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ENTERTAINS FOR SISTER

Mrs Annie Bell Woodridge, 2608 Charles Street, entertained at her home the afternoon of January 8th, from two to four. Present were Mesdames R. Ross, D. Alexander and Jeremiah Williams. A delightful repast was enjoyed.

Margaret and Mary Ellen Dickerson, Gertrude McCaw, Mesdames Ceola Davis, Madeline Harrold, Lillian Dorsey, Eva Mae Dixon, Olive Davis and Helen Taylor. Out-of-town guests were Misses EEd-diesteen Seals and Jeanne Spinks, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Miss Lois Martin, Oakland, California, and Mrs. Kathryn Wilson Jones, of Oakland, Calif.

Mrs. P. J. Henderson gave her husband a surprise birthday dinner Monday evening, Jan 6th, at her apartment, 3860 Harney St. Dinner was served at 8:00 p. m. The table was beautifully decorated, a color scheme of pink and green being carried out.

Crush-Resistant Velvet Good News

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



IN VIEWING the current fashion picture it appears as if velvet is about to "run away with the mode." Not that velvet is new to any of us, for women who keep pace with fashion have become so thoroughly and enthusiastically velvet-conscious by this time, they go about town, they dine, they dance, they even sleep in velvet.

However, comes some news that is news, exciting news, news that is joy-radiating. It's crush-resistant velvet, with the emphasis on crush-resistant. In the way of good news, what could be better?

Now, please do not jump at the conclusion that the new crush-resistant velvet is absolutely non-crushable. No such claim is made by members of the Velvet Guild who are sponsoring it, but they do say that its resistance far exceeds any endeavor in that direction up to date, thus bespeaking a greater, more dependable serviceability for this new type of velvet.

For daytime wear the vogue for velvet suits and coats, fur-trimmed or otherwise, is established. For afternoon, for formal and informal evening wear there are luxuriant, beautiful novelties as well as superb plain weaves in velvet. The heavy classic Lyon velvet is an excellent medium for gowns of pomp also.

Besides the well-woven yarn-dyed costume velvets, interesting variations have been devised with mixtures of metal and cellophane threads which answer the call for glitter this season. Crinkled velvets which look as if shirred are also much in evidence. Then, too, delicately woven transparent velvets hold their own. This type shirs and pleats beautifully.

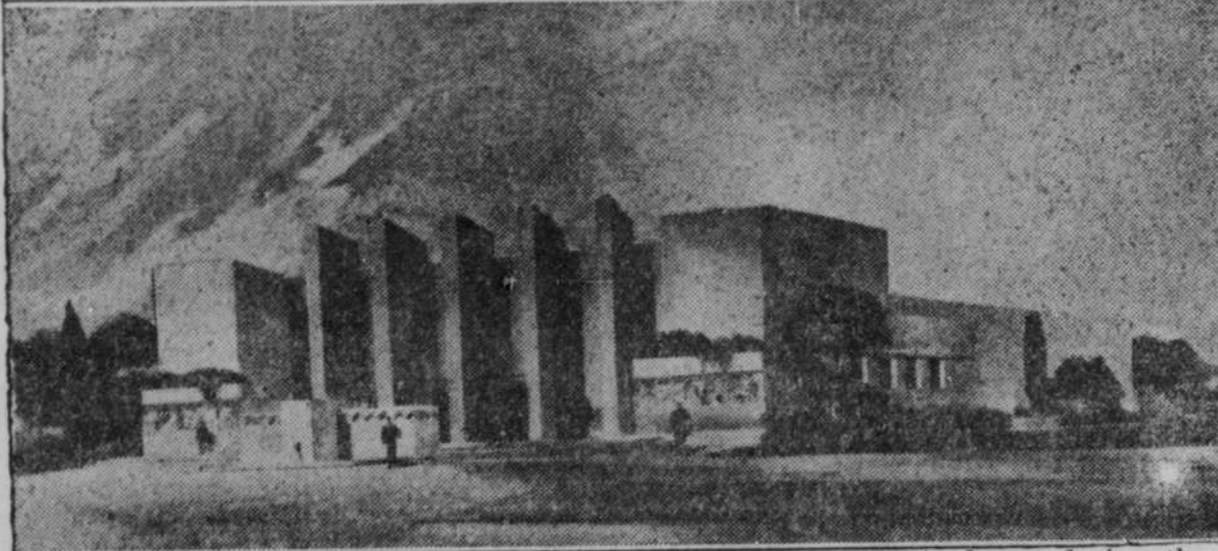
A smart new note is the use of velvet with tweeds and woollens. Tweed skirts with velvet blouse, tweeds with velvet belts, collars, cuffs and scarfs. Tweed coats detailed with velvet are all featured fashions, as are also the new gilets, waistcoats and complete cape linings of velvet as used with colorful woollens and tweeds.

The costumes of the trio of fashionables here pictured are made of the new crush-resistant velvet. A slight touch of the military is expressed in the red tape and buttons of the black velvet street dress centered in the illustration. It is topped with a self-velvet soldiers' hat with gold cord.

To the right in the group is a black velvet dinner dress with full three-quarter sleeves of silver and multi-color embroidery in a Chinese design. The evening hat has a net crown and a velvet visor. A cross fox lavishly trims a smart suit of crush-resistant velvet as shown to the left. The jacket is belted and the skirt is the new cocktail length. The blouse is gun-metal lama. Velvet gloves, bag and берет complete the costume.

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Negro Hall Of Life And Culture At The Texas Exposition



Dallas, Tex., Jan. 11.—(ANP)—The \$50,000 Negro Hall of Life and Culture at the Texas Centennial Exposition which opens in Dallas June 6 is being constructed by the United States government. The Exposition, which celebrates the one hundredth anniversary of Texas independence, is the first World's Fair to recognize the achievements of the Negro Race by devoting an important section for their benefit.

The building will have 14,000 square feet of floor space. It will contain spacious halls in which exhibitions of Negro art, music, sculpture and education will be staged.

This forum during the Exposition period. Collection of Negro exhibits will soon commence for installation in the building which will be completed about May 1. The building was designed by George L. Dahl, Centennial architect and its style is the Classic-Modern. The sum of \$50,000 has been allocated by the Texas Centennial Commission for the gathering and transportation of Negro exhibits.

Leaders of Negro thought in the United States will lecture

HOLIDAY VISITORS

Mrs Johnnie Pennick of Navasota, Texas, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Alma Moore, of 2711 Wirt Street.

Mr. Thessous Standifere also visited his mother, Mrs. Moore, over the holidays. Mr. Standifere recently joined the navy and has been stationed at Norfolk, Va. He is a graduate of Tech High School.

ANNIVERSARY PARTY A SUCCESS

The anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Louis Larson given at their residence, 2816 Hamilton was a huge success. It was an occasion that will be long remembered by the couple as well as the many participants.

Thanks are to be extended to Turner, Mrs. Mrs. Vann, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Madison and Mrs. Louis Artison, Jr., and Mrs. Howard Artison, for the thoughtfulness and helpfulness of all concerned.

PROMINENT MATRONS ENTERTAIN FRIENDS

Mrs Chas Branch and Mrs Edgar Lee entertained a large group of friends at the Masonic Hall with an informal dancing party last week. Several out-of-town visitors were guests of the evening.

A "special prepared punch" by two well known Omaha bar men won the approval of all.

The "smartly dressed" female overshadowed the "well groomed" male. Yet gaiety, hilarity, mirth and laughter filled the air. The hour of parting came and the murmur of "such an enjoyable evening was expressed by all.

"How about another one, Mesdames Branch and Lee?"

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dixon entertained Mrs. Dixon's very lovely sister, Miss Rosemary White, of Kansas City, at a party given at their apartment Sat. evening, Jan. 4th.

Delicious cocktails and sandwiches were served. Competition seemed rather heavy among the boys as to who was holding first place in the attention of the honorary guest.

Around midnight everyone began to sing the week's top-notch song, "The Music Goes 'Round and 'Round" and departed declaring themselves guilty of having had a very enjoyable evening.

The guests included: the Misses Ethel Cole, Juanita Cole, Christine Dixon, Marjorie Edwards, Lorene Lewis, Muriel Longmeyer, and Eva Mae Stewart; the Messrs. Harold Biddix, W. Fletcher, Herbert Garner, Carlton Goodlett, Roy Gordon, Frank A. Jackson, Julian McPherson, Eugene Skinner, Williams and Clemmest Williams.

KAY HUDSON REFUSES TO BECOME PRESIDENT

Mr. Kay Hudson has been asked by members of various clubs and organizations, especially the Negro Dramatic Club, to be their president, he having served that club so faithfully from 1927 to 1931.

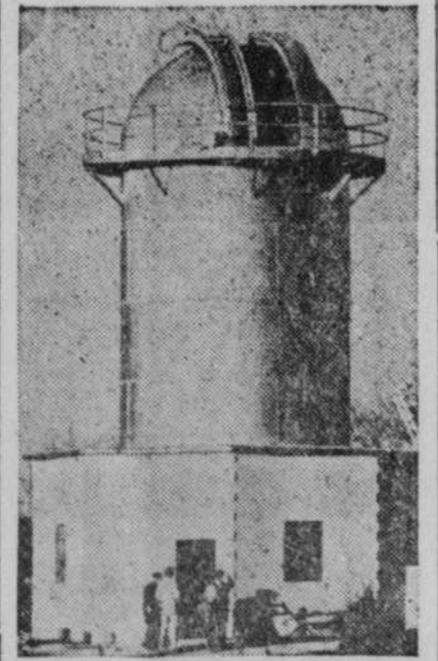
Mr. Hudson smilingly refused saying that policemen and firemen are not allowed to take an active part in politics. We can vote and will vote for whomever we think best this year.

Miss Nadine Powell, 1722 N. 25th St. entertained the Modern Hour Club of the Zion Sunday School on Tuesday evening. Refreshments were served. The next meeting will be at the home of the president, Mrs. Gene Wright.

NEWCOMER—A fine eight and one-half pound baby girl was born on New Year Day to Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Hogan, 1722 N. 27th St. The baby has been the recipient of many beautiful gifts. The mother and baby are doing fine.

CARLOS MENDIETA resigned as president of Cuba because of a fierce quarrel in the government over procedure for the election of a constitutional president. Mendieta had held the office for two years. Secretary of State Barnett took over the office and reappointed all members of the cabinet, and preparations for the election went ahead.

SOLAR TOWER



Inspired by the achievements of an amateur astronomer, the sixth solar tower of its type in the world is rapidly being completed near Lake Angelus, Mich. Its construction was planned and is being completed under the direction of Robert R. McMath, Detroit engineer and amateur astronomer, whose success in making moving pictures of cyclonic disturbances on the sun has made him world famous in the astronomical field. Rising 55 feet above the ground and extending 34 feet below to a six-inch diffraction grating, the silver-domed solar tower is expected to be the finest and most successful in the world.

AGRICULTURE IN 1935 YIELDS 282 MILLION

RETURN IS 50 MILLION OVER LAST YEAR—PROSPERITY IN OTHER BUSINESSES

PENSION PLANS ARE NEAR

18 Million For Schools — Urban Men Teachers Get Salary Increase, Says Report

Lincoln—Nebraska's farm income from all sources, for 1935 was \$282,000,000, topping the 1934 income by \$50,000,000, A. E. Anderson, state and federal agricultural statistician, revealed recently. The income figure included revenue from sale of crops, livestock and its products and AAA benefits.

Repayment by farmers of all but \$3,175,000 of the \$27,800,000 of loans made by the Regional Agricultural Corp. since it was inaugurated.

Repayment by banks, trust and insurance companies of \$25,000,000 of the \$36,000,000 in loans made them by the RFC.

Land sales nearly doubled over the previous year.

Increase in implement sales of between 400 and 500 per cent reported by midwestern dealers.

Automobile sales in Nebraska increased 116 per cent in 1935 over 1933.

Sale of commercial cars in Nebraska increased 153 per cent in 1935 over 1933.

Increase of 30 per cent in theater patronage between 1933 and 1935.

Gain of 30 per cent in typewriter sales.

Increase of 29 per cent in hotel room occupancy.

Gain of 26 per cent in railroad passenger revenue.

Gain of 53 per cent in bank clearings.



HOUSEHOLD CLUB

during the 1934-35 school year, of which \$14,555,149 was raised by tax ation.

In his annual report to the governor, Taylor said the schools spent \$599,574 more last year than they did during the 1933-34 school year, but \$2,422,231 less than in 1932-33. Expenditures 10 years ago totaled \$26,541,121.

Taylor made the following comparisons of the average annual salary paid school teachers:

Table with 5 columns: Category, 34-35, 33-34, 32-33, 25-26. Rows include City, Men, Women, Rural, Men.

His report showed the average annual salary paid the 1,518 men teaching in city and village schools decreased \$514 in the last nine years, while the average salary paid the 6,937 women teaching in urban schools has decreased \$308 in the same period.

In rural schools the salary cuts have been more drastic, Taylor's report showed. The 375 men teaching in rural schools last year draw an average salary of \$473, while the 364 men who taught during the 1925-26 school year received an average salary of \$797.

Taylor said 312,355 of the 415,634 children of school age in the state were enrolled in schools last year. The average daily attendance was 275,308 students.

Pledges To Keep Men Busy Lincoln — D. F. Felton, state works progress administration chief, recently assured Nebraskans every effort would be made to prevent staff cuts and reduced appropriations from harming the big job drive.

Felton said with A. D. Morrill, state project engineer, on the job in Omaha as acting district administrator, he felt "sure there will be no trouble in District 2" and that other districts also would cooperate in keeping WPA employment at the highest possible level.

VOGUE FOR VELVETS CAPTIVATES YOUTH

The vogue of velvet is not confined to dresses and millinery for grown-ups, but is also quite the rage in the realm of juveniles and young children's clothes.

Little boys and girls from two years old have their velvet suits and dresses and the medieval inspiration which characterized the haute couture this season is just as noticeable in children's clothes.

These little velvet dresses in transparent bright rayon velvet, as well as in dull short-piled qualities, show high waistlines after the old-fashioned Italian styles, with honeycomb work and large stiff collars in Venetian lace or in heavy rayon guipure, inspired by the Florentine school.

White Velvet Is Used to Take Place of Lingerie

White velvet, silk, cotton or ribbed, often takes the place of white lingerie, pique or linen, for white touches on dark frocks, particularly black. At Mouna Katarza's there is a charming collar to wear with a round-necked black frock. It is made of three rows of white velvet petals, narrow and pointed, mounted on chiffon, and worn flat around the neck at the base of the throat.

At Judith Barber's (famous for her artificial flowers and neckwear) there are several new ideas in white velvet. One is a round collar with a mass of white petals, rose-petals, in front; another is made of white ribbed velvet, a round collar with a turnover triangle in front stitched in arabesques of silver thread.

New Winter Coats Some stunning new winter coats feature black or wine red wool wrapped smoothly around the figure. They are held to a straight slender line by big frog fastenings or crushed leather belts six inches wide and are topped by high collars of silver fox or nutria rising almost to the ears.

The Ladies' Household Club held its first anniversary meeting on Monday, Dec. 30th, at the residence of the president, Mrs. R. Thomas, 3115 Burdette St., with the following program: Instrumental Solo

Reading Mrs. R. Blackston Mrs. Lee Hill Song—"We Are Pressing On" Club

Talk—"Loyalty" Mrs C. H. Payton Paper—"Goodwill" Mrs J. D. Foster

Echoes coming from Mr. R. Thomas and Mr. Randall Blackston were wonderful. They told us just what the club meant to them.

A five course luncheon was served, covers having been laid for fourteen. The house was decorated with the club colors—blue and white, with a center piece of orange and white.

All went away declaring Mrs. Thomas to be an ideal hostess. The sick are Mrs. F. Thomas, Mrs. King and Mrs. Morris. We hope for them a speedy recovery.

THE FRIENDLY SIXTEEN BRIDGE CLUB

The Club met Jan. 6, at the cozy apartment of Mr. Sam Weed 2434 Grant, with Mr. G. Weed as host. After a brief business meeting there were three changes at contract bridge played with Mr. C. L. Ball and Mr. G. Avant as winners. The Club will meet Monday Jan. 13th with Mr. Sam Weed, 2434 Grant.

A very lovely repast was served. M. G. Avant, Pres. R. F. Adams, Rep.

THE LADIES SOCIAL BRIDGE CLUB

The Ladies Social Bridge Club met with Mrs. Sullivan on Jan. 2, 1936. First prize was won by Mrs. Kinkaid, booty by Mrs. Henry. Everyone enjoyed the dance at the Masonic hall Dec. 28th, which was attended by many couples.

Mrs. Sullivan, Pres. Mrs. Kincaid, Reporter

THE CRITIC CLUB

Henry L. Levels, Correspondent Gloom and Sorrow veiled several members of the club in their last weekly meeting held at the Urban League Center. The cause—Mr. Henry Robert Thomas, president of The Critic Club, was departing for the University of Minnesota "without a word of warning." Mr. Thomas will do graduate work in English literature.

Members of the club escorted Mr. Thomas to the spot. Many regrets were spoken, however, he finally left in the midst of three cheers. We believe that Omaha in parts shall feel the loss of this talented young man. Mr. Roy Gordon, vice-president of the club is to succeed him. Another vice president will be elected at the next meeting.

Mr. Bernard Squires acted as master of ceremonies in the club's recent debate. The judges were Attorney Bryant; Editor Horton and Mr. Carey.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for the sympathy shown in the death of our wife and mother, Mrs. Pauline Harbin Smith and for the beautiful floral offering. George Smith, Husband. Willette Bates Georgia Warner Preston and Johnnie Harbin, Children.