

## SOCIETY NOTES

## LIFE'S MAZY WHIRL

While parties have been few and far between this summer ladies have not been entirely neglectful of social duties, for more formal calls have been made than during any previous summer for years. Ladies have taken advantage of the cool afternoons to pay their delinquent party calls, first calls, and any other visiting obligations which were troubling their consciences, and many will consequently begin the autumn society season with clean visiting lists.

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The following story illustrates the difficulty of choosing wedding presents and the interest attached to them by the bride and her family:

He was making a call on the bride-elect, and the family were discussing wedding presents.

"It is the most extraordinary thing how people, when in doubt about a small gift, invariably select spoons," remarked her mother. "May have received the greatest number! I do think, considering how many pretty little things there are, that something more original might have been selected than sets of fancy spoons, which, of course, are perfectly useless." Just then the bell rang. "Another present, Polly!" exclaimed her little sister, rushing to the window in a great state of excitement. "I see J.'s delivery wagon." Her surmise proved correct, and a second later the footman entered the room with a large card-board box.

"Thank heaven!" mentally ejaculated the visitor. "That great thing cannot be the confounded spoons I bought this morning! I will go there at once and countermand the order."

"Why, Mr. Smith!" exclaimed the prospective bride, who in opening the box had found the card. "This is from you. How perfectly lovely of you to have thought of me! I am so anxious to see what it is! Mamma, only think, this is a present from Mr. Smith. What a coincidence that it should have come while he is here, and how nice that I can have the opportunity of thanking him in person!"

"Do let us see what it is, Molly!" said her mother. "I am quite curious to see what you have chosen," continued the latter, with a gracious smile to the uncomfortable donor, and she walked over to inspect the pretty case which her daughter had divested of its tissue paper wrappings. "Why, it is a perfectly lovely set of spoons!" exclaimed the good woman, rising to the situation with true feminine courage. "Now, Mary, this is what I call the right kind of spoons. These will be just what you will need for your lawn parties and luncheons. Don't you remember, when we had that out of door tea last month, how I needed a set of berry spoons for the strawberries? Next time I can borrow yours." Her tactful volubility covered her daughter's embarrassment, and Mr. Smith felt comforted, although only half convinced.

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With the renewed interest in household economics, a renaissance of the apron is prophesied by the Woman's Home Companion. According to this authority it is forty years since interest in the apron begun to wane, and the old expression, "tied to his mother's apron strings," is now almost obsolete, and tied to his nurse's apron strings or to those of the housemaid, would have been more appropriate, as of late years the apron has become a badge of servitude. But now, when the preparation of a dinner under the name of a "cooking demonstration" is an achievement of thrilling interest, an apron is a necessity, its daintiness depending upon the taste of the wearer. There is a line, clear and distinct, drawn between the materials used for the aprons worn by the housewife and those for her maids; the former are of barred muslin, blue denim or other material, the latter of longcloth or other

plain white goods. Aprons for little girls are again en vogue, and what adds more to the attractiveness of the small woman than a dainty beruffled or lace trimmed pinafore? Linen trimmed with beading, through which ribbon is run, also makes effective and useful aprons for children.

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A trolley party which bids fair to stand on record as one of the most remarkable of the kind ever held in the Connecticut valley or even in the United States, says the New York Tribune, was that given in Northampton, Massachusetts, on July thirtieth, to celebrate the ninety-seventh birthday anniversary of Mrs. Drusilla Hall Johnson, the oldest resident of the pretty little suburb of Florence. There were eighty guests in the party, forty-five of whom were past threescore and ten years, and the affair was called the

Land Commissioner and Mrs. George D. Follmer. Rev. B. M. Long read the service. Ferns and sweet peas adorned the house. The bride wore a handsome traveling gown of blue cloth and a hat to match. A dainty two course luncheon was served after which Mr. and Mrs. Kline left for a tour of the west which will include the points of interest in Colorado, Washington and California, to be absent until October first. They will reside in Lincoln. Mrs. Kline is a member of the class of 1901 of the state university, and taught last week in the Hastings high school. Mr. Kline is also an alumnus of the university, of the class of 1900.

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Invitations have been received in Lincoln to the marriage reception of Miss Mary Louise Scouler and Mr. Max Westermann of this city, to occur Wednesday, August twenty-seventh, at the home of the bride's parents, Doctor and Mrs. John D. Scouler, in Pontiac, Illinois. The wedding will be a family affair to be followed by a large reception. Miss Scouler has spent two or three years in Lincoln and is admired by the friends she has made. Mr. Westermann is accountant at the state university.

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There will be a reunion of the family

home of Miss Enslow's sister, Mrs. L. J. Dunn, 2645 Garfield street. Only intimate friends will witness the ceremony which will be followed by a large reception. Mr. Ewing formerly lived in Lincoln and has many friends here. He is now proprietor of a clothing and furnishing store in Villisca, where he and his bride will reside.

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Mrs. Enslow of E and Thirteenth streets gave a linen shower Wednesday evening for Miss Blanche Enslow, whose nuptials will occur September fourth. The shower was a surprise to Miss Enslow and was doubly pleasant on that account. The gifts of linen were very lovely. Peach ice cream, pineapple ice, and small cakes were served. Those present were Misses Blanche, Tempa and Charlotte Enslow, Eva Snell, Maude Miller, Florence and Mary Prescott, Jennie Beerup, Gertrude Ewing, Flow Morrow.

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The marriage of Miss Maude Bertha Hibbard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Hibbard, and Mr. W. N. Watson, of the Lincoln Business College, occurred Wednesday at six o'clock in the morning at Evergreen farm, Irvington, Nebraska, the attractive home of the bride's parents. Reverend Benjamin F. Diffenbacher performed the cere-



P. JAMES COSGRAVE AND BRIDE.

Mr. and Mrs. Cosgrave were married Monday of this week, departing for Council Bluffs, Iowa, to attend the annual reunion of the Society of the Army of the Philippines, of which organization Mr. Cosgrave is treasurer. Later they will take a honeymoon trip to Salt Lake City. During the war in the Philippines Mr. Cosgrave served with distinction, entering as a sergeant in the First Nebraska and being promoted step by step to a captaincy. The same fidelity of purpose which won recognition for him in the military has marked his administration of the office of police judge of Lincoln, to which he was elected this year. His friends feel more than justified over the realization of their prediction that his official deeds would merit public commendation. Mr. Cosgrave's bride was formerly Miss Pearl McFadden, whose place of residence has been in Lincoln for years and whose admiring friends are legion.

"Threescore and Ten Trolley Party." An hour's ride took the party to a park where luncheon was served. The car was decorated with bunting, flags and wild flowers and all arrangements for the pleasure and comfort of the guests were complete. Mrs. Johnson is a true daughter of the Revolution, her father having left his studies at Harvard college to enter the service of his country.

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Mr. M. L. Easterday and his class of young ladies of the Second Presbyterian Sabbath school enjoyed a pleasant outing at Woodlawn Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Easterday chaperoned the party and all went together in a carry-all to the picnic grounds. There were artists in the company who improved the hours by sketching, fishing was also one of the diversions, but a sumptuous supper was the piece de resistance. Those of the party were Mr. and Mrs. Easterday, Misses Dottie Burns, Lottie Van Sickle, Jennie Van Sickle, Helen Easterday, Nellie Dawson, Gladys Denney, Mabel Wilson, Mabel Dobbs, May Miller, Ruth Easterday, Florence Dobbs, Ethel Wolfe, Carrie Shamon, Carrie Corbin, Alice Compton, Leola Carter and Master Johnnie Corbin.

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The marriage of Miss Orma Hull and Mr. George W. Kline was celebrated Tuesday at four o'clock at the home of

of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Westermann at the home of their daughter in Decatur, Illinois, next week. Members of the family who will be present are Mrs. Westermann, Messieurs Max and Fritz of Lincoln, Mr. Louie Westermann of Chicago, Doctor Julius Westermann of New York, and Mr. Will Westermann, who has been abroad for some time and is now on the briny deep on his way home. They will all go to Pontiac, Illinois, the following week to attend the marriage of Miss Scouler and Mr. Max Westermann.

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Miss May Whiting will leave next Wednesday for Chicago and after a few days spent there will go to Ann Arbor, Michigan, to attend the national convention of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Miss Whiting is grand secretary of the sorority and Miss Blanche Hargreaves will attend the convention as her deputy. Miss Jessie Outcalt will represent the Nebraska chapter as delegate and others from the chapter who will go to Ann Arbor are Misses Louise Hargreaves and Claire Funke of Lincoln, and Miss Mabel Stephen of Omaha.

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Mrs. Martha Enslow announces the engagement of her daughter Blanche to Mr. Wesley Ewing of Villisca, Iowa. The marriage will be celebrated Thursday evening, September fourth, at the

mony. Mr. and Mrs. Watson will reside in Lincoln, and will receive their friends after September tenth at 3023 Q street

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The engagement of Miss Blendina Emmons, a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, who was very popular when here in school, to a Philadelphia man, has been announced. The marriage will occur in September at the home of the bride's parents in Denver.

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Mrs. L. J. Herzog gave an informal musicale Saturday morning in honor of her sister, Mrs. Katz of Omaha, and other visitors. A two course luncheon was served by Mrs. Herzog and her daughter, Fay.

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Mrs. Robert Damerell and Miss Mary Damerell of Red Cloud, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jones. They are en route home from a sojourn in Illinois.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bagley of St. Louis are guests of Lincoln relatives. They are en route to their new home in Dillon, Montana.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jones returned the first of the week from Missouri, where they have been sojourning for six weeks.