



By MELLIFICIA—Feb. 19, 1917.

## Minstrel Show at Temple.

Women of the Temple Israel sisterhood, under the leadership of Mrs. Nathan Mantel and Mrs. William Harris, have arranged for a minstrel show and dance to be given for the organization. The affair will take place at Metropolitan club house March 8. The women in charge are sending out with the monthly Temple Israel bulletin a clever original poem inviting all to be present and forecasting some of the stunts of the program. Patriotic numbers, Hawaiian songs, fancy dances and blackface minstrel songs are to be some of the features.

The young men who have been asked to take part in this highly diverting program are:

**Menors—**  
Herbert Davis,  
Loyal Cohn,  
Herbert Marks,  
Meyer Cohn,  
Leslie Burkhardt,  
Fred Heyn,  
Morton Lugen,  
Dave Tomastich,  
Hugo Heyn,  
Harry Goetz,  
Bert Weiss,  
Max Rehfeld,  
Max Block.

## Wedding in Council Bluffs.

The marriage of Miss Nelle Benton and Mr. Jere Van Rensselaer, Omaha will take place this evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Benton, in Council Bluffs. Rev. Edwin Hart Jenks of the First Presbyterian church of Omaha will perform the ceremony.

The house will be decorated with greens and pink flowers. In the library a long box of spring flowers will form the center of the decorations. The dining room will have a bower of palms and pink roses will be arranged in the bay window where the ceremony will be performed.

Little Jack Hicks, a nephew of the bride, with little Katherine Underwood, in white suit and white and pink dress, will carry pink ribbons in rose baskets and stretch them from the staircase to the bower. Little Betty Hicks, a niece of the bride, will carry the ring on a heart-shaped satin pillow. She, too, will be dressed in white and pink.

The bride will wear a short gown of rose point lace and tulle, with a cap veil of rose point lace trimmed with real orange blossoms. She will carry a round shower bouquet of lilies of the valley in a lace frill holder.

The matron of honor, Mrs. Hubert W. Hicks, sister of the bride, from Sioux Falls, S. D., will wear orchid satin embroidered with gold and silver. Miss Theda Hershman, as maid of honor, will wear orchid silver cloth trimmed with silver lace. Both will carry round bouquets of pink roses in lace frill holders.

An orchestra will be stationed on the enclosed porch. Supper will follow the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Rensselaer will leave on an 11 o'clock train for a southern wedding trip. They will be at home after April 1 at the home of the bride's parents in Council Bluffs.

## The Week's Theater Parties.

For the Tuesday evening performance G. H. Brewer has sixteen reservations at the Orpheum, F. L. Winston, seven; J. F. Flockhart, fourteen. At the Tuesday matinee F. B. Harwood will have nine guests.

Wednesday W. M. Burton will have fourteen in a box party. At the Wednesday matinee Mrs. A. M. Longwell will entertain twelve guests, Miss F. S. Howell, seventeen, and S. J. Leon, seven.

Thursday evening J. J. Gafford will have a party of twenty and E. Johnson, seven. Mrs. A. B. Crook will entertain fourteen at the Friday matinee.

## Among the Bridge Players.

Mrs. A. L. Reed entertained the Original Monday Bridge club at her home today.

Mrs. Chester Nieman was hostess for the Bridge Luncheon club when eight of the members were present. Red roses formed the centerpiece and miniature hatchets and flags were used as place cards.

Mrs. W. J. Connell entertained the members of the Monday Bridge Luncheon club. In the absence of two members, Mrs. Ben Gallagher and Mrs. F. W. Clarke, who are out of the city, Mrs. J. W. Griffith and Mrs. A. W. Jefferis were guests of the club. The members present were:

**Members—**  
Harry S. Clarke, Jr., J. Sullivan,  
George Squire, George Patterson,  
J. M. Metcalf.

## Postponements.

The George A. Custer Sunshine club, which was to have met tomorrow with Mrs. Stephen Bowes, has postponed its meeting indefinitely because of the death of Mrs. Irene Humford, which occurred yesterday.

The Tuesday Luncheon and Kensington club, which was scheduled to meet Tuesday with Mrs. Martin Buchler, will be entertained on Friday instead.

## Notes at Random.

Mr. and Mrs. Shackleford left Thursday evening for a stay of three months in California.

Mr. and Mrs. A. MacCandley and little daughter, Eleanor, left Saturday evening for a three weeks' visit in Chicago.

Omaha members of the Silver Lynx fraternity who attended the dance given Saturday evening in Lincoln are: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson, who chaperoned the party; Messrs. Russell Clark, Donald Danbe, Lloyd Neff, William Bauman, Robert Finlay and Charles Weymuller.

Mr. H. B. Bergquist attended the annual banquet and formal dancing party of the Kappa Sigma fraternity in Lincoln Saturday.

At the fifth annual banquet of the Delta Sigma Delta fraternity in Lincoln Saturday evening the following Omaha men were present: Drs. J. H. Wallace, H. A. Nelson, P. T. Barber, J. C. Soukup, F. F. Whitcomb, Bert Denshner, Wise, Thesen and Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Blackmore have gone to Lincoln, where they will make their future home.

Miss Bess Brown of Lucas, Ia., is the guest of Mrs. A. S. Billings, Jr. Mrs. Charles Sanford of Lincoln spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Chester Nieman, on her way home from Atlantic, Ia. Master "Bobby" Nieman returned with his

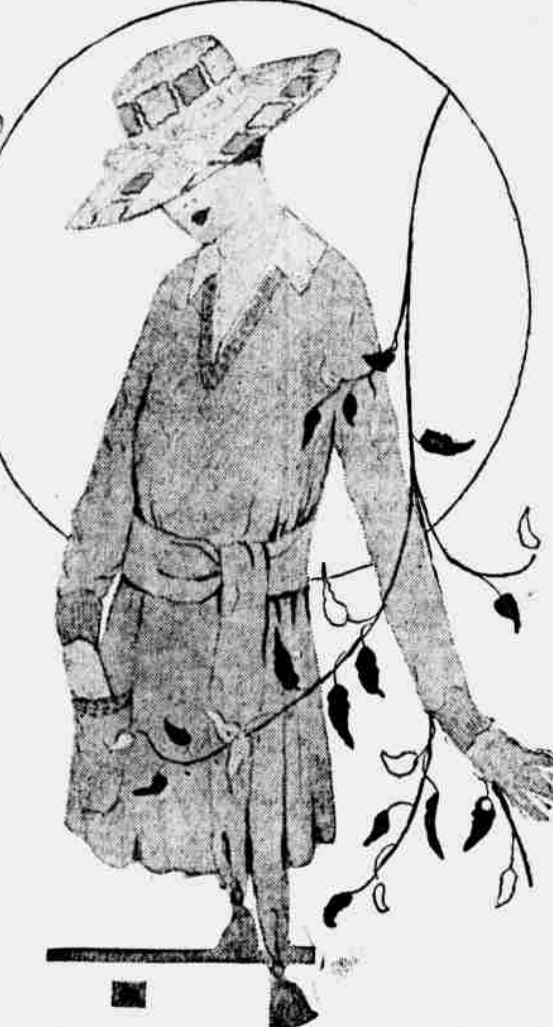
## Sports Clothes the Colorful Vanguard of Spring Fashions



THE sweater of the coming season slips on over the head. For warmth this one is brushed shetland wool, for color it is purple, white, rose, Copenhagen or baby blue, orange or corn color. The khaki kool hat is white, blocked with colors to match spring sweaters.



A PLAIN white tailored waist, which made have been made to order so fine it is workmanship, is this one of pure handkerchief linen.



## PRETTY BRIDE WHO WAS MARRIED SUNDAY.



MRS. BERT LE BRON

Mrs. Bert Le Bron was until Sunday morning Miss Hortense Hanson of Sanborn, Ia. Her marriage to Mr. Le Bron, well-known Omaha automobile speedway promoter, took place Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock at the Sacred Heart church. Father Judge performed the ceremony.

grandmother for a week's visit in Lincoln, where he will be joined the end of the week by his parents.

The Misses Katherine and Marie Welch left last Thursday for Columbus, Neb., to be the guests of Mrs. Samuel Gass for the next two weeks. Mrs. W. J. Burgess returned Sunday from Rockford, Ill., where she has been visiting with her parents.

## Mothers' and Daughters' Party.

The members of the Alpha Phi sorority of the University of Nebraska entertained on Saturday at a party in honor of their mothers, a number of them coming from out-of-town to spend the day with their daughters. Among those who went down from Omaha were Mrs. H. E. Newbranch, guest of Miss Katherine Newbranch; Mrs. C. W. Haller, guest of Miss Mary Haller; Mrs. T. M. Giltner, the guest of Miss Helen Giltner, and Mrs. F. Nelson, guest of Miss Beatrice Nelson.

## Pleasures Past.

Mrs. A. H. Clark entertained Thursday afternoon at her home in honor of Mrs. Carl Hann of Grand Island and Mrs. E. W. Clinton of Los Angeles. Others present were: Mesdames C. H. Boehl, Hinchey, L. L. Munger, C. W. Boehl and H. P. Galbraith and Misses Erna Boehl and Glendora Hinchey.

Mrs. D. M. Vinsonhaler entertained a party of seven guests at the Fontenelle, for tea, Friday. Dr. and Mrs. John Mach had six guests for dinner. Mrs. W. J. Burns was hostess for ten of her friends Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wharton entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Foye, Joseph Barker and Mrs. Ward Burgess at supper at the Fontenelle Saturday.

## Mr. and Mrs. Luther Drake Greeting Omaha Friends

Luther Drake, president of the Merchants National bank, has returned to Omaha with his bride of a few weeks, whom he married in California. Mr. Drake was at his desk in the bank today.

## Frisked His Roommate And Thomas Gets Fined

G. A. Thomas, charged with petty larceny, was fined \$5 and costs in police court. Thomas is said to have stolen \$3 from Clarence Stephenson, a roommate, while the two were stopping at a local lodging house.

## How the Blushing Maiden Should Learn to Propose

By DOROTHY DIX.

I have received the following letter: "Dear Dorothy Dix: We are a club of ten bachelor girls who have determined to take advantage of the last lap of leap year to pop the question. How shall we do it? How shall we go about asking a man for his heart and hand in marriage?—Modern Maids."

H'm! This is a difficult question to answer. There is a complete chronicle of how to lead a man up to the proposing point that has been passed down orally, generation after generation, from mother to daughter, but no code of procedure has been formulated for the woman who means to propose herself.

Of course it's going to be a ticklish job any way that it is done, because men are no more accustomed to receiving offers of marriage than women are to making them. Both parties are inexperienced. Even the man doesn't know how he will take it, and there are conservative individuals who prophesy that men will be so shocked by the procedure that they will say "No" as with one voice.

But this waits to be proven. Past experience has not shown that men are averse to the admiration of the fair sex, nor that they turn a deaf ear to woman's avowals of her deathless affection for them. Startling as the innovation of a marriage proposal from a woman may be, the chances are that man will first endure, then pity and embrace.

My first suggestion to the leap-year girl who proposes to propose is that she should be wary about choosing the psychological place and moment in times when a man is rushed, or tired, or hungry when it is simply courting disaster to ask him anything, and when he would refuse a free passport to heaven if it were tendered him on a silver salver.

Therefore bide your time and also wait until you catch your man in a melting and optimistic mood. Men and women differ in their attitude toward matrimony. When a woman is happy she doesn't incline toward the holy estate. It is when she is weary and discouraged, and wants some man's shoulder to weep upon that she yearns for a wedding ring, and will marry almost any man who asks her.

Men, on the contrary, think of a wife as an adjunct of prosperity, and it is seldom that they make love except when they are affluent. A woman should be proposed to when she is down on her luck; a man when he is pushing his luck.

It will be a temptation to the leap-year girl to propose by letter. This

will be a fatal mistake, because, in the first place, her billetdoux will reach the man with his business letters, and thus pass over to the cold consideration of his stenographer.

Secondly, no American man is sentimental in business hours and during that sacred period of the day no woman may hope to compete in heart interest with the price of stocks, or wheat, or canned goods.

Thirdly, the long-distance proposal, whether made by man or woman, seldom hits the bull's-eye. It lacks the magnetism of personal appeal, of trembling hands and anxious eyes and quivering lips. Also it is easier to write "No" than it is to say it, and the woman who wants a husband instead of somebody to be a brother to her will have to face the music and make her proposal viva voce.

Different men, different manners. With the bashful man the proposal must be quick and sudden. It won't do to lead up to the question poetically and romantically, for that would give him a chance to run.

It won't do to gaze wistfully into his eyes, for that would embarrass him into fits, or to assume a tender attitude, for that would make him feel like a fool. And so, your only chance is to come right out suddenly with the question and take the chances on his being too frightened to refuse.

Then there is the blundering, blind-as-a-bat man, who lets a woman go on loving him and embroidering his slippers and agreeing with everything he says for years without perceiving there is anything serious in her attentions. There is no way to wake up these Rip Van Winkles except by firing off a red-hot proposal right under their noses.

Propose to a business man in a business way. Ask for a thirty days' option on his affections. Then put in your time by showing him what a good thing you are. Convince him you can strengthen the firm by the care you will take of him and the comforts by which you will surround him in a happy little home.

Point out to him the risks he runs from the deadly danger of landladies; the losses he sustains from pilfering laundresses and bell boys, and if you are a sufficiently good jollier to make him believe that two can live as cheaply as one, your suit will be successful.

In case a man says "No" and advises you to go off and marry some nobler and fairer man than he, your cue will be to weep. Many women marry men because they are sorry for them. Millions of men marry women because they haven't the nerve to see them cry.

Generally speaking, no man can see a woman weep for him unmoved. It shows so much good taste and sensibility in her that it goes to his heart. He never blames her or thinks her silly. Poor little thing! How could she help it? And so no matter how much a man may be shocked at the idea of a woman proposing, he will find extenuating circumstances for her popping the question to him.

One thing, however, the leap year girl must bear in mind. She must play fair. She should not propose marriage to a man unless she can take care of him in the same style in which his father has been accustomed to support him.



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## Gwendolyn's Foot Chewed Off

By A. R. GROH.

Joe and Trix, Tip and Queen, Beas and her two young daughters are enjoying the winter at Riverview park. They are seven bears, children, big brown bears, except Beas' two daughters, who are little brown bears, being only a year old.

That reminds me that R. L. Robertson, the caretaker, asked me to name the two little bears. Let's see, what shall we name them? Um-m-m. I'm not very good at naming bears. I've got it. All the big bears have little names. So let's give the little bears big names. We'll call the little bear with one foot chewed off Gwendolyn. And the other little bear we'll call Robertsonia, after Mr. Robertson. Now don't forget their names when you go down to see them.

Joe and Trix are in hibernation. They sleep all night and all day, rolled up in two balls in their cave. Joe is only four years old. He was named in honor of Park Commissioner Joe Hummel.

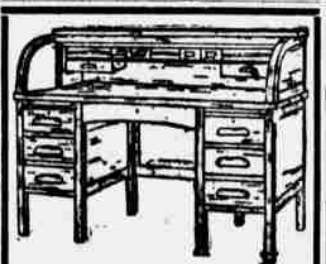
The other bears are all awake, but not eating very much these days, only about four pounds of meat and a loaf of bread a day each.

Here's a cage full of wolves, great, gaunt, restless gray fellows. They are fed on bones. If they gave them meat, the keeper tells me, they would bolt it down too fast. But the bones they have to chew a little. And they digest the bones fine. A bone that would choke you is just "duck soup" for the wolves.

The coyotes live right next door. They look like the wolves, only they're smaller. The principal amusement is fighting. If a fellow isn't a good fighter he has no business being a coyote. Some of them have their ears chewed off.

Two wild boars live next door to the coyotes. One of them is a wicked rascal. He keeps grumbling all the time. About two years ago he bit a chunk out of Mr. Robertson's leg. Up on the hill in one compartment of the big round cage lives Bre' Fox. Ah, a sad life is his. For in the next cage a lot of brown bantam chickens and on the other side of him two raccoons keep house. And all of Bre' Fox's slyness does not help him to devise a way to get those fat chickens and raccoons. He just runs around his cage with his mouth watering and a look of longing on his face.

The largest herd of buffalo in this part of the world is at Riverview park. There are twelve animals. One



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## Old Linen Needed for Shipping Relief Supplies

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F. W. Thorne Returns to City.  
F. W. Thorne, who formerly lived at 1323 South Thirty-fifth, and was for many years associated with Mr. Benson in the Benson & Thorne store, has returned to Omaha and will join Mr. Benson at his new store on Farnam street, in what Mr. Thorne calls the downtown retail district. Mrs. Thorne and Dorothy are at Medford, Ore., where Dorothy is finishing her high school course.



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## Maloney Urges Women to Carry Cash in Stockings

The stocking is the safest place on earth for a woman to carry her money, according to the head of Omaha's detective department, Steve Maloney. The grabbing of several pocketbooks Saturday evening which were dangling from the arms of Omaha women would never have occurred if they had carried their change in their stockings, says the chief. The present short skirt makes it as easy for the woman to get the money out of her stocking as from her pocketbook, the chief adds.



## The Licorice Gum

Hello, Kittie. Want a piece of Adams Black Jack Gum?  
Oh, thanks, Billy. It's licorice, and I just love it.  
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