SMALL DOINGS OF SMART SET

Jewish Charity Ball the Only Notable Function of the Week.

MANY LESSER EVENTS HAPPILY TRANSPIRE

Long List of Enjoyable Card Parties and Minor Receptions is Recorded —Blond Rival Outgenerals Scheming Swain.

Social Calendar.

MONDAY, March 26—Bon Ton Card club, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Urquhart.
TUESDAY, March 27—K. K. Kard klub, Mrs. E. L. Robertson and Mrs. Cox.
THURSDAY, March 29—Reception, Mrs. Max Morris and her daughters, Mrs. Siegfried Heyn and Mrs. Emil Ganz.
A dance, Winter club, Morand's assembly.
FRIDAY, March 29—High Five Card club, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gates.
At home, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Black, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Brando.
Sewing society, Mrs. Remington.
SATURDAY, March 24—C. C. C. club, Miss Dorothy Doughas.
Chicago Cinch club, Mr. and Mrs. Midlam.

The third Lenten week came to the rescue of despairing society reporters and saved the social column from going into actual bankruptcy. The chief event was the brilliant ball in Jewish circles given for sweet charity's sake and attended by representatives of the most select circles. The costumes worn on this occasion attracted much attention for their elegance. Another enjoyable event was the annual banquet given by the members of Unity church. A stag chafing dish club has also sprung into existence, and that the initial meeting was one of unqualified success is the eighth wonder to the feminine mind.

"All is fair in love and war" decided the hero of this little tale as he eagerly rang the bell of Arabella's home. He had made a firm determination to "do up" and that right speedily that lean, lank whitewashed blonde who was receiving too warm a welcome from Arabella.

The Sabbath sun shone with a warmth quite irresistible and the adorable Arabella clapped her little hands for very joy as she jumped into the shining rubber-tired buggy and the beautiful black horse pranced off.

Our hero was in a state of bliss, but imagine the unalloyed happiness of actually passing his hated rival and seeing the look of disappointment that cast a deep shadow over his countenance. This was joy heaped up and running over.

All unconscious he happened to drive by a clairvoyant and the subject turned on fortune telling. Arabella had never had her future unveiled, but with a woman's curiosity she would give "a pretty" to get just a peep.

Our hero became wildly enthusiastic over this particular magician of the spirit world, who could summon special little spirits to tell the past and present; who could summon other little spirits to give pointers on the future and who had a special case full of select ones who didn't do a thing but tell who your next husband or wife would be.

Arabella decided in the most secret recess of her heart to know the future tomorrow. What a long time before she would actually know whom she was to marry and perhaps that particular brand of spirits that delve in matrimony might be busy tomorrow. But already our magnanimous hero was asking her if she wouldn't enjoy the fun of going, and already the horse was stopping at the door.

Our hero manfully decided not to accompany Arabella, for fear of prejudicing the "spirits."

"I was afraid you wouldn't come," began the great mogul, and then, as Arabella's great innocent eyes opened wider, the "spirit" of her departed forty-second cousin gave a nervous laugh and explained: "I knowed you wuz a-comin'; any spirit could tell that."

Now our young hero had unfolded this great and glorious scheme a day or two before to a friend, who, thinking it a great and glorious joke, told the rival blonde.

Accordingly the fortune teller had been handsomely tipped by both parties, the blonde in the lead.

(One-half hour later): "And what did he tell you?" eagerly asked the young man as he tenderly lifted Arabella into the buggy.

"To marry the blonde," she innocently answered.

Charity Ball.

One of the most brilliant events in the social history of the Jewish circles was the charity ball given at Metropolitan hall Wednesday evening. The combined efforts of the Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sewing society and the members of the B'nai B'rith auxiliary insured the success of the undertaking both socially and financially. The hall presented a magnificent appearance with its many radiant lights, its decorations of smilax and evergreens gracefully festooned about the walls, its charming array of booths, where handsomely gowned women dispensed ices and flowers.

Promptly at 9:30 the ball was opened with the grand march, led by Rabbi and Mrs. Simon, Mr. Julius Meyer and Miss Lena Rehfeld. The floor committee was composed of Messrs. Julius Dreifuss, Sol Frank, Mark Heller, Ed Merritt, George Seligsohn and Abram Kalish. Mr. Julius Meyer was master of ceremonies. The elaborate supper served at midnight was in charge of Mrs. Morris Levy and Mrs. Albert Heller. Mrs. Ben Rosenthal and Mrs. Abram Simon were at the head of the ladies' reception and booth committees.

Among the stunning frocks noticed were Mrs. Levy's, of heavy black satin, with chiffon trimmings.

Miss Polack was charming in white satin.

Mrs. H. Hugo Brandeis wore her wedding gown of cream satin, elaborately trimmed in real lace and enhanced with diamond ornaments.

Mrs. Ben Rosenthal wore a fleecy gown of white tulle and point lace, garnished with fragrant English violets.

Mrs. A. Brandeis was becomingly attired in white satin covered with black spangled net.

Mrs. Kirschbraun, an elegant gown of heliotrope broadcloth and violets.

Mrs. Mandelberg an all black gown of velvet.

Miss Heller was dainty in blue organdie.

Miss Rehfeld wore a becoming frock of pink chiffon over pink taffeta.

Mrs. Simon was gowned in blue taffeta covered with white chiffon.

Miss Katherine Polack wore black net over black taffeta.

Teachers' Efforts Appreciated.

Mrs. Samuel Rees entertained at dinner Friday the principal and those teachers of the High school who have had charge of the classes in which Mr. Samuel and Miss Henrietta Rees have been enrolled during their four years in the High school.

The colors used in trimming the dining room were those of the High school and of the senior class, the former being purple and white and the latter green and gold. The table was handsomely ornamented with a large bed of yellow tulips, daffodils and ferns, while there was a profusion of palms and smilax in the room, the sideboard and chandelier being handsomely decorated with the latter. The flowers in the parlors were La France roses and scarlet carnation pinks. The dinner cards were of a nice white card, with a heavy green and gold border, the names being written on in purple ink.

After the dinner the guests were entertained with music by Miss Henrietta and Mr. Samuel Rees, jr. The dinner was given as a token of appreciation of the efforts of the teachers.

Those invited were: Mr. and Mrs. Waterhouse, Misses McHugh, Snyder, Wedgwood, Valentine, Shippey, Pfeiffer, Copeland, Adams, Roys, Green, Mackenbush, Landis, Wheeler and Mrs. Craven.

Mrs. Rees also entertained on Saturday evening for dinner the teachers at present in the schools who were teaching in the Omaha schools at the time she was married in 1877.

Unity Church Banquet.

The annual banquet of the members of Unity church was held in the parlors of the church Thursday evening. The sumptuous feast was served by the woman's auxiliary. The pastor of the church, Rev. Newton Mann, made a felicitous toastmaster. Toasts were given by Mr. Kilpatrick, Rev. Mrs. Andrews, Judge Blair, Mr. Stebbins, Mr. Boucher, Major Buchanan, Mrs. White, Miss Watermann, Mr. Ralph Badger, Mrs. Sackett, Mr. McLean and Mr. Whitemore. Music was furnished by Miss Helen Millard, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Coe. The banquet was fittingly closed with the hearty singing of "America."

Cooking Club Feast.

A dainty luncheon was served to the members of the Cooking club at the home of Miss Wessels Wednesday afternoon. The table presented a charming picture, with its snowy napery and centerpiece of crimson roses and ferns. Covers were laid for Miss Grace Allen, Miss Elizabeth Allen, Miss Edyth Smith, Miss Kennard, Miss Kilpatrick, Miss Higginson, Miss Brown, Miss Morse, Miss Towle, Miss Crounse and Miss Millard.

For Mrs. Weakley.

Mrs. E. E. Bryson gave a reception, delightful in its informality, for Mrs. Lawrence Weakley Friday afternoon. The rooms were charmingly arranged in decorations of pink and white. The table in the dining room had a centerpiece of bridesmaid roses and ferns. A dainty conceit was the placing of ice cups in pink chrysanthemums. Mrs. Bryson was assisted by Mrs. Weakley and Mrs. Draper Smith. Mrs. Judd presided over the ices.

Movements Here and There.

Miss Morse is home from Chicago.

Miss Nelson has returned from Chicago.

Mr. S. Love Kelley returned from Denver Tuesday.

Mrs. L. D. Davis has just returned from the east.

Miss Bessie Fitzpatrick will go to Dubuque Tuesday.

Miss Rowena Higginson leaves for the east next week.

R. C. Hargraves has returned from a visit to Maryville, Mo.

Miss Bessie Fitzpatrick is visiting relatives in Dubuque.

Mrs. L. C. Manning has gone east for a fortnight's visit.

Mr. George M. Tibbs made a flying trip to Chicago last week.

Mrs. D. H. Goodrich and daughter are guests at Pueblo, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Booth left Saturday for a visit to Kansas City.

Misses E. H. and Lou Terrill are expected home from New York today.

Mr. and Mrs. Cady left Tuesday for a two weeks' trip in Wyoming.

Mr. Dan Kivlen has gone to Chicago, en route to the Paris exposition.

Mrs. R. Copley is visiting her sister in Superior, Neb., for a few days.

Peter Iler is home after a three-months' trip through the east and south.

Miss Jessie Goetz has returned from an extended visit in Ohio and Indiana.

Mrs. P. H. Philbin is very sick at her residence, 143 North Thirty-first street.

Mrs. Robert R. Ringwalt has returned from a six-months' visit in Detroit.

Mrs. Dickinson, accompanied by Miss Dickinson, left yesterday for Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Cady left Thursday for a two-weeks' trip through Wyoming.

Mr. Charles H. Swift is home from a ten-days' visit with his parents in Chicago.

R. S. Ruble, formerly of Omaha but now of Denver, is spending a few days with Omaha friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Noe of Georgia avenue have returned from a three-weeks' stay at Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. Henry Copley, accompanied by her daughter and Miss Minnie Collett, have gone to Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. Edward Dickinson left Saturday evening for Chicago and other eastern cities to visit for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Squires have returned and will be at home to their friends at 2817 North Nineteenth avenue.

Mrs. N. Ernest Johnson returned Thursday from a visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Hellings of Jamestown, N. Y.

Mrs. J. H. Dumont and Mrs. E. E. Womersley will return Friday from a two-weeks' visit at St. Paul, Minn., Chicago and Joliet, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Whitmore and daughter have gone to Old Mexico via New Orleans. They will also spend some time in California.

Miss Nellie Childs, Miss Nina Haner and Miss Vera Reynolds have gone for a two-weeks' sojourn with friends in Stuart and Des Moines, Ia.

Mrs. F. R. McConnell left Wednesday for a two months' visit with friends in California, accompanied by her children, Frederick and Gretchen.

Mrs. J. H. Williamson has returned from an enjoyable visit with her relatives and friends in Chicago. She is making her home at the Karbach hotel.

Mr. William F. Read of Denver, Colo., who has been dangerously sick for the last month, left for Denver Wednesday evening and will return to this city about the first of the month to make arrangements to go abroad for six months.

Pleasures Past.

Mrs. Krigbaum entertained at dinner Tuesday evening.

Wednesday Lunch club met with Mrs. Bailey this week.

Mrs. George Purvis gave a Kensington Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Patrick entertained for her son, Louis, Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Garney entertained at cards Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Tom Rogers gave a luncheon Saturday complimentary to Miss Louis.

The Mu Sigma Literary club was pleasantly entertained by Mrs. Van Horn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hugo Brandeis gave an enjoyable musicale Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spotts entertained a jolly crowd of young folk Thursday evening.

Mrs. Bradley gave a delightfully informal tea Wednesday afternoon to a dozen friends.

Mrs. Henry Jaynes gave two beautiful luncheons Wednesday and Thursday afternoon.

The Hanscom Park Card club was pleasantly entertained by Mrs. C. S. Saylor Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Mumaugh gave an enjoyable studio tea Saturday afternoon for the young women of Brownell hall.

Mrs. George Marples entertained last week in honor of the fifth birthday of her little son Edward.

Mrs. Ochiltree and Mrs. Patten delightfully entertained the Neighborhood Card club Friday afternoon.

Mrs. J. C. Smith and Mrs. C. F. Wolverton entertained at a Kensington at the Midland Wednesday afternoon.

The C. C. C. club was entertained by Miss Rose Langdon Saturday evening. The hours were spent in music and dancing.

Mrs. George Hoagland entertained in an attractive manner for her guest, Miss Hord of Central City, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. M. C. Peters entertained the members of the Wednesday Lunch club and their husbands at a jolly poverty party Friday evening.

Mrs. Gannett was at home to a number of friends Wednesday. Cards were the feature of the afternoon, after which a most enticing luncheon was served.

Thurston Rifles gave the fifth in the series of dances at the armory Tuesday evening. The attendance was unusually large, and the evening was one of much merriment.

Mrs. Hoobler entertained the Whist club at the home of Mrs. Streight Friday. The favorite game was closely played during the afternoon and a luncheon was served at the close.

Morand's hall was the scene of another delightful dancing party given by the Southwest Dancing club. The entertainments of this club have proved most popular during the season.

Mrs. T. R. Neal and Mrs. Flanders entertained the R. F. Card club Wednesday evening. The next meeting will be entertained by Mrs. Mallory and Mrs. Myers at the home of Mrs. Mallory.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Penney entertained the M. W. club and their husbands at cards on Saturday evening. Mrs. F. E. Sanborn won the ladies' prize, a lovely hand painted plate. Mr. George P. Cronk was the winner of the gentlemen's prize.

Two successful kensingtons were given Wednesday and Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Goss. The rooms were beautifully decorated with bridesmaid roses and palms. The refreshments were dainty in white and green. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. McIntosh and Mrs. Abell.

A charming chafing dish party was given by Mrs. E. H. Sprague Wednesday evening. The table was beautiful in decorations of white roses and hyacinths. The participants were: Miss Edyth Smith, Miss Elizabeth Allen, Mr. James Paxton, Mr. Charles Young and Mr. and Mrs. Sprague.

The Oom Paul family was delightfully entertained on Friday evening by Mrs. Talmage and Miss Burdock at 212 South Twenty-fifth street. Six tables of high five were engaged during the evening. After dainty refreshments the prizes were awarded to Dr. Roe and Mrs. Cully.

The Bon Ton Card club was entertained this week by Mrs. Longwell. Great bunches of pink carnations, palms and smilax attractively adorned the rooms. The first prize, a beautiful statuette, fell to Mrs. Boss, while Mr. Harry Robson captured the gentleman's prize, an elegant inkwell.

The South Side Whist club held a very pleasant meeting Tuesday at the home of the club president, Mrs. Marty. Mrs. Riggs won the first prize, a beautiful Bohemian glass vase, Mrs. Tippery taking second, a cut-glass syrup pitcher. At the close of the games dainty refreshments were served.

The first meeting of the Stag Chafing Dish party was held at the Millard hotel Saturday evening and was highly enjoyed by the members present, who were: Messrs. Brown, Sherwood, Young, Pratt, Allen, Creigh, Shiverick, Samuel Burns, Will Burns, Hascall, Swobe, Wallace, Towle, Caldwell and Cooley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hugo Brandeis gave their second post-nuptial reception Sunday afternoon. Their beautiful home was exquisite in floral decorations. The receiving party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Brandeis, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brandeis, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brandeis, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cohn.

The K. K. Kard klub held its meeting with Mrs. Welsh and Mrs. Bodman. Decorations of green and crimson were effectively used throughout the rooms. After a dainty luncheon, the first prize, a pitcher and tray of wedgewood, was awarded to Mrs. W. B. Wallworth. The second prize, a bouillon cup and saucer, was won by Mrs. Haller.

Mr. and Mrs. Mittauer most delightfully entertained the Excelsior club Friday evening at their residence, 842 South Eighteenth street. After two hours at high five cards were laid aside and refreshments served, following which first honors were awarded to Miss Fannie Fruehauf and Mr. Phil Windheim, the consolations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young.

The Kensington club was royally entertained by Mrs. Andrew Haas Friday afternoon. A chafing dish luncheon was elegantly served. The centerpiece, a beautiful vase of Bohemian glass, filled to overflowing with white carnations, won much admiration. Covers were laid for Mrs. Maurice Rosenthal, Mrs. H. Rosenstock, Mrs. Arthur Brandeis, Mrs. Katz, Mrs. Unversagt, Mrs. Cahn, Mrs. Moritz Meyer, Mrs. Herman Cohn and Mrs. Haas.

The guests of the Utopia were very delightfully entertained on Monday evening at a house party given by Mrs. E. K. Mackey in honor of her friend, Mrs. J. Walton Brown of St. Paul. Progressive high five was the leading feature of the entertainment, with ten tables in play. After refreshments had been served the prizes were distributed. First prizes were awarded to Miss Amy Rudd and Mr. B. J. Scannell, while second prizes fell to Mrs. Louise B. Mann and Mr. R. H. Davies.

One of the most enjoyable functions of the season was the complimentary high five party Saturday evening given by the Ladies' J. T. Coffee club at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wigman, 2214 Grace street. The rooms were artistically draped with playing cards. First prizes were awarded to Mr. R. L. Young and Mrs. W. H. Wigman; second prizes, Mr. George Mittauer and Mrs. Phil Windheim; third prizes, Mr. J. A. Burster and Mrs. W. T. Misener; consolations, Miss Chiodi and Mrs. J. A. Burster. Music was rendered by the hostess and Mr. Mittauer, while the cake walk, by Mrs. Misener and Messrs. Young and Windheim, was well received.

Out of Town Guests.

Mr. D. P. Markey of Port Huron is in the city.

Mr. W. H. Kingsley of Denver is an Omaha visitor.

Miss Hord of Central City is the guest of Mrs. George Hoagland.

Miss Gertrude Marsland of Lincoln was an Omaha guest this week.

Mr. M. V. Linnell, accompanied by his wife, is visiting in the city.

Miss Belle Sutherland of Blair is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sutherland.

Miss Edyth Smith has had for her guest Mrs. Robert Duff of Fort Riley, Kas.

Mrs. Morrison of Lincoln was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Tukey, the past week.

Mrs. Alfred James Lunt returned this week from a visit in East Orange, N. J.

Miss Katherine Morse of Kinsdale, Ill., is visiting her brother, Mr. Colvin Morse.

Mrs. Emma Anderson Blake of Maryville, Mo., is the guest of Mrs. R. C. Hargraves.

Mrs. Williams of Denver, the guest of Mrs. William Burgess, left Sunday for her home.

Miss Iva Hubbard of Cedar Rapids, Ia., was the guest Thursday and Friday of Mrs. Munn.

Miss Joan Morton of Nebraska City is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin, 2623 Charles street.

Miss Ella Cook of Fargo, N. D., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Charles McCloskey of the Utopia.

Mrs. Catherine Peters and Miss Ella Peters of St. Louis are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Peters.

Yawdim was in Omaha Saturday for a few hours and will be in Omaha again on the 29th and 30th.

Miss Jane Wilson Fair arrived in Omaha Wednesday from Ireland and is the guest of her brother, Dean Fair.

Mr. Voorhees S. Anderson of Camden, N. J., and Mr. Jay Nelliger of Chicago, are the guests of Mr. Charles Young.

Miss Alice Vile of Los Angeles is the guest of Mrs. A. Whitmarsh, 3911 North Twenty-third street, for a few days.

Mrs. D. E. Sayres of Des Moines visited Mrs. H. F. Shearer this week while enroute to Lincoln for an extended visit with friends.

Miss Peters and Miss Alice Peters of St. Louis are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alleyne D. Peters and later will spend a fortnight with Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Peters.

Mrs. J. Walton Brown returned to St. Paul on Tuesday evening. Her visit was unexpectedly cut short by the receipt of a telegram announcing the serious illness of her mother.

Weddings and Engagements.

Mr. Joel T. Stewart and Miss Minnie Brusch were joined in marriage March 10 at the home of the groom's mother, 2010 Grace street. Rev. Charles W. Savidge officiated.

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Berolzheimer millinery display Tuesday and Wednesday.

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OMAHA SUBURBS.

Benson.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Horton, March 9.

Miss Frances O'Conner spent two days of last week visiting in Council Bluffs.

Mrs. James Walsh visited her former home about five miles west of here last Monday.

Mrs. Will Moran entertained her mother, Mrs. Kelly of Omaha, during the past week.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Larsen, who has had an attack of lung fever, is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rahm of Omaha visited the latter's sister, Mrs. Will Moran, one day of last week.

Mr. Joseph McGuire has almost completed the construction of a large implement house. It is the only one in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. William Grayball of Omaha, formerly of Benson, spent last Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Grove.

A new cottage is being built on McCague street below Mr. G. W. Hawkins' place and is to be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Wyantt and child.

Sites have been selected for a brickyard in the village by a brick firm of the city. They are situated near the town hall on the Military road.

Omaha people took advantage of the nice weather during the first part of last week by visiting at the St. James orphanage and other interesting points.

Miss Ada E. Stiger, who visited in Bloomfield and Creighton, Neb., during the past month, returned to her home last Thursday night after a very pleasurable trip.

Mr. James Howard attended the funeral of Mr. Calvin Hampton of Black Hills, S. D., last Wednesday and returned last Thursday. The funeral was held at Battle Creek, where the deceased formerly resided.

Benson lodge, No. 221, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is booming. It has degree work every Thursday night. Clover Leaf lodge, Modern Woodmen of America, and Fraternal Union lodges of Benson are also thriving.

The M. K. L. S., which was to have been held at the home of Mrs. Frank Kellar, Thursday of last week, was postponed on account of the absence of so many of the members and will meet with Miss Frances O'Conner next Friday, March 23. A paper will be edited by the several members.

The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. S. R. Hoffman last Thursday. A fair sum was realized from their cantata, given March 9 and 10. The greater part of this will be given over toward repairs for the Methodist Episcopal church. The next meeting will be held Thursday, March 29, at the home of Mrs. George Hawkins. There will be election of officers and all members are urged to be present.

Services will be held at the usual time this morning, with Rev. Totman presiding. Owing to Rev. Luce's inability to occupy the pulpit last Sunday, Rev. Leavitt of the Child's Saving institute of Omaha conducted the services. The officers and senior members of the Sunday school met to consider about the Easter preparations. It was finally left to the good judgment of superintendent E. G. Hills and his assistants.

A most interesting feature of social events was a "ghost" party given in honor of Misses Pearle and Maude Lowe at the home of A. Lowe last Friday evening, March 16. It was both unique and entertaining and in spite of the extreme cold weather was well attended and a pleasant time reported by all. About eighteen couples of Omaha and Benson were invited. Among those present were: Messrs. Tindell, A. Tindell, Kellar, Hills, Schonburn, Smerch, McGuire, Stiger; Misses Hegan, O'Conner, McGuire, Morgan, Nevires, Stiger, Anderson, Barr and several others.

Fire caught in the roof of the house occupied by Prof. G. R. Fox and family last Sunday. It had gained so much headway when first discovered that even the combined help of the neighbors could do nothing to check it. Nearly all the furniture and other belongings of value were saved almost without injury and the entire loss was estimated to be but $20. No other house in the village being vacant, many of Prof. Fox's friends opened their houses to him, but he refused and took up a temporary abode in the town hall. The fact that several houses have been burned in Benson which could otherwise have been saved suggests the immediate need of a fire company, and the matter is to be considered.

Florence.

Miss Fannie Morse made a business trip to Omaha Thursday.

Mr. James Smith of Omaha was visiting L. K. Yost Wednesday.

Mr. A. Wilson of Tekamah was a business visitor in town Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dowell's daughter of Fremont visited them Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Anderson went to Blair Tuesday to visit relatives a couple of days.

Some one helped themselves to chickens out of John Simpson's hen house Tuesday night.

Mrs. Henry Anderson and Mrs. G. J. Hunt were business visitors in Omaha Wednesday.

Mrs. W. B. Backus went to Beaver, Pa., Tuesday on the account of the serious illness of her father.

Mrs. J. G. Hunt was called to Bridgeport, Neb., Thursday on account of the serious illness of Mr. Hunt, who is at that place.

Miss Agnes Wyatt is teaching in the place of Mrs. Backus while she is absent, in the primary department of the public school.

Rev. M. L. Braden of Omaha held services here in the Presbyterian church Thursday night, going from here to Blair, where he will hold services.

The democrats put the following ticket in the field for the spring election: Mayor, J. V. Shipley; clerk, C. A. Smith; councilmen, First ward, F. M. King; Second ward, Dave Andrews.

The republicans nominated the following ticket Thursday evening: For mayor, F. S. Tucker; clerk, John Bondesson; treasurer, T. P. Herskinds; councilmen, First ward, John Simpson; Second ward, Ole Olson.

H. Hall of St. Louis, Mo., a former resident of this city, was here Wednesday visiting friends and procuring some men to work with his grading outfit, which is now at Creston, Ia. L. K. Yost and John Nicholson returned with him.

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Berolzheimer millinery display Tuesday and Wednesday.

Spring and summer millinery opening of hats and bonnets Thursday and Friday. F. M. Schadell & Co.

Company Declares Dividend.

NEW YORK, March 17.—The directors of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railway company have declared a dividend of 2 per cent on the common stock. This is the first dividend consequent upon the payment of accumulated dividends on the preferred stock. The directors declared the accumulated dividend of 54 per cent on its non-assenting preferred stock payable May 1, and also extended the time for preferred stockholders to exchange their stock on the basis of 180 shares of common for 100 shares of preferred.

Mr. M. H. Bliss has removed recently to 1417 Douglas st.

Davies' millinery opening next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Madam Hickman, who was for years one of Omaha's leading milliners, is now with Hayden Bros. in the millinery department and invites her many friends to call on her there, as she is in position to afford them every advantage of style and assortment in the selection of exquisite and becoming headwear.

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Banks Apply for Increase.

NEW YORK, March 17.—A majority of the national banks in New York have already made applications to increase their circulation to the par value of the bonds deposited by them at Washington and the necessary papers have in most cases been forwarded to the secretary of the treasury. It is estimated that the increase of circulation will amount to at least $2,500,000, exclusive of the circulation that may be taken out on the deposit of additional bonds.

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Mr. Gareissen will be at his studio, 215-216 Karbach block, until August 1st.

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THE FEAR OF HUMBUG

Prevents Many People From Trying a Good Medicine.

Stomach troubles are so common and in most cases so obstinate to cure that people are apt to look with suspicion on any remedy claiming to be a radical, permanent cure for dyspepsia and indigestion. Many such pride themselves on their acuteness in never being humbugged, especially in medicines.

This fear of being humbugged can be carried too far, so far, in fact, that many people suffer for years with weak digestion rather than risk a little time and money in faithfully testing the claims made of a preparation so reliable and universally used as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Now Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are vastly different in one important respect from ordinary proprietary medicines for the reason that they are not a secret patent medicine, no secret is made of their ingredients, but analysis shows them to contain the natural digestive ferments, pure aseptic pepsin, the digestive acids, Golden Seal, bismuth, hydrastis and nux. They are not cathartic, neither do they act powerfully on any organ, but they cure indigestion on the common sense plan of digesting the food eaten thoroughly before it has time to ferment, sour and cause the mischief. This is the only secret of their success.

Cathartic pills never have and never can cure indigestion and stomach troubles because they act entirely on the bowels, whereas the whole trouble is really in the stomach.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets taken after meals digest the food. That is all there is to it. Food not digested or half digested is poison as it creates gas, acidity, headaches, palpitation of the heart, loss of flesh and appetite and many other troubles which are often called by some other name.

They are sold by druggists everywhere at 50 cents per package.

A GREAT FIRE SALE

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MAKING HISTORY

The fire which occurred at 1311 Farnam street (next door to our sales and warerooms), when our immense stock was slightly damaged by smoke and water, has conspired to make this the most favorable time in the history of Omaha for the purchase of a piano or organ.

This unusual opportunity has been made possible for the reason that we have settled all our losses with the insurance companies. You get the benefit in dollars; we get the advertisement.

We are compelled, owing to circumstances, to get rid of every piano in the present stock and we have decided to reduce the price on all grades of pianos from $100 to $250.

Our stock consists of several hundred pianos and organs, in over 50 designs and finish, and is the MOST COMPLETE, UP-TO-DATE AND RELIABLE stock ever thrown on the market at such prices.

We propose to sell pianos in this great sale at figures that will make a NEW LOW PRICE RECORD in the history of piano selling.

The sale is now in progress and to any one contemplating the purchase of a piano we would suggest prompt action, as these great bargains cannot last long.

Among this great assortment of instruments can be found the greatest of all pianos—THE STEINWAY—which leads them all. Also the celebrated Steger, A. B. Chase, Vose, Emerson, Packard, Ivers & Pond, Gramer, Pease and several other makes.

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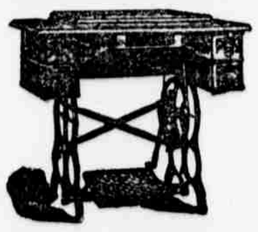

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