has returned from Kountze City, where she has been visiting relative for the past month.  
A cablegram to friends announces that Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Greene, who have spent several weeks in Florida, have sailed from Havana to New York. They will be

Wasson's Monday's Interesting News. Wasson's

You Are Cordially Invited to Our

Spring Millinery OPENING To-Morrow



Monday Is Millinery Reception Day At Wasson's

THE DAINTY and charming, the fascinating event is here and beneath a bower of smilax and flowers the exquisite array of Hat Beauty awaits you. We've aimed to let you forget, for a day, that this is a store. We want you to drink in the beauty and compare the products of our own peerless hat artists with the best that Paris and New York sends us. Here are strikingly beautiful creations from the Parisian ateliers of Camille Roger, Virot, Caroline Reboux, Heitz-Boyer and Colombe, together with the best effects of the exclusive Fifth Avenue Milliners, New York: Francois, Lillias Hurd, Louise, Halsey and others. But amid them all the strikingly elegant hats from our own designers stand out as rare examples of exclusiveness and good taste for Indiana's best dressed women. The "Anna Held" and the "Miss Hobbs" Hats, New York's late sensations, are among the many novelties here to-morrow

Musical Program by Hart's Orchestra in the Afternoon . . . . .

Exclusive Elegance Spring Suits, Wraps

To-morrow's remarkable showing of Spring Costumes, Tailored Suits, Wraps, Skirts and Waists will again confirm the opinions of former seasons—absolute leadership in Wasson's stylish outerwear. The style centers of the world are represented in this great show, including many exclusive novelties shown here only.



- Ladies' Imported Costumes of nets, silks, broadcloth and hand laces, no two alike, not to be found elsewhere in this city, at \$250, \$200, \$150, \$100, \$75 and . . . . . \$50.00
- Ladies' Imported Tailor-made Suits of all the finest English and Parisian materials, new effects, new styles that are confined, suits at \$98.50, \$75, \$50, \$37.50 and . . . . . \$25.00
- Ladies' Imported Dress Skirts, no two alike, of net, silks and broadcloths. They have a style and hang that your dressmaker cannot make, at \$100, \$75, \$50, \$35 and . . . . . \$25.00
- Ladies' Imported Capes of lace, silks, nets and kersey and silk combinations, blacks, grays, tans and reds, new imported Steamer Capes, \$75, \$60, \$48 and . . . . . \$25.00
- Ladies' Silk and Embroidered Broadcloths, Eton Jackets, English Box-back Jackets, of kersey and covers, reds, tans, castors and blacks, at \$65, \$48, \$35, \$25, \$15 and . . . . . \$7.50
- Ladies' Silk Dress Waists, embroidery, net, lace and jet trimmed, all the new shades and silks, confined styles, at \$37.50, \$30, \$25, \$18.50, \$12.50 and . . . . . \$10.00

Dressmaking

The formal opening of our Dressmaking Parlors on Monday, March 20th, will be made doubly interesting by an attractive advance showing of rare Dress Fabrics, in both Silks and Wools, Paris, Vienna and London, as well as the better costumiers of New York, will be liberally represented by all that is latest, best, most exclusive in styles for spring wear. Miss Overholser and Miss Hansen have brought with them from New York a magnificent array of dress fabrics and garnitures, and will be pleased to show the more exclusive designs to their callers. Both departments for Ladies' Tailoring are open for Spring, and are exhibiting the proper cloths for street and golf wear, as well as authoritative designs not shown elsewhere.

The Spring Silk Advent Rarely Beautiful Dress Goods

WE BELIEVE that our opening display of Silks and Satins for Spring and early Summer has never been surpassed—probably never equaled in this city. There is not a style but is absolutely correct for this season's wear, for we have had our pick of the home and foreign markets, whose richest treasures are now here for your inspection. From the famous factories of Lyons have come the newest Parisian fancies, bold and striking patterns that will be flamboyant if they were not so daintily tempered by French art; and with them are the softest of simple fabrics in delicate pastel shades and those wondrously beautiful combinations of laces, embroideries and silks that characterize this season's most charming novelties. Soft-finished weaves predominate, for the gowns prescribed by fashion-makers compel the use of clinging fabrics, so the crepe family comes into renewed prominence, softer than ever, if possible, and beautified by association with plisse stripes and superb self-color embroideries. A WONDERFULLY WIDE RANGE OF PRETTY, NOVEL EFFECTS—Foulards are here in force, both satin-finished and twill. These are among the season's favorites for full gowns, and we are showing a variety so great that it might seem almost wearisome if the goods were less beautiful. And blacks—the mellower sorts—are growing into favor every day. No room to-day for details. We must be content to promise a rare treat when you come to inspect this notable exhibit of wondrous colors and artistic weavery. As usual, there are many patterns exclusively shown here—most of them just in from Paris or Lyons—of which only a single dress length has been imported. It's worth while to come early, so as not to miss seeing these gems of our great spring stock. They're sure to be speedily claimed.

OPENING DAY in this wonderful dress goods section brings to you an hour or two of real pleasure in seeing all that is new for spring wear. The display this season eclipses anything ever attempted in this State, being simply bewildering in its magnitude and scope. We show the choicest products of France, Germany, Belgium, Austria, England, Scotland, our own country. It's simply impossible to describe these goods intelligibly; but many of them—filmy, delicate fabrics—contain more silk than wool, and are almost as breezy as the lightest cotton textures. Among the rarer sorts are fine grenadine grounds, with chenille stripes or tufted bow knots; web-like weaves with cord effects, and handsome robes, embroidered, appliqued, dotted, painted and fringed—the most unique designs we have ever imported. THESE GOODS WILL BE WORN ALL SUMMER—Especially the light-weight fabrics, for the smartest gowns for street, afternoon, reception or evening wear require goods of just this soft character. For fine tailored costumes the smooth satin finished mixed Venetians shown here will have the preference, as they give that fashionable clinging effect which it is impossible to attain in the rough materials. Homespuns, Chevots, Camels-hair and other goods of that class will be in favor for separate skirts and every-day gowns. Plaids and checks will be as popular as ever for skirts, waists and children's attire. This interesting display will continue all week. You'll come, of course—and will be welcome.

Spring Kid Gloves

The new Suede Kid Gloves, with 3 clasps and Paris point stitching, in tan, mode, gray, pearl, brown, white and black . . . \$1.50  
The street Glove is plique stitching, with clasp wrist, in either suede or glace, only in street colors. \$1.50  
In Glace Real Kid we have Foster's patent books and 2 clasps, with fancy embroidered backs, in new shades of blue Perlas, grays, heliotrope, pink, mauve and . . . \$1.50  
"Corona," our special Kid Gloves, only in clasp wrist; they \$1.25 come in all shades.  
Ladies' 2-clasp Dressed Kid Gloves, in white, pearl, tan, mode, brown, white and black . . . \$1.00  
Special sale of Dressed Kid Gloves, in all shades, for Monday . . . . . 69c

Dainty Petticoats

The "White Room" will be an attractive visiting place to-morrow. Beside its wealth of chic lingerie and sunny undermuslins, the new ideas in Parisian Petticoats are shown.  
Ladies' Silk Underskirts of imported taffetas, in plain and fancy laces, tuck and ruffle trimmed, confined styles, at \$39, \$25, \$18.50, \$15, \$10 and . . . \$7.50  
Ladies' Cambric and Fine Mull Underskirts, trimmed with Duchess, Point de Paris, Valenciennes and hand-made Torchon laces, new effects, at \$10, \$7.50, \$5, \$3.50 and . . . \$2.00

Spring Dress Trimmings

There will be an unusual demand for all sorts of trimmings for dresses, costumes, etc., and we are now well prepared with all the new and popular styles for the coming season.  
White and black Taffeta Applique, in a variety of widths, \$2.50 from 50c to . . . . . \$3.50  
Renaissance Applique, in white, cream and black, from 50c to . . . \$3.50  
Silk Taffeta Applique, in mode, tan, violet, blue, pink, from 50c to . . . \$1.25  
New combination of fancy Jets in pastel, Claire de Luna, steel and iridescent shades, from \$1.00 to . . . \$3.98  
Black Strangled Edges from 15c to . . . 75c  
Black Strangled Festoons, patterns from \$1.00 to . . . \$3.98  
Jet and Chiffon Passementerie \$2.50 from 75c to . . . . . \$1.98  
Jet Fringes in a variety of in pastel, white, pearl, tan, mode, cream and black, from 50c to . . . \$1.98  
Steel Bead and Chiffon Trim-mings from 50c to . . . \$1.98  
Also fancy yokes and garnitures in Renaissance, Honiton and Flitter Jet.

Neckwear, Belts

Special showing of everything that is new in fancy stocks with bows, jabots, scarfs, fichus, real lace bars, neck ruffs, fancy fronts and ties, made of net, silk mousseline, taffeta silk, fine Swiss and Liberty silks.  
SEE THE WINDOW DISPLAY  
New Belts  
We are showing a beautiful and exclusive line of all the new and desirable Belts made of leather, ribbon and elastic, making a perfect waist. Medallion Belts are very popular in French, gray and rose gold. Dog Collar Belts in endless variety. We are showing Belts from 25c to \$4.00.

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