

# IN THE PUBLIC EYE

## NEW BISMARCK OF GERMANY



Germany has another Bismarck. He is Alfred von Kiderlen-Waechter, who is secretary of foreign affairs and who is the big man in Germany's foreign relations. It is he who set Europe by the ears over the Morocco situation.

Kiderlen-Waechter has been secretary of embassy at St. Petersburg and Paris and counselor of embassy at Constantinople. He is a linguist, speaking the leading languages of the continent and being as proficient in English as in his own native German.

Two years ago Herr Alfred was a comparatively little known member of Germany's diplomatic corps, holding the post of minister to Roumania. He was rated as a man of ability and force with a more salient and sharply defined personality than that of the average government official, but the public heard little of him. Recently he has been the man of the hour in Germany and probably the most talked of statesman in Europe. For the events that precipitated the international crisis with its menace of impending war he more than any one else was responsible.

Herr von Kiderlen's active career has been entirely in the diplomatic service. Entering the foreign office in 1879, he has gone through the usual mill of slow promotions from embassy secretaries in St. Petersburg, Paris and Constantinople to the post of minister to Copenhagen in 1895 and to Bucharest in 1900. His career, however, has not been without its ups and downs. For all these changes of fortune he himself has been responsible. One of his characteristics is a habit of speaking his mind with a good deal of plainness.

## CHICAGO BANKER ON PAROLE

John R. Walsh of Chicago, who has been paroled from the Leavenworth prison, was convicted in 1906 of a violation of the federal banking laws, the technical charge being that of making false reports with reference to the financial status of the Chicago National Bank, of which he was president.

The liberated financier is now 74 years old. He was born in Ireland in 1837, and came to Chicago when he was 19 years old, beginning life as a newsboy. In 1861 he established a news agency which later developed into the Western News company, supplying railway trains and country towns with periodicals, books, maps and current literature. In 1882, having been successful in various business ventures and investments, including a large interest in the Chicago Herald, Mr. Walsh, together with others, established the Chicago National bank. After disposing of his interest in the Herald in 1895 he founded the Chicago Chronicle, which paper suspended publication following the closing of the Walsh banks. In addition to his banks and the newspaper, Mr. Walsh was heavily interested in a large number of propositions. The Walsh interests at the time of the closing of the three banks were estimated at something like \$4,000,000.

It was not until March, 1906, that Walsh was placed under arrest, and after many delays was brought to trial and convicted, being sentenced to five years' imprisonment at Fort Leavenworth prison. Soon after he had begun to serve his sentence a movement was inaugurated to secure his pardon, and thousands of Chicago business men and other citizens signed a petition urging executive clemency based on the plea of illness and old age.



## NEWPORT SOCIAL INSURGENT



During the past season there has been insurgency in the ranks of Newport swiftdom which started a near panic in the ranks of the "old guard." The leader of the social insurgents was Mrs. John R. Drexel, who is here pictured, and the captain of the standpatters was Mrs. Ogden Mills. Newport is to select society what Mecca is to the Mohammedans, or Jerusalem to the Jew and to the Christian—the holy of holies of the idle rich, whose bible is the social register duly stamped with the dollar mark. Mrs. Drexel would widen the ranks of the select and admit many now barred from the social paradise, where nobles with decayed fortunes matrimonially browse. Mrs. Mills would none of this. She stands for a close corporation, so to speak, and would limit to 100 or even fewer those who would be entitled to enter the select set of Newport.

Thus these two women, who are taken seriously enough by their followers, entered into a battle royal for social supremacy. Supporting Mrs. Drexel are scores of families, financially powerful, but hitherto barred from the Eden of the select. Upholding Mrs. Mills are all those already within the inner sacred precincts, who love to shine by themselves and who do not wish to share the glories, privileges and prerogatives of their state with others. Both sides have given elaborate entertainments in this social war. Mrs. Drexel received for one of her functions a \$500 bouquet from Philadelphia. She is immensely popular and is said to be one of the most charming hostesses in the country. Her husband gave her \$200,000 as a "war fund."

## DESCENDANT OF THE PROPHET

Will there ever be a holy war declared by Islam against her enemies? One often meets with references to such possibility and since the declaration of war against Turkey by Italy these references have been more frequent than for many years before.

But there is little probability of such a crusade by the Mohammedans against the Christians, unless in the event of a European coalition, having for its object the dismemberment of Turkey in Europe and her expulsion from the continent. The authority for this is Mohammed Ali, whose portrait is shown, a descendant of the great prophet who founded the Mohammedan religion. Mohammed Ali is now in this country and he says that a holy war will never be declared unless the dismemberment of the Ottoman empire is threatened. Then, he says, there will be an uprising of the 175,000,000 Mohammedans scattered throughout the world.

These are dwellers in Asia and Africa, principally, many of them living under the British flag in India and others under the tri-color of France in northern Africa. He contends that the possibility of such an uprising will prevent the dismemberment of Turkey and asserts that the possibility would become an actuality with the formation of a coalition against the Ottoman empire.



**The Sympathizer.**  
Glozier—You were so kind and sympathetic the last time I told you my troubles I want to thank you for that now I've got another—  
Bloomer—Oh, pray don't mention it—Catholic Standard and Times.

**A Significant Observation.**  
"Truth," said the orator who quotes, "is at the bottom of a well."  
"Yes," replied Farmer Cornstossel, "and ain't it discouragin' how the wells have been runnin' dry this summer?"

## Empire Mail Bag



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No up-to-date costume is considered complete without the inevitable hand-bag, which must harmonize with, if not match, the costume. This bag is suspended from the shoulder—either side—and made of embroidered mbré—three Persian palm leaves bordered with pearls being the chief decoration. The fringe and fringe is the mode at present—is made of pearl and wood beads, in brown to match the cloth suit.

### CHILD'S SIMPLE FROCK



This pretty frock is of gray blue cashmere embroidered in the same shade. The waist is finished across the front with a band of maderia embroidery on linen, of which the shoulder collar is also made.

This last is placed over a collar of black satin, bands of which finish the silk cord matching the gown forms the girle.

**Making a Pillow Cover Fit.**  
The cover of a sofa pillow can be made to fit well by the following little trick: After sewing up three sides but before turning the cover right side out, tack the two finished corners of the case securely to two corners of the pillow. Turn the case over the pillow. Sew up the fourth side for an inch or two at each end. Tack these two corners to the corresponding corners of the cushion. Finish as usual. This keeps the pillow from pulling and sagging away from the cover.—Housekeeper.

**Detachable Flower.**  
It must have been the girl of small allowance who invented the detachable flower for her hat. Trimming, the winter's chapeau is so simple that it is an easy matter to whisk off one flower and put on another to match the next costume worn.

Velvet poinsettias are a favorite flower on winter hats for those who can stand the vivid red so close to the face.

Another popular flower is huge velvet roses in rich dull tones. A new idea is to outline the edges of these roses with tiny beads to correspond to the color of the costume worn.

Instead of sewing on the detachable roses each time, they are provided with tiny safety pins on the under side, which are quickly adjusted to the trimming.

**Taffeta Jackets.**  
Little coats or jackets of changeable taffetas are worn with voile or mull lingerie frocks. They show the high line and the plaited frill on the lower edge.

**URGENT NEED FOR A NAME**  
If the Bisected Skirt is to Be Generally Worn Let It Have Feminine Appellation.

It is thought by some in Germany that the name "bared skirt" or more horrible still "trouser skirt" is the only thing that prevents the spread and general use of this much talked of article of wearing apparel. So these same people have offered a prize for the best names and have hit up "Amazon" and "cavalier" skirt as a result, and hope by keeping these more alluring titles before the feminine public to popularize the garment. Not that it needs so much to be popularized, they say. The leading German shops advertise it in bewildering variety, and privately claim that orders are pouring in to a degree which shows that, like other extreme modes gone before, the trousers—er, that is, the cavalier skirt—is sure to conquer in the end. But if the more timid follower of fashion buys one, and keeps it hanging in her closet to gaze upon with awe and admiration, yet is afraid to wear a "trouser" skirt upon the street, by all means let us christen it with something softer and more feminine.

During the months of July and August the weather was unfavorable and the production of a 200 million yield of wheat will not likely be realized, but even with this, the threshing reports coming to hand show that the crop will be a splendidly paying one.

**Toasting the Teachers.**  
There was a meeting of the new teachers and the old. It was a sort of love feast, reception or whatever you call it. Anyhow, all the teachers got together and pretended they didn't have a care in the world. After the cats were wet at the symposium proposed a toast:  
"Long Live Our Teachers!"  
It was drunk enthusiastically. One of the new teachers was called on to respond. He modestly accepted. His answer was:  
"What on?"

### DRESSES FOR EVENING WEAR

Slight Change in Styles Will Be Noted in the Coming Season's Gowns.

An unusually décolleté neck finish, extremely short sleeves and an irregularly-shaped train inclined to shortness are features having a bearing on the new evening gowns for fall and winter. Lace plays a large part, both as a foundation material and for trimming purposes, every variety being used, no matter what the texture or pattern. Allover designs or robe gowns are used as an underbody, in which case the filmy draperies are also used for draping over soft finically conceal the pattern. They are lished silks, crepes and satins, and in these instances usually are cut in one with the waist. Some of the newest models show the allover lace extension below the waist line in cutaway coat effect, Cloyenne frill or peplum. In some instances the pointed effect is made in the front, with tapering lines cutting off to the waist in the back.—Dry Goods Economist.

**Dainty Fichu.**  
The fichu drapery of the bodice is being used for evening and even for afternoon wear, with the V-shaped opening at the neck. Fine and delicate lace is being taken out of its seclusion, and those who are lucky enough to possess a lawn fichu sewn with Ayrshire embroidery are to be congratulated.

Happily, the fichu suits all wearers, for it one arrangement should change, not to be becoming another will be, and the tall woman or the short, the stout or the slim, can alike find a way of wearing this most graceful accessory.

**Large Revers Popular.**  
The use of the large collar is no doubt responsible for the popularity of the large revers. Some are long and narrow, coming down below the waist line. Others are square and a few round.

In a certain number of cases the coats are made with a single revers on one side and double revers are seen in some instances. The long shawl collars are again meeting with favor.

## CANADA'S IMMENSE WHEAT FIELDS

THE ATTRACTION FOR THREE TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILWAYS.

Last August there visited the Canadian west the vice-president of the largest individual hardware company in the United States. As his firm have a turnover of millions, and deals extensively with farm implements, this man took a deep interest in crop conditions in Canada, and on his return he embodied his findings in an article for the Hardware Reporter. This article should be of special interest to farmers.

The writer speaks of the importance of the spring wheat crop of Western Canada. He might also have spoken of the importance of the oat crop and also of the winter wheat crop, as well as barley. Winter wheat during the past few years has been a great success, and experiments have shown that it can be grown with success in almost any portion of the three provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. But apart from this, the spring wheat crop is the one generally grown, and all who know anything of grain, anyone who has had anything to do with markets, knows or has heard of the high character of this cereal and the splendid yields that are annually produced. Reproducing from this article:—

"In a land of such great sweep, and of such difference in soil and climate, there are many resources, but none are at present of the same overwhelming importance as the spring wheat crop. In the interminable prairie stretches of the northwest provinces it is the one absorbing topic of interest and of conversation during its growing and its harvesting, for upon its success or failure hangs the weal or woe of a large part of the Dominion. Its influence extends far down into the United States, drawing thousands of farmers northwards with the lure of cheap lands, but likewise beyond the great lakes, even to the essay going maritime provinces, calling the flower of their young men to its opportunities. Development in these prairie provinces goes on at high pressure for everything hangs on the outcome of spring wheat. Success has emboldened the raisers of this one all-important crop, and each year there is further incursion into those northern fields that only a short time ago were regarded as Arctic wastes. The Canadian Northwest seems to be one of those modern agricultural examples set forth to drive the final nail in the coffin of that ancient Malthusian delusion that population tends to outrun the means of subsistence, since the only fear now among Canadian economists is not to the danger of overstocking the wheat market. Only about two and one-half per cent of possible arable lands in the northwest provinces is now under cultivation, and this year the crop promises to be close to 200,000,000 bushels, so that your imagination and your arithmetic can easily supply the answer as to the possible or even probable outcome."

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A Regular One. She—And don't you go in for sport of any kind? He—Oh, yaas, don't yer know. I'm—a—passionately fond of dominees.—Everybody's Weekly.

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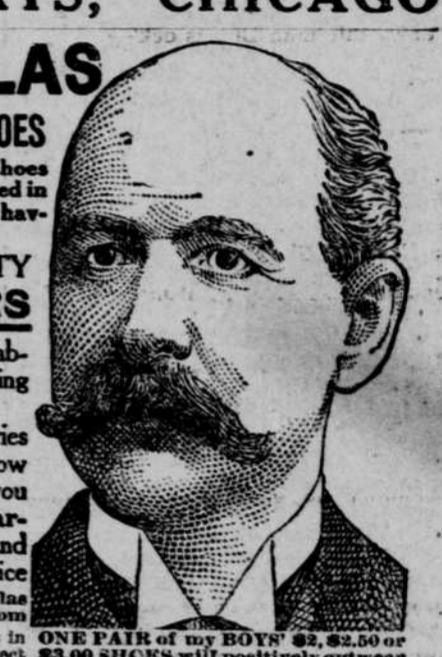
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