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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.
 Thursday Afternoon Whist Club holds its meeting.
 Thursday Social Club meets with Mrs. Frank Macke, south seventh street.
 East End Whist Club meets.
 Thursday Thimble Club meets.
Friday.
 Whist party given in Elks' club rooms.
 Aftermath holds its social meeting with Mrs. W. H. Campbell.
 Ladies' Aid Society of Grace M. E. church gives an afternoon social.
 Evening Whist Club meets.
Saturday.
 Open church meeting at "South Eighth Street Friends' church."
 Dance I. O. O. F. hall.

The marriage of Dr. Alan Bramkamp and Miss Mary Greenleaf was solemnized yesterday afternoon at the First Presbyterian church. The church was filled with a large number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The Rev. J. M. Bramkamp, brother of the groom, assisted by the Rev. I. M. Hughes, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony. Neither the bride nor groom had any attendants. The church was decorated beautifully. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for a journey of several weeks to California, via Cincinnati, and upon their return will make their home in this city, the "at home" cards being for after May 15, at 930 Main street.

The out of town guests at the marriage were: C. A. Greenleaf, father of the bride, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Allen Maburen, of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Job and R. E. Pigeon, of Ft. Wayne; Miss Helen Mowrer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nesbit, and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dodd, of Xenia, O.; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Carpenter, of Hagerstown; and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Callaway, Mr. and Mrs. William Belmer, Mr. and Mrs. James Belmer and Miss Helen Belmer, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Bramkamp and son, Misses Sallie Jenny, Laura Bramkamp Anna and Clara Dunkhorst, and Messrs Harold Kapp, Louis Bramkamp and Robert Bramkamp, of Cincinnati.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Bramkamp are among the city's best known and most estimable young people, and they have the congratulation and best wishes of a host of friends. The bride has been a favorite teacher in the local schools and is very prominent in both social and art circles. The groom is a most promising young physician. He is a graduate of the Cincinnati College of Medicine, and has also studied in several other cities. While he has only been a resident of Richmond for a few years, he has won a large circle of friends.

The Woman's Missionary Society of St. Paul's Lutheran church held a pleasant meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Will Klopp, on South Eighth street. The attendance was quite large. The meeting was opened with appropriate Scripture readings by Mrs. H. H. Meerhoff. Mesdames John Bartel, Meerhoff and Besselman entertained the members with a delightfully rendered trio, which was well received. The topic of study for the afternoon's program

was "The Religion of China," and short and interesting articles bearing on different phases of this subject were read by members. After the program the business of the society was transacted and partial arrangements were made for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the society, which will occur in May. It was decided to give a missionary tea on May 26th.

The meeting of the Wednesday Literary Society of the First Presbyterian church held last evening with Mrs. J. A. Murphy, of east Main street, was one of the most enjoyable meetings of the year. The attendance was quite large and the members had the pleasure of hearing one of the most classical and at the same time, one of the best programs of the society given this season. Mrs. Downing opened the program with several fine musical selections, which were well received. These were given in Mrs. Downing's usual accomplished manner and proved very interesting. Miss Clara Myrick entertained the members with several excellent numbers and was at her best in all the solos.

Mrs. Sullivan read a number of selection from Will Carleton and other writers, humorous, tragic and pathetic. Mrs. Sullivan's ability is so well known that nothing need be said save that she read with her usual cleverness and efficiency. Probably her best selection was "Cleopatra's Dream," the reading of which Mrs. Downing accompanied improvising as the piece progressed. The program proved unusually attractive to the members. The place of the next meeting was not decided but will be announced later.

A large number were present last evening at the South Eighth Street Friends' church to hear the lecture given by Mrs. Phariba Stevens on "Mission Work in Mexico." Mrs. Stevens gave an excellent account of the work that missionaries have done in that country and of the odds against which they have worked. The entire lecture and especially her account of the change which the missionaries have caused in the condition of different parts of Mexico was exceedingly interesting. Mrs. Stevens is an able talker and thoroughly conversant and well grounded in her subject and gave her hearers an excellent idea of the work missionaries have to do. The lecture was illustrated with stereopticon pictures of the country and houses of the Mexicans, some of the pictures being especially fine.

An informal reception was given last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, on north twelfth St., in honor of Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Nethercut, who leave shortly for Kokomo, where Rev. Nethercut has been assigned to the Grace Methodist church. The house was very pretty with its decorations of flowers. Quite a large number of friends of Rev. Nethercut called between the hours of seven and ten and all expressed their unwillingness to have him leave and their regret at his departure. Rev. Nethercut has won a large circle of friends in his short residence in this city.

The card party given in the Knights of Columbus club rooms yesterday afternoon was one of the most delightful of the series. The hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. J. H. Luken and Miss Julia Lawler. Euchre played at eight tables, was the feature of the afternoon and at the close of the games the first prize was awarded to Miss Sarah Dunn, and the second to Miss Ella Varley, while the consolations fell to Miss Anna Mulligan and Mrs. James Hammill. Mrs. Hammill and Mrs. John Kamp were appointed hostesses for the meeting next week.

Mrs. Walter Dalby of south twelfth street was the hostess yesterday afternoon for the first meeting of the Wednesday Afternoon Whist Club. This club is organized to meet every two weeks during the summer months and yesterday opened the season's series of meetings. The afternoon was delightfully spent at whist, played at four tables. The guests of the club yesterday were Miss Maude Zimmerman and Mrs. Turner Hadley. At adjournment it was decided to hold the next meeting with Miss Alma Smith of east Main street.

The members of the club are Mesdames Alonzo Smyser, Bert Smyser, Harry Shaw, Joseph Stevenson, Archie Doan, Will Spangler, John Sliagar, Will Converse, Walter Ratliff, R. R. Van Zant, George Shofar and Miss Alma Smith.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian church held an all-day meeting yesterday in the church parlors, on south tenth street. A large number of members were present. The morning session was devoted exclusively to needlework and to the transaction of the regular business of the society. At noon a luncheon was served. The afternoon was more of a social meeting, the time being pleasantly spent in sewing and in social conversation. The work for the next few weeks was planned, and at adjournment it was decided to hold another meeting next week.

Miss Jessie Dozier of north fifteenth street, entertained a number of friends last evening at cards. The guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Farmer, of Florida. Mrs. Farmer was formerly Miss Blanche McPherson of this city and this is the first visit here of the young couple since their marriage a few months ago. The prizes last evening were won by Miss Nell Menke and Mr. Wesley Farmer. The out-of-town guests were Will Roberts and E. Davis of Chicago, and T. W. Bowersox of St. Louis.

The Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U. will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at Rhoda Temple. A large attendance is desired.

Edward Kute will go to Rushville today and this afternoon he will be married to Miss Minnie Dauffer of that city. The ceremony will be performed by the Catholic priest at his residence and at once the young people will leave for their home in this city. Mr. Kute is an expert machinist at the Woolley foundry, and he is a very popular young gentleman. His bride is said to be one of the charming young ladies of Rushville.—Anderson Herald.

MAY MUSIC FESTIVAL.

On April 27 the plat will be opened for the holders of season tickets for the May Music Festival, and from the preliminary report of the members of the chorus at Tuesday night's rehearsal, the indications are very flattering for a large sale of season tickets.

The enthusiasm is rapidly spreading; everyone is talking of this exceptionally great event and it is beginning to look as if even the capacity of the Coliseum will be taxed to accommodate the patronage.

Carpenters are busy erecting the large platform required to seat the orchestra and chorus, and by tonight it is expected that this will be completed. The matter of decorations will then be taken up, and when the festival opens on the evening of May 4, those who do not attend, will miss a rare and inspiring spectacle, produced by the fifty skilled musicians, the well drilled chorus

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To the Citizens of Richmond.
 We desire to correct some false impressions in regard to the purpose of the May Musical Festival to be given May 4 and 5. This is not a private venture, a benefit for any certain institution or a money-making scheme.

It is our desire and purpose to bring to the people of Richmond the best series of musical entertainments which this city has ever heard. In doing this, we believe that besides giving a great deal of pleasure to those who attend, it will prove a good advertisement for the city.

While the musical selections to be rendered are the best productions of eminent composers yet they have been selected with regard to tunefulness and melody and are such as can be appreciated by those who have not a trained musical ear. We desire to make only money enough to pay expenses and have made the prices within the reach of all believing that it is better to sell a large number of tickets at a small price than a small number at a large price.

We believe that the people of this city will patronize this venture with the liberality which it deserves and we assure them that they can safely do so.

Sciatic Rheumatism Cured.
 "I have been subject to sciatic rheumatism for years," says E. H. Waldron, of Wilton Junction, Iowa. "My joints were stiff and gave me much pain and discomfort. My joints would crack when I straightened up. I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and have been thoroughly cured. Have not had a pain or ache from the old trouble for many months. It is certainly a most wonderful liniment." For sale by A. G. Luken & Co., and W. H. Sudhoff, corner fifth and Main.

CROP CONDITIONS.

The following report from the United States department of agriculture for the week ending April 18th is of interest and is as follows:

Indiana. — Indianapolis: Unseasonably cold; freezing temperature general on 16th and 17th; wheat improved slightly in south but deteriorated in central and northern sections, where a very large acreage will be plowed under; rye, clover and timothy continue in fair condition; sowing oats and planting potatoes progressing slowly; ground generally too wet to plow; pastures backward; fruit trees blooming in extreme south; peaches further damaged.

Reports from the Ohio valley respecting the wheat crop continue very unfavorable, although a slight improvement in southern Indiana is indicated. In Illinois wheat has made little growth and its condition is less promising than ten days ago. In Ohio and in central and northern Indiana a large acreage will be plowed up for other crops. Winter wheat has made splendid growth on the Pacific, especially in Washington and Oregon.

FOUNTAIN CITY.

Mr. Aughee and wife of New Madison O., have moved into ol Boren's house. Mr. Aughee came here with good reputation, and as a great business man, and is in partnership with Ellwood Boren and in connection with his work will run a planingmill which will soon begin operation. The citizens of Fountain City wish him success.

Mrs. Martha Conger, of Dayton, O., spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. A. W. Woolman and family.

John Atkinson and wife, of Richmond were the guests of the Rev. J. W. Johnson and wife last Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Johnson, who has been sick for several weeks, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Lou Stigall has moved into Mrs. Falls' house and will that place her home for the present.

Mrs. Fred Thomas and son expect to remove to Redkey Ind., this week, where Mr. Johnson has a position.

George Klapp and family are removing to Richmond.

Miss Mabel Townsend went to Richmond Tuesday morning, where she will make her home with her aunt for the present.

The meeting of the Foreign Missionary Society was held at the home of Mrs. Luke Woodward, last Wednesday.

Charley Reynolds and family of Richmond, spent Sunday with C. O. Wolman and wife.

The plat is now open for the commencement Saturday evening, at the K. of P. hall.

VOTE OF THANKS.

At the regular meeting of the South Side Improvement Association a resolution was adopted extending a vote of thanks to all persons that assisted in the Button Boom.
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