

# Society

By MELLIFICIA. Wednesday, April 21, 1915.

**F**OLLOWING up the Friends of Art movement to establish Omaha as an art center, a coterie of local society women met at the Fontenelle Tuesday afternoon and organized an Omaha branch of the Drama League of America. Mrs. Harry Cummings is largely instrumental in bringing about the formation of the new league. Mrs. Clement Chase presided at the meeting, which was very informal.

The Drama league is to encourage the study of drama and to endorse really good plays. "No word of criticism, however, is ever uttered of plays which the league does not approve," said one of the members. Further plans with regard to the league were discussed at the home of Mrs. E. H. Scott this morning, preceding Mrs. Anthony Merrill's lecture on "Kipling."

Several Omaha women have been interested enough in the past to become affiliated with the Chicago Drama league. Mrs. Draper Smith, Mrs. Harry Dooley, Miss Louise McPherson and Miss Arabella Kimball are members of the Chicago organization.

Among the women who discussed the organization of the local league at the Fontenelle Tuesday were Mesdames Leonard Everett, E. P. Peck, John A. McShane, W. A. C. Johnson, Charles T. Kountze, Harry Cummings, Edgar Moran, Jr.; E. M. Fairfield, Warren Blackwell, Lowrie Childs, Howard Baldrige, W. E. Martin, Clement Chase, Miss Kate McHugh and Miss Katherine McCormick.

**Lyra Choir to Entertain.**  
The Lyra Singing society, assisted by the Mozart orchestra, will give the fairy opera, "The Forest," at the German Home Friday evening. Miss Anna Thomson will take the part of Titania, queen of the fairies. Others in the cast are Misses Irene Busch, Margaret Stoltenberg, Eleanor Alexander and Irene Stoltenberg. The members of the Lyra choir include:

- Misses—Harriet Allman, Eliza Beck, Helen Bechtold, Ethlyn Berger, Helen Black, Grace Bliss, Ella Crosby, Grace Demarest, Dora Gioe, Estelle Grabe, Edith Hirsch, Ruth Orchard, Hazel Zerba.
- Misses—Marie Schroeder, Helen Stoltenberg, Matilda Rahn, Hertha Schroeder, Hilda Hirsch, Lillie Van Cura, Blanche Van Cura, Mable Van Cura, Emma Van Cura, Helen Van Cura, Edith Hirsch, Elsie Wyland.

**Luncheon at the Omaha Club.**  
The executive committee of the women golfers entertained at luncheon today at the Omaha club, when plans were made for the coming season. Those present were:

- Mesdames—Bruce Moffatt, W. J. Burns, A. W. Tillson, L. M. Lord.
- Mesdames—H. Sprague, F. J. Despecher, John Bekins, W. E. Shaffer.

**Porter-Gifford Wedding.**  
A romance of the agricultural college of Ames, Ia., terminated in the wedding of Miss Gladys Gifford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gifford, and Mr. Chan-ning Porter, which was celebrated Saturday at "Beaulieu," the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Woodruff at Seymour lake.

Miss Marjorie Beckett and Mr. Phillip Rosenthal of Ames were the attendants. The marriage is the culmination of the school room, the young people having met at the Ames Agricultural college, where Mr. Porter is a member of the faculty and Miss Gifford a student.

About thirty guests were present at the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Porter will be at home after June 1 in Ames.

**Wednesday Bridge Club.**  
Miss Mary Burke was hostess this afternoon at the meeting of the Wednesday Bridge club. Those present were:

- Misses—Louise Dinning, Melora Davis, Daphne Peters, Mildred Butler.
- Mesdames—Jack Webster, Harold Pritchett.
- Misses—Elizabeth Bruce, Elizabeth Davis, Gladys Peters, Katherine Thummet.
- Mesdames—Ben Wood, Ralph Peters.

**Amateur Musical Club.**  
The Amateur Musical club was entertained Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Nicholson. Those taking part on the program were Mesdames T. J. Mahoney, A. I. Root, Harry Nicholson, H. P. Whitmore, Miss Belle Von Mansfield and Miss Eugenia Whitmore.

**Fleasures Past.**  
Miss Nell Barnum entertained the members of the Pan-American High Five club Tuesday afternoon at her home. The high scores were made by Mesdames P. J. Platt, J. W. Boon and David Brown. Luncheon followed the card game and two tables of players were present. The club will meet against in two weeks at the home of Mrs. A. F. Moore.

**Gives Lecture.**  
Mrs. Anthony French Merrill gave her lecture on Kipling this morning at the home of Mrs. Edgar Scott.

**Bridge Luncheon.**  
Mrs. A. V. Kinsler gave a bridge luncheon of twelve covers today at her home. The guests were seated at small tables, which were decorated with yellow tulips.

**For Mrs. Merrill.**  
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Fairfield will entertain at dinner this evening at their home complimentary to Mrs. Anthony Merrill, who is delivering her series of lectures, "Morning with the storvies," here. The table will be decorated with a large bowl of yellow tulips and covers will be placed for:

- Mrs. Anthony Merrill.
- Mesdames—W. E. Martin, F. A. Brogan, Mr. Earl Gannett.
- Complimentary to Mrs. Merrill, Mrs. Arthur Wakeley gave a luncheon at the Omaha club yesterday. The guests entertained were:
- Mesdames—Anthony French Merrill, J. J. Brown, E. Wakeley.
- Mesdames—C. F. Anderson, James Tancroft, Arthur Wakeley.

**Nelson-Gugler Wedding.**  
The wedding of Miss Gertrude Gugler, daughter of Mrs. O. E. Gugler, and Mr. Arthur Nelson, son of Mr. James Nelson, was celebrated this afternoon at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. G. H. Eisner. After a western wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Nelson will be at home May 1 at Twenty-sixth and Burdette streets.

**Auction Bridge Party.**  
Mrs. J. V. Boon entertained at auction bridge Monday afternoon. The prizes were awarded to Mrs. E. H. Lohr and Mrs. Frank Bacon. The guests present were:

- Mesdames—E. H. Lohr, Frederick Bacon, C. D. Ross, C. E. Fennell, H. D. Leander, Frank Prall, Guy Purdy.
- Mesdames—A. S. Rockwell, A. C. Aldrich, C. H. Mallinson, Gale Deckwith, Ralph Dewey, C. F. Clark, W. D. Woodward.

**Shirk Special.**  
Word has been received that a son was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Nathanson of Toronto, Ont., Canada.

## BELLEVUE STUDENT WHO IS WINNING HIGH HONORS.



Anne M. Johnston

Anne M. Johnston of the junior class, who won second place over five men at the state oratorical contest at Doane on February 19, will also represent Bellevue in the state peace oratorical contest to be held at Bellevue Friday evening. Creighton, the University of Omaha and Bellevue are the schools which will contend for a prize of \$5 and the right to represent Nebraska in the Interstate contest to be held April 30 at Washburn college, Kan. Miss Johnston has won many contests at Council Bluffs High school and at Bellevue. She is editor of the junior annual and Monday was elected president of the Nebraska College Press association, an organization composed of the editors of the twenty-two college papers in Nebraska, with their assistants.

**Personal Mention.**  
Mrs. Pierre C. Mortarty is seriously ill at her home in the Hamilton apartments.

**In and Out of the Bee Hive.**  
Mr. M. R. Murphy and daughter, Nan, returned this morning from Excelsior Springs.

Mrs. J. P. Lord is visiting her son, Mr. Prentiss Lord, in New Hampshire.

Mrs. A. V. Kinsler leaves this evening for a few days in Chicago.

**CAPT. KLINE SAYS CHICAGO OVERRUN WITH IDLE MEN**  
Captain H. H. Kline of the Salvation Army has returned from Chicago, where he went Friday to confer with heads of the Salvation Army organization. Mrs. Kline, who had been visiting her mother there for the last two weeks, returned with the captain.

"Chicago has been a regular paradise for the hobo during the winter," declared Kline. "I thoroughly believe that more harm was accomplished by the charities than good. The city has been overrun with the unemployed who lived during the cold weather on the help that the benevolent institutions gave them."

Captain Kline further stated that with the advent of the new administration the bums were driven out of town and those who honestly desired work were being furnished with employment.

**WABASH MAY SOON BE SOLD AND REORGANIZED**  
Shortly after the Wabash road went into the hands of receivers some months ago, the receivers, under authority of the court, issued \$16,000,000 in short time certificates, the proceeds being expended in buying equipment and improving the roadbed. These certificates mature June 1 and the money is not going to be on hand to take them up when they become due.

The report comes to local railroad men that the holders of the Wabash receivers' certificates are going to demand payment when the securities are due, and that they will refuse to grant an extension. It is asserted that this means that the Wabash will be sold under an order of the court, bought in and reorganized.

## TAKE BODY OF BURBANK EAST FOR BURIAL SUNDAY

The body of the late William R. Burbank, now in the Forest Lawn receiving vault, will be taken east Sunday night. Marshall Wellington of Pittsfield, Mass., an undertaker and old friend of Mr. Burbank, has arrived here and with his wife, who has been here since the funeral, will accompany Mrs. Burbank and the little son back to Syracuse, N. Y., with the body. He will have charge of the funeral services there.

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## MRS. HICKS EVADES ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS

**Insists She Does Not Want the Notoriety—Mother on Stand in \$50,000 Kiss Suit.**

**SHOWS PORCH TO A FRIEND**  
Mrs. Edith Hicks, who is suing Albert A. Clark, a Council Bluffs capitalist, for \$50,000 damages on grounds that he forcibly kissed her, appeared in Judge Leslie's district court wearing a wide black veil in addition to the black suit and hat

which has been her garb during the trial. She wore the veil, she declared, to prevent photographers from securing a likeness of her and on account of the notoriety which she has received. She is a brunette, is 21 years of age and weighed at the time of the alleged attack by Mr. Clark, she testified, only ninety-eight pounds.

"I do not want my picture taken" she declared. "I do not want it in the newspapers, and I do not like to have people stare at me."

Frequent attempts of photographers to secure a likeness which plainly shows her features have failed. She keeps a handkerchief before her face in walking to and from the court house and in the court room is shielded by those who are associated with her.

**Explains Her Testimony.**  
Mrs. Hicks was recalled to the witness stand during the morning session of court

for a short period, during which she explained several minor details of her former testimony.

Charles Gunther, who lived at 1811 Capitol avenue in April, 1914, testified that two years ago she told him that the alleged kiss by Mr. Clark occurred on Sunday, April 20, rather than on Monday, immediately following.

Mr. Gunther testified that he accompanied Mrs. Hicks to Mr. Clark's home in Council Bluffs on Sunday, and that she showed him the sleeping porch on the second floor, where the kiss is alleged to have taken place while the defendant was attempting to embrace her.

The defense by Mr. Clark sought to impeach Mrs. Hicks' testimony concerning Mr. Clark's alleged attack on her on Monday. It is understood that the defense will attempt to refute many of her statements concerning the alleged attack on her at the time the kiss is asserted to have been imparted to her by Mr. Clark.

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