

## DESIGNERS HAVE DONE WELL IN LINE OF PARTY FROCKS

Pretty Things in Profusion Have Been Provided for the Debutante This Season—Fashion's Edict Is That Bags Must Match the Millinery—Three Examples of the Best.



Party Frock for the Debutante.

The feet of the new adventurer in social pleasures tread a path made more or less rosy according to the success of her party frocks. The pretty maid in the accompanying picture is suitably clothed, for her gown is just demure enough to suggest youth and just sparkling enough to express joy, and in every particular it fulfills its mission. It goes without saying that the mission of this, as of all other gowns, is first of all, to be becoming.

This frock is made of satin with an underskirt of net and lace and a bodice developed in the same materials. Silver threads gleam in the lace, and a narrow line of spangles edges the bottom of the overskirt and pointed bodice. Narrow silver braid outlines gay little baskets and bows, which it joins by weaving lines all about the overskirt of satin, and this note of silver is repeated in the slippers.

The underskirt of net is finished with

two flounces of silver-run lace about the bottom. The wide scallops at the bottom of the overskirt reach only a little below the top of these flounces, and are defined by spangles. Except for a small pannier drapery at each side the overskirt hangs in straight lines from the waist. For a short figure this drapery would better be dispensed with.

An underbodice of net is gathered by two rows of shirring into a round neck and has elbow sleeves finished with silver-run lace. The satin overbodice is merely a length of the material drawn about the figure and trimmed in a point at the front. Two rows of spangles define its lower edge.

About the top of the satin bodice and over the right shoulder there is a light drapery of tulle. Over the left shoulder a suspender of narrow velvet ribbon proves that it is the unexpected that happens in gowns as in other feminine affairs.



Bags Must Match Millinery.

In whatever direction your face be turned, whether to the skating fields or toward the land where the palms grow, or midway between, fashion decrees that you shall carry bags to match your millinery. And if you stay at home, not one but several bags will be required to see you through the everyday affairs of life in the approved way. There is a bag for everything, and bags within bags, and no telling just what they all contain. Each one has a reason for its existence besides the all-important one of complying with the mode.

Three aspirants for the favor of discriminating women are shown in the picture. At the left a bag of velvet and fur is part of a smart skating set, with a cap of the same materials and a short fur neckpiece. In this bag velvet is gathered on to a wide band of fur to form the top, and it is drawn up by narrow satin ribbon which forms loops for carrying it.

At the left a bag made of plush is shaped so that the handle slips over the wrist. The opening is closed by a narrow band of the plush which slips up or down as required. An ornament

in colored beads, is embroidered on it exactly like the ornament on the hat, which has a crown and brim edge of plush.

In the center of the group a Palm Beach set is shown for those who turn their backs upon the ice and snow to bask in a Southern sun and wear marvelous sports clothes. The soft hat and bag are made of blue and gold faille silk, sewed with blue and gold yarn and finished with yarn tassels. These tassels are fastened to the hat and bag with snap fasteners. Why? Because the hat and bag are reversible and may be worn with the blue side out or the gold side out. Whichever way, the blue and gold tassels make them complete.

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Violets on the Sleeve.

The other day two society buds at the Biltmore in New York had small bunches of violets pinned to their sleeve cuffs, where they were quite attractive.

## GERARD IS HONORED

U. S. AMBASSADOR HONOR GUEST AT DINNER IN BERLIN.

## GOOD FEELING IN EVIDENCE

Government Officials Declare Relations Between America and Germany Most Cordial.

Berlin.—The dinner given on January 6 by the American Association of Commerce and Trade of Berlin in honor of James W. Gerard, the ambassador to Germany, who has just returned to the German capital from a visit to the United States, developed into a demonstration of the good feeling entertained in the higher government circles and banking and business spheres toward the United States.

The guests included three ministers, at least two ex-ministers, the vice president of the Reichstag, the heads of Germany's big financial institutions and other leaders in German public life.

Ambassador Gerard, who was likened by Arthur Von Gwinner, director of the Deutsche bank, to the "peace dove of Noah's ark," is quoted by the Overseas News Agency as saying that "never since the beginning of the war have relations between Germany and the United States been so cordial," and that he had "brought back an olive branch" from President Wilson. Vice Chancellor Helfferich in his address said he was pleased to know that Ambassador Gerard had visited the United States "where he had an opportunity of describing the real state of affairs in Germany," and Foreign Minister Zimmerman declared he "felt sure the friendly and trustful relations between both countries as enunciated by Mr. Gerard will continue."

A telegram expressing the "sincerest wishes" of the association in the crucial time was sent to President Wilson and another message was forwarded to Emperor William.

Dr. Helfferich as quoted by the Overseas News Agency called attention to the increase in commerce between Germany and the United States, saying that in the ten years from 1903 to 1913, it had increased by more than 1,000,000,000 marks. The Overseas News Agency continues: "Arthur Von Gwinner, who spoke next, compared Ambassador Gerard with the peace dove of Noah's ark, on the return of which Noah realized that he had sent it out too early, but nevertheless he had seen the colors of the rainbow. Ambassador Gerard in his speech told of the sympathy in the United States for German charity work. Many prominent people had handed him checks for the German Red Cross. On his return to Germany, he said, he had delivered to the different German relief funds about 400,000 marks."

## Gun Fight With Bank Robbers.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Two posse men are dead, one probably fatally wounded as the result of a gun fight with fifteen members of what is supposed to be the Roc-Hart gang of bank robbers near Nowata.

Several of the desperadoes are said to have been shot by the possemen. They were carried away by their companions, all of whom made their escape after the fight.

The band of robbers had been encamped in a ravine eighteen miles northeast of Nowata for several days and an organized attack by officers and citizens was decided upon. The posse, which consisted of twenty heavily armed men, was divided, and the attack was made from opposite directions.

The bandits evidently had suspected a move by the authorities, as when the posse, headed by Marshal Bullock, approached the canyon, they were met by a fusillade of shots.

The Roc-Hart gang is suspected of robbing several banks in Oklahoma of more than \$100,000 during the past two months, securing as much as \$20,000 on a single job.

## Subscription Books Opened.

Washington.—Subscription books for the sale of stock for the twelve federal land banks were opened simultaneously in all of the twelve cities on January 10. Under the terms of the farm loan act this stock is to remain on sale thirty days. The books will close February 9, and immediately thereafter the secretary of the treasury, on behalf of the United States, will subscribe to all of the remaining unsold stock. Each bank will be capitalized at \$750,000. The shares will be \$5 each.

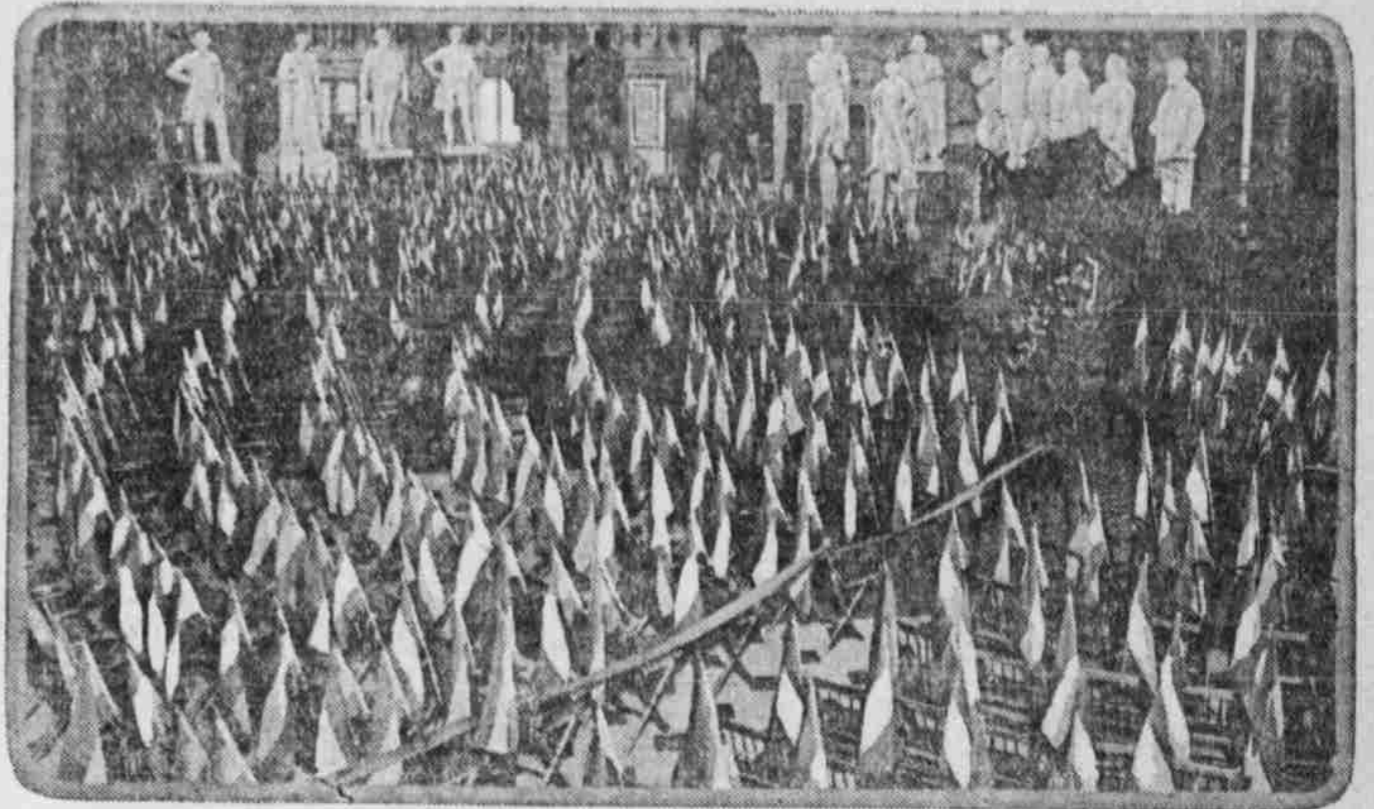
## Governor Issues Many Pardons.

Little Rock, Ark.—Governor George W. Hayes, who goes out of office this week, has pardoned forty-four convicts, making a total of 112 pardons he has issued since December 1. The list of those pardoned included nineteen men convicted of murder.

## Reject Allies' Demands.

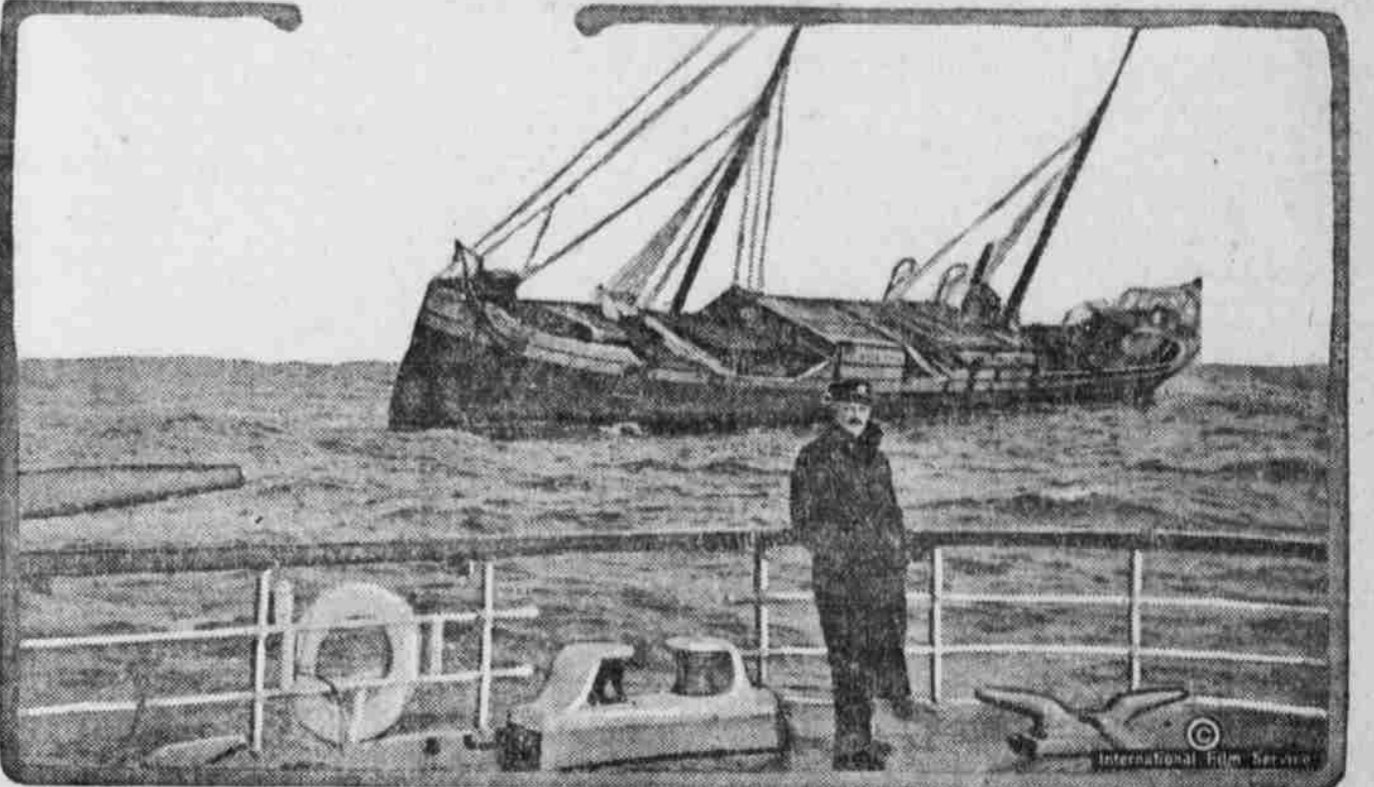
London.—The Greek government has decided to reject certain clauses of the entente note demanding reparation in consequence of the recent fighting at Athens.

## DECORATED IN MEMORY OF MRS. BOISSEVAIN



Statuary hall in the capitol at Washington, was swathed in the colors of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage on Christmas day, when memorial services were held in honor of Inez Mitholland Boissevain. The services were preceded by a delegation march through the capitol grounds and a display of banners.

## HOW AN OCEAN DERELICT LOOKS



All hindsmen have heard of, but few have ever seen, that grave menace of ocean navigation, the derelict. This photograph, taken on Christmas day from the United States coastguard cutter Seneca, shows the wreck of the Brazilian ship Nephtis. The Nephtis got into trouble soon after leaving port. She was towed 5,000 miles, but finally abandoned in a storm when about 150 miles east of New York. The Seneca was then ordered out to bring the wrecked ship into port, and after a two-day search found her and got a line aboard.

## ARMY WOMEN SHOPPING IN MEXICO



Wives of American army officers stationed in Matamoros, Mexico, starting out on a shopping expedition by the only available means of transportation.

## FRUIT STONES SAVED FOR GERMAN OIL



No fruit stones are thrown away in Germany. They are all collected and crushed. The oil is extracted for drugs and military purposes. The photograph shows the stones being packed to be sent to a crushing mill.

## "PAPA" JOFFRE KISSES HERO



General Joffre, the "papa" of all the French troops and now marshal of France, is shown kissing one of the heroic French soldiers at a review. The honor of having been kissed by "Papa" Joffre was considered greater than receiving a medal for valor on the field.