THE GROOM WAS SHY~

by ALMA SIOUX SCARBERRY

Every one knew Mike had been put out of two prep schools the year before. His father was the owner of the local theatre and once Marlie's mother had seen Mike sitting in the drug store with a painted up chorus girl. That had finished her in so far as the Tulling boy was concerned.

But Marlie felt that he had to show up, so he opened the gate and in a cold sweat, went up the walk and rang the bell. He was ill-prepared for the vision that opened the door.

In a daze, Marlborough faced a tall, willowy blonde, with the most gorgeous blue eyes in the world smiling out at him like twin cornflowers. She was in something all blue and flowing that just matched her eyes and when she parted her little mouth she dimpled and exposed the most dazzling set of pearls Mother Nature had ever handed out.

Marlie gulped and found his voice, but it sounded off key to him.

"C — could you tell me — is Miss Loring in, please?"

The golden-haired vision looked as though she were staring admiringly into the eyes of Clark Gable.

"Oh-h," she cooed. "You're Marlborough Jones. I jus' know you must be Mistah Jones."

"Yeah — why, yes ma'am," Marlie struggled for composure.

"I'm Tucky Louellan." The girl held out her little warm hand.

"And Lisa said I was to introduce myself, on account of she isn't quite ready yet. Why, the 'cute I laid eyes on you I knew who you must be."

Marlie found himself in the big porch swing, with the belle of Dixie beside him. His face was the color of a beet.

"Yeah?" he repeated, floundering hopelessly. "How'd you know it was me?"

"Why, I knew you'd look like an artist. Lisa told me you were artistic and I just adoah artists."

"I'm — I'm not an artist," Marlie put his hands in his pockets because they felt so large. "I've never painted a picture in my life. Lisa is just talking."

"Oh, no, I don't mean a painter." Tucky stifled her amusement. "You are a violinist, and musicians are artists, too."

Marlie wriggled. "I'm not a real musician."

Tucky's laugh was like the tinkling of little silver bells.

"Big men are always modest. You probly are a genius. Lisa says you are."

Marlie's embarrassment was so acute it took some time for him to change back to anywhere near a normal color. For the fraction of a moment Tucky was puzzled almost into believing her best friend had made a mistake, and invited the wrong man. But suddenly the light dawned. Lisa was playing a joke on her.

Lisa had invited this big bashful goof because she didn't want her to share any of the boy friends that mattered to her. Lisa was jealous because she'd taken a boy away from her the winter before.

Compliments Fly

For a few seconds Tucky fumed and was silent. Marlie sat miserably, waiting for her to say something to break the deadlock. Then Tucky's sense of humor got the better of her, and she made a very quick decision. Lisa must never know — never, never — that Tucky saw through her scheme. Lisa must think that she thought Marlborough Jones was the nicest boy she had ever met.

Marlie was scarcely prepared for the sudden warm smile Tucky had turned on.

"I'm going to to tsay all summer." She put a hand on his arm. "And I do hope we're going to be friends. I'm awful bashful with most people. But somehow when I saw you I felt there was a man I could really be myself with. I hate people who aren't real, don't you, Marlie? I'm going to call you by your first name right now, and you call me Tucky."

Marlborough felt a little of the numbness leaving his bones. He managed to answer, "I guess you city girls do get kind of tired of the people that just want to know you because you're somebody."

Tucky pouted. "And when you are a poor little nobody like me, with so many rich and beautiful women all around you, it's pretty sad."

"I'll bet you have so many fellows after you, you have to have a secretary to keep track of your engagements." Marlborough surprised even himself by his long, complimentary speech. Tucky rewarded him by showing the dimple in her left cheek that came out only on the rarest of occasions.

"Now don't you go sweet talkin' to me," she begged softly in her rich Southern dialect, and Marlie wished she'd go on talking all the night without stopping.

It was amazing how his self-consciousness was leaving him. In five minutes he was talking to her in a perfectly natural voice, on his favorite subject poetry. Much to his amazement she too read poetry every night before she went to bed.

Lisa was unprepared for the different scene which greeted her eyes when she joined them on the porch. Tucky and Marlie discoursing like two old friends! She veiled her green eyes and tried to just sound perfectly natural.

"I see you two got acquainted." She swept along the porch in a green ruffled organdie that impressed even Marlie.

"Oh, yes, honey." Tucky's dulcet tones dripped sweetness. "We have so much in common, I declare, I do not see how you crah managed to do so well by me, Lisa. Mostly my blind dates turn out so bad I just dread 'em. I really do."

"I'm a good picker." Lisa threw herself into a chair.

To The Red Rooster

Marlie was saved the task of thinking up something to say when Mike Tulling hove into view in his new sports runabout.

"Here's Mike." Lisa jumped up. "I forgot to tell you, Marlie. We're going to the Red Rooster Inn."

Marlborough's heart turned over. The Red Rooster Inn! If his mother ever heard about that. They sold liquor and sometimes there was a fight. But gosh, what was he to do? Tucky had tucked her arm in his and they were halfway down the walk. Nothing to do then but go. Once wouldn't kill him — maybe.

Be Continued

RADIO NOTES AND NEWS

GOOD FRIDAY EVENTS

Three of the most solemn days in the Christian year will be celebrated by all networks beginning Good Friday, April 7, at 2 p.m., over NBC with a performance of Brahms' Requiem. The Requiem will be sung by the choir of St. Thomas Church in New York and will be directed by the veteran Dr. T. Tertius Noble who was organist of historic York Minster in England before he emigrated to the United States many years ago.

Other Good Friday events will include the Symphonic Chorus of Ohio State University in a performance of Randall Thompson's "Peaceable Kingdom" to be heard over CBS at 2.30 p.m. The last episodes of "The Living God," a dramatization of the events of Holy Week, will be broadcast over NBC on Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m. Walter Connolly is starred as the roving announcer who has lost his faith and who is transported back to the days of the Crucifixion. Pedro de Cordoba and Mary Carr are also in the cast. CBC will broadcast "The Trial of Jesus" on Good Friday at 8 p.m., and will sponsor a broadcast of Faure's Requiem from Montreal at 10 p.m. At the same hour the Calvary Baptist Church Choir of New York will sing Dubois' "Seven Last Words" over the Mutual network, and the Lindsborg Chorus will sing portions of Handel's "Messiah."

Easter programmes for Saturday, April 8, include the Pasadena Boys Choir over CBS at 3.30 p.m., and a Russian Orthodox service over CBS at 12.15 a.m. Easter dawn in the Hollywood Bowl will be described over Mutual on Sunday, April 9, at 8.00 a.m. This will be followed by a service on the slopes of Mount Rubidoux at 9 a.m., and by the Los Angeles Choir singing Easter music at 9.30 a.m. Easter Fashions on parade will be described from New York at 11 a.m., and the famous Fifth Avenue parade itself at 12.30 p.m. Radio and screen celebrities will be introduced at the microphone.

TO BE HEARD . . . April 8, 7 p.m.—Formal Opening of Station CBA at Sackville, N.B. . . . Two-hour programmes with Hon. C. D. Howe and Premiers of N.B., N.S., and P.E.I. and David Sarnoff of RCA. . . . April 9, 5.30 p.m. NBC—Readers' Guild, book review programme, makes debut. . . . 8 p.m. NBC & CBC, Chase and Sanborn Hour. . . 9 p.m. CBS —Ford Sunday Evening Hour . . . April 10, 8 p.m. MBS—New Quiz Programme, "Name Three" . . . April 11, 8.30 p.m. NBC—Information Please. . . . April 12, 8 p.m. NBC & CBC, "One Man's Family" . . . 9.30 p.m. CBC—Music by Faith . . . April 13, NBC, 8 p.m., Rudy Vallee.

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Mostly Women Burned Fatally

Although Children Under Five Are Frequent Victims Of Carelessness

About 45 per cent. of fatal burns occur during the first five years of life, says Dr. John W. S. McCullough, of the Health League of Canada. Why is this? Chiefly because of the carelessness of parents, nurses and servants. Three out of five death-dealing burns occur in women and girls. From the fourth to the thirty-fifth year, there is a relatively high death-rate in females. Between the ages of five and nine, twice as many girls as boys die from burns. After thirty-five there is a higher death-rate from this cause in men than in women. In old age the rate is again higher in women. Burns in women are more frequent because of the type of dress they wear. These fatalities in women usually occur in the home. They are commoner in winter than in summer.

The danger of a burn usually depends upon the extent of surface skin involved. The simplest and most convenient household remedy for a burn of, say, the first two degrees is the application of a strong infusion of tea. This remedy has been used by the Chinese for 5,000 years. In all cases of any severity the aid of a doctor is necessary, but the use of tea as an emergency measure will relieve the pain and make the victim of a burn comfortable.

What To Wear If You're Short

Hints To Help You Dress Flatteringly

If you are short, says Josephine Lowman:

1. Wear unbroken lines. Dresses fitted in at the waist and without belts are best. No breaks should be made in the long lines even by color differences.
2. Wear a short waistline. This will make your legs seem longer.
3. Buttons, designs, stripes and all trimming and detail should go up and down and never across the body.
4. Wear small accessories. Your jewelry, your bags and your furs should not be large. Nothing looks more comical than a very short woman with a large fox fur.
5. Jackets and capes are not good for you, if you do wear them be sure that they are shorter than the waistline.
6. Wear skirts on the long side.
7. Wear small hats, particularly those that give you height.

If you are tall, follow rules which are the exact opposite.

How To Dress If You're Fat

Advice on how to dress the overweight figure:

1. Don't wear clinging things or tight ones.
2. Use thin fabrics.
3. Use large bags and clips and short-haired furs.
4. Wear loose armholes.
5. Hats with turned down brims are bad.
6. Have decorative detail at the neck and wrists.
7. Have unbroken vertical lines.

Use just the opposite of the rules if you are thin.

Embroidery

A piece of canvas; skeins of silk;
A needle and a woman's fingers fair;
A soul set to sweet music
And a mind with visions filled—
Thus, in little quiet moments
When all the house was stilled,
A picture on the canvas grew—
A poem shyly peeping through—
A silver song came soothingly
Upon the silent air.

—Joan B. White, in Edinburgh Scotsman.

Green Tea At Its Best

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Answer Questions Before Marriage

Do A Little Psycho-analyzing Of Yourself Before Taking The Big Step.

The eight questions a person should answer before marrying are listed by Dr. Dunlap, professor of psychology at the University of California, as follows:

1—Am I happy in the presence of my intended mate?

2—When not with her, am I persistently wishing I were?

3—Would I be not only willing but glad to spend my life with her, sacrificing all activities not compatible with married life for her?

4—Is she the woman I would choose as the mother of my children?

5—Do I love her just as she is, with all her faults included?

6—Are we both open to improvement and adaptation to each other?

7—Do we have similar interests and cultural background, and are we both on the same intellectual level?

8—Do I like her family, or if not, is it certain that I shall not have to associate with them?

If the answer to any one of these questions is "No", then Dr. Dunlap says the prospective groom should reconsider the whole situation and decide whether, despite the obstacles, the outlook still is favorable.

Black taffeta and faillles are important for afternoon.

Plan Special Royal

The Canadian G... will distribute 2,2... medallions to school... throughout Canada to... orate the visit of Kin... VI and Queen Elizab...

The medals will be... ness of the King and... one side and a rep... the Royal tour on th... The Canadian coat of... appear at the top of... and the inscription... duskue ad mare" and "... reginam Canada sal... face of the medal.

Honeyed A...

Select four good... ples of even size, wip... damp cloth, and remove... with a corer or pe... Place in a glass dish or... serole, or pie dish. To... sertspoonful of honey in... tre of each apple. Bak... until the skin cracks a... ples are tender. Baste... honey once or twice du... ing. Serve hot or cold... in which they were ba... honey forms a flavo... which adds to the deli... of the apples.

Canada's exports of... boards during the ye... of 1938 totalled 1,067,... valued at $35,887,485.

Of INTEREST to WOMEN READERS

Children love Easter with its colored eggs, fluffy chicks and bunnies. Here is a cake especially for them, Child's Easter Cake. Amusing table decorations add to their pleasure at this season.

CHILD'S EASTER CAKE

(6 to 8 eggs, 3 egg yolks)
¾ cup sifted cake flour
⅞ cup egg whites
¼ teaspoon salt
¾ teaspoon cream of tartar
1 cup sifted sugar
½ teaspoon vanilla
¼ teaspoon orange extract
3 egg yolks, beaten until thick and lemon-colored

Sift flour once, measure, and sift four times. Beat egg whites and salt, with flat wire whisk. When foamy, add cream of tartar, and continue beating until eggs are stiff enough to hold up in peaks, but not dry. Fold in sugar carefully, 2 tablespoons at a time, until all is used. Sift a small amount of flour over mixture and fold in carefully, continue until all is used. Divide batter in two parts. To one, fold in vanilla. To other, fold in orange extract and egg yolks beaten with 1½ additional tablespoons sugar. Put mixtures by tablespoons into ungreased angel food pan, alternating yellow and white. (Pan should be only ¼ full). Bake in slow oven (275°F.); after 30 minutes increase heat slightly to 325° F. and bake 40 to 45 minutes longer. Invert on rack until cake is cold. Spread Seven Minute Frosting on top and sides of cake.

SEVEN MINUTE FROSTING

2 egg whites, unbeaten.
1½ cups sugar
5 tablespoons water
1½ teaspoons light corn syrup
1 teaspoon vanilla.

Combine egg whites, sugar, water, and corn syrup in top of double boiler, beating with rotary egg beater until thoroughly mixed. Place over rapidly boiling water, beat constantly with rotary egg beater, and cook 7 minutes, or until frosting will stand in peaks. Remove from boiling water; add vanilla and beat until thick enough to spread.

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Parliamentary Doings

With Ontario's Legislators Spring, 1939

BY REDY

...alk or not to talk . . . ...s been the chief question ...ting Conservative mem... of Ontario's House this ses... ...er since the opening of the ... Speech debate . . . ... M.L.A.'s, too, are harassed ... great deal of newspaper... ...ted comment about how ev... ...e you draw an extra breath ...liament it costs the country

...mier Hepburn, dissenting ... view expressed by Con... ...ive Leader George Drew ... the Throne Speech debate is ...t of time, says that it is in ...debate that the Government ... what the country is think... ...d is enabled to base its fis... ...olicies in public opinion . . . ...pends again on who's doing ...alking . . . It makes some ...nd to see all the chewing ...by lawyer members of the ... . . . "Farmers want a ... too" complained R. A. ... Liberal (Wellington ...) in his maiden speech . . . ...high time they had more to ...on the floor of the House" . . .

...ot to the fires of dissension ...een Ontario's Liberal Premier ...the Liberal head of the Cana... Government was added last ...by the sleaf of resolutions ...ready in the Ontario Legis... ...e to be forwarded to Ottawa ... particularly the one asking ...Federal Government to repeal ...Canada Temperance Act as ...plies to the counties of Peel, ...and Huron, and Manitoulin ... . . . This follows re... ...ed defeats in the courts of the ...tion of Attorney-Gen. Co... ...and Premier Hepburn that ...provincial Liquor Control Act ...rides the federal statute . . . ...passing of the resolution may ...Liberals move on the part ...the Provincial Government to ...s the buck" to Ottawa on this ...ish question, knowing full ...that probably nothing will ...e of it . . .

...tion demanded of the Domi... Government to secure On... farmers lower freight rates ...wheat also embarrasses Otta... . . . but it doesn't embar... Ontario farmers, who have ...ically lost access to the ex... ...market for wheat owing to ...preferential rates accorded to ...ern Canada and United States ...t, wheat flour and wheat pro... ...moving by rail from bay ...through Ontario for export".

...e really feel sorry for Prime ...ister Mackenzie King, whose ...tating stand in the last two ...rnational crises has borne the ...t of so much criticism), now ... every man in the Ontario ...ce has voted to support a re... ...tion calling for the conscrip... ...of wealth and man power of ...ada in the event of war . . . ... Ontario resolution, however, ...have been a little premature, ...view of the fact that the Nati... ...l Government of Great Britain ... Hitler are far from being ene... ...s and not likely to fly at each ...er's throats for a long time to ...e . . . but maybe the re... ...ts of Nazis establishing air... ...es on Iceland put a little of ..."fear" into us . . . .

...looks like a short session and ...early rising for the House . . . ...time for the visit of the King ... Queen, mayhap.

...crease Seen In ...un Spot Activity

...ximum of Present Cycle May Lie Ahead—Greatest Since 1870

...un spot activity, which has ...n the greatest since 1870, is ...stinuing, Dr. Seth B. Nicholson, ...Pasadena, Calif., declared last ...r, with the possibility that the ...ximum of the present cycle still ... ahead.

...During the latter part of Feb... ...y sun spots brought a mag... ...storm on the earth great ...ugh to disturb telephone and ...graph communications," he ...said last December a solar ...otion caused short wave radio ...on...

...Cycles Of 11¼ Years

...has greatest sun spot activity ...been in July of the past two ...s and if the spot groups begin ...decrease within the next few ...ths it may mean the maximum ...lles ahead. The last maximum ...in 1929 and the cycles usually ...about 11¼ years."

...Japanese boy, picking through ...ruins on the battlefield of ...gwan, north of Shanghai, ...ot up a hard grenade. Play... ...ht threw it. Three Japanese ...and a woman were killed and ...other persons injured.

Easter bunnies bring a lot of happiness to the kiddies at this time of year. Here are three live ones all set for a morning ride. And don't overlook the newly-hatched Easter Ducks, the queer fellow at the right.

Canada's Mining Industry Fast Developing

Spectacular Achievements Seen During Past Five Years In Production Of New Metals, New Discoveries.

Canada's mining industry has made marked progress in the past five years, creating new wealth to the extent of $1,850,000,000, according to the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa.

New Fields Into Prominence

Each of these five years has seen some spectacular achievement, either in the production of new metals or in the way of new discoveries. During this period Canada has become an important producer of radium, uranium, sulphur, antimony, nepheline syenite, sodium sulphate, and rock wool. New mining fields have come into prominence in the Cadillac-Malartic area in Quebec; Larder Lake, Little Long Lac, and Sturgeon River areas in Ontario; God's Lake in Manitoba; Lake Athabaska in Saskatchewan; Yellowknife and Gordon Lake areas in the Northwest Territories; and the Zeballos River and Cariboo areas in British Columbia. Gold production has experienced steady growth with the result that the daily tonnage of gold ore milled in Canada has increased from 24,000 in 1934 to 55,000 at the close of 1938. Crude oil production has increased five-fold since 1934 due to the comparatively recent discovery of a crude oil field in Alberta.

Earrings Either Very Long or Stud

NEW YORK. — Earrings this season are either very long or in the form of a stud and are seen in beautiful cluster or scroll designs, and also in the old-world failing festoons. The very latest idea is to wear a half hoop of diamonds completely covering the lobe.

Jeweled sprays for the hair are much in evidence, the real antique spray, mounted on silver, and forming a hoop or half hoop round the hair, being sought after. The modern spray has banquette diamonds introduced into the ornament, which is made up of detachable pieces which, when taken apart, form jeweled clips for the gown.

Gloves' Origin Said Ancient

People May Have Worn Them In Bible Days — Oldest Known Specimens Are Of German Make.

Although gloves have not always been as common as they are at the present day, they may lay claim to great antiquity. There are some authorities indeed who decree that the "shoe" of which we find mention in the fourth chapter of Ruth referred to a glove.

In the tenth century we have clear proof that Ethelred the Second received five pairs of gloves, as a duty paid by a society of German merchants who held a monopoly for the manufacture of these articles.

Made Without Fingers

The earliest gloves of which specimens are yet extant were of German make and devoid of fingers. It was not until after the dissolution of the Heptarchy that these were introduced into England. Until then the ladies had no gloves, though the ends of their mantles were shaped so as to form coverings for the hands.

When William the Conqueror came to England he introduced the gauntlet glove, but many years elapsed before the inhabitants adopted the fashion in any great degree.

Iceland May Be Breaking In Two

Geologists are wondering whether Iceland is dividing itself into two parts. Long fissures or cracks stretch from the northeast to the southwest of the island.

Scientists intend to take measurements of the distance between the mountain peaks on either side of the "crack" zone. The measurements will be repeated in a few years to see if peaks have moved farther apart. If the mountains have shifted, it may prove Alfred Wegener's theory of continental drift, which maintains the Americas have been slipping away from the old world for millions of years and that the Atlantic thus was formed between them.

All buildings in Istanbul are to be painted grey as camouflage against air raids.

VOICE OF THE PRESS

GENEROUS ADOLF

Hitler will permit German Jews to retain the gold filling in their teeth when they surrender their other valuables. Can it be possible that this is a bid for the Hebrew vote?—Toronto Globe and Mail.

Make Vacation A Quest For Health

A plan for making the 35,000,000 travel vacations enjoyed annually by Americans, a quest for health instead of just a sightseeing tour, has been presented in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Pointing out that the "incredible but carefully estimated sum of $5,000,000,000 is spent yearly on vacational migrations," Dr. Charles L. Singer, Long Beach, N.Y., said these vacations "lack conscious, well organized purpose and are governed mostly by vogues, whims and fads."

Plan Holiday Carefully

He recommended closer co-operation between doctor and patient in working out "an individually planned vacation, molded to personal requirements." Careful planning of the hygienic aspects of the vacational migrations will result in reductions in epidemics, he said.

CURFEW FOR ADULTS

It was a bold and outspoken citizen who told the council at Ingersoll that it was the parents rather than their children who are in need of a curfew law. Wonder what this citizen would say if he could see the "children" on the streets of Oshawa after midnight. —Oshawa Times.

DIED DISILLUSIONED

Sally Ross, an Indian woman reputed to have been 105, who remembered the time when the Indians of Northern Canada thought that the white man was a god, has died at Lepas, Manitoba.—London (England) Times.

Big Bad Wolf

Harvey Scott, hunting on the 6th concession of Kinloss Township, Bruce County, in the vicinity of Dan McKinnon's home last week, shot one of the wolves which killed so much live stock last year in that vicinity. The wolf measured 70 inches from head to tip of tail. Mr. Scott says there is still another as large as this one and some smaller ones which he learned from their tracks.

SPUDS IN THIRD PLACE

Did you know that potatoes are the third most valuable crop in Canada? Wheat comes first, then oats and then potatoes. Latest returns show wheat to have a value of $204,000,000; oats, $110,000,000; and potatoes, $44,000,000.—Windsor Star.

ALL AVOIDABLE

There were 242 accidents at unprotected railroad crossings in Canada last year, causing 96 deaths and injuries to 300 persons—40 of the accidents occurring at crossings where there were protective devices. And every last one of the 242 could have been avoided if the drivers concerned had used caution and common sense.—Ottawa Journal.

TOO MANY REVOLVERS

This is also a good time for those Canadians who do not really need revolvers or automatics to ask themselves whether they and the country would not be better off if they turned them in to the police. Records show that criminals often secure such guns during robberies of private homes. If owners feel they must keep them as souvenirs or for other sentimental reasons, they might remove the firing pin or otherwise make them useless as lethal weapons.—Edmonton Journal.

Would-be Suicide Presents Problem

Toronto firemen and policemen had a jittery job to perform one day last week.

A woman stood on the roof of her house and threatened to jump. The policeman who was called was unable to persuade her to re-enter the house. He called the firemen. But each time they raised the ladder she threatened to throw herself two stories to the street.

From 6.30 a.m. to 8.45 a.m. the firemen and policemen took turns coaxing the woman. Eventually they succeeded in reaching the roof and bringing her down a ladder.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher

"There's no sense inviting both the Flint twins, Mom. . . . They're exactly alike."

OUTDOORS WITH VIC BAKER

1939 TO BE BIG YEAR FOR ONTARIO ANGLERS

Isaak Waltons of Ontario will have 7,000,000 more speckled trout to angle for this year and next in the lakes and the streams of their province, in addition to the regular 1,000,000 small-mouth black bass stocked annually by the provincial fish and game authorities, D. J. Taylor, Deputy Minister of Game and Fisheries of Ontario, stated recently in an address before the members of the Toronto Anglers' Association.

This information should serve as a reminder and as an inspiration to the readers of this column that March 21st—the first day of Spring—has already arrived and the opening of the trout season on May 1st will follow closely behind. Do not be caught napping when the fishing season arrives and start preparing your fishing gear right away so as to be ready when the bright morning sunshine heralds in the first official fishing day of 1939. Varnish those bamboo rods, clean the reels, reverse the silk lines, check carefully those wading boots, make the odd new lure in your spare time, either fly or artificial bait plug, and check carefully every part of your fishing outfit and then you will be ready and waiting for the time when you can take those week-end fishing trips.

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WONDERLAND OF OZ

By L. Frank Baum

"I congratulate you," said Lord High Chiggiewitz, speaking in a cheerful voice. "You are certainly the cleverest people who visited us. I was never matched so quickly in all my life. I am considered a great puzzle usually." "Well," said Dorothy, "there used to be a jig-saw puzzle at home, so I've had some experience with matching puzzles, but the pictures were flat, while you are round, and that makes you hard to figure out."

"Thank you, my dear," replied old Larry, "were I not a good puzzle, there would be no object in my scattering myself." "Why do you do it?" asked Aunt Em, severely. "Why don't you behave yourself and stay together." The Lord High Chiggiewitz replied politely: "Madam, you have perhaps noticed that every person has some peculiarity. Mine is to scatter myself. What yours is I will not say, but I shall never find fault with you whatever you do."

"Now you got your diploma, Em," said Uncle Henry. "This is a queer country and we may as well take people as we find them." "If we did that we'd leave these folks scattered," was the reply. Just then Dorothy discovered a hand with a knitting needle in it and she decided to put Grandmother Gnit together. She proved an easier puzzle than old Larry, and when she was completed they found her a pleasant old lady who treated them cordially.

Then the cook came to call them for dinner, and they found an inviting meal prepared for them. Afterwards they went out into the yard and matched several other people together, and this work was so interesting they might have spent the entire day at Puddlecumbig had not the wizard suggested that they resume their journey. "But I don't like to leave all these poor people scattered," said Dorothy, undecided what to do.