

WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING



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On the Way Home.
 "Didn't you like the party, dear, tonight?"
 (Silence. She turns her head the other way.)
 "What have I done? Isn't my tie on right?"
 (No answer—but her eyes have things to say.)
 "Is it because I danced with Mrs. Chatt?"
 Her husband made me, really."
 (She is dumb.)
 "Surely you can't be jealous that I sat out with the silly Jones girl?"
 (She is mum.)
 "I know I talked too much of me and mine—
 Was that the reason?" (Perfect stillness reigns.)
 "But I was proud—you simply looked divine!"
 Can't you forgive me?" (Speechless she remains.)
 "Was it because I stumbled in that wait?"
 I always do some fool thing."
 (Not a word.)
 "I didn't mean to lose your smelling salts."
 ("Would seem the protestations were unheard.)
 "Oh, Mrs. Gad then told you that I said Her dress should have the prize?"
 (Hark! 'T is the wind.)
 "Or was it that I cut Ned Killer dead?"
 He's a mere rake. Look at me, dear." (She's blind.)
 "Well, I confess, I ought to be accursed
 For talking shop at dinner." (She is mute.)
 "I'm sorry that I used the wrong fork first."
 (Her hush and nature's hush are absolute.)
 "Oh, very well, then, since you're bound to sneer,
 I can fight, too, if quarrelling's such fun."
 She speaks! She smiles! "Why, I'm not angry, dear,
 I merely wished to know what you had done."

A SORT OF APATHY of indolent summer seems to have settled over the social world these days, and aside from the few informal events which have been quiet affairs indeed, nothing of an unusually interesting character has disturbed the monotony of a rather quiet week.

All city folk seem to share alike the common desire during summer—that of getting off to Coos River retreats—and each week sees a list of fresh departures. Those who remain in town try to atone for the fact by as much outdoor amusement as possible, and for such people the picnic boat trips seem especially inviting. Several parties enjoyed informal luncheons or suppers at the beach this week. There also seems to be no indication that the athletic sports will be neglected, for enthusiastic devotees flock to the fascinating game of tennis.

EACH SEASON the Paris women of fashion invent or adopt some characteristic feature in their costumes, sometimes only a peculiar note in the ornamentation of the gown or the blouse, or some striking note of color. This year the Parisian women seem to have dyed every bit of sheer linen they could lay hands on, and to have dipped all of their laces, mulls and eyelid embroideries with the result that the blouse as the Parisian woman wears it is a colored garment matching its

own special skirt and coat. Notwithstanding all of the promises made for the return of this garment and the joyful reception in America of the white blouse for the tailored suit, Paris dips her own in dye pots to bring her costume into the semblance of a one-piece frock. She even colors her buttons of linen and lace with dye.

That the colored linens are taking the lead this season instead of the white, cannot be denied. The reason is not hard to find, for the colors that are now modish are extremely beautiful and are brought out to the best advantage in heavy linens. In addition to that there is an unusually wide range of weaves among the flax textiles this year.

Some of these linens imitate pongee to perfection, though without the gloss they might be mistaken for hand-woven linen, which in the machine work of the day is not far from equal to the old-time hand-loom materials. The machine-woven materials in silks and linens, with uneven threads, which remind one of hand-loom stuffs, have lost to a great extent, the crude appearance which they used to have in former years.

The new linens, imitating pongee, come in a complete range of the season's fashionable colors and are eminently suited for tailor-mades. Many such suits are being made with plaits in the skirts, some are pleated all around, but more have pleats let into the front and sides, and the front pleats are repeated in the bodices to enhance the length of line.

A good many short coats are making their appearance this season, but the majority are still quite long and cut at all angles. In linen tailor-mades the ones with shawl-points at sides and back, drooping well below the hips, are among the most graceful shapes. There is a very stunning new style for linen suits of the simple class which is cropping out now and then, and which on a girlish figure is charming. It is the baby frock with wide pleats at the back in a sort of indistinct outline and loose enough not to define the waistline. The pleats at the back are frequently stitched all the way down, while the sides, with let-in pleats, are left loose and flowing. Directorate revers are often used to finish the sides of the front, which is sure to be of lace, or open embroidery with lace.

Miss Helen Landrith, who has been making an extended visit in Salem, Portland and other northern cities, arrived home on the Breakwater. Miss Landrith was accompanied by Miss Lillian Blasen and Miss Emma Cowan of Portland, who will spend the summer visiting at "Myrtle Bank," the Landrith home on Coos River.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Smith entertained the McArthur and Hildebrand families and Mrs. Bartholomew and Miss Helen Gregory of Portland, at their home in Marshfield, Monday. Mrs. Bartholomew, Mr. Smith's daughter, and Miss Helen Gregory were the guests of honor.

Miss Genevieve Sengstacken entertained last Saturday at the attractive Sengstacken residence on Nob Hill, one of the largest bridge parties of the season. The affair was in honor of Miss May MacDonald of Minneapolis. The hostess was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Sengstacken and Miss May Bennett. The rooms were decorated elaborately with greens, huckleberries and were lighted with shaded lights and candles. Prizes were won by Miss May Bennett and Mrs. E. W. Kammerer. Elaborate refreshments were served at five o'clock.

Those included in the list of invitations were: Mesdames Farringer, Turpen, Sullivan, Oren, Pollexton, Straw, Ward, Blake, Street, Lockhart, Chandler,

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Arnold, Gale, Arthur McKeown, Maloney, O. A. Rogers, Kammerer, War-nicke, Richardson. Misses Larson, Bennett, Kathleen Bennett, Tower, Horton, Painter, Laura Kruse, Bertha Kruse, McDonald, O'Connell, Mandigo, Flanagan, Radcliffe, Platt, Miss O'Connor, Ella O'Connor, Mahoney, McGraw, Metze.

Mrs. Goss and grandson, Roger Goss, arrived here this week from Hundson, Wis., to make an extended visit with John D. Goss.

Mrs. W. F. Miller will leave next Saturday for Portland and Seattle. At the latter place she will probably be joined by Mr. Miller and then they will go to Iowa and Nebraska for a few weeks visit at their former homes.

Dr. Bartle of North Ben, took a party of friends to the lower Bay last Sunday in his private launch. Among his guests were:

Dr. and Mrs. Burmister, J. H. Reeves and wife, Jas. Chambers and wife and Miss Maude Coke.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Painter pleasantly entertained the Oklahoma Whist Club at their home Wednesday evening. The evening's play resulted in the guest's prize going to R. T. Street while Mrs. Farringer won one of the club prizes and Wm. Grimes the other, winning over Dr. A. L. Houseworth on the cut. Among the visitors were F. K. Gettins and wife, R. T. Street and wife and Mrs. F. M. Parsons.

Mrs. J. S. Coke and Miss Evelyn Anderson have issued invitations for next Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock when they will entertain at Judge Coke's home in honor of Mrs. J. E. Oren.

Misses May Bennett, Kathleen Bennett, Genevieve Sengstacken and Mamie Mahoney will return Sunday evening from a few days outing at the homestead of Fred Bennett in the Sand Hills. Mrs. G. A. Bennett spent a few days with them early in the week and will go down tomorrow.

A surprise party was given last Saturday evening in honor of Miss Lucy and Thomas and John Juza, at their home in South Marshfield. Some of their friends met and went en masse to the Juza home where a loud ringing of the door-bell awoke Tommy, who was quietly dreaming of a fair one he had met somewhere before, and once awake, Tommy did not have to dream of her any more unless he thought it was all a dream. Whether Miss Lucy and John had

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