

WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING



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A WOMAN'S QUESTION.
Before I trust my fate to thee.
Or place my hand in thine;
Before you get your overcoat
Or help me on with mine;
Before I peril all for thee,
Question thy soul to-night for me.

Before we stir a single step,
Stand back and let me know;
Does my black skirt touch on the
sides,
And does the white skirt show?
Speak now, lest at some future day
My whole life wither and decay.

Look deeper still within thy soul,
And let me learn my fate;
Am I all buttoned down the back
And is my hat on straight?
Let no false pity spare the blow
But in true mercy tell me so.

Gaze on my face and answer true,
Before we start to go;
Can'st thou detect the roseline
And does the talcum show?
If so at any pain or cost,
Oh, tell me now 'ere all is lost!

Nay, answer not thou could'st not
tell,
The words would come too late;
Get on thy hat and hurry up,
We haven't time to wait.
Whatever in my heart may fall,
Remember, I must risk it all!

—Puck.

THE GERMAN GIRLS IN Milwaukee have introduced there a unique and charmingly informal way of entertaining. You are invited by a card sent by mail, or simply over the telephone, to a "coffee" at four o'clock on a certain day.

The guests understand that they are to arrive a few minutes before four o'clock, as at that hour they are to be seated at the table and refreshments served, but in another town it is not safe to expect your guests to know this and arrive promptly unless particularly requested. One girl who had visited in Milwaukee made the mistake of

numerous small tables, but this is a departure from custom and not as conducive to general conversation and sociability. The table may be decorated as for a luncheon and with as much variety, from a simple center bouquet to elaborate floral designs and candelabra. In winter a candle light "coffee" is very attractive.

The refreshments served are usually one of two menus. The first is the serving of hot popovers and jelly, to be eaten with a fork; coffee cake of any kind and large cups of rich coffee, for which both cream and hot milk are passed; the

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McPherson on Wednesday of this week. Seven tables of bridge were seated and prizes won by Mrs. Elizabeth Minot and Mrs. E. L. C. Farrin. The decorations were of cherry blossoms and Oregon grape. One very pretty feature of the occasion was the hand painted score cards. Mrs. McPherson was assisted in receiving by Mrs. W. A. Toye, Mrs. W. T. Merchant, Mrs. E. Mingus and Mrs. J. H. Flanagan.

Among those present were: Mrs. M. C. Horton, Mrs. I. S. Kauf-



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coffee cups remain on the table and are refilled two or three times. A course follows of ice cream and German cakes, "torts" they call them. These cakes are of very complicated recipes and said to be truly successful only when prepared by the German girls, who have been carefully trained to make them. In towns where delicatessen stores are situated small German cakes can often be obtained, or macaroons, or cake of any kind may be substituted. The second style of menu consists

man, Mrs. G. W. Kaufman, Mrs. D. Kretzer, Mrs. Pollexfen, Mrs. W. S. Turpen, Mrs. W. A. Toye, Mrs. Ward Blake, Mrs. E. G. Flanagan, Mrs. J. T. McCormac, Mrs. Ingram, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. D. Y. Stafford, Mrs. E. Mingus, Mrs. J. W. Flanagan, Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mrs. John Coke, Mrs. C. E. Nicholson, Mrs. E. L. C. Farrin, Mrs. J. H. Flanagan, Mrs. W. T. Merchant, Mrs. E. Minot, Mrs. L. J. Simpson, Mrs. J. T. Sullivan, Miss Hogan and Miss Mahoney.

Major and Mrs. Morton Tower left Friday for "Dreeme Lodge," their summer home on Coos River, for a few days fishing.

Rumors of the engagement of a popular Marshfield girl to an Eastern professional man, have been in circulation this past week; but no announcements have been made as yet.

Mrs. J. T. McCormac entertained the A. N. W. Club at her home on Thursday. Twenty members and three guests Mrs. A. E. Seaman, Mrs. I. S. Kaufman and Mrs. M. C. Maloney were present. The resignation of Mrs. Chas. Kaiser was accepted. A committee of three was appointed to confer with a committee from the Progress Club concerning arrangements for Marshfield day at the Alaska-Yukon Exposition. The club will meet next Thursday with Mrs. McKnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kaiser of North Bend, have moved to Bandon where they will remain indefinitely.

Mrs. John Preuss left Wednesday for a visit to the Preuss summer home on the coast near Bandon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Haines entertained at a six course dinner at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Nina Haines. After dinner, the evening was spent in playing whist. The invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Haines, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Warwick, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Sandberg, Mrs. C. G. Haines, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rust,

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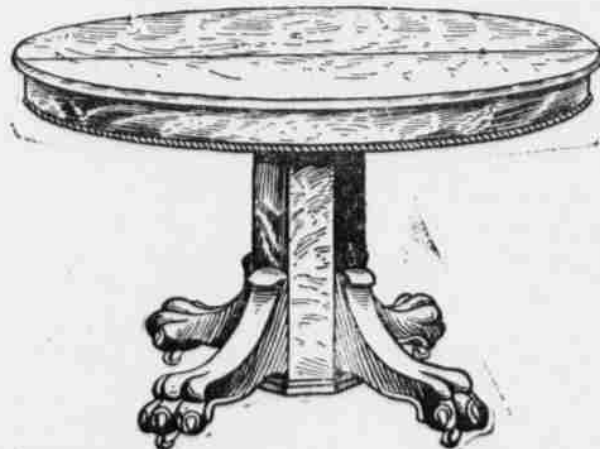
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not explaining to her prospective guests the nature of her entertainment, and as a consequence ten of the twelve girls arrived about four o'clock and the hostess waited at least half an hour for the other two guests. An immediate reply to a "coffee" is as imperative as to a luncheon. In a town where it is a novelty the hostess would be wise to invite her guests by telephone if possible, as then she can make explanations.

The number invited to a "coffee" varies from eight or twelve to twenty-four, depending on the number that can be seated at the table. Occasionally the guests are seated at

a simple salad—either lettuce or hot sandwiches, hot rolls or English muffins, cut in halves, toasted and buttered; and coffee, always coffee. Ice cream and cake follow, as in the first menu, and if desired nuts and candies.

The charm of the "coffee" lies in the sociability which always exists in a group around a table and the opportunity the guests have of visiting with each other informally without the amount of preparation or expense entailed by a luncheon of several courses.

One of the largest bridge parties of the year was given by Mrs. H. H.