

# BOO SOCIETY BY THE OUTSIDER



MISS GLADYS PLATT

Charming member of the younger set, who will make her debut in society next season.



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with the Hartford carpet company at Thompsonville, Conn., living quietly, like any of the other employees. He has an intense dislike for publicity of any kind. For those who are keen on numbers and statistics, it may be mentioned that he is 23 years of age.

Miss Alexander is a beautiful girl, according to the enthusiastic descriptions afforded by the exchanges, and made her debut two years ago. She is clever and takes much interest in serious study and charity work. Her mother was Miss Grace Green, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Green of Ohio. Mrs. Alexander divorced her husband two years ago. Miss Alexander's aunt is Mrs. J. Ellis Hoffman of Paris. She is also niece of Charles B. Alexander of New York and the granddaughter of Mrs. Henry M. Alexander, who was Miss Susan Brown, and the niece of Mrs. John J. McCook and of Rev. Maitland Alexander of Allegheny, Pa. She is also a granddaughter of the late Theron R. Butler. Miss Alexander and her fiance have known each other from childhood. The engagement was announced recently at a family dinner given at the home of Mrs. Alexander.

Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Ethel Roosevelt were present, as were the Misses Harriett and Janette Alexander, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Alexander.

Although not considered caddish or "stuck up," the son of the former president has little or nothing in common with the people of Thompsonville. He lives with Rob King and smokes a pipe when he walks to work from the King home to the carpet factory. He wears old clothes.

The wedding of Miss Jean Tyson and Harry Weihe will take place early in April, the date for the interesting event having been fixed for the 12th, at the Tyson home in Alameda. The bride elect returned last season after several months' travel in Europe and instead of the elaborate debutante party that her friends were expecting, there was the announcement of the attractive girl's engagement to the popular young San Franciscan.

After the news of the betrothal there were teas and luncheons galore for the pretty bride elect, and none has received more attention socially than the fiancee of Harry Weihe. There will be several girls in the bridal party, and the maid of honor will be the younger sister of the bride, Miss Marie Louise Tyson.

Miss Ha Sonntag, one of the debutantes of the season in town, and Miss Miriam McNear, another bud of the winter just passing, will be also

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#### Other Social Events

The wedding of Miss Minnie Seavy and Richard P. Whigham took place recently at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. S. A. Seavy. About 50 guests were present at the pretty ceremony. The decorations were streamers of smilax and pink carnations, while the couple stood under a canopy of flowers to receive the congratulations of their friends. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. A. Bernthal. The bride wore a gown of green messaline, elaborated with gold lace, and carried a shower bouquet of pink carnations. Miss Margaret Whigham, sister of the bridegroom, was the maid of honor and G. Golden acted as best man. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Fred Seavy. The ribbon bearers were Berenice Grant and Lucille Pulwider. The ring bearer was Miss Dorothy Duncan. The solo, "Call Me Thine Own," was sung during the ceremony by Miss Ruby Stewart. There was a reception and wedding supper, after which the couple parted for their honeymoon trip through the southern part of the state.

C. R. Waymouth is staying at the Hotel Wolcott in New York while on a business trip to the eastern city.

A very pretty home wedding took place Wednesday evening at the home of B. G. Haas, in Bonita avenue, Piedmont, when Miss Gertrude E. Haas and Franklyn B. Sanders were married. Sanders was formerly of Goldfield, where his mother, Mrs. C. D. Taylor, has mining interests. Mrs. Sanders is the sister of B. G. Haas. They will reside in Oakland and will be at home at the Waverly apartments after March 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Willard are established in their new home, 2224 Baker street, where they will be pleased to receive their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Marks of 91 Jordan avenue announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Betty Marks, to I. C. Levy of New York. They will be at home to their friends Wednesday afternoon, March 2.

The Alpha Phi's held an installation of officers Monday evening, February 21, at the home of the Misses Prince. Miss Stella Prince took the office of president, and the past president, Miss Betsy Tennebaum, was presented with a gold watch fob bearing the emblem of the organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohn and the Misses Cohn will be at home to their friends Saturday afternoon, March 5, at the Dorchester hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Goldstein announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Rosalie Goldstein, and Herbert Blumenthal. They will receive their friends Sunday afternoon, March 6, at their residence, 1646 Post street.

Miss Mae H. Snyder entertained at a whist party given recently at her home in Post street. Among those who enjoyed the affair were:

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fred Moran, Miss Virginia Moran, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Fred Snyder, Miss C. M. Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. H. Moran.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Ramsdell have returned after a pleasant sojourn in Europe and are established in their home at 297 Chenery street.

A colonial entertainment was given Tuesday evening, February 22, under the auspices of the Ladies' aid society in the parlors of the California street Methodist Episcopal church, at California and Broderick streets, and a large number of guests enjoyed the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. George Himmelstoss Jr. entertained at a recent party given at their home in Hugo street. Among those who enjoyed the affair were:

Miss Emma Himmelstoss, Dr. A. V. Gutz, Miss Josie Miller, W. King, Miss Eva Himmelstoss, C. Couture, Miss Kate Foy, J. Corbet, Miss Irene Kelly, J. Nicolini, Miss Cynthia Gutz, F. Norse, V. Winter.

Miss C. Nonnenman entertained at a George Washington party at her home. The house was prettily decorated in national colors. Those present to enjoy the evening were:

Genevieve Ball, Rena Armstrong, Annie Biggs, Carson Albright, Ruby O'Leary, Lewis Albright, Isabel Silva, Edwin Busdie, Gladys McDonald, Willard McDonald, Celestine Nonnenman, Edna Stephenson.

The El Nido whist club, conducted by Mrs. H. M. Russell, will give a prize whist tournament Wednesday afternoon, March 2, at 159 Church street. The proceeds are to be devoted to the fund for the sufferers by the Paris flood. There will be a concert at 2 o'clock and the game begins at 2:30 o'clock.

The Clara de Hirsch society will hold a prize whist tournament Tuesday evening, March 1, at 8 o'clock in the Geary street temple.

Miss Camille Pollock entertained at a farewell party given recently at her home in Broderick street in compliment to Miss Sophie and Miss Selma Cohn, who are leaving shortly for Europe, where they will travel for an indefinite time.

MICAREME will find society eager to revive the gayety that the season allows. There will be varied entertainments to celebrate the mid-Lenten date. Several costume parties have been arranged. It is true, by the younger girls, but one suspects that they are important to the older dancing set that has refrained from the fascinating diversion during the quiet days that are passing.

The only social dissipation of the last week consisted of two concerts. The first was given Thursday evening by Ivan Shed Langstroth in the colonial room at the St. Francis, and that young musician justified the faith of his friends in his talent as a composer. The program was full of artistic merit, with a rare discernment in the compositions that augurs well for the future of the artist. There was an ultra fashionable audience, with practically every one in town in attendance. There were box parties and dinner and supper parties to give the proper social finish to the occasion. The other concert was given Friday afternoon and was "an afternoon with Bohemian composers." It was one of a series of chamber concerts to which society is lending its patronage. Among these who are foremost in promoting these latter concerts are Mrs. Emma Shafter Howard and Mrs. Mary E. Huntington.

There were luncheons and teas last week that were informal and quite in keeping with the Lenten season. The younger girls have managed to arrange any number of these delightful affairs for Lent, not to mention the sewing bees and card clubs that have helped to make the season socially endurable, without offending decorum.

The surprise of the week was the romantic wedding of Miss Dolly MacGavin and Douglas Fry Tuesday afternoon without the knowledge of any of their friends, and, indeed, as somewhat of a surprise even to the families. The boy and girl romance had its beginning when the two were childhood chums, and when a possible wedding was mentioned months ago the youth of the pair was urged as a reason for indefinite delay. The bridegroom to be had not completed his college course and was sent to Harvard last autumn, where he was expected to remain occupied with his studies. He lacked two years of his majority and was to devote himself to books instead of romance. That was the verdict of the older heads in the family. He returned for the Christmas holidays and was a frequent guest at the home of Mr. and Walter MacGavin in California street. While friends took the devotion of the couple to each other as a matter of course the gossip of a wedding was forgotten.

The young couple decided that they would be married, and to save themselves the worry of explanations to

either friends or family they slipped away quietly Tuesday afternoon and were united by Justice of the Peace Carl Mueller. Before the wedding, however, the bridegroom to be secured the consent of his guardian, Mrs. A. G. Rogers. The parents of the bride were distressed over the impromptu ceremony, however, and insisted upon a repetition of the ceremony at home in the evening. A few friends were bidden by telephone and Miss Marian Miller, who is the nearest friend of the bride, was asked to act as maid of honor. The pretty ceremony was performed by Rev. George E. Renison of St. Paul's and there was a real reception afterward in the manner of conventional weddings. There were blessings and congratulations for the young couple and they departed on their honeymoon. They will return to reside in an apartment in town. Among those present at the second wedding were:

Mrs. A. G. Rogers, mother of the bridegroom; Mrs. L. L. Baker, Mrs. Drummond MacGavin, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. G. Miller, Miss Kate Stone, Miss Emilia Hinchelwood, Mr. and Mrs. Wakefield Baker and Donald Forbes.

Miss Florence Bell was another visitor who had a large share of social favor during the week. As she is the guest of Miss Marguerite Doe at the Fairmont she will be feted a great deal by the younger set at informal teas in the laurel court. Miss Bell was greeted by 29 or more girls at the first luncheon of her visit. Among those who met the visitor on this occasion were:

Miss Kathleen de Young, Miss Viola Page, Miss Florence Cliff, Miss Rhoda Pickering, Miss Erna St. Goar, Mrs. Harry Umben, Miss Rhoda Klotting, Miss Jeanne Gallois, Miss Dorothy Baker, Miss Edith Lowe, Miss Agnes Tillmann, Miss Inaen Doe, Miss Edna McMillan, Mrs. Frederick Stott, Mrs. Walter Greer, Miss Lillian Van Vorst, Miss Edith Metcalf, Miss Natalie Hunt, Miss Olive Wheeler, Miss Innes Kenney.

The visitors who have been in town this week have had a delightful round of affairs given by the younger girls, who know how to entertain the eastern girls in such a thoroughly successful way that the visitor longs to return to the happy times that she has had here. It would seem as if eastern visitors were specially favored by society, for the charming girls who have come in recent months from New York have had any amount of social favor. The latest claimant for attention is Miss Viola Page, the attractive house guest of Miss Jane Hotelling. The luncheon given by Miss Hotelling last Tuesday was attended by a score of girls, among whom were:

Miss Marguerite Doe, Miss Elva de Pue, Miss Mary Keehey, Miss Marie Bullard, Miss Fernanda Pratt, Miss Martha Foster, Miss Laura Baldwin, Miss Elizabeth Woods, Miss Kate Peterson, Miss Annala Simpson, Miss Mildred Baldwin, Miss Florence Williams, Miss Edith Lowe, Miss Anna Olive, Miss Agnes Tillmann, Miss Florence Bell, Miss Erna St. Goar, Miss Wilmet Holton, Miss Anna Peters, Miss Florence Cliff, Miss Innes Kenney.

Rear Admiral Uriel Sebree and his charming wife have been feted almost constantly since their return to the Fairmont. Several of the most delight-

ful affairs of the week have been in compliment to the popular couple. Mrs. Sebree has a charming personality and the rear admiral has a host of friends on his own account, so that in or outside the navy set they are favorites and always the center of much entertainment wherever they happen to stay. They are at the Fairmont temporarily until their plans for the summer are completed, and in the meantime are to be entertained at many of the parties of the Lenten season. Last evening Mrs. John McMullin was hostess at a dinner party for them. Among those who met at the table were Judge and Mrs. Erskine M. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Heney and Judge Gilbert. On a preceding evening Giles B. Harber, the commander in chief of the Pacific fleet, and Mrs. Harber entertained at a dinner party at the Fairmont for Admiral and Mrs. Sebree. Among those who assembled at the informal affair were Major General Thomas H. Barry with his attractive daughter, Miss Helen Barry, and several officers from the Presidio, among whom were Captain Ferguson and Lieutenant Leahy.

A portrait is reproduced on the society page today of Mrs. William Meek, who has been the hostess at informal house parties at her country home during the Lenten season. Owing to the recent bereavement in the family Mrs. Meek has not taken as active a part in society as she did in the earlier season and will not be in evidence at the formal parties for many months.

Miss Gladys Platt, whose photograph appears on the society page today, is one of the younger girls who has been entertaining in an informal way, but has not made her formal curtsy to society. She is an attractive girl of the demiblonde type and will be quite an addition to the circle of debutantes a season or two hence.

The news of an army engagement that comes from Los Angeles has been received with more than ordinary interest, for the bridegroom elect is Captain Englebert G. Ovenshine of the Twenty-eighth infantry, who has many friends here, while the bride to be is Miss Ethel Keyes, daughter of the late Alexander Keyes of Los Angeles. Captain Ovenshine is stationed at Fort Snelling, near Minneapolis, where the future home of the couple is to be established after the wedding in April.

Miss Keyes is one of the most attractive girls in the younger set in Los Angeles, but just at present is the guest of her sister and brother in law, Captain and Mrs. Fitch, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. She is a favorite in the army set and has been the center of much entertainment since the announcement of her engagement to the popular officer.

Since his graduation he has been