

PALMERSTON NORTH.

Dear Bee, May 15.
 Messrs. Sheridan and Anderson's Pantomime,
 "CINDERELLA."

attracted packed audiences at the Opera House during its short season at the beginning of the week. Amongst others I noticed present were: Mrs. C. J. Monro, wearing a rich black silk toilette, the bodice effectively trimmed with white lace; the Misses Monro in pretty white muslin and lace frocks; Mrs. Bagnall, black satin with cluster of pink roses on corsage; Mrs. H. Cooper, white lace toilette, pink ribbon threaded through hair; Mrs. Louison, white embroidered muslin, large cluster of pink flowers on corsage; Miss O'Brien, cream voile skirt, cream silk blouse, trimmed with narrow lace insertion, cream lace scarf; Miss Moun O'Brien, white muslin and lace, floral silk bow in hair; Mrs. D. O. Shute, a dainty white embroidered muslin frock, pale blue silk kimono straps on bodice; Mrs. Park, black silk skirt, cream silk and lace blouse, long cream coat; Miss Park, pink silk evening dress, cream coat; Miss F. Park, black skirt, cream silk blouse; Mrs. Jewel, black velvet skirt, pale heliotrope silk blouse; Mrs. Dan Riddford (Marlon), a rich black silk taffets toilette, the bodice effectively trimmed with cream spotted net; Mrs. Watson, in cream, with long cream broadened silk cloak; Mrs. P. Sim, black skirt, cream silk blouse, long pink coat; Mrs. Brophy, cream silk and lace, long scarlet coat, with cape edged with white fur, scarlet flowers in hair; Miss Taton, pale blue crepe de chine, white lace bertha, cream coat, with cream satin collar; Mrs. A. Guy, black evening dress, pale brown coat; Mrs. J. P. Jones, in cream, with long cream coat, with touches of turquoise blue; Mrs. McKnight, black skirt, cream silk blouse elaborately trimmed with cream lace and insertion; Miss Barraud, black evening dress, transparent black lace yoke; Miss Kelly, in a black toilette, with a black silk cape, embroidered with black sequins, white hat with ermine flowers; Mrs. Holmes, black coat and skirt, white satin collar embroidered in black, hat with black feathers; Mrs. H. R. Wardegrave, grey Norfolk coat and skirt, brown hat with brown silk bows and pleasant touches; Mrs. Stowe, grey check gaiting, the coat made with deep basque and having touches of pale blue, cream hat; Miss E. McLennan, dark green coat and skirt, green hat with silk trimming of the same shade; Mrs. Tripe, navy blue coat and skirt, black hat with black feathers.

MRS. N. COHEN GAVE AN "AT HOME"

of the gold links at Tokowhita, on Saturday afternoon, as a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. P. Strang, who have always been prominent members of the Club, and are leaving for England next week, on a visit likely to extend over two or three years. Unfortunately, at about half past two, rain started in earnest, and continued almost continuously for the remainder of the day. A large number of players had started out in the mixed horseshoe competition, but only four couples went right through with the ten holes without infringing the rules against breaking off the play. Mrs. Harold Abraham and Mr. Richard Abraham, with a score of 50, proved the winners. Mr. and Mrs. J. Strang, Mr. and Mrs. W. Strang, Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Monro, Mr. and Mrs. L. Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. Longman, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. and Miss Wardegrave, Mr. and Mrs. Warburton, Miss McLennan and others were present.

On Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Tripe, Hokowhita, gave

A SMALL BOY'S PARTY.

as a send-off for Geoffrey Strang, who is leaving for home with his parents next week. Despite the extreme youth of the guest of honour, he made a farewell speech, and cheers were exchanged at parting for the Strang boys and the youthful host, Bob Tripe.

As is usual at school holiday time, the young people are having a glorious time. On Thursday night, Mrs. L. A. Abraham, Park road, gave a large children's party.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Riddford (Marlon) were visitors to Palmerston this week. Mrs. R. M. McKnight (Palmerston)

has gone to visit friends in Masterton and Wellington.

Miss Vera McBeth (Kimbolton) is the guest of Mrs. Renell (Palmerston). Mrs. Pollen (Wellington) is staying with her sister, Mrs. Smith, Bank of N.Z., Palmerston.

Mrs. E. W. Hitchings (Feilding) is staying with her mother, Mrs. Bell, Palmerston.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strang and family (Palmerston) leave for England on Wednesday next. They expect to be away two or three years.

Mrs. Frank Leckie (Wellington) is staying with her mother, Mrs. Taplin, Palmerston. VIOLET.

WANGANUI.

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Last Friday evening Mrs. James Anderson (Kaifoki) gave an enjoyable bridge party. The prizes were won by Mrs. Good, Miss Wheeler (Rangitikei), Mr. N. Williams, and Mr. G. Palmer. Amongst those present were Mrs. Montgomerie, Mr. and Mrs. Izard, Mr. and Mrs. Good, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Fairburn, Mrs. W. Anderson, Miss Herdman (Rangitikei), Misses Stanford (2), Brettargh, Mason, Mosses, Campbell, Williams, Hutton, Harold, Palmer, Chamberlain, and French (Waikato).

Last week Miss Brewer gave a bridge party in honour of Mrs. Pharyzyn. The prizes were won by Mrs. Lomax, Mrs. Pharyzyn and Mrs. Griffiths. Amongst those present were Mesdames Krull, Stevenson, Fairburn, Bundell (Nelson), Paterson, Brettargh, Gordon, Lomax, Griffiths, Montgomerie, Pharyzyn, Izelt.

On Monday evening Mrs. Griffiths gave a bridge party in honour of Miss Brabant (Napier) and Miss Gresson (Christchurch). The prizes were won by Miss Skeet, Miss G. Stanford, and Miss M. Browne. Amongst those present were Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Wall, Mrs. Hatherly, Miss Brabant (Napier), Miss O'Brien, Miss M. Browne, Miss Barnicoat, Miss P. Jones, Miss Gresson (Christchurch), Miss Brewer, Miss R. Jones, Miss Brettargh, Miss Frankish (Christchurch), Miss Skeet, Miss Stanford, Miss Pratt.

On Monday afternoon Mrs. Pattle Izelt had a very enjoyable afternoon tea for Miss Holmes, of Wellington, who has been staying with her. Amongst those present were Mrs. Krull, Mrs. Colin Campbell, Mrs. Montgomerie, Mrs. and Miss Barnicoat, Mrs. Good, Mrs. Fairburn, Miss Inlay, Mrs. Inlay Saunders, Mrs. and Miss Moore, Mrs. G. Marshall, Mrs. Cooper, Miss Alexander, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Sarjeant, Mrs. Brettargh, Miss Willford, Miss Cameron, Mrs. Pharyzyn, Mrs. Innes.

On Tuesday evening Mrs. Brettargh gave a bridge party for Mrs. Bundell, of Nelson. The prizes were won by Mrs. Paterson and Mrs. Wall. There were five tables. Mrs. Brettargh received her guests in a cream satin blouse with accordion-pleated chiffon frills, black figured voile skirt; Miss Brettargh wore a pale green silk muslin frock with bands of Valenciennes insertion and wide swathed pink silk belt; Miss D. Brettargh, white muslin frock with crimson silk sash. Amongst those present were Mrs. Barnicoat, Mrs. Wall, Mrs. Bundell, Mrs. Fairburn, Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Izard, Mrs. Sarjeant, Mrs. Montgomerie, Mrs. Gordon, Miss Gresson (Christchurch), Miss Brewer, Mrs. Paterson, Miss Reichart, Miss W. Anderson, Mrs. Dodgshun, Mrs. Izelt, Mrs. Hughes-Johnston, Miss Stanford, Miss O. Stanford.

On Monday Mr. Russell Stevenson gave an enjoyable little evening, when pingpong and other games were played. Amongst those present were Mrs. and Miss Bundell (Nelson), Mrs. Dodgshun, Miss O. Stanford, Miss Darley, Miss Wheeler (Rangitikei), Messrs. Stevenson, Cook (Nelson), Chamberlain, Brabant (Napier).

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Stanford, of New Plymouth, is staying in Wanganui with Mr. and Mrs. Stanford.

Mr. and Mrs. Barthepe, of Silverhope, Rangitikei, have been in Wanganui recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Mowat, of Humberville, were in Wanganui this week.

Mrs. Krull and Mr. Fritz Krull, of Wanganui, leave this month for a visit to England and Germany.

Miss Richmond, of Wanganui, is staying with her relations in Nelson.

Miss Inlay and Mrs. Inlay Saunders, of Mt. Desert, Wanganui, have returned from their holiday in Wellington.

Mrs. Good, of Wanganui, is staying with friends in Rangitikei.

Miss P. Jones, of Wanganui, has returned from Silverhope, Rangitikei, where she was the guest of Mrs. Barthepe.

Miss Irelle Jones, of Wanganui, is staying with friends in New Plymouth.

Mrs. A. Lewis, of Wanganui, has returned from her visit to Masterton and Napier.

Mr. French, of the Waikato, is staying in Wanganui. HUIA.

WELLINGTON.

Dear Bee, May 15.

We have had rather a gay week with two dances, and several other entertainments, including a big bridge tournament. This latter was wonderfully well arranged, all the games being got off smartly to time. So, though there were so many players, there was none of that wearisome delay which is so characteristic of tournaments. Most of the best players in Wellington took part, and, after very close and exciting play, Mrs. Grace and Mr. Myline carried off the honours. The proceeds are to go to St. Mary's Home for girls at Karori. Besides the winners, other players who distinguished themselves were Mrs. C. Pearce, Mrs. A. Duncan, Mrs. Tweed, Mrs. Morison, Miss Izard.

Wednesday was the date of

MRS. WALTER NATHAN'S

dancer, which was an exceptionally smart one. The Sydney-street Hall was transformed into a tent-like appearance by draperies of white and daffodil yellow, which was suspended from the ceiling, while the mantelpieces and the platform were banked with golden yellow chrysanthemums. The supper tables were all decorated in the same scheme of white and gold, and which was also carried out in the ante-room. The hostesses wore a very pretty gown of ivory taffetas, with an overdress of chiffon veiled in beautiful lace. Her bouquet was of yellow and bronze chrysanthemums and autumn leaves. Miss Nathan was in rose pink satin charmeuse, softened with lace; Miss Gladys Nathan had a handsome semi-Empire gown of ivory satin, with silver and crystal embroideries. Miss Zaidée Nathan was also in white, of diaphanous texture, with a becoming touch of vivid colour on the corsage. Miss Sybil Nathan had a dainty frock of mirage blue chiffon, with frills of lace on the sleeves.

Amongst the many guests were Mrs. David Nathan, in silver tissue, softened with chiffon, and smothered in ivory tinted lace. Miss Tuson, wore a striking dress of peacock taffetas, veiled in net scintillating with sequins of the same blue and green shades; Mrs. H. Johnston, rose pink mousseline de soie; Mrs. K. Duncan, ivory satin, silver belt and hem, and sequin net draperies; Mrs. Martin, pale pink mousseline de soie; Mrs. A. Duncan, opal taffetas, with epaulettes of Irish lace; Mrs. McLean, ivory satin and lace; Mrs. R. Robertson, black chiffon de soie and jet; Mrs. Hislop, ivory satin, relieved with pale blue; Mrs. Stott, hydrangea blue peau de soie and lace bertha; Mrs. Willford, black crepe de chine and jet.

There was one debutante, Miss Ellice Fitzgerald, who looked well in a charming frock of white chiffon taffetas made in the semi-Empire style with delicate touches of silver and knots of chiffon roses; Miss Duncan wore marmosion pink nixon de soie, softened with Meurin lace; Miss G. Reid, white satin charmingly veiled in vivid green chiffon, with touches of silver; Miss Joseph, amber satin with exquisite lace and jewelled embroideries; Miss E. Joseph, vieux ivory satin, softened with Brussels lace and relieved with pink roses; Miss D. Johnston, white chiffon and lace; Miss Denny (England), rose pink nixon de soie with delicate embroideries and lace; Miss Miles, pale pink crepe de chine with gold tassels and lace bertha; Miss Brandon, white glace and silver sequins; Miss Martin (Wairarapa), white embroidered net over glace; Miss Simpson, ivory satin and lace; Miss Webster, shrimp pink chiffon taffetas; Miss Mackenzie, ivory satin with bolero em-

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