

WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING



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SWEET PEAS.

Where bees are coming all day long
And happy robins call,
Sweet peas are nodding in the breeze
Along the garden wall.
Pale blossoms, pink and lavender,
With buds like little pearls,
They bring me thoughts of other years
And prim, old-fashioned girls.
Their frocks of frilly calico
Were just that tint of blue,
Their bonnets with the ruffled capes,
That faded lilac, too;
Sweet peas, along the garden wall,
You are the souls I know,
Of Hetty, Hannah, Ruth and Rose,
Who died so long ago.

—Minna Irving.

UNDOUBTEDLY there are disillusionments in the honeymoon, and disappointments, too; and a few headaches and tears. That is perfectly natural; for when two people, who have hitherto known each other entirely through the rosy clouds of romance, suddenly come face to face with the practicalities of life, there is bound to be a readjustment.

But I cannot agree with Mabel Herbert Urner that the honeymoon is one long series of disillusionments. If that were the case, Cupid would have to go out of business, and so I am afraid would Beatrice Fairfax. We are great friends, little Dan Cupid and I; and often he whispers wise little bits of advice in my ear. The honeymoon is an unsettled period and, if the girl has disillusionments, so also has the man. There may be astray hours of gloom but there are many, many hours of purest joy and sunshine.

There are exceptions in every case, and sometimes a girl finds she has married a grouchy crank, instead of a man. And sometimes the man finds he has married a nervous, peevish tergiversant instead of a woman. But the average honeymoon is happy. Of course, if the marriage is devoid of love on either side, the honeymoon will not be happy; how could it be?

But a man cannot be fault-finding, aggressive, critical and domineering without having shown some signs of the cloven foot before he married. I would hate to think that all honeymoons were sad and gloomy. I know a bride and groom of a week's standing, and I am quite sure that no disillusionment has marred those bright young faces.

I also know a young couple who have been married six weeks and they are as gay and happy as larks. There are some men who should never marry; they are born old bachelors. Marriage might cure them of their crankiness, but it would be rather sad for the woman who married them.

It is that kind of a man who makes the honeymoon a failure; he can't adjust himself to his new surroundings and responsibilities. Mothers have much to do with the spoiling of honeymoons. The mother who spoils her son lays up a supply of unhappiness for his wife.

If a man has been wanted on and pampered and made to look upon himself as the most important person on earth, he is sure to make a poor husband, at the start out anyway. He will expect his wife to join the group of adoring, admiring satellites that circle about his highness. If she does not he resents it and acts like a spoiled child.

There are spoiled daughters as well as spoiled sons, and either one can spoil a honeymoon. Honeymoons will rise and set as long as love and the world shall last. So there is not the slightest use in declaring the honeymoon to be a time

of joy or a time of disillusionment. The young people must learn their own lesson.

Thank goodness that in most cases it is a lesson that reads itself to a happy climax, and the disillusionments are so few as to be quickly forgotten.

Thursday afternoon, Mrs. C. F. McCollum of North Bend was hostess at a hosiery shower complimentary to Miss Stella O'Connell whose marriage to Wm. Ford of San Francisco takes place the latter part of September. The beautiful McCollum home was never more attractive, being very tastily decorated for the event. The dining room was in pink, sweet peas and pink shaded candles adding to the artistic scheme. Sewing was the afternoon's diversion, of course being broken by the usual conversation on nuptial events of the near future and of days gone by as practically all of Mrs. McCollum's guests were girl friends of years' standing and if some of the birthday discussion had been jotted down, just how many years could have been definitely stated and no one would feel offended because they are all married or about to be married now and don't care. But at any rate, it was a most delightful afternoon. Mrs. McCollum's guests were Miss Stella O'Connell, Mrs. Boyd M. Richardson, Mrs. F. E. Hague, Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mrs. A. J. French, Mrs. M. C. Maloney, Mrs. Otto Schetter, Mrs. Arthur McKeown, Mrs. J. H. Flanagan, Mrs. J. W. Flanagan, Miss Mamie Mahoney, Misses Minnie and Grace Sheridan of Roseburg and Miss Anne Flanagan.

Miss Anna Russell of Stockton, California, arrived here this week to make her home with her sister, Mrs. F. E. Hague. She will attend school here next year.

Rev. B. Dorrance of Eugene who has been spending his vacation in Coos county was a guest at the summer home of Dr. J. T. McCormac on South Coos River this week. He returned the last of the week to his charge in Eugene and was so enthused over this section that he declared he would be back next season for his vacation.

F. M. Friedberg and wife and their guest, Mrs. Belle Horrell of Seattle, will return to town Monday for a week or so. Mrs. Horrell is a sister of Mrs. Friedberg.

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Tower and Miss Nellie Tower will return Monday from their summer home on South Coos River for a week or so in town. Dr. Tower is steadily improving. Major Tower and wife of Empire also returned to their home this week after an extended stay at their summer bungalow on South Coos River.

Mrs. W. A. Toye and daughter Catherine returned this week from a two week's outing at the Goodwill place on South Coos River.

Mrs. Dennis O'Donohue who has been making her mother, Mrs. Andrew O'Connor, an extended visit here left this week for her home in San Francisco.

George Baines and family have been camping for a few weeks at Charleston.

W. A. Luse and wife left this week for San Francisco and other California points where they will make an extended visit.

A. B. Campbell and wife, Mrs. Myra Hurd, Ralston Hurd and Miss Ruby Campbell returned this week from a two week's outing at Mirac Cove.

Mrs. W. S. Chandler was the hostess Wednesday afternoon at a pleasant gathering of the Coos River summer colony folk at her bungalow on South Coos River. At cards, Mrs. W. T. Merchant won first prize, a linen tea cloth, and Miss Helen Doble the second prize, a pair of brass candle-

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sticks. Among the guests were Mrs. F. M. Friedberg, Mrs. Belle Horrell of Seattle, Mrs. A. J. French, Mrs. J. T. McCormac, Mrs. C. W. Tower, Mrs. Morton Tower, Mrs. Herbert Lockhart, Miss Hazel McGraw, Mrs. T. H. Barry, Miss Anne Flanagan, Mrs. J. Albert Matson and son, Julius, Miss Helen Doble and Mrs. W. T. Merchant.

Miss Florence Jackson of Monrovia, California, who has been visiting at the home of her cousin, Mrs. A. L. Buttz, left this week for California. She was accompanied as far as Roseburg by her cousin, C. H. Lowrey, who was en route to Palouse, Wash., to visit his brother for a few weeks.

Mrs. E. K. Jones and son, Eugene, returned this week from the Maze where they have been enjoying a few weeks outing.

Miss Daisy Rush left this week for California where she will spend the balance of her vacation visiting relatives at the famous "Lucky Baldwin" ranch.

The Caledonian picnic at Charleston last Sunday was one of the most enjoyable events of the week. Of course, nearly all the Scotch in this vicinity were present and there were representatives of many other nationalities to enjoy the hospitality of the men and women from the land of Bobbie Burns. Besides the usual picnic festivities and fine eatings, there was a special program of Scotch airs and dancing.

Last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. Albert Matson entertained a number of friends at their summer home, "The Nook" on South Coos River. Among their guests were: P. A. Sandberg and family, Geo. F. Murch and family, E. S. Bargett and wife, and G. A. Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Matson broke up their summer home Thursday, Mrs. Matson and Julius returning to town.

Misses Minnie and Grace Sheridan of Roseburg arrived here this week to attend the marriage of their aunt, Miss Anne Flanagan, which takes place early in September. Their arrival here was as source of much gratification to the younger set on the Bay as they are very popular here through previous summers spent here. Mr. and Mrs. Sheridan will probably arrive in a few days to spend some time here and to attend the Flanagan-Moffat nuptials.

The members and friends of the First Presbyterian Church and Sunday School held their picnic at Cutlip's Grove on South Coos River, all day Thursday. There were about twenty members and friends from North Coos River, who joined with the Marshfield people, making eighty-six in all. The first thing on the program after reaching the grove was the arrangement and spreading of the large picnic table, made in the

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