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Society Notes by Mellificia

October 25, 1916.

Were you ever in Japan or did some more fortunate friend ever send you gorgeous pictures of the Japanese chrysanthemums? This flower is perhaps the most beautiful and universally admired importation from the orient to the occident. Its fluffy globes in delicate shades of orchid, pink, lavender, yellow and also red and white are popular with every one. One poor little girl, whom I knew, saved carefully her spare pennies all one fall so that before the chrysanthemums were gone she could buy a single posie for her very own.

Scarcely a luncheon or tea or dinner party but has them nowadays. Today Mrs. J. M. Metcalf entertained at a prettily appointed luncheon at her home in honor of her sister, Mrs. Ada Hertsche of Portland, Ore. Dainty water colors from Venice, for place cards and white carnations were combined with beautiful white chrysanthemums in the decorations.

At Mrs. Hughes' informal tea yesterday for her guest, Miss Winifred Hicks of Duluth, yellow chrysanthemums formed the decorations.

As a wedding flower the chrysanthemum rivals the rose. Miss Lucile Bacon set her wedding date in October because "I always wanted a wedding when I could have hig white chrysanthemums." Just as she had wished, glorious white chrysanthemums banked the altar and were tied with tulle bows to the pews.

The marriage of Miss Adele Davis Monday was performed in a setting of pink chrysanthemums and roses. Pink chrysanthemums were used through the rooms.

The story came from Minneapolis the other day that five society brides, all in a row, had set their wedding dates in the brilliant month of October in order that they might have around them on their nuptial days masses of these beautiful Japanese flowers.

Wedding Announcement.

The marriage of Mr. Joseph F. Gardner of West Somerville, Mass., and Miss Maud L. Parkman of Boston was performed by Rev. C. N. Dawson at the Dietz Memorial church parsonage Sunday. The couple were to be married in the east this winter, but Mr. Gardner's business called him to the Pacific coast, so his bride met him in Omaha and will make the trip with him.

Social Gossip.

Mrs. W. A. C. Johnson returned Tuesday morning from New York. Last evening the Johnsons were with Mr. and Mrs. John A. McShane at the opera.

Honor Bride-to-Be.

Misses Jewell and Flower Alexander entertained at a kitchen shower for Miss Bessie Ahlquist on Monday evening. The guests were:

Misses—	Misses—
Bessie Christie,	Flower Alexander,
Onie Krell,	Bessie Ahlquist.
Jewel Alexander,	
Mesdames—	Mesdames—
Charles Weber,	Harold Andreason.
William Ratlin,	

Personal Mention.

Recent arrivals from Omaha at the Hotel Snapp in Excelsior Springs are George Marks and D. E. Gallagher.

Enroute to California from the east, Mrs. Horace G. Burt, formerly of Omaha, has arrived and will spend several days in the city, the guest of Mrs. T. M. Orr, before continuing her journey.

Dr. Frederick Millener and his mother, Mrs. E. P. Millener, have returned from Richmond, Va., where they spent several weeks.

Mrs. E. H. Ward left today for a two weeks' visit with relatives in Evansville, Ind., Mt. Vernon, Ill., and St. Louis.

Birthday Party.

Mrs. W. W. Ken entertained at her home in honor of the fourteenth anniversary of her daughter, Miss Winnefred. The decorations and favors were suggestive of Hallowe'en. The guests were:

Misses—	Misses—
Vera Elder,	Madeline Nicholas,
Lucille Musgrove,	Lucille Jaycox,
Margaret Widnor,	Frances Wiles,
Lucille Parks,	Winnefred Ken.
Masters—	Masters—
Ward Kelley,	Carrol Gletzen,
Kenneth Sipple,	Harmon Wilmoth,
Francis Spiny,	Ralph Redfield.
Marion Wilmoth,	

Powys' Lecture Tickets.

Tickets for John Cowper Powys' lecture on "The Spirit of Modern English Literature," Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, may be exchanged for reserved seats at the Brandeis theater, beginning tomorrow. The entire lower floor is already sold out. The lecture is sponsored by the local Vassar club for the benefit of the college endowment fund.

Marriage of Former Omahan.

Mrs. Maria Hellman, formerly of this city, announces the marriage of her daughter, Grace, to Mr. Louis Lang, of Portland, Ore., Sunday, October 22 at Baltimore Md., where the Hellmans now live.

Luncheon for Visitor.

Mrs. J. M. Metcalf entertained at luncheon at her home today in honor of her sister, Mrs. Ada Hertsche of Portland, Ore. Covers were laid for:

Mesdames—	Mesdames—
Stockton Heth,	Charles G. Doane,
C. B. Keller,	John F. Waggamon
Martha Heth,	of Washington,
R. W. Connell,	Robert Gilmore,
Ellis Harbower,	W. J. Connell,
Fred Thomas,	Charles Green,
A. C. Wakeley,	George W. Lininger.
Miss Nellis Wakeley.	

Omaha Club Dinner.

The members of the Omaha club and their families will be entertained at a table d'hote dinner Tuesday evening, November 7, as previously announced. Election returns will be received at the club by special wire. A few reservations have already been made for the dinner.

For Girls Working in Homes.

On Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock at the Young Women's Christian association there will be open house for all girls who are employed in homes. The girls have been invited to come and bring their sewing and get acquainted with other girls. The Pleasant Hour club is an organization made up of girls who do housework and the members are anxious to interest new girls. The club has a Bible class on Thursday afternoon, where they are to study the parables, beginning November 2. In the evening Mrs. John Austin has charge of a good English class, in which they take up the reading of good literature, study plays and have good social affairs.

Matinee Party.

The wives and mothers of the officers of the Nebraska National Guard were entertained at a matinee party at the Orpheum today by Mrs. H. F. Elsasser. This was one of several informal matinee parties and teas which this group of women has enjoyed and will probably be followed by others of the same nature. No formal organization has been effected, but the common interest has drawn them together. The mothers included in the party were:

Mesdames—	Mesdames—
E. C. Wilbur,	H. A. Gardner,
Paul Getschman,	C. W. Hamilton,
William Kelly,	P. E. Elsasser.
Fred Koeper,	

The wives of officers include:

Mesdames—	Mesdames—
William Bruett,	W. E. Baehr,
Del Lough,	I. V. Todd,
J. F. Poucher,	E. E. Sterricker,
C. L. Burmester,	C. E. Jaycox,
Martin Jensen,	W. B. Hall,
Clyde McCormick,	J. A. Lilly,
Cliff Gardner,	Wallace Fellers.

Misses Helen Mallinson and Hope Hutton were also members of the party.

Trinity Parish Aid.

The Trinity Parish Aid society met for an all-day session with Mrs. F. H. Davis at 10:30 this morning.

Franco-Belgian Society.

The Franco-Belgian Relief society met this afternoon with the president, Mrs. John A. McShane, to make definite plans for the year. Several of the teas which were planned some time ago have been given, but no report has been made on the sum of money which has resulted. All the teas were supposed to be over by the first of November.

Luncheon and Matinee.

The Omaha Woman's Club of the Railway Mail Service gave a luncheon in the blue tea room of the Brandeis stores today, followed by a matinee party at the Brandeis theater for "The Mission Play."

On the Calendar.

Mrs. Walter Roberts will entertain at tea Friday afternoon for Miss Anita Carrington of New Haven, Conn., who is a guest at the F. H. Davis home.

Hood-Slaven Wedding.

The marriage of Miss Mabelle Slaven to Mr. Clarence Hood of Pocatello, Idaho, took place this morning at 9 o'clock at St. Bridget's church, Fathers Gannon and Samuel officiating. A wedding breakfast at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Slaven, followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Hood will leave soon to make their home in Pocatello.

Unitarian Church Supper.

Members of the Unitarian church will have their first social meeting with their new pastor, Mr. Robert French Leavens, formerly pastor of the Pittsburgh church, this evening, when they will give a supper at the Claremont Inn. Mr. Leavens was installed last Sunday and is beginning the work of the Omaha congregation with great enthusiasam. Mrs. Albert Hoag is chairman of the arrangements committee for the supper and about ninety or a hundred persons are expected to be present. Services are being held in Turpin's hall every Sabbath.

Bridge Party.

Mrs. J. O. Siford entertained three tables at bridge this afternoon for Mrs. A. M. Donoghue of Houston, Tex., who is her guest.

Turpin's Assembly.

The regular assembly at Turpin's Dancing academy will be held this evening.

Social Gossip.

Mrs. John Floyd Waggamon of Washington, guest of Mrs. Charles B. Keller, will leave for her home tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. John DeForest Haskell and Miss Faith Haskell of Wakefield came in for the operas Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. W. M. McCuiston of Kansas City is the guest of Mrs. E. P. Boyer for ten days.

On the Calendar.

Mrs. Charles Ederer will entertain the members of the Church Extension society at her home, 3323 North Thirtieth street, Thursday evening.

Advice to Lovelorn

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

You Are Acting Unwisely.

G. S.—Your letter is too lengthy to permit reproduction, but it shows that you have allowed yourself to become morbid in contemplation of a situation you cannot control. Reason should tell you the young man was unworthy of the love you gave him; it is, of course, a great wrench to you, but you must conquer this hopeless feeling. It will be far better for you to go among your friends and acquaintances with a smile on your face, and take full part in all their pleasures, and in time you will realize the joy of life and the blessing you have in escaping from a man whose interest in you was based on the property he expected you to inherit. His shabby action in getting you to return the ring by a subterfuge is proof of his capacity for deception. Do not waste any more time mourning for him, but rejoice at your easy deliverance.

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What the French will do next, of course, one cannot say, but now Maria Guy has crowned a brown velvet hat with ebullitions of kolinsky to match the collar and muff.

Prune Type of Woman

By ADA PATTERSON.

"I seen a prune woman today," said Katie. "I met up with her in a street car."

"Saw, Katie," I reproved, "And met, not met up with."

"Yes, ma'am. She was just like them—I mean these." Katie was washing the prunes.

"What is a prune woman, Katie?"

"Well, ma'am, first of all she's wrinkled, inside and out. Now I say that in these days a woman needn't get much wrinkled. Not if she has a good temper and a decent pride that makes her take care of herself. Mrs. Smith that lives over on Summit avenue is 75 and she ain't got no real wrinkles. Only three creases at the corner of each eye and they come from laffin.' This woman may' a been forty, but she's cross forty an' cross forty is older than good natured sixty-five.

"She was settin' at the end of the car and anybody with half an eye could see that inside of herself she was critisin' everybody in that there car. There was a pretty girl settin' next to her. The girl had the purtiest little feet all laced up in high gray shoes. I never seen anything purtier or modester. Her skirt come down nice and correct over the tops of the shoes.

"But the prune woman looked at them shoes as though they was poison. Then she looked at the girl's face as though she thought she was something turrible. But the girl was lookin' out at the red autumn leaves on the maple trees along the side of the road and never seen the dagger look the prune woman gave her. If looks could speak, the prune woman would have been sayin', 'You're vain and triflin' and I moren' half think your bad.' Maybe the girl is vain. I notice that some is an' some ain't. She may have been triflin'. Anyway the folks that are triflin' are more pleasant than them that ain't. I can't abide the people that go around with a deep furrow between their eyebrows, thinkin' they're doin' great things. They're generally sour and disagreeable and snappy.

"And as for bein' bad, you know the look of the child that stays always in a good woman's eyes? She had that, ma'am, and you can't mistake it. You can get fooled on a lot of things, but not on that.

"Down toward the other end of the car two men was talkin' politics. They got kind a noisy, like boys playin' ball. Have you noticed ma'am, that lots of men get as much fun outa talkin' politics as they did when they wuz boys out playin' or goin' swimmin'?

"And that's about all they think about it, just the sport of it. I'm thinkin' woman will take it more serious like. Come right down to it women are the duty hunters of the world. These men shocked the prune woman. They didn't say nothin' wrong, just raised their voices. But she fidgeted around as though she thought they would use bad language any minute and she wished a policeman would get aboard, and her wrinkles got deeper and deeper.

"She looked at everyone on the car and found somethin' wrong with everyone of us. I seen her lookin' at a rip in my shoe. If I'd said, 'Honest, ma'am my shoes was all right when I started. That ripped while I was doin' the marketin',' she wouldn't 'a' believed me. She's got the habit of thinkin' the worst of everybody. Until she takes a kind of pleasure in it."

Steps to Happiness

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

Most of us spend our lives in pursuit of happiness. But she is completely elusive, and when we think we have gained her, we always find that she lies somewhere beyond.

We all want superlative happiness and happiness is only comparative. We are happy as we give joy to others, fulfill our daily tasks, and work toward a goal of achievement.

Real happiness lies in "amounting to something" in this world. And amounting to something means doing our honest best with our own possibilities and helping other people realize theirs.

An old-time philosopher has suggested steps to happiness. Here they are: Accept Your Limitations. Seize Your Opportunity. Enjoy the Good of the Hour. Improve the Bad, and if You Can't Let it Drop.

Let us examine these suggestions. "Accept Your Limitations" means be sane and logical about your possibilities. Don't exaggerate your talents and insist on flying when it is hard for you to do anything more than walk. In other words, take stock of yourself and make the best of what you are and have it in you to be. But don't refuse to sing well in the chorus just because you aren't able to be the prima donna.

"Seize Your Opportunity." That, of course, means be awake and alert to whatever chance offers you and make the most of the tiniest opening through which it is possible to force your way to success.

"Enjoy the Good of the Hour." Be happy over the little things and don't worry because they are not eternal. No sunset was ever less beautiful because it was foredoomed to fade and joy and beauty have almost an added charm because they are not permanent. Learn to find joy in little momentary blessings. So you get a happy tendency, a frame of mind that makes for cheer.

"Improve the Bad—and if you Can't Let it Drop." Don't sit idly by with folded hands and accept unpleasant circumstances. Do your best to overcome them—your honest best. But if you find that faith will not quite move mountains but only show you the way to toil over them, try to surmount them.

If footsore and weary you have to give up and retrace your path, be cheerful about that, too. Failure bravely accepted is a sort of success.

After all these signposts to happiness only lead you on the path to peace. Peace of mind is the greatest happiness mortals can grasp and possess. It comes from the knowledge of duty well done, of work honestly performed and of kindness and love given to others.

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Facts for Curious

The royal arsenal at Woolwich, England has more than fifty miles of internal railways.

Austria is the only empire in the world which has never had any colonies or oversea possessions.

The most elaborate almanac in the world is that which has been issued for centuries by the Chinese government.

Boys are stronger than girls from birth to the eleventh year, then girls become superior physically to the seventeenth year.

So large is the great Spanish palace of the Escurial that it would take several days to go through all its rooms and apartments.

The three founders of the modern German empire were possessed of extraordinary longevity. William I was 91, Moltke was also 91, and Bismarck was 88.

Winnipeg has twenty-one public playgrounds and the system has developed to such an extent that the average daily attendance during the summer months is 8,561 children.

The largest railway scale ... rld has recently been completed at West Albany, N. Y. It is capable of accommodating a load of 1,650,000 pounds. It consists of six weighing instruments each having a capacity of 275,000 pounds. It is designed for weighing locomotives and other heavy rolling stock.

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How to Judge a Woman by Her Hair

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