

Representative Slemg Finds an Agent of Cupid

REPRESENTATIVE BASCOM SLEMP of Virginia was until recently a bachelor. A few years ago, however, when he was "heart whole and fancy free," he was speaking to a large assembly at a political gathering.

Slemg got along famously, carrying with him the sympathy of the crowd. But at last a fellow in a back seat rose to make a statement.

"I like Slemg," he roared. "Slemg's all right. The only thing I have agin him is that he is not married. Now, I propose to this honorable gathering that we refuse to vote for him unless he promises to get married."

Slemg was equal to the occasion. "I acknowledge my desolate state," he exclaimed, "yet it is not my fault, but that of the fair ones who will not have me. If there is any one among the many lovely ladies in this audience who will accept my heart and hand, I am only too willing to be led to the altar."

The man jumped to his feet again excitedly. "No, you don't," he exclaimed. "You'll have to go to foreign parts to get your bride—all the girls around here have got too much sense to take you!"



Pretty Utility Dress of Cloth



OUT of the conglomeration of styles which the beginning of winter ushered in, many are passing and a few are to remain for spring. Here is a pretty and rather plain cloth gown for present wear, which may be copied in taffeta silk, figured or plain voile (or both), in white embroidered fabrics—in fact, in any of the beautiful summer materials. It will be found strictly up to date when the time comes for wearing it.

A very pretty development of it shows a plain skirt, quite full enough to step in at the normal stride, with the hip drapery made of figured voile having a white ground with colored flowers. The bodice is made of this voile combined with shadow lace. There is a girde of leaf green messaline ribbon and a sash which extends about the figure under the drapery and ties in a bow (at the right side) with short hanging ends. These pretty volles sell at a very reasonable price—in the neighborhood of forty cents a yard—and make up into as elegant looking dresses as those that cost four or five times as much.

We are to have a spring and summer season with everything flower decked. Small flowers on hats,

FARMERS' MEETINGS

DATES OF INSTITUTES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY.

GOSSIP FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources and Presented in Condensed Form to Our Readers.

Western Newspaper Union News Service During the month of February extensive meetings will be held at forty eight different Nebraska points by the department of agricultural extension. A short course will be in session each week. A total of ninety-six days' work has already been scheduled. Probably more meetings will be added before the month closes.

February is one of the heaviest months. In addition to the meetings scheduled, a number of the county demonstrators are planning meetings for almost every day of the month. Not counting the demonstrators' meetings, a total for the first four months in the season of one hundred and sixty different points reached in the state and three hundred and five days' work, will be reached, according to C. W. Pugsley, superintendent of agricultural extension.

The following is a list of meeting dates:

- Gibson, February 17. Wood River, February 17 and 18. Hampton, February 18 and 19. Waco, February 19 and 20. Peru, February 16 and 17. Brook, February 17 and 18. Dunbar, February 18 and 19. Syracuse, February 19 and 20. Paimyra, February 20 and 21. Tekamah county church, February 17. Rosalie, February 19. Maceo, February 20. Johnson, February 23, 24 and 25. Humbolt, February 25 and 26. Sterling, February 25. Adams, February 27. First, February 28. Corland, February 27 and 28. Keystone, February 24. Lowell, February 25. Lisbon, February 26. Broadwater, February 27. Short Courses. Newman Grove, February 2 to 7. Gresham, February 8 to 14. Ansley, February 16 to 20. Minden, February 23 to 27.

Meat Show at Lincoln.

A home-cured meat show was one of the features of the sessions of "Organized Agriculture" held in Lincoln. Meat came from every section of the state, and the popularity of the exhibition indicates prospects for a larger show next year. Prof. Charles B. Lee of the Nebraska College of Agriculture, in charge of the exhibition, announces the following prize-winners and prizes:

H. H. Meyer, Fontanelle, Neb., first prize on hams, \$20; third prize on hams, \$10; first prize on bacon, \$20. Albert Kilgore, Ewing, Neb., second prize on hams, \$15. W. B. Good, Long Pine, Neb., second prize on bacon, \$15; third prize on bacon, \$10. Each of the prize-winners was presented with 280 pounds of the best grade of meat salt as an additional prize.

May Draw \$5,000 Salary.

Warm arguments have been indulged in at the state house by assertions of some officials that the next governor would not be entitled to the \$5,000 salary provided for in the constitutional amendment, to be voted on this fall—that is, if that is adopted by the people. A review of the enactment, as it passed the legislature, however, shows that there is nothing therein to indicate that the next governor cannot get it. In fact, the measure is so worded that it appears that the successor to Governor Morehead will get the boost in salary. Constitutional amendments become effective, unless specifically cited therein, at the time their adoption is certified to by the governor.

Record of Rural Progress.

Blanks for the compilation of agricultural statistics have been outlined by Secretary Mellor of the state board of agriculture and the copy has been sent to the printer. A number of departures from the old form have been made to keep a record of the progress of Nebraska farmers. The statistics will be more detailed than ever before. The growth of tobacco is officially recognized along with many other crops. In horticulture much space is given to the apple industry, while the growing of grapes is recognized as probably second in importance to the apple crop.

To Hire Farm Demonstrator.

The Madison County Farm Management association has just been formed to enable the county to employ an agricultural demonstrator. When hired, he will be the sixth in the state. The Madison county association has a membership of 300 farmers, although the work of securing members has just started. The organization has also raised ample funds with which to carry on the work. Other counties in the state having agricultural demonstrators are Gage, Seward, Thurston and Merrick.

To Gather Shipping Statistics.

Records of all 1913 shipments by railroads and by express companies of the state will be gathered by the state labor commission on blanks now being sent out. The returns which are to be sent not later than March 1, include the number of cattle, hogs, horses and mules; the number of bushels of corn, apples, barley, oats, onions, popcorn, potatoes, rye and wheat; the number of brick; the gallons of cider, cream, ice cream, milk, syrup and sorghum and vinegar and all products raised in the state.

MOTHER! LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE

If cross, feverish, constipated, give "California Syrup of Figs"

A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish; stomach sour.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Adv.

Milton Relic Once in America.

Among the interesting relics of Milton which are left to us now is his watch, which may be seen in the British museum. This watch was made by William Hunting of London in 1631, the year Milton went down from Cambridge.

Somehow, this valuable memorial of the poet found its way during the eighteenth century to Baltimore, in America, whence it returned, by way of a legacy, to some woman living in London, who in the year 1828, presented it to St. Charles Fellowes, who in his turn left it by his will to the nation.—Liverpool Post.

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Guantanamo.

Guantanamo is a town on a deep water harbor on the southeast coast of Cuba, maintained as a naval base by the United States. It was granted as a base to this country by arrangement with Cuba at the time the Spanish war set Cuba free.

Sometimes it is.

Dick, whose father was a candidate for office, one day ran to his mother, exclaiming: "Oh, mamma! Mr. Smith says papa's got the nomination. Is that worse than the measles?"

This Cockatoo Crops Wood.

John Rube, of Kingscliffe, Northants, has an eighteen-year-old silver crested Australian cockatoo which not only talks and "sings" but has a mania for "chopping" wood. Each day the housekeeper provides her helper with a starch or soap box and the bird breaks it up with its beak into short and thin pieces suitable for firewood, any nails in the way being drawn. "The amount of labor that bird has saved in the way of wood chopping is enormous," the housekeeper says. "The only thing I have to do is to see that there is no paint on the boxes."—New York Sun.

Danger in Argument.

"Don't you think peace would be promoted if nations could be persuaded to talk things over deliberately before going to war?"

"Possibly; but sometimes the more you talk things over the more you find to fight about."

Light Luncheon.

Bacon—I see that the gum used on postage stamps is made largely of potato starch.

Egbert—That ought to be very comforting to the vegetarians.

Corporation Footballs.

Mayor Mitchell of New York was praising a commuter who, by continual complaints, had improved the railway service of his district.

"We are apt to call the kicker a crank and a nuisance," said Mr. Mitchell, "but it's the kicker who gets things done for the community."

He smiled and ended: "They who never kick are but too apt to become footballs."

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The Attempt. "Did the new actress in the party try to do the swoon will?" "She made a faint effort."

Stimulating. "What sort of a man is Pickledorf?" "Absolutely helpless without a cork screw."

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PRETTY BONNET TO ADORN THE SMALL MAIDEN

IT IS a delight to make the pretty little bonnets and caps which small daughters and little sisters look so adorably sweet in, and it is by no means difficult.

Here is one made of chiffon taffeta silk, with plaited ruffles of mousseline and lace. The puffed crown is simply a circle of silk about eighteen inches in diameter, with rows of shirring at the edge. This is sewed to a narrow covered head band or bandeau, bound with pin shirring wire.

Underneath the band the ruffles are placed after being gathered into ample fullness. The knife plaiting may be made of the same silk as the crown



and need not be hemmed at the edge. It is poised under the lace.

By way of trimming, a narrow ribbon ruching is placed about the crown and a rosette of baby ribbon with hanging ends is placed at the side. Ties of ribbon about three inches wide complete this pretty piece of headgear.

Bonnets of this kind are made up in all the colors that children wear, and are very practical for almost every season of the year. Tiny bouquets of fruit blossoms, little June roses, forget-me-nots, and little daisies are added. Flowers and ribbons are of all things the best for children's millinery.

When made of the darker colors, as brown or tan, with white or cream lace ruffles, bonnets of this kind are quite durable.

The dainty tints are not very successfully cleaned and therefore such millinery is for wear on dress-up occasions

New Materials for Toilet Articles. If you must be abreast of the times throw away or give away the toilet articles in silver, ivory or celluloid which have been your faithful friends for years, and get everything new in art glass, which comes in the most alluring tints of cream, rose, mauve and green and in classically severe designs. The little boxes for powder, rouge and soap have square bottoms like the base of a Corinthian pillar and convex covers like the dome of the Madeleine, while the clock cases, pin trays and mirror backs are equally plain and ponderous. If you don't care for toilet articles in glass, even of the most artistic sort, you may turn toward those in alabaster, or what looks like alabaster. These come in shapes similar to the articles in glass, but are pure white and promise to be more durable.

Powder Puffs for the Purse. Little crocheted powder puffs are the latest novelty for the purse. They can easily be made at home.

Crochet two circular pieces about the size of a silver dollar out of mercerized cotton of any shade desired. Carefully sew them together, leaving small openings through which to pour in the powder. Fill the bag full with the powder, so that it will sift through easily when patted gently on the face. Then make a pretty edge around the circular piece by crocheting a few rows of plain chain stitch, each added row to be caught into the middle of the preceding one, which gives a sort of ruffle effect. An opening can safely be made by cutting a stitch or two when it is necessary to refill the puff.

Shirt Bosoms. The shirt bosoms which were introduced in chiffon on the chiffon and crepe de chine blouses this winter are evidently to continue as the distinguishing feature of the tailored waists for early spring. There is one difference, however; they are now developed in a contrasting material. For instance, on a model in light weight linen the shirt bosom is of plaited handkerchief linen, with a tiny floral design in color scattered over it, this color not being repeated on the Robe espierre collar.