

A GIRL'S WILD OATS

It is all nonsense to say that girls don't sow wild oats and that they don't reap them, too, with many bitter and vain regrets. Of course it is all delightful while it lasts but the sowing time is soon over.

It must be remembered that a girl's temptations do not lie in the direction of poker or high balls. They are, nevertheless, real in their own way.

At first, she sees no earthly reason why Tom should not hold her hand, or Dick kiss her just for fun. When Harry slips his arm around her waist when the picnic snapshot is being taken, she thinks it is the greatest

joke in the world.

Her laugh is the gayest of any at the picnic, and when one of the boys suggests a game of forfeits, she thinks the idea great fun and throws herself into the game heart and soul.

A little later, she takes a stroll with Jack and attempts a tiny whiff from his cigarette. "I never take a dare," she explains to Will, who comes up at that moment. Will is about to reply when they see a couple of girls standing near. Who would have ever thought they could have come up so quietly? Then she says a great many things she doesn't mean, and remarks, "cats" quite loud enough for them to hear. After all

it's only the Jones girls, and who cares what they think anyhow?

Later she goes out for a walk with Fred, and doesn't take any pains to think how late it is. When they finally get back to the picnic things are all packed and the others are all waiting for them. The other girls don't say much, but they look a great deal.

The years slip past, and somehow other girls get engaged, but she is left out. Tom says she is a jolly little girl; he remembers how he used to hold her hand, but he is glad to think of his own specific girl up state, as being a bit more standoffish. Dick still kisses her occasionally.

He kisses every girl he can. Alex pays her a sigh or two, until he sees the photograph in Tom's den, where Harry and Jennie figured in the picnic picture with Harry's arm about her.

The photograph cools his ardor. He knows the sort of chap Harry is. He wouldn't be hanging around his sisters.

And Will? Will, too, has sighed after vivacity and camaraderie; but he has a horror of the modern girl, and remembers the picture of the cigarette that time with Jack in the woods. So Will falls in love with Polly, who hasn't one tenth of Jessie's sense, but who has a trick of blushing. Of course she meets other men, but somehow, she is unpopular with the girls, "old cats," she calls them. And things don't look bright.

She is reaping her wild oats; she doesn't realize it; she calls it hard luck and does not see that it is her own making.

VOTE FOR PETERSON

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INTERESTING TO U. D. C. AND VETERANS

The following little poem appearing in a recent edition of the News and Observer and written by a Gastonia resident is of interest to all members of the Daughters of the Confederacy, and to surviving Veterans, and especially to those who experienced the battle themselves and the relatives of those who fell in that battle.

Gettysburg Day
When e'er the tale of Gettysburg
Is told with loyal pride,
Before our eyes there pass long lines
Of grey-clad men who died—
Of men who sleep at Gettysburg
Through long years, side by side.

Above the fields of Gettysburg
Gay skylarks wheel and fly,
And deep amid the spring flowers
The cricket's murmured sigh—
Stirs the deep calm of Gettysburg
Where brave men marched to die.

Today we plan for Gettysburg
A shaft of living stone
So that those men whom glory blessed
Shall no more keep alone
North Carolina's vigil there
When she should guard her own.

Then, think you not, at Gettysburg,
Each muted breeze that blows,
Will whisper to the sleepers there
Wrapped in their calm repose,
That o'er their heads at Gettysburg
Has blossomed memory's rose.
Zoe Kincaid Brockman.
Gastonia, N. C.

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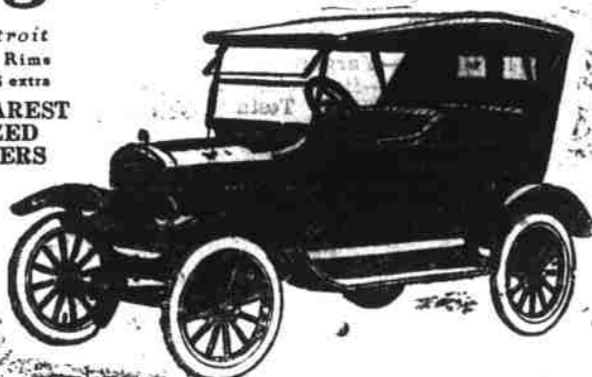
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