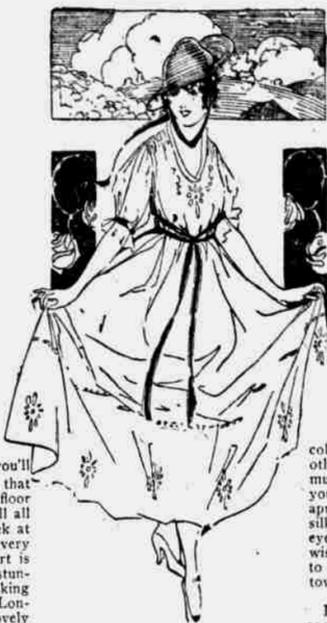


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By HENRIETTA M. REES.
OMAHA has at last had a taste of community singing. It was only a sample, but it was enough to prove to the audience present its immense value in community work, and in advancing the "get-together" idea. Under Mr. Kelly's directing it was interesting to see what a different spirit was breathed through the music than is usually expressed. It isn't that the people do not have the same spirit back of their singing; it is just that they do not bring it out. They do not notice that they are not really expressing it, unless there is some leader who by clever rallyry points it out to them, and actually jolles them into doing it the way it ought to sound. And then it is easy to see the difference. The community singing the other evening opened with the singing of "America." Director and pianist struck a vigorous tempo, and it went well the very first time. The second time it went much better, and at the close Mr. Kelly said "Bravo." But at the close of the concert, one verse of the same song was repeated, and that it was even better. There was more solidarity, a greater freedom and swing, and the leader did not have to pull the audience to his tempo, for the people had caught it, and found it just as easy to sing that way as to drag along.

LEADER OF THE ST. LOUIS ORCHESTRA.



MAX ZACH AT THE BRANDEIS THEATER THIS AFTERNOON.

A nominal sum, it would undoubtedly be a great force in the social enjoyment of the people. The Chicago plan, in brief, consists of a Civic Music Association made up of contributing members who pay \$50 or more, sustaining members who pay \$10 a year, regular members who pay \$2 a year, and who make up the largest proportion of membership, and neighborhood members who pay 50 cents a year. Many special contributions are made by clubs and organizations, among them all the leading musical clubs of Chicago, the Chicago Association of Commerce, the Chicago Woman's club, the Orchestra Association, the Department of Public Welfare, the Board of Education and others. The association promotes not only community singing on the municipal pier, but neighborhood centers and provides music entertainment and instruction gratuitously or at little expense in the small parks and playgrounds and other civic centers. The money of the association is spent for superintendents and stenographers, musical directors, teachers and accompanists, all of whom are paid, as it is right they should be. If Omaha had a civic music association, we could, at least, start on a small plan, having community singing once a week, and as the organization grew

Another interesting and rather amusing feature was that the singing improved by a marked per cent when the lights were turned out and the music and words were flashed upon a screen. This may have been partly because there are many people who can read and carry lower parts who can not just guess at them from the melody if they do not happen to know them. But I'd be willing to wager that the largest part of the improvement was because it was dark, and it was easier to sing when there was no danger of somebody in front turning around and looking at you, a proceeding which, when one is shy about singing anyway, is almost enough to completely paralyze one's vocal chords. The chances are that those who turn around could not have done half as well. Perhaps, if we had more community singing, the shy ones would become more accustomed to singing, and would not mind if any one turned around and looked at them.

If we could have community singing every week at a stated time and place, upon the Chicago plan, as outlined in these columns last winter, for

Musical Notes

The Tuesday Morning Musical club announces a change of policy for the coming year. Members will be permitted to men as well as women. Any one desiring membership is asked to send correct name and address, with check for annual dues of \$6, directly to Mrs. Arthur Metz, the membership secretary, 1223 Dewey avenue, as soon as possible, in order to assist the program committee in planning the next season's work. By having the memberships go directly to Mrs. Metz it eliminates the former necessity of their being sent through two members of the club, often entailing needless delay.

Pupils of Martin W. Bush will give a musical at Schmolzer & Mueller on Wednesday evening, May 14. Those taking part will be Misses Ruth Hart, Helen Hussie, Mildred House, Helen McAnaney and Mrs. Clifford Cairns.

The St. Louis Symphony orchestra, which will appear at the Brandeis theater this afternoon, prides itself upon the teamwork of the organization. It prides itself upon the high quality of the work of its different members, who are engaged with careful judgment. Consequently the pay roll is high. The personnel of the orchestra includes, in its various sections, men of international reputation, who are always in demand for symphony work and whose salaries are correspondingly high. Also, in order to do the best work as a symphony player, one must make that his chief occupation; so that every member of the orchestra is on a weekly salary basis. Hugo Oik, the concertmaster, is well known among the violin connoisseurs. In listening to Paganini's "Moto perpetuo" for violin, on the talking machine, one day the music occurred to him to write a second part to it note for note with the first part and really more difficult than the original. At a recent meeting of the violinists' guild he appeared, with his fiddle under one arm and a record under the other, placed the latter on a phonograph and nonchalantly gave a performance which would have made an audience at "42 per" gasp in admiring wonder.

A program under the auspices of the Music department of the Woman's club, South Side, will be held at the residence of Mrs. F. A. Crosey, 4204 South Twenty-second street, Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, May 19. The following will take part: Mildred Billa, Mildred Farrell, Nettie Goetzche, Goldie Fred, Clara Schneider, Gertrude Weidling, Archie Haley, Cecile Hertz, Alexander Rohrbough, pupils of Frank Mach, violinist; Lydia Halstead and Carl Sibbert, pupils of Millie Ryan, vocalist; Rosaline Goldenberg, pupil of Frances Haasgen, pianist. The accompanists are Margaret Biles, Althea Fuller, Anna Killian and Grace Wieding.

Mrs. E. Kersthard, violinist, one of Frank Mach's assistants, presents the following pupils in a recital at the Conservatory studios at Red Oak, Ia., on Tuesday evening, May 15: Bernice Allan, Maxine McClure, Ruth McClure, Marjorie Stevens, Ruth Watkins, Crystal Thomas, Egbert Auman, Lloyd Thomas, Florence Bass, pupil of Garnet Rogers, and Clarke Gosad, pupil of Lynn Sackett, will assist.

A joint recital will be given by Florence Noonan, pianist (pupil of Helen Mackin), and Wilfred Edwards, contralto (pupil of Goodwill Bickerman), in the Arlington block, 12 1/2 Dodge street, on Wednesday, May 16, at 8:15 p. m. Miss Edwards will sing two groups of English songs and one of French songs, including one aria. Miss Noonan will play sonata in D major by Haydn, Schubert's waltz, Moszkowski's "The Lark," Glinka-Balakirev, and "Marche Militaire," Schubert. Friends are invited.

Tuesday evening, May 22, will be the date of the public recital to be given by a number of Johanna Anderson's voice pupils at the Young Women's Christian association auditorium. Thyra Johnson will sing at the Carlson-Witzell wedding, the First Swedish Baptist church May 16.

A costume operatic recital will be given in the Elks' lodge rooms Friday evening, May 18, at 8:30 o'clock by the pupils of Mrs. Millie R. Ryan under her direction. It will be for Elks and their ladies only. The lodge meeting will be held at 7:30 o'clock on that evening. Informal dancing will follow the concert. Those taking part in the program will be Hugo Didrickson, Mrs. Louis Knettle, Mr. E. Shafer, Miss Lydia Halstead, Miss Ruth Gordon, Carl Sibbert, Miss Florence Stevens, Mrs. Althea Fuller, Miss Bertha Coffey, Miss Mary Crawford, Miss Zara Trivello, Accompanists, Miss Althea Fuller and Miss Elizabeth Underwood.

Much interest has already been shown in the special summer harp school conducted by Loretta DeLone, Lyric building, Miss Carlson-Witzell give a harp recital in Howell, Neb., next week.

collar was particularly stunning. Another one, which would surely cause murmurs of admiration if worn to your Summer club, had a jacket of apricot satin and a skirt of white silk la jera. Women who have an eye to economy and at the same time wish the best of Quality will do well to look at the garments at this Uptown Shop.

I understand that The Fine Arts society is considering bringing to Omaha a collection of Japanese prints. Did you know that one of our shops is showing some that are 200 years old?

IF YOU are a reader of one of our voguish Eastern magazines, you'll have noticed a page containing many fascinating novelties for Milady Dainty—but why send to N. Y. for these captivating fripperies when the Alla Shop, 207 S. 18th St. has them? Fragrant sachet bags, vanity bags, ribbon cases, guest bags containing powder, puff balls and tiny French roses to adorn lingerie—all see little subtle touches any girl would love.

IMAGINE a garden of exquisite flowers in full bloom, their fragrance mingling in the summer breeze. That garden of your dreams can be a possibility. Lee Larmon, Fontenelle Florist, has engaged an experienced landscape gardener to help you with your Spring planting. He'll arrange your flower-beds, window boxes and porch baskets in a way that your yard this summer will be the envy of all your friends and neighbors. Call Mr. Larmon, Doug. 8244, for further particulars.

PASADENA Dresses! Each one fairly breathing of the sunshine and exquisite colorful flowers of the Sunny Climes from whence they came. Last summer when I visited California I saw these unusual little frocks and had the pleasure of meeting the charmingly clever woman who creates them, so you can imagine my great delight in discovering them in one of our own shops. Yes, at Benson & Thorne's they have some of these artistic dresses for children 8 to 16 years of age, and when you see them you'll agree with me that PERSONALITY is the dominant note in each one. Japanese crepe, pongee and silk-cotton Georgette are the materials used, but the colors and unique touches of hand-embroidery put there by an artist's hand are the appealing features. Ask Miss Peterson in the Misses' Section to show you "My Little Pasadena Dresses"—you'll love them!

SUCH a joy! If you have tired, aching feet these warm Spring days hasten to Miss Johnston, Comfort Shop, Rose Bldg., and have her remove your soft corns or callouses—you'll want to shout for joy at the relief you'll have. Miss Johnston also removes superfluous hair by careful electrolysis.

MY High School readers may be glad to learn that they can rent Historical and Eccentric Costumes for Class Plays from Theo. Lieben & Son, 1514 Howard St., who are the largest costumers in the West.

CHEERS! Show your patriotism by wearing a tie that has a flag embroidered on it, or one with red, white and blue stripes. Lucien Stephens, 1920 Farnam, has these for only 50c. If you wish to see the "very latest" thing in smart neckwear, he has some unusual patterns in beautiful Japanese silk crepe ties for \$1.00.

JUST the prettiest thing for your summer luncheon table! Table Cloths with napkins to match, cleverly embroidered in porcelain blue shades with designs of cranes, bluebirds, cherry blossoms, chrysanthemums and butterflies. They are importations from the Orient and may be found very reasonably priced in that fascinating Japanese Shop—The Nippon Importing Co., 218 S. 18th St.

SUCH perfectly good looking Boudoir Lamps as Orchard & Wilhelm have in their Gift Shop. They are 20 inches high to the top of the bulb and are only \$3.00. You can pay any price for a shade, or buy the frame and cover it yourself.

If I've aided YOU to find new and interesting things in the Shops when you go to BUY, please just tell them "I read about this in Polly's Shopping Columns."

FIRST, REMEMBER IT'S MOTHERS' DAY! See what I've found in the SHOPS today: Silken skirts and Sports hats gay, Little Folk's Frocks, silk lingerie, Knitting bags and embroidery, Sports-togs, silk sweaters bright, Costumes for your CLASS PLAY night.

Smart neckwear and chic white shoes, Incense to dispel the blues; Bungalow aprons, nurse costumes, Sachet bags with rare perfumes, Dainty watches for your wrists, Lovers of "Art" must not be missed, Embroidery, so Japanese, Rugs Oriental most Chinese. BE ECONOMICAL—don't delay. Have your "Cleaning" done right away.

And anything else you wish to find, I CAN HELP YOU—bear in mind. Yours very truly, POLLY. —Advertisement.

HERE'S a bit of news you'll surely welcome! Lamond's, that ultra-smart shop on the second floor of the Rose Bldg., is going to sell all its handsome silk skirts this week at reduced prices—this is an event very much worth while, for every skirt is spick and span new. There are stunning plaids and stripes, cool looking white and black checks, Gros de Lorraine in horizontal stripes in lovely softened shades on white grounds. Then there are the fashionable Khaki Koolis with splashy designs, and elegant Shantung silk skirts and soft foulards. Saddle-bags and patch pockets and unique girdles are distinguishing features. The satisfaction of wearing one of these lovely skirts will be greatly heightened by knowing one has secured a bargain in its buying.

Fillet-topped kid boots are tremendously smart for summer wear.

THE Chinese influence in interior decoration has today spread far and wide throughout the entire country. At Orchard & Wilhelm's they are showing some very interestingly beautiful imported Chinese Rugs, which I feel safe to predict will in but a short time supersede the Persian, Turkish and Indian Rugs as decorative floor coverings. The simplicity, quaintness of design and rare combination of soft colors places the Chinese rug foremost among rug types. If you wish to spend a delightful hour or so, I urge you to visit Orchard & Wilhelm's Rug Department and see the genuine and exquisite Chinese Rugs on display there. 'Twill be more than worth your while.

Colored ribbons are noted on many net frocks.

SUCH adorably, ducky frocks as Miss Adams of the Little Tot's Section of Benson & Thorne's had to show me the other day—real little tailored affairs of Devonshire cloth and gingham in suspender effects over white gumpies, and in lovely shades of cornflower, rose and porcelain blue, with dainty hand-touches of embroidery. One frock had a whole picture on a pocket. My! how "Little Sister" would love one of these! In ages 2 to 6 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rabbit have come all the way from Los Angeles, California, to make their home in Omaha. They're stuffed dolls with long, long ears, and are dressed in pink and blue gingham suits and dresses. If your kiddies have learned to love "Peter" in a story book, they'll love him still better for a plaything.

AN important suggestion to the Girl Graduate! Of course, she'll want the daintiest of white pumps to wear with her lacy white frock on that momentous occasion of her life, and so I'm going to tell where I've seen the latest styles in Graduation Footwear. At Napier's Booterie, Rose Bldg., there are slim, shapely, white, high-laced boots of white buck with Baby French heels, or 2-inch Louis Quinze heels for \$8.00, or white linen boots, the acme of refinement, for \$6.00; also a generous assortment of leather or fabric pumps at \$5.00 and \$6.00.

Several of the new Military caps were seen on the streets this week.

EVERYBODY interested in the Sweet Girl Graduate, attention! Is there anything as a gift that she would adore more than a Wrist Watch? If there is, I can't imagine it! I certainly saw some beauties this week at Arnold H. Edmonston's pretty jewelry shop, 24 Floor Rose Bldg. Watches with the finest of Swiss movements in round and octagon shapes—some with enameled and engraved cases. The works have a 20-year guarantee. Ask Mrs. Nieman to show you these dainty little watches and choose one as the ideal graduation gift.

THE charm and novelty of the new arrivals in Sports Hats at the Drahts-Lutti; Hat Shop, 1706 Douglas, are irresistible! Chic, new modes of unquestionable sales in Panamas, China, Splits, basket weaves, Kangook, Hawaiian and Santo braids in white and colors. Plan to visit this week the "most original hat shop in Omaha" and see these charming summer styles for yourself!

NOTHING is so freshly Springlike as a blouse with a lacy trim. There's one of French voile at Benson & Thorne's trimmed with dainty lace and medallions of exquisite Duchess lace that's positively entrancing in its sheer loveliness. It's priced at \$9.75. If you're fond of high-collared blouses to wear with tailored suits, there is a pretty style with groups of pin tucks and inserts of dainty filet for \$5.00.

JUST bewitching—irresistible! are the intimate silk garments shown at Thompson-Belden's. No bridal chest ever held anything more delightfully dainty. Envelope chemises of white and flesh crepe de chine with the filmy wistaria lace and ribbons, or with wash-satin yokes with hem-stitched designs in bow knots. Bloomers in tailored effects of white wash-satin with rows of hemstitching at the knee—or pale pink ones with inserts of tucked Georgette and adorned with coy little French rosettes. But you should see the silken robes-de-nuit

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IT'S no wonder The Ideal Pleating Company turns out such satisfactory work, for Manager Ver Mehren employs only expert workers in his shop. He is very fortunate in having a young woman from Vienna named Josephine Vogelsang, who is really an artist on the embroidery machine. She was embroidering butterflies on a lovely crepe de chine smock when I called there the other day and the dextrous manner with which she handled her work perfectly fascinated me. Hemstitching, braiding, beading, pleating and button-work are also beautifully done at "The Ideal."

ARE you an artist? If you are, you may be interested to know of the many materials for all branches of Art Work which can be procured at The A. Hospe Co's Shop. Everything needed for oil, china or water color painting, for sketching and even for tapestry, canvases, academy boards, tube-paints, easels, palettes, designs, paper of all sorts and atomizer china gold. A catalogue sent on request will help you further in your selection.

"EVERY Boy may feed a soldier," but every Girl will knit him a pair of trench socks, if she can carry her knitting about in one of the Knitting Bags that Orchard & Wilhelm's show in their Gift Shop. Cretonne, silk, Japanese challis and velvet. They will send two or three for your approval.

EVERY up-to-date summer outfit will include at least one sweater—but the popularity of that sensible affair is greater than ever for Summer wear. Sweaters of pure thread silk in the fetching Cossack blouse style in Kelly green, coral color, rose and blue, for \$14.75—imagine getting a SILK SWEATER at that price! Fibre silk sweaters in all the new shades and black and white effects for \$5.50. See them at F. W. Thorne's Uptown Shop, 1812 Farnam St.

THE enchantment of Far East countries is tucked within a bundle of "Eldridge's Special" incense. It comes in a pretty box and is made by the maker of incense for the imperial family of Japan. Its dreamy fragrance brings to mind rosy dawns and the purple dusks of the Orient. 'Tis 50c a bundle, 1 W. H. Eldridge's Importing Co., 1318 Farnam St.

I'VE told you before about the clever or Bungalow Aprons made to order by Miss Cole of The Lingerie Shop, but did you know she makes Sports Skirts of wash materials that are equally as good looking? Her work has that tailored appearance so much desired nowadays. Nurse's uniforms and house dresses are also neatly made at this little shop.

IT IS imperative to look one's fascinating best these days, for it has been proven that clothes have a wonderful psychological effect, and we can surely help things along by looking gay and cheerful. Have you seen the galaxy of beautiful Sports Dresses shown at F. W. Thorne's Uptown Shop, 1812 Farnam St.—I've never seen the equal grouped together at one time! One I noted with a rose-colored silk la jera coat that had about a dozen rows of smocking at the waist line and an immense

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