

SOCIETY AND WOMAN'S WORLD



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It is well to be merry and wise;
It is well to be honest and true;
It is well to be off with the old love
Before you are on with the new.

BACHELORS, the world over, would not balk so over marriage if it did not entail the giving up of many of the pet pleasures that have charmed them for years into remaining jolly, good-natured fellows with presumably a heart unaltered by Cupid's arrows.

If you ask the general run of bachelors why they object, eventually, to matrimony, the most honest of them will tell you with a twinkle in his eye, that "marriage, for him, would be the giving up of many pleasures—for one."

They would tell you, too, that there are times when a wife's presence would be very comfortable and desirable, and again, there are times when her presence would be a thorn in the flesh to the bachelors comrades who help him celebrate many a jolly affair at his bachelor quarters, says Laura Jean Libbey.

He hears his married friends tell of the curtain lectures that await them from their frate spouses if they are not in nights before 12—that mystic hour which is "th' top o' th' morning" to the merry bachelor. The knot is scarcely tied ere the bride confiscates the night key.

After marriage, there are no more ramblings at 3 a. m. as a nightcap for a few hours' doze ere the sun of another day rises.

There's a temper in a teapot if he fumbles for half an hour at the front door with his night key which he has refused to surrender.

There's an angry woman watching his frantic attempts to catch the bed as it revolves around the room and laughing sneeringly as the floor rises up and smites him.

He would have to learn how to make excuses and like as not he would be caught at it—and he would not be apt to be believed, even when he did tell the truth.

He would be held accountable for speaking to any other woman, and if a long, silky hair happened to be on the shoulder of his coat, how would he be able to convince her that the treacherous west wind must have lodged it there. If she persisted in insisting that there must be some rival who was attempting to entice him from his allegiance to herself—and last, but by no means least, would not the mere announcement of his intended marriage bring down upon him an avalanche of breach of promise suits with scores of pretty women whom he had made love to and laughed and ridden away? Loves who kept quietly in the background while there was the ghost of a chance of entangling his wary feet in matrimonial chains sooner or later.

Then again his tastes had run where they would, without let or hindrance.

He loved the carefree life of an hotel, while she might revel in the cares of housekeeping. He had heard enough of the miseries of his married friends.

He didn't want the trouble of helping dearie figure up the weekly accounts—so much sugar, tea, flour, butter, yeast, and the thousand and one things that made for the weekly bill of fare.

There was freedom from all this drudgery of detail in paying his bill at the hotel counter in a lump sum monthly.

If he came home from a stag racket, suffering from the same old indigestion, would she forgive and overlook it and install him again in her good graces?

And again, would she wear well, with the strain of sitting opposite him 205 days a year? He had heard that the best of 'em wasn't averse to a wee bit of charm bought at a drug store.

Would the smiles of the woman compensate him for the loss of the

society of the many who made it pleasant for him?

After weighing carefully all his objections, one knows why bachelors are loath to give up single blessedness, though, of course, they look upon married life through smoked and befogged spectacles, I'm sure.

Mrs. J. W. Bennett was hostess at the leading social event of the week Thursday afternoon when she entertained at bridge and a luncheon. The Bennett home was handsomely decorated, cherry blossoms and Japanese lanterns being used effectively in the pink color scheme. Miniature rabbits, indicative of the Easter season, were given as favors. In serving, the hostess was assisted by Misses McGraw Jessie Chase, Francis Williams, Grace Williams, Mary Kruse and Alice Butler. At cards, Mrs. Eugene O'Connell won first prize and Mrs. R. K. Booth received the consolation prize.

Among those invited were Mrs. Henry Sengstacken, Mrs. L. J. Simpson, Mrs. J. V. Smeaton, Miss Stanley, Mrs. D. Y. Stafford, Mrs. W. A. Toye, Mrs. H. S. Tower, Mrs. J. M. Epton, Mrs. R. F. Williams, Mrs. P. M. Wilbur, Mrs. R. A. Wernick, Mrs. Ward M. Blake, Mrs. W. J. Butler, Miss Alice Butler, Mrs. S. A. Bennett, Mrs. R. K. Booth, Mrs. M. H. Bliven, Mrs. C. M. Byler, Mrs. J. S. Coke, Mrs. J. H. Flanagan, Mrs. E. G. Flanagan, Mrs. J. W. Flanagan, Mrs. F. A. Golden, Mrs. F. K. Gettins, Mrs. F. E. Hague, Mrs. J. A. Matson, Mrs. J. T. McCormac, Mrs. H. H. McPherson, Mrs. C. F. McCollum, Mrs. Harry Nashburg, Miss McGraw, Mrs. Eugene O'Connell, Mrs. C. R. Peck, Mrs. E. G. Perham, Mrs. C. K. Perry, Mrs. A. H. Powers, Mrs. Fannie Hazard, Mrs. J. T. Harrigan, Mrs. Wm. Horsfall Jr., Mrs. J. W. Ingram, Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mrs. R. M. Jennings, Mrs. I. S. Kaufman, Mrs. G. W. Kaufman, Mrs. P. E. Lee, Mrs. John Lafon, Mrs. Herbert Lockhart, Mrs. M. C. Maloney, Mrs. W. T. Merchant, Mrs. Geo. F. Murch.

Mrs. R. K. Booth pleasantly entertained the Altar Guild of the Marshfield Episcopal church at her home in West Marshfield last Tuesday afternoon. The usual work was taken up. The next meeting place will be announced later.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lockhart were hosts and hostess at a most delightful evening party Tuesday when they entertained the members of the Bridge club and their husbands. The house was prettily decorated, everything savoring of spring, greens, cherry, apple and other blossoms making pretty setting for the Japanese effect. At the conclusion of the evening delicious refreshments were served and musical selections by Mrs. J. W. Ingram, Mrs. J. V. Smeaton and Mr. J. V. Smeaton were enjoyed. At cards, Mrs. W. S. Turpen won the ladies first prize while C. M. Byler of North Bend won the gentleman's prize, the consolation prizes going to Mr. Turpen and Mrs. Byler.

Mrs. Norman Nelson, whose husband is now connected with the Golden Gate Life Saving Station at San Francisco, but who was formerly keeper of the Coos Bay Station, has been a guest at the home of Mrs. E. Mingus the past week. Next week, she will be the guest of Mrs. J. T. McCormac. She will spend several weeks with her many friends on the Bay.

The Progress club was entertained last Monday by Mrs. W. S. Turpen at her home in West Marshfield. Civic affairs was the principal matter of discussion although considerable of the meeting was devoted to final plans for the Promenade given by the club last evening at the Eagle's hall as a benefit for the Marshfield public library. The next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. H. S. Tower and will be the annual business session for the election of officers and transaction of other matters.

The A. N. W. club was entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. Fannie Hazard. Mrs. J. T. Harrigan and Mrs. C. K. Perry were guests of the club. No business of impor-

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tance was taken up. The club will be entertained next Thursday by Mrs. E. Mingus at her home in West Marshfield.

The Chaminade club met this week for its regular rehearsal at the home of Mrs. Wm. Horsfall Jr. Mrs. Chas. Stauff read a paper on Ludwig Stohr, the great violinist. Preparations are being made for the concert to be given in the early summer, but definite arrangements have not been made for the outside vocalists who are expected to participate.

Mrs. M. E. Everitt of North Bend is spending a few months with her sister and mother in Seattle. She will also visit other points in the Northwest before returning here with her mother.

Mrs. Ward M. Blake is expecting her father and mother here from Minneapolis soon for an extended stay.

Mrs. A. O. Rogers Jr., is expected home Sunday on the Redondo from an extended stay in California. She was taken sick at San Francisco a few weeks ago on the eve of her departure for home and had to undergo an operation for tonsillitis.

M. H. Bliven and wife expect to leave shortly for California where they may locate.

Dr. Caphey of Portland is expected on the Bay April 28. He and Miss Bertha Kruse, one of the most prominent young women of North Bend will be married at the home of her parents there April 29.

Mrs. B. E. Schoonmaker, who left last week for Portland, has written that she will return in a week or two to accompany Dr. Schoonmaker there. They plan to make the trip up in their auto in June if the weather is favorable.

Mrs. Rebecca Luse-Stump and daughter, Catherine, are expected here tomorrow from California where they have been making an extended stay with relatives.

One of the most enjoyable events that Bay City and Bunker Hill people have attended in a long time was the dance given last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Marhoffer in Bay City. Dancing was followed by a lunch served by Mrs. J. P. Molony. Music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Montgomery, W. N. Murphy and John Cotter. Among those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. L. Harpole, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Schraeder, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Halderman, Mr. and Mrs. Geo.

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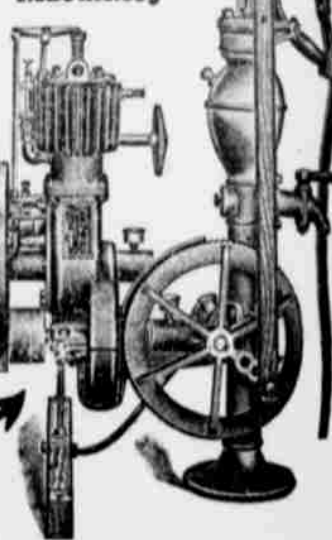
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