

ECHOES OF THE ANTE-ROOM

Alpha Camp, W. O. W., Will Have Christmas Tree Wednesday.

DRAMATIC CLUB PARTICIPATES

American Nobles Elect Officers for Enacting Year—Ben Hur Tribe Will Initiate Large Class Thursday.

Alpha camp No. 1, Woodmen of the World, will have its Christmas tree on Wednesday evening for the entertainment of the children of its members and their friends. The dramatic club of the camp will make its first appearance in public and contribute to the entertainment of the little folk. Santa Claus will be there in all his glory.

Officers Elected.

Omaha council No. 25, American Nobles, held a meeting Tuesday evening at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Past protector, Lillie L. Hensle; eminent protector, Earl B. Nye; counselor, Hettie Staley; chaplain, Mrs. Mattie Bixler; secretary and treasurer, Leah R. Bixler; guide, A. L. Jennings; outer guard, H. D. Kimery; inner guard, Carl Klein; pianist, Fern B. Greenblatt; trustee, Earl B. Nye. A large number of members were present and twelve new candidates were initiated. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Royal Academy Dance.
The Royal Academy lodge No. 119 will give a dance in the hall, Nineteenth and Farnam streets, Thursday evening.

Initiates Large Class.

Mecca court No. 12, Tribe of Ben Hur, held an interesting meeting last Thursday evening. Next Thursday the tribe will initiate a large class of candidates and on January 4 will give a reception for the supreme officers from Crawfordville, Ind., and Governor Adolph, Omaha court No. 119 and the courts from Council Bluffs will be present.

The Research Club.

The Research club met in St. Bernice's academy December 17 and enjoyed a delightful and well rendered program: Solo: "For You Alone," (Geehl), Miss Nell Donahue, accompanied, Frederick Dixon. Reading: "The Street Musicians," Mrs. Sifert. Piano solo: "Romance," (J. Sibelius), Miss Helen Bennett. Piano solo: "Wedding Day at Troland Hagen," (E. Grieg), Mr. Dixon. "Come All Ye Faithful," Mrs. Donahue and audience. Lecture: Rev. Thomas Connors, R. J. Well deserved prize is due Edith Beckman in securing such splendid talent from the studies of Miss Ryan, Lillian Fitch, Jean P. Duffield and Max Landon.

Reporters Tabooed from Nixies Mail

Postmaster Thomas is placed in a peculiar position as the result of the article relating to the "nixies" department which appeared in The Bee Friday telling of the packages mailed here without addresses and which could be had by the owners upon identification. The reporter who wrote the story was allowed to see the "nixies" by Mr. Bowles, who has charge of the department, and when the story appeared in print several descriptions were published. This morning a number of people appeared at the office and several claimed to be the "Marrys" and the "Sweeties" who had sent the packages described in The Bee. As a result Mr. Thomas is being kept busy answering questions and misapprehensions persons who are trying to "put something over" on the postal department. Persons who are positive that friends have sent them gifts which they have not received will hereafter be compelled to learn from the sender the description of the gift, and newspaper reporters are to be tabooed in the "nixies" department. No one has called for Clarence's necktie.

Patrons and Pupils Honor Miss Kumpf

Miss Carrie M. Kumpf, for thirty years a teacher in the Omaha public schools, was given an ovation Friday evening at the Edward Rosewater school, where she has been teacher in the primary grades for twenty consecutive years. Pupils who attend the school and those of former years, together with a large number of patrons and teachers, assembled to show appreciation of Miss Kumpf's services. Superintendent E. U. Gaff gave an address, in which he paid tribute to Miss Kumpf's marked ability as a teacher. Dr. E. Holovitcher gave reminiscences of the Omaha schools. The eighth grade of the school sang "Auld Lang Syne," "Good Night" and the "Korse Lullaby." Miss Kumpf was presented with a gold watch and chain by the people of the district. President Bruchert making the presentation speech. Mrs. Edward Rosewater was present at the exercises for Miss Kumpf and gave the school a handsome picture of Sir Galahad.

Community Factory Assured for Omaha

A company of \$100,000 capital to erect a community factory building for infant industries that at present do not have adequate quarters will be organized by the real estate committee of the Commercial club, according to the announcement of Chairman Harry A. Tukey of the committee. This course was decided on at a meeting of the committee last week.

The plan is to organize a company of business men, the capital stock to be divided into shares of small denominations—\$5 or \$25—so that small investors may be attracted. Successful business men have signified their willingness to take stock in amounts of \$50 and more. Chairman Tukey will in a few days submit to the executive committee of the club a definite plan of organization. Members of the committee figure that the proposed building can be made profitable for investors, at the same time furnishing small factories with modern quarters at a reasonable figure. The plan has been tried in Cincinnati, O., and Haverhill, Mass., and proven successful.

A Shooting Scrape
with both parties wounded, demands Buckskin's Arms. Shots, heads wounds, pores, burns, boils, cuts or piles. Only 75c. For sale by Beaton Drug.

Harvard Musical Clubs Here Next Week

Many of the men making the trip with the Harvard Glee, Banjo and Mandolin clubs, which will play at the Boyd December 30, are prominent in other activities in the university. Edwin P. Brown of Minneapolis is manager of all three clubs. He was a member of his freshmen class dinner committee, also of the junior class committee, which has charge of the senior dormitories in the yard. He has been secretary of the Aeronautical society for two years and organized the first intercollegiate glider meet held on the society's aviation field last spring. He is a member of the Western club and the student council committee on dramatic arrangements.

John Gordon Gilkey of Watertown, Mass., is president of the Banjo club. He was awarded the Phi Beta Kappa key for high scholastic standing in his junior year, and is second marshal of Phi Beta Kappa. He is an editor of the Advocate, an undergraduate publication. He is a member of the Harvard Dramatic club and of the Sigma, the junior literary society. Gilkey wrote the show for 1912 for the Hasty Pudding club, the big senior club of Harvard. Gilkey is also a member of the student council. He won the William Lloyd Garrison prize of \$250 given for the best poem written last year by a Harvard undergraduate. He has played on the Mandolin and Banjo clubs for four years.

J. Whitney Brown of Fall River, Mass., is leader of the Banjo club. He has played on the club four years and has been leader for the last two years. Dudley P. Ranney of Boston is leader of the Mandolin club. Two years ago he won the three points needed to win the Harvard-Yale track meet. Ranney came in second in the 220-yard dash. This gave him the "H." Ranney also has been one of the best men in the university at the quarter-mile and in the relay races. He is an editor on the Harvard Lampoon, the University "Lark" and is a member of the student council. Ranney has played on the Mandolin club two years.



BRIEF CITY NEWS

Have Root Print It.

Omaha Central Hospital, Doug. 355.

Omaha Chocolates 300. Myers-Dillon.

Geo. H. Fixtures, Burgess-Granden.

Keep Your Money and Valuables in the

American Safe Deposit vaults in the Bee

building. Boxes rent for \$3 per year.

Uncle Sam Pays Ahead—It is not for

staid old Uncle Sam to don Santa Claus

regalia very often and to spread Yuletide

joy among his employees, but Friday

he threw aside a certain amount of his

dignity and allowed all employees of the

government in Omaha to draw their

December salary, instead of making them

wait until the first of the year.

Voluntary Bankruptcy—Christmas

brought no cheer to Fred Mehl of Fremont

for Saturday he was forced to file a

voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the

office of the clerk of the United States

district court and he placed his

general merchandise business in the hands

of a receiver. He places his debts at

\$1,172.49 and says he has no assets.

Thoughts of the Day

Santa Claus.

Merry Christmas.

The Christmas tree.

What's in this handsome box?

Will Uncle Joe come across?

Letter and package from dear Aunt

Louie!

Wonder if the mistletoe will make the

dummy speak!

Little Willie in his extra good stunt:

"Gee, Ma, you're tired out. Let me do

it."

"My, won't he look like a Christmas

tree decorated with this cardinal tie!"

Are the secrets of the locked closets as

secret as they look? A mislaid key oft

opens a world of advance information.

Look, what have we here? "Not to be

opened until Christmas day."

"Please, ma, give me one little peek,

just one, please, and I'll be good."

"Children, stop that talking and go to

sleep. If I hear another word I'll go

with the switch."

"Well, did you ever! Uncle Tighthead

jars loose. Poor fellow! I fear he'll get

laid out."

"Isn't the embroidery sumptuous? I

know dear papa will enjoy his new

suspenders."

"All is not gold that glitters on the

Christmas tree. But it is good to look

upon a joy for youthful eyes and young-

old ones, too." "Come out of it, pa;

you're getting sentimental. Here, get

up on a chair and work it off."

OBERLIN GLEE CLUB

ON ITS WESTERN TRIP

Traveling in a special car, the Oberlin

College glee club passed through Omaha

today, en route to York, where a concert

will be given tonight. Last night the

club gave a concert at Woodbine, Ia.

Glee club gave a concert at Woodbine, Ia.

There are twenty-four men in the Oberlin

club and they are spending the holiday

vacation touring the central west in their

smaller cities, where they are giving con-

certs, their itinerary having been out-

lined several weeks ago. They will sing

in Omaha January 4.

ADOPTED CHILDREN ARE

HAPPY IN CALIFORNIA

A. W. Clark, superintendent of the

child saving institute, has returned

from California, where he went for a

vacation and to ascertain the where-

abouts of several children who had been

adopted from the institute and taken

to California. He found the children

and learned that the reason the foster

parents had not answered the letters

was that they wanted to break off all

communication with the institute, for

the children would find out that they

were adopted.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

J. H. Hulbert, bailiff for Judge Lee S.

Estelle, has gone to Minneapolis for a

Christmas week's visit with his nephew,

A. H. Amodeo.

John Anderson, foreman of the F. P. A.

ranch near Belfry, Wyo., is the guest

of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James An-

derson, 224 Miami street.

Attorney T. W. Blackburn has returned

from Washington, D. C., and Annapolis,

Md., where he has spent ten days

transacting business and visiting his

son, Paul Blackburn and Casper Blackburn.

James E. Woodard of Roundup, Mont.,

is the son of Assistant Postmaster

J. L. Woodard, has arrived in Omaha and

will spend the holidays with his family.

Mr. Woodard is a mining expert and is

well known here.

High School Glee Club Will Give Its Concert This Week

The Omaha high school glee club of thirty voices will give its first annual concert under the auspices of the mid-term graduating class Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the First Christian church on Twenty-sixth and St. Mary's avenue.

The club has been rehearsing regularly every Tuesday evening for the last three months for this concert and has acquired a variable and creditable repertoire of selections. Walter B. Graham, has rehearsed the club in his studio in the Boyd Theater building.

Considerable interest has been taken in the concert by the high school students and faculty as well as many of the alumni of the school. Principal McHugh is planning on this entertainment as a success as it is the only affair which the mid-term class will give.

In addition to the glee club's part in the concert, Francis Potter and several of his pupils assist in the program.

Following is the program:

(a) The City Choir..... Parks

(b) Raccoon Lullaby..... Neidlinger

(c) High School Glee club..... Zoller

Piano solo..... Grace Salsbaugh

Vocal solo..... Francis Potter

(a) The Charge..... Arthur Lynn

(b) Just a Girl..... Adams

(c) High School Glee club..... Smith

(d) The Bargain Brigade..... Kraus

(e) High School Glee club..... Kraus

(f) "Flow Gently Deva"..... Kraus

(g) "Flow Gently Deva"..... Kraus

(h) Pupils of Francis Potter..... Kraus

(i) The Charge..... Wellings

(j) The Charge..... Wellings

(k) A Carol..... Kraus

(l) High School Glee club..... Kraus

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