

are hereby presented to you. Before you read what here is written. Believe also that my only excuse for betraying confidence is that justice may be done.

Personally, I have always believed that summer widowers had the most glorious times. I thought that their sustenance during the winter time was plans for the summer, when "Madame" and all the children were gone to the ocean, the mountains, valleys or any place just so it was a far place.

But the summer widower who chose me as the safe deposit box for his woes changed my line of vision.

. No longer do flags of glory hang about my mental picture of the man widowed by the summer. Instead he is enshrouded

by the summer. Instantial the is sinsatudated in gray and descriving of pity.

But let the summer wildower tell you his story as he told it to me. The was not born yesterday. Neither was he married the day before. The hair on the top of his head lost its ambition several years ago. His eyes are bright, though, and his face is fresh with color. He is a busy man. dent. His home is in the West End, and each time it is described in these columns, the word "spacious" is made to work,

He is interested in the World's Fair-is one of its directors. His name is written on the rosters of the St. Louis and Mercantile clubs.

what you like, but it's not what it's cracked up to be. That's what a crowd of us agreed the other night. All' that's said about our summer vacations from our families is laughing matter in the joke column.
"It's dead serious to us. For the first few days it's all right, and then it's nothing

but one drag. The only time I feel natural is when I am away at my office or down-town at lunch. The rest of the time I'm either staying up too late or wondering what there's left for a fellow like me to do when he hasn't anyone to bother about

"Most of us, you know, persist in living in our houses. We could go to the clubs, but we say we're afraid to turn the house over to porch-climbers and sewer-pipe

"The straight of it is we don't want to give up home even if we wouldn't own up to an ounce of any kind of sentiment. "I'll tell you just what I did this summer, and then you can judge for yourself

about the fun we have.
"The first night after all the folks were gone, I had an engagement with four other fellows whose families say also departed. We had dinner and N went to the summer gardens. We shot the chutes, we rode in the beats and we bought things in the way of liquids for some chorus girls that the youngest of us happened to know.

"It sounds silly, and it was, but it didn't seem quite that way with the band playing and the crowds everywhere. Midnight was long past when I hauled out my latch key and let myself into my own hall. It was black in there, and hot. No one around to turn on the lights or to open the windows, "I wanted a drink of water, but what was the use to want? I can't drink iccless

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right. I forgot that I was a lone man with not a relation in town.
"But when it came time to go home, I remembered my loneliness again. I decided to stave off trouble by eating dinner down-town. Concluding that my particular restaurant was the nearest thing to home, I went there.

"That was only another disappointment. Nobody was there that I knew, and the dinner tasted flat. I want of things the way they are cooked at home. I wanted somebody to fix my coffee and to season my saind just right.

"I made for home as soon as dinner was over. I didn't feel any too good. Sleep at the wrong time had thrown me out of gear. I found the house in order—my wife

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CONSTANCE M. WILLIAMS

Miss Isabelle Evans Thomson, daughter of Mrs. James Henry Taylor of 5136 West Morgan street was married to James Thorp Blyth of Ottawa, Canada, Tuesday morning. The ceremony took place at the bride's home at 7:30 o'clock, Roy. Wilson Aull of Worthington, Minn, officiating. Miss Edna Thomson was her sister's only attendant. Mr. Jack Thomson was best man.

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ceremony. Afterwards intimate friends came to offer congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Blyth will spend their honeymoon among the northern lakes. They will be at home after Oct. 1 in Ottawa.

WEDDINGS.

A pretty wedding of the South Side will be that of Miss Amy Helen Balmer to Mr. Charles A. Andres Wednesday morning at St. Vincent's Church at 8 o'clock mass. Rev. Father Heuber will perform the cere-mony.

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"AND I HAD ONLY BEEN A SUMMER WIDOWER 48 HOURS.

"That night wasn't so bad. I slept more in the earlier part of the might, but loss in the working hours of the morning. The breakfast was no better, but I'd grown a little used to things. The crowd of fellows with whom I spent the first evening telephoned for me to go out with them, but I doclined and asked them to spend the evening with me.

"They came. I brought home a lot of cold things and I hunted up some cheerful music and opened all the windows.

"We didn't have a good time at all. They didn't do anything but growl. One of them complained about his cook. He said she didn't turn out the same kind of work when his wife was gone as she did when under close supervision. Another said, the wasn't a bit of fun to play the races when nobody scolded you about it. The other one said he had expected to go to baseball games every day, but that both teams were 'chesy."

"I never knew they were such ill-mannered fellows. They didn't act a bit as they do ordinarily, and each one seemed more selfish than the other. I was glad when they went home.

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"The worst of it is that I repeat this program every summer without learning a bit of sense.

"Some day all of us will

mony.

The bride will be attended by Miss Leona Stager of Moselle, Ill, Mr. Ben Cramer will serve as best man. The ceremony will be followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents, 1504 Lafayette avenue.

The bride and groom will depart in the afternoon for San Francisco, stopping at Denver, and returning by way of Yellowstone Park. They will be at home Wednesdays of October at 1409 North Nineteenth street.

have nothing to say but. "So there."

Things are gay at Green Lake, Wis., where many St. Louisans are spending the summer. A fancy dress ball at the Oak-wood last Saturday night and a Indies' golf tournament Tuesday are some of the doings of the nights and days. At the golf tournament some stunning linen costumes were worn by St. Louis women.

Among the St. Louisans there are: Mrs. Magnus and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Orthwein, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Orthwein, Missos Neillo and Allee Orthwein, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Crouch, Miss Neille Crouch, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Busch, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lang, Misses Mabel Smith and Blanche Langen.

Mrs. F. W. Knost of 3422 Chippewa street gave a surprise party in honor of the birth-day of her husband. Those present were:

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Misses Henrietta Broeker, Katheryne
Knost, Minnie Knost, Lizzie Billemeyer,
Anna Billemeyer, Elzie Boeker, Sadie
Marx; Messrs. G. Billemeyer and J. Wallace: Mr. and Mrs. G. Billemeyer and J.
Wallace.

The friends of Miss Madge Stevens of 2221 Adams street, gave a surprise party in honor of her birthday Wednesday evening. Vocal and instrumental music were the amusements.

Among those present were:
Misses L. Doerges, R. Doerges, G. Ladian, H. Trary, N. Hughes, B. Corney, C. Stevens; Messrs, H. Stration, E. McCanless, W. Doerges, F. Corney, C. Williams, H. Stevens, H. Hadden; Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham, Ramsey, Bellew, Stevens.

Mr. Frank Bosch of the South Side, was even a surprise party by his many friends aturday evening in honor of his birth-lay.

day.

Those who enjoyed the occasion were:
Mr. and Mrs. E. Bosch, H. Fricke, J.
Rosch, J. Eaves, F. Kaster. Misses L.
Fricke, E. Guenther, L. Bosch, M. Kling,
M. Kueppertz, G. Fricke, G. Pauly, E.
Frick, A. Feigenbutz, L. Kling, G. Frank,
B. Kling, L. Eaves, E. Kling, Messrs, E.
Beffa, G. Bender, J. O'Brien, M. Lerche,
M. Guenther, C. Durand, F. Bosch, J. Kueppertz, A. Pauly, F. Lerche, E. Feigenbutz,
V. Fricke, W. Hegga.

Mrs. J. J. Wolfe of 2509 Goode avenue entertained the Independent Coffee Club and South Side Coffee Club in honor of her birthday Monday. She received beautiful cliffs.

zifts.

Her guests were: Misses Hazel Wolfe,
Mabel Crocker, Virgie Mahonny, Genevieve
Dye, Alvira Zimmerman, Flora Geishel;
Messrs. J. P. Kivits, Phil Cahill, Wm. Dye,
Cornellus Mahonny, James McKay, Emma
Itetfield, John Shriner, Henry Brunner,
John Briden, Jake Geishel, Ed Buell.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wigand of 1366 Temple place gave a birthday party in honor of their daughter, Miss Rosa, Tuesday after-neon The guests were: Misses Amanda Samstar. Edna Miller: Gertrude Mitchell. G. Koch. A. Koch. K. Kelping, A. Kelping, Bertha Taylor. Alta Taylor. F. Binig, Mollie Gobitz, Oliver Gervin, Harold Miller, Theodore Miller; Mrs. Freyermuth; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schultz, Chas. Drill.

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The first aniversary of the birth of the twin children of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. L. Gutweller of 433 North Market street was eclebrated Sunday.

Relatives and friends. including their great grandmother, Mrs. M. Gutweller, were present. Their grandmother, Mrs. Sievert, presented the twins with a bank account. The guests wert:

Misses Lillie Sievert, Mamle Kloecker, Mamle Schnurr, Rosa Meyers, Cecelia Schnurr, Lottle Reh.

Messrs. T. H. Slevert, R. T. Slevert, G. Kleocker, A. Schnurr, H. Reich, T. Slevert, Jr.; E. W. Reich, L. Meyer, M. Reich, A. Reich, Mr. and Mrs. G. Slevert, W. Schnurr, H. Schnurr, W. Reich, B. Kloecker, M.

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Sievert.

Miss Gertrude Fouquet of 349 Wisconsin avenue was given a surprise party in honor of her 18th birthday Saturday evening.

Those present were Misses M. Schaefer, C. Reinhelmer, E. Dobier, C. Ebbiy, A. Hessic, A. Winegarner, A. Schmidt, C. Elchinger, B. Gelimacher, M. Ickmann, A. Reinhelmer, E. Zimmermann, A. Neumann, G. Renner, T. Zimmer, R. Woerner, K. Schumananasky, S. Sagan,
Messrs, Edw. Reinhelmer, C. Fouquet, J. Best, W. Gracfe, F. Schaefer, W. Kridler, E. Reinhelmer, J. Riedans, J. Davis, S. Jochem, G. Reinhelmer, F. Fouquet, D. Ohms, C. Doebler, W. Neumann, F. Oberfell, E. R. Schenk, T. Pickel, S. Hilberling, F. Puster, F. Mueller, B. Wilburn, C. Walters, F. Tedd, F. Keller, C. Reinhelmer, Mr. and Mrs. M. Fouquet, Reinhelmer, F. Reinhelmer, F. Reinhelmer, F. Reinhelmer, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lotze of Cote Brilliante.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lotze of Cote Brilliante avenue gave a birthday party in honor of their little daughter Ella. The afternoon was spent in dancing. Several of the company being pinuists, pleasing selections on that instrument were given. Lunch was served at 5:30.

Those present were Misses Mabel Crouch, Beulah Lefaure, Mamle Heppe, Mamte Hoell, Mamie Raining, Florence Delchmann, Hizel Kaler, Neddie Hoell, Loretta Cummisky, Martha Kamp, Martha Lotze.
Masters Milton Wade, Forest Stuckmann, Earl Stuckmann.

OUTING PARTIES.

A jolly party from the South Side enjoyed a day's outing at Creve Coeur lake Sinday. Rowing, dancing and fishing were the amusements.

Those present were Misses Girkin, Kunz, Eyssing, Kunz, Amsler, Amsler, Kaufman, Griffin, Messis, Kennedy, Turner, Steffen, Steinligettler, Schumakor, Janderson, Thauler, Walker.

Miss Rachel Acton of 4222 West Morgan gave a box party Monday evening following an automobile party at the races, given by Harry A. Burkhardt.

The guests at both parties were: Miss Grace Parr of Chicago; Messrs. Whitelaw Sanders, Frank Stafford, J. Jennings Arapid

days of October at 1460 North street.

A quiet wedding which took place last week was that of Miss Amanda Sleumer, daughter of W. L. Sleumer of the North Side, and Louis B. Berkebite of Columbia, Mo. The ceremony was performed by Rey. Dr. T. E. Sharp of Lafayetto Park Methodist Church. Only the immediate relatives were present.

The bride is a thented young woman, well known in North Side society.

A jolly crowd of young folks gave a fishing party at Nick's fishing grounds Sunday. The day was spent in dancing, boating and fishing.

After partaking of the wedding repast, line of the groom's parents, where they loome of the groom's parents, where they will spend several weeks.

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Mr. William J. Kerwick of St. Louis was married to Miss May Dobbins, daughter of Frederick M. Dobbins of Colorado Springs last week.

The wordding, which was very quiet, owing to a recent death in the bride's family, took place Treeday morning at the home of the bride. Rev. Riley Watts officiating. Miss Dobbins is a very beautiful brunette of the Gibson type and is a great favorite in the society of Colorado Springs.

Mr. Kerwick, though, comparatively a young man, is a prominent club member, being vice-president of the Tally-ho Club and a member of several golf clubs, besides being an enthusiastic automobilist.

Mr. Kerwick and his ride immediately loft on an extended tour through the West and Mexico, to return Och 1, when they will be at home to their friends at 305 s Clark avenue.

An outing party was given at Meramec Highlands by the following young folks Highlands by the following young folks Stundpy:
Misses Katie McGuire, Mamie Bumb Marie Dundon, Stella Meyer, Josie Wolf. Lizzie Bumb, Lulu Stark, Winnie Morrell, Rarbura Knock, Florence Cherrys; Messrs, Martin Bumb, William Knight, Sam Gluechester, Sidney Clark, Chauncey Powers, Iloward Dipson, George Davis, William Kahn and Louis Hindrick.

honor of her birthday. The celebration took piace at the home of her mother, Mrs. H. Schultz, at Jefferson Barracks.

Music, recitations and games were the feature of the afternoon Mrs. Fred Boenecks assisted her sister in entertaining her guests. Lunch was served at 6:30 collects.

A party of young folks, chaperoned by Mrs. William A. Cannon and Mrs. John L. Brennan went to Montesano Wednesday on the "City of Providence."

In the crowd were: Misses May Miles, Delphine Schrieber, Alice De Foe, Cartio Engle, Carrie Gould, Jennie Cannon, Louise Sanders, Lena Sanders, Alice Daussin, Alma Hegel, Anna Cannon; Messra, Will Wall, Tom Gould, Noal Grey, Lynne Whitaker, John Fry and Richard Cross.

A crowd of young folks gave a trolley arty Saturday night. The car started on its merry trip from Taylor and Fairview avenues at 8:30.

Attending were: Misses Marie Behm, Blanche Behm, Stella Sann, June Stites, Jane McConnell, Sadie Johnson, Nabble, Hampton, Mattle Smith; Messrs, Gus McGowan, Henry Senn, Frank Senn, Henry Kohler, George Eckers, Chas. Graves, Francha Akcoon, Horman Welss, Clarence White.

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A piculc party composed of the following young folks, spent Sunday at Falling Springs:

Misses May Zemo. Jennle Commars, Kate Sittos, Irene Stites, Sadie Johnson, Rose Johnson. Maud Wilson, Clara Stein, Messrs. Waldo Carrier, Jim Miller, Robert Shechan, Bob Flood, Tom Flood, Clarkson, Walter Scott Dick Burke, Moonald, Louis Schooler and Ned Stackion.

A party of South Side young folks gave a swimming party Tuesday evening. After the swim lunch was served.

Those present were: Misses Mabel Quium, Lena Thoman, Laura Beophles, Elsa Zarner, Josle Ryan, Lizzle Wacchtler, Jenny Grushaber, Blanch Moxley, Milly Schuler, Clara Blum. Gertrude Well, Hildegard Wüderholt. Mossrs Henry Lowensieln. Charles Ferguson, Jack Ogle, Herbert Golden, Orran Golden, Joseph Kohner, Elmer Watson, Walter Haenschen, Charles Blume, P. Orville Hiskisson, C. H. Ogle, Harry Epstein, Lee Gardner, Harvey W. Owens, Jim Golden. Mmes. Boepple, Thoman Haeuschen.

RECEPTIONS AND PARTIES.

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Mrs. William Schenk of 77.9 Jules street entertuined in honor of her friend, Mrs. W. Remerlio of Memphis Saturday evening. Her guests were: Misses Annie Schenk. Hazel Eisenning, Messrs W. Remerlie, J. Schenk, Ed Schenk, Mmea. Rose Elsenning, Mary Young, Minnie Gammeter, Ed Schenk.

The West St. Louis F. D. and Bugle Corps gave a screenade in honor of Miss Jessie Kucchler of Gamble street.
Those present to hear the music were; Misses Dalsy Kuethan, Lillian Reuter, Dottle Slater, May Hoppe, Messrs, J. H. Elermann, Jr., W. Elermann, J. Kuethan, R. Kuechler, Braure, P. Forthman, Mmes. Hoppe Smith, Kuethan, Mr. and Mrs. Reuter, Kuechler,

Miss Clara Breuer entertained a number of her friends with a house warming Tuesday evening. Dancing and games, together with plane and vecal selections by Miss Nettye Smith and Mr. Jack Cornelius were features of the evening.

Those entertained were: Misses Kate Cornelius, Loretta Kelleher, Clara Breuer, Nettye Smith. Em Essens, Agnes Gorla, Messgs, Charles F. Rreuer, Oliver Goria, Jack W. Cornelius, Clarence F. Lloyd, Clarence Williams, Pat Kelleher.

Miss Olga Wuthenow of 4307 McRee avenue entertained friends Tuesday in honor of Messrs. Arthur and Curtis Wuthenow, who departed Friday for their home in Chicago. The evening was spent in dancing and games.

Among those present were: Misses Adelaide Chausen, Henrietta Bamberger, Mamie Bamberger, Louise Matthiae, Octavia Howard. Alma Krull, Antoinette Wuthenow, Madge Miller, Anna Wuthenow, Minnie Wrisberg, Olga Wuthenow, Ethel Smith; Messrs. H. Hall, Lewis Moore, George Eggman, Douglas Tice, K. Webh,

Miss Cynthia Williams of Maryland avenue entertained a number of friends on Friday at a lawn party. A large platform was erected for dancing and an eluborate lunch was served.

Aniong those present were: Misses Sadie Lange, Mae King, Loretto Martin, Blanch King, Marle Thompson, Alpha Thompson Katherine Parker, Clarn Williams; Messrs. W. Lucas, J. McDonald, C. Lohnan, R. Harris, W. Hunter, V. Priest, G. Hunker, C. Norton.

GOSSIP.

Miss Anna Davin of Moberly, Mo. is e guest of Chouteau avenue friends. Mrs. Chas. Hilger of the South Side has returned from an extended eastern

Miss Maude Deel of Decatur, Ill., is spending the week with her friend, Miss Schultz of Lindell boulevard.

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Mrs. E. E. Acton and daughter, Miss Clara, are in Louisville visiting Mrs. Acton's mother, Mrs. Caffrey.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lehman of 4127 Westminster place have returned from Des Molnes and lowa summer resorts.

Mr. and Mrs. George Diel departed Thursday evening for Cheago, Buffalo. Albany, New York, Philadolphia and Atlantic City. Mr. and Mrs. George H. Scott have been the guests for the past week of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Baker of Chi-

Mrs. M. E. Gibson and daughter, Miss Mulholl and will return this week from a Irip to Narragansett Pier and Ipswich, Mass. Mrs. Joseph H. O'Shea and Misses Mamic and Lizzie O'Shea of 4236A Eas-ton avenue have just returned from Keckuk.

Miss Susic V. Barrett of 3507 Manchester avenue departed Friday morning for Evans-ville. Ind., where she will visit friends sev-eral weeks.

Mrs. Mary Rumsey and sister, Mrs. T. A. Morgan of Pine street, will depart Tuesday for French Lick Springs and West Baden. Mrs. H. Frederick Morehead of Maple avenue has just returned from a de-lightful visit to her friend, Mrs. Bernard Coyle of Alton.

Miss Dora Weber of South Twelfth street gave a furewell reception to her friends before her departure to Chicagos Grand llaven and Milwaukee.

Misses Kathryne and Minnie Knost and Misses Annie and May Holtman de-parted Wednesday on a river trip. They will return in September.

H. C. Mitchell and Earl Morgan of Springfield, Mo. were the guests of Bl-Louis friends Tuesday. Mr. Mitchell is a student of Marton-Sims.

Mrs. R. L. Flemming of North Comp-ton avenue, accompanied by her daugh-ter, Helen, is visiting friends at Wash-ington, D. C., and Chesapeake Bay. Mrs. 7. Cavanauch of 1137 North Grand avenue, accumanded by her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, arrived home Friday evening after a visit to relatives in Cincinnati.

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Mr. J. C. Hawken of Kirkwood departed Thursday morning for Canon City,
Colo., where she will join Miss Mary
Hawken and spend the remainder of
the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Otto Tascho have resumed housekeeping in their new home, 3972 West Helle pince. They, will be at home to their friends Tues-

day evenings.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bixler and Miss
Florence Bixler are making an extensive sojourn among the Northern lakes.
They anticipate a soverat weeks stay at Hotel Victory, Put-in-Bay.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Burleigh and little daughter will denart Sunday for a month's stay at Mackinac Island. Mrs. J. E. Groshelder, who is at Dresent visiting in New Albany, Ind., will join them soon.

Mrs. Filenbich D. Hill cond.

Albany, Ind., will 30m them soon.

Mrs. Elizabeth P. Hill and children,
Misses Pauline, Laura, Dorothy and Master William, are spending the summer
at South Haven where they have taken
"Idle Hour Cttage" for the season. Misses Margorio Macdonald and Ado-line Woodlock of Cabanne have been the guests of honor at a round of enter-tainments given while they were visit-ing Miss Ida Guerney of Minnepolits.

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Carroll Brandon, a popular South Sideyoung man, departed last week in company with Mr. Sam Burton and his sister, Miss Mattle Burton, for the Burton summer home in western Missouri.

Miss Laura Siegfried of Eads avonue, Compton Hoightts, is attending the Ohio Miami Valley Chautanqua. After spondering a few weeks with rolatives and friends near Dayton she will roturn to the city about Oct. 1.

Mrs. M. Firmin and daughter. Miss

Mrs. M. Firmin and daughter, Miss Louise, have returned from Dallas, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Haber. The whole party made a trip to Galveston, where they enjoyed bathing in the Guit.

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Miss Jean Hardy was the honoree at a tallyho party given by her hostoss, Miss T. Monahan of Chicago. Guests drove to the summer home of Mrs. A. Walter Hays where they spent a pleasant evening dencing and boating.

A rarebit party at the home of Mr. Whitelaw Sanders, 4393 West Pine boulevard, Sunday night was a jolly affair, and afforded friends an opportunity to bid good-by to Mr. Harry A. Burkhurdt, who has been playing with the Lawronce Hanley stock company, and who departs Monday for New York, and Mr. Frank Fatton, who departs to join James K. Hackett's company.

Miss Helen C. Moore will depart for

avenue has just returned from a delightful visit to her friend, Mrs. Bernard Coyle of Alton.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Zeigler are at Atlantic City enjoying the sea breezes. They will go to Cape May before their return to St. Louis.

Misses Anna and May Merrick of 8087 Madison street have gone for a trip to the South. They will return in the latter part of August.