

Society Notes

June 15

Impromptu Weddings Staged.

It's hard enough to tell what any young people bent on marriage will do, but when young men of the medical profession take the great notion into their heads you never can tell what will happen. Announcement is made today by Mrs. John F. Coad of the marriage of her daughter, Irene, to Dr. Thomas E. Dailey. Although the engagement of these two young people was announced some time ago, their wedding plans have been a deep secret. Just when they planned the little coup no one knows, but the fact remains that without any previous announcement they hid themselves to St. Cecilia's church Thursday at 6 o'clock and there were united in marriage by Rev. Father Gately. That night they left for a trip in the Canadian Rockies, further destination unknown and length of stay indefinite. Friends say that Miss Coad is a "real girl" and that Dr. Dailey is a "regular man"; therefore, they conclude that their private little wedding minus fuss was just the thing.

Another marriage in which a young doctor is concerned is that of Miss Florida Young of Macedonia, Ia., to Dr. George Pratt of Omaha. These two young people had been planning a wedding for some time in the fall, but war changed all the plans. Dr. Pratt is a member of Dr. Donald Macrae's hospital unit, which expects to be called at any time to France. The ceremony will be performed Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the beautiful home of the bride's mother, Mrs. T. J. Young, in Macedonia. Miss Lenore Young will be her sister's maid of honor and Mr. Robert Connell of this city will be best man. After a short trip east they will be at home in Omaha until such time as Dr. Pratt is called to service.

Miss Young is a charming young woman with many friends in this city and Council Bluffs. She was graduated from St. Mary's at Knoxville, Ill., and later attended the University of Nebraska in company with her sister, Miss Lenore Young, and her brother, Mr. Mason Young. She is a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority and has been a frequent visitor at the affairs of the Omaha alumnae chapter. Dr. Pratt is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Pratt of Chicago. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and of Rush Medical school in Chicago. His fraternal ties are Beta Theta Pi and Nu Sigma Nu.

Allied Nations at Lawn Fete.

A lawn fete at Mrs. John L. Kennedy's home, "Binnic Brae" Fairacres, under the auspices of the Equal Franchise society, is being looked forward to as one of the most interesting events yet to take place for the War Relief society. The affair will be June 30, from 3 until 8 p. m. Booths of the allied nations will be arranged attractively, and looked after by prominent Omaha women. Some of the booths will contain a fortune teller, ice cream, marigolds, fish pond, garden booth, homemade cakes and candy, and balloons. Pony rides will also be indulged in. A jitney service will be arranged for at the end of the Dundee car line. Tickets for adults will be 50 cents, and for children 25 cents. These may be secured from W. R. Mathews book store, Mrs. Helen Sorenson Kiddoo, Mrs. E. C. Twamley, and Miss Daisy Doane.

The American booth will be supervised by Mrs. A. W. Hordford, Mrs. Glen Wharton, Mrs. Tom L. Davis, Mrs. G. A. Meyer, and Mrs. Walter Roberts; Japanese booth will be supervised by Mrs. Edw. Swobe and Mrs. A. V. Kinsler; French booth, Mrs. S. S. Caldwell, Miss Mae Mahoney, Mrs. J. E. Davidson; British, Mrs. W. A. C. Johnson, and Mrs. J. T. Stewart, 2d; Italian, Mrs. Warren Blackwell, Mrs. Sam Rees, jr., Mrs. Ward Burgess, Mrs. Arthur Guion, Miss Grace Allison and Miss Marion Kuhn. Mrs. A. E. Root will have charge of the balloons; Mrs. Charles Offutt, Miss Virginia Offutt, Mrs. Victor Caldwell and Mrs. Louis Nash. The fortune teller is to be a secret. Mrs. H. C. Sumney will serve ice cream, marigolds, Mrs. Eva Wallace, cake and candy; Mrs. Twamley, lemonade, and Mrs. Westbrook will have charge of the fish pond. Others assisting will be Mrs. E. M. Fairfield, Mrs. E. A. Wickham, Mrs. A. C. Metcalf, Mrs. Eva Wallace, Mrs. James Richardson, Mrs. C. H. Johnson and Mrs. Alfred Darlow.

Wedding Plans.

Mrs. M. A. Bradley announces the date of the marriage of her daughter, Frances Mary, to Mr. William C. Raapke, son of Mr. Louis Raapke, as June 26. The ceremony will be performed at 9 in the morning at St. John's church. Miss Bradley will be attended by her sister, Miss Eva Bradley, and her brother, Mr. Alphonse Bradley, will be best man. A wedding reception for seventy-five guests will be given at the Louis Raapke home from 8 to 11 the same night. Mr. Raapke and his bride will then leave for a wedding trip in the east, after which they will be at home at the Hunter Inn on July 15.

Notes of Interest.

Mr. N. H. Hawkins of Seneca, Neb., is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hummer.

Mr. James A. Gilmore leaves Saturday for a six weeks' trip to California.

Miss Mabel Peterson will leave Sunday for an extended trip to the Pacific coast. She will visit friends enroute in Denver, Colorado Springs, Ogden and Reno.

Miss Annette Davis and Miss Marguerite Motter of St. Joseph, who have been visiting Miss Helen Stenger this week, leave Saturday for their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen McCaffrey, who have been visiting in the south for the last three weeks, returned this morning.

Omaha Elks to Hold Flag Day Exercises Sunday

The Omaha Elks will hold their annual flag day exercises Sunday afternoon. There will be a military parade at 2:30 p. m. by the troops from Fort Crook and Fort Omaha. A uniformed section of the Elks will carry the big Byrne & Harmer flag in the parade and a large number of members of the lodge in street dress will follow the flag to Hanscom park, where ritualistic exercises will open at 3:30 p. m. Hon. Frederick Shepherd of Lincoln, judge of the district court, will deliver the patriotic address.

WILL READ PROLOGUE AT NATURE MASQUE.



MRS. MIRIAM P. BOYCE.

Mrs. Miriam Patterson Boyce will read the prologue to the nature masque, "The Spirit of Walden Wood," to be given at Hanscom park at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon for the benefit of the Red Cross and the Woman's Service League. She replaces Mrs. Harry Doorly, who is out of the city and will not be able to return in time for the performance.

Everything is in readiness and points to a most successful performance. Miss Arabelle Kimball, promoter, and Miss Mary Irene Wallace, director, are greatly pleased with the rehearsals. Indications are that the weather will be most favorable. In the event that it should rain the performance will be given at 4 o'clock Monday.

One of the attractive features of the performance will be the singing of the "Marsellaise" by George C. McIntyre, with orchestral accompaniment, under the direction of Henry Cox. As a closing number the audience will sing "The Star Spangled Banner."

There will be 100 performers, including dancers and an orchestra of about fifty pieces. J. F. Letton, manager of the Fontenelle hotel, has offered the use of his collection of flags of the allied nations to be used at the park Saturday.

Mrs. J. T. Stewart, 2d, will have charge of the concession sale of refreshments at the park, proceeds of which will go to the comfort kit section of the Red Cross.

Because the masque is given for a war relief benefit, Commissioner Hummel has consented to permit the sale of tickets in the park.

Omaha Uni to Equip Gym

With Donation by Mrs. Maul. The greater part of the \$2,000 fund given to the University of Omaha by Mrs. O. M. Maul will be used to increase the equipment of the Jacobs gymnasium, according to Dr. D. E. Jenkins, president. Mrs. Maul was the principal contributor when the gymnasium was built. The money raised at that time, however, was not sufficient to fully equip the building.

A full line of gymnasium equipment will be installed. The running track will be completed and reinforced. A large swimming pool will be placed in the basement and more shower baths will be added. Some new lockers will be part of the new material.

Basinger Back from Visit

To Riley Cantonment Camp. General Passenger Agent Basinger of the Union Pacific is back from Kansas and while there he spent several days at Fort Riley looking after transportation matters in connection with the movement of troops.

According to Mr. Basinger there is great activity at Fort Riley. The work of constructing the army cantonment camp buildings is under way and hundreds of mechanics of all kinds are finding employment. The fort is on the Kansas line of the Union Pacific and is reached only by this road. Junction City, six miles away, has a north and south road.

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Have You Ever Thought How Heedless Women Are About Breaking Their Word When It Suits Them?

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

"Hello! Hello! Oh, I'm so glad I caught you—I just must see you. Let's have dinner together tonight. I have some things I want to talk over with you. You have an engagement? Oh, please, please break it! I really need you. Surely you won't fail me."

The tone sounds desperate—harried. And you picture Virginia as really suffering, needing your advice, your help. Your engagement is for theater with a group of people who can manage very well without you and Virginia needs you.

You arrange for your cousin Carry to go to the theater in your place and give up regretfully your last opportunity to see the clever and amusing play at the Lyceum which is to be withdrawn after that evening's performance. But Virginia needs you; you cannot fail her.

At 6:30—just as you are setting off to meet Virginia, the phone rings again. Virginia's voice greets you. "Oh, my dear, I'm so glad I got you—I didn't want you to start off on a wild goose chase. Jack Lacey just called me up and asked me to see that clever new play which is closing tonight and I knew you wouldn't want me to miss it."

You gasp. Virginia is going with Jack Lacey to the very play which you gave up because she "needed" you!

Do you protest? Then Virginia tearfully asks you how you can be so unkind. She is lonely and blue and she telephoned you because she felt you could help over her bad place, but seeing that clever play at the Lyceum will be even better for her. Of course, if you insist on holding her to the engagement—but she wouldn't treat you that way.

Do you accept Virginia's ruthless breaking of the engagement with you in favor of one with Jack Lacey? You encourage her in her cavalier attitude toward her engagements with women when opportunities to go out with men come along. You let Virginia

feel that she is privileged to make and break engagements at will—to pick and choose and please herself rather than to abide by any schedule which has been made and which includes her. Your very willingness to break an engagement for her encourages Virginia in her casual attitude toward keeping appointments.

A cavalier attitude toward engagements is—I fear me—more characteristic of women than of men. Even rather fine women have a feeling that they have a right to pick out the invitations which most appeals to them and to cancel any other which interferes with it.

A group of us were discussing a young dramatist recently and we all agreed that one of the reasons we liked Henrietta so much was because she was completely dependable. One of the girls summed it up like this: "If she promised to meet me at a tea room for lunch and the duke of Argyle came along and invited her to a feast at his castle, she'd keep her date with me. She's a wonder! I never knew a girl so decent to others—even when there are men at stake. But I don't know another girl just like Henrietta."

There are not very many! I can find excuses a-plenty for this falling—but I wish it were not there to be excused.

Men generally object to making engagements far ahead. They say very frankly, "When evening comes along, I may not feel one bit like going ice-skating. I may want to stay and feed dogs to the grate fire. I hate to tie myself up so far ahead. Let me call you up some evening when I'm just in the mood and we'll motor out to one of those cute little places in Westchester and have dinner and a few dances."

And you say to yourself: "How selfish men are. They're terribly spoiled. They always want to do what they enjoy!"

Perhaps they are selfish (we won't discuss that here and now and today). But much can be forgiven men for the sake of their honesty. About engagements men have a stronger sense of obligation than women. They

may object to making them, but once they have committed themselves to a social course can interfere. Perhaps it is because women have generally to make the best of what is offered them—because they are not free to choose their pleasures and enjoyments and are dependent to a certain extent on others to offer them their social opportunities, that they do not feel bound down by the lesser pleasures when the greater ones are offered.

But there is no worse form of selfishness generally prevalent among women than their tendency to slip out of one engagement and into another, regardless of who is being hurt and disappointed and thoroughly discomfited by their defection. A sensitive girl is likely to feel real suffering as a result of the treatment which another girl metes out to her when she serenely neglects to keep an engagement and calmly leaves her friend high and dry.

Suppose you have planned to spend the Fourth of July on a country hike with another girl, and then some man invites you to take the day trip up the Hudson or to go to Coney Island? Before you accept, stop to consider what you are doing to the girl who is counting on you to be her companion for the holiday.

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