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Society

By MELLIFICIA—Dec. 20.

But, Do You Knit at Home?

From the melodious comedy "Jack O'Lantern" comes the line, "I knit at the opera, I knit at the rink, I knit at the Hippodrome, I knit in the subway, I knit while at church," and then the skeptic puts the pointed question, "But, say, do you knit at home?"

We hear everywhere of the girls and women who are so prominent in the art that they can knit in the dark at the theater, and did not one energetic miss knit at a dance not long ago? One is jabbed in the eye on nearly every street car by an amber knitting needle and at bridge parties the women stop only long enough to bid and look at their hand when their turn comes.

Of course, because one knits in public is not a sign that their spirit is not of the best for I know of one patriotic Omaha woman who knits constantly and as a result has given 13 sweaters to the Red Cross. Surely, that is an argument in favor of public knitting. But, back of it all, in many cases, isn't there just a little desire to show off when one knits at the movies, at the dances, at the skating rink and while standing on the corner waiting for one of Wattle's electrics?

There are probably still many shivering soldier boys who are in need of a nice, warm sweater, so, after all, you will not be very far wrong if you follow the instruction in the refrain of Jack O'Lantern's song to "knit, knit, knit."

Press Club Election.

Miss Elizabeth Kern was elected president of the Omaha Woman's Press club at the annual meeting held Wednesday at the Fontenelle. Ella Fleishman is the retiring president. Miss Henrietta Rees, the retiring secretary-treasurer, succeeds to the vice

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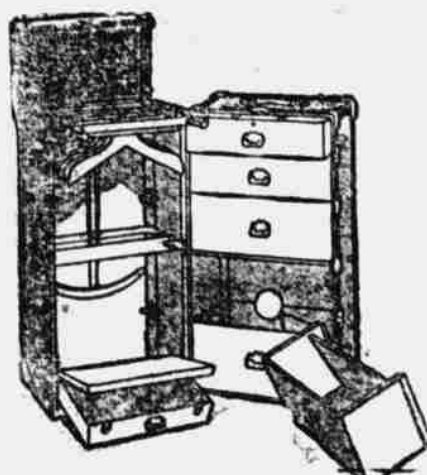
HOLIDAY BUYERS ATTEND OUR REMOVAL SALE

Soon we will begin moving back to our old location, 320 So. 16th St. At present we are offering Ladies' quality Shoes at greatly reduced prices.

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presidency and Miss Rose Rosicky is the new secretary. Miss Rees will entertain the Press club at tea at her home January 2 when prize winning manuscripts in the club's recent contest will be read.

Luncheon for Betrothed Girl.

Mrs. Adolph Brown, Mrs. J. Merritt and Mrs. C. Schank were hostesses at one of the largest luncheons of the week at the Blackstone today. Miss Hedwig Rosenstock, whose engagement to Mr. Harry Rosenstein was recently announced, was an honor guest at the affair; also Mrs. Max Merritt of Evansville, Ind., who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merritt. The guest were seated at one large V-shaped table in the Oriental room, which was beautifully decorated with English violets and pink roses. Covers were laid for 55 guests. Following luncheon the afternoon was spent with bridge.

The School Set.

The holidays will be filled with affairs for the young school set, for more parties are being planned for them every day. Mrs. J. M. Daugherty will entertain at dinner at her home Saturday evening in honor of her daughter, Miss Claire Daugherty, and her school friends. Owing to the illness of Miss Olga Metz, she will not arrive Saturday with Miss Julia Crocker, and these two young girls will not be numbered among the guests at the affair Saturday evening.

Informal Bridge.

Miss Edith Hamilton entertained at an informal afternoon bridge at her home in honor of Miss Edna Rosenzweig. Christmas decorations were used throughout the rooms and two tables were placed for the game.

Mrs. Palmer Jubilant.

Mrs. Allen Palmer, who has charge of the Red Cross booth at the Paxton hotel, reports \$90 taken in Wednesday. As this sum exceeded that of all the other hotel booths in town, Mrs. Palmer and her helpers felt very jubilant over the day's work.

Miss Howland Hostess.

Miss Marjorie Howland entertained at luncheon at the Blackstone in honor of Miss Alice Duval, a holiday bride. A centerpiece of pink roses was used on the table and covers were laid for 12 guests.

Abardeen Pleasure Club.

The Abardeen Pleasure club will give the first of a series of informal dancing parties at the Swedish auditorium Friday evening.

When Milady Goes Shopping

Had you thought of something electrical? Here are some hints and pointers of interest to shoppers.

By ADELAIDE KENNERLY.

PRACTICAL gifts are pushing the useless ones into the far corners of every list. Electrical merchandise offers hundreds of suggestions to the Christmas shoppers. There is a great variety of toys, novelties for the children, as well as many electrical utilities for the home now being offered.

In purchasing these electrical gifts, however, one should be sure to know the kind of electricity and the voltage of the city where the recipient lives. If Mrs. Jones of Omaha decided to give her sister, at Lincoln or some other place, an electric iron, a toaster, a percolator or grill, or one of the thousand other useful gifts displayed in department stores and electrical specialty places, she must first ascertain the current. That is, whether alternating current, at 118 volts, is used in Lincoln. Then she must select her gift for this voltage. An iron, for instance, made for 110-volt circuits,

will not heat on a 118-volt circuit. This is true of all household electrical utilities.

Suggestions.

Among the hundreds of possible electrical Christmas gifts may be mentioned these household utilities:

Bed lamp, cigar lighter, curling iron, desk fan, desk lamp, bell ringer, clanging dish, clothes dryer, clothes washer, coffee mill, coffee percolator, combination cooker, cook stove, cream whipper, electrically lighted table clock, foot warmer, hair drier, hair waver, hand lantern, heating pad, dish washer, disk stove, fan, fireless cooker, flatiron, library lamp, massage vibrator, ice cream freezer, ironing machine, kitchen power unit, range or stove, traveler's iron, refrigerator, sewing machine, motor, table cooking set, table lamp, toaster, utility motor, vacuum cleaner.

Anything in this list will be highly appreciated by particular and practical persons and you cannot go amiss by selecting any one or more of them.

Michael Strogoff is Prize Winning Cat



Michael Strogoff

Michael Strogoff, a short haired silver tabby, was winner of first prize in his class at the Atlantic cat show. He is owned by Mrs. Paul Lamark, queen of Omaha and is slightly more than a year old.

Michael was entered for the first time in the sixteenth annual championship cat show of the Atlantic Cat club in New York City November 21, 1917, and took the honor from many a pedigreed cat whose experience as a prize show cat had been chronicled throughout America.

Children's Party.

Mrs. J. E. Davidson will entertain at a children's party at the Boyd Saturday afternoon.

EAT SKINNER'S THE BEST MACARONI. The revised food price list for Douglas county, given out by the food administration, follows: Sugar, per pound, 9 cents. Flour (Nebraska No. 1 Patent), 24-pound sack, \$1.50. 48-pound sack, \$2.90; (Nebraska No. 2 Patent), 24-pound sack, \$1.45. 48-pound sack, \$2.80. Potatoes (Nebraska), best No. 1, 3 cents pound; No. 2, 2 1/2 cents pound. Butter (per pound), creamery No. 1, 52 cents; creamery No. 2, 49 cents. Eggs (per dozen), best No. 1 storage, 44 cents. Rice (in bulk, per pound), No. 1, 11 cents; No. 2, 10 cents; No. 3, 8 1/2 cents. Rye flour, 24-pound sack, \$1.40. Oatmeal (in bulk, per pound), 6 1/2 cents. Bread (United States standard loaf, wrap), 4 1/2, 16-ounce loaf, 9 cents; 24-ounce loaf, 13 cents; 32-ounce loaf, 17 cents; 48-ounce loaf, 25 cents. Note: These prices are for cash over the counter. An additional charge may be made for delivery or credit.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. G. I. Gilbert has returned from a two months' visit in Oklahoma City with her nephew and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Gilbert. Enroute home she visited her son, Lieutenant G. R. Gilbert, at Fort Riley in the medical officers' training camp. Lieutenant Gilbert is expected home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Talmadge will spend Christmas with Mrs. Talmadge's father in Iowa.

J. W. Broughton, B. L. Brown, J. W. Smith, F. C. White, W. W. White, Mrs. Charles W. Gray and O. M. Dobson of Omaha are registered at the Hotel Clark in Los Angeles.

Miss Mildred Valentine of Pocatello, Idaho, is the guest of Mrs. F. A. Secord.

Miss Dorothy Dahlman, who is attending Smith, will arrive tomorrow to spend the holidays with her parents, Mayor and Mrs. James C. Dahlman.

Messrs. Creighton, Edward and Charles Crowley will arrive home tomorrow from St. Mary's college to spend Christmas with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Crowley.

Mrs. Julia Hammer and Miss Julia Hammer of Akron, Ia., who were the guests of Mrs. C. E. Hall for a week, left Wednesday for California, where they will spend the winter.

Mr. Russell Brandt, who is a student at Ames college, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Andres announce the engagement of their daughter, Marie, to Mr. L. G. Polstar of this city. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kern of Galesburg, Ind., are the guests of Mrs. Kern's mother, Mrs. Charles Everston.

Christmas Sale.

The women of St. Andrew's guild will hold a sale of fancy work and home cooked edibles Friday and Saturday in the lobby of the court house. Mrs. John Douglas will have charge of the sale.

Daily Food Prices Now Effective in Omaha

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Miss Ruth Howard, Librarian, Active in Red Cross Drive



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Have you seen the red cross gleaming in the upper windows of the City National bank building at night? And the lighted windows in the form of the Red Cross society's emblem in other downtown office buildings?

Miss Ruth Howard, librarian in the public library is the young woman who made this possible. Miss Howard interviewed all building managers and asked them to do this during the Christmas week membership drive.

Melting Pot Still Inspiration for the Poets and Writers

Patriotic people are still bringing their old bits of jewelry for the two melting pots which are in the window of Brown's jewelry shop and the war relief rooms in the Baird building. An Omaha girl, Miss Elizabeth E. Mitchell, was inspired by the movement and has written a little poem, which appears below:

Into the melting pot I dropped My broken bits of silver and of gold. Ah! Here I stopped—and thought Who knows what depths of joy Will come from this, my better mold. This melting pot must hold

A surgeon's massive ring Of stone and steel. What would it tell Of wars' afflictions left On battlefields when Civil strife was strong.

Behold! A tiny band of gold. What song in some fond mother's heart Doth surely linger Who will recall? When this small band of gold Was placed upon her first born's finger. Grown to manhood—khalid had Her baby once—but now, her soldier lad.

Another golden circle. 'Twas a seal to happiness Which some fond lovers knew. It's bits of black enamel but reveal The hoop-clad maiden—ahy and hard to woo.

A silver napkin ring—a child's. See! There's her name inscribed. A child whose fate Was golden as the mid-day sun. Her orbs so brown Such contrast won the eyes Of all the town.

A thimble old. How many, many tales it could have told. Perhaps some story going, or maybe Care-worn hands, now through these holes I see.

Here's a lot of tarnished silver. Stripped from off a set of toilet articles. And here are numerous particles Of gold—nothings now. But tales they could have told Of ladies fair help-kept to meet fond swains Who powdered and bow-tied, Joined in their train.

Here's a silver spoon Of olden style. Its tiny tooth prints But evoke a smile.

A broken watch case—Cast off—years ago. Though time moves on And hours come and go. From homes both rich and poor; From far and near. Bits of sacred memories Gathered here. Surely some were sacrificed—I wat. Yet for "our boys" Cast in the melting pot.

Chicago is giving women mail carriers a two weeks' trial during the holiday rush.

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Dundee Women Pack Christmas Boxes for the Soldiers at Camp Cody

The Dundee Woman's Patriotic club has been working industriously the last few weeks packing Christmas boxes for the members of the 134th machine gun company, stationed at Camp Cody. This afternoon Mrs. Gus L. Hollo will leave for Camp Cody to deliver the boxes in person to the boys. One hundred and four boxes will go to the company proper, while 30 separate boxes will be sent to different soldiers who wrote to the women who made sweaters for them. Fruit cakes, home-made cookies, candy, cigars, cards and other things to shorten the idle hours have been packed in the Christmas boxes.

The members of the club have given two carnivals for the benefit of the 134th machine gun company, one of which was given at the Prettiest Mile club and the other at the Field club, a large sum being raised at both affairs.

Starved Austrian Children Are Sent to Switzerland

Geneva, Switzerland, Tuesday, Dec. 18.—Living proofs of the terrible economic conditions in Austria were furnished yesterday by the arrival at Buchs, on the frontier, of 576 pale and suffering children between the ages of 7 and 9. They are from Vienna and other Austrian towns. The children had not tasted milk for months. They had received bad bread in insufficient amounts, stomach diseases resulting. Their clothing was most scanty and there was no fuel in their homes. They will be distributed among various places in Switzerland until their health is restored.

Crippled Children in Halifax Need Toys

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 20.—An American Santa Claus must provide toys for hundreds of blind and crippled children in hospitals here. The limited stock carried by the local dealers has been exhausted. Americans have been asked to help.

Although no approximate estimate of those blinded by the explosion is available, it is believed the number may reach 1000, including those who lost the sight of one or both eyes. Many of these are children, and little girls which they will never see are sadly needed.

Cleveland's Daughter To Marry English Officer

London, Dec. 20.—The engagement is announced of Esther, daughter of Grover Cleveland, to Captain Bosanquet of the Cold Stream Guards. Captain Bosanquet, a son of Sir Albert Bosanquet, has been decorated with the distinguished service order. Miss Cleveland came to London in June of last year, after having qualified as a nurse and instructor of the blind, and took up work as a volunteer at St. Dunstan's home for blinded soldiers.

When Your Fingers Are All Thumbs

Are your fingers all thumbs? Or do you envy your deft sisters who knit their bit or grow bandages? Is the spirit eager but the hand clumsy? If so, there is a special task for you. The home service section of the Red Cross will show you your patriotic niche.

While others are supplying socks for the trenches and surgical dressings for the hospitals "over there," your work awaits you here. While these women provide for the soldiers themselves, you can make their brave families your care.

The home service section of the American Red Cross is helping scores of soldiers' and sailors' folks in many cities. It needs such women as you to go into these homes, to find out what may be lacking there, and to supply it with tact, the privilege of one American to shoulder with another the common national responsibility.

The aid the home service section gives is not always from the purse. In many cases a little useful information is all that is needed. For instance, a wife may not know the government has allotted for her use part of her soldier husband's pay, plus an allowance. Or she may not know how to get it.

The Red Cross tells her. It also reminds her, if she is inexperienced in business of her insurance policy. It looks after the health of the family. It finds employment. It tries to meet every emergency that may arise while the husband, the son, or the father of the house is away on his country's mission.

This is the work you may share. Let the Red Cross lead you to your service.

French Dressing 1/4 pint olive oil, 1 level teaspoonful salt, 1 clove garlic, 1/4 pint vinegar, 1 heaping teaspoonful sugar, 1 level teaspoonful paprika. Rub the bowl and the mixing spoon thoroughly with the garlic and then fill with the other ingredients, stirring slowly in one direction until the oil and vinegar form an emulsion. A small piece of ice makes the mixing easier. Be careful always to stir just exactly as you started or the oil and vinegar will not mix. One of the great sociological problems with which France will have to deal after the war will be the industrial status of women.