JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Nancy Wynne Talks of the Junior Dances Held in the Rose Gardens of the Bellevue-Stratford—Theatre Party for Miss Longstreth

TONIGHT will see the opening meeting of the Junior Dances, the first since the war, too, which will take place in the Rose Gardens of the Bellevue-Stratford. These dances, which are held on Wednesdays, sprang into being after the Monday Evenings which for years had held sway in lines with the Assemblies. Though not of so old an origin, the Monday Evenings went out of existence when Mrs. Frederick Thurston Mason, who was the last one to chaperone those dances, went into mourning some years ago. The classes were stopped because there was no one apparently who wished to take them up.

Then, when it was found that there really was a need for some dances of the kind on a smaller scale than the Assemblies and not so fearfully exclusive as the Assemblies then were, several women, who are acknowledged leaders socially, were asked to chaperone a series of three Junior Dances each winter. They were started with great success some two years before the war and were dropped during the time of our participation in the late hostilities. Sounds quite highbrow, eh! Wot?

I think they are a great institution myself. It gives the girl who has been out a year or more a chance to have a good time. For really with the rush of debutantes each year and their monopoly of things social, very young attractive girls are put on the shelf long before they should be, even as in the old days. And now the very idea of putting a girl on the shelf because she is not married before twenty-five is utterly preposterous. And yet the unthinking small bud, who must have everything her way her winter of "coming out," does put her elder sister to one side.

Well, in the Junior cotillons those who are already out and the younger married set have their innings, and the result is a very nice party. The next meeting will be held on January 28 and the last of the three will meet on February 11.

The patronesses of the Junior Dances are Mrs. Henry Brinton Coxe, Mrs. George Dallas Dixon, Mrs. T. Charlton Henry, Mrs. Daniel L. Hutchinson, Jr., Mrs. Robert Leaming Montgomery, Mrs. Arthur Emlen Newbold, Jr., Mrs. Edward T. Stotesbury and Mrs. Alexander Van Rensselaer.

The Henry B. Thompsons, of Greenville, Del., will give a dinner before the dance tonight, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pease will also entertain.

MILDRED LONGSTRETH is to be guest of honor at a theatre party and supper at the Ritz-Carlton given tonight by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Longstreth. Mr. and Mrs. Longstreth, as you know, are in mourning so they are not appearing at these affairs for Mildred. Uytendale Caner and her husband were to have chaperoned the party tonight, but owing to the death of Mrs. Caner's grandmother, Mrs. Matthew Baird, some three or four weeks ago, Mrs. Caner is not going out. The Joseph Rollins will, therefore, chaperone the party.

I CAN'T say I was terribly surprised to hear of Maisie Rush's engagement to George Bartol, were you? The rumor had been going the rounds for a couple of weeks, though Maisie denounced it as "all bunk!" But, then, I suppose, it is "all bunk" as far as telling it is concerned, if one does not want to announce it yet, isn't it?

Maisie is a sort of debutante, in that she would have come out last year had there been any comings out; so she has gone to debutante parties this year, of course. She is a younger sister of Mrs. John Drayton, who was Charlotte Rush, and of Ben Rush, Jr. Her mother was Miss Mary Lockwood. The wedding is scheduled to take place on Easter Monday, which is always a beautiful day to choose.

THE Equal Franchise Society of this city will hold its annual meeting this Friday, and will follow the meeting by a luncheon at the Acorn Club. Frances Sullivan is the head of this society now, and the officers and members of the board include Mrs. Horatio Gates Lloyd, Mrs. Barclay Warburton, Mrs. Gifford Pinchot, Mrs. Charles Rhoads, Mrs. Edward Robins, Mrs. Edward Smucker, Mrs. McCullen, Miss Sarah Lowry and Miss Elizabeth Lowry.

NANCY WYNNE.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. and Mrs. William Emerson, of Boston, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Frances W. Moffat, to Mr. Francis Pearsall Frazier, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Frazier, Jr., of Jenkintown. Mr. Frazier is a student of the University of Pennsylvania. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Hubert Cooper, Pinehurst, Moorestown, N. J., are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Marguerite Esther. Mrs. Cooper was Miss Marguerite Strawbridge, only child of the late Mr. Edward R. Strawbridge and Mrs. E. W. Strawbridge Brophy.

Mrs. W. B. Derr announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Eleanor Chamberlain, and Mr. R. Griffith Calder, of Frankford.

The guests at the theatre party which Mrs. William Wurts Harmar, of Willow Grove, will give on Saturday afternoon for Miss Celestine Warder will include Miss Elizabeth Ann Taylor, Miss Eleanor Wurts, Miss Rhoda Brooke, Miss Caroline S. Barclay, Miss Emily E. Clothier, Miss Elizabeth D. Bartow, Miss Clarissa Smythe, Miss Mary Cox Page, Miss Elizabeth L. Boyd, Miss Mary Gladys Miller, Miss Florence Paul Kane, Miss Helen S. Henderson and Miss Jane Bell Yeatman.

Miss Margaretta Sharpless, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Wilson Sharpless, of Chestnut Hill, will be the guest of honor at a theatre party and supper at the Ritz-Carlton, to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Emlen Newbold, on Saturday, February 14. Mr. and Mrs. J. Percy Keating, have issued invitations for a dinner on Friday, February 6, before the midwinter ball, also in honor of Miss Sharpless.

Mr. Walter Wood will entertain at dinner before the supper dance, which Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beaver Strassburger will give at the Ritz-Carlton.

Miss Peggy Thayer, daughter of Mrs. John B. Thayer, Jr., of Redwood, Haverford, will leave January 30 for Palm Beach, with Miss Elizabeth Brockie, where they will visit Miss Brockie's mother, Mrs. William G. Warden, for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Thomson left Monday on a gunning trip to Green Cove Springs, Florida.

Mrs. Howell Lloyd and Miss Harriet Roberts returned to White Horse Farm, Conshohocken, yesterday, after spending a few weeks at Hot Springs, Va.

Mrs. T. W. Hellyer and her daughter, Miss Marjorie Hellyer, of England, are visiting Miss Hellyer's niece, Mrs. Benjamin Chew, at Radnor.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Y. Lesher, of 723 Westview avenue, are spending a month at Bermuda.

Mr. Theodore Earle Jennings entertained on Saturday at his home in Riverton, a birthday party in honor of Mr. William J. Monkhouse, of Tioga. Philadelphians present were Miss Mary R. Fay and Miss Josephine Fay, Mr. Monkhouse, Mr. Smyser Agnew, Mr. Samuel Fletcher and Mr. Richard Martin.

ALONG THE MAIN LINE

Mr. and Mrs. William N. Wood, of Brookway avenue, Merion, have just returned from a short stay at the Hotel Traymore, Atlantic City.

Mr. J. F. Keating, of Woodbine avenue, Narberth, announces the engagement of his daughter, Miss Helen Marie Keating, to Mr. R. B. Seitzinger, of Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Bertha Harsh, of Sabine avenue, Narberth, whose engagement to Mr. George McD. Lewis, of Scranton, Pa., was recently announced, has just returned from a two weeks' visit to Scranton, where she was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis.

Mrs. M. J. Brown, 940 North Sixty-third street, Overbrook, gave a dinner-dance last evening in honor of her daughter, Miss Marietta G. Brown. Her guests included Miss Mary Skelly, Miss Miriam Dooley, Miss Elizabeth Brown, Miss Catharine Horn, Miss Mary Carr, Miss Dean Robinson, Miss Arvilla Ermillo, Mr. Donald Ruane, Mr. Jack Samuels, Mr. Gilbert Smith, Mr. Nelson Gousher, Mr. Charles Detwiller, Mr. Frank Barrett, Mr. Charles Gordon, Mr. Bob Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Locton Burk.

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Smedley, of Narberth avenue, Narberth, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Alice Hilda Smedley, to Mr. William H. Durbin, of Narberth. Mr. Durbin has recently returned from France, where he served with the A. E. F., in the 20th Hospital Unit of the University of Pennsylvania.

ALONG THE READING

Mrs. John G. Lamb, of Oak Lane Park, announces the marriage of her daughter, Miss Margaret Taggart Lamb, to Mr. Leon Olivit, of this city, on Saturday, January 3, at St. Martin's Church, Oak Lane. Mr. and Mrs. Olivit will live at Lowell, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Majesty announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Vera Lillian Majesty, to Captain William ... Evans, of Norfolk, Va., December 29, at their home, 5000 North Fifteenth street, Logan.

GERMANTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weisner, of 521 East Tulpehocken street, entertained in honor of their daughter, Miss Dorothy Weisner, at their home on Sunday evening. About thirty guests were present. Miss Weisner's engagement to Mr. Horace De Ancone was announced by her parents on Christmas Day.

Miss Magdalene Young, of 546 East Tulpehocken street, entertained at her home last night in honor of her birthday. Her guests were members of the school set and included Miss Dorothy Wilkie, Miss Mary Smith, Miss Florence Ritter, Miss Carrie Rhimer, Miss Dorothy Price, Miss Elsa Wohlfeld, Miss Alice Van Artsdalen, Miss Dorothy Rose, Miss Bessie Thackara and Miss Mildred Shertzer.

Mrs. Charles Schell, of 5353 Wingohocking terrace, will give a dance at her home this evening in honor of the birthday anniversary of her daughter, Miss Constance Schell. Among the guests will be Miss Esther Johnstone, Miss Jean Scatchard, Miss Frances Ball, Miss Violette Barrett, Mr. Potter Darrow, Mr. Paul Close, Mr. Donald Emory McComas and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haig.

A meeting of the Delta Sigma Sorority was held at the home of Miss Rose Scharse, 2085 East Chelten avenue, last Saturday.

TIOGA

"An Evening with James Whitcomb Riley" will be given on Friday night in the auditorium of the Tioga Presbyterian Church, Sixteenth and Tioga streets. A series of tableaux have been arranged to illustrate the poems, which will be read by Mrs. Charlotte Fleming Bishop to the musical accompaniment of Mr. C. Stanley Malotte. Mr. Charles Linton and Mrs. May Ebrey Hotz. The affair is in charge of Mrs. Charles W. Malotte, of 3817 North Seventeenth street, and the members of the Bible class who will represent the characters. They include Miss Dorothy Jones, Miss Evelyn Eagleson, Miss Virginia Bird, Miss Mary Moore, Miss Margaret Taylor, Miss Margaret Stavely, Miss Melba Goldner, Miss Pauline Howe, Miss Ione Finney, Miss Margaret Kerfchau, Miss Anna Muir, Miss Ruth Middleton and Miss Gertrude Pegley. The entertainment is given in aid of the two girls, seven and ten years of age, who were left orphans by the influenza epidemic and who have been adopted by Mrs. Malotte and her class.

LANSDOWNE

Mr. Carter Worrell and Miss Mary Bishop, Mr. Howard Lofland, son of Mrs. E. G. Stocker, formerly of Drexel Hill, and Miss Marion E. Goucher, all of Lansdowne, were entertained by the Nu Chapter of the Delta Tau Delta of Lafayette College, at their annual dance. Among those present were Mr. Boddie Weldon, Mr. Du Moe and Mr. Lehecka.

FRANKFORD

Mr. Maurice Rogers, of Arrott street, is spending a few months in Cleveland, O., where he is visiting friends.

Miss Florence Smith, of Harrison street, will give a luncheon on Friday afternoon in honor of Miss Eleanor Kirby, of New York, who is visiting friends here for a month.

Mrs. Charles Graham, of Kinsey street, will entertain the members of the sewing circle to which she belongs at her home on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kirkman, of Castor avenue, are spending a few weeks in Richmond, Va., where they are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lewis.

DELAWARE COUNTY

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sloan and their family, of Ridley Park, have gone to their winter home at Fort Myers, Fla., where they will remain until spring. Mr. and Mrs. Sloan and Miss Winifred Sloan have recently returned from abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tisdale, of Ingleside, Ridley Park, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son. Mrs. Tisdale is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McCarthy.

The Barn Stormers, a dramatic club of Ridley Park, have resumed activities after two years of abandoning their work during the war. They held a "club night" on Friday evening when an interesting musical program was rendered, the opening number being an exhibition dance given by Miss Wilson and Mr. Ralph White. Mr. M. J. Comerford is president of the club.

BRIDE OF TODAY

MISS HELEN BUCHANAN

Miss Buchanan, who is well known in musical circles in this city, will be married this evening to Mr. W. Perry Hitner

NORTH PHILADELPHIA

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Logan, 5540 Hatfield avenue, entertained at a tammy dinner on Monday evening. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. Coyle, Mr. and Mrs. William James, Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Eastburn, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Rawlings, Miss Helen Rawlings, Mrs. W. James and Mr. G. Canning.

Mrs. Milton Dalsimer, 2258 North Broad street, will entertain tomorrow evening at bridge at her home.

Judge and Mrs. Henry N. Wessel and their daughter, Mrs. Bernice Bennett, of 1607 North Broad street, have returned from a trip through Florida and Cuba.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baer, who have returned from their wedding trip, spent a few days with Mrs. Baer's mother, Mrs. Louis Eschner, 2004 North Park avenue. Before going to their home in Chicago they will stop in Baltimore and St. Louis. Mrs. Baer was Miss Wilma Eschner.

WEST PHILADELPHIA

A reception was held in honor of Miss Lillian Podolyn by her sister, Mrs. L. Isard, of 55 North Sixtieth street, on Saturday. There were twenty guests present including Miss B. Miller, Mr. J. Podolyn, Miss E. Fischer and Mr. H. B. Kantor, New York, who assisted in entertaining.

Miss Ethel Burt, of 4240 Pine street, will be the guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower to be given by Mrs. Samuel Greenwell, of 4921 Walnut street, this afternoon. The guests will include Mrs. Rollin R. Meyers, Mrs. Wendell Frederick, Mrs. E. J. Swigiser, Mrs. John Black, Mrs. John Greenwell, Jr., Mrs. George Meell, Mrs. John Dickey, Mrs. J. Berry, Mrs. John D. LaMond, Mrs. Morris Schwenk and Miss Ethel Burt. Miss Burt's engagement to Mr. Harold Godwin has recently been announced. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Burns, 821 South Fifty-first street, announce the engagement of their daughter Miss Madeline Rose Burns, to Mr. Joseph F. Deitrick, of Williamsport, Pa.

ROXBOROUGH

A community conference on Sunday school work and religious education will be held tomorrow evening in the Fourth Reformed Church, Manayunk and Levering avenues. The rectors of the thirty-two churches in the Twenty-first ward, with the Sunday school superintendents, officers and teachers, have been invited to the conference, which is called by the Fourteenth District Sunday School Association. The speakers will be Mr. Harry E. Paisley, treasurer of the Reading Railway and president of the Sunday School Association; Mr. Samuel B. Fares, general secretary of the association, and Mr. W. E. Pearce, of Chicago, Ill.

WISSINOMING

Miss Agnes Brennan and Miss Jean Brennan, of Tacony street, have returned from a stay at Atlantic City.

Mrs. A. Troth, of Vankirt street, has left for Baltimore, where she will spend several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Macknett, Jr., of Howell street, are being congratulated on the birth of a son.

Mrs. Edward Gorman, of Eden street, will entertain the members of her card club tomorrow afternoon.

MANAYUNK

The men's executive committee of the chapel of St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Mission and Neighborhood House, of West Manayunk, will give an entertainment, followed by a social hour, tomorrow evening in the assembly hall in aid of the work of the committee. The program will include a minstrel show by the minstrel band of Camp 111, of the Patriotic Order Sons of America. The Rev. Albert H. Holt is rector of the mission, and the officers of the committee are: Mr. Albert Greenwood, chairman, and Mr. Benjamin Davis, secretary.

Peirce School Reunion

Peirce School Alumni Association will hold a reunion on Friday evening, January 23, in the Rose Garden, Bellevue-Stratford. The entertainment will consist of a sketch entitled "Excuse Me," participated in by the following Alumni members: Coach, Miss Gertrude Wilson, Miss V. Berrah, Miss Mary Flynn, Miss M. Flynn, Miss E. Lawley, Miss Josephine Wilson, Miss Ruth E. Prescott, Mr. R. McCaffrey, Mr. F. B. Moffett, Jr., Mr. A. Best, Mr. Ivan C. Bachman. Following the sketch will be a buffet supper and a dance.

WEDDINGS OF INTEREST TAKE PLACE TODAY

Miss Helen Buchanan Becomes Bride of Mr. Perry Hitner

The wedding of Miss Helen Buchanan and Mr. W. Perry E. Hitner will take place this evening at the Rittenhouse Hotel.

The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Dr. Perry Allen. The bride will be given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Charles Buchanan. The matron of honor will be Mrs. Charles Buchanan, of Boston, and the bridesmaids will be Dr. Mary Alexander Patton and Mrs. Mildred Davis, of Ambler. Mr. Alfred S. Hitner, a brother of the bridegroom, will be best man, and the ushers will be Mr. Coleman E. Hitner, Mr. Franklin Spencer Edmonds, Mr. Hugh M. MacMullan and Mr. George Lichtenberger.

The bride will wear a white satin gown embroidered with pearls and will carry a shower bouquet. The matron of honor will wear coral satin and the bridesmaids pink satin. A reception and supper will follow at the Rittenhouse.

DAVIS—DEARDON

The wedding of Miss Veronica E. Deardon, daughter of Mrs. George Deardon, of 3921 Terrace street, Wissahickon, and Mr. George E. Davis, of 4140 Terrace street, Wissahickon, will take place this evening at the rectory of the Church of St. John the Baptist, Manayunk, with the Rev. Patrick Maginnis officiating.

The bride will wear her traveling suit of dark blue, with a hat to match, and will be attended by Miss Doris Crook, of Merchantville, N. J. Mr. Frank Welsh will be the best man. The quiet ceremony will be followed by a reception at the home of the bridegroom's parents. Upon their return from their trip Mr. and Mrs. Davis will live on Manayunk avenue, Roxborough.

EHRENREICH—SIMON

The wedding of Miss Lena Simon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Simon, of 1336 North Fifteenth street, and Mr. Joseph Ehrenreich will take place this evening at the home of the bride.

The Rev. Dr. Henry Berkowitz will officiate. The bride will wear a gown of bridal satin trimmed with rose point lace, her tulle veil will be edged with the same lace and she will carry a shower bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley. There will be no attendants. A dinner will follow the ceremony. Only members of the families will be present. The wedding trip will be spent in Florida. After February 15 Mr. and Mrs. Ehrenreich will live at 135 West Susquehanna avenue.

COONS—BOCHROCH

The wedding of Miss May L. Bochroch, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Max H. Bochroch, of 1539 Pine street, and Mr. Albert Coons will take place this evening at 6 o'clock at the home of the bride. The Rev. Henry Berkowitz, D. D., will perform the ceremony in the presence of the two families and a few intimate friends. The bride will be attended by her cousin, Miss Milton C. Stein, and Mr. David Coons will be best man. A dinner will follow the ceremony. The wedding trip will be spent in France, after which Mr. and Mrs. Coons will live in Lebanon, Pa.

VENNELL—HALL

The wedding of Miss Winifred Hall and Mr. Leon Vennell took place Saturday at the Baptist parsonage, Collingswood, N. J., where Mr. Boothe, rector of the Baptist Church, performed the ceremony. Miss Miriam de Laney was maid of honor, and Mr. Russell Taylor was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Vennell spent a few days in New York, and are now living at their home, 844 Maple avenue, Collingswood, N. J.

NEW JERSEY NOTES

Miss Sarah Winer gave a Leap Year party at her home, 619 North Sixth street, Camden, on Saturday evening. Among those present were Miss Esther Dobkin, Miss Sarah Myer, Miss Sadie Myer, Miss Sophie Weiner, Miss Fannie Weiner, Miss May Weinstein, Miss Bessie Markowitch, Miss Harriet Fox, Miss Minerva Boartman, Mr. John Baylis, Mr. Meyer Dubin, Mr. Harry Neff, Mr. Nathan Wenger, from Reading, Mr. Al. Zentner, Mr. Max Leff, Mr. Ed. Solof, Mr. Bob. Meskin, Mr. Bill. Kleiman, Mr. Harry Myer, Mr. Dave Triester, Mr. Harry Boartman, Mr. Lew Liberman, Mr. Jack Robinson, Mr. Philip Boartman, Mr. Joe Harris and Mr. Leon Truman.

HOME GROWN

By FANNIE HURST

Mr. Gilly, clerk in a Michigan hotel, introduces Birdie Fink, a guest from New York, to Mr. Prokes. Mr. Prokes, who is said to be very shy, takes her canoeing. She remembers having seen him when he was a buyer of a firm that she worked for.

CHAPTER III

"I KNEW I'd seen you somewheres—your face was as familiar to me as my board bill."

FANNIE HURST

"You sin't——"

"No, but I used to be—Benson's is the first firm I ever worked for—I started in when I was fourteen doin' misses' model for him."

"Misses' model?"

"I bet I've tried on more than one or two or six misses' ulsters for you to pick from. Gawd, that was seven years ago but even now when I sell a three-quarter, double-breasted reversible yachting coat, sateen-lined coat with the cotton stitching and sweatshop buttonholes come back and scratch the back of my neck just like they used to do."

"Well, whatta you know! To think of my ever havin' bought ulsters for the Red Trunk off'n you—a little pink and white flower like you sproutin' in Benson's."

"You used to come in with the early September buyers. I remember seein' you more'n once in the little back salesroom, with old man Benson offering you a cigar every time you yanked me to the daylight to see how green the lot twenty-seven black ulsters were."

"And look at you now, living like a little lady—vacation and all."

"I may be a head lady at Rentley's now, but take it from me, Mr. Prokes, it's a long and crooked lane from Benson's and six a week to four times six and green velvet floors on the Avenue."

"Rentley's is one of them dead lookin' places, ain't it?—with no sign out and no show windows or nothin' except a butler with leather calves and white bloomers and a ribbon rosette on the side of his high hat for a door display."

"Something like a morgue, yes. I says to Maisie the other day, I says: 'From East Broadway to that part of Fifth avenue where they quit sellin' dresses and begin to sell gowns only ain't so far if you cover it in your limousine, but when you get there by way of a three-year stopoff in a Sixth avenue cloak department and a four-year side-track in a Thirty-fourth street novelty shop, it's going some.'"

"Poor little sister!"

"You're panting like a chorus after the third encore by the time you reach the 'Imported Gowns—Only'—and can afford a second story front with running water and two tailor-made suits a year if you save it on lunch and take a room within walking distance."

Old gold light lay on them and sparkled in the tiny crinkles of current they created; the ghostly sail of a pleasure boat moved across the horizon; a woman's voice, thin and full of plaint, came from its direction and died on the water as smoke dies in air. The far-off hotel windows blinked out one by one—the moon was directly above them, higher, whiter, smaller.

"You and Gilly got the wrong idea, Miss Fink; rushing through life like you do in subway trains don't give you much time to see the scenery, does it?"

"No, or to hear singin' voices over the water."

"I can show you a story-and-a-half cottage in Miami, with awnings to keep the sun out and a backyard with props under the trees to keep the fruit from breaking the limbs, that would make the swell velvet furniture in your second story front and running water raise its nap for shame at taking your money. Say, ain't that pretty? I bet that's the little lady from Duluth singing for the sailing party."

"Swell."

"Listen!"

"Sweet and low, sweet and low
Wind of the western sea.
Blow, blow, breezes blow,
Wind of the western sea."

"Come on; let's join in, Miss Fink."

"I don't know that."

"Gee, I was raised on that lullaby."

"I know a swell lullaby song. It's a swell trot, too—

"'When they play that rag-time lullaby—
Lull—a—by-y-y—
Lull—a—by-y-y.'

"Say, I could die trotting to that."

"Lay still there, sister."

"Ain't you tired paddling, Mr. Prokes?"

"Tired! I've paddled twelve hours straight up the Miami, and not in such good company neither. At the last convention at Bear Lake I paddled for the Kansas City Lodge cup, and won it!"

"You're sure some big frog in these puddles out here!"

He swung lightly about for the homeward cut. Through the mist of late evening, the string of village lights was without luster, like a giant lady's necklace seen through the blur of her giant tears.

"I—I ain't much of a lady's man, Miss Fink—it's just like Gilly told you; but, gee, this has been great, paddling out here in the moonlight."

"Say, I bet you're the champion lady-killer of Miami."

"I ain't called on a girl in six years, that's how much of a lady-killer I am."

"That's what they all say."

"You can ask anybody in our town. I ain't called on a girl in six years or kept steady with a young lady since I used to sneak the horse out and take Lizzie Watts buggy riding when I was seventeen and ought to have known better."

"You with New York twice a year, cuffs on your trousers and your name at the top of the Red Trunk stationery—say!"

"You got me wrong, sister."

"I can just see the girls in your town begin to walk down High street for their afternoon soda before you got the wax ladies in your show window and $16.50 serviceable suits uncovered for the day."

"That's where you got me wrong again, little one. I'm a funny sort of fellow, I am. After the old folks went I just lived along in the place with black Mary same as ever."

"Honest?"

"Sure enough—helpin' all the skirts I went to school with fix it up with the other fellow and stickin' pretty close to the store myself. Lordy, sister, I got more god-children than Solomon had wives."

"Look over there, will you, Mr. Prokes? We're almost back again. Say, wasn't that quick work?"

"I'll show you some real paddling the next time I bring you out here."

Land swam out to meet them. Houses and church steeples and the hotel resumed their shapes, and in their nostrils the sudden and pungent smell of pine needles.

"This was sure some ride, Mr. Prokes. I kinda feel like we'd just paddled out of the world and left livin' behind us. Listen to her—say, ain't she some little warbler?"

"We ain't left livin' behind a-tall, Miss Fink—this here is the real kind of living, peace and—well, just peace."

"Gee, ain't life funny!"

"For a little lady like you it ought always to be as sweet as wistaria."

"It's a regular moving picture, ain't it?—one blooming thing after another."

"We should worry!"

"Two nights ago this time I was sittin' under a gold leaf ceiling eating Italian spaghetti and listening to a Hungarian band play the 'Broadway Glide.'"

"I know the kind—seventy-five cents table d'hoty—with a wine bottle of red ink thrown in. Out in Miami we wouldn't use it for dye if we wanted to color the Miami pink."

"And look, tonight I'm out here in a canoe with a man from a town that sounds like a patent medicine, so close to the stars I could kiss 'em and floating through the middle of a night that's got it all over the purple and silver model I sold the day before I left. Gawd, how Maisie grudged me that sale!"

"And you're gettin' acquainted with a sky over your head that you never even saw before except between tall buildings when you looked up to decide if you was going to carry an umbrella."

"Sometimes when the Welsh rabbit ain't cooked enough or you've talked your heart and soul out the day before trying to sell a $600 import to a New-Rich, who used to sell 'em herself and knows the game—sometimes you get to floatin' off like this, too, but then you begin to fall over the edge of things and wake up. Oh-h! Be careful how you land, Mr. Prokes."

"Easy there—no hurry—take your time—here now, your hand—always stand in the middle of a boat—whoopla—so!"

"Oh-h, I——"

"Nonsense—look, you stepped out as neat as a sardine from his can."

"It's been a swell ride, Mr. Prokes."

"What about tomorrow night, Miss Fink—paddlin' you is the best fun I've had at this convention."

"Tomorrow! Ain't that a shame now—Mr. Gilly's off duty at 4 and he's going to row me over to a little island. But say—I can be back by 10 if it ain't too late for you."

"Sure it ain't. I'd wait later than that to paddle a sweet little girl like you."

"Good!"

"There's going to be a swell dance a week from tomorrow night, Miss Fink—installin' the new grand masters and the elosin' of the convention. I ain't much on dancin' and it's a long way off, but I'd kinda like to know you're going with me."

"Sure."

"Great! This way, sister, we'll take the long road through the pines."

"Gee, ain't it black in there and quiet?"

She closed her hand over his rough coat sleeve with the primitive gesture of a child.

"You ain't scared when you're with me, are you, little sister?"

She linked her arm in his and her laughter scuttled back over the water.

Continued Tomorrow.

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WISSAHICKON

In aid of the missionary work of St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church an entertainment and dance will be given this evening in the parish house. The program will include a minstrel show by the minstrel troupe of Camp 111, P. O. S. A., with vocal and instrumental solos. Mrs. Henry Dahm, who has charge of the affair, has as her assistants Miss Lillian Garreth, Miss Hazel Francis, Miss Edith Marshall, Miss Sadie Price, Miss Reba Thackery, Miss Lillian Spencer, Miss Ruth Chamberlain, Mrs. Frederick Greenway, Jr., Miss Miriam Kincade, Mrs. Ethel Webb and Miss Grace Sewell.

Miss Dorothy Reauch and Miss Eleanor Reauch, of Norwood, N. J., have been spending some time as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Huntley Murdock, of Sumac street.

NORRISTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. McDermott, of Swede street, gave a dinner of twenty-five covers at their home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Griffith, who were recently married. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Reardon, Dr. and Mrs. T. F. Noonan, Miss Mary Fenney, Miss Caroline Bradley, Miss Mary Gallagher, Miss Catherine Gallagher, Miss Mary Collins, Miss Nellie Gallagher, Miss Caroline Griffith, Miss Mary Shea, Mr. Leo Kiernan, Mr. William J. Barrett, Mr. John Gallagher, Mr. William Collins, Mr. Jesse Davis, Mr. Joseph Feeney, Mr. John Grady, Mr. Arthur Collins and the Rev. D. I. McDermott.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Horton, of 537 Stanbridge street, gave a family dinner of sixty covers at their home in honor of the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC
TOMORROW EVENING AT 8:15.
CAPT. BRUCE BAIRNSFATHER
Author of "The Better 'Ole."
In a Cheery Talk Illustrated With Original Drawings
"OLD BILL" AND ME
Tickets, 50c to $2, at Heppe's, 1119 Chestnut St. Management of LEE KEEDICK.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC
Three Remarkable Lectures—each entirely different—on Communication With Spirits.
SIR OLIVER LODGE
Renowned British Scientist
Monday Evening, Jan. 19; Tuesday Evening, Jan. 27, and Tuesday Evening, Feb. 3.
Seats for Course, $1.65 to $6.60 (including tax) at Heppe's, 1119 Chestnut Street.

KEITH'S
ALICE LLOYD
Eminent English Comedienne
HENRI SCOTT
Famous American Operatic Star.
MEHLINGER & MEYER; WHITING & BURT; VICTOR MOORE; EMMA LITTLEFIELD & CO.; CLAUD & FANNIE USHER, AND OTHERS.

WALNUT NEXT WEEK SEATS NOW
The Play That Puts Joy in Living
"POLLYANNA"
Most Adorable Play on the American Stage. Based on the Book by Eleanor H. Porter. An Entertainment for Kids From 6 to 60.

METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE Tues. Evg. JAN. 20 AT 8
METROPOLITAN OPERA COMPANY, N. Y.
RIGOLETTO
Mmes. Garrison, Perini, Mm. Hackett, De Luca, Bada. Conductor, Moranzoni. Seats 1108 Chestnut St. Wal. 4484; Race 67.

PEOPLES Ken. Ave. and Cumberland Ladies' Mat. Every Day
Golden Crook
and BILLY ARLINGTON

CASINO Walnut ab. 8th. Mat. Today
VICTORY BELLES

Harres Importer
1624 Walnut Street
Clearance Sale
Entire Stock to Be Sold Regardless of Cost
Millinery, Coats, Suits
Evening Gowns
Blouses, Dresses, Etc.

An Unusual Opportunity to Purchase French Model Gowns and Tailored
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Sharp Reductions
Monday, Jan. 12, and Days Following
Formerly — Reduced to
$250 Fur-Trimmed Top Coats, $75 up
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The Stanley
Market St., ab. 16th. 11 A. M. to 11:15 P. M.
EUGENE O'BRIEN
IN A NEW PICTURE
"THE BROKEN MELODY"
Added—HAROLD LLOYD COMEDY
"FROM HAND TO MOUTH"

PALACE
1214 MARKET STREET
10 A. M., 12, 2, 3:45, 5:45, 7:45, 9:30 P. M.
DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS
IN HIS LATEST
"When the Clouds Roll By"
Coming Soon—"EVERYWOMAN"

ARCADIA
CHESTNUT BELOW 16TH
10 A. M., 12, 2, 3:45, 5:45, 7:45, 9:30 P. M.
BILLIE BURKE
In Adaptation From Novel
"WANTED—A HUSBAND"
A Paramount Artcraft Picture.

VICTORIA
MARKET STREET ABOVE 9TH
9 A. M. to 11:15 P. M.
HOBART BOSWORTH in First Showing
"Behind the Door"
Next Week—MAY ALLISON in "FAIR AND WARMER." From the Play

CAPITOL
724 MARKET STREET
10 A. M., 12, 2, 3:45, 5:45, 7:45, 9:50 P. M.
ELSIE JANIS in "A REGULAR GIRL"
Added Attraction Fatty Arbuckle in "The Garage"

NIXON'S
COLONIAL
Gtn. Bel. Chelten, 2.15, 7 & 9.
Picturization of Richard Harding Davis'
"Soldiers of Fortune"
Augmented Orchestra—New Organ.

REGENT MARKET ST. Bel. 11TH
OLIVE THOMAS in
"THE GLORIOUS LADY"

GLOBE THEATRE 11 A. M. to 11 P. M.
MARKET STREET AT JUNIPER
CONTINUOUS VAUDEVILLE
"WHO'S YOUR GIRL" MUSICAL COMEDY
SIX-DAY BIKE CHAMPIONS

BROADWAY Broad & Snyder Ave.
2:15, 6:45 & 9 P. M.
"THE MELODY SHOP"
WALLACE REID "Hawthorne of the U. S. A."

CROSS KEYS MARKET ST. Bel. 60th
2:30, 7 & 9 P. M.
"HERE AND THERE"

PHILADELPHIA'S FOREMOST THEATRES

FORREST MAT. TODAY
LAST 4 NIGHTS
ANOTHER HIT!
CHARLES DILLINGHAM'S
Latest Musical Comedy Triumph
THE NIGHT BOAT
Cast Includes:
JOHN E. HAZZARD, LOUISE GROODY, STELLA HOBAN, ADA LEWIS, ERNEST TORRENCE, HAL SKELLY, HANSFORD WILSON and Others.
A Jolly Crew of Pretty Girls.
NEXT WEEK—SEATS TOMORROW
RAYMOND HITCHCOCK
In His Entirely New Revue
HITCHY KOO—1919
100 Entertainers—Chorus of 40 Under 20.

BROAD Mat. Today LAST 4 EVGS.
Last Mat. Saturday
HENRY MILLER Presents
RUTH CHATTERTON
in a new comedy by George Scarborough
Moonlight AND Honeysuckle
"A deft satire on love in and out of marriage."—North American.
NEXT WEEK—SEATS TOMORROW
SAM H. HARRIS Presents
WILLIAM COLLIER
in
"THE HOTTENTOT"
A New Farce by Victor Mapes.

GARRICK MAT. TODAY
EVENINGS, 8:20.
JOHN GOLDEN'S LAUGHING HIT
3 WISE FOOLS
"IT'S ALL THE RAGE"

PHILADELPHIA Theatre LAST WEEK
17TH & DE LANCEY STS. (Below Spruce)
MAY IRWIN
in "A Gale of Laughter!"—Bulletin.
On the Hiring Line Mats. Tomorrow & Saturday
NEXT WEEK—SEATS NOW
ARTHUR HOPKINS Presents
JOHN DREW in "THE CAT-BIRD"
Limited Engagement—Two Weeks Only.

Sam S. Shubert EVGS. at 8:15.
Mats. Wed. & Sat.
The Sparkling Musical Play — "NOTHING BUT LOVE," with ANDREW TOMBES and THE ORIGINAL MERRYMAKERS.

Chestnut St. OPERA HOUSE.
Mats. Wed. & Sat.
"THE ROSE OF CHINA"
The Most Beautiful Musical Play