

WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING



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THE PRETTY MAID.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"

"I'm going to play bridge, kind sir," she said.

"May I go with you, my pretty maid?"

"Yes, if you wish to, sir," she said.

"What do you play for, my pretty maid?"

"We play for a prize, kind sir," she said.

"Will you be my prize, my pretty maid?"

"Then you couldn't play with me, sir," she said.

"Then I won't play with you, my pretty maid."

"I'd rather you wouldn't sir," she said.

—Mary Allen Avery.

RECENT statistics indicate that the popularity of the widow is waning; but should this be the case, she can most certainly afford to be generous, for her reputed charm has almost become proverbial.

There are many instances of the second marriage of widows, and it is noticeable that the husband in such cases frequently happens to be the younger of the two.

This is not extraordinary, for women invariably remain young longer than men, and a woman who has encountered the exceedingly enlightening experience of married life knows exactly how to deal with a man.

She is intuitive and can instantly diagnose his mood. If he appears worried and dispirited, she is tactfully quiet and sympathetic. She does not force his confidence, because she realizes quite well that he will probably tell her everything later on.

A young man is naturally susceptible, and he appreciates this seductive treatment.

When necessary, a widow is more entertaining than a young girl. Her knowledge of life has made her interesting; her experience has sharpened her intellect, and she knows exactly what to say upon each occasion.

As a hostess she is usually perfect. Her previous knowledge of married life has necessitated the acquirement of culinary art, and she realizes that a dainty, well-served dinner appeals to a man's soul quite as much as mere beauty of feature.

But she is careful not to neglect her own appearance, for she understands that men appreciate elegance as a whole.

Then with regard to the care of the family exchequer, a widow's experience is invaluable. At the expense of much suffering she has learned the value of money. She knows how and where to buy, and gets good value for her expenditure; and this in itself is a great consideration for a young man.

But perhaps unselfishness is the keynote of the widow's success. She has learned that she is not the all-important factor of the marriage contract. She recognizes that domestic art is her sphere in life, and she appreciates the dignity of her position. In fact, she is a "womanly" woman, and, as a rule, decidedly deserves her popularity.

Mrs. Henry Sengstacken was hostess at one of the prettiest social events of the season Friday afternoon when she entertained at cards. The decorations were extensive, artistic and decidedly original, all favoring of the Thanksgiving season. Great apple boughs with the ripened apples of various hues still clinging to them, pumpkins here and there, the chandeliers hung with ivy and with other symbols of the Thanksgiving scenes of old about. The rooms were resplendent under the shaded electric lights and the soft glow of the candles. The Thanksgiving idea was still further carried out in the favors, which were paper-mache tur-

keys filled with bon-bons, and in the score cards which were embossed with turkeys and to each was attached a miniature wish-bone.

There were ten tables of bridge, all of the guests excepting Mrs. A. H. Powers, Mrs. C. F. McCollum, Mrs. J. R. Smith and Mrs. T. H. Barry playing. The afternoon's play resulted in Miss Laura Kruse winning the first prize, Mrs. C. M. Byler the second prize and Mrs. C. W. Tower receiving the consolation prize.

Misses May and Kathleen Bennett, Miss Laura Kruse and Miss Genevieve Sengstacken assisted in serving. Mrs. Sengstacken was assisted in receiving by Mrs. M. C. Horton, and Mrs. I. S. Kaufman.

Among those invited were the following:

From Marshfield—Mesdames E. Mingus, G. A. Bennett, W. P. Murphy, P. M. Wilbur, J. W. Bennett, Wm. Grimes, Ward Blake, W. C. Bradley, F. A. Golden, F. K. Gettins, Geo. Gettins, Wm. Horsfall Jr., M. C. Horton, J. W. Ingram, E. K. Jones, Dorsey M. Kreitzer, J. H. Flanagan, I. S. Kaufman, G. W. Kaufman, J. A. Matson, Arthur, McKeown, M. C. Maloney, J. T. McCormac, W. T. Merchant, H. H. McPherson, F. P. Norton, Eugene O'Connell, C. R. Peck, Colby Perry, Arthur Pollexfen, A. H. Powers, Nels Rasmussen, P. A. Sandberg, D. Y. Stafford, R. T. Street, D. W. Small, C. A. Schibrede, W. A. Toye, H. S. Tower, C. W. Tower, J. M. Upton, R. F. Williams, and Misses Kathleen and May Bennett and Elizabeth Kaufman.

From North Bend—Mesdames C. M. Byler, W. P. Evans, C. F. McCollum, T. W. Rennie, L. J. Simpson, J. R. Smith, C. S. Winsor and Miss Laura Kruse.

From Empire—Mrs. T. H. Barry, Mrs. R. E. Shine and Mrs. Morton Tower.

Mrs. Bradley will entertain the Ladies of the Progress Club at her apartments in the Williams building, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Miss Georgie Newmyer of Spokane, Wash., is expected soon to visit with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Ingram.

Mrs. Wm. Lawlor was hostess Tuesday afternoon in honor of the Biographic Club at one of the most delightful events of the week. Greens predominated in the decorations. The afternoon was spent at cards, Mrs. F. M. Parsons winning first prize, Miss Alice Butler second prize and Mrs. C. E. Nicholson receiving the consolation prize. Refreshments were served, Mrs. Parsons assisting Mrs. Lawlor. Among those invited were Mrs. J. S. Coke, Mrs. J. W. Bennett, Mrs. Arthur McKeown, Mrs. H. S. Tower, Mrs. W. P. Murphy, Mrs. E. K. Jones, Miss Hutcherson, Miss Evelyn Anderson, Miss Alice Butler, Miss Maude Painter, Miss Stella O'Connell, Mrs. Otto Schetter, Mrs. E. Mingus, Mrs. E. W. Kammerer, Mrs. F. M. Parsons, Mrs. W. M. Blake, Miss Elizabeth Kaufman, Mrs. A. E. Neff, Mrs. J. T. Harrigan, Mrs. E. L. C. Farrin, Mrs. C. E. Nicholson, Mrs. J. E. Lyons, Mrs. W. F. Miller, Mrs. F. E. Hague, Mrs. M. Roberts and Mrs. J. W. Flanagan.

Mrs. W. J. Butler entertained the Evergreen Bridge Club at her home last Saturday afternoon. The play resulted in Mrs. Fannie Hazard winning first prize and Mrs. Rolandson receiving the consolation prize. The club is meeting this afternoon with Mrs. J. E. Lyons.

The A. N. W. Club did not meet this week owing to Thanksgiving but will meet next Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Fannie Hazard. The annual election of officers will be held then.

F. A. Haines and wife entertained the Tuesday Evening Whist Club this week, their home being prettily decorated for the occasion. The even-

ing's play resulted in Dr. Houseworth and Mrs. Dorsey Kreitzer carrying off the honors. Among their guests were Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Houseworth, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Selby, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crosthwait, Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Kreitzer, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Haines, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Peck, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Warwick, Mrs. Effie Farringer, Mrs. F. M. Parsons, Miss Maude Painter and Mr. Conner of Deadwood, S. D. The club will meet a week from next Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Kreitzer.

PERSONAL notices of visitors in the city, or of Coos Bay people who visit in other cities, together with notices of social affairs, are gladly received in the social department. Telephone 1331. Notices of club meetings will be published and secretaries are kindly requested to furnish same.

Last Saturday, Miss Lillian Hanson entertained a number of friends at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hanson, in Bay Park. The event was in honor of her twelfth birthday and the hours were from 1:30 to 5:30. Taffy pulling, music by Misses Clara Sergeant and Clara Matson, and various games made the afternoon go quickly, and after enjoying a four course luncheon, the little folks separated wishing their hostess many more such happy anniversaries. She was the recipient of numerous presents. Among her guests were the following: Cora Matson, Alice Matson, Clara Sergeant, Howard Kelley, Eugene Kelly, Roy Green, Gertrude Gage, Lily Gibmark, Stella McNib and Margaret O'Donnell.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Simpson of North Bend, entertained a number of friends at a Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday evening.

Two weddings solemnized in Marshfield Thanksgiving Day were of decided interest to Coquille Valley folks, the contracting parties coming from that section. One of the couples was Prof. H. O. Anderson of Coquille, and Miss Eida Farlow who were married by the Rev. H. I. Rutledge. The second couple was Ralph Thompson and Miss Ina Blackerby, both of Bandon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hayes of North Bend, entertained a few friends at a Thanksgiving dinner. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Simpson and baby, Mrs. Brown, Carl Hayes, Miss Flossie, Mr. and Mrs. Hayes.

Several dancing parties were given during the week that drew a large attendance and a good time is reported by those in attendance. Wednesday evening, the Terpsichorean Club enjoyed one of its most delightful dances at the I. O. O. F. hall. Thursday night, the members of the Marshfield Independent football team gave a dance in the Odd Fellows' hall which was largely attended.

Mrs. D. L. Avery and her sister, Mrs. John W. Weinberg of Illinois, who has been visiting her, left Friday for Oakland, Cal., where they will visit relatives for a while. Mrs. Weinberg will visit at other southwestern points before returning east.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Worrell of North Bend, entertained as Thanksgiving guests Captain Olson of San Francisco, master of the schooner Advent, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Simpson, and Hallie Simpson.

Miss Laura Kruse of North Bend, is spending a few days with Misses May and Kathleen Bennett.

Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, Miss Florence Powers entertained a number of her young friends at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Powers, in honor of her twelfth birthday. Yellow and white predominated in the decorations and following games, a delicious repast

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