

Quips and Quotes



The Hostess' Lament
When parlor games we
organize,
Our guests react with
pained surprise;
They'd much prefer, they
say, to sit—
Just chew the fat, relax
a bit.

But when we then omit
next time
The guessing games, or
words that rhyme,
Those self-same chatty
guests quick-freeze
And stare all evening at
their knees!
—Margaret Read

Disappointments I've Taken in Stride

"Sorry, Dad, but we had to call off the game between the high school varsity and alumni. Couldn't scare up enough interest among the older guys."

"I'm phoning for Dr. Sanderson about your dental appointment this afternoon. He has a touch of flu, so I'm afraid."

"Reorganization of our bookkeeping department has made it impossible for us to bill you this month, but when matters are straightened out..."

"The Bakers won't be able to spare us a kitten after all. Seems their cat only had three kittens, and they'd already promised..."

"THIS JUKE BOX OUT OF ORDER"
—Parke Cummings



"Where in the world did you get it?
All you had with you was one dollar!"

Deft-initions

Democratic country:
only place you can say
what you think
without thinking.

Scandalmonger:
one who puts who
and who together
and gets whew!

Money: something
men get their
faces on and
women get their
hands on.—Lion
★★★



The time a man must
prepare to swallow his
disappointment is when
his daughter is learning
to cook.—Ken Kraft

Sunday Mourning
On week ends
I am full of jitters,
Expecting
Unexpected visitors.
—Regina Sauro



A youngster went to his father and asked how wars began. "Well," said the father, "let's suppose the United States and Great Britain quarreled..." The mother interrupted. "But we should never quarrel with England!" "I know that," the father snapped. "I'm just giving the boy an example!" "Well, it's a misleading example," the mother replied heatedly. "It is not," shouted the husband. "If you'd only let me..." "Never mind, Dad," said the boy quietly. "Now I know how wars start."



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