

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Formality in Entertaining Gives Place to Home Christmas Affairs—President to Leave With His Family for Pine Knot.

ALL formality in entertaining will give place in the week just ushered in to impromptu and informal affairs. During the holiday season, the rigor of social etiquette is set aside, and every sort of amusement that can give pleasure to the boy or girl home from college or school is the particular object of each and every hostess who has sons and daughters of her own, or with friends who have children to be entertained.

Among them were Miss Calderon, Miss Calvo, the Misses Carbo, the Misses Taylor, Miss Georgia Knox, and Miss Barbara Brodie. An orchestra stationed in the hallway played throughout the afternoon, and quantities of decorations in Christmas colors of red and green added a festive air to the occasion. The same color scheme extended to the table appointments, where a novel effect was produced by introducing small Mexican and American flags, as well as those of the five Central American countries represented in the conference.

street. Their guests were Rear Admiral Baker and Mrs. Baker, Mme. de Meisner, Lieut. White, U. S. N., and Mrs. White, Prince Koudacheff, of the Russian Embassy; the Third Secretary of the British Embassy and Mrs. Grant Watson, the First Secretary of the Colombian Embassy and Mme. Guzman, and the Naval Attache of the Italian Embassy and Mme. Finster.

The Naval Attache of the German Embassy and Mme. Heibinghaus also entertained at dinner last night, their guests being Mr. and Mrs. Gibson Fahnstreck, Mr. and Mrs. William S. Slater, Mr. and Mrs. Hennen Jennings, Col. James, military attache of the British Embassy, and Mrs. James, and the Military Attache of the German Embassy Capt. von Livonius and Mme. von Livonius, who have recently arrived in Washington.

Lieut. Col. Thomas W. Symons and Mrs. Symons gave a dinner last night complimentary to the Brazilian Ambassador and Mme. Nabuco.

Mrs. Metcalf, wife of the Secretary of the Navy, entertained at luncheon yesterday at her home, in N street, in honor of Miss Carol Newberry, the debutante daughter of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry. Invited to meet her were Mrs. Strohe, Miss Nabuco, the Misses Meyer, Miss Vera Downing, Miss Henrietta Fitch, Miss Constance Hoyt, Miss White, Miss Jarvis, Miss Ridgely, Miss Lena Hitchcock, and Miss Amy Bowles, who is Mrs. Metcalf's guest.

At the hop at the navy yard last evening the guests were received by Mrs. Leutze, wife of Capt. E. H. C. Leutze; Mrs. Sharp, Mrs. Percy, Mrs. Vogelgesang, and Mrs. Martin. A number of informal dinners preceded the hop, which was one of the largest of the season.

Miss Katherine Ladd, daughter of Maj. E. F. Ladd, U. S. A., was the guest of honor yesterday at a luncheon given by Miss Georgia Knox, of New Hampshire avenue. La France roses and pink-capped tapers were used as table decorations, and each place was marked by a bunch of violets. Invited to meet Miss Ladd were Miss Oliver, Miss Helen Hatfield, Miss Calderon, daughter of the Minister from Bolivia; Miss Mercedes Godoy, daughter of the Mexican Minister to Cuba; Miss Pison, Miss Zelma Pison, Miss Mary Hempton, Miss Pickett Heth, Miss Maria Carbo, Miss Eleanor Granger, Miss May Phelps, Miss Hewitt, and Miss Edgardina Hastings.

Mrs. James Harriman entertained at a tea Friday afternoon in honor of Miss May Robson, who was at the Columbia last week in "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary."

Among the guests were Rear Admiral and Mrs. Frederick Rodgers, Mrs. Emmos, Mrs. White, Miss Couderd, Miss Ferguson, and Miss Mary Ferguson, the Misses Mellon, Miss Howard, Miss Clarke, of Pennsylvania, who is spending the winter at the Willard; Miss Emory, Mrs. Denny, Mr. Barry, Mr. Hill, Mr. Totten, and William Bowie Clarke.

Mrs. William Tindall entertained the Political Study Club at luncheon on Friday last, and in the afternoon a business session was held, at which the president, Mrs. Mackrille, presided.

Mrs. Engle reported that the only date on which Mrs. Cobden Sanderson, an noted suffragette of London, can be obtained to lecture in Washington is January 6. It was decided to have her come then, the lecture to be at the New Willard.

Miss Gillett visited the club and reported the work that had been done in connection with the bill introduced into Congress to secure a limited suffrage in the District in behalf of women voting equally with men, should such a bill become a law, and she outlined the plans for petition and other work which are being formulated.

The club voted unopposed to approve this legislative work, and pledged their assistance. Mrs. Davis then read the paper for the afternoon, the subject being "The Initiative and Referendum," and a discussion followed.

Members of the Phi Mu Sorority of Chevy Chase College, chaperoned by Mrs. S. N. Barker, enjoyed a dinner last Monday evening at the New Willard. Yesterday afternoon, Miss Holladay, of Rapidan, Va.; Messrs. Alexander Glascock, of Kentucky, and Dilworth, of Pennsylvania; H. H. Blacklum, of Virginia, and Virgil Barker arrived at Chevy Chase school for a house party lasting through the holidays.

PERSONALS.

Miss Ethel Marie Hungertford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Hungertford, of Indianapolis, who is a pupil at Mount de Sales, near Baltimore, is the guest for the Christmas holidays of her grandmother, Mrs. James M. Jirdeston, at her home, in Kenyon street.

Lieut. Henry T. Bull, U. S. A., and Mrs. Bull have returned to Fort Meyer from California, and have opened their home for the winter. Lieut. and Mrs. Jennings, of South Bethlehem, Pa., will be their guests during the holidays.

Miss Margery Colton, daughter of Col. Francis Colton, who left Washington with the Taft party and made the trip to the Philippines with them to Manila, where she was the guest of her brother, Col. George Colton, has returned to the city, and is with her father, at their home, in Connecticut avenue.

The annual charity ball for the Southern Relief Society will take place on the evening of January 21 in the ballroom of the New Willard. Miss Nannie Randolph Heth is president of the association, and Mrs. Bocoock is chairman of the committee for the ball. An unprecedented number of tickets have already been engaged for the ball, and it promises to be one of the most successful in the history of the society.

Mr. John Buzsee Jones, son of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Jones, who is attending the United States Military Academy in Maryland, is spending the Christmas holidays at his home, Ruthven Lodge, in Massachusetts avenue extended.

Among the more popular events of the Christmas week will be found the Georgetown cotillon, which is to be given Thursday at Lincoln Hall, Georgetown.

Mrs. Samuel Beninger has returned from a visit to Baltimore, Md., where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph.

Mrs. Harry Kaufman, of Columbia road, entertained the Bridge Whist Club on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Parsoff, of Youngstown, Ohio, and Eric Parson, of Harvard, will spend the Christmas holidays with their mother, on Capitol Hill.

Mr. Milton M. Herbst, of New York, spent a few days in the city, en route to Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mrs. Mose Gross, of Columbia road, has returned from a visit to relatives in Philadelphia and New York.

Cards are out for the wedding of Miss Alma Prince, daughter of Mr. A. D. Prince, and Mr. Sidney William Straus, of Baltimore, Md., at Rauscher's, on Tuesday evening, December 31, at 6:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Westcott, of Cleveland Park, have as their guests for the holidays Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Houghton, of Chicago. Mrs. Westcott, Miss Westcott, and Mrs. Houghton will be at home to their friends on Wednesdays in January.

Mrs. Leo Goldsmith, of New York, was a recent visitor to the city.

The Octagon Pleasure Club will give a dance at Dyer's Hall on Wednesday evening, December 25.

Mr. Ivan Iseman, of 439 O street, will spend the Christmas holidays in Richmond, Va., the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Falk.

Miss Clara R. Frankel, of Joplin, Mo., is being entertained by Washington friends during the week.

Miss Lottie Obendorfer, of University place, was the guest of Baltimore friends during the week.

Miss Camille Jacobs, of Columbia, S. C., a former resident of Washington, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Rutherford B. Lyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hirschler, of Baltimore, were the guests of Washington friends during the week.

Miss Rhoda Mautner has cards out for a dance on Tuesday evening, December 24, complimentary to her guest, Miss Wise, of Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Gus, Louis, of Eleventh street, is entertaining her sister, Miss Gertrude Herzog, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Raphael and daughter, Miss Adelaide G. Raphael, of Philadelphia, whose engagement was recently announced to Mr. Harry W. Hahn, of this city, were in the city for a short visit, and were guests at the New Willard Hotel.

Mrs. R. S. McCook has removed from the Sherman to the Naples, 713 Nineteenth street.

Mrs. J. Kronhelm, of T street, entertained the Whist Club on Friday evening.

Mrs. William A. Smoot has returned from a week's trip in the South.

Miss Grace Anderson, Miss Mary Hooff, and Miss Marian Bryant attended the ball given at the Chamberlain last Friday in honor of members of the Pacific fleet cruise.

Miss Julia Cone, who is attending the Arlington Institute, left here Friday to spend vacation with her parents in Richmond.

Messrs. David Chalmers and Beaudrick Howell are at home for the holidays from the University of Virginia.

Miss Hattie Douglas has as her guest Miss Bertie Gold, of Delaplane, Va.

Mrs. N. P. T. Burke has returned to Boston after an extended visit to her mother-in-law, Mrs. John W. Burke.

Mrs. Clarence Woolfolk and her daughter, Miss Fountain Burks, of Richmond, were the guests the past week of Mrs. Woolfolk's sister, Mrs. George Uhler.

Miss Sibyl Smoot has returned from the Woman's College, in Baltimore, and has as her guest her schoolmate, Miss Ann Taylor, of Annapolis, Ala.

Miss Emma Thom, Miss Mildred Bentley, and Miss Alda Hopkins, of the Arlington Institute, will spend Christmas at their homes, in Sandy Spring, Md.

Lieut. and Mrs. James H. Reid, U. S. N., and Master James Reid are visiting Col. and Mrs. L. W. Reid, North Duke street.

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