



An Ode.  
(Based upon a recent incident.)  
The night was warm, the drizzling rain  
Had long since ceased to fall.  
A brilliant crowd of "lily souls"  
Was stiller round the hall;  
And I was in the midst of them,  
Fair things in my sight.  
When, oh, quite without suspicion,  
Out went the "lily light."

My love at first had reached the point  
Where I had been so long.  
Till I thought that it would last.  
Then, to solve the argument,  
I made love with all my might.  
While I tried to solve the light,  
Should keep out the "lily light."

She seemed and jumped, just like a deer,  
Out from my twinkling arms.  
She started, and I saw her there  
Like she didn't care two dimes.  
Then, oh, the horror of it all!  
My face got red with right.  
For out again on my twinkling hair,  
Shone that blinding "lily light."

The moral to me of this short ball  
Is very simply told:  
If I ever try to be again  
A girl, whoever she may be,  
I'll move with me and night,  
To sit the man who turns the switch  
Of that cursed "lily light."

—Andrew.

## BRILLIANT SOCIAL WEEK

Signified by Williams Wedding and  
Arlington Club Reception—Some  
Breedy Society Chat.

"It is so near Lent, you know," said the belle of three seasons, leaning back among the cushions, tilted to picturesque confusion upon the divan in the sunny corner of her morning-room; "we'll have a chance to rest then, thank goodness!"

It was the day after the Arlington Club reception, and in spite of her animation, she was looking somewhat pale. "I danced till half-past 2 this morning," she admitted, "and the night before, at the wedding, was nearly as bad. But it's bearing the end now, and, as I said before, we'll soon be fasting, instead of feasting."

"Has the season been so gay?" I asked.  
"Oh, no; on the contrary, it opened stuporously enough. Society started out to be rather dull, and only seems to have gotten fairly awake a fortnight or so ago. Of course, I don't mean any thing but the usual dinner and teas and luncheons, to say nothing of card parties—I hate whist, and I never could understand why women, intelligent women, too, take to it so madly—but I'll tell you what I think about that some other time."

**Hotel Portland Reception.**  
"Last week, as you know, concluded with the reception at the Hotel Portland. They modestly called it a 'tea,' but everybody who was there said it was one of the very swiftest functions ever given in quiet, conservative Portland. And everybody worth mentioning was there. And the guests! Ah! me! I wish I could have been the society reporter on The Oregonian long enough to have given this readers a picture of the purple and the line linen displayed on that occasion. Verily, Solomon in all his glory would have paled at the sight of the simplest among them. The young hostess was a radiant vision in white."

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"Nonsense," replied the belle of three seasons, sitting up very straight and punching one of her silken pillows. "Why do we dress if not to be admired. Let me give you a few points, and you are at liberty to publish what I say in every paper in the land, if you choose, for it's true, and the truth is so seldom told that most people think it's a lie when it is. Have you ever reflected how many of us there are who fail to recognize the truth, when we meet it face to face, without a formal introduction?"

"Please don't moralize," I begged. "You were going to say—"

"Just this: Whenever any one of us, from the greatest to the least, does anything, says anything, wears anything or goes anywhere worth mentioning, we like to have it known and commented upon. 'All the world's a stage,' Shakespeare knew human nature. When he said that he had in mind the fact that every mother's son, and daughter, too, likes to play to a good house. We all want to be seen. Did you ever hear of an actor who knows 'coasted obscurity'?"

**Arlington Club Function.**  
"No, and you never will. But what you want to keep before your mind's eye is this: We all shine upon this limited stage called life, and this being so, we want to be applauded when we play our parts well. But you want to know about the reception at the Arlington last night. Well, to begin with, the decorations—"

"Stop the decorations, please!"  
"But how are you going to describe a function without the decorations? I thought they were the important feature."

"You have been wrongly educated, then. I want to know about the people—the handsome, well-groomed men, the charming women—those lovely, living, breathing human blossoms, heads whose beauty bestows a glow upon every face. Who would look twice at a rose in a vase when he could feast his eyes upon a pretty woman, beautifully groomed?"

"Perhaps you are right," she admitted.

Anyhow, the gown worn last night was really worth while. Mrs. H. W. Goode wore pink decorated with white, all-over-spangled net. It was a handsome gown and exactly suited her—harmonized, you know. Her husband is president of the Arlington Club, and she received with Mrs. Ayer and Mrs. Malloy.

"Mrs. Ayer's dress was of white satin—that rich, pearly white that needs no decoration to make it perfect. Mrs. Malloy looked so charming that I really forgot to observe her gown, though enough to tell you what it was; but it was something very elegant and becoming. Mrs. H. W. Corbett wore yellow silk, with a profusion of real lace; the effect was one of regal richness."

### Other Charming Gowns.

"Miss Williams was most magnificently gowned in pink, with quantities of real lace. If there is one thing a true woman covets, it is lace—real lace—loads of it. Diamonds are all well enough, but we would rather have any day for lace."

"Certainly," I said, "but don't digress." "Well, there was Mrs. Jack Kollock. She looked lovely in a turquoise-blue satin, with roses outlined in white running riot over it. The corsage of this exquisite gown was also trimmed with the lace you love. Mrs. Robertson was beautifully gowned in yellow, and Miss Edna Johnson, of Chicago, who is visiting Mrs. Goode, wore pink. Mrs. T. H. Wilcox was magnificent in white satin and black lace—but I cannot begin to tell you half where all was so deserving of mention."

"The balcony of the clubhouse was in-land and decorated with evergreens and these lanterns. Punch was served there, and coffee downstairs, where the Spanish Studentia decorated music, behind a screen of palms, and tropic plants and shrubs. An orchestra furnished music for the dancers. The supper was something to dream about, and quite sumptuous enough to give one an indigestion for a month to come. It was served at small tables. The color scheme of the supper room was red—red candles and shades—red flowers, and so on, and I believe that's all."

"You haven't told me about your own gown yet."

"Oh, but I wouldn't have you mention me for the world; besides, I've worn that old-well, path rag, at least six times this season, and it's a familiar sight to everybody in society. Please, please don't say anything about it."

### The Williams Wedding.

The Williams wedding was an all-absorbing topic among society people for a month before it took place, and they are not done talking about it yet. The elegant home of Judge George H. Williams was thrown open to a throng of expectant guests last Tuesday evening. The drawing-room, an altar green, white hyacinths, lilies of the valley and orange blossoms, amid which white doves hovered with outspread wings. On the stroke of 3 the bride, in her white gown and veil, entered upon the arm of her father, and advanced to the altar, where the bridegroom, Mr. Carl Harbaugh, with Mr. Bert Mackay as best man, was waiting to receive her. Dr. Morrison read the always beautiful and impressive marriage service of the Episcopal Church. The bridesmaids were Miss Lou Flanders and Miss Helen Eastman, both in white. Miss Whalley was the maid of honor, and was daintily gowned in pink.

After the usual congratulations, supper was served. The dining-room was set with small tables, and the menu left nothing to be desired. Dr. Morrison's punch was served throughout the evening, and the billiard-room, transformed for the nonce into a pink bower, was supplied with a buffet, where guests were free to help themselves. The supper room, a fairy-like structure, was placed in the billiard-room. The happy couple took the 11 o'clock train to Tacoma Tuesday night. From there they went to Victoria. Their home will be in Seattle for the coming year at least. The bride, who was one of the most deservedly popular young girls in society here, will be greatly missed. The pretty girl who did in quiet, conservative Portland. And everybody worth mentioning was there. And the guests! Ah! me! I wish I could have been the society reporter on The Oregonian long enough to have given this readers a picture of the purple and the line linen displayed on that occasion. Verily, Solomon in all his glory would have paled at the sight of the simplest among them. The young hostess was a radiant vision in white."

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**Other Entertainments.**  
On Wednesday night at Parsons hall the Native Daughters of Oregon gave a most enjoyable party. There were music and dancing and dainty refreshments. On Friday night, the same place was the scene of a similar festivity, when the 100 Club received its friends and danced till the wee wee hours. And again on Saturday the members of Mrs. Jacob Kammer's class, in Mrs. Oberstetter's dining room, were invited to a domino party by their chairman, Mrs. David Seal.

**AGATHA.**  
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**Their First Ball.**  
Elias Spaulding Warren Cabin, Native Sons of Oregon, gave their first annual ball at Parsons Hall, Wednesday evening, February 22. It was largely attended, and proved a brilliant affair. About 50 couples took part in the grand march. Refreshments were served by the Native Daughters in the supper-room. The patronesses were: Mrs. O. N. Denny, Mrs. James Steel, Mrs. I. W. Pratt, Mrs. Frank Hinchey, Mrs. Robert A. Miller, Mrs. A. H. Bailey, Mrs. D. H. Stewart and Mrs. David Seal. The committee of arrangements was:

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**Pretty Domino Party.**  
A pretty domino party was given by Mrs. Oberstetter to her 7 o'clock dancing class, at Parsons hall, Saturday evening. Large tropical palms and ferns adorned the hall, and Japanese lanterns were festooned from either end. The many-colored dominoes worn by the dancers presented a striking spectacle. The grand march was led by Berwick Wood and Loe Koehner, Howard Gray and Janet Noble, Chandler Woodard and Carolyn Kamm led an elaborate German, in which many new and difficult figures were cleverly executed. A delicious supper was subsequently served.

**Knights of Pythias Ball.**  
One of the largest social gatherings of the year was the ball given by the Knights of Pythias Monday evening, at Armory Hall, and the pleasure of the affair was proportionate. For the past year or two the order has not celebrated its anniversary in a public manner, and this led to a determination by the various City lodges to make due amends in one grand

event. The successful result was contributed to by the hearty co-operation of more than 1000 Portland Knights. Armory Hall never accommodated a larger number of diners, for it was impossible to introduce more. Several rows of chairs around the hall were occupied, while the floor space was crowded. Light refreshments were served. The decorations were neat, and the music good.

**Entertainment and Hop.**  
Miss Maxon and Miss De Witt give an entertainment at Burkhard Hall Monday evening, February 27, consisting of musical sketch, fancy dancing, followed by a hop. Admission, 25 cents. Those attending part are: Misses Leah and Lillie Hildge, Lucia Betke, Clara Maryo, Grace and Mildred Hall, Mae Breslin.

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in this City, by Rev. Edgar P. Hill, of the First Presbyterian Church. At home after March 10, at 743 Kearney street. Mr. Gibson is one of Portland's well-known business men. Only a few close friends and relatives were present at the ceremony.

**Walsh-Groesbeck.**  
One of the prettiest home weddings of the season took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Wright, on Larrabee street, Wednesday evening, February 14, when Mr. M. F. Walsh, of Chicago, was united in marriage to Miss Mary C. Groesbeck, by Rev. W. O. Forbes. The house was tastefully decorated with vines and potted plants by the hostess, Mrs. Wright, and a delicious wedding luncheon was served to the company of special friends before the happy couple took the boat for Astoria, thence to their new home in Illinois.

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the address of the evening was delivered by Mr. Spied, who reviewed the doings of the Society since its organization. The programme, in its entirety, was well rendered and received.

On Monday evening, February 12, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Whitaker were surprised at their home, "Ockley Green," by a number of their friends, in honor of their third anniversary, or "leather" wedding. "Drive what" was the amusement of the evening, the first prize being won by Mrs. E. J. Carr, and the "booby" by Ed Pope. After what, lunch was served. Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker were presented with a handsome leather calendar, as a souvenir of the evening.

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kellough Wednesday evening last as a surprise party. What and music were the features of the evening's entertainment. Lunch was served and flashlight pictures taken.

At the home of Mrs. Henderson, 497 Stark street, on Wednesday evening, a farewell surprise party was given Miss Mary Cheyne, prior to her departure for her home in Washington. Miss Cheyne has just graduated from the Portland High School, and has endeavored herself to a host of young people. A delightful evening was spent, with music and games. Light refreshments were served. The friends of Miss David Rivers tendered her a pleasant surprise Monday

evening, February 13, at her home, 281 East Eleventh street. The evening was spent with games and music, and a bountiful luncheon was served.

A very pleasant surprise party was tendered Master Roderick Davidson by a number of his young friends, at the home of his parents, 11 North Grand avenue, on Friday evening last. There were games, music, dancing and refreshments.

The home of Mrs. A. H. Steadman, 533 Montgomery street, was the scene of a patriotic gathering Thursday, the 22nd inst. The Monday History Club gave its first Washington-day banquet. The rooms were prettily decorated with the National colors, and the menu was elaborate. A literary programme, appropriate for the day, was enjoyed.

A pleasing entertainment was given by the Sunday School of the First Baptist Church, in Albina, on last Wednesday evening. The pupils were assisted by Miss Mosler, who gave recitations, and a solo by Miss (Almeria) was well received. Mrs. Henderson accompanied the audience with several selections on the guitar. The opera, "Grandpa's Birthday," closed the evening's programme.

A surprise party was given on the 15th inst. to Mr. and Mrs. Wahlstrom, in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. Various presents were made, and the evening was spent with games and singing. A supper was served.

An enjoyable evening was spent last Thursday at the home of Miss Hazel Dillmore, of East Portland. There were dancing, recitations and music.

An impressive evening party was given last Wednesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Grant, at their residence, 1044 Thurman street, Willamette Heights. The first prizes were won by Mr. A. L. Upon and Mrs. Richard Hoyt, and the unlucky recipients of the consolation prizes were Mr. C. G. Goggin and Mrs. W. A. Carroll. About 20 couples were present.

Monday evening, February 13, a delightful dancing party was given at Alky hall in honor of Albert Hayes, it being his birthday. The party was arranged by his many friends, and the hall was prettily decorated with palms, maiden-hair fern and potted plants. There were about 20 couples present, and each person was presented with a button-hole bouquet of white carnations.

Mrs. H. M. Gray and Mrs. E. West gave a luncheon at their residence, 246 College street, last Friday afternoon, in honor of President Elder M. W. Byrum, of the California conference, and Rev. W. Howard, of San Jose, Cal. The Zion choir (Mrs. D. Newman, Mrs. S. Gayles and Mrs. K. Gray) was in attendance; also Mrs. P. Lea, Mrs. William Washington and Mrs. Gray, of Rose.

**A Well-Deserved Compliment.**  
Miss Mabel Dodson, pleasantly remembered by many in this City and especially by the Treble Clef Club, of which she was an accompanist, is now traveling in Europe. From Europe, where she has been for several months, she writes to a friend in Portland and pays the compliment to Madame A. de Frontride Smith, a native Portlander, as perfectly of French as appreciative I am of my good fortune in having been able to study French with Miss Smith last winter. I have said several times that one may learn pure French as perfectly of French as appreciative I am of my good fortune in having been able to study French with Miss Smith last winter. I have said several times that one may learn pure French as perfectly of French as appreciative I am of my good fortune in having been able to study French with Miss Smith last winter. I have said several times that one may learn pure French as perfectly of French as appreciative I am of my good fortune in having been able to study French with Miss Smith last winter. I have said several times that one