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By MELLIFICIA—Jan. 29 Black and White Is With Us Again

Would You Have Thought It of Them?

The change in policy at the Brandeis theater has brought on such a deluge of comment (to put it mildly) by mail, over telephone and in person as to test the patience of one thoroughly patient-tested manager, yclept Joy Surphen.

Lester Heyn once attended the school on the hill. That's where he became acquainted with the passage from "Hamlet" so cleverly parodied in the second paragraph of the following epistle to Joy.

"Am enclosing check for two seats for 'Mister Antonio.' First night and seats fairly well down in front, as I am very deaf. Also my hearing is improved by placing me on the aisle and, realizing full well that you wish me to enjoy the swan song of the Brandeis Legit, you'll no doubt acquiesce with my wishes. 'Acquiesce' means seat me where you please.

"When your Theater Beautiful first opened I came from Detroit to see Doris Keen: in the premier performance in 'Arsene Lupin' and it was my wish to attend the last rites of this place we have loved so well. Alas, poor Brandeis, I knew its joy; it was a place of infinite jest, of most excellent fancy; it hath borne me in its seats a thousand times, and now how abhorred in my imagination it is! My gorge rises at it. Here hung those scenes I have enjoyed, I know not how oft. Where are your comedies now? Your dramas? Your operas? Your flashes of piercement that were wont to set the theater on a roar? Not one now to enjoy your own publicity. Alas, poor Joy, these are troublesome times, when a regular, honest-to-gawd theater is forced to play canned dramas and ought to be canned acts.

"As they say in all well-regulated and quiet grave yards, R. I. D., meaning 'Rest in peace,' but possibly in the theatrical venture of 10-20-30 vadeville it means 'Rent in payments.'

"Yours in much sorrow at the Theater Beautiful's passing. Sincerely, LESTER G. HEYN."

The explanation for the "rudeness" in the manager's reply to the classic inspiration, of the well-known photographer is: He attended the school on the hill the same time that Lester did. Here it is:

"I am in receipt of your alleged 'Lew Dockstadter' letter and in reply, and due to my rush of work, I can only say that I hope that the comedy furnished by our future vaudeville acts will be a great improvement on that contained in your communication.

"Permit me, in spite of my very busy day, to correct one impression and that is that the Brandeis theater is to play no more road attractions. We will, my dear Lester, continue to play all the Klav & Erlanger attractions as heretofore and will hope to see you present at all of them."

"C. J. SUTPHEN."

While "riding" the mail of these two letters from an actor playing the "kerosene circuit" was unheeded. "If you know what it means to direct and act with a band of imitation Thespians who dare play anything from 'Uncle Tom' to 'The Thirteenth Chair,' to 'troupe' in these awful burles with sanitary arrangements via the suburban route and the thermometer 25 below, 'oprys' never heated and hotels ditto, you will quite appreciate my desire to make a change.

"I am willing to accept any salary you name, any position you offer, from watchman or janitor to actor of cast.

"I can act; I can prove my worth. I have brains, some personality, force and a sense of humor. I am neither drinking man nor nondescript.

"I want this letter to sink in, for I wish you to rescue me. How about it? If I don't prove up at first opportunity you have permission to get rid of me via the slack end of my well-worn trousers," he wrote.

B'nai Ami Open Meeting.

Rabbi Morris Taxson will be the speaker at an open meeting of the B'nai Ami club to be held Wednesday evening in the clubrooms, 301 Lyric building. Maxwell Fromkin will take on B'nai Ami work. Musical numbers will be given by Miss Anna Leaf, pianist; Oscar Weinstein, cellist; Miss Bess Berman, singer, and Miss Loretta DeLone, harpist. Miss Sophia Weinstein and Miss Ruth Gross will be the accompanists.

Bob-Sled Party.

Attracted by the clear, cold night and the snowy boulevards, a number of the young married set entertained at a bob-sled party Monday evening. Following the ride supper was served at the Prettiest Mile club.

Surprise Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Rushing were given a surprise party by some of their friends Saturday evening. The evening was spent in dancing and a buffet supper was served.

White Elephant Sale.

Obs and ahs were heard on every side this morning when the gift for the sale from Mrs. Joseph M. Baldrige was opened. Thirty lovely evening gowns were unwrapped, to say nothing of several stunning bead bags. "You should see one of the evening coats!" exclaimed a member of the committee. "Just solid white and black beads, the most beautiful coat ever seen in Omaha!"

Blackstone Affairs.

Mrs. T. D. Bakin entertained a luncheon party of 20 guests at the Blackstone today.

Thursday evening the Building Managers' association will entertain at dinner at the Blackstone. About 100 guests will attend the affair.

War Relief Benefit.

Mrs. Lucien Stephens and Mrs. J. E. Davidson, sponsors for the war relief benefit at the Brandeis theater Saturday night, report \$474.05 as the total proceeds, selling the house brought about \$100 more than \$62 was thrown on the stage and the balance was received in checks as contributions to the fund.

Card Party.

A ton of coal will be the first prize given at the card party Wednesday evening given by the Holy Angels parishioners at their hall.



By GERTRUDE BERESFORD.

If a woman can't look well in black and white she might as well give up trying. Nothing is more distinguished than this color combination. Like all good things, however, it should not be carried to excess. This suit of black velvet and white cloth, designed for southern wear, is a delightful blending of the two extremes of the color spectrum. A coat of black velvet carries collar and cuffs of white broadcloth, embroidered in checker board squares of black chenille. The same embroidery is repeated on the skirt border and is effected with a long, loose stitch, requiring very little time or experience. A single white pearl button fastens the coat. With this costume is worn a white straw sailor, faced with white kid. A knitted band and two pendant balls of black chenille furnish the trimming in keeping with the "tout ensemble."

White Elephant Sale Has Live Pig, Pearl Necklace and Geraldine

Hurrah for the White Elephant sale!

Tuesday, just one day before the sale, which will be held in the Auditorium Wednesday and Thursday, and the most wonderful collection of White Elephants that has ever been seen in Omaha.

Jewels of every description are pouring into headquarters. Women are giving things they prize very highly for this benefit sale. There are necklaces of pearls, semi-precious pendants, rings, buckles, hair pins, silver mesh bags, cigarette cases, fruit dishes, sterling silver coasters and a thousand other things needed by everybody except the donors.

Miss Fox has presented a \$100 gown and some fair damsel will profit by purchasing it.

Now comes a real live pig and a little lamb. They have been added to the live stock exhibit which was started when Mrs. Phil Dodge gave her children's precious little donkey, Cinderella.

Mme. Geraldine Farrar's autographed photograph is one of the attractions and will be exhibited early Wednesday.

A tin Lizzie? No indeed! It is an honest-to-goodness five-passenger Ford that reposes in all its newly-varnished beauty, offering a thousand lovely trinkets next summer to the lucky person who buys it.

Hundreds of pretty girls and soldier boys, as well as our regular home-town boys, are looking forward to the jitney dances. The regimental band from Fort Crook will furnish the music and Wednesday night promises to be the most frolicsome event of the season.

Miss Lucile Dennis Married to Lieut. Ray Higgins—Houston, Tex.

Mrs. George G. Dennis announces the marriage of her daughter, Lucile, to Lieutenant Ray Morton Higgins, which took place at Houston, Tex., Monday, January 28.

The bride is a charming girl and a talented musician. She is a graduate of the Central High school and also attended the University of Nebraska. She is a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Lieutenant Higgins' former home was in Hartington, Neb. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and is a member of the Delta Chi fraternity. He was associated with the law firm of Morsman & Maxwell of this city prior to his entering the first officers training camp at Fort Snelling, where he received his commission. Lieutenant Higgins is stationed with the 13th infantry at Camp Logan, Houston, Tex. The young couple will remain in Houston for the present.

PERSONALS

Miss Kate McHugh is confined to her home by illness.

Mrs. James Richardson is ill with the gripe at her home.

Dr. W. O. Bridges leaves tonight for Chicago to be gone until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Owen have returned from San Antonio, where Mr. Owen completed his course of free balloon flights and finished his training for a commission in the aeronautical division of the signal corps.

Miss Ruth Dillon, who underwent a severe operation at St. Catherine's hospital two weeks ago, is improving and was moved to her home the first of the week.

For Miss Barrett.

Mrs. George Engler will entertain at a miscellaneous shower at her home Friday afternoon in honor of Miss Nan Barrett, whose marriage to Mr. Jack Hughes will take place February 28.

Home Economics

Edited by IRMA H. GROSS
HOUSEHOLD ARTS DEPT. CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Suggestions for Meatless Day.

A letter received last week asking me for suggestions for meatless day menus set me to thinking that many housewives might be puzzling over the same problem. To be quite frank, there really are not innumerable substitutes for meat, and the housewife must vary these substitutes by different methods of preparation.

Purpose of Meat or Its Substitutes in the Diet.

It is impossible to maintain health unless the body tissue, which is constantly being broken down, is as constantly built up. Unfortunately every food will not build body tissue—only foods containing protein will build the body. There are only a few foods which are particularly rich in this body-building material. They are meat, fish, milk, eggs, cheese, dried peas, dried beans and nuts. From the standpoint of nutrition, "meat" includes all flesh, whether beef, pork, mutton, poultry or game. But from the conservation standpoint, poultry and game are not "meat."

Fresh fish make a very excellent substitute for meat; but in some parts of the middle west, especially in small communities, it is almost impossible to get other than canned or cured fish, salmon, tuna fish and most shell fish are excellent in cans.

Fish Kedgeres.

1½ cups cooked 4 T. rice.
fish. 2 T. fat.
1 egg, hard boiled 1½ cup chopped onion.
chopped. Salt and pepper.

Cook the rice in one cup water in a double boiler. Melt the fat, fry the onion in it, add the other ingredients. Heat very hot, and season rather highly.

Finnan Haddie.

(A Salt Fish.)

Put fish in dripping pan, surround with milk and water, half and half. Heat slowly, keep over a low flame for 25 minutes. Pour off liquid, spread fish with fat and bake 25 minutes.

Co-Operation

Miss Gross will be very glad to receive suggestions for the home economics column or to answer, as far as she is able, any questions that her readers may ask.

Make a gravy of the milk and water, which was poured off.

Oyster Chowder.

35 oysters, drained 2 pts. water.
and cut. Liquid from oysters.
2 oz. salt pork, diced. 1 c. cut celery.
onions, minced. 1 s. diced potatoes.
4 T. flour. 1 c. stewed tomatoes.
3 T. chopped parsley.

Cook the salt pork slightly, add onions, then stir in flour. Add water, oyster liquid, celery, potatoes and tomatoes. Cook until the potatoes are tender; add oysters and parsley, also salt and pepper to taste. Cook 10 minutes longer. Serve with crackers.

Chowders.

While chowders all call for some salt pork in their preparation, it seems almost fair to call them meatless dishes, since the amount of salt pork is so small.

Corn Chowder.

1 can corn. 1 sliced onion.
4 c. potatoes, cut in 4 c. scalded milk.
½-inch slices. 8 crackers.
1½-in. cube fat salt 3 T. oleomargarine.
pork. Salt and pepper.

Cut pork in small pieces and fry out, add onion and cook five minutes. Strain fat into stew pan. Add potatoes to fat, add two cups boiling water, cook until potatoes are soft, add corn and milk and heat to boiling. Season with salt and pepper, add oleomargarine and crackers split and moistened with cold milk.

Jugged Rabbit.

3 rabbits. 3 cloves.
1 onion. 1 Allspice.
2 bay leaves. 1 T. salt.
Fat. Pepper.
1 T. lemon juice.
3 c. hot water. 1 T. catsup.

Cut rabbit into pieces, roll in flour

and brown in fat. Remove to a casserole. Add rest of flour, then water to skillet, stir to boiling. Pour liquid over the meat in the casserole. Add flavoring and whole onion. Bake in a moderate oven one and a half hours. Add lemon juice and catsup just before serving.

Peanut Butter Loaf.

1 c. peanut butter. 1 egg.
1 c. fine bread crumbs. 2 milk.
1 t. salt. ½ c. water.
1 t. chopped onion.

Mix, form into loaf, put loaf in tin and bake. Baste with peanut butter dissolved in hot water. Serve with cream sauce.

Potato Cornmeal Muffins.

2 tablespoons fat. 1 cup cornmeal.
1 tablespoon sugar. 4 teaspoons baking
1 egg, well beaten. 1 powder.
1 cup milk. 1 teaspoon salt.
1 cup mashed potatoes.

Mix in order given. Bake 40 minutes in hot oven. This makes 12 muffins. They are delicious.

Ralph Adams Cram

Has a Sense of Humor When Lights Go Out

Ralph Adams Cram, the famous architect from Boston who spoke before the Fine Arts society Monday afternoon is a man with a sense of humor. Mr. Cram's stereopticon lantern refused to do its duty and in trying to adjust the electric fuse for the lantern the lights in the ball room at the Fontenelle began to flicker on and off. Mr. Cram was forced to deliver his lecture in a very informal way and in a dimly lighted room for the most part. He made a number of clever remarks about the situation and Mrs. Charles Kountze, who was sitting in the front row, said:

"Let's talk about evolution while we are waiting, Mr. Cram."

"Do you think we would get light?"

The architect replied quizzically. A number of Red Cross workers dropped their duties for the afternoon to attend the lecture, but knitted industriously. Miss Mona Cowell, Miss Margaret Bruce, Miss Hilda Hammer, Miss Gladys Robertson and Mrs. Alan McDonald kept their fingers busy during the afternoon. Among the prominent women active in the Fine Arts society who were in the audience were Mrs. Louis C. Nash, Mrs. Walter T. Page, Mrs. Edgar Mersman, Jr., Miss Gertrude Young, Mrs. George Prinz and Mrs. Leonard Everett. A number of men were seen, particularly those engaged in architectural work. Mr. Alan McDonald, Mr. Frederick Scott, Mr. T. B. Kimball and Mrs. F. C. Ballard, the latter being personal friends of Mr. Cram.

Of Interest to Women.

The theological faculty of the University of Heidelberg has given its first permission to a woman to try for a degree in theology.

Mrs. E. P. Brown of Regina, Sask., on her way to Oklahoma, was a passenger on a train which became snow-bound near Burlington, Ia., and she took her place with employees of the road in shoveling snow from the track.



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