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WOMAN'S SECTION OF THE BEE

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Society

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Up Where the Music is Sweetest.

Omahans, if they want to get away from provincialism, must change their mode of doing things a bit, according to some of the music lovers of said city.

"We talked this matter over, several of us, and decided that now is the time to start something," said a member of the Tuesday Morning Musical club who visits The Bee office frequently to "talk it over."

Mrs. R. B. Howell has this to say of musicians, music lovers and good citizens:

"It seems so strange to me that our friends in Omaha think they must take the parquet seats and the boxes for a musicale at \$2 per each and up. Why, in Berlin and Dresden, before the war, when America and Germany were on good terms, I seldom ever occupied a seat any place but in the fourth and fifth balconies—the places called 'English and American quarters.' In European countries, where clever musical minds

are in evidence everywhere, one meets all one's friends in these high spots. "The parquet and the boxes are good places for style shows, but the upper floors are certainly the best to hear the music. Sit on one side on the first floor and the drums thunder over all the other pieces. Sit on the other side and the violins weep and wail to the exclusion of the other instruments.

"But up in the balconies, where all is in darkness and one is not disturbed by ushers and moving masses, there is music! music! music! at its best!"

"The great ensemble floats up, up, up!"

"In the balconies close the eyes, open the ears, mind, soul and drink in the melodies of the marvelous."

"New Yorkers who love art for art's sake sit always in the balconies. It is there they meet the clever musical minds, not the riff-raff of the vaudeville balcony."

I acquiesced to all of these simple truths, but that did not satisfy her. She wants many thousands to agree and listen to concerts and operas from the high places.

Benefit Card Party. Mrs. Frank W. Bacon announces a card party and tea dansant which will be given at the Blackstone, Thursday, December 27, for the benefit of the war relief fund. The card party will be from 2 to 4:30 and the tea dance from 4:30 to 7. As the younger school set will be at home at that time it is expected that this affair will be one of the most popular of the Christmas season. The boys in khaki will honor guests at the tea dance. The most prominent society women in town are sponsoring the affair and it is hoped that a large sum will be realized for this worthy cause.

Help Y. W. C. A. War Fund. The women of the Prettiest Mile club seem to be doing even more than their share toward helping the Young

Women's Christian association war fund. Monday evening an informal dancing party was given for the cause and Thursday afternoon a card party will be given at the attractive club house. The tickets for the affair are 50 cents. A number of prizes which have been donated will be given to the winners.

Muse Give Day's Receipts War Relief. The proceeds of all five performances of the Muse theater today will be turned over to the war relief fund. A number of women prominent in Red Cross work will have parties at the theater during the day. Mrs. George Jewett, who has the benefit in charge, expresses herself as being very well satisfied with the ticket sale.

Dancing Party. The Unitarian club will give a dancing party Friday evening at Turpin's academy when some of the soldiers from For. Omaha will be honor guests.

Miss Offutt "After Office Hours." Miss Virginia Offutt is another society girl who is taking a business course at the Van Sant school. Afternoon parties are out of the question for Miss Offutt these days and one can reach her at home only "after office hours."

Vesta Chapter. Vesta chapter No. 6 will give a Kensington Thursday afternoon, December 13, at the home of Mrs. W. J. Traver, 5108 Izard street.

The Separate Coat. One of the most striking features of the winter is the use of the dress with a separate coat. This fashion was introduced last year by the smart dressmakers and tailors, but it was hard to find then attractive ready-made separate coats other than those top-coats.—Good Housekeeping.

Japan has more than 300 women physicians.

PERSONALS

Miss Marcella Craft of the San Carlo Grand Opera company is stopping at the Blackstone.

Mrs. J. A. Freeland of Chicago, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Murton Kenyon, for the last week, will remain some time longer.

The Carter Lake Bowling club entertained at luncheon Tuesday at the Commercial club in honor of Mrs. J. A. Freeland of Chicago, a former member of the club. Covers were laid for 14 guests.

Paris Says "No" to Pockets. Paris is depriving us of pockets, but many of the velvet dresses give more than their equivalent in side draperies slashed and faced with a contrasting color. The colors are orchid, pink, gray, black or turquoise blue, and there is a narrow belt with the skirt caught above it in the most charmingly insouciant manner.

America's Sweet Tooth. "We must learn to do without candy, jicings on our cakes and other sweets," writes Montana.

Iowa students have been appealed to by the state chairman as follows: "We ask especially that you resolve to simplify all social functions, eliminating every form of extravagance and display as something entirely unsuitable for times like these."

How to Save Your Soap. Ends of toilet soap should be melted down into pulp with boiling water. When it is soft, pour into teacups to harden, and then make fresh cakes of what might have been waste. These can be used for washing laces or small dresses.

When Milady Goes Shopping

Jewelry going out? No! It is coming in, especially "military jewelry" for our boys in khaki uniforms.

By ADELAIDE KENNERLY. NOW that Christmas is drawing near we must sandwich in a wee bit about jewelry and other things—sandwich it in between days when we shop for our tiny apartments.

December came in calm and lovely but the calendar reminds us of the rapidly approaching 25th despite balmy atmosphere.

A great deal of excitement among women of good taste and anxious moments may be relieved by a few suggestions and tips about the proper kinds of jewelry for gifts.

A Question of Importance. Is it proper to buy or wear jewelry during these war-time?

Yes, dear lady, it is! There is even a slight tendency toward more of it being in evidence. In the metals, platinum still holds first place, with gold following. Sterling silver is favored especially for novelties and for the larger pieces. Gems of all kinds are in demand.

The spirit of patriotism, the natural desire to present a keepsake to one

There Are Many Forms Of Patriotism, but One Lady in Iowa Was Ready. A deliberate propaganda intended to discourage women from registering has been carried on in many sections. In Iowa it did not work that way with one woman. She had heard and believed the story that if she registered, the government would come and take away all her canned goods and provisions, and she seemed to think that was only right. When the agents came with the card to sign, she asked them to let her know when the government would be likely to come for her supplies, as she was busily canning everything she could lay her hands on, in order to be ready for them.

From the Oregon division comes the report that many women were actually visited by women before the registration day, warning them not to register, because their food would be commandeered if they did. A great many states have found this form of propaganda prevalent, and moderate effective. Among others, North Carolina and Arkansas have found strange and dangerous ideas implanted among the women. Among the more ignorant classes the notion is abroad that, once you sign you are liable to be sent to any state or country—that you have signed away your independence. A steady, concerted effort is being made by the woman's committee in all states to meet and deny these absurd reports.

No Rest from Social Affairs for Alice Duval—Bride-Elect. Nearly every day from now on until her wedding date, December 27, Miss Alice Duval is to be entertained by her friends. Thursday afternoon Mrs. Chester Nieman will give an informal luncheon for Miss Duval, Monday afternoon Miss Mabel Allen will give a tea at her home, Tuesday afternoon of next week Mrs. C. F. Brinkman will entertain a few of the bride-to-be's friends at home, Thursday Miss Duval will go to Lincoln for a few days, where she will be honored guest at a theater party given that evening by Miss Lala Mitchell, who will be maid of honor at the wedding. Friday Mrs. Eugene Holland will entertain at luncheon at her home in Lincoln and Saturday Miss Helen Smith will give an afternoon tea for Miss Duval, Monday, December 17, Mrs. Nora Booth will give a knitting party and Wednesday, the 19th, Miss Betty Carr will entertain for Miss Duval. Miss Sybil Nelson will be hostess at a luncheon and Mrs. Fred Metz will also give an affair for this very popular young lady, the date not having been decided upon.

Mrs. Will Schnorr entertained at an informal afternoon bridge at her home in honor of Miss Alice Duval, whose marriage to Mr. Rollin Christmunt will take place during the Christmas holidays. Three tables were set for the game.

Woman's Golf Club at The Prettiest Mile Club Elects New Officers. Mrs. T. J. Creedon was re-elected president of the Woman's Golf club of the Prettiest Mile club at the election held at the home of Mrs. Lula Jerome Tuesday afternoon. Miss Lillian Paul was re-elected vice president, the treasurer will be Mrs. Glen Smith and the secretary Mrs. E. J. Cochrane. Beside the election of officers a program was given, consisting of vocal numbers by Mrs. Grace Northrup Jones and Miss Lillian Paul. Assisting the hostess were: Mesdames—Edward Burke, T. J. Creedon, E. S. Wilbur, H. B. Hendon, E. J. Cochrane.

Mrs. Helene Thien Heads Woman's Relief Corps. The president of U. S. Grant Women's Relief Corps for the coming year will be Mrs. Helene Thien; senior vice president, Mrs. Nora Meldin; junior vice president, Mrs. Amanda Langhery; treasurer, Miss Gurtha S. Long; chaplain, Mrs. Emily J. Longnecker; conductor, Mrs. Ida Haning; guard, Mrs. Cora H. Taliaterro; first delegate, Mrs. E. E. Crane; second delegate, Mrs. Carrie L. Tribble; first alternate, Mrs. Elizabeth Longstreth; and second alternate, Mrs. Romona M. Peterson. These officers were elected at the annual meeting held Tuesday in Memorial hall.

Mashed Squash—Boil slowly in the same water one hour. Mash well and add salt, pepper, and butter.

Omaha Nurses to Build "Homey" Hut For Nurses "Overthere"

Nurses of Omaha want to raise \$2,000 for the war work fund, specifying that it shall be used for the erection of a nurses' hut for the American Red Cross nurses in the war zone. These huts are to be erected by the Young Women's Christian association near all the base hospitals. They are to be equipped with comfortable furniture, books, magazines, stationery and music. They will offer to these nurses, who are doing terribly taxing work without proper living conditions and with no opportunity for recreation whatever, a place in which to rest and relax and forget the scenes of the hospital during "off hours." Two thousand dollars erects a nurses' hut and \$500 makes it look homelike.

Surgical teams are sent out from these hospitals almost up to the firing line. In each team there are usually a nurse, two doctors and an orderly. For three weeks at a time these nurses are on unrelieved duty in unheated shacks that are bitterly cold in winter and always exposed to enemy shells and explosives. It is said that 6,000 nurses are constantly in this zone of fire.

When such demands are made upon the strength of the women who are serving without thought of self, it is most necessary that some place be provided for them where they can get away from the horror of war for a brief rest for mind and body. Only by getting back some of the vitality they are hourly giving out to the wounded and dying in their care, can they continue to do their great work.

Cards and money to be sent to Gertrude R. Smith, 2211 St. Mary's avenue, as Miss Smith is state chairman of the Red Cross Nursing Service.

Jewish Womens' Relief Report Work Done for The Needlework Guild. The regular meeting of the Jewish Womens' Relief society was held Tuesday afternoon at the B'nai Ami club rooms. Mrs. H. Wolf gave a report of the work done for the Needlework guild when 460 garments were collected and distributed to the poor of the city. An election of officers was held at the meeting, when the following officers were chosen for the coming year: Mrs. R. Kulakofsky president; Mrs. B. A. Simon, vice president; Mrs. H. Marowitz, secretary; and Miss Ida Kubby, treasurer. A knitting class has been formed which will meet on Wednesday afternoon, December 12, at the home of Mrs. E. Meyers, 2919 North Twentieth street. The yarn will be furnished and a knitting instructor will be present to assist those who are learning. The completed sweaters, scarfs and socks will be turned over to the Woman's National league for distribution.

Advice to Lovelorn. By BEATRICE FAIRFAX. "Him That is Guiltless."

Dear Miss Fairfax: Eleven months ago I met a young lady. Two years previous to our acquaintance she lived with her grandmother and attended school in a country town where some relations of mine lived. She left school two weeks before she closed the last year. When my relatives learned of my attentions to her they advised me that she was much talked of and told me why. That grieved me, for I had a great deal of admiration for her. I have told her of my love for her and she has accepted it. She knows that I have given her the information spoken of. I have striven hard to forget these things, but I can't.

Why don't you talk over the matter with the girl and give her a chance to tell her side of the story? If you really love her you must trust her, too, and you must feel that no matter what the gossip of a little town says, she would not do anything very unworthy. Suppose even she has made a few little blunders and repents deeply—can you not forget and try to help her realize her best ideals of herself? Suppose a little school girl was a bit gay and foolish—is that enough to condemn her forever?

Don't. Dear Miss Fairfax: I am a stenographer in a law office where it occasionally happens that I am required to work late in the evening, making it necessary for me to have my dinner near the office. Will you kindly advise me whether on such an occasion it would be improper for me to accept an invitation from my employer (a married man) to dine with him. Such an instance has arisen, but I refused his offer, feeling that I would be doing wrong were I to accept. UNCERTAIN

A sensible, practical middle-aged woman with no romantic notions might safely go out to dine with her married employer just on a business basis. But you are, I suppose, young and emotional, and I honestly believe that the sensible thing for you to do is to dine quietly by yourself when you work late in the evening and not to let yourself drift into a dangerous situation. Probably your employer could afford to take you to expensive restaurants such as your own friends could not patronize. And even if it did nothing worse, dining with him might get you into luxurious habits it would be better for you not to form.

To Clean Zinc. To clean zinc, dip a piece of flannel in paraffin and with it well rub the zinc, which should then be washed with hot water and soap to remove the smell of the oil. Polish with a dry cloth. The result will adequately repay the labor spent in the process.

Tiled grates may be cleaned with a strong solution of washing soda thickened to make a paste with Fuller's earth. The paste should be left on for an hour or two and then washed off with a flannel dipped in a hot lather.

Force of Habit. "Good morning," said the man, entering the drug shop. "Good morning," came from the druggist, limping out from behind his prescription counter. "Have you got rheumatism?" questioned the visitor. "No, but I've got something just as good."

"Oh, it's gout, is it?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Stick-to-It-Iveness. Little Johnnie had been sent to the store to get some flypaper. He was a long time in returning, and his mother began to feel a bit anxious.

Going to the door she spied the little boy coming up the street and said: "Johnnie, have you got the flypaper?"

"No, Mother," cried Johnnie; "it's got me; but we're both coming together."—American Boy.

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