

Novel Entertainments

(EDITED BY MADAMME MERRI.)

A Chrysanthemum Party.
A card is given to each guest with a chrysanthemum attached with a gold instruction. Instructions are given to make as many words as possible with the letters. The prize is a potted plant. As they are the November flower this pastime is especially fitting. Serve ice cream in chrysanthemum paper cases. This scheme does not follow a card party while the hostess is preparing refreshments, or is suitable for a church social.

Two Novel Showers.
The first scheme I am about to describe was not for a bride, but for a dear "shut-in" whose birthday was to be celebrated. The period of the party must lengthen into many months perhaps years. This idea was carried out by her intimate friends to help celebrate her birthday. First, some fifty of her friends were asked to send postcards, to arrive during the week, and these were each brought in and joy, then about a dozen close friends sent potted plants and flowers, all timed to arrive during each hour of the day. To do this all were sent to one house and there were distributed each time the clock struck the hour until the twelve fragrant red roses had been dispatched on its errand of love.

The second scheme was a "bag" shower given for a bride-elect by just ten friends. Each one was asked to bring a bag, then they consulted, so there would be up to six. The bags were suit with names carefully chosen for soiled collars and cuffs, handkerchiefs, dust-cloth bag, several and pieces bags, opera and party bags, and a beautifully equipped shopping bag.

Novel Bridal Shower.
This was such an unusual way of "showering" the gifts that I am delighted to tell our readers about it. For the guests had the jolliest kind of a time. In the living room picture cards were pinned and placed about the room. The guests were given cards on which to write down the supposed articles advertised. The cards and pictures bore duplicate numbers. Then all went into another room where the answers for a package done up in white tissue paper tied with ribbon (being the articles the ads displayed). All the parcels were one by one put into a large white-ribbed cellophane basket and given to the bride-elect, who proceeded to open them amid showers of laughter as the contents revealed how far short many guesses were.

Housekeeping Shower.
I found some of these ideas in a magazine and they struck me as being very good, especially if the bride-elect is going to housekeeping. The hostess and guests were all young matrons, and the girl to be married was the last of the set to renounce single blessedness. Harking back to the olden days, when the guest of honor arrived she was ushered with great solemnity into the den, where the hostess informed her she was to be initiated into the mysteries of the "Housewife's Union," and accordingly blindfolded her. Then she was led into the living room, where the worthy matrons sat each with a cap of some denomination upon her head, bandana, turban, two sweeping caps, boudoir cap and hair perfume cap and sonbonnet were represented). Each had on an apron of some kind. She was halted before each in turn and made to identify the kitchen utensil which answer was greeted with cries of "worthy" and mistakes were proclaimed most vociferously "unworthy." After counting up the "worthy" guesses she was declared eligible and made to swear to the following:

"I, Mary Jane Snow, soon to be Johnson, do of my own free will and accord solemnly promise that I will reveal any and all the secrets of this club to anyone desiring to receive the same; that I will make a never-ending war against germs, dust and poor cooking; and that I will to the utmost of my ability master the intricacies of the kitchen range, the maid's temper and my husband's appetite. I therefore, promise that I will not allow myself to become disheartened through failures, nor worried through trifles; that I will cherish a cheerful face, a cordial manner, and repose of spirit beyond any other qualifications of my home. To all of which I pledge my sacred word of honor as a housekeeper."

Then the blindfold was removed, and how the honored guest laughed when she saw the array of worthy matrons! I forgot to say that each wore a badge of office pinned on her left breast right over the heart. These were cooking and household articles, some in doll size and some only pictures out of magazine advertisements. Next she was conducted to each matron in turn, first to the one who wore the sweeping cap and long-sleeved apron; she was asked the most approved method of sweeping and being pronounced worthy, was presented with the cap and apron; then to the "Culinary Mistress," who questioned her and gave her a model kitchen apron on to the "Mistress of the Tub," who gave her a clothespin apron and laundry gloves for winter wear in hanging out the washing. "Lady of the Wardrobe" told her to commit and recite the following:

A biased bias gathers no plaits.
Never look a pinked tuck in the seams.
One shirt in the mull is worth three in the scrim.
A basque is known by the stitches it keeps.
You may lead a woman to the machine, but you cannot make her hem.
Better is a slashed gown with bangles than a gusset of tulle and Honiton there-with.
Filling tatting full deep whereupon she presented a charming apron with pockets to which was attached scissors, needle book, thimble and emery. The last stunt was to usher the happy maiden down to the laundry, where she was told to put on her clothespin apron and proceed to take down her first washing, and this was several dozen dish towels, and dusts. The last ceremony was investing her with a badge representing a bride above and a pretty cook below, then she

was declared a full-fledged member of the "union."
Distribution Wedding Favors.
At a bridal dinner at which only young people were the guests the prophetic symbols were allotted in this pretty manner: A huge white frosted cake, baked in a funnel pan, was cut in slices. The bride tied a silver turquoise set ring (it was to be a December wedding and turquoise is the stone) to a length of white satin ribbon, a solid silver turquoise set thimble to another, a quaint Chinese coin to one, a beautiful silver turquoise-studded hand-made button to a fourth and a silver heart and diamond key to the others. These she dropped into the center of the cake in the opening, where each ended with a white cardboard heart on which the monogram of bride and bridegroom was done in gold. After dessert all drew ribbons, and those lucky enough to draw the tokens applied the prophecy to themselves. The white ribbons and heart monograms made pleasing souvenirs for the others.

Another bride had her shower bouquet made in as many parts as she had favors. As she went up the stairs she untied the binding streamers of tulle and drew the parts over the railing, where they were caught by the bride party.

New Version of a Flower Party.
In response to the inquiries for new contests this one comes; is good and children love it:
1. I planted a product of the dairy and a dish with a handle. What came up? Buttercup. 2. I planted a happy facial expression and a tool used for chopping wood. What came up? Smilax. 3. I planted a lot of sheep. What came up? Phlox. 4. I planted a dude and very ferocious animal. What came up? Dandelion. 5. I planted a man's name and a feather. What came up? Jonquil. 6. I planted a song-bird and something worn by a horseman on the heel of his boot. What came up? Larkspur. 7. I planted a sly little animal and something worn in boxing. What came up? Foxglove. 8. I planted something that wants to be remembered. What came up? Forget-me-not. 9. I planted a part of a railroad train and all the parts in America. What came up? Carnation. 10. I planted an animal of the bovine genus and a cutting from a vine. What came up? Cowslip.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.
Conducting a Stag Affair.
My husband is giving a stag dinner. Am supposed to help him receive his guests? Can you give me the name of the best book on etiquette? L. H.

Strictly speaking, you need not appear at all, but I think it very much nicer to make your appearance after all have arrived. Just before dinner is served, then retire behind the scenes to see that all goes well during the progress of the feast. I can give you the name of an etiquette book if you will send me privately, as names and addresses are not permitted in the department.

Duties of Bridal Attendant.
Will you kindly tell the duties of a bride's attendant at an afternoon wedding? LIDA.

You do not state, but I presume you mean the duties of a maid of honor, the name given when a bride has but one attendant. She immediately precedes the bride, stands on her left during the ceremony, holds her bouquet and throws back the wedding veil if she wears a face covering, before she goes down the aisle, if a church wedding, and before congratulations are received, if it is a home ceremony. She also turns back the finger of the glove to receive the wedding ring.

Reply to "N. L. H."
I am fifteen years old. Am I too young to wear shirtwaists? How should I dress my hair? I am a reader of your department. N. L. H.

You are not too young for shirtwaists, but I think the one-piece dresses or "middy" suits are much nicer. Wear your hair in looped up braids at back with a black bow and a soft padour, either straight back or parted.

Serving an Oyster Supper.
I would like you to please tell me how an oyster supper should be served. Should knives and forks be put around the table, as well as spoons, and how should the table be set? What kind of dishes should crackers be put in? Should both sweet and sour pickles be served? "ANXIOUS."

it is much nicer to have others with you. All depends upon what the moving pictures are showing, some are excellent in their subjects and some are very bad. I should think girls of your age could have your boy friends call informally for nice jolly times. If you are with the other girls I hardly think it would be fair to leave them, and now for the girl who wants to go with the "bunch," can't you be polite to her and give her a good time without spoiling your own? For my part I she is so different in her likes and pleasures I should not think she would want to go with you. Just try practicing the "Golden Rule" and see how it works out.

Party Pastimes.
I am going to give a party to a number of girl friends and want to ask you to tell me of some game we can play after supper. We have no music so I thought some game on the order of "planning the head on a donkey." Also say what are three nice prizes for girls fifteen to seventeen years old, something for first, second and third prizes. Hope I am not asking too much.

Did you ever try having funny stunts to do like sewing buttons on squares of cloth, stringing beads, picking up beans with tooth picks and even bean bags? See who can do the best each test with a given space of time and then award prizes as follows: Pretty cup and saucer, plate and china candle stick; or perhaps you would rather give a box of stationery, a linen handkerchief and a dainty silk bag.

Wake Forest Has New Weekly Paper
Special to The News.
Wake Forest, Nov. 4.—A new enterprise was started up in Wake Forest yesterday in the form of a weekly newspaper. For a long time a movement has been on foot to start one but no one could be secured to undertake it. In the past week though several of the business men of the city have been consulted and have given their support with the result that the first issue was issued yesterday.

At the head of the paper is to be found Mr. C. R. Koyner, a graduate of the college and at present sole owner and manager of the Apex Journal and several other smaller weeklies. The paper is printed every week in Apex and mailed to Wake Forest from where it is distributed. The paper is a neat 8-page paper under the head of the "Wake Forest News" and is a credit to the publishers. No ads appear on the front page and no whiskey or cigarette ads will be run. In charge of the paper at Wake Forest are Messrs. George Bagwell and W. C. Dowd, Jr., the former in the capacity of reporter and advertising manager while Mr. Dowd has general charge of the paper and the circulation department.

The paper will continue to run weekly all during the year and with the support the merchants are giving it its success is assured.

Interstate College Y M C A Congress
Special to The News.
Wake Forest, Nov. 4.—The conference between the Y. M. C. A.'s of North and South Carolina began Thursday night under the most favorable conditions. Practically all the colleges in the two states have sent representatives and some of the most prominent speakers in America have been secured for the occasion. The conference is to last through Sunday and before it is closed such notable speakers as Dr. W. D. Weatherford, international student secretary; Clayton S. Cooper, international secretary for Bible study; A. M. Traywick, international secretary; Dr. W. L. Poteat of Wake Forest College and many other great speakers.

The first meeting was held last night when Dr. W. D. Weatherford addressed the conference. An exceedingly large audience greeted the speaker and all were carried away by him. His address was one of the most helpful made here in years. Among the colleges represented are University of North Carolina, University of South Carolina, Trinity, A. & M. Davidson, Clemson, Furman, and Guilford. All of them are represented by at least five representatives besides several representatives of the different Y. M. C. A.'s in the state. Meetings are held every day at 11 o'clock, every afternoon at 5, and every night. Among the prominent speakers here for the occasion are: Dr. W. L. Poteat, president of Wake Forest College. Dr. W. D. Weatherford, international student secretary. Clayton S. Cooper, international secretary for Bible study. J. N. Montgomery, international student secretary. A. M. Traywick, international society secretary. C. G. Hounshell, secretary student volunteer movement. G. C. Huntington, interstate secretary. J. W. Berghold, general secretary A. & M. E. P. Hall, general secretary U. N. E. A. Turner, general secretary Georgia Tech.

CHURCHES.
Chalmers Memorial A. R. P. Church, South and East Boulevards, Dilworth, Rev. R. E. Hough pastor. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Sabbath school meets at 12 m. Junior Christian Union meets at 4 p. m. and Y. P. C. U. at 6:45 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

Girls of your age are just the ones to wear hair ribbons as you are not old enough for mother does not object to your going for the walk, I see no harm provided you do not go far and

President Taft Takes Stock Of His Political Advisers And Prepares For Battle

(BY SIDNEY ESPEY.)

Washington, Nov. 4.—With the shadow of the coming presidential election approaching so near that it is beginning to obliterate matters not pertinent to the big issues, President Taft is looking over the personnel of his cabinet with an eye to determining which of his official advisors will be of the greatest service to him in the struggle of 1912.

As the date of the national convention draws near the voting population is separating the sheep from the goats in the group of presidential possibilities. Politicians concede that in 1912 will come one of the fiercest struggles for political supremacy which has occurred for many years. Realizing this fact, President Taft is preparing to intrench himself behind a formidable phalanx of supporters and to build up and organization which will require much to overthrow. In his organization he is placing much dependence on the members of his cabinet.

Those closest to the president seem to consider James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, the weakest link on the cabinet chain, because his vigorous advocacy of Canadian reciprocity resulted in the loss of much republican prestige throughout the rural districts of the Mississippi valley which has long been his stronghold. From a political point of view, many statesmen consider that Mr. Wilson's chief virtue lies in the fact that he has never done anything very bad, and has by a plodding faithfulness won his way into the hearts of the farmers, but in spite of this strength, it is the consensus of opinion that his stand on reciprocity and the recent Wiley inquiry has resulted in the forfeiture of a large measure of public confidence.

As a lieutenant best fitted to handle the machine end of national politics Frank H. Hitchcock, postmaster general, is being relied upon by President Taft to assist in the work of conjuring harmony out of the head-on collision of party leaders in both the Northern and Southern sections of the country, and despite the fact that his resignation as chairman of the national republican committee was in line with an avowed policy of his to break away from machine politics, the political forecasters predict that much of this sort of work is to be thrust upon him, being the one man in the cabinet best fitted for such labors.

Secretary of Commerce and Labor Charles Nagel, who is also national committeeman from Missouri, will be a valuable asset in the coming campaign, being the controlling force which directs republican policies in his state. The fact that Secretary Nagel is at loggerheads with the German-American alliance, an organization which boasts control of 8,000,000 votes has a tendency to reduce the influence, but confidence in his ability to settle this trouble to the satisfaction of all concerned has been expressed.

Attorney General Wickersham occupies a position in political affairs which presents a problem. The fact that he had no sooner embarked upon his political career than he pro-

ceeded to read the insurgent element out of the republican party deprived him of a necessary virtue, namely the ability to influence the ultra-progressive element, and swing it into line, shoulder to shoulder with the old guard. His "trust-busting" proclivities have won him many enemies in Wall Street and the world of finance. The newest recruit to the official family of President, Henry L. Stimson, secretary of war, is expected to attract to the Taft standard many of the supporters of Roosevelt, who might otherwise hold off Stimson as the recognized representative of Rooseveltism in the Taft cabinet. He was the colonel's choice for governor of New York a year ago, and is strong in the empire state.

Franklin McVeagh, secretary of the treasury, and Walter L. Fisher, secretary of the interior, are both high in the good graces of congress, and are considered safe and sane by the people. Consequently they add a much desired conservative strength to the Taft cause. To Mr. Fisher has fallen the legacy of the Pinchot-Balinger controversy, which raged about the conservation policy of the administration last year. With this and the problems of the Alaska coal lands and Controller Bay, Mr. Fisher is in position to take action at any time calculated to show his hand before the people. It is believed that the burden of his speeches when he appears on the stump for Taft in 1912 will be "conservation."

Secretary of State Philander C. Knox, and Secretary Meyer of the navy are expected to support President Taft behind the scenes taking but little active part in the actual campaign. Secretary Meyer has a reputation for marked ability in the raising of campaign funds, and if assigned to this work will be of real value to the national committee. Secretary Knox probably will conduct the end of the campaign devoted to praise of "dollar diplomacy," but otherwise will do little stump speaking.

From a careful review of the cabinet of President Taft it is seen that he will have no easy labor before him in effecting the organization of a cabinet staff which can be depended upon to do team work for his reelection with good results.

AUTOMOBILE STRIKES WOMAN AT COLUMBIA
Columbia, S. C., Nov. 4.—Darting suddenly into the street to intercept a trolley car she intended boarding, an unknown white woman was struck and severely hurt at noon today by the automobile of J. Caldwell Robertson, a local capitalist, occupied by Miss Robertson and driven by a negro chauffeur, Horace Jones, who is now under arrest. The woman was put into the car at once and taken to a hospital. She is unconscious. Her suitcase was labelled "W. S. H." and her purse contained no means of identification except the return coupon of a ticket to Columbia from Blackstock, S. C. Physicians say her injuries are very serious.

—Mr. J. P. Provat, contractor and builder of the Overcash & Provat Co., has gone to Atlanta on business. He will return the early part of next week.

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