

# Woman's Section

## The Woes of A Verdant Freshman

OH! the woes and the "fox passes" of the verdant freshman. A very beautiful Omaha matron, wife of a well-known medical man, tells an interesting story concerning an incident which happened several years ago. A freshman in medical school had just been introduced to her and was very ill at ease and embarrassed. She chatted freely with him in an effort to make him forget his self-consciousness—but Gabby will have the attractive matron tell the remainder of the story.

"No one but a freshman would have done such a thing, even a sophomore would die rather than do so. A doctor and his wife passed and I spoke to them, then turned to student and told him who they were. He eyed them curiously, turned to me and in the most bland manner possible asked, 'Mrs. —, why is it doctors always pick such freaks for wives?' To myself I said 'Thank you.' Today the freshman is no longer such and I am waiting to see just what sort of 'freak' he will pick. I shall certainly remind him of it when he marries."

## GABBY reads the following in the New York Evening Sun under date June 2:

"The political strength of English women is becoming increasingly widespread and effective. No question is discussed in common without all the members having due regard for its effect on women's opinion. When the bill admitting women of 21 years and over to the franchise becomes law, there will be a million more women voters than men voters."

"Lady Asquith in a recent speech to the British Housewives' union told her audience that a prominent member of parliament had told her that 'women have got the common sense on the run,' while she also reminded them that the 'fear of the loss of a vote is still the best pin with which to prick an M. P.'"

"At all women's meetings it is clearly indicated that the women have found a new use for their scissors—they intend to snip through every inch of red tape that stands in the way of progress. They claim that the government suffers from want of backbone on account of party politics, and while they admit that a government of archangels would not satisfy the people of the country at present, at least they intend that the obvious steps toward improvement shall be taken immediately."

All woman's wisdom in the world would not impress like one little ballot, thinks Mme. Detayls. And who was it said women would be no better off if they could vote?

## ONE matron living in the western residential district of this city had heard that you can't have your cake and eat it too, but she was not informed that you can't buy your cake and make it too. She patronizes a very fine shop not yet discovered by her friends.

At an informal dinner given by her at her home a few weeks ago, the guests highly praised her cooking, especially the cake. They inferred that it was the product of her own labor and since they inferred she decided not to disillusion them. She glowed under the compliments and attributed her entire success in baking to her exceptional recipe. One of the women present, envious of the ability of the hostess, asked for it and promised that as soon as the mistress of the household had time the important document would be copied.

The evening passed merrily and the hostess congratulated herself on her clever subterfuge. But alas, luck was not with her; the friend telephoned several days later again asking for the recipe. She was again told the recipe and being denied, she begged for it; then with a last ray of hope she offered to buy the cake formula. At first her bid was low, but gradually rose higher and higher as she grew more hysterical at the thought of being caught in her duplicity. But all this availed her nothing, the shopkeeper was obdurate and nothing could induce him to part with a single one of his cherished secrets.

Finally the frantic woman decided to take a recipe from an old cook book, which had been in the family for a number of years. Of course, no one had ever tried this particular one, but what mattered that? Aren't cook books supposed to be right? Yes, they are, but this one wasn't, with the result that her friend ruined 8 eggs, a quantity of flour, cream, sugar, and two cups of butter. Is she a friend now? Well rather not.

A very attractive Omaha matron, who was divorced this spring from her husband—a prominent professional man—was said to be often seen in a far-away city with an officer in the navy—an admiral and an old sweetheart. That sounds as though she were in the company of three men, an officer, an admiral and an old sweetheart, but the officer is an admiral and the admiral-officer is an old sweetheart. Thus the friendship takes on a more serious aspect.

The favorite novels story in the woman's section of The Bee last Sunday has interested me to such an extent I must have my say and add to the



## To Appear in Dances

Mrs. Glenn Wharton will superintend the decorations for the Junior league frolic to be given at the Country club, Tuesday evening, June 15.

She is also one of the six pretty girls who will appear in the Florida sister. In this number will be Mrs. Albert Sibbensen, Mrs. Jack Webster, Miss Menie Davis, Miss Helen Walker and Miss Josephine Congdon, Messrs. Herbert French, Milo Gates, Ned Connolly, Kenneth Norton, Philip Downs and George Metcalf.

An attractive number in which Mrs. Wharton will also take part is the couple dance, showing many fancy-ball room stunts. In the dance will be: Mrs. Ross Towle, Mrs. Jack Webster, Mrs. Lawrence Brinker, Mrs. John Caldwell, Mrs. Isaac Carpenter, Mrs. Herbert French, Miss Elizabeth Davis, Miss Erna Reed, Miss Louise Clark, Miss Daphne Peters, Miss Helen Pierce, Messrs. Paul Shirley, Albert Sibbensen, Charles Allison, Louis Burgess, Roger Keeline, Bob Turner, Wallace Shepard, Isaac Carpenter, Porter Allen, Bob Milard, Kenneth Norton and Herbert Connell.

fine list a few others that are 'just as good' if not better in my estimation," writes in a young Omaha woman, asking Miss Gabby not to divulge her name. She continues: "How about 'Romola' and 'Adam Bede,' both very human, but they had hard problems to face and faced them squarely and solved them. 'Of all books for children I believe none pleased me more than 'Birds' Christmas Carol.' 'And if modern novels are not parred, may we not give 'The Bent Twig' a prominent place. I've heard

so many people express a fondness for it? "Well, my little say is over. Please don't use my name. Gabby is glad George Elliot has an inning and also Dorothy Canfield, author of 'The Bent Twig.' Miss Canfield (Mrs. Fisher) is claimed as a Nebraska girl. Her father was at one time chancellor of the University of Nebraska. The book has a particular charm for Nebraskans because we know it is of our own state she writes in her splendid novel cited.



## To Occupy New Home

Mrs. E. M. Reynolds is one of the well known matrons of Omaha. She is often seen at the Field club and is prominent in First Methodist church circles. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds are building a home in Happy Hollow circle, situated just north of Dodge street on the Happy Hollow boulevard. It will probably be completed in July and they expect to occupy it after the first of that month. Mrs. Reynolds has taken great pride in planning the interior decorations and her artistic taste will be displayed in the arrangement and choice of furnishings in the new home.

## League Women Voters Give Banquet

Brilliant, gay and festive, will be the banquet Monday evening, June 14, at the Happy Hollow club, for those participating in the convention of the League of Women Voters. This will be the largest social event during the two days of the state convention. Elaborate decorations for the club house have been planned and against the dull background of palms and flowers the beautiful gowns of the women guests will form a riot of color.

Speeches scintillating with wit and good humor will be given by women known throughout the suffrage and club world. Mrs. Maud Wood Park of Massachusetts, Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker of Texas, Mrs. Solon Jacobs of Alabama and Mrs. Richard Edwards of Indiana are those on the toast list for this event. Local speakers will be Mayor Ed P. Smith and Francis A. Brogan.

Mrs. C. T. Kountze is in charge of the reservations, which must be made previous to June 10.



## Attends Commencement

Miss Alice Mary Turney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Turney, is one of the Omaha girls who will attend the commencement exercises of Shattuck Military academy at Fairbault, Minn. She leaves Monday and will return about June 15. Miss Turney is a junior at Central High school and took the second leading role in the Cadet Officers' road show, given at the school in April.

## Wood Thrush

puccoon with its arresting bright orange yellow blossoms made a pretty picture. The Indians use the root of this little plant to make a certain dye which they like. The violet wood sorrel, too, was in bloom and back and forth over the road flew innumerable pairs of indigo buntings, the birds which so delighted Thoreau in the Walden woods. Meadow larks called from the fence posts and an oriole darted from the fruit trees.

One very curious thing had happened. All along the way were snakes which had met sundry deaths, and Mr. Cable's wonderful story, "Bonaventure," came to our minds, and the gruesome description of the outlaw who sought refuge in the swamp after the flood, and found a reptile on every floating head of vegetation. The high water had driven these creatures from their accustomed haunts and they lay, maimed and ugly, a good deal of a light on a pleasant morning.

Last Sunday was a red letter day because we found a yellow lady's slipper of the variety known as Cypripedium pubescens, with its firm yellow bowl and its little twisted, brown, drooping tendrils. These plants are fast disappearing because people dig them and carry them away. Why must a lovely thing always be clutched at and possessed? Is there no joy in just beholding? Must we forever plunge our hand into the heart of a mystery? Gradually, no doubt, we will learn to care for other people's property, and even mother nature's as we would our own, and to share our happiness with others. We will protect wild flowers as we now protect birds. And O, if somebody would come by and preach "wood-house-keeping" to the casual picnicker! It is a positive crime to leave food, and boxes and papers on the fair, green meadows by the wayside the Indian



## To Study Decorating

Miss Beatrice Montgomery is an Omaha girl who is talented in the art of interior decoration. She took a deep interest in this work during her high school years and pursued subjects related to it while attending the University of Nebraska where she was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. Miss Montgomery, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Montgomery, spent the past winter in California and continued her work there. Since her return to Omaha she has occupied her time in designing and decorating a set of bedroom furniture. The background of the design is black enamel and flowers in the pastel shades are sketched on its surface. The draperies and rugs for the room carry out these shades of pinks, blues, greens and yellows. Miss Montgomery expects to continue her studies next year but has not yet determined in what school.

## Lessons for Your Boy During Summer

And this our life, exempt from public haunt, Finds tongues in trees, books in the running brooks, Sermons in stones, and good in everything.

What a great school is found in Mother Nature! Is it not strange that so little time is given by all of us, in the study of out-door life? For the grown-up, time seems to be the great prohibition. But for the child?

What, dear mother, will you do with your boy or girl this summer? Will you give your child an abundance of the out-of-doors? Will you go with him to study the birds, the woods, the blue of the sky and the ripple of the lake?

In this modern day camps and schools offer such attractions and supervise such excursions. We have long had camps for boys and camps even for girls are now coming to the fore!

One camp, this one for boys, has recently come to attention—Pasquaney. It is near Bridge-water, N. H. It seems to meet the great ideal for the young boy during a summer vacation. And whether he sends her son there or not, the "design" of the place may be applied by any mother, anywhere.

Many suggestions from the following will occur to the mother who is ever zealous for the proper development of her child:

"The chief aim of Pasquaney" so we are told, "is to provide for a limited number of boys facilities whereby they may study a healthy and nature life in the woods; a life which will make them strong, manly, self-reliant, and efficient, and able to do and think for others as well as for themselves."

"As a fundamental step toward this purpose, it is highly important that each boy appreciate the value of service. Therefore, he has to perform daily a special duty about the camp, lasting from one to two hours. He is taught the conditions necessary to a wholesome life in the woods. This active life in the open, so near to nature, stimulates in a boy love for the beautiful, teaches him to feel comfortable in the mountains and trees, and inculcates in him the sturdy habit of doing everything connected with the little community life."

To sum it up, a healthful, natural life, self reliance, and unselfishness, the daily task, and love for the beautiful.

Three boys from Omaha will spend the summer at Pasquaney, Halleck Rose, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Halleck Rose; William Still, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Still and Gilbert Dooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dooley. These are the only boys west of Pennsylvania, who will be in this camp which opens late in June.

## Garden Fetes And Summer Exodus

Bee Bureau, Washington, June 5.

Summer is but just arriving in Washington; the great exodus to the summer resorts begins and the rush to the conventions is on. Garden parties are at last possible and Washington is enjoying the open, to the very fullest. Private lawn fetes and public benefit garden parties are frequent.

General John Pershing set the ball a-rolling late last week, by having one on rather short notice, at "Highwood," the lovely country home of Mrs. Henry C. Corbin, which he has occupied since his return to the United States. He asked his guests by telephone, as soon as he found the weather had cleared, and, of course, everyone who was asked accepted. The party was not a large one, but was representative of Washington society and represented also his own visiting list. Mrs. Pershing, who was father of the late Mrs. Pershing, acted as a chaperone, not as hostess, for the general did the honors himself. He received his guests in the front drawing room of the handsome house and wore the khaki uniform well known for its smart and beautiful material, but he did not wear the British belt to which everyone has grown accustomed. A buffet supper was served in the dining room and punch was served on the porch. After the guests had assembled they danced in the ball room, the general leading off with Mrs. William Burton, who was formerly Miss Jessie Krogstad, now the wife of a British captain and living in Washington. Highwood is the Chevy Chase a short distance from the Chevy Chase club, and is a stately and beautiful place which the general and his staff, who live there with him, call "The Chateau."

There is a great sweep toward Chicago this week end, everyone going who can possibly get there. Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh is taking a party with her, leaving Washington tomorrow in a private car. In the party will be the former United States ambassador to Germany, Mrs. David Jayne Hill; the daughter of the George Washington University and the Pan-American Society and Mrs. John Allan D. D. tv, the last named joining there in a few days. She is the widow of a naval attaché of the United States embassy in London and has made her home with Mrs. Walsh the past two seasons. The vice-president and Mrs. Marshall will join the Walsh party in Chicago on June 12 and go on to San Francisco with them. They will spend the time between their arrival and the opening of the democratic convention at Monterey, and after the convention the vice-president and Mrs. Marshall will be Mrs. Walsh's guests for a month at Coronado Beach hotel, Coronado Beach. After that Mrs. Walsh may join her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Beale McLean, at Saratoga, where they have taken a place for the summer. They are spending June in Mr. McLean's parents' old home in Cincinnati.

Bachelor parties are becoming famous this spring. Two of the most brilliant and the gayest were given this week by John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American union, and Col. William Eric Foyle, in the lovely Aztec garden and amusements of the Pan-American union building, one on Tuesday evening for young people, the other last evening for older people.

All the official and diplomatic dinners appear to be crowded into the few weeks of the spring term. On Wednesday evening the secretary of state and Mrs. Colby entertained a brilliant company, including seven ambassadors and the wives of those who have wives in Washington; several cabinet members and their wives; and Senator and Mrs. Gilbert M. Hitchcock.

Representative and Mrs. Reavis of Falls City are leaving next week for their home in Nebraska to be absent from Washington for the remainder of the summer. They expect to lease their pretty home in Cleveland park. Representative and Mrs. McLaughlin of York, Neb., had as their week-end guests Mrs. and Mrs. Will T. Pickett of Wahio, Neb., who almost spent the week-end in a touring car, for they were driven all about Washington to see as much as is possible in so short a time. Mr. Pickett is editor of the Wahio Wasp.

Young Jack Reavis, who is a junior at Cornell, will join his parents in Falls City for a short time after college closes, and then go to Seattle, Wash., for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Reavis expect to go later in the month for a western trip over the Northern Pacific, and spend some time in the far west.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Judson of Omaha spent a week here, the last one in May, to see their daughter, Dorothy, graduate from Mt. Vernon seminary. They were entertained, with Miss Judson, at tea by Mrs. Walter Penfield, nee Bacon of Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Penfield will leave this month for Swampscott on the north shore of Massachusetts for the remainder of the summer. Mrs. Penfield's mother, Mrs. Bacon, has been in Omaha for the last month, but will probably join them late in the summer. Mr. Penfield expects to be in Chicago next week.

Representative Jeffers and his family will leave about the 25th of this month for their home in Oregon. They will probably make the trip by motor as they did the trip coming.

## South Side High Will Present Play

The Seniors of South High school will present their class play, "The Lady of Lyons," on Friday evening, June 11, at 8:15, in the South High auditorium. The play is under the direction of Herbert C. Rogerson, recently arrived in Omaha from England. Mr. Rogerson played on the English stage before the war, and during his service as an officer in the British army he directed plays with the English soldiers at recreation centers.

"The Lady of Lyons" was written by Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton and was first produced in 1838. The cast includes Misses Mildred Maherey, Etta Cornehan, Blanche Sherwood, Irma Abbott, Yetta Wright; Messrs. Frank Charvat, Carl Pop-pine, Blanchard Anderson, Oscar Fried, John Madden, Harold Bradley, Joe Lite, Joe Buglewicz, Oscar Doerr, Francis Coffey, Ladislav Falt.

## Speaker Honor Guest At Luncheon On Saturday.

Miss Grace Abbott of Chicago, who spoke Saturday under auspices of the Omaha School Forum, was an honor guest at a luncheon given Saturday at the University club by the Americanization Problems class of the Omaha university. Miss Ella Thornegate, the class instructor, presided at the affair. Covers were placed for 50 guests. Miss Abbott and Dr. D. E. Jenkins spoke.