

FRIDAY NIGHT CLUB CELEBRATES HOLIDAY TIME IN FITTING FASHION, WHEN SMART MEMBERS THEREOF DISPORT THEMSELVES IN FANCIFUL GARB



Ivory Ballroom Is Aglow With Ruby Light. Breath of Firs Tells of Yule-Tide Joy.

Be merry all, be merry all. With holly dress the festive hall. Prepare the song, the feast, the ball. To welcome merry Christmas.

So sang the merry "Follies" at the Greenway dance last night, and the music of their voices wrought good fun in the ivory halls of the Palace.

When pray, was there a madder, merrier dance than last night, under the warming glow of thousands of ruby lights? Yellow lights there were, too, rivaling the gleam of the topaz; great red silken balloons floated in mid-air, upholding poinsettias in their flaming beauty; trees of pungent fir stood at every pillar, while strands of green stretched wallward from a huge basket of fir in the center, in which gay poinsettias nestled. A chime of silver bells fell from the branches of the yule tree, while red bells, great and small, were suspended from the ceiling in gay array. A forest of firs concealed the makers of the music—than which none better has been heard these many moons. But Greenway music is ever thus—music and suppers distinguish these Greenway "stunts."

What a dazzling array of pretty maids and stunning matrons! And blessings on them for their courage, for short skirts and curly wigs require pluck. However, no woman is fairer than in the picturesque garb of other days—and this knowledge jolts their courage a bit, perhaps. But the men, alas! the men decline to reveal to a gaping world their personal charms—or the lack of them—which is distinctly selfish of them, since the women must. Not a tenth of the men wore aught than their clawhammers and provincial trousers. But that tenth, here's to them! They were captivated!

LIST OF MEMBERS.

The following are members of the Friday Night Club: Mrs. C. O. Alexander, Miss Elizabeth Allen, Miss Ruth Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Worthington, Mrs. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. E. Anderson, E. Raymond, Mrs. W. B. B. Adams, Miss Olga Atherton, Miss Helen J. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Wakefield Baker, Thomas J. Bagnor, Lt. Harold, Lieutenant John B. Babcock, Miss Florence M. Bailey, R. C. Barker, Miss Berry, Miss Edith Berry, Thomas C. Berry, Mrs. Emma L. Patterson, Miss Leontine S. Blakeman, Dr. and Mrs. James A. Black, Miss Sophie Borel, Miss Alice Borel, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bours, Miss Bours, Hamilton Bowers, R. Bocqueraz, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Brownell, Miss Yvonne Brewer, W. E. Burnett, Mrs. Reginald Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. James Hall, Miss Caroline, Miss Linda Caldwell, Arthur S. Chesborough, Miss Elsie K. Diaper, Mr. and Mrs. Willard N. Drown, Miss Brown, Harry E. Dutton, Miss Gertrude Dutton, Mrs. Dutton, Mrs. F. Dutton, W. C. DePrimer, Thomas Eastland, Miss Gertrude Ellis, Miss Dorothy Ellis, Robert M. Eyre, Eugene M. Farham, Mr. and Mrs. Field, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Flood, E. Courtney Ford, Mrs. A. W. Foster, A. W. Foster Jr., Miss Mary F. Foster, Mrs. Emma K. Foster, Mrs. C. W. Goddy, Mr. and Mrs. Downey Harvey, Miss Anita Harvey, Samuel R. Hamilton,

SOME SOCIETY FOLK WHO ATTENDED THE FANCY DRESS BALL AT THE PALACE.

Eugene F. Hewlett, Mrs. William F. Herrin, Miss Herrin, Edward W. Howard, Miss Francis S. Howard, William E. Hough, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Hobart, J. R. Howell, Sybil Hodges, H. M. Holbrook, C. W. Hopkins, Dr. A. W. Hewlett. Mrs. Irene M. and Mrs. William G. Irwin, Paul C. Jones, Herbert Jones, Mrs. Charles Joseph, Miss Josephine, Miss Gertrude Joseph, Miss Marie Joseph, Miss Virginia Joffile, Miss Gertrude Joffile, Carl Jones, Miss Azalea Keyes, Joseph L. King Jr., T. Kittle, Miss Kittle, John Casper Kittle, Percy L. King, Miss Lucy King, Mrs. Homer S. King, Miss King, Miss Hazel King, Frank B. King, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Knight, Mr. and Mrs. C. Frederick Kohl, Mrs. G. L. Lansing, Miss Mary E. Langhorne, Mrs. James F. Langhorne, Mrs. Newcomb Taylor, Landford, Miss Pearl Landers, M. S. Latham, Lewis, Norman and Miss Hoverson, P. H. Lombard, Knox Maddox, Mr. and Mrs. A. McDonald, Miss Sallie Maynard, Mr. and Mrs. H. McNatt, Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. McCutcheon, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. McIntosh, Mrs. George B. McAnery, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Taylor, Miss Ruth McKeown, Ernest L. McCormick, Edwin McAtee, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Mendell Jr., John Hubert Nest, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Miller, Mrs. Carl Moore, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Moore, William Truxton Morris, Duval Moore, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Murphy, Dr. and Mrs. May Newhall, Mrs. Newhall Taylor, Lieutenant Robert P. McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Percy P. Moore, Maxwell McNutt, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Newman, Mrs. Newhall Taylor, Mrs. Grace Almer Newhall, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kottal. Captain and Mrs. J. S. Oyster, Frank L. Owen, John Parrott, Miss Abby Parrott, Mrs. Louis B. Parrott, Miss Abby Parrott, William D. Paige, Miss Maude L. Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar D. Peixoto, Miss Maybelle Pease, James D. Pielan, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Pillsbury, Mrs. Ira Pierce, Roy M. Pike, Miss Amy Porter, Mrs. Carter Pomeroy, Miss Christine M. Pomeroy, Mrs. Ashton Pomeroy, Mrs. W. Philip Covington Pringle, John H. Polhemus, Miss Quinan, G. H. Polhemus, Mrs. W. Reid, Fred Reiss, Mr. William P. Redington, Miss Redington, Lloyd M. Robbins, H. N. Rousseau, Gaston E. Soussy, Dr. Tracy G. Russell, Miss Rogers, Sidney Salisbury, Sherill Scheel, Mrs. E. W. Selby, Miss Selby, Dr. and Mrs. Grant Selbridge, Dr. Edmund T. Shortridge, Miss Thelma Simpson, W. H. Smith Jr., Mrs. Hyde-Smith, Miss Gertrude Smith, Miss Margaret Smith, Mrs. D. R. Smith, Mrs. S. W. Smith, Miss Grace Spickels, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Spreckels, Harry N. Stetson, Leigh Sypher, Mrs. E. W. Tallant, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Tallant, Miss Elsie Tallant, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Thurston, C. F. Tobin, Miss Mabel A. Watkins, Arthur B. Watson, Mrs. Cyrus Walker, Miss Helen L. Walker, Mrs. Florence W. Williams, Miss Etelka Willard, E. A. Wittee, Mrs. Russell J. Wilson, Miss Emily Wilson, Mrs. Charlotte Wilson, Miss Winnie, Miss Mary F. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas, Mrs. J. O. Tobin, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tubbs, Beverly Tucker, Burling Tucker, John W. Twigg, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred H. Tobin, Mrs. Alfred Hunter Voorhies, Alfred H. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton E. Worden, Captain and Mrs. Emory Winskip, John Zelle, Leslie Harwood, Herbert Baker, Philip Paschel, Dr. Presley.

NEW TRANS-PACIFIC LINER GIVEN HEARTY WELCOME

Steamship Minnesota's Arrival at Seattle Is Occasion for Great Display. SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 23.—After a voyage of fifty-seven days steaming time, seventy-two days actual time, the new trans-Pacific liner Minnesota, owned by the Great Northern Steamship Company, arrived here from New York at 10 o'clock to-night and dropped anchor off West Seattle. The steamships City of Seattle and Umatilla, carrying about 1200 persons, met the Minnesota between 5 and 6 o'clock this afternoon off Port Townsend at the entrance to the Sound and escorted her to the city. When the ships met near Port Townsend there was a splendid pyrotechnic display, each vessel letting off fireworks.

Advertisement for 'Hears' soap, describing it as 'Soap for toilet, nursery, bath and shaving. Matchless among all soaps in the world for these purposes.'

T. B. EASTLAND BETROTHED TO MISS WAGNER

Like a prairie afire, ran the glad news through the ballroom last night of an engagement. And who do you guess, ye who were not at the dizzy dance? Pretty Helen Louise Wagner! than whom no sweeter maid would throng through the busy throng. And the man—the lucky man? Thomas B. Eastland, son of the late Joseph G. Eastland, clubman, bon vivant and interesting chap, whose attentions to the pretty maid have been matters of comment. But even the wisest tabbies didn't guess the true state of things, and here for once, the maddening "I told you so's" haven't smallest chance to score.

FAIR WOMEN IN GAY GOWNS MAKE PICTURE "Why Won't Men Wear Fancy Dress?" Is the Question.

Among the guests whose costumes were particularly striking were: Mrs. Eleanor Martin, white moire hand embroidered in violets; bouffant of point lace over chiffon. Mrs. Charles Krauthoff, black lace applique, powdered hair. Mrs. Edgar Peixoto, Pierrette, black ruche and white pompons, white neck ruche and powdered hair. Mrs. Edith Berry, little girl. Mrs. Abbie Parrott, colonial gown. Mrs. Jessie Wilson, Rococo shepherdess, gossamer blue velvet embroidered, yellow satin. Mrs. Helton Rulley, Nedda, from "Pagliacci," white point d'esprit beaded in white. Mrs. Nellie Drown, shepherdess, white point gown, with yellow scarf and black Gainsborough. Mrs. Pomeroy, white ruche. Mrs. Lucy Gwin, colonial gown. Mrs. Amy Porter, Marie Antoinette costume, powdered hair. Mrs. Gerrit Lansing, turquoise velvet gown, powdered hair and pearls. Mrs. Edith Berry, elegant bride, costume of Queen Wilhelmina's time, real Holland cap. Mrs. Thomas, white lace gown. Mrs. Henry Foster Dutton, white silk net spangled in gold. Mrs. Frederick Kohl, snow, in a marvelous robe of white chiffon. Miss Whittle, Princess Pouchinello. Miss Smith Simpson, black lace and jet, powdered hair, red chrysanthemums. Miss Maudie Langhorne, emeraldly spangled. Mrs. Pearl Landers, green chiffon, point lace, hair spangled. Paige, Swiss peasant costume, with red skirt, black bodice and great black lace hat. Mrs. Frances Howard, Folly, white skirt with black satin streamers. Miss Livermore, Folly, black satin skirt with gold tinsel streamers. Miss Elsie Draper, French colonial girl in pink, hair powdered. Mrs. Draper, blue satin point lace. Mrs. Alfred Hunter Voorhies, white pearl necklace, duchesse lace. Mrs. John Wilson, black lace gown, pearl collar, diamond star and crescent. Miss Charlotte Wilson, Folly, white costume, blue satin streamers. Miss Emily Wilson, Folly, white costume, Dresden pattern. Miss Gertrude Hyde-Smith, Louis XV costume, Dresden pattern. Mrs. Babcock, Marguerite. Miss Josephine, pink chiffon gown, trimmed in pink roses; hair powdered. Mrs. Marguerite Josephine, little girl. Miss Elsie Tallant, Spanish girl, white silk with red satin bodice and hair ornament. Miss Gertrude King, Pierrette. Mrs. Charlotte Wilson, white lace, evening gown. Miss Alice Borel, Bonbon, a very handsome red costume, heavily tullest in streamers and bonbons. Miss Sophie Borel, Cherry; an elaborate costume of red, trimmed in cherries and leaves. Miss Florence Whitall, Pouchinello, Edward M. Greenwood, Toward. Frank Good, Chinese. Jerome K. Landfield, East Indian Prince.

PERSONAL.

G. L. McCandless of Sacramento is at the Grand. Dr. C. L. McCracken of Pescadero is at the Grand. J. P. Hobson and wife of Victoria are at the Palace. Dr. D. W. Edelman of Los Angeles is at the St. Francis. C. Godfrey Gunther of New York is registered at the Palace. Thomas H. Perry, a well-known real estate man of Eureka, is at the Russ. J. T. Hammond, manager of the Coronado tented city, is at the St. Francis. John H. Mahony, a prominent contractor Santa Maria, is staying at the Lick. John L. Hudner, District Attorney of San Benito County, was among yesterday's arrivals at the Lick. Mr. and Mrs. Morton Mitchell of Paris, who usually winter in San Francisco, arrived from the East yesterday and are staying at the Palace. Arthur K. Lee, the well-known young Eastern capitalist, who spends a great deal of his time in this State, arrived at the St. Francis yesterday, with his wife, from Geyserville, near where he is interested in a cattle range.

Californians in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The following Californians arrived in New York to-day: From San Francisco—Mrs. Crouse, at the Grand; C. G. Knox and Mrs. E. J. McClelland, at the Holland; T. M. Pierson, at the Grand Union; F. Whemmler, at the Herald Square; B. Thompson, at the Algonquin; J. A. Moreland, at the Hotel Astor; H. B. Hopkins, at the Albert; H. B. Muzzy, at the Hotel Astor. From San Rafael—T. T. Williams, at the Seville. Tribesmen Accept a Bribe. TANGIER, Dec. 23.—The tribesmen who surrounded Alcazar demanding that the French Consul and that an English resident be given up to them have withdrawn for a consideration of \$300. Sherman, Clay & Co. are handling the Estey piano of New York. This piano is only second to the Steinway. Sherman, Clay & Co.

GRAND OPERA SEASON NEAR

Manager Leahy of the Tivoli Will Bring Noted Artists From the City of Mexico

W. H. Leahy, the managing director of the Tivoli Theater Company, has just returned from a fortnight's trip to the City of Mexico, after having closed a contract of great importance to the music lovers of San Francisco. The success of Mr. Leahy's visit means that the Tivoli will inaugurate a four weeks' season of grand opera on Monday evening, January 9, which will outlive in extent and musical importance any of the former season of grand opera with which the Tivoli's chief fame is associated. The company that will present these operas is an organization of over one hundred people imported by the Mexican Government directly from Italy. It has been giving a season of grand opera in the City of Mexico under a liberal subsidy from the Mexican treasury. It was the original intention of the directors of this organization to go straight to Havana after the conclusion of their engagement in the Mexican capital; but through Mr. Leahy's efforts and his tempting financial inducements their tour was rearranged. In every department this company is completely equipped and the full list of principals is as follows: Soprani—Signora Tetarazzini, Signora Berlini, Signora Flory and Signora Bettini; Mezzo soprani and contralto—Signora Claessens and Signora Marchi; tenors—Signor Colli, Signor Baselli, Signor Frosini and Signor de Marcho; barytones—Signor La Puma, Signor Romoli and Signor Rossi; bassi—Signor Rossi, Signor Mugnoz and Signor Cervi; conductors—Signor Pollacco, Signor Golisciani and Signor Longo; stage director—Signor Sapporelli. There is a superb chorus composed of fresh-faced, young and talented Italian singers and signoras and an orchestra which, when increased by the addition of some specially engaged players of the Tivoli orchestra, will number fifty. The total force of artists, chorus, orchestra and others engaged in the production will be 125. The complete repertoire to be presented during the engagement will include: "Faust," by Gounod; "The Pearl Fishers," by Bizet; "Mignon," by Ambrose Thomas; "Manon Lescaut," by Jules Massenet; "Lakme," by Delibes; "Rigoletto," by Verdi; "Sonnambula," by Bellini; "La Traviata," by Verdi; "Cavalleria Rusticana," by Pietro Mascagni; "Lucia," by Donizetti; "Puritani," by Bellini; "The Barber of Seville," by Rossini; "La Tosca," by Puccini; "Adrienne Lecouvrier," by Cilea; "Fedora," by Giordani; "Andre Chenier," by Giordani, and "Zaza," by Leoncavallo. Many of the artists who will appear in these operas have created in Italy the roles in which they will appear. They have sung them at La Scala in Milan, the San Carlo Theater in Naples, the Constanzi Theater in Rome, the Pagliani in Florence and the Mosimo in Palermo.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Advertisement for 'The People's Furniture and Carpet Parlor', featuring 'Just a Few Specials for To-Day and All Next Week. A Few Things Suitable for Christmas Gifts.' Items include Combination Shelf, Towel Holder and Mirror, Umbrella Stands, and Children's Rocker.

LIBRARY SITE NOT SELECTED

Supervisors Unable to Decide Between Western Addition Blocks 67 and 73

DISCUSS CIVIC CENTER

Agree to Take Action at a Meeting to Be Held on Next Tuesday Afternoon

Supervisors Unable to Decide Between Western Addition Blocks 67 and 73

The Supervisors' joint Finance and Utilities Committee yesterday considered the selection for a public library site of block 67 of the Western Addition, bounded by Van Ness avenue, Grove, Polk and Fulton streets or Western Addition block 73, bounded by Van Ness avenue, Hayes, Fell and Franklin streets, the latter block being recommended by the Public Library Trustees. The committee was unable to arrive at a decision. Thomas Magee & Sons submitted a statement showing that block 73 was valued at \$659,000 but said it could be purchased for \$447,000, as they thought the owners of three-quarters of the block, for whom the firm was the agent, would reduce their prices to that extent. R. G. Hooker offered to sell a portion of block 67, being the entire Van Ness avenue frontage with a depth of 109 feet and adjoining the 75 feet on Grove and also adjoining the 137 1/2 feet on Fulton, for the sum of \$335,000. Supervisor D'Ancona contended that it would be unwise to select a location for an isolated public building and thought it better to await architect D. H. Burnham's return in February, when some definite plans would be formulated for a civic center and for the proposed extension of the park panhandle. Library Trustee O'Connor objected to any delay in view of the fact that the library's quarters were inadequate to accommodate the patrons. He repeated that block 73 was still the choice of the trustees. Trustee Edward E. Taylor argued that the block was preferable to No. 67 because of its nearness to Market street; that the building would face to the east on Van Ness avenue and would have a permanent improvement in the church on its south side. "We need a library building sorely," said Taylor, "and the present place is a discredit to the city. The selection of the site should not be delayed, for even if you go ahead now it will be a long while before we get the library." Supervisor Payot said he favored postponement until Burnham's return; if a selection was to be made at once he would vote for block 73. B. J. Cahill described his plan for creating a civic center and connecting it with the park panhandle by a boulevard on Fulton street and a chain of parks. Louis Zeh objected to cutting away sixty feet of property on each side of Fulton street. Supervisor Braunhart said he would not favor submitting the propositions for a bonded indebtedness for a civic center to the people until the acquisition of a municipal water supply was voted upon. Connor spoke in favor of block 73 as recommended by the Library Trustees. The committee decided to postpone action until next Tuesday at 2 p. m. HIS INJURIES FATAL.—Christopher Wills, a laborer, died in the Southern Pacific Hospital yesterday from injuries received seven months ago in an accident in the Diamond Match Company's works at Chico. He was caught in the machinery and his right leg crushed. LETCHER CASE GOES OVER.—Attorneys argued before United States Circuit Judge Hunt yesterday afternoon the petition for a writ of habeas corpus on behalf of George W. Letcher, indicted in Ohio for arson. The argument will be resumed at 9 a. m. to-day. HARRY R. REESE MISSING.—James E. Kelly of 28 Kearny street reported at the Morgue yesterday the disappearance of Harry R. Reese, clerk in a shoe store at that number. Reese, he said, had been missing since the previous day. HORSE ELECTROCUTED.—A horse belonging to P. O'Farrell, a grocer, was instantly killed by stepping on a live wire in Twenty-sixth and Polson streets yesterday afternoon.

MUSICAL

FREE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

What Do You Think of That? We Still Have a Few of Those Beautiful Weber, Wheelock and Stuyvesant Pianos Which We Have Been Closing Out at Factory Cost, Account of Being No Longer Agents As a Special Inducement to Every Purchaser of One of These Fine Instruments To-Day We Will Present Free of Charge a Fine Mandolin, Guitar or Violin

Advertisement for 'Eastern Outfitting Co.', featuring 'Something useful for this wet weather—Umbrella Stands, just as pictured: solid oak with brass drainer; \$1.05 each worth \$2.50; for this week... \$1.25 each' and 'Children's Rocker, just as pictured, made of the very best willow; built extra strong and white shellacked; \$1.25 worth \$2.50; special'.