

# IN WOMAN'S REALITY

## HINTS FOR EVENING GOWNS

Diaphanous Mousselines and Chiffons Popular but Not Frivolous.

MORE SUBSTANTIAL STUFFS MUCH USED

Bordered Materials of Sheer Silky Class Greatly Liked—Lines of Bodice and Skirt.

For evening wear the most diaphanous of mousselines and chiffons are appropriate, but more serviceable evening frocks are by no means wanting. Lingerie frocks of finest batiste, exquisitely embroidered and lace trimmed are among the evening frocks for summer wear, and few things are as charming for the purpose; but the really successful lingerie frock is a more expensive thing than the ordinary evening frock, and as it is usually quite outside of the province of the laundress, the problem of

extremely popular both in décolleté frocks and in high necked frocks and one of the marked details of the season's modes is the tendency to duplicate bodice front lines in the back of the bodice. The bodice material is cut down as low in the back as in front and filled in, as is the front, with contrasting material, though of course flat back lines are maintained.

For example, the charming French frock of rose silk mousseline pictured in the central sketch has surplus folds front and back, the V opening almost to the girdle and filled in by a fine lace tucker. The management of this surplus drapery with its frills of lace and tiny roses is an original detail and, like drapery, trims the skirt cleverly.

The plain crepes and thin silks are offered in wonderfully beautiful qualities and colorings and are available for evening frocks, both lovely and serviceable, and the note is long. Some very attractive French dancing frocks which have been brought over by importers are in rather coarse silk flannel net of pale tints, trimmed in flannel lace bands of the same tint as the net and in frills of some fine cream lace, such as valenciennes. Lines and knots of taffeta



A GOWN OF "ROSE DE CHINE" TAFFETA AND VALENCIENNES, AN EMPIRE FROCK OF PINK MOUTSINE, AND A POMPADOUR COSTUME OF FLOWERED SILK AND NET.

Keeping it fresh and clean is as serious as though it were of sheer silken stuff.

Nothing could be prettier for the informal summer evening frock than one of the one-piece gowns of balliste or mail trimmed in manifold of tiny tucks and countless rows of insect Valenciennes insertion. These are made upon the simplest lines, cut slightly low at the neck and finished at neck and sleeves by frills of narrow valenciennes, but worn over a china silk slip and by a pretty girl the decoratively simple little frocks are altogether delightful. Of the more ornate lingerie frocks rich in hand embroidery we have already spoken, but these are made up for day wear more than for evening.

For hand service evening use a chiffon taffeta of very simple quality is an excellent thing and warrants to keep its freshness and shapeliness even in seashore dampness or evening dew. By putting enough lace chiffon or tulle about the bodice the heavy effect, which is taffeta's chief reproach in the sphere of evening frocks, can be done away with; and now that the fine taffetas are so thin and soft even that device is hardly necessary.

One of the evening frocks sketched for the group was of taffeta and was remarkably successful. The color was a lovely rose petal pink, and the lines of the model, though simple, were admirable. The skirt has a petticoat of valenciennes, the overskirt being finished at the edge by lines of very narrow pink and gold galloon and narrow plaitings of the pink taffeta. Similar trimming edges the round neck of the bodice, which is cut quite low in front to show a tucker of valenciennes. Sleeves and bodice are cut in one, with armholes running down quite to the girdle.

Not so practical, yet calculated to stand considerable hand wear, was the evening frock with skirt of net, lace or pompadour silk bordered by tiny galloon of black and gold. The arrangement of the ribbon and rose trimming upon the skirt of this model was very effective, the blue of the ribbon and the pink of the tiny roses echoing the coloring of the pompadour design, while the net and the ground of the silk were white.

### Bordered Materials.

Bordered materials of the sheer silky class are greatly liked for evening wear, and many of these obtain their effects in the simplest of ways. The skirt is full and plain, with the exquisite border at bottom for its only trimming.

The bodice opens in a V to the girdle front and back, with the border outlining the V. The stuff is usually draped on the shoulder and drawn softly in the girdle, and this shoulder drapery is likely to extend over a softer puff sleeve and to show a bordered edge. The bodice V, front and back, is filled in with net, lace or tulle. The little short sleeves are perhaps of the same material. There is a girdle which repeats the coloring in the border, and there is a frock not too subtle for the clever dressmaker's ability, as she be at all clever, yet immediately effective.

Often a line of plain color satin or silk borders the bodice V and appears upon the other borders of the frock, and occasionally this line is of black, contrasting sharply yet attractively with the delicate tinting of the material. Hems of plain black silk mousseline are set on the colored borders with irregular lines of handsome lace and finishing all the borders of the frock. The surplus or V shape corsage lines are

## WORK OF THE CLUB WOMEN

Local Organizations Preparing to Adjourn Until Autumn.

OMAHA WOMAN'S CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

All Former Incumbents Returned for Second Term—Interesting Facts Concerning Women Presented at Industrial Exhibit.

The secretary did most of the work at Monday afternoon's meeting of the Omaha Woman's club, when for one officer after another she cast the unanimous ballot of the club for re-election. Mrs. Draper Smith, first vice president, was the one exception, she declining re-election, and Mrs. J. H. Dumont was elected in her place. Mrs. Smith declined on the ground that it was unwise to have the terms of the executive committee expire at one time, as they do where the entire committee is re-elected for a second term. The first desire of the club was demonstrated when Mrs. A. B. Somers' name was placed in nomination for re-election to the presidency. A motion was made that the secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the club. In a moment a score or more members were on their feet seconding the motion, while the remainder of the club applauded vigorously. One after another, with the exception of Mrs. Smith, the other officers were returned to a second term. Mrs. A. L. Sheets as second vice president, Mrs. D. M. Cameron as recording secretary, Mrs. W. H. Hancock as corresponding secretary, and Mrs. J. W. Alkon as treasurer. The assistant treasurer is appointed by the treasurer and the appointment confirmed by the executive.

The following chairmen of standing committees were also elected: Auditing committee, Mrs. C. E. Sumner; constitution, Mrs. W. F. Hill; courtesies, Mrs. Judge Elliott; house and home, Mrs. Henry MacDonald; Mrs. George Tilden, Mrs. H. P. Hamilton and Miss Samantha R. Davis were elected members of the library committee and Mrs. S. A. Collins, Mrs. C. W. Hayes, Mrs. C. B. Coon, Mrs. M. J. Matthews and Mrs. George Boser members of the membership committee.

Lecture to Be Aided. After the election the club decided to cooperate with Superintendent Davidson and the teachers in bringing Dr. F. H. Clarke of the department of public speaking of the University of Chicago to Omaha some time in the fall. The club will give a series of lectures on some phase of the educational value of literature.

A change in the date of the lecture on forestry by Enos Mills, from April 24 to Tuesday evening, April 23, was announced. An informal reception will follow the address. Following the lecture, Judge Sibbald addressed the club on the public playground and the work of the Civic Improvement league and invited the women to attend the distribution of seeds to be made at Mitchell chapel, just east of the Union station, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Women in Industry. Among the most interesting chart illustrations at the recent industrial exhibit at Chicago concerned the domestic service question and following are some of the curious, but little-known facts brought out: One out of every fifteen women in Massachusetts does housework for pay. Out of the women in the almshouses of the United States who were interviewed, 78 per cent were domestic workers, while only 4 per cent were dress-makers or milliners. The Domestic Reform league last year had applications from 3,000 employers wanting help, and from only 4,000 servants. The "plum" of the year for general housework may be in part accounted for by another chart, showing the comparative hours of labor of women in various occupations. The average woman's work is limited by law to fifty-eight hours a week, investigation showed that the average woman working for general housework gets eighty-three hours and twenty minutes; or cooks, eighty-six and a half; and dress-makers, eighty-nine hours and thirty minutes.

Some Further Facts. The Women's Trade Union league of Massachusetts furnished another of the interesting series of charts. It showed the number of trade disputes settled by arbitration, through the efforts of the unions, without a strike. In some of the best organized trades there has not been a strike for years. The educational effect of the unions was also shown, and their important work in bringing immigrants of varied nationalities into mutual sympathy and co-operation. Thus the English, Scotch, French and Spanish lace-makers have an international trade-union card admitting the members of the foreign unions to those in America when they come here. Immigrants from the Norwegian, Danish, Swedish, German, Dutch, Swiss, Italian, Austrian and Hungarian bricklayers.

One graphic chart showed the nationalities of the women employed in our textile industries, and the change going on year by year. The Englishwoman (dressed in red) growing smaller and smaller; the Irishwoman (in green) growing far larger and then smaller; the French Canadian (in blue) swelling to huge proportions, and then beginning to lessen, with the Portuguese, Italian, Polish, Russian, Greek, Britan and Armenian women coming up in their turn.

Club Notes. Several departments of the Omaha Woman's club will hold their last meeting and elect officers for the coming year this week. The musical department will give a brief program Thursday at 7:30, followed by an informal social hour. The current topics department will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The household economics department will hold its last meeting Thursday morning at 10 o'clock and the American history department will hold its final meeting for the year Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the club rooms.

The new constitution of Oklahoma especially provides that a woman may be chairman of the state board of charities and correction.

Fencing For Development. There is no better exercise for all around development of women than fencing, but women generally are only beginning to realize its possibilities. Sufferers from poor circulation, narrow chests, obesity, scrawny shoulders and necks and stooped shoulders consult the "beauty" and other specialists regularly, diet and take freak exercises and with only half satisfactory results. Fencing is one of the exercises that may be indulged in without any risk. The beginner readily recognizes her progress and its competitive feature lends the art a fascination that relieves it of any monotony or drudgery. What fencing will do for a woman may be readily determined by systematic muscular measurement. It calls into play every muscle of the body which, combined with the mental stress, is ideal development. Its value is especially recognized by actresses and steno-graphists and practically all of them are accomplished in the use of the foil.

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## POLICE BOARD ORGANIZES

Goes Slow at Its First Meeting and Talks Nothing but Routine Business.

## POINTERS ON SUNDAY CLOSING MATTER

No Action Taken but Remarks which Are Dropped Indicate the Lid Will Remain Down Possibly Tighter Than Ever.

The new Board of Fire and Police commissioners appointed by Governor Sheldon for the city of Omaha, composed of John L. Kennedy, Robert Cowell, E. C. Page and W. M. Giffel, held its initial meeting Monday evening in the board rooms at the city hall, with all members present and Mayor Dahlman in the chair. Business began with perfecting the organization, Mr. Kennedy being elected chairman pro tem, Mr. Page secretary and Mr. Cowell assistant secretary to act in the absence of Mr. Page.

The board was then ready to wade into the mass of business that had accumulated since the last meeting of the old board, but it was rather slow going until the ropes were learned.

There was a goodly crowd present to witness the opening meeting, and many were curious to glean some idea of the probable attitude of the new commissioners in certain directions, but there was little in the proceedings to show which way the wind is to blow. There was noticeable among the members, however, particular interest when the matter of the sale of liquor on Sundays arose and an interchange of laudatory remarks, even before the license board met.

The subject came up when the new ordinance on the sale of liquors by drug stores was read, and Chief of Police Donahue was asked a number of questions regarding the situation in Omaha, as affected by the Slocumb law and the efforts toward its enforcement. The chief informed the board that druggists had been arrested for selling liquor on Sunday, but all released who pleaded not guilty; that clubs sell liquor to members at any time, and, the chief added, "I suppose the resort houses do."

Attitude on Sunday Closing. "You suppose they do. I suppose that can be got at," said Mr. Kennedy, laughing, the whole room following suit. "Yes," answered the chief in the same vein, "I guess that can be ascertained easily."

The evidence of good cheer and friendly feeling continued after this rally, when Mr. Page remarked with the same clarity of manner: "Maybe it is the pleasure of this board that it be ascertained. At least it is mine."

These were the only remarks which could be construed to display the position of any member of the board, but that all took a lively interest in the subject of the sale of liquor on Sunday were plainly manifest when, following the reading of the drug store ordinance and reports by Chief Donahue of arrests made under the Slocumb law, lengthy discussions were held as to what the law really provides, and the members expressed their intention of reading up on all matters pertaining to liquor selling.

The usual routine business was gone through carefully. Several applications from firemen for annual leave were granted and sick benefits from both firemen's and policemen's relief funds approved. The matter of allowing the monthly bills was held over until the next meeting.

Bemis Park Wants Patrol Boxes. A communication from Bemis park residents was read in which the board was requested to place two patrol boxes in the district for the use of a private watchman recently secured and paid for by the residents, and this brought up the matter of renewing the alarm system contract with the Nebraska Telephone company, which expires June 1. The annual charge of \$500, with extra charge for additional instruments, and \$125 each for installing new alarm boxes, seemed excessive to some of the members, and Commissioners Kennedy and Page were appointed a committee to investigate the new five-year contract tendered by the telephone company and report at the next meeting. The boxes for Bemis park will then be passed upon.

An application for a saloon license for 2872 Leavenworth was at first rejected on the ground that the policy of the old board to grant no new licenses will be followed by the new body, but upon the representation of a member of the Krug Brewing company, who sought the license for Hans P. Hanson, that it is an old location, Commissioners Cowell and Giffel were appointed a committee to investigate the place.

The charges against Patrolman E. R. Smith, under suspension, of having struck a woman, came up for hearing, but on the request of Smith was postponed one week to April 17, as it was necessary for him to be here by April 15 to testify in connection with some technicality, he declared null.

## SCHOOL BOARD WANTS LIGHT

Asks its Attorney for Interpretation of the Child Labor Law.

## OBJECTION TO PAY ENTERTAINMENTS

Treasurer Parker Resigns and Board Adopts Resolution Thanking Him for His Services During the Last Five Years.

During last evening's meeting of the Board of Education Member McCague offered a resolution directing C. E. Herrington, attorney for the board, to submit at an early date an interpretation of the new child labor law, the interpretation to embody these points in particular: First, general scope of the law; second, its application to general powers and duties of the Board of Education; third, application and relation to the trustee officer law; fourth, duties and limitations of the board under the new law. Mr. McCague explained that there had been some question raised as to the responsibilities of the board under the provisions of this new law. The resolution was adopted.

A personal request from a civil war captain to give entertainments in the public schools, with a stipulated sum for himself and the children to sell the tickets, brought out a short discussion on the general question of permitting pay entertainments of any character in public schools. Member Lindsay led in opposing the permission of any entertainments to which an admission fee is charged and offered a resolution to this effect, but later withdrew the resolution on the suggestion that the board take up each instance on its merits. Member Maynard then made a motion, which carried, that the entertainment under consideration be not allowed in the schools. Mr. Lindsay declared in vigorous terms that most of these pay entertainments in public schools were not wise, in that the children frequently met unwilling buyers who would not resist the entreaties of a child.

Trust Officer Resigns. The resignation of William Parker as trustee officer was accepted and the application of A. S. Vosburgh for the position referred to Commissioner on special instruction. Mr. Parker served five years as trustee officer and has accepted the position as membership secretary of the Young Men's Christian association. On the suggestion of Member Rice the members gave Mr. Parker a rousing vote of thanks for what was termed his efficient services as trustee officer.

The officers of George Crook post No. 262, Grand Army of the Republic, extended the board an invitation to attend the Memorial day exercises and asked that the High school cadets and band participate in the program. This was accepted.

The resignation of Miss Pearl Lester as teacher in the Walnut Hill school was accepted. C. H. Fuller, whose eye was injured some time ago while working in the high school, was allowed \$100 salary and his services continued as an employee.

Superintendent Davidson brought up the matter of Arbor day, April 22. The board voted to close the schools on the afternoon of that day. Tree planting exercises will be held at the various schools on the morning of Arbor day in accordance with custom.

Stage Robbery Story Denied. HELENA, Mont., April 15.—That the Zortman stage was robbed of \$2,000 by a lone highwayman last night is authoritatively denied by officials in this city of the mining company to which it was said the money was being shipped. H. D. Phillips of Helena is the owner of the only mine of consequence in that section, and his representatives carried most of the money. The stage may have been robbed, but the only valuable carried must have been consignments from Malta to cash the checks.

DIAMONDS—Frenser, 15th and Dodge.

## NEW COUNCILMAN IN HURRY

St. Louis Man Rushes Home in an Effort to Qualify for Office.

ST. LOUIS, April 15.—Albert B. Lambert, who was recently elected to the city council, is speeding home from Paris in order to qualify and occupy his seat when the newly elected body meets next afternoon. Mr. Lambert recently went to Paris in the interests of the international balloon races to be held here in October. While absent he was elected to the council. He was notified of his election by cablegram and told that it was necessary for him to be here by April 15 to testify in connection with some technicality, he declared null.

Correction. The services over the remains of Mr. Terence Brady will be held Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock, instead of Tuesday, as previously announced.

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