

Latest Fad Is Acacia and Mimosa

The larkspur and roses of last year have given way to acacia and mimosa this season; blue and pink, to yellow and lavender for table decorations at parties.

When it was discovered that a huge floor vase standing in the entrance hall of the E. M. Morsman home was filled with the delicate bloom of the mimosa, those fortunate, among the guests, who had seen it growing on the Riviera were greatly thrilled. It had been sent to Miss Morsman from California, for the occasion, at their first formal opening of the residence to their friends, and its pale lace-like flower made an unusual and beautiful decoration.

Mrs. Allan Tukey, who arrived the first hour of the "at home," discovered the variety. During her year abroad she had seen it many times, swaying in the soft breezes under an Italian sun.

Other hostesses with a flair for the rare, as well as the beautiful, are making plans to secure mimosa for future social affairs.

The tiny yellow acacia, is consorting daily at the smartest bridges and dinners with those more flaunting spring beauties, the daffodil and iris.

At a bridge tea given by Miss Willow O'Brien for her guest Miss Esther McVann of Washington, D. C., these flowers formed a centerpiece guarded by four lavender candles. Miss Dorothy Dahman also used them at an after-theater supper at the Brandeis.

Women Open Golf Season This Week

On Tuesday Mrs. Allen Farmer and Mrs. Howard Goodrich will be hostesses at luncheon and bridge at the home of Mrs. Goodrich to a group of golfers who are making plans to start playing this week.

Covers will be laid for Mesdames E. V. Arnold, Walter Silver, A. H. Nabet, Lawrence Holliday, Mark LeVings, John Redick, Charles Aschhof, Leslie Clancy, J. J. McMahon, W. H. Plainer, Flynn, George W. Johnston, Charles M. Johnson of Fremont, John Adams, William Davidson, P. C. Martin, D. E. Brenington of Council Bluffs, Karl Linsinger, Robert Craig, Blaine Young, Clifford Calkins, Allan Dudley, Victor Roos, Charles Jewell and Miss Mildred Morris.

For Mrs. Pelton

Mrs. D. L. Pelton of New York City is the guest of her sister, Mrs. James Adams, Friday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Hastings gave a dinner for Mrs. Pelton, and Saturday she was honor guest when Mrs. Adams entertained her bridge club.

West Point Dinner

General and Mrs. Halstead Dorey entertained at Fort Omaha last night, the occasion being the annual West Point dinner.

Society



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Miss Eleanor Bonney Brown, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Brown, and a senior in the Omaha High school, is one of the younger girls who is showing great musical talent. She pursues her piano and vocal activities ardently though her time is well filled with her school duties, for he is preparing to enter Smith college, Northampton, Mass., next year, and is in addition, associate editor of the Register, a member of the O. T. Social club and of the Spanish and French Student clubs.

Recently Miss Brown joined the choir in the First Presbyterian church.

Wears Her Great-Granduncle's Scarf

Deauville pace setters of fashions will swoon when they hear that their scarf which they so proudly launched on a waiting world last spring is a copy of those "handkerchers" carried by the gay blades of 1849.

In favor this year as a muffler to brighten the continued wearing of one's fur coat before spring coats are in, Miss Catherine Goss, is helping to set the fashion.

Her's is a hand-blocked silk one of a pattern which is not more elaborate than it is colorful. The queer part of it is that, though the effect is extremely modern in reality it is of a decided antiquity, for her great-granduncle carried it when he a-courting went.

The Newtons in Turkey Visit Robert College.

Word has just been received that Mr. and Mrs. William Newton, who are tourists on the S. S. Baltic on its Mediterranean cruise, reached Constantinople safely on February 22. As one of the days spent in the city fell on Friday, the Turkish Sabbath, the tourists had an opportunity of trying out the strict regulations of the Turkish government with regard to the observance of this day, extending even to tobacco shops, chauffeurs and boatmen.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton attended a reception at Robert college given by the faculty and students to their guests from the steamer. During their visit at the college they expressed their great interest in the body.

To Pi Phi Conference.

Mrs. Thomas Burch plans to leave April 9 for Washington, D. C., where she will attend the conference of the Pi Phi sorority.

Following the meeting she will remain in the east for about 6 weeks.

In Defense of Women

Not Women in General, as Presented by Mencken, But the Much-Maligned Woman of Society, Who, If Justice Were Done, Would Be Ranked as Masterpiece of Civilization.

By GABBY.

STUDY and culture clubs have long been called the older woman's man's club.

And on the other well known hand, much has been said about the empty-headed society woman, her superficial life and a' that and a' that.

The burden of this song is not to deride or compliment. It is rather to present (as a high school debater would say) some simple observations on the successful, so-called, society woman.

She's far from empty-headed. She never would have bobbed to surface socially, without nimble wits. There is no end to the scope of knowledge demanded of her.

She must be an authority on interior decoration, not only in order to make her own home inviting, but to be able to note with complimentary appreciation the achievements of her friends in that direction; she must be a capable executive with her servants, must know how to dress, be able to converse on subjects ranging from religious festivals in the south of Spain to the relative merits of pear-shaped and marquise diamonds.

If a woman's bridge parties are not charmingly and perfectly regulated, the guests don't come.

If a really nice woman reads a book without removing the paper cover, well, the crudity of the act speaks for itself.

If a sprightly dear is too interested in other's affairs, she is set down as "pushing." If she exhibits no interest, she's selfish! The whole thing must be carried off to the finesse of a hair.

Not to exclaim with one's choicest expletive when a friend (who immediately becomes an enemy) flashes a Jaeger diamond, that rare and precious African gem, is to invite social ostracism.

"What lovely baquettes!" to say with high degree of enthusiasm when the newly engaged friend shows you her wrist watch, is to win instant approval for your recognition and sharp delight in the long, narrow, mirror-cut diamonds.

There is nothing, absolutely nothing, from books, lectures, drama, travel, to political science, feats of engineering, foreign languages and astronomy that the true social leader ought not, or aspires not, to know; and nothing from high diving to higher mathematics that she cannot do.

Not long ago Gabby heard a woman say, "I must learn to play mah jong.

back yard of the third, the master's house.

Interior views show ball rooms, card rooms, libraries, and even a spook bedroom, where the traditional shade walks.

In the formal rooms, mural paintings of great beauty challenge the imagination. Elaborate crystal chandeliers hang from the ceilings, and each room is heated by an ornamental stove, such as are rarely seen in this country, one of which is pictured here.

In the spook room, dark curtains shade the windows, and heavy laces canopy the four poster bed in a far from modern style.

Mrs. Kvenild and her party will spend their time with Mrs. Drandt, until August when they will leave for Paris for a few weeks before returning home.

Mrs. Lambert plans to study with Monsieur Emile Coue, famous French philosopher, at his home in Nancy, France, part of the time. Mrs. Lambert is a student of the Coue philosophy and was one of the local women who were anxious to bring Coue to Omaha for a lecture.

may be called upon at any time to take a hand."

Her unmistakable aim was to be socially efficient.

Indeed, we have come to a turn in the road. Cold, hard information and applied knowledge pass for culture.

That kindness of heart and gentleness of manner so beautifully referred to by Henry Van Dyke in his symphony does not offset at all in social reckonings a knowledge of the history of a rare Gobelin tapestry or even, indeed, the ability to discourse precisely on the costume of the Seminole Indian.

No wonder the mania for outlines on all subjects known to man. They speed up the cramming process, which must endlessly and accurately go on.

JEWELRY lore for example, is of prime importance to the ambitious socially. Not only a thorough-going acquaintance with it, but a strict abidance by the principles of the order.

To anyone who knows jewelry, its proper use is a mark of refinement. It signifies far more than mere clothes. A piece of pass jewelry, a feather and cash holder with nut-tongued sleeves invite derision in a day when no sleeves at all are the better way.

A well-groomed woman wearing an old style mounting for her diamond is an object of pity. She could never command sufficient respect to be a leader!

The modern woman, to understand completely her intricate vanity case, which is really a combination of vanity, sycophant and cash holder with concealed compartments for keys (the whole no bigger than a thin cookie), must have the agile brain of a safe-breaker. Facile use of a spring here for the rouge stick, or a flap there for the hidden latch key, is the result of application and mechanical instinct.

Very smart, ultra, ultrismus, is the Merry Widow ring, that band of diamonds circled above and below by onyx or very dark sapphires. But it must be worn only by the widowed for the black banding is significant.

For the matron whose husband is in good and lively standing emeralds or other bright-hued stones are combined with the diamonds.

The wise woman places herself in the hands of her jeweler just as she resigns herself to the mercies of her tailor or her masseuse. She goes periodically to be made over, and she listens to wisdom from one who knows.

CONSIDER for a single moment the intricacies of a dinner table. Even the house maid laughs at a man who does not remove his finger bowl and dolly from the plate which is set before him.

And china. Heaven protect us. Breathe there a woman with soul so dead that she doesn't know every variety of china as well as all manner of silver, not to mention the ultimate in linens and handsome dollies?

Not to know Black Narcissus perfume is vogue when it is, is to invite a mental sneer from better informed contestants in the social maelstrom.

And all of this ad infinitum. Enough, perhaps, has been said, to convince the idle reader that one must never again speak lightly of the prowess of a woman who has earned social prestige.

Captains of industry may know more about horse power and good se curities but for close observation, fineness of mind, and enormous expanse of knowledge, they are in the primer class compared with the average up-to-date woman who passes as cultured, or indeed, even possible,

Of interest today is the announcement made by Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Menold of the betrothal of their daughter, Marjorie, to John Denny Stocker of Nebraska City, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Stocker of that city.

Mr. Stocker is well known in Omaha, and throughout the state. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska where he was affiliated with the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. Miss Menold attended Bradford Academy.

No date has been set for the wedding, but Mr. Stocker and his fiancée, plan to make their home in Nebraska City, following their marriage. Mr. Stocker is spending the week end in Omaha.

Miss Josephine Ellick is one of a host of young Omaha girls who prefer new fields to conquer to a trip home, during spring vacation from eastern schools.

Miss Ellick, who is a first year student in the Emma Willard school, will visit her roommate, Miss Natalie Howard at her home in Providence, R. I. Miss Julia Caldwell, who is also studying in Emma Willard school, will return home, while Charlotte McDonald, a third Omaha girl there, will go on to the Atlantic coast for her spring recess.

Miss Ellick is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ellick. She was graduated last year from the Central High school. She will continue next year at Emma Willard school, where she is taking studies preparatory to a librarian's course at Connecticut college.

Leave for East

Mrs. Roy A. Raiph will give a bridge dinner Tuesday evening when 24 guests will meet to do honor to Mr. and Mrs. Julian Goodrich, of New York, who have been in Omaha for the past few months and leave soon for their eastern home.

Mrs. Davies Here

Mrs. A. L. Rushton will entertain Tuesday evening at bridge, and on Thursday and Friday she will give luncheons. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Rex Davis of Utica, Neb., who is her guest will be honored at these affairs.

Dartmouth Honors

Stewart Edgerley will spend his spring vacation traveling with the Dartmouth Players, the dramatic organization of the college, for which he has been made assistant manager. Next year Mr. Edgerley will be manager for the players. On their tour they will play in Northampton, Mass., New York, Albany and Boston.

Theater and Supper Party.

Miss Jean Field will entertain 10 guests at an Orpheum party, followed by supper at her home on Monday night, honoring Miss Helen Sunderland and Fred Curtis.

Convention Days Are Here

By unwritten law, organizations take mental vacation during the summer months. In fact, with the passing of the first day of spring, their report cards would probably show something like "C" grade for effort.

From now until their last day of "school," about the middle of June, clubs will be chiefly occupied with conventions. Unrewardful telephone calls upon one's club friends during the next two months will doubtless be the result of conventioning. There are few large organizations which do not meet for state or national meetings between now and June 15.

The biggest meeting in the club field is the biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, to be held in Los Angeles in June. Local federated club women will meet in district convention at Benson April 3 and 4.

The Y. W. C. A. annual convention is imminent. It will be called at Buffalo, N. Y., next month. In the same city, beginning April 24, will convene the annual session of the National League of Women Voters.

In far away Norway the college club women of the world will meet next summer, breaking the rule for laxity during the hot season, justified as they are by the cool climate of the picturesque northern country chosen as a meeting place.

Altruists will meet for the national and annual gathering at Kalamazoo, Mich., April 24-7.

Music teachers will be arriving from over the state in Omaha early in May for their annual get-together.

The state D. A. R.'s have just concluded their state convention. National Junior Leaguers will be conventioning in Denver in May.

St. Paul, Neb., has been chosen as the city for the state P. E. O. meeting, the third week in May.

A few remaining musical events stand for the next month. Jeanne Gordon on April 9 and Reinald Werenbrandt April 15 will come to the Chamber of Commerce weeks. The Tuesday Musical club season has closed.

Rebecca West is to lecture for the Omaha Society of Fine Arts in April. Judge Florence Allen, probably on April 13, and Miss Julia Lathrop at a later date, are yet to come on the local League of Women Voters lecture course.

The Junior league Mah Jong ball in late April will be the last large public gathering of the 1923-24 season.

The next cry will be "Get set and on your mark" for the opening of the country clubs late in May.

Story by Omaha Woman in the American.

Mary Wetzel Peyton, wife of Major P. B. Peyton of Omaha, is the author of "Passage Money Home," a story appearing in the April "American Magazine." As the title informs, it is "a story of Alaska." Major and Mrs. Peyton have been in Alaska and the story comes from first hand knowledge.

Mrs. Peyton is a successful short story writer having had numerous acceptances from the best known magazines. She is a member of the Omaha Woman's Press club and has been prominently identified with the manuscript section.

Saturday Dinner.

Mrs. Ella Cotton Magee will entertain at dinner at her home Saturday night.

Dinner Party.

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Hull entertained at dinner last night at Hotel Blackstone.

Spend Summer on Norwegian Estate



Top, left to right: Mrs. W. C. Lambert, Mrs. Bernard Kvenild and sons.

To Mrs. Bernard Kvenild and her small sons—John, 12, and Bobby, 4—the prospect for summer is alluring. It means a reunion with relatives whom Mrs. Kvenild has not seen for 10 years and whom her little sons have never met.

With Mrs. W. C. Lambert they will spend the summer on the Norwegian-American line, going to Christiania, Norway, where Mrs. Kvenild's sister, Mrs. Darre Drandt, will meet them and motor them to her home, "Froen," 40 miles away from the city.

Friends of Mrs. Kvenild have had glimpses of this vast estate, where her family has lived since 1756, for it is included in a Norwegian volume that describes the largest and most famous Norwegian country homes and land holdings.

The estate consists of three large houses, two of them opening on the

Spring Weddings Bring to Omaha Two Charming Newcomer Brides



Mrs. John Brower Frasier, Miss Helen Burkett

The shuttle weaves back and forth between Lincoln and Omaha, uniting families of the two cities. Some marriages take charming girls from Omaha, and others bring attractive young matrons to us. The two pictures today are to be Omaha's gain.

The engagement of Miss Helen Burkett of Lincoln, daughter of former Senator and Mrs. E. J. Burkett, to Marvin Meyers of Omaha, has been announced. Mr. Meyers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Meyers of Manning, Ia. The wedding will take place May 1 at the home of the bride's parents, and the young couple will reside in Omaha. Both are former students of the University of Nebraska, where Miss Burkett was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and Mr. Meyers of the Sigma Nu fraternity.

The wedding of Miss Louise Leonard and John Brower Frasier, Jr., took place March 21 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Leonard of Lincoln. The youthful couple are at home at the El Beador apartments. Mrs. Frasier will be the recipient of much social attention, having a circle of friends already established in Omaha.