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Society Notes by Mellificia

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Women of the First Presbyterian church who made an enviable reputation for themselves last year by the large sums they brought into the church fund through successful business ventures plan to repeat their experiences of last year. While they will not reopen the Yuletide tea room, the biggest work of last year and the one which netted them the most profit, the women have several other money-making schemes up their sleeves.

Circle One, led by Mrs. Frank Walters, opens the campaign by a novel church affair, an art exhibit and tea in the parlors of the handsome new church, Thursday, between the hours of 3 and 5 o'clock. Art works of Miss Augusta Knight, an Omaha woman, will be exhibited and tea will be poured by Mrs. George Gilmore and Mrs. Alfred Kennedy. Admission will be 25 cents.

"We want to show off our new church parlors. They are beautiful," exclaimed one member enthusiastically.

Mrs. W. F. Milroy, president of the Ladies' Aid society, reports that all the church women are busily engaged on work for the Christmas sale and luncheon, which will be held December 8 at the parish house.

What the other circles will plan has not yet been announced, but it is sure to be something novel, judging from past ventures.

Pagalo Club Ball.

The Pagalo club will give its opening ball Thursday evening of next week at the Rome hotel.

On the Calendar.

Miss Lida Wilson will entertain the Omaha Woman's Press club at luncheon Thursday at 1 o'clock at her home.

Collegiate Alumnae Meet.

Mrs. F. H. Cole, chairman of the civil service reform department, General Federation of Women's Clubs, will speak on "Opportunities for Women in the Federal Service" at the first general meeting of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae Saturday at 2:30 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the parlors, instead of the ballroom, of the Hotel Fontenelle.

Bridal Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bedwell will entertain the members of the Holland-Bedwell wedding party at dinner at their home this evening. Table decorations will be in pink. A big basket of pink roses tied with tulle bows and candles shaded with pink will be used. A rehearsal will occupy the bridal party before dinner. Those present will be:

- Misses—Charlotte Bedwell, Louise Bedwell, Morris Loomis.
- Mrs.—Marjorie Foote.
- Measrs.—Eugene Holland of Lincoln, Lawrence Holland of Topeka.

Thimble Club Meets.

The members of the Omaha and Council Bluffs Thimble club met Wednesday with Mrs. J. Bolin in Council Bluffs. Covers were laid for:

- Mrs. Nelson, E. P. Nelson, V. Knapp, N. K. Nelson, W. Stebert.
- Mrs.—L. Coulter, G. W. Armour, M. H. Kiger, J. R. Kiger, R. Collins.

Rummy Club meets.

Mrs. Neal Haze entertained the members of the Rummy club at luncheon at her home Thursday afternoon. A basket of Killarney roses formed a pretty centerpiece and Halloween novelties were used as place cards. The afternoon was spent at cards.

Mrs. J. A. Freeland winning high score. The club will meet in two weeks with Mrs. W. J. Lucas.

Wedding Announcements.

Miss Stella Corson and Mr. Harry L. Daywalt were married in All Saints' rectory Wednesday afternoon in the presence of Mr. Clyde D. Eoff and Mrs. C. D. Beck by the Rev. T. J. Mackay.

Miss Lucretia Hunter of Omaha and Mr. Halliday H. Ewing of Mission, Tex., were married at the Pearl Memorial parsonage Thursday afternoon, the Rev. Earl E. Bowen officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Ewing will make their home in Mission, Tex.

Notes of Interest.

Mr. Ralph Holland of Salt Lake City arrived Sunday, and Mr. Lawrence Holland of Topeka arrived this noon to attend the Holland-Bedwell wedding tomorrow.

Miss Isabel Milroy, who was secretary of the Business Girls' council during the "Billy" Sunday campaign, is spending the fall months in New York, studying problems of the working girl. Just now she is working with the girls at Lord & Taylor's. Her family expect Miss Milroy home for Christmas.

To Live in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hovey and their 13-year-old son have taken the G. W. Wickersham house for the winter while its owners are staying at the Colonial. Mr. and Mrs. Hovey came here the first of May from Denver and have been staying at the Fontenelle. They expect to build in Omaha. Mr. Hovey is vice president of the Stock Yards National bank.

Advice to Lovelorn

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

Combining Duty and Happiness. Dear Miss Fairfax: I am 31 and going about with a girl of the same age, whom I can easily support as a wife, but my family is not in good financial circumstances and my wages come in very handy. My fiancée and I think that we can be married in two years, but it may take longer than that before my family is well fixed. I know that mother is opposed to the match, as she claims I am too young.

Could you kindly advise me what to do? Does my duty to my folks come first or my own happiness? W. L. M. Both of you can well afford to wait two years, or even more, of course, you owe a duty to your family and you ought to perform it happily. I do not think your mother would want you to sacrifice yourself, but I think she simply feels that a young man as young as you owe it to himself to get a good start in the world before marrying. It is not a question of which comes first, self or family, but, instead of that, the need of tactfully and sensibly combining your duty toward your parents with your duty toward yourself. I hope that in two or three years you will be in a position to seek your own desires.

That Depends. Dear Miss Fairfax: I am a young man and for the last four years I have known a young lady who is the same age as myself. I have grown to like this young lady very much. While away recently on my vacation I sent her a souvenir. On reaching home I found the letter which I had sent with the souvenir with a note saying that she had refused to accept the present. Now, Miss Fairfax, should I send it again or do you think I should bring it to the house and ask for an explanation, or should I forget the present and the girl altogether? ANXIOUS.

Possibly this girl was brought up to believe it quite improper to accept gifts from young men. Possibly the nature of your gift was such that she felt she could not accept it. If you were sure that there was nothing presumptuous in your sending the particular gift you did, go to her and ask for an explanation—but don't attempt to force her to accept your offer.

Timely Fashion Hint By Raconteuse



The red fox set is to be just as fashionable and just as attractive this season as ever. Here it is shown in extremely rich tones. The smartness, of course, will depend to a great extent on how the scarf is arranged. Here is an instance of where a woman can express her individuality and originality to her heart's content. The fox set illustrated was worn with a navy mohair suit and an attractive velvet hat.

Charm of Manner

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

"Good manners are the pleasant way of doing things," says an aphorism well worth noting.

In the rugged democracy on which a good many people pride themselves, charm of manner has lost its ancient prestige. We have a Bohemian way of announcing that conventionality doesn't count with us, that we act as we feel, that we believe in simplicity and naturalness. That all sounds rather fine and independent. But it won't do.

We have all to adapt ourselves to an ever-varying stream of circumstances. And if we learn to adapt ourselves gracefully we shall at once save ourselves friction, annoyance and an unnecessarily awkward appearance.

"Don't be affected," says many a well-meaning adult to an impressionable child. And the child who was probably only trying to be gracious and pleasant and to meet its elders with a little air of deference and sweetness shyly wonders whether everybody thinks it an affected little Miss Nancy. So it tries to be natural and probably succeeds in being boisterous and ungraceful.

Charm of manner is made up of a number of things. First, there is a very genuine desire to please people

rather than hurt or annoy them. Then there is an agreeable perception of what is awkward and ungraceful.

Next comes quiet poise and self-possession, together with a feeling that one is a member of a social group at the same time that one is an individual. A deferential attitude toward other people's opinions, a lack of intolerant haste in dismissing other people's preferences and ideas, an amiable willingness to fit into the picture instead of standing out from it from a background, all go to make charm of manner.

Books of etiquette never yet manufactured a social success. A kind heart, a steady brain, a desire to please and an ability to perceive what is customary and to adjust one's self to it are the first steps toward good manners. An actual charm of manner may be added thereto by anyone who is sweet and patient and willing to exert herself to be gracious and graceful.

Perilous Game. "Don't you play bridge what at Crimmon Gulch?" "A more," replied Broncho Bob. "It upsets all the rules. When you lose at poker, you can keep your troubles to yourself and not talk about the hand. But when one of us loses at bridge what he doesn't know what minute his partner is going to draw a gun and put on a verdict of justifiable homicide."—Washington Star.

Snail Eaters and Snails

By GARRETT P. SERVISS.

Snails have been suggested as substitutes for oysters. It is averred that they form an equally nutritious food. Statistics are given which show that Paris—and that not when in a state of siege, except by friendly visitors—sometimes consumes fifty tons of snails in a season. I do not guarantee the accuracy of this statement, but I do know that Paris eats snails and likes them.

They are eaten and liked, more or less, all over France and Italy, and are raised for food in "escargotieres," a word based on the French name for snails, "escargot." The ancient Romans, who certainly had delicate and expensive tastes in food, were great snail eaters, and they probably introduced the custom into such of their colonies and dependencies as took kindly to it. The Journal of the American Medical Association is credited with the suggestion that, in these times of high prices for food, snails ought not to be neglected. The fact is that they have not been neglected altogether in this country. To a small extent snails are imported from France for use in American kitchens where French cookery is practiced.

But instead of importing them they could be raised here, and some are raised in California. There would be no difficulty about obtaining the snails if a demand for them existed. But, for most Americans, it would first be necessary to overcome a preliminary prejudice, and then to learn the art of preparing the food for the table. This art is so well understood in France that it is hard for a Frenchman to understand why anybody should not eat snails, just as an old-fashioned farmer cannot see any objection to pie, even at breakfast.

In favor of the snail as an article of food is the fact that it is a vegetable feeder, and rather dainty in its eating when it has a choice. Its living in a shell, or carrying its curious twisted house on its back, is not a reason for rejecting it from the culinary list. But I can understand how a sensitive imagination might be affected by the thought of killing and devouring a creature which walks around like a wandering Chinaman with a pagoda on his shoulders. Does not one always shrink from eating any kind of an animal which is remarkable for its beauty or the singularity of its appearance?

I wonder how far the splendor of the peacock's plumage goes in saving it from our tables, for in the palmy days of Roman luxury peacocks played a great part in feasts, especially their tongues and brains. Now we are content to keep peacocks for living ornaments, and when we want to eat tongues and brains we go to the lamb and the calf.

If the taste for snails could be once developed here "snail farming" might offer considerable profits. As I have

said, snails are already raised for the market in California, a state which has never lost the spirit of initiative breathed into it when the magic gleam of its golden sands first caught the eyes of the world, and what is done there could, it is believed, be done on a large scale in the Mississippi valley.

Plenty of moisture, an abundance of vegetable food, and, in hot, dry weather, a free night life, are what the snail demands. The best species for the table is the Helix pomatia, or the vine snail, the same that the Romans raised, and the largest member of the family of the Helicidae, which includes no less than 5,000 species.

It certainly does not look like a table luxury as it crawls along with its eyes on the ends of two stalks, and its shell humping along on its back. These snails are fond of company—of their own kind—and that is one reason why they can be raised with profit. They are willing to herd on a small space. They must be kept out of gardens, for they like almost any kind of vegetables that we like.

In the winter time they go into crevices, or into holes in the ground, and shut themselves in their shells, the mouths of which are closed by a hardened mucus, and thus they pass the inclement season in a state of unconsciousness. They lay their eggs in moist ground.

Related to the snails are the ugly creatures commonly called "slugs." They are snails without shells, or with mere rudiments of shells, and the whole under surface of their bodies forms a long sole, or "creeping disk." They leave a slimy trail, and, with their stalk-eyes weaving about they look like huge snails that have lost their pagodas. Yet some species even of these creatures have been eaten by omnivorous man.

Fall Fashions

Skirts grow longer and slimmer. The silhouette is rapidly changing because of this trend of fashion, if, more truthfully, it has not already changed, for the Paris clothes all show this new line.

A pleasing combination of metallic lace flouncing and velvet constitutes the materials used for many of the exquisite evening gowns made this season by Martial et Armand, always justly famous for these creations.

Wraps, or mantles, as they are popularly called, are of plain, soft, velvet, lined with satin of a contrasting color, and elaborately trimmed with fur. Such brilliant hues as bright blue, green and red are favorite colors for these luxurious garments.

With all the scintillating color of radium silk, yet a texture of much more alluring richness, soiree silk is the chosen fabric for late season dance frocks at the fashionable hotels.

A shirred velvet crown will add a new lease of life to the becoming straw motoring hat, one hates to give up. The velvet may be cut in a square or a circle, shirred over a cord around the edge and then arranged over the crown of the hat. Some of these crowns are perfectly even at one side, still others are pulled up and supported at front or sides by a smart, spiky feather ornament—or, better still, one made of beads. Such a hat looks well with one of the trimly tied white mesh veils—which will also serve to hide the material of the straw brim while not interfering with its lines of proven becomingness.

One Thing Lacking. The family was going on an outing in the woods, and mother was packing the lunch basket. "Let me see," she murmured. "I've got lettuce sandwiches, olive sandwiches, peanut butter sandwiches, macaroni, pickles, ginger snaps and chocolate. I wonder if I've forgotten anything." "How about putting in something to eat?" said father sarcastically.—Chicago Post.

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Blouses for Saturday of Crepe de Chine, white and flesh. Usually \$3.95. Just for a flyer will sell at \$2.98. Several models. Practically all sizes.

Two new models, lace and flesh Chiffon Blouses, at \$3.95.

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Soon people will be falling over each other to buy Handkerchiefs for the holidays. Handkerchiefs at old prices should be mighty enticing now. If you saw the interested people taking advantage of opportunity, you would be tempted also. NOT A PURCHASE, but a MIGHTY GOOD INVESTMENT.

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