

Personal Gossip: Society Notes: Woman's Work: Household Topics



By MELLIFICIA—September 21.

Omaha society's latest cultural interest is Spanish. French, the language of diplomats, is being made to share in popularity with graceful Hispaniole. Miss Lucile Bacon, who will leave Omaha to enter Washington social circles this winter as the bride of Walter Scott Penfield, has been an enthusiastic student of the language for some time. Let me whisper secretly that soon Miss Bacon will have need for her knowledge, because a member of the Latin-American diplomatic corps will be best man at the Penfield-Bacon wedding.

Mrs. Howard Baldrige, who announced Miss Bacon's engagement at a charming luncheon this summer, is another interested student of Spanish. Miss Margaret Greer Baum, who will be another member of the wedding party, is also taking lessons in Spanish.

Affairs for Miss Bacon will begin next week. Mrs. Arthur M. Pinto will entertain at luncheon in her honor Monday. On Wednesday Mrs. J. W. Griffith will give a luncheon for her and another day next week Mrs. Charles T. Kountze will be hostess at a luncheon at her home, with Miss Bacon as the honor guest.

At Happy Hollow Club.

Mrs. E. H. Barrett gave a luncheon at the club this afternoon. Decorations were of pink and lavender asters. Those present were:

- Mesdames—H. E. Barrett, M. Shrikey, H. A. McDermott, F. B. Colman.

Mrs. F. J. Jumper entertained at luncheon at the club today. Asters were used on the table. Those present were:

- Mesdames—W. G. Nicholson, J. T. Kelly, Katherine LeBar.

Mrs. W. C. Ross entertained the members of the Tuesday Bridge-Luncheon club at luncheon at the Happy Hollow club today. A centerpiece of zinnias and asters was used on the table. Mrs. Edward Knapp was a guest of the club. Those present were:

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Furs, even without their usual summer hibernation, come out with all sorts of new ideas about fur physiology. The muff above, of moleskin and ermine, has a fringe of ermine tails across its apron, and was so generous with itself little seemed left to make a collar, so the moleskin neckpiece has to be very close to make ends meet. The brown velvet hat has a jet dragon to guard the crown.

Capes made tentative little noddies at the mode this winter, and fashion encouraged them with bits of favor until she trapped them as neatly as the hunter trapped the animal to make this Kolinsky cape. So now fashion makes the most of her catch, and capes will be admitted this winter in all the best circles. This very handsome Kolinsky cape at the right is an especially good circle which falls almost to the elbows.

Advice to Lovelorn

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX. "Waiting for a Man." Dear Miss Fairfax: I am 20 and have been going out for two and a half-years with a man of 23 years, who is much in love with me and who wishes to marry me. He is good natured, ambitious, and I care for him very much, but he is not in a position financially to support a wife and may not be for two or three years. He objects seriously to my going out with other men, but I think I should go out and enjoy life while I'm young. I have explained to him, but he insists that I should not go out with other men, and says that I do not care for him if I have intentions of going with other men, which I do not want to make him believe. J.F. I can understand that you do not want to make yourself conspicuous by going out with a young man who is not in a position to marry you. A great many girls in the circumstances do go out with other men. But I feel that if one man is occupying your heart, it is mercenary and cold-headed to go about with other men merely because they can buy you social diversion and protect you from gossip. I think you might compromise by going about occasionally to parties, but I honestly cannot see how a girl who loves one man can find any pleasure in going out with others. Waiting for a man is not easy for a girl. And I am not a believer in long engagements. However, the question of long engagements is a personal matter which every girl must settle for herself. Waiting is no ease for him than for you, and if you care for him unselfishly you ought to lighten his



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MRS. BRYAN TALKS AT STATE MEETING

Will Present Diamond Medal to Contest Winner at Convention Tonight.

MRS. CLAFLIN PRESIDENT

Mrs. Mamie C. Claflin of University Place was re-elected president of the Nebraska Women's Christian Temperance union at the state convention, in session at the First Christian church. Sentiment seems to be in favor of a re-election of most of the present officers.

Mrs. William Jennings Bryan, who is a delegate from Lancaster county, made a brief talk. Mrs. Bryan has been interested in the prohibition movement since she was a girl of 16 and presented the diamond medal to the contest winner at last evening's session of the convention.

Mrs. Ella A. Boole of Brooklyn, national vice president, talked on means of raising money. Mrs. Boole left at noon after being entertained for several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Flack.

A resolution, tabled yesterday, pledging each union for \$1 per capita for state work, was this morning reconsidered and passed.

Delegates Named.

Equal Franchise society delegates to the state suffrage convention which will be held in Hastings October 2-4, were appointed by the president, Mrs. J. M. Metcalf, as follows: Mesdames E. M. Fairfield, C. H. Johannes, Z. T. Lindsey, Edward Burke, James Richardson, E. W. Gunther, Halleck Rose, C. W. Russell and Mary Carmack. Mrs. Metcalf is a delegate by virtue of her office.

The Political Equality league has not completed its list of delegates, but the president, Mrs. F. D. Wead, and Mrs. Myrtle Kelly will attend.

Days When the Friend is Dearest

By FORTUNE FREE.

"What do you think of Mrs. X?" a young lady friend asked me the other day, and I replied that I considered Mrs. X a very nice woman. Isn't it the ordinary thing to say of people if you have no objection to them? But she wasn't satisfied.

"No; but what do you think of her, really?" she asked.

She is a young lady who can be very serious at times, and now, when I looked at her, I read something in her eyes that told me she was asking me a serious question. She was in earnest about Mrs. X. Her question was one of those that suddenly load one with a responsibility as to how one answers them. They are abominably disagreeable if you can't say much in favor of the person inquired about. Fortunately, I felt none of that embarrassment now.

"Mrs. X is one of the best women, and one of the truest and wisest I ever knew," I answered.

She gave a big sigh of relief and her face brightened. The little cloud of anxiety had passed away from it. "I am so glad," she cried. "I like her myself, and somehow—somehow I thought she might be a friend. One gets to know such a lot of people, doesn't one? But there's something—something with many of them that—"

"That closes your lips when you would like to speak about the things that are of importance and dearest to you?" I broke in as she stammered. She nodded her head.

The person to whom one can speak about such matters is a rarity—how rare we discover the longer we live. Early in life we flatter ourselves we shall make hosts of friends who will be intensely interested in us. Even if they haven't the sense to be so, we tell ourselves that we cannot do without them.

A friend of Sir Charles Russell, the celebrated lord chief justice, told me that upon one occasion, when he heard someone sing a song about the famous miller who used to boast, "I care for nobody and nobody cares for me," and whistled his independence Sir Charles expressed the opinion that that miller was one of the most

lunatic mortals he had ever heard of.

"But perhaps a good many of us are like that at one time of our lives," he added. "We find out what fools we have been later."

We are meant to care for somebody and that somebody should care for us. The solitary person-goes mad and the lonely heart withers in bitterness. Sympathy is a necessity of our nature and we discover it in time. In the meantime, though we scrape along pretty well without much of it, the merely "nice" person suffices during days when the sun is shining and all is well; and it is astonishing how "nice" some people can be, isn't it?

Christie Murray once went to dinner at the house of a friend who had a wife extraordinarily skilled in confectionery. The blot upon the dinner was that she had paid so much attention to the cakes that she had forgotten the meat and potatoes. It was not a satisfactory meal for a person with an appetite. It left, Murray declared, "a yearning for something."

There are times when we lack actual sincerity and honesty, and when the mere jam of niceness won't do, "just as well." In times of stress we would, as school boys say, "swop" a good many of our nicest acquaintances for one sincere friend—for one with whom we can exchange confidences and sympathy. Could not we help them, and could not they help us?

For underneath the appearance of mere niceness men and women are, as Mark Twain remarked, "queer things"—more real and better than they appear on the surface. Most people would not for the world allow you to suspect that they are half as "troubled as they really are, or that they are half as capable of feeling for others as they are."

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TODAY'S DAINTEST DISH 'COOKERY IS BECOME A NOBLE SCIENCE'



Lobster a La Francaise

By CONSTANCE CLARKE.

This shell fish, if it has been cooked alive, as it ought to be, will have a stiffness in the tail, which, if gently raised, will return with a spring. In order to be good, lobsters should be weighed for their bulk; if light they will be watery, and those of the medium size are always the best. They should be broiled across the tail. In boiling lobsters, the appearance of the shell will be much improved by rubbing over a little butter or olive oil on being immediately taken from the pot.

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