

Society

THE week-end is reflecting the gaieties of mi-Careme, which, in fact, were not as gay this year as they have been in other seasons. This is offset by the unabated gaieties of the entire Lenten season. Seldom has dancing been a feature of the forty days of fasting and self-denial which the Christian world observes annually, but it has had its innings this year, while Sunday entertaining has not grown less since Ash Wednesday dawned. Therefore, any gaieties last Thursday to celebrate mi-Careme would have had to be of unprovoked brilliance to make a showing. Mrs. Wadsworth's fancy dress ball, a special feature of every winter for some years, was omitted, but Mrs. Henderson filled the date with a dance for young married and unmarried people, and, truth to tell, some older ones, too. Mrs. Henderson is one of the little coterie of women who have found the fountain of youth and who are dancing some of the ancient but modernized fancy steps and movements of which the modern dancers have been the inspiration. Their Grecian costumes are among their most treasured possessions, and an intruder or unobserved witness of the pantomime performance of these so-called Grecian exercises would consider himself in spookland, if they were not explained to him. This, nevertheless, is the cause of the complexions growing brighter and fresher, the carriage more erect, the steps lighter, and it is even hinted that the digestions are improved. All this is the excuse for the Lenten dancing.

There are still many fashionable people who disapprove of the Lenten festivities. They are much the same class who are frowning upon bridge—that is, bridge with the cashing in of the chips at the close of the game, for this is not the exception, but the rule, even in friendly games. One of the most popular recitals in Episcopal circles in Washington quite startled his flock recently by announcing to them that a request for a letter of transfer would be refused any number of his parish who played bridge for cash, for a letter of transfer, he said, was only for members in good standing and he did not consider such a person in that category.

The festivities for the diplomatic bride and her groom, Countess Luise-Alexandra von Bernstorff, lovingly known as "the little countess," and Count Pourtales, have made the past week bright and gay. There has been a dinner party almost every night, and the friends of the young bride and her mother have dropped in at the embassy for tea and to see the beautiful collection of wedding gifts. These have come from all parts of the world, and comprise a magnificent collection of rare gems, unique silver, valuable linen, and sparkling crystal, almost everything which the imagination can picture. Fortunately indeed are the personal friends who have been allowed this glimpse at the pretty things, for it is not for the public to be entertained at the wedding party, and the President and Mrs. Taft have been following rumors of a coming marriage about each and every one of the bridegrooms of the countess, excepting Miss May, whose engagement to Mr. Robert Bacon is already announced, and whose marriage will be one of the factors in the coming year.

Miss Taft has been counted in on all the festivities for the bride and bridegroom of tomorrow, and not one of them would have seemed complete without her. This is a rumor of another bit of news, which is not a rumor, but stated as a fact by a close friend of the White House, that she has tasted of the delights of society as the most feted debutante of the season, and at the end of it has signed her name to the class of Juniors in Bryn Mawr College next year. This was really hinted at by Mrs. Taft at the beginning of the administration, with the possibility of introducing her daughter to society was discussed. She well knew her daughter's love for books and study and her lack of real love for social butterfly life. In fact, she said then that even though she spent a season or so in the White House as a debutante, she might return to her college life. Society would indeed grieve without her, but could not fail to admire the pluck and wisdom of the young woman. Nor would any one who knows Miss Taft be in the least surprised at her action. Her college life did not seem her for society, nor will society spoil her for a successful career in college. It is the social circle in Washington which will suffer by her departure.

Mrs. Walter L. Fisher, wife of the new Secretary of the Interior, will not come to Washington until quite late in the spring, from present indications. They have a large family, and since Mr. Fisher assumed the duties of the position, scarlet fever has broken out among their home circle, and he made a hurried trip to his Chicago home early in the week. There are eight children in the family. Mrs. Fisher was formerly Miss Mabel Taylor, of Boston, a college woman and a woman of much wealth. She is also the youngest hostess in the Cabinet circle.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

The French Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand went to Annapolis yesterday afternoon to attend the tea given by the admiral of the French squadron, on board the flagship *Gloria*, when a brilliant dance was the feature of the entertainment. Mme. Jusserand received the guests, assisted by Viscountess d'Azay, wife of the naval attaché of the French Embassy. Others who went down for the festivity were the Naval Attaché of the Austro-Hungarian Embassy and Baroness Preuschen, the Naval Attaché of the Russian Embassy and Mme. Vassiliev, Miss Harriet Wadsworth, Miss Gladys Hinesley, Miss Laura Merriam, Miss Helen Lee, Miss Miriam Crosby, Miss Sophie Johnston, Miss Katherine Britton, Miss Marion Wise, Commander Hertzmann, Mr. Reginald Hildekoper, Maj. Horton, Lieut. Little, Lieut. Long, Mr. Charles Richardson, Mr. William Howe Clarke, and Mr. Jacquard.

At the Arthur School last Wednesday evening parents and teachers met for a social evening and an informal discussion of means of securing the best possible conditions for the children of that neighborhood.

The kindergarten room, prettily decorated with plants, spring flowers, and flags, was crowded. The earlier part of the evening was devoted to an attractive program, furnished by teachers and pupils, while Messrs. Nickolas and

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Benjamin Panella gave several selections on the harp and violin. Mrs. Giles Scott Rafter, a member of the Mothers' Congress, presided, and gave an interesting five-minute talk, as also did Mrs. Morgan Lewis, superintendent of the Boys' Patriotic Club.

Among other numbers on the programme were kindergarten songs, tableaux from "Mother Goose Rhymes," violin solo by Miss Elizabeth Graham, accompanied by Miss Helen Merriam; recitations by Clarence Childs, Esther Solomon, Attile Guilliani, Herbert Solomon, Thelma Buser, Ruth Kammling, and Henry Schulz; songs "Merry Life" and "Love's Old Sweet Song," by teachers and pupils, and piano solo by Katharine Sanders. A talk on the "Essentials of health and happiness," by Dr. Charles P. Winkler, was one of the principal features of the evening.

Commodore and Mrs. Edward F. Quahrough entertained at bridge followed by supper on Tuesday evening. Among their guests were Mr. and Mrs. William Parham, of New Haven; Gen. and Mrs. Irwin, of Chicago; Col. and Mrs. Symons, of New York; and Countess Seckendorff, Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. Edward McCauley, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Merriam, and Dr. and Mrs. Charles Reid.

Miss Marion Wise entertained at a small tea yesterday at 5 o'clock.

The list of patronesses for the performance of Princeton Triangle Club, at the Columbia Theatre, on Tuesday afternoon, April 11, will be announced in a day or two. The title of the new play of the Triangle Club is "Simply Cynthia," and the words and music, as usual, are entirely the work of undergraduates of the university.

Der Gesellig Literarischer Verein met on the evening of Saturday, March 18, at the home of Miss Anita Schade, the president. Members and friends of this literary association were given an opportunity to hear several of the most important scenes from "Faust" read in the English translation of Mr. Frank Claudy, vice president of the club. The translator himself, assisted by Miss Dannerhoff and Miss Schade, read the monologue and scenes in the original, while Miss Amy C. Lovitt gave a most creditable reading of the excellent translation, which in many instances surpasses that of Bayard Taylor. Miss Standiford opened the program by singing Siebel's song from "Faust." The first act of W. S. Gilbert's famous comedy, "Pygmalion and Galatea," translated into German by Mr. Claudy, was also given, at the close of which, Miss Anita Schade, who had

acted the part of the statue came to the front of the stage, as a token of appreciation and gratitude from the members of the Gesellig Literarischer Verein.

That the 1911 Senior Prom of Georgetown University, which will be held in the new Friday ballroom on the evening of Friday, April 21, will be the most successful one in the history of the university is now assured. The combined committee representing the collegiate, central law, and medical departments, has been working earnestly for the past three weeks and reports indicate that in point of decorations and programme the Prom will rival any like function ever held in this city. The subcommittee in charge of music has engaged the United States Marine Band for the evening.

On Friday night Dr. Cain and her daughter, Miss Ruth Fuller, of 122 Q street northwest, gave a novel entertainment for fifty of their friends by exhibiting, through the courtesy of Mr. Tom Moore, at the Lafayette Theatre, three motion picture plays in which Dr. Cain's daughter, Miss Mary Claire Fuller, a Washington girl, plays the leading role. At the close of the exhibition the party was escorted to the home of Dr. Cain, where luncheon was served.

Mrs. Oliver, Representative and Mrs. David G. Foster, Gen. and Mrs. Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs. U. D. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Truman H. Newberry, Judge and Mrs. William Hunt, Sir Robert and Lady Hatfield, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Gibson, Mrs. Oliver Cromwell, Mrs. Morehead, Miss Miriam Crosby, Miss Munson, Miss May, Gen. Crozier, Mr. A. Platt Andrew, Mr. Benjamin D. Cable, Gov. Mason, and Mr. Nabokoff.

Miss Helen Taft was the guest of honor at dinner last night of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Noyes and their daughter, Miss Frances Noyes.

The Swiss Minister and Mme. Ritter entertained at dinner last night in honor of their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, of Philadelphia and New York. They went later to the musicale at the Netherlands Legation.

Mr. Charlemagne Tower, of Philadelphia, will entertain at a dinner at his home on Friday, April 7, in honor of speakers at the Saturday session of the fifteenth annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. Secretary Ma-Veagh and Nagel probably will be present.

PERSONALS.

President Taft, who will go to Newport in August for the dedication exercises of the new building for the Newport branch of the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A., accompanied by Mrs. Taft, will be the guest of Mrs. Thomas J. Emery, donor of the building, at her summer home in Mariemont, at Middletown.

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Knox returned to Washington yesterday from Palm Beach, where they have spent the past few weeks.

Mrs. Earl I. Brown, wife of Capt. Brown, Engineer Corps, U. S. A., is here with Capt. Brown, who is stationed in this city. She has recently come from Wilmington, N. C.

Mrs. Fremont, widow of Admiral Fremont, who died on March 5, while in command of the Boston Navy Yard, has leased her house, 219 R street, in this city, to Count and Countess Seckendorff for the spring. Mrs. Fremont, with the Misses Fremont, will spend the summer at their country place, Heron Cove Farm, Pemberton, N. J.

Rear Admiral Charles E. Vreeland has been selected by Secretary Meyer as the representative of the navy at the coronation of King George. Before the offer was made to Rear Admiral Vreeland, Secretary Meyer, with the permission of the President, sent for Admiral Dewey and asked if he would accept the mission. Admiral Dewey replied that he appreciated the great compliment, but thought he would not be able, physically, to accept the offer.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Kahn celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary by a family dinner. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. M. Oppenheimer, Mr. and Mrs. I. Oppenheimer, Mr. and Mrs. G. Oppenheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Mellinck, Mr. and Mrs. A. Koenigsberger, Mr. and Mrs. West, and Mrs. Young. The decorations were yellow and white, the floral decorations being jonquilles and maidenhair fern.

Miss Ball, of New York, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Luchs, in Kenyon street.

Mrs. Bertha Coblentz is in Cumberland visiting her brother, Mr. Tanzer.

Miss Edna Raka, who was in Washington for a short stay, visiting relatives, has returned to Baltimore.

Miss Rosa Schifman entertained last week in honor of three of the Fairmont Seminary girls. The decorations were in colors of the school. Among those present were the Misses Evelyn Samp-

WEDDINGS-ENGAGEMENTS.

Mrs. Frank Lyman Dunsell, of New York, announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Clara Barnes Danforth, to Mr. Francis Bacon Hamlin, son of the late Rev. Dr. Tunis S. Hamlin, for years pastor of the Church of the Covenant. Mr. Hamlin is a graduate of Yale, class of '09.

Miss Carolyn Jones and Mr. Richard Cook Tilghman were married last evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cedarwald, 221 N street. Bishop Bradford performed the ceremony, which was attended by relatives and a few intimate friends. Mrs. Cedarwald acted as maid of honor for her sister, and Mr. Wedding Owen acted as best man.

The marriage of Miss Wilma K. Armitage, of Hyattsville, Md., to Mr. William A. Scott took place last Thursday at noon at the parsonage of the Bethany Baptist Church, the pastor, Rev. H. T. Stevenson, officiating in the presence of a small party of relatives and friends.

DINNERS AND LUNCHEONS.

Mrs. Taft and her house guest, Mrs. Hollister, of Cincinnati, were the guests in honor for whom Mrs. Lorton, wife of Mr. Justice Lorton, entertained at luncheon yesterday at her home in I street.

The Italian Ambassador and Marchesa Cusani Confalonieri entertained at dinner last evening in honor of the Vice President and Mrs. Sherman. The other guests were the Japanese Ambassador and Baroness Uchida, the Peruvian Minister, Mr. Pardo; the Norwegian Minister and Mme. Bryn, the Charge d'Affaires of Peru and Mme. All Kull Khan, Miss Bred, sister of the latter; Marquis di Bugnaco; the Counselor of the Japanese Embassy and Mme. Matsui, the Naval Attaché of the Austro-Hungarian Embassy and Baroness Preuschen, the Military Attaché of the Spanish Legation and Mme. Urcullo, Miss Townsend, Miss Putnam, Donna Beatrice Cusani, the first secretary of the Peruvian legation, Mr. Freye, Mr. Buella, of the Mexican Embassy staff, Mr. de Heids, of the Austro-Hungarian Embassy, Mr. Centaro, and Mr. Fara Foré.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hays Hammond entertained a distinguished company at dinner last night. The guests included the Mexican Ambassador and Mme. de la Barra, the Chief Justice and Mrs. White, the Swedish Minister, Count Ehrensvard, Gen. and Mrs. Leonard Wood, Assistant Secretary of War and

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Mrs. Burrows, wife of former Senator Burrows, who has spent some time in Atlantic City, will return here next week for the remainder of the spring season. The Senator joined her there last week, but returned to their home here a few days ago.

Mrs. William Alden Smith, wife of the Senator from Grand Rapids, has as her guest this week and next Miss Barbara Fernald, of Winchester, Mass., while

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