YORK OF THE WOMEN'S CLUBS

ederation Would Raise Legal Majority for Girls to Twenty-One Years.

ENTERTAINING THE DISTRICT

Benefits More General When Responsibility of District Conventions in Assumed by Clubs of Smaller Communities.

At the recent meeting of the executive and not impose too much upon the larger Associated Charities, will give a report of towns. It was pointed out that as the the recent national conference of Charities larger towns must bear the responsibility and Corrections. of ontertaining the state conventions they should not be expected to entertain the the excuse being that with strong organiis not as great as in the smaller towns; by meeting in the larger places, as the women will combine business with pleasure their shopping as well as attending the meetings. Unquestionably this is an advantage from the standpoint of the individual, but not from that of the federa-

The whole matter is well summed up in

the argument of one of the district vice presidents: "The small towns need the district meetings and they mean little and sometimes nothing to the larger towns." To begin with, the clubs of the larger towns are too frequently heavily taxed with demands of their own immediate communities that call for the expenditure of time, strength and money. While it seloccurs that the big clubs are not wlad to entertain the district meeting it is fact that this meeting is only another tax that brings comparatively little return. The program, good though it may be, affords little that the women of the larger towns have not many other opportunities of hearing while the men-that element so desirable to reach-never come out. Then, too, the opportunity for shopping is difficult for most women to resist and proves distracting if not monopolising. On the other hand, the district convention or any other meeting of its character is always an inspiration to a smaller community. Bringing as it does speakers upon subjects of interest to all, its programs attract the men as well as the women and so attain their fullest educational usefulness. A district convention is one of the best things known to revive a declining club in a small town and it frequently extends its inspiration to adjoining towns. There is always more sociability; there is always closer touch with results that extend to the whole district. Legal Majority for Women.

The California Federation of Women's clubs is working to have the age of legal majority made the same for women as for men. At present a girl becomes of age at 18 years, while the boy is a minor until he is 21. The injustice as well as the danger of this plan has been brought to the attention of the women by Secretary d from the authority of too often the easy victims of unscrupulous men, especially when they have property. insurance policy is usually made out to his serves-strawberries, cherries, peach and the age of majority, has no claim upon any steady oven. share of it."

This matter is also receiving the attention of clubs and federations of other states, especially those that have taken active interest in Suvenile legislation. In attaining her legal majority at 18, the wayward girl has afforded a serious problem to those who are trying to help her, for being released from authority at 18, when still incompetent to judge for herself, she was asked by a woman the other day at too frequently drifts back to her unwhole-

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and improvements, made for Christman trade, \$186, \$190, \$210, \$365 to \$180. These have been retailing all over the United States, at \$250, 15to, 4050 and up to \$475. Terms: \$18 to \$20 down and \$5 to \$18 monthly. We also have a very fine assertment of eligibily used and sample upright planes on which the prious have been out to the very bottom. Hetey & Camp. Grown and Elimbell, shokes. \$180.00; Stromer, \$185; Wheeleck, \$190; Mardinan, Kinkle, Ludwig and others at prices to insure quick sala. Call early and got larger choice. Buy fer

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some environment and influences from which she cannot be restrained. Society of Fine Arts.

The Society of Pine Arts will meet Thursday morning; December 5, at 10 o'clock in the library, Mrs. A. W. Bowman to be the leader of the day. Van Dyck will be the artist studied and several of his pictures will be described by Mrs. A. W. Jeffris, Mrs. F. H. Cole, Mrs. Edward Johnson and Miss Mary Summer. A discussion of his style will be participated in by Mrs. J. W. Griffith, Mrs. M. B. Lowrie, Mrs. T. W. Russell, Miss Lida Wilson, Mrs. Charles Johannes, Mrs. Warren Blackwell and Mrs. C. M. Fowler.

The civil service reform committee will mmittee of the Nebraska Pederation of present the program at Monday afternoon's Women's clubs held at Lincoln one of the open meeting of the Woman's club. Andrew points most strongly emphasized in the Rosewater will give an address on "Municiplans for strengthening the district or pal Civil Service Reform," and Miss Keys ganization was the duty of the smaller will give a reading. During the business towns to entertain the district meetings hour S. P. Morris, secretary of the local

Waman's Clab.

Secret of Happiness.

The secret of happiness in every life is district meetings as well. In some of the to be doing what you feel you can do best, districts the disposition has been to expect and to have your own inglenook. To do too much of the larger clubs and towns, what you can do best includes the entire gamut, from housekeeper to social queen, zations and good places of meeting the tax though I should like to turn the gamut upside down by putting the homemaker at also that a larger attendance is insured the top instead of the bottom of the scale-Your own inglenook you must have, married or single, if you would take into your and embrace the opportunity for doing life all the happiness it owes the community.-Pall Mall Magazine.

> HOME-MADE CHRISTMAS GIFTS Suggestions for the Ingenious Woman with Little Money to Spend.

> The woman of limited means need not necessarily be deprived the pleasure of making Christmas gifts if she is ingenious. There are numerous very acceptable things she can make for her friends. Even if she tions for dainty gifts that will have the ordinary. Following are suggestions for Christmas gifts:

> Coffee Fudge-Boil together two cupfuls of granulated sugar and one cupful of strong coffee. Add either one teaspoonful of butter or one tablespoonful of rich cream. Boll until a spoonful of the candy fire, beat hard with a big spoon until the candy begins to grow stiff, quickly beat in and not well known.

Orange Marmalade-Silice very thin, rind one lemon. Pour over the sliced fruit eleven tumblers of cold water, and set away for twenty-four hours. Then boll slowly for one hour. After boiling, add four pounds of graulated sugar, and set cide. away for twenty-four hours longer, then boil for one hour and twenty minutes, or This amount will fill eight glasses, Cover with paraffine, The total cost of the marmalade is not more than 75 cents, glasses included, and here are eight presents provided for that ridiculous small

Fruit Cake-Cream together one and onehalf cupfuls of powdered sugar and one cupful of butter. Add the well beaten yolks and Correction. He has urged the need of of sifted flour, one-half teaspoonful of rental cases, of course, will be pushed to protecting girls between 18 and 21, which ground cloves and one teaspoonful each of a hearing at as early date as practicable period, he asserts, is the most dangerous in powdered cinnamon and nutmeg. Then and the city will pay interest on the add the stiffly beaten whites parents or guardian while not yet able to and another cupful of flour. Add one-half stand alone," he said, "trusting the world pound of raisins, seeded and chopped, onebecause ignorant of its ways, our girls are half pound of currants, one-fourth of a pound of citron, one-half cupful of chopped almonds and a little chopped orange peel. One curious way in which the present law All these had been dredged with flour. As often works against women is that a man's a last touch add a cupful of mixed preminor children. In this way the son who quince-all chopped and well drained of may be nearly it gets the benefit of his their sirup. Divide the fruit cake dough father's insurance money, while the daugh- equally in four small pans, steam for one ter who is younger than he but has passed hour, then bake for half an hour in a

> TAKING OUT A TIGHT CORK Simple Way Out of Troublesome Difficulty that Anyone May Follow.

"De you know how to take a tight cork out of a bottle without a corkscrew?" a gossip party. "It's a mighty good thing

to know in an emergency. "My sister and I were coming back from the mountains last week and she got faint on the cars. I had a bottle of aromatic spirits of ammonia in my bag, but when I tried to get the cork out, it simply wouldn't budge.

"'Let me take it out for you,' suggested a man across the siste.

"Then borrowing my pocket knife and using his own with it he removed the cork in a jiffy. He inserted the blades on opposite sides between the bottle and the careful not to discourage them in any way cork, each one turned in a different direction. Then when the blades were firmly pushed in he simply pressed the two together, gave them a wrench sideways and the cork came out without any trouble. I teacher. If you feel that you cannot conhave since tried it on larger bottles with scientiously work in accord with the teachthe same success. It is a trick worth er of your child then make a change. knowing.

KEEPING THE PILLOW SMOOTH only one wan to realize—cut prices—first Little Trick that Does Away with Ne- it cannot make the average progress, then nessity for Patent Devices.

> "I thought I knew everything about housekeeping the other day, but the last trip I made to Boston the maid in the hotel put me on to a new wrinkle in making beds, or rather in setting up pillows.

"I have always thought that placing a dillow properly was one of the most dirficult things imaginable, for unless it was stuffed pretty full, wrinkles were bound to show in the alip. But the way the hotel maid did was to take the pillow by two corners, the long way, and shake the feathers, down well.

"Then, still retaining held of the ends. she laid the pillow on the bed, the edge coming to where the pillow would naturally lie. Then she turned it right back in place. "This left all the extra fullness in the slip beneath the pillow and out of sight, while the pillow itself presented a smooth unbroken surface. Certainly this method ands materially to the appearance of the hed and I was glad to know how it was

Panama Now the Place.

Pansma, now, not Oklahoma, that is the place for the spinster to go, according to Miss Gertrude Books, a secretary of the civic federation, who has just returned from the canal sone. It is in the new towns and communities along the line of the big canal that the old maid is to have her naing if she dares venture so far from house. Trained nurses, temohers, sten-ographers and telephone operators are useded. Homployes get not only good pay, but quarters as well. Then there is the chance of a husband.

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COMMENT ON HYDRANT CASE

Issue at Retrial.

DECISIVE, SAYS HALL

Attorney for Water Company Declares Opinion is Conclusive on All Material Points Raised in Controversy.

Attorneys for the Water board were not ready to discuss the opinion in the hydrant rentals case Saturday morning, both John L. Webster and C. C. Wright pleading they had not familiarized themselves with it sufficient to comment upon it.

"I cannot tell yet just what we will do." said Mr. Wright. "Of course, the case will have to be tried again in this court and at the new trial we may raise some new issues not raised in the former trial | I am not familiar with the opinion and do not know just how conclusive it is. We will take the matter up and decide our course some time before the case comes up for retrial next spring."

"I have not seen the opinion yet," said John L. Webster, "and I cannot comment upon it until I have given it careful consideration. Just now I am working on the case relating to the purchase of the plant and I will not give much attention to this case until the other one is disposed of."

R. Beecher Howell of the Water board sald he had not seen the decision Saturday morning and had no comment to make upon it. He said while it was a matter largely for the attorneys, the water board would probably discuss it at its next meet-

Hall Discusses Beetsless.

R. S. Hall, attorney for the water company, in commenting upon the case, said: "The opinion of the circuit court of apbe not skilled with her needle a review of peals on the hydrant rental case is decisive almost any cook book will provide sugges- of the matters in controversy. It, in effect, settles that the city shall pay the additional attraction of being out of the bydrant rental and interest at 7 per cent from the time of default. This will be insweetmeats that would prove acceptable terest on several hundred thousand dollars, as there are suits and bills due for that large an amount, and in a very short time @ a new suit will be commenced for the hydrant rentals which fall due on January L |

"The opinion, however strong it may be on the matters in controversy, is even more stiffens when beaten. Then take from the suggestive in respect to matters which the suggestive in respect to matters which the court speak about than that which they deolde; for instance, the court, on page 6 one cupful of broken shellbark or pecan lays special emphasis and italicizes the fact nut meats, and pour out into a buttered that the city by the act of 1808 specifically tin. This is an extremely toothsome candy procured the legislature to deprive it of the right to pay its debts by repealing every provision of law for the levy and and all, three large seedless oranges and collection of taxes for hydrant rentals, This emphasis can have but one meaning. The court, however, did not find it necessary to pass upon the question, as it was settled by other matters which it did de-

"One matter decided in the opinion and of special importance in relation to the perhaps a little longer. Pour into jelly attitude of the Water board in its suit with the city, is given in this language: "A municipal corporation, in respect of its purely business relations as distinguished from those that are governmental, is held to the same standard of just dealing that the law exacts of private individuals."

"Under that rule the city, like any other person, is obliged to pay for the water which it receives and for the service which Gates of the State Department of Charities of six eggs and one fourth cupfuls | the water company renders. The hydrant amount which will be due, including that which falls due on the first day of Janunry, is \$380,000."

THINGS MOTHER SHOULD KNOW List of Questions Suggested by Those Who Have Dealings with the Child.

Is your child doing well at school? If not, then why? Are you sure that you are doing your share of the work by sending it there in proper condition, physically and mentally,

to do what is expected of the average girl or boy? Has it time to eat a comfertable, nourishing breakfast before it leaves in the morn-

Are you sure that its eyes are in perfect

Does it breathe through its nose and not through its mouth? Do you see that it has plenty of sleep in a well ventilated room? Ten hours is not

too much for a growing child who is study-

Don't coddle your child, but make sure that it is in good shape. No one works well who does not feel well, and it is not fair

to expect it. Have you trained your child to obedience? Have you taught it deference to those in

Do you instill respect for the teachers into its mind by your example? Are you Do you uphold authority? An idle slighting remark you make about a teacher can easily influence your child and make it unnecessarily hard for both scholar and Do not go on disagreeing, it is not fair to

other of them. When you are satisfied yourself that you send a healthy, obedient child to school and see what is the matter with the teacher or the system.

New Hat Pins. Most curious are the new hat pins this

fall. For the heads of the pine-there are two in each set and they are supposed to be worn on opposite sides of the hat-are ery correct imitations of birds of some Birt. Owls seem to be the favorites. Made in feathers with imitation yellow gines eyes, they are certainly odd and to the average masculine mind, most distracting. However, it really doesn't seem that anything short of a spread eagle as a top plece millinery.



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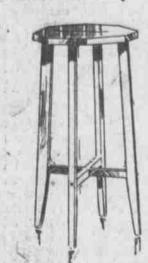
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Just Treatment. "The colored man of the south is get ing along in proportion as he behaves himself," says Rev. William Beckham, S. tist convention and head of the largest

Race is Suffering No Un-

T. D., field secretary of the National Bappublication house, by whites or blacks, in Dixle, and one of the leading men of the south. Hey. Mr. Beckham resides in Nashville. Tenn., where his publication house is located, and where he is also president of a bank. His publication house consists of seven well equipped buildings, employs 200 clerks and supplies 22,000 Sunday schools, whereas ten years ago, when it started, it had one clerk and supplied 200 Sanday "I was born and reared in the south

have lived there all my life, and I can say that I have always found the orderly, well behaved and industrious negro got along just as well as the orderly, well-behaved and industrious white man, no better and no worse," said Rev. Mr. Beckham. "Too much is said of how the negroes of the south are mistreated. They have their case could astoniah one this fall in the way of in their own hands and when they go along and attend to their own business. live clean lives and make a living for themselves, they get along just as well as they do up here or anywhere else.

> "The south is progressing and the southern negro is progressing. Negroes own and conduct thirty-five panks in the south today; many educational and publoation institutions, and in the city of Jacksonville, Pla., they own one street car line, a silk factory in North Carolina and many other industrial institutions. The southern people want them to progress and are helping them to do it. The negro has discovered his chance and embraced it and is on the upward march. "Prohibition recently adopted in some southern states will work a beneficent influence. Of course we have a low white class and a low black class, and they need the temptation of drink removed from them. The decent white man and ment of each afternoon, Still, society the decent black man halls this referm as shock off a little of its lightesmess in the

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make a very

Semblance of Elaboration is Barred. Never surely did the designers achieve effects of simplicity through such complex elaboration as that of which they now make use. A frock may represent unlimited hand work and skill, but any hint of fussiness bars it from success. To trim extravagantly without suggestion of overtrimming seems to be the dressmaker's

pet problem at present. Embroidered net of one sort or another is used upon everything from velvet to gause, and it seems that hardly a fronk of any pretention is without at least a slight touch of gold or silver in embroidery buttons, braid, lace, not, tassels, grelots,

or what you will The heavy filet net in silver or gold embroidered in color is effectively used many frocks but in very descreet quantities and seems especially liked in what, for tack of a better term, is called a tucker. Many of the fashionable blouses have s very low cut V or U in front and as the transparent tint cannot very well be con tinued to the lower line of this open ing, or at least would not look well if so entinued, it is customary to fill the opening up to a rational guimpe line with some

heavier trimming. Heavy lace is often used, but the favorite naterial is heavily embroidered net or some times embroidered velvet or satin. Often this will be the only bit of handsome mbroidery or vivid color on the gown, and when successful it adds immensely to the smartness of the bodice.

ROLLER SKATING REVIVED Mrs. John Jacob Astor Gives Approval Which Accounts for Its

Popularity. Roller skating is to be placed on an or-ganized feeting by Mrs. John Jacob Astor and other prominent followers of the sport this winter. In fact, there is a prospect of the fashionable world in New York giving itself with enthusiasm to athletic diversion of various kinds, for many women have made known their intention of playing indoor tennis, and, of course, society will follow the lead of the duchess of Marlborough and Mrs. Clarence Mackay and engage itself with diabolo.

The roller skating fad was the happy thought of Mrs. Astor last season, and for several months she and a desen friends were constant in their attendance every Monday at an uptown rink. On these oc casions the common people were barred and tea was a rather mollyooddle attachsport. Before the spring migration to coun-Rev. Mr. Beckham, a splendid type of try houses or to Europe the pioneer band the physical and intellectual man, will had been recruited to a full two ecore and speak Eunday afternoon at the Mutual all save a few of the total were women interest club's meeting at Zion Baptist who were supposed to have become en-church, Twenty-third and Grant streets.





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