

Rebellion of Youth Succeeds

Passing of Short Skirts
Didn't Mean Moral
Ideas Changed.

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NEW YORK, April 21.—One element or another of our population seems always to be hell-bent on shocking the rest. For a while it was the girl who wanted, of all unwomanly things, to go to college. Later it was the young sprig with his hip flask.

Today it seems to be the group who discuss, quite academically, the possibility of changing our constitution to scare Dr. Wirt out of his skin.

But that revolt of youth which stirred up so much excitement and pulp protest in the '20s seems from all the evidence to be going right on today. Only the parents no longer fight back.

If you imagine, for a moment, that the young set of today has given up the battle and returned to the pre-war standards of morality, give one of them a copy of "This Side of Paradise" in which the scandalous doings of the college boys and girls were first revealed. He will, unless he is a very exceptional young person headed for a theological seminary, wonder what on earth there was in that tepid volume to surprise the older generation.

The young girl of flapper age today does not wear knee-length skirts, but she wears waist-deep evening dresses, bought with her mother's bland approval.

The young man does not sneak off in corners to absorb his quota of gin; he takes his cocktails when the family are having theirs and thinks no more about it. He is, without knowing it, the beneficiary of those stormy scenes waged by the generation that preceded him. The fruits of their victory are forms of freedom taken quite for granted by the young bloods of today.

Perhaps the parents of today's adolescents have been cowed. Perhaps. But it is equally possible that they have simply become too much interested in their own concerns to sacrifice the time and lung power expended by the old-fashioned parent in cramping his youngster's style.

Parents Abdicate

Some such possibility is indicated by an article on "Eliminating Parenthood," written by Louise Munsell Field in the current Scribner's. It is her belief that youth could not—never could have—revolted against its elders if they had not wanted to be revolted against. Middle age, she holds, "has gradually divested itself of those hampering traditions and attributes once imposed by parenthood."

Father became too much engrossed in his business and golf to attend much to the care of his young. Mother, after holding the buck for a while, got ideas of her own and passed them on to the nurse, the governess, the play school and the camp.

Parents, in other words, have not been overthrown; they have cheerfully abdicated their power as a nuisance of which they were well rid.

Youth Now On Its Own

Perhaps the obstreperous battles of the youngsters of ten years ago wore their parents down. Perhaps family discipline would have relaxed, anyway. It hardly matters now.

What does matter is that the thing has been accomplished. A generation which was threatened with too much mothering and fathering, because of the concentration of parents' interest on two or three children instead of twelve, has been thrown back on its own resources. A generation of parents which was inclined to protect its young from life until after adolescence has found other and more constructive things to do.

A boy in Oriental countries is treated like a man at 14, and Juliet was just about that age when she had her historic affair. Our own adolescents are probably quite able to look after themselves at an age when, in 1918, their families would hardly let them stay out after dark.

Sororities

Mrs. L. V. Shank will be hostess for the Phi Sigma Theta sorority Monday night with "German Holidays" meeting theme. Pledge service will be held for Miss Maurine Stump.

St. Catherine's Young Ladies' Society will entertain with a card party in the hall Sunday afternoon and night. Miss Margaret F. Higgins is chairman.

Mrs. C. E. Padgett, 1432 North Drexel avenue, will be hostess for a card party to be given tonight at her home for the benefit of Little Flower church.

Mrs. Inez Fields will entertain with a supper for members of Omega Chi sorority Wednesday night at the home of Miss Frances Patterson, 1451 Hoyt street. A business meeting will follow.

Alpha chapter, Phi Tau Delta sorority, will be entertained Monday night at the home of Mrs. E. G. Driftmeyer.

Club to Give Party

Mrs. W. E. Shantz is general chairman of a card party to be given by the Artemes Club Tuesday at the Banner-Whitcomb auditorium. Mrs. Frank Freers is chairman of tickets; Mrs. J. C. Stevenson, prizes, and Mrs. O. C. Dorah, candy.

Two Will Be Hostesses

Miss Louise Trees and Mrs. L. A. Turnock will be hostesses at Whispering Winds next Saturday at a luncheon for members of the Indianapolis Ward-Belmont Club.

Miss Wilkinson to Wed



Miss Helen Wilkinson

Charles L. Wilkinson announces the engagement of his daughter, Miss Helen Wilkinson, and Frank Mann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orval Mann. The wedding will take place June 17 at the Broadway Evangelical church.

—Photo by Platt.

A Woman's Viewpoint

BY MRS. WALTER FERGUSON

SOMETIMES it looks as if those of us who write for the papers have far too little common sense for our jobs. I am reminded especially of the many times I have read, and written, that we should simply divorce laws so that all one need do, if one wished freedom, would be to say so, and presto, the thing would be legal.

But let us suppose for the sake of argument that the partner of our woes doesn't happen to want a divorce—frequently the case. That complicates things and ruins our smooth sounding theories.

Divorce should be made honest, but not easy. Far too many people now are miserable because they jumped too hastily from the frying pan of matrimonial worries into the fire of single misery.

It's all very fine to say we should favor the individual who wants release from marriage bonds. But how about the one who would like to stick things out for a while? Is that partner to be given no rights whatever?

Especially should we deplore the hasty flare-ups which end in definite breaks and which occur over trivial pindarings. It seems to me the time has come when we should be intelligent enough to realize that while ideal marriage implies constant fidelity on both sides, ideal marriage is rare, if not unique.

With our devotions into the problems of sex, we ought to know men and women recover from casual loves as children recover from measles and whooping cough and are quite as susceptible to them.

Because a man fancies himself in love with a new blonde today is no sign he will be in love with her tomorrow. And many a good wife is carried off her feet by sudden infatuation, and yet is afterward glad to find herself safely married to her darling Darby.

We are born good, monogamous creatures. Excellent qualities must be cultivated within ourselves, as we cultivate rare roses in our gardens. Character neither is deepened nor improved by frequent sprints to the divorce court.

PROGRAM AID



Miss Ellen Irene Kroger

NEEDLEWORK GUILD WILL CONVENE

Forty-ninth annual meeting of the Needlework Guild of America will be held May 10 and 11 in Lexington, Ky., it was announced by Mrs. Thomas J. Preston Jr., president.

Delegates from Indianapolis, Ft. Wayne, Richmond and Plainfield will attend. Among those from the local guild attending will be Mrs. R. Hartley Shoop, Miss Lillian Taggart, Mrs. George B. Elliott, Mrs. Peter C. Reiter, Mrs. J. J. Senter, Mrs. B. O. Dillon and S. R. Stroup. Members of the chapter at Bloomington will attend.

Reservations are to be made with Mrs. Cecil K. Calvert before April 25.

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Group Will Hold Annual Fete May 5

City University Women to Attend Luncheon at Woodstock Club.

Mrs. Walter P. Morton, president of the Indianapolis branch, American Association of University Women, has completed organization of committees for the annual spring luncheon on May 5 at the Woodstock Club. Co-operating with Mrs. Morton is Miss Mary Eigg, chairman of the fellowship fund, to which process will be donated.

Mrs. David L. Smith is chairman of arrangements and will be assisted by Mesdames Russell Hippenstein, Leonard Almy Smith, J. L. Rainey and Misses Ruth Milligan, Vera Morgan and Harriet Paynter.

Tickets are in charge of Mesdames Ray H. Briggs, Paul J. Stokes, Robert B. Yule, Paul Summers and Miss Dorothy David.

Assistants Chosen

Other committees are:

Table prizes, Mesdames Frank Cox, Lester A. Smith, Gordon Batman, H. F. Dunlap and John H. Hewitt; invitation and tallies, Misses Sybil Stevens, Evelyn Carpenter, Virginia Brookbank, Minnie C. Dodson, Frances Garney, Maude Russell, Cora G. Smith and Mesdames Wilbur Appel, Inn S. Gaul, John Leech, Merwyn Bridenstein, M. S. Harding, Lowell S. Fisher, J. W. Ricketts, Norman Green, Karl M. Koons and Florence Y. Carpenter.

Mrs. Lewis L. Beard is chairman of door prizes, assisted by Mesdames Carroll O. Skaar, Maurice E. Krahn, Horace A. Shonle, T. Victor Keene, J. M. Williams, N. Taylor Todd, Peter Van Geyt, L. L. Schwartz, J. R. Townsend, John L. Goldthwaite, John Downing Johnson, Paul Beard and Gino Ratti. Misses Florence Morrison, Helen Schuller and Thelma Harworth. Mrs. John Waldo is chairman of reservations and transportation, assisted by Mesdames S. Douglas, Bash, S. W. Bingham, H. E. Grosbach, Everett E. Campbell, J. C. Morrison, J. L. Rainey, J. R. Spalding, Lewis L. Taylor, Margaret B. Segur; Misses Eleanor Jones, Jennie Dindwiddie, Jenna Birks, Beatrice Gerrin.

Others serving are: Mrs. Donald C. Drake, chairman of publicity, assisted by Mrs. Marvin E. Curiel and Mrs. Ellis Hay. Mrs. Mrs. Arthur E. Focke, chairman of decorations, assisted by Miss Isabella Eddy, Mesdames W. H. Maxwell, Robert Moser, Allen E. Mitchell, Ian K. Joyce, O. M. Helmer, Earl R. Bockner, T. W. Ayton, A. D. Lange, W. P. Garshwiler, and Misses Evelyn Bridenstein, Amy Colcott, Zella L. Kester, Martha Losgdon, Belle Schofield; Mrs. M. S. Benham, chairman of entertainment, assisted by Misses Ida B. Wilhite, Catherine M. Bowby, Mesdames A. H. Hinke, Nathan E. Pearson, H. B. Pike, George A. Schumacher, E. M. Schofield, Thor G. Wiesenber.

Hostesses Announced

Mrs. A. B. Carlile, chairman of hostesses will be assisted by Mesdames Frederick M. Ayres, William Baum, H. Maurice Angell, Harry V. Wade, Henry L. Bruner, Alvin T. Coate, John M. Cunningham, Harry Foreman, S. R. Harrell, W. J. Hasel, Frank D. Hatfield, Richard Lieber, Bloomfield Moore, W. H. Putnam, R. Hartley Sherwood, R. S. Sinclair, Archer P. Sinclair, Frank H. Streightoff, W. W. Thornton, H. E. Parker, W. L. Richardson, James E. Sprout, T. J. Stapleton, Paul E. Tombaugh, John T. Wheeler, Charles Yoke, Walter Scott Athern, James A. Bawden and Wilson Ulrich. Misses R. Katherine Beeson, Grace L. Brown, Lulu J. Case, Mary Dixon, Elizabeth Downhour, Allena Grafton, Sara Lois Haber, Kathryn Jamie Journey, Amelia W. Platter, Margaret Scott, Nettie Burkholder, Mary J. Cain, Martha Commons, Lillian G. Clark, May Orme MacKenzie, I. Hilda Stewart, Dale Waterson, Dr. Lilian Crocket Lowder and Dr. Kenosha Sessions.

Front Row (left to right)—Helen Barnhart, Margaret Forrest and Esther Elliott.

Back Row (left to right)—Hazel Peterson and Barbara Boyd.

Junior White Cross Guilds will be among groups represented at the annual luncheon of the White Cross center of the Methodist hospital to be held Friday, April 27, in the Broadway M. E. church. Pictured above are officers of the Junior White Cross Guild of St. Paul M. E. church. Miss Barbara Boyd is president.

The Week's Calendar for City's Clubs

MONDAY

Members of the Present Day Club will be entertained by Mrs. Park A. Cooling, 5636 Washington boulevard. Mrs. W. C. Smith will present "The Americanization of Indianapolis."

Et Cetera Club will meet at 12:30 for luncheon at the Marcott. Mrs. J. McDowell and Mrs. George LeMay will be hostesses.

Review of "Century of Progress" will be a feature of the meeting of the Women's Municipal Garden's Department Club with Mrs. Charles Bradley, hostess.

Auxiliary of Irvington chapter, O. E. S., will meet at 2 at the Irvington Masonic temple.

TUESDAY

Mrs. B. W. Heaton will review "Lantern in Her Hand" and Mrs. J. W. Potter will discuss "The Modern Parent" at the meeting of the Meridian Heights Inter-se Club. Mrs. W. M. Hedrick will be hostess.

Poets will be discussed at the meeting of the Irvington Tuesday Club. The group will meet at the home of Mrs. J. W. Moore, 4901 North Illinois street.

Miss Helen Noble, 5570 Keysone avenue, will be hostess for the meeting of the Alpha Kappa Latreian Club.

Mrs. Frank C. Spanier, modern musical instruments and Mrs. Frank C. Spanier, modern musical instruments at the meeting of the Minerva Club. Mrs. C. F. McDaniel, 3839 Rockville street, will be hostess.

"Forests for the Future" will be presented by Mrs. Thomas S. Sefton before members of the Social Study Club at the meeting with Mrs. A. M. Christian, 763 East Twenty-third street, hostess.

Sculpture will be the subject presented by Mrs. J. H. Horstein before members of the Tokalon Club with Mrs. Leonard A. Murchison, Westfield pike, entertaining.

Independent Social Club will meet with Mrs. M. B. Spelman, 5355 Broadway.

Mrs. Charles Fenner and Mrs. John Titus will present the program at the meeting of the Inter Alia Club to be held at the home of Mrs. Edward A. Peterson, 4400 North Pennsylvania street.

New officers will be elected by the Alpha Delta Latravian Club with Mrs. Dwight Dunlop, hostess, to be assisted by Mrs. Corbin Patrick.

Wednesday

Zetathaea Club will hear discussions on John James Audubon by Mrs. A. J. Hueber and John Burroughs by Mrs. A. B. Mundelle. Mrs. H. D. Merrifield, Churchman road, will be hostess.

Mrs. R. L. Colby, Zionsville, assisted by Mrs. J. A. Wilmoth and Mrs. Harold Hoefman, will entertain the Home Economics Club. Mrs. W. A. Myers will talk on "How to Attract the Birds" and responses to

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