



IN SOCIETY

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FOR YOU.

FOR you I could forget the gay
Delirium of merriment
And let my laughter die away
In endless silence of content.
I could forget, for your dear sake,
The utter emptiness and ache
Of every loss I ever knew.
What could I not forget for you?

I could forget the just deserts
Of mine own sins and so excuse
The tear that burns, the smile that hurts
And all that mars and maims my face.
For your fair sake I could forget
The bonds of life that chafe and fret,
Nor care if death were false or true.
What could I not forget for you?

—James Whitcomb Riley.

Thompson Buchanan (author of "A Woman's Way") says:
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IT WILL not be many years before women make most of the proposals of marriage; they won't exactly go courting, but they'll make their own selection.

There is the opinion of Thompson Buchanan, observant bachelor and author of "A Woman's Way" and other plays.

"Really, you know," says Mr. Buchanan, "I don't see any reason why women shouldn't propose if they want to, and I don't see why they should not be given exactly an equal right with the men to choose their life partners."

"Of course, women have always, in one way, made their selections, because they have had the refusal of an offer of marriage, but many a woman has died an old maid because the right man did not propose, and because convention would not permit her to make the proposal when her instinct told her that if the matter were brought to the man's mind they would marry and be happy. Men, you know, frequently need waking up to the fact that they're in love. This has been proved many times when men have married, been divorced and have then married the sweetheart of early days."

"These same men are frequently so self-centered at certain times of life, especially when they are building a career for themselves, that they forget all about the future, and are accordingly incased in a shell of egotism that their gentler feelings cannot possibly penetrate."

"However, a woman has an instinct that is pretty nearly certain to lead to the right place. It is not unlike some of the old prospectors who are led by instinct to the gold mine. The woman generally knows the right man when she sees him, but it is not so frequently the case with the man that he knows the right woman. There are many arguments in favor of the proposal of marriage being made by the women. In the first place men today are so busy making money and trying to keep women from getting ahead of them in the sciences, arts, and business that they have very little time to think of their heart affairs. They rush pell mell into business and forget everything else, until, perhaps, they see a pretty face, a frivolous girl, and ignoring or not realizing the worth of some of the most excellent women about them run off to make a rash marriage in haste—after that they have plenty of time to repent at leisure."

"Now, if these women about these very same men—the women who are worthy, staunch and level-headed—had an opportunity to propose marriage, there would be many a match made that would always be happy. No matter how busy women are they always have an opportunity, or take it, or make it, to study the opposite sex. They never used to have half the opportunity for this that they are afforded now, for they used to see the men but little during the day. Now men and women are thrown together in business and everyday affairs to such a great extent that they see a very great deal of each other,

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and while the man is giving all his thoughts to his business, the woman has her keen eye on him and is studying any one on whom she has set her mind and heart.

I have heard more than one woman say, "Thank goodness, I am in business and know men! If I didn't have a chance to study them at close range I'd probably have married one of them and made a pretty mess of matrimony. The office is the best place to see them in all their moods. If they stand that test—why, marry if you want to!"

"That is rather up-to-date advice, and it is pretty much the trend of many a woman's mind at the present time."

"As far as the dignity of the matter is concerned, to my way of thinking, would be far more dignified for a woman to make a good, straight proposal of marriage to a man she cared for than to angle and try in every possible way and by every sort of ruse to make this man propose to her."

"A woman who does this sort of thing cheapens herself beyond description, yet it is this angling, wheedling method that women seem to have pursued for years and years. When they are emancipated from this and are really free to make a proposal of marriage and not feel that it is undignified, there will at least be honesty in the affair."

"I believe that in many instances of unhappy marriages it is the attitude of the woman before the marriage, the coquetry, wheedling, bending to the man's every request, contrasted to the real mind and attitude after the marriage, that creates most of the unhappiness and often causes divorce."

"When a woman proposes or has the right to do so, there will be none of this. She need not make herself a slave to the man at any time. All she has to do if the man does not do it for her, is to state her case in a womanly, dignified way or in any manner that her heart may dictate."

"When women propose, the sham, deceit, insincerity and mawkish sentimentality will be done away with, and marriages will be made on sane, sensible grounds in which both parties understand each other before marriage much better than they have ever had a chance to, and there will be no reason for either to tell short of the prenuptial ideals, for they won't have been playing to the gallery gods of sentiment."

Mrs. T. R. Sheridan and daughters, Misses Minnie and Grace, who have been spending several weeks at the Flanagan and McCollum homes in Marshfield and North Bend and the T. H. Barry home at Empire, left this week for their home in Roseburg.

Mrs. F. A. Hazard and Mrs. C. A. Metlin are expected home next week from Corvallis where they attended the marriage of their brother, Chas. F. McKnight, and Miss Spangler last Wednesday. When Mr. McKnight and his bride will arrive here is not

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definitely known. Mr. and Mrs. McKnight will reside in the Metlin house in South Marshfield.

The announcement of the engagement of Mr. Claude Nasburg and Miss Helen Doble this week was an event of much interest on Coos Bay where the young people are so well known. Mr. Nasburg having spent most of his life here and his fiancée having visited here a number of times. Miss Doble is a charming and accomplished young Portland woman. When on the Bay, she was a guest at the W. S. Chandler and Henry Sengstacken homes. Although the date has not been definitely announced, it is understood that the marriage will take place about the Christmas holiday season at the home of the bride's parents in Portland.

Mrs. J. S. Coke has issued invitations for a bridge luncheon at her home next Wednesday afternoon.

The Progress club will meet Monday with Mrs. Ward M. Blake, this being the initial meeting of the season. The subject will be "Noted Dead of 1910 and 1911."

The Members of the A. Division of the Eighth grade enjoyed a class party at the High school building last evening. Mrs. M. C. Horton and Mrs. Marie T. Maloney were the chaperones. Various games and amusements were followed by refreshments. Among those present were: Anna Russell, Dorothy Horton, Frieda Holm, Alice Josephson, Florence Rehfeld, Stella Jutestrom, Alice Watters, Tom Watters, Helen Smith, Dorra Brown, Alice McLain, Vivian Carlson, Clifford Carlson, Lee Barley, Chester Isaacson, Harvey Walter, Festus Walter, Noble Pitman, Oliver Johnson, Elmer Johnson.

Owing to Mrs. J. S. Coke having out invitations for next Wednesday afternoon, there will be no meeting of the Bridge club this week. A week from next Wednesday, the club will probably meet at the home of Mrs. J. W. Bennett.

Mrs. Geo. F. Murch entertained at tea Thursday complimentary to Mrs. Hatch and Mrs. Lumb of Boston, who have been spending the summer at the Morton Tower home in Empire but who have been guests of Mrs. C. W. Tower the last few days. Besides the guests of honor, Mrs. C. W. Tower was also a guest of Mrs. Murch.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Sandberg entertained last Monday evening complimentary to Mr. Hugo Quist and Miss Charlotte Murch, whose engagement was recently announced and whose marriage is to take place in early spring. The Sandberg home was very prettily decorated and expressive of the event. Ropes of fuchias were suspended from the chandeliers with artistic bouquets of sweet peas here and there throughout the rooms. From the ceiling was suspended a large floral bow and arrow, typifying Dan Cupid's work and at the plates of the guests of honor were large hearts of sweet peas. At cards, Ansgar Lagerstrom won first prize. Among those invited were Miss Genevieve Sengstacken, Claude Nasburg, Ansgar Lagerstrom, R. T. Kaufman, Taggart Aston, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Murch, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Leefe, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Booth, Mr. Hugo Quist and Miss Charlotte Murch.

Invitations have been received here to the marriage of Miss Jessie Hale and Rev. Bartlett which will take place at the home of the bride's parents in Grants Pass next week. The bride-to-be has a number of acquaintances on the Bay and Rev. Mr. Bartlett spent the summer here a couple of years ago. He is an Episcopal clergyman.

Mrs. G. A. Bennett entertained the A. N. W. club at her home Thursday afternoon. There was a good attendance but no business of importance came up, the afternoon being devoted largely to social conversation. Besides the regular members of the club, Mrs. Bennett had as guests, Mrs. Siglin and Mrs. P. M. Wilbur. The club will meet next Thursday with Mrs. I. Lando.

Mrs. A. L. Houseworth has been elected delegate from the Ladies' Art club of Marshfield to the annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs which will be held in Roseburg, October 17, 18 and 19. Through an error, it was stated last week that Mrs. Harper had been elected a delegate.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Montgomery and children, Mrs. Marietta King and

The Three Most Interesting Things in Life

This week's work is over—the buying and the selling. And this is not the time to talk of the merchandise that lies under the coverings on the counter.

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Wm. King will leave shortly for California to visit relatives and friends. Mrs. King plans to return to her old home at Decatur, Ill.

Miss May Bennett who is taking the trained nurses' course in a San Francisco hospital, has had to cancel her plans for a vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bennett. She was all prepared to come last week, having purchased her ticket, but at the last moment, a rush of work at the hospital made it impossible for her to get away.

Misses Silverman and Carpenter of the Marshfield High school faculty entertained the members of the Senior Class at the home of Mrs. Thompson in South Marshfield Friday evening.

Mrs. Chas. Van Duyn is expecting her brother, Mr. Roberts, receiver of the United States Land office, and his wife here next month for an extended visit. Her other brother, Max Roberts who spent some time on the Bay a couple of years ago, is also planning to come here shortly to make his home.

Frederick E. Leefe and wife are expected home on the Nann Smith next week from a ten days' visit at California points.

J. W. Bennett and wife are expected home today from South Coos River where they have spent the past week.

The North Bend Bridge club held its initial meeting of the season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Best in North Bend last Monday evening. Mrs. W. S. Turpen and Warren Painter won the first prize. The club will meet every second Tuesday evening, the next meeting being at the R. A.

Wernich home. Among those present last Monday evening were Messrs. and Mesdames Warren Painter, R. A. Wernich, T. W. Rennie, C. M. Byler, L. J. Simpson and Mrs. W. S. Turpen.

The Marshfield High school picnic which was planned for today was postponed indefinitely owing to the illness of little Emily Tiedgen, daughter of L. J. Simpson and Mrs. W. S. Turpen.

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