

SOCIETY

Society Abandons Frivolous Pursuits.

MILDRED MARSHALL KOONCE.

HOSPITALITIES for the visiting dignitaries from abroad whose mission to this country is of such vast historical significance, formed the nucleus of the week's social activities. In fact, officialdom was the only circle of society which indulged in festivities at all, for already the Capital is sensing keenly the gravity and deprivations of war and there is little heart or time for gaiety for its own sake. The brilliant dinners and receptions with which the distinguished foreign visitors were feted had an unmistakable official significance, as a cursory scanning of the guest lists invariably showed. Certainly, so brilliant a group of clever and prominent men and women can rarely be gathered together at the height of the gayest season, and the picturesque atmosphere which the presence of the French and British uniforms lent to the streets, the theaters and the hotel lobbies was quite foreign to the usual languor of a Washington spring.

The difference is vastly apparent between the springtime of other years and this season when the nation is preparing for defense and recruiting stations presided over by men in the olive-drab have sprung up in the very halls of frivolity. The parks are quite as alluring in their soft green foliage and flowering shrubs; the cherry blossoms are out in Potomac Drive, and the dogwood is a drifting white cloud in Rock Creek Park, but the number of art equipages which used to glide along the shady driveways is appreciably less. Many of the motors have been donated to war service, still others are sacrificed in loyalty to the popular conception of economy and their owners have other duties than that of following the afternoon's fashionable parade. The women of Washington society are giving less time to their modistes (though they are still fashionably and tastefully gowned despite the universal pledge to dress economy) and are devoting more hours to the sewing classes which turn out simple garments of necessity in place of smart creations of fashion.

Out of the gravity which has fallen upon social Washington this spring, the reception given at the Pan-American Building by the Secretary of State and Mrs. Lansing for the members of the French commission stands as a shining mark. Not even in peace time or at the height of a successful season could a more brilliant company be gathered together or be feted with such gracious distinction. The function bore some of the qualities of a court ceremony in deference to the distinguished guests and was, in other respects, quite typically American in simplicity and informality. The lovely patio and the Aztec gardens for which the Pan-American Building is famed, were in brave array and the rare tropical plants blending with a wealth of purely domestic spring flowers and the intertwined flags of America and the allies formed a picturesque setting for the company which came to honor the visitors from overseas. For the first time since the outbreak of the European war the diplomatic representatives of the allies and their wives attended a social function, and lovely jewels and gowns which have not been worn since Europe's period of mourning lent brilliance to the entertainment for their gallant soldiers and statesmen.

But while the country is occupied with the serious business of war, the season is creeping on toward summer and summer plans are slow in the making. Society is unusually tardy in arranging for its warm weather playtime. Few cottages at the seashore have been leased, the preference seeming to be for country places within motoring distance of town. Whether society is seriously considering the dangers of a sea attack and shuns the unguarded coast, or whether the pledge to economy prohibits luxurious villas by the sea and such gay social seasons as distinguished Newport, Bar Harbor and the like in summers past, is open to conjecture. But it is safe to assume that numberless country homes, long unused, will be opened for occupancy provided they have not already been offered to the government as base hospitals for Red Cross service.

The British Ambassador and Lady Spring-Rice have renewed the lease on Rose Cottage, Woods Hole, Mass., which they rented last summer, and will establish their children there when the warm weather commences. The embassy will remain in Washington throughout the summer, as has been the custom since the war began, and the Ambassador and Lady Spring-Rice probably will be in town most of the summer.

The Belgian Minister, Mr. Cartier de Marchienne, has leased the residence of Mrs. George Cabot Lodge at 234 Massachusetts avenue and will take possession of it on May 15. The society is within a few blocks of the Pfohlke house, which Mr. Cartier's predecessor, Mr. Havenith, and Mrs. Havenith occupied as their official residence until last year, when they bought a country home.

The Minister has returned from New York, where he spent several days last week. Mrs. Peters, wife of Representative John A. Peters, entertained yesterday at the Powhatan.

The Misses Lansing, sisters of the Secretary of State, gave up their apartment in Stoneleigh Court yesterday and will be the guests of the Secretary and Mrs. Lansing for several days. Miss Emma Lansing will entertain the National Service School camp tomorrow, where she will remain until the close of the camp. At the end of this week Miss Katherine Lansing will return to her home in Watertown, N. Y., where Miss Emma Lansing will join her later.

Maj. Campbell Stuart, of the Canadian London headquarters staff, has been appointed assistant military attaché of the British Embassy at Washington. No Colonial has previously held such a position in the British diplomatic service and news of the appointment was received with great gratification by the Canadian colony in London.

Maj. Stuart will probably be given charge of questions connected with American and Canadian military interests. He was largely instrumental in raising the Duchesse of Connaught's Irish Canadian Rangers and organized their recent triumphal tour through Ireland.

Miss Dorothea Owen, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Robert L. Owen, will entertain at luncheon Tuesday, at the

MRS. WILLIAM M. INGRAHAM, wife of the Assistant Secretary of War, who is one of the most popular young matrons in official society. Mr. and Mrs. Ingraham were entertained at dinner at the Chevy Chase Club last week by Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Penfield.



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Purple Iris Teahouse, in compliment to Miss Catherine Burdette, whose marriage to Mr. Edward S. H. Pendergast, of New York, will take place May 12. Miss Owen, who will be a bridesmaid at the wedding, will leave Washington a few days later for Pittsburgh, where she will be a member of the wedding party which will attend Miss Eleanor Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Scott, and Mr. Hepburn Walker, in that city, on May 19. Miss Owen will return to the city to act as bridesmaid for Miss Margaret Douglas at her marriage to Mr. Herbert Adair on May 20.

The marriage of Miss Angela Lycette, of 723 North Capitol street, daughter of Mr. John Lycette, to Mr. Harry C. De Groot, of Riverdale, Md., will take place in the rectory of St. Aloysius' Church, at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

The young couple will hold an informal reception at Miss Lycette's home, after which they will leave on a wedding trip to Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York. Upon their return they will live at 609 Fourteenth street northeast.

A very quiet wedding took place on Monday evening, April 30, when Miss Winifred A. Schoenborn became the bride of Mr. Morris V. White, of Landover, Md. The ceremony, which was witnessed by a few relatives and intimate friends at the home of the bride's mother, at 618 K street northwest.

The bride wore a blue traveling suit, a black picture hat and a corsage bouquet of sweet peas and roses. Her only attendant was the bridegroom's sister, Miss Mabel M. White. Mr. Ward E. Hubbard acted as best man.

The couple will be at home after May 6 at 618 K street northwest.

A pretty wedding took place at Cambridge, Md., Wednesday evening when Miss Helen Willis, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Willis, of Cambridge, became the bride of Mr. Richard Templeman Naylor, of Baltimore, son of Mr. Henry Naylor and the late Mrs. Naylor, of Washington. The ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Edwin S.

Hinks, took place at Christ Protestant Episcopal Church at 8 o'clock.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her brother-in-law, Mr. Charles F. Redmond, of Washington, who gave her in marriage. She wore a gown of old ivory satin, trimmed with pearls, with a tulle veil and a Russian headdress of pearls. Her only attendant, Miss Jeanette Martin, of Baltimore, wore a costume of apple green tulle, trimmed with silver lace, a wide-brimmed hat of silver lace and carried a bouquet of pink sweet peas. Mr. William R. Naylor, of Washington was his brother's best man, and the ushers were Mr. Harry W. Jenkins, Mr. R. Cecil Hogan, Mr. G. Pitts Raleigh, Mr. Alvin P. Adams, and Mr. P. Bayly Chapman, of Baltimore.

A reception at the home of the bride, on Locust street, followed the wedding. Among the out-of-town guests were Col. William T. Naylor, Miss Charlotte Naylor, Miss Elizabeth Naylor, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Dorsey, and Mrs. Charles F. Redmond, of Washington; Mrs. Henry S. Taylor, White and Mrs. Gordon Smith, of Baltimore; Mrs. W. W. Buck and Mrs. Benson, of Chestertown, Md.; Mr. Roger Wilson, of Wilmington, and Mr. Francis Lawton, jr., of New York.

After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Naylor will occupy the house which they have taken at Ruxton for the summer.

A wedding of widespread interest was celebrated at Wilmington, N. C., Thursday, when Miss Louise Wise was mar-

ried to Mr. Laurence Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Lewis, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wise, in the fashionable suburb of Carolina Heights, at 5 o'clock.

The officiating clergyman being the Rev. B. F. Huske, who is a member of the North Carolina Naval Reserve, having received leave of absence for the occasion.

Mrs. Robert Worth Bingham, the bride's aunt, who before her marriage last fall was Mrs. Henry M. Flagger, widow of the Standard Oil magnate, and Mr. Bingham were present. It was just before her own marriage that Mrs. Bingham announced that she was to make her niece heiress of the bulk of the Flagger fortune.

The bride was attended by Miss Mary Alexander, of Augusta, Ga., maid of honor, and Miss Frances Bailey, of this city, who was the bridesmaid. Mr. William Lewis, of San Francisco, acted as best man, and Messrs. J. Douglas Taylor, Irving Corbett, George Clark and Robert Strange, of Wilmington, Frank Botts, of Cincinnati, and Jeff Askew, of Charleston, W. Va., served as ushers.

The ceremony was followed by a reception held under a marquee on the lawn at the rear of the residence. Later Mr. Lewis and his bride left on a private car without making their destination known.

The romance of the couple began last year at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., where they were members of the Auvernion colony, enjoying the outdoor pastime together. Mr. Lewis comes from an old Ohio family, and like his bride is fond of athletic pursuits.

Mrs. Lewis has spent much of her time in New York and attended school at Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., afterward going to Paris to finish her education at Mme. Payen's School.

Miss Elizabeth M. Hassan has announced the engagement of her niece, Miss Eleanor F. Bowers, to Mr. William Harbarn Laub, of New Jersey, formerly of Washington. The wedding will take place early in June.

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One of the most interesting weddings of the spring will be that of Miss Nora Hazelhurst McCadoo, daughter of the Secretary of the Treasury, and Mr. Ferdinand de Mohrenschildt, second secretary of the Russian Embassy, on May 15. Mrs. Taber Martin will be the matron of honor for her sister and the bridesmaids will be Miss Mary McCadoo, of New York, a cousin of the bride, and Miss Ethel Harriman.

The wedding will take place at 4 o'clock in St. John's Church, and will be followed by a reception at the home of Secretary and Mrs. McCadoo, in R street.

Baron Renaud d'Ungren-Sternberg, second secretary of the Russian Embassy, will act as best man for Mr. de Mohrenschildt, and the ushers will be Mr. Robert McCadoo and Mr. William Gibbs McCadoo, jr., brothers of the bride; Mr. Giuseppe Brambilla, counselor of the Italian Embassy; Mr. Dejean, acting counselor of the French Embassy; Mr. Thomas Spring Rice, second secretary of the British Embassy, and Mr. Jules C. F. Blondel, third secretary of the French Embassy.

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The committee in charge of the town reception are Miss Catherine Custis, Mrs. Charles B. Bailey, Mrs. John M. Beaumont, Mrs. Richard E. Claughton, Mrs. Charles L. DuBois and Mrs. A. W. Spohn. The hostesses for the occasion will be Mrs. Arthur W. Burr, Mrs. Albert Carhart, Miss K. L. Carhart, Mrs. Price C. Claffin, Miss Lucille M. de V. Colby, Mrs. C. W. W. Custis, Mrs. Charles Du Bois, Mrs. S. E. Faunce, Mrs. Hillman A. Hall, Mrs. Lemon C. Hine, Mrs. James F. Hood, Mrs. James McNabb, Miss Winifred H. Redway, Mrs. Benjamin C. Somerswell, Miss Marion Thatcher, Mrs. H. C. Thompson and Mrs. Annis Greenwalt Tongue.

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