

Inflicting Hurt Through Needless Cruelty Among Man's Inexplicable Traits

BY MARTHA LEE

WHAT possible pleasure can anyone get out of deceiving a guileless person into believing that all there is left to do is to sign on the dotted line and then, just when the pen has been dipped into the ink, go gaily on to another and fresher field?

It is just an experience of that kind that causes heartbreak that makes itself felt through the year. It is just this sort of thing that makes persons skeptical of all others, not as individuals but as groups.

Young persons almost always recover from a hurt like that when it is "pulled" under an older person, one who has waited for the love and affection and companionship of some boy or girl, it makes a lasting hurt. Worst of all, it creates an inferior complex that is very unattractive.

It seems like such an unnecessarily cruel thing to do, to hurt someone else deeply through deception. I have the following letter today from a woman who has been the victim of a hurt of this kind:

Dear Mrs. Lee—I have been going with a gentleman friend for the past year. He told me I was the only girl he ever truly loved. I don't believe he means what he says. About a month ago he said he thought he was too selfish to marry and he would think about it for a while. Of course, I never told him Miss Lee, but I am broken-hearted. He has not called me since. Tell me how I can get over it. He is thirty-six and I am thirty-four.

RAMONA.

My dear, there is no sure key to forgetfulness that I know of. The only thing to do is to keep busy. Work cures all things, even heartbreak. He certainly was too selfish to ever marry. You cannot see it now, but perhaps later you will be glad that he was frank enough to admit it and spare you years of unhappiness.

Please Advise: You should most certainly not take your mother's part in preference to your wife. Especially, since your mother is in the wrong and has absolutely no right to meddle in your affairs, financial or otherwise. It would be wonderful if you could give her a home with you and your wife if it would mean peace, but as it is, be careful lest you find yourself without a home.

Blue: There is nothing quite so successful in cases of that kind as indifference, a little competition and an air of unawareness as far as he is concerned.

Evelyn: There is nothing to do but wait. I have been some time in getting to your letter. Perhaps you had better write me another and tell me the developments of the affair.

Unhappy Wife: I would leave if I were in your position. I do not believe in breaking up a home, but you have no children to consider and no one could expect anyone to live with a person like that. As for your first husband, that is a question only he can decide.

Troubled: My dear, everyone is willing to tell a listener his life story. Do not judge that as a sign of love. I would not go with him until he had settled the question with his first wife.

Party and Shower for Miss Brown to Wed Saturday

Misses Leva Ervin and Gene Guio were joint hostesses Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Guio, 720 East Dr., Woodruff Place, at a bridge party and hosiery shower in honor of Miss Dorothy Brown, daughter of Mrs. I. S. Downing, 2058 Broadway, whose marriage to Dr. L. L. Wolfe, Angola, will take place Saturday.

Pink and blue, the bridal colors, were used in decorations and appointments.

Guests with Miss Brown and her mother, were Mesdames Lloyd Shiner, Richard Hennessy, Wallace Jones, Joseph Sexton, John Kelley and Robert O. Keller; Misses Agnes Welch, Helen Markey, Esther Brown Eileen Scanlon, Mildred Tyler, June Wilson, Elizabeth Lindsay, Edith Ried, Francis Thorpe and Katherine Cryan.

LIBERTY STORE TO PRESENT FASHIONS

The trend of fall fashions will be displayed in a show to be staged by the Liberty store, 30 N. Pennsylvania St., at Friday evening. Afternoon and evening frocks, hats and cloth and fur coats will be displayed by four local models. Music will be given by Jackson's orchestra. Descriptions of the gowns will be given by Mark Grossbaum of the New York office. Each guest will be presented with a souvenir. The fashion show preceded opening of the fall season Saturday.

BOOK CLUB MARKS PRESIDENT'S DAY

Late Book Club members observed president's day with a luncheon Tuesday at the Columbia Club. Covers were laid for twenty-six at a long table arranged with fall flowers and lighted with yellow tapers in crystal holders. Other appointments were carried out in yellow and green.

Mrs. J. S. Hubbard, retiring president, presided at the luncheon and presented the gavel to Mrs. Frank Nessler, incoming president. A report of the year's work was given by Mrs. W. L. Clifford. Mrs. H. B. Thomas was a guest.

HONORS OUT-OF-TOWN GUESTS

Miss Ruth Moore entertained with a Japanese party Tuesday evening at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Bridges, 128 W. Forty-First St., in honor of Mrs. Donald Webster and Mrs. Sylvia Stoner, Detroit, Mich. Other guests were Mesdames John Davis, A. H. Moore, Velma Smith, Harry Reed, Amanda Bertzoff, Charlotte Buchanan, R. A. Dubois, Browning Gent, Flora Kinder O. T. Walker and George Dalrymple; Misses Neva Smith and Nelle Butterworth.

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