

# Society Notes

April 19

**After June Bride Laurels.**  
Such a season for weddings you never did see. It is rivals June in popularity. Every day has its weddings, its affairs for brides, its parties for brides-that-have-been. Yesterday was a specially crowded day in the nuptial line, but today has its share of parties. Mr. and Mrs. John A. Kuhn and Miss Marion will have with them at luncheon at the Omaha club Mr. and Mrs. Blomfield-Brown of Honolulu, who are making their first visit to Omaha since their marriage three years ago and who celebrated their anniversary Sunday. Other members of the party were Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Peters and Mrs. John Jay Dickey.

The Kuhns and the Blomfield-Browns met recently in Honolulu, when Mrs. Kuhn and Marion with Miss Harriet Mack and Miss Gertrude Metz were visiting in Hawaii.

Announcement is made today of the engagement of a very attractive Omaha girl, Miss Mary Adelaide Vance, to Mr. Harold Richard Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Thomas. The wedding will take place early in May instead of in the fall, as was first planned, and will be very quiet, because of a recent bereavement in the bride's family. Mrs. George Wilkey of Idaho Falls, sister of Miss Vance, is still in the city and will remain until after the wedding.

Mrs. T. F. Hanley is entertaining at an informal party this evening for Miss Anna Welch, whose marriage to Mr. Joseph Mullen will take place April 28. The guests will be ten members of a Saturday bridge club who have played together since they were in school. Two members have moved away, but their places will be filled this evening by others.

Miss Gladys Goodman entertained a party of Rockford college girls at luncheon at her home today for Miss Gertrude Aikin, a bride-to-be, and her attendant, Miss Amy Burgess of Winona, Ill., who was a classmate of Miss Goodman at Rockford. Decorations were in yellow jonquils. After luncheon the party, which included also the members of the wedding party, attended the matinee at the Orpheum.

**To Honor Brides-Elect.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Squires will entertain at dinner for Miss Claire Morrison, Saturday Misses Margaret and Mary Morrison will entertain at tea at the Fontenelle for their sister, Saturday evening the Misses Esther Mulvihill and Catherine English will give a shower for the bride-to-be at the home of the former and Sunday evening Mr. Frank McDermott will entertain at an Orpheum party, followed by supper at the Fontenelle for Miss Morrison and her fiancé, Mr. Louis Bruckner of North Platte, who expects to arrive Saturday.

Miss Helen Clifton will entertain at dinner for Miss Dorothea Skriver, whose marriage to Dr. Rogee Thomas will take place next week. The guests will be intimate girl friends of the bride. An electric fountain banked with daffodils will be in the center of the table. The places will be marked with miniature wedding cakes with brides atop them. During the evening silhouette pictures of each of the girls will be taken, which will later be mounted to form one long group picture.

Miss Nettie Bushman entertained twenty-four guests at bridge in honor of Miss O'Connor, a bride-to-be. Red hearts and red tulips were used in the decorations.

Miss Mayme Foley entertained at luncheon at the Blackstone, followed by an Orpheum party for Miss Claire Morrison, daughter of Mrs. John F. Morrison, whose marriage to Mr. Louis Bruckner of North Platte will take place next Tuesday at St. John's church. Miss Mary Morrison, who will be her sister's maid of honor; Miss Margaret Morrison, the bridesmaid, and Miss Agnes Bruckner of North Platte, who came yesterday to be a guest at the Morrison home until after the wedding, were included in the party.

**Wedding Announcements.**  
Miss Elizabeth B. Kurtz and Mr. C. Edward Keiser of Omaha were married at the home of the bride's brother, Adam M. Kurtz, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. C. N. Dawson officiating. Only relatives were present and Miss Eva Rogers, who was a classmate of Miss Kurtz in the nurses' training course at the Methodist hospital. The young people will live at Fremont.

Mr. J. Walter Scott and Miss Viola Seifert were married at the home of Mrs. Edith B. Clute Tuesday evening, Rev. C. N. Dawson officiating. Only a few close friends were present. Mr. and Mrs. Scott will make their home here.

**Double Birthday.**  
Miss Eloise Crook and little Miss Phyllis Crook, 6 and 3-year-old daughters of Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Crook of Dundee, are celebrating their birthdays today. They had planned to have a big birthday party, with all the attendant pleasures, when suddenly Miss Eloise fell ill and had to stay in the house. Now they are having birthday cakes with six and three candles each, but no party. Only a few grownups and Eloise's teacher will be able to come for the ice cream and cake, which they had expected to eat with their little friends.

**Notes of Interest.**  
Mrs. Harold Feil of Cleveland, nee Nellie Elgutter, arrived Tuesday for a several weeks' stay. Mrs. Feil is at the M. B. Newman home.

Miss Alice Carter leaves in two weeks for Portland, Me., where she will be bridesmaid in the wedding of a college friend.

Mr. Chandler Trimble is in Lincoln at the Alpha Tau Omega house. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Beardsley left Wednesday evening for a month's stay at Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. A. F. McCreary, wife of Lieutenant McCreary of the United States navy, now stationed at Chicago, has come from California to visit her uncle, Mr. Gordon W. Wattle. If Lieutenant McCreary is ordered on for sea duty, as he will be, undoubtedly Mrs. McCreary will remain here. Her mother, Mrs. C. M. Swender, sister of Mr. Wattle, is coming on from California soon to be with her brother.

W. S. Doty and R. L. Pace are at the Hotel McAlpin, in New York City.

Mrs. J. C. Wood has returned from

## HEADS WOMAN'S CLUB LITERARY SECTION.



MRS. GEORGE B. DARR.

attending a two days' missionary convention in Missouri Valley, Ia.

**Betrothal Announcement.**  
Mr. and Mrs. John Nachtigall announce the engagement of their daughter, Catherine, to Mr. Frederick P. Coyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Coyle, the wedding to take place in May.

## Swears Falsely About His Age to Enlist in U. S. Navy

A worried mother appealed to Lieutenant Waddell to get her son released from the navy. Tears formed in her eyes and she went away pondering over the best course to pursue.

The lad had furnished a forged paper, purporting to be the mother's consent to his enlistment, she said. The boy is under 16 years of age, but swore he was past 16, because he was anxious to join the fighting forces.

"If you do not press the case," said the lieutenant, "your boy will stay in the navy and have no trouble. But if you do want to get him out on the grounds that he misrepresented his age and forged your consent, he will get out of the navy only to go to prison for his offense."

Names of the mother and son are withheld by the naval officers.

## More British Hospital Ships Sunk, Says Law

London, April 19.—There have been further losses recently of British hospital ships, which will be published shortly, Andrew Bonar Law, member of the war council, announced in the House of Commons today.

## Fashion's Reflections

Dotted foulards line and in some instances trim many of the separate coats for spring.

Looped or draped skirts are sure to come, and we will like them, too, for as advance models they are graceful and becoming.

Delightfully crisp, clean-looking collars of organdie, and sometimes cuffs as well, give the final touch of smartness to navy serge dresses.

Expect to see many mannish-tailored suits, severely plain in cut and finish, and, principally in gray and navy. Serges, twill and jersey are the most generally used fabrics.

Never were more picturesque styles in veil draping adopted by brides than those in vogue today. The old coronet arrangement adding height to the figure has given way to fillet and cap.

Stunning skirts are of oyster white silk, made in gathered style with exaggerated pockets, the openings of the latter stitched in many rows with colored silk. The skirt is hemmed.

Separate vests or vestees separate or attached to the coat or jacket are a spring novelty. These vests permit of an effective touch of color that is very pleasing, because so many of the suits are somber in tone.

Beads, silk and cotton floss, braiding and chain stitching are used separately or in combinations of two or three on dresses and blouses, and sometimes on suits; and not infrequently on coats, especially of a dressy type.

Tea gowns are numerous and beautiful. Many are composed of two contrasting colors, and most of them are enhanced by heavy Oriental girdles of beads or metal, or a combination of both of these with heavy silk cord or ribbon.

When it comes to the bridesmaid's frock there is no end to delightful possibilities. Models quaint, picturesque, artistic, or merely beautiful in conservative fashion are to be seen on every side and extravagance is not necessary, for some of the most attractive things for bridesmaid's purposes are comparatively simple.

Bracelot, plus pontine, makes an ideal traveling and motor coat for the spring trossseau. Pontine, with its waxed outer side and its inner side of supple broadcloth, is immensely utilitarian because it minds not wind or wet weather and keeps one warm, dry and comfy, whatever the day. It is also—and this is quite as important from the bride's point of view—truly "both," a word which expresses good-looking, chic and utterly correct, in two syllables.

## Women's War Activities

Women will be engaged to serve as conductors on street cars in Toledo, O., in the event of a shortage of men.

Miss Marie S. Dahm of New York has entered the service of the United States navy as a finger-paint expert.

The National Housewives' league has launched from its New York headquarters a national movement for the conservation of food.

The National League for Women's Service is engaging volunteers to help in taking the state military census of New York next month.

## A Stunning Springtime Suit



**BLUE** serge is the foundation of this suit, which manages to do a great deal to so trifling a thing as a mere foundation. The startling waist coat and collar are cut of cross-barred pique, and the coat fastens smartly across them by means of narrow black moire ribbon. Wide black Hercules braid binds collar, pockets, cuffs and the flaring coat of the deeply cut-away skirt. The hat is of rose-colored straw, crowned in pansies of rose-color velvet, so soft and pretty that one wishes they might come true. And one little pansy peeks saucily over the brim.

## CLUB WOMEN URGE STRICT ECONOMY

**Housewives Who Waste Food or Clothing Help America's Enemies, They Say.**

**HEALTH IS A WAR ASSET**

Conservation of food, clothing and, most important of all, the homemaker's health, is urged by federated club women of this vicinity, South Side, Benson and Dundee, who met with the home economics department of the Omaha Woman's club Thursday morning to discuss the high cost of living.

Mrs. F. J. Burnett urged women to raise vegetables in their kitchen gardens. "And lay in a supply of food-stuffs at once before the prices soar any higher," she advised. The Department of Agriculture and the State university will be asked for instructions in canning so as to avoid any waste.

Neighborhood canneries were suggested as an economy for women having gardens near together.

**Things to Can.**  
Beets, corn, rhubarb, peas, beans and Swiss chard are the best vegetables to can, said the club women, although two women from Germany ventured luscious recipes of pickled pumpkin and pickled prunes, which they said were favorites in the old country.

"Keeping house for twenty years without using more than a pound of lard and two cans of crisco is my choice economy," said Mrs. F. J. Burnett.

"Her husband is not a Bostonian, like mine, who must have pies for breakfast," remarked a skeptical listener.

"Mending one's clothes as long as there is a thread left," is Mrs. I. W. Welch's pet economy, and she also suggested that the housewife do as the hotel keepers do, wash the potato

## Stolen Goods Found In Room of Fred Stodden

Fred J. Stodden, 1823 Capitol avenue, was arrested Thursday morning on the charge of grand larceny. Police say they found \$200 worth of silks, shirts, ties, jewelry, pocket-knives and other articles belonging to the Brandeis stores in Stodden's room.

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## The Romantic Season

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

There is wine in the air these first, crisp spring days, and most of us are fairly drunk with the joy of living. A dangerous state that, and one which it behooves us to examine carefully. Spring will "get" most of us unless we very sanely investigate the things which she is trying to do to us, and good naturedly refuse to be swept out in the midst as if we were the broken-up ice crust of winter which swirls down the spring freshet—and disappears.

Spring madness is such a pleasant disease that one is tempted to yield rather than to fight. All the strange little emotions and desires which stir are so delicious that it is a temptation merely to rhapsodize over how beautifully they fit in with the tiny buds and leaves which are clamoring into life. But what do all these "delicious" little symptoms of waking life do to us? They drive us into unconsidered follies of the emotions and the pocketbook, and they prevent us from keeping our minds on our jobs.

Spring makes us long to throw off responsibility and to get out into the open. It gives us a longing for mere living. Vaguely we crave companionship, understanding, love.

Of course, the first signs of spring are generally epidemics of grip, orgies of shopping and feelings of impatient boredom with tasks which have been satisfactory enough all through the winter. Then comes a wild longing for freedom, for self-expression, and for the joy of loving. And presto!—the buds are out and it is spring made manifest.

Whenever we have the desire for love itself we are in danger! The story of Queen Titania and Bottom with his ugly head is a perfectly good symbol of what spring madness can do to any of us. No mischievous Buck is needed to come and drop in our eyes the magic dew from a flower which shall enchant us with the first thing on which we look when waking. Spring itself takes the place of Buck, and her every fiber is capable of casting a spell very similar to that of Shakespeare's "Love-in-idleness."

Spring is absolutely the prime "beware" season. The breezes caress you and the sun caresses you, and all the world seems trembling into a procession that goes two by two. So who wants to be alone? And who is not likely to play Titania to a stupid, braying Bottom if King Oberon is not there to get the homage which is his due?

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You good-naturedly smile at your own longings and attribute them to the season of the year, instead of to yourself. Your common sense tells you that spring madness is a pleasant enough thing if it doesn't drive you into madness, for which you may have to pay through many a long summer and autumn and winter.

If spring madness makes you want to roam into the park and talk to the first good-looking boy or girl you see; or if it drives you to slipping off on excursions with somebody else's husband or wife; or if it makes you lower your own standards of dignity and revel in the caresses of some one who means nothing to you, you had better get out a few "Beware" signs at once.

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