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TOPEKA SOCIETY.

New Year's Century Ball Absorbing Attention.

Now Understood That It Will Be a Full Dress Affair.

MISS MYRTLE DAVIS
 The Guest of Honor at Miss Thompson's Luncheon.

Items of a Social and Personal Nature.

For the holiday season, society is dull in Topeka. Several interesting events have marked the week just closing but the contrast between this holiday season and several preceding ones is unfavorable. Next week will probably be a little brighter though few events are as yet scheduled.

The first affair of any importance is the Century ball on New Year's eve. The subject of dress is being discussed not a little in regard to this ball as the question has not been fully explained; at first it was intended to make it a fancy dress ball but that idea was given up and it is to be a full dress party instead.

The following day a number of people will keep open house; the parties are not numerous but nearly all of them are large. The week will be closed by a large reception given by Mrs. David A. Mulvane and Miss Virgiline Mulvane and there will doubtless be a number of small affairs in between.

For Miss Davis.

Miss Myrtle Davis was the honored guest at a delightful luncheon today given by Miss Mary Thompson at her home on Topeka avenue. The luncheon was served at 1 o'clock and the guests who were limited to the bridesmaids and the assisting young ladies, were seated at a table, simply but prettily decorated in green and white. The name cards were heart-shaped, decorated in green and gold, each one bearing an appropriate valediction.

The guests were: Miss Davis, Miss Ivah Davis, Miss Edna McClintock, Miss Edna Crane, Miss Vera Low, Miss Gertrude Devereux, Miss Ollie O'Brien, Miss Glennia Cross, Miss Virgiline Mulvane and Miss Helen Thompson.

Miss McClintock's Party.

Miss Ruth McClintock was the hostess at a charming card party Friday afternoon at her home on Fillmore street which she gave in honor of Miss Emily King who leaves Saturday for New York. The time was spent in playing bridge and a most pleasing and interesting party.

The invited guests were: Mrs. David Horton, Mrs. George E. Esterly, Mrs. Albert Garvin, Mrs. Lee Clinton Forbes, Mrs. Emily King, Miss Mary Lane, Louise Smith, Miss Helen Smith, Miss Hila Hineckley, Miss Helen Thompson, Miss Helen Wilson, Miss Janet Lord, Miss Vera Low, Miss Jennie Lillard, Miss Lenna Short, Miss Elvira Millaugh, Miss Zereida Barriger, Miss Myrtle Davis, Miss Ivah Davis, Miss Grace Weiss, Miss Hazel Fassler, Miss Hazel Jones, Miss Margaret Jones, Miss Josephine Shellbarger, Miss Susie Gay, Miss Campbell, Miss Annie Herbst, Miss Susie Herbst, Miss Maud Bates, Miss Beulah Bates, Miss Pearl McFarland, Miss Mary Hamilton and Miss Sue Sharitt.

A Bride's Party.

On Wednesday last Mrs. C. R. Hudson gave a very dainty luncheon in honor of the brides, viz. Mrs. Claude Marsh Butlin, Mrs. John Baird Nicholson, and Mrs. A. H. Beckens. The dining room was darkened and the table illuminated with lights in poppy-red shades. At each place stood a pretty souvenir in the shape of a small lamp shaped like a tulip of red glass and surrounded with clusters of leaves and with a minute flame light burning in the cup of the flower. This novelty gave a most pleasing note of color to the table. All the guests were required to write a poem on the brides and a prize for the best production was won by Mrs. Claude M. Butlin.—Mexican Herald.

The Chautauque Programme.

The following programme will be given Monday evening at the regular meeting of the Nineteenth Chautauque. It is entirely free, but by virtue of its earnest, forcible and skillful presentation of the truth which brings conviction of duty and moves to action. Mr. Bilhorn is well known as a solo singer and musical composer. He is the author of many of the most popular gospel songs used now in the Sunday schools and social services of churches. He will conduct the large chorus choir that has been organized, and under his leadership excellent singing is assured. The chorus will have not less than 100 voices. Mr. Potter and Mr. Bilhorn arrived today from Chicago. They will preach and sing at both this morning and evening services of the First church tomorrow. There will be daily services during the week, except Saturday, at 2 and 7:30 p. m. The first half hour in the evening will be a song service conducted by Mr. Bilhorn. The pastors and people of all the churches and the public in general are cordially and earnestly invited to attend these services, from which great good should result to the city.

Notes and Personal Mention.

Miss Mina Lane, of Kansas City, is in Topeka attending the librarians' meeting, and is the guest of Mrs. C. C. Isaker.

Mrs. A. W. Tanner, of Emporia, is visiting Mrs. Frank P. MacLennan.

Miss Elizabeth Gavitt has returned from a four months' visit in the east.

Miss Hazel Fassler will entertain the fortnightly Euchre club Monday afternoon at her home on West Tenth avenue.

UNION REVIVAL SERVICES.

Topeka Methodist Churches Unite to Convert Sinners.

The seven Methodist churches of this city will tomorrow begin a series of union revival services at the First Methodist church. These churches are the following: First Church, J. T. McFarland, pastor; Kansas avenue, Jas. A. Staveley; Lowman Hill, O. M. Bowman; Euclid avenue, John M. Jackson; Walnut Grove, J. H. Allen; Parkdale, D. D. Cheney; Oakland, F. J. Seaman.

The pastors of these churches have secured the services of two of the most eminent evangelists in the country to assist them, Mr. D. W. Potter and Mr. P. P. Bilhorn, of Chicago. Mr. Potter, though a layman, is a preacher of remarkable power, his career as an evangelist for a number of years having been one of great success. He attracts not by any sensational methods or personal eccentricities, from both of which he is entirely free, but by virtue of an earnest, forcible and skillful presentation of the truth which brings conviction of duty and moves to action. Mr. Bilhorn is well known as a solo singer and musical composer. He is the author of many of the most popular gospel songs used now in the Sunday schools and social services of churches. He will conduct the large chorus choir that has been organized, and under his leadership excellent singing is assured. The chorus will have not less than 100 voices. Mr. Potter and Mr. Bilhorn arrived today from Chicago. They will preach and sing at both this morning and evening services of the First church tomorrow. There will be daily services during the week, except Saturday, at 2 and 7:30 p. m. The first half hour in the evening will be a song service conducted by Mr. Bilhorn. The pastors and people of all the churches and the public in general are cordially and earnestly invited to attend these services, from which great good should result to the city.

MULES FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Another Cargo From New Orleans—Little Animals Most Desirable.

New Orleans, Dec. 24.—The British transport, Montezuma, will leave here tomorrow with a cargo of 1,400 mules. A big revival in the shipment of stock to South Africa for the use of the British army has occurred. Nine vessels have left for Cape Town during the month, carrying 5,738 horses and 6,790 mules worth more than \$1,000,000. Nearly all the animals were purchased in Texas and Missouri.

The British officers bought originally the largest and finest mules in the market. They are buying today only the smallest animals which would be rejected on any plantation, animals not much larger than a burro, and they report that these little mules are far better adapted to the climate of Africa, stand the exposure better and have proportionately longer lives than larger ones. The transportation of the mules is so perfect here that the loss in transport is barely 1 per cent, in spite of some overcrowding of the vessels, a long voyage of 7,500 miles, and very bad weather all the winter.

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Commercial Hotel, St. Marys, Kans.—Nearly all the trade of the town, brick stores underneath, except office and dining room on first floor; a most excellent property.

Hotel, Lebanon, Kans.—Twenty rooms, frame house, fine location on corner Maine and Kansas avenue, a block and a half from station, shade trees, streets on two sides; good business.

Hotel, Wellsville, Kansas.—With ware room in connection with store building, nineteen rooms in hotel, main business portion of town, all in good repair, doing good business.

Hotel, Herington, Kansas.—Frame, 80x33, twenty rooms, upstairs large dining room, parlor office, good cistern, outbuildings, all the furniture new, rooms newly painted and papered, in good condition, good business.

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Tenth Member of Suicide Club Hangs Himself.

Original 13 Signed Compact to Die Within 13 Years.

PERSISTENT SLAYERS

One of the Members Jumped in River But Was Saved.

Completed the Job by Taking Paris Green.

New York, Dec. 23.—The tenth member of a suicide club formed by thirteen men in Hoboken seven years ago, is dead by his own hand. He was Frank Wolf. He hanged himself last Saturday in the woods at Englewood.

The three surviving members are said to be Theodore Euseb, Gustave Hillerbrandt and Joseph Robert. All live in Hoboken.

The compact which was made by thirteen men, was that within thirteen years all should have passed away and by their own hands.

Wolf was well known in Hoboken. For eight years he had run a saloon at Madison and First streets, going out of business several months ago.

He boarded at Newark and Grand streets.

"He often remarked that life had no further charms for him," said a friend last night.

"Then again he would say, 'I am a member of a suicide club, and if I don't look on life any brighter than at present I will keep the oath we made several years ago, and which nine have already fulfilled, and end my life.'"

He remarked that to end his life was the only way out of his difficulties. He left the house shortly before noon, and several hours afterward his body was found dangling from a tree at Englewood.

The razor, revolver and poison have played an important part in the suicides of other members of the club as did the rope in Wolf's case.

One of the most determined was a French painter, John Walther. One day he jumped into the river, but was pulled out. According to the society rules any member whose attempt at self destruction fails is assessed \$10.

"I'll never pay it," declared Walther, and he didn't, for before it could be collected he took Paris green, and this time was successful in ending his life.

Blodde—"Hardupps says he is profoundly interested in the burning questions of the day." Blodde—"I guess that's right. I never meet him that he doesn't ask me if I have a cigar that isn't working."

draw Jack at their home on West Tenth avenue. The prizes were won by Miss Neel Hough and Mr. James Porter. The club will meet next week with Mr. and Mrs. George Middaugh.

Mr. G. W. McCoy of St. Joe is in Topeka visiting his sister.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Items of Interest Condensed For the Busy Reader.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

It having been decided that no further action can be taken in regard to the return of the volunteers from the Philippines until congress shall make provisions for their replacement, any reduction of the force in the islands has been declared off.

Emma Goldman has announced that the anarchists have decided to stop assassinating heads of governments. Such a course was agreed upon at a recent meeting in Paris.

Maggie Hoel, 18 years old, disappears from her home near Pueblo. Evidence about the case indicates that force was used.

The terms of the peace negotiations are made public. Minister Conger signed them with certain reservations as called by the state department. The indemnity named by the powers is \$200,000.

Hobart Clayburn, 17 years old, son of a prominent citizen of Helena, Mont., was kidnapped by two men in Kalama, Ind., where he was held for ransom. The ransom was later released him, after robbing him of all the money in his possession.

Senator Beveridge replies to ex-President Harrison in a speech defending the administration's Philippine policy at the New England society's annual dinner. The amendments to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty have been sent to the British government.

Denver is having a series of assaults and highway robberies, seven men dying in thirty-six hours.

The clerks in the Chicago postoffice objected to the long hours caused by the holiday rush and struck. The leader was suspended and the rest of the clerks returned to work.

The little 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ogden Armour of Chicago, an invalid from birth, whose femora lacked several inches of fitting in the hip sockets, is operated upon to obtain the necessary perfect articulation. The treatment will extend over six months, during which time the limbs will be held in place with a plaster cast.

Five Harvard men, of wealthy families, have married chorus girls. A son of ex-Senator Brice is among the number.

The big artificial lake in Barton county has been filled and makes the largest body of water in Kansas, being three by eight miles, and seventeen feet deep. Frank Bennett, the well known American scout, at one time with Buffalo Bill, commits suicide in Honolulu.

introduced and one passed.

Mayor Patterson, of Blomarek, N. D., has been charged with operating a gambling house, and a warrant is out for his arrest.

Mr. Joe Leiter, of Chicago, is negotiating for the Rogers locomotive works in Paterson, N. J. If the deal is carried through the Leiter shops at Providence will be consolidated at Paterson with the Rogers plant.

B. M. Ellis, of Vinton, Iowa, buys raffle ticket for \$1 and wins a \$62,000 house and lot in Sioux City.

The investigation into the Booz hazing charges is resumed at the West Point military academy. No testimony admitting brutality is offered.

According to official figures Kansas exceeds all states in the rate of school enrollment to population, her percentage being 27.81.

The British representative was assaulted near Constantinople by Turkish soldiers and sharp demands for redress have been made to the porte.

Mrs. Lulu C. Jenkins, whose husband was lynched in Ripley county, Indiana, three years ago, and who used the sheriff for \$5,000, has compromised the case for \$4,000.

Mrs. Helen Miller, daughter-in-law of ex-Attorney General Miller, abducts her boy from his father's home in Indianapolis, but is traced and the child recovered. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are separated.

General Knox is pursuing De Wet, with orders to capture or wear out the wily Boer, whose freedom keeps the disturbances alive. The capture of De Wet is the sole aim of Kitchener, as Botha and Delarey can hold out so long as the great raider can harass isolated posts and escape across the veldt.

Wm. H. Smythe, grand secretary of the Masonic order of Indiana, was shot and fatally wounded by an unknown woman, in his office in Indianapolis. The attack was wholly unprovoked.

Pat Crowe, suspected of complicity in the Cudaby kidnaping case, still eludes the detectives. He has been reported in nearly every city by local officers, but always eludes when searched for.

An unknown man was found insensible by the road in the Leavenworth Klondike. He had been assaulted and robbed.

The annual banquet of the Jeffersonian club of Lincoln, Neb., takes place with 300 representative Democrats in attendance. David Overmyer among them.

W. J. Bran makes his first public appearance since the election.

French premier. Paris is greatly excited.

Three children of Mr. Lavery near Olympia, W. A., were beheaded to death in a fire which destroyed their home.

France has closed contracts with America to purchase 200,000 tons of coal. A deficiency in the British supply forces France to seek a new market.

A blizzard in Colorado rages for 36 hours and will cause much loss of stock on the range. On Mount Blanco the snowfall was unprecedented.

In a runaway accident about three miles above Ouray, the Red mountain stage was overturned and six passengers precipitated over a cliff 70 feet high. There were no casualties though all were more or less injured.

A mail pouch containing \$100,000 of negotiable bonds, checks and money was stolen from the waiting room of the Michigan Central in Wyandotte, a suburb of Detroit.

LOCAL SUMMARY.

The Ferris con. Kans. are arrested in Topeka for giving a Sunday night performance in Leavenworth, Ind. for fraud.

John Player denies the rumor that he has resigned as superintendent of machinery of the Santa Fe.

Leavenworth school boards can force vaccination or not is submitted to the supreme court.

Topeka golfers defeat the Leavenworth players by one point.

Frank H. Kingman, of Topeka, is arrested in Leavenworth, Ind. for fraud.

Jas. Haywood is killed by a Rock Island train in Topeka.

Christmas is observed at the Reform school by giving presents to all the inmates. Police Matron Thorpe also distributes presents to 400 children.

It is definitely reported that Kansas soldiers in the Philippines did not vote. Senator Baker and his supporters hold a meeting in Topeka.

Rock Island arranging for the extension of that road from Liberal south.

QUEER COMBINATION.

Liquor Men and Anti Saloon Men Prosecuting Ohio Druggists.

Springfield, O., Dec. 28.—A crusade against the druggists of the state has been started by the picturesque sleuthhound John T. Norris, and he is backed by both the Ohio League of Liquor Dealers and the Anti-Saloon League of the state. The purpose of the usually antagonistic organizations is the suppression of the sale of drugs which are used in the manufacture of intoxicants in order to sever the drug stores from their profitable cloak for carrying on an extensive traffic.

Norris has, it is said, secured many photographs of "scenes behind the prescription cases," and these will be used as evidence.

Norris exploded a bomb when he filed charges against all but two of the retail druggists of Springfield for violating the Dow law, which provides that druggists must have a retail liquor dealer's license at a cost of \$350. Dr. T. J. Caspan is included in the list filed, and 96 others are charged against him alone. The cases were all filed before Probate Judge Goodwin.

Norris will at once begin prosecutions against the druggists in all the Ohio cities, and it is said he has been at work for some months securing evidence upon which to base these charges.

The Anti-Saloon League and the Liquor League, it is claimed, have contributed liberally to defray the expenses of the prosecutions. Many of the druggists admit that much of the profit in the business comes from the sale of liquor by the drink. The Anti-Saloon League managers claim that many men drink in drug stores who will not enter saloons, and that the downfall of many churches is brought about in this way. The Liquor League is proceeding purely through commercial motives. The manager says that the sale of liquor in drug stores detracts from the saloon trade and that the druggists, who do not pay a high license, can afford to give more for the money than the saloon keeper.

A Plea For Santa Claus.

No man is the great individual his worshipping son thinks him; yet it is good that the little chap's conception of that paternal myth should be left untroubled, and he who would drag down that ideal to the level of the actual facts would be doing a wrong to the child, and at the same time would take away from the father one of the great incentives to earnest and upright living, and the final fulfillment of all his hopes. No normal boy was ever harmed by thinking his poor miserable father the finest thing that ever was or ever could be; equally true is it that no properly constituted father ever gained insight that was instrumental by a contemplation of the virtues and a faith in the reality of the ideal figure that symbolizes the spirit of the child. Give us back our Santa Claus before it is too late, and spare the children at least that "higher" criticism which destroys ideals and lays bare all the material facts of life without giving us anything in return to relieve or soften their ugliness.—Harper's Weekly.