

# WOMAN'S SECTION OF THE BEE

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## WOMEN IN WARTIME

### Junior Red Cross To Make Furniture For War Camps

Through an understanding between the bureau of camp service and the Junior American Red Cross, the Junior Red Cross is going to undertake to make the furniture for all convalescent homes attached to the base hospitals at the camps and contingents in this country.

An assignment of quotas has already been made to some of the schools in this state and we are anxiously awaiting reports as to the progress of the work. Beatrice has been assigned two dressing tables; Lincoln, 15 tabrets; Omaha, 10 folding tables and five benches.

Rapid work in the completion of the houses makes necessary the prompt completion of these supplies. This is the first assignment of manual training work and it is essential that the junior auxiliaries shall not fail. As fast as the articles are finished they will be shipped to the various convalescent homes throughout this country.

### War Gives Impetus To Industrial Art

Hot Springs, Ark., May 2.—War has given a great impetus to art, especially to industrial art, Mrs. Cyrus W. Perkins, chairman of the art department, General Federation of Women's Clubs, and in addressing the biennial convention here. The importance of design in American commercial activities was not realized generally, she said, until our importations of furniture, wall papers, carpets, glasses, embroideries, pottery and lacware failed to come across the seas. Then it was that museum heads and art instructors met with the manufacturers to meet the lack and classes in decorative design, exhibitions of old textiles and other art products, and art lectures were multiplied.

Mrs. Perkins also pointed out other activities of war times that had increased the demands for artists and revealed their importance to the well-being of their countries. Posters were needed in appealing for enlistments, to increase food production and conservation, and to push the sale of Liberty bonds. Artists with expert knowledge of coloration, analysis of light and color vibration were needed for camouflage work.

In addition exhibits of collections of foreign war posters with their universal appeal were brought to America and by this means large sums were raised for Red Cross work, and various war charities.

### Liberty Loan Contest.

A packet of paragraphs from Eighth grade students at Park school, Miss Julia Newcomb, teacher, reached the contest editor of The Bee just before the close of the Liberty Loan contest Wednesday evening. Among those who explained why one should purchase bonds of the third issue were: Herman Allen, Mildred Cohn, Margaret Logan, Virginia Franz, Floyd Zarp, Elizabeth Pugsley, Marion Harris, Grace Anderson, Ella Headberg, Mary Murphy, Elizabeth Lentz, Bernia K. Hokanson, Martha Witt, Neva Fowler, George Dietrich, Clarence Slifer, Altmann Swihart, Beatrice Rosenthal, Jack De Long, Estella Houseman, Paul Leustler, Helen Witkowski, Lester Peal, Jack Fetters, Margaret Shaw, Theodora Thrane, John Inkster, Frank Wolf, Marguerite Blend, Richard Sling and James Ingwersen; Helen Kuml of Omaha, Martha Huminget of Primrose, Bertha Lefkowitz and Clement Jeep of Omaha, and Ray Stott of Palmer, Neb.

### Big Output of Small Unit.

First United Presbyterian church Red Cross auxiliary holds the record perhaps for the quality of work turned out by its members, who number only 10. Since organizing last winter, 112 pajama suits, 52 bandage socks, 35 hospital leggings, 10 surgical caps and 10 cape shirts have been completed.

Besides the work on hospital garments, the members knitted 90 sweaters, 78 pairs of socks, 50 pairs of wristlets, 18 mufflers, and nine helmets. Mrs. F. B. Foster knitted 28 pairs of the socks and Mrs. James Anderson 20.

Mrs. James McClair is chairman and Mrs. J. A. Bryans secretary-treasurer of the unit, which meets every Friday afternoon in the church.

### Closing Days at Bank.

Speaking and music almost all day Saturday is the program for the closing day of the Liberty bank on the court house grounds. A musical program has been arranged for Friday afternoon. Upper grade children of Mason school will sing patriotic songs at 2:30 o'clock, following which the South High school orchestra will play. Speakers will be announced later.

Mrs. George A. Hoagland bought a \$1,000 bond at the bank Thursday. Mr. Will M. Cressey, headliner at the Orpheum this week, will speak from the steps of the Liberty bank at 12:30 Friday.

### "Furlough Houses" For Soldiers in France

If present plans are carried through a quarter of a million dollars to erect "furlough houses" in France for American soldiers will be pledged at the biennial meeting of the National Federation of Women's Clubs. The convention is now in session at Hot Springs, Ark., and will plan to raise this sum, which was fixed at a previous meeting.

The "furlough houses," states Mrs. Delphine Dodge Ashbaugh, "will not be a duplication of the work being done by the Young Men's Christian association or the Young Women's Christian association, since they will be located as far from the front as practicable. The plan is to give the tired soldier, with a few days' leave, a complete change; even Paris is felt to be too near the sound of the guns to afford a rest."

The houses will probably be located in the south of France. Mrs. George W. Perkins is treasurer of the war victory commission of the federation, and Mrs. Ashbaugh is chairman.

### To Do Canteen Work Abroad

Miss Etta Young will probably be the first Omaha woman chosen for Red Cross canteen work in France, according to Mrs. Clement Chase, field secretary of the Nebraska Red Cross.

Miss Young's application was favorably considered by Mrs. Joseph Cudahy of Chicago, head of the central division canteen service, who was in Omaha recently to interview applicants.

Miss Young, whose home is in Lincoln, has been a teacher in the Omaha schools for the past two years. She is now doing special work at Long school. Miss Young is now awaiting definite instructions from headquarters in Chicago.

The Misses Clara and Marguerite Schneider of Fremont will probably also be among the eight Nebraska women who will go abroad in this service.

### Concert for Red Cross

The second annual concert of Mount Saint Mary's Seminary Glee club will be held in Creighton auditorium, Tuesday, May 7, at 8 o'clock. The proceeds will be donated to the Red Cross war fund. A large audience is expected on account of the worthiness of the cause for which the concert is given, and also for the privilege of hearing these talented young women sing. No tickets will be issued. Admission is 50 cents.

### War Lecture for Red Cross.

Top-Sergeant Harold Baldwin, late of the Canadian forces and author of the war story, "Holding the Line," will lecture on his experiences in Omaha some time in the near future. The proceeds to go to Omaha Red Cross chapter.

Owing to the loss of his right leg, Sergeant Baldwin is incapacitated for further active service. He will speak in Lincoln May 7.

### Baby Registration.

Baby registration will be held at Dupont school Friday morning and at Garfield school Friday afternoon. Ralston baby day has been set for May 11. All Douglas county precincts will be cared for at the Ralston school.

### Red Cross Notes

Gould Dietz, director of Omaha chapter, is planning a big parade as a feature of the Red Cross war drive which starts May 20. This public demonstration will likely be held on Sunday afternoon, May 19. Red Cross workers in uniform will be asked to march.

Since April 22 the Nebraska Red Cross has shipped 912 boxes of supplies.

The Unitarian auxiliary, which has been meeting on Wednesday mornings at the church, has changed the time to Tuesday morning from 10 to 12 o'clock.

Luncheon will be provided by canteen workers for the 180 men who leave for the draft army on Friday for Camp Funston. The comfort kit committee will present them with packets.

The Red Cross calendar for the second war drive issued for the entire country has been received in Omaha. Suspended to the page for the month

### Red Cross Chairman No. 9



MRS. G. W. HERVEY.

Lowe Avenue Presbyterian church boasts two Red Cross auxiliaries. Mrs. G. W. Hervey is chairman of Auxiliary No. 1 and every Monday finds her with her corps of 75 workers industriously stitching away on hospital garments at the Masonic temple.

This unit has been in existence nearly a year and the excellence of the women's work has been praised by the censors.

### Advice to the Lovelorn

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

#### Perplexed.

Dear Miss Fairfax, Omaha Bee: I am a constant reader of The Bee and seeing your advice to others, would you kindly answer the following question. Is it proper for a young man to accompany a young lady home whom he has not taken to any place of entertainment? What gifts could I send to a soldier friend? A gentleman friend has asked me to visit him. He is on a vacation in a large town. My parents do not object in some ways and other ways they do. They have asked me to write you?

How can a girl of 16 wear her hair? I would like to know of a new way. I am a girl of 16 and have had young company ever since I was 13. I got tired of always entertaining and going out as my parents want me to do. They tell me if I have a chance to marry not to let it slip by. They are continually inviting young men for whom I do not care, and not those I want. I am so tired of this life I really can't treat these young people right when they come. My parents want me to get married as soon as possible. Perhaps when they see your advice they will profit by it. Thanking you in advance, I remain, BROKEN HEARTED.

I see no reason why a young gentleman should not accompany a girl home from a place of entertainment. Very often the girls come alone and then the hostess arranges for that escort home. Your gift to your soldier friend should be governed by the extent of your acquaintance. I think of course, we always think of a wrist watch for a soldier, but if he was merely a friend I would send some simpler gift. A box of delicious home made candy would be very acceptable, I am sure, then there are little kahlki packages which include, a tiny mirror,

is a pledge card which is to be detached and a part of the year's offering may be mailed to headquarters each month.

A fluffy white spitz has been donated to the Red Cross by Adam Baudou of Benson. The little gift will be sold for Red Cross funds. Miss Martha Gyger, Red Cross stenographer, will care for the Red Cross dog until it is disposed of.

Mrs. Clement Chase left Wednesday night for Pawnee City, where she will meet candidates who desire to go to France as canteen workers or as nurses. She was accompanied by L. W. Trester.

Women of the Methodist church will gather at the home of Mrs. David Cole at 3 p. m., Friday, to hear Mrs. Chase speak.

#### Secret Engagement.

Dear Miss Fairfax, Omaha Bee: I and my twin sister are 18 years old and we are seniors in high school. We are very great chums, as I think we should be, but somehow I just don't feel that I can confide my secrets in her nor in anyone else, and from some one I must ask some advice too young to think of love. What I want to ask you is this: He wants to give me a ring now and I have told him not to do it. Did I do the proper thing? Maurice, says he will ask my parents if I will let him, but he thinks it would be best to get the ring and then tell them. Do you think it would be best to keep our engagement secret for another year? Sometimes I feel as though I will just have to tell Agnes. Is there any real harm in our kissing each other? Is it proper for me to allow him to put his arm around me when riding with other boys and girls who do so? Agnes and I have asked mother many questions about such things, but she will not answer us satisfactorily, and we sometimes feel quite lost. I know most boys and girls are more or less soft, and I can't see any harm in it if they don't go too far. I never allowed Maurice to kiss me before our engagement. Do you suppose my parents expect me to sit with my hands folded and not allow any privileges at all as long as we have gone together? Please do not put the name of the city from where I am writing this in the paper. I am very troubled and don't know what to do. Please answer this in The Daily Bee, as we do not take the Sunday. ANNA.

#### He Is Unworthy.

Dear Miss Fairfax, Omaha Bee: As I am in a rather difficult situation and saw the advice you are giving to Lovelorn, so decided to write to you. Please give the advice in The Daily Bee. I was engaged to be married and when it came to setting the date my fiance said he wanted to be married in the spring or not at all. He was giving me only three weeks to get ready in and I wanted to wait until fall, so this caused us to break up. Was he fair in his actions? I love this man dearly and cannot forget him. I tried to make up with him and he says that I broke his heart and that he does not love me any more. Now, do you think that he had any love for me in the first place? He was awfully kind to me, but wanted to have his way about everything. Now, he is also accusing me of talking against his people, which I never dreamed of doing. He claims that some friends gave him this information. Although we were engaged, he never gave me a ring to seal our engagement. Should a ring be given and what kind is the most appropriate?

From what you tell me I do not think this man worthy of any girl's love. He has acted in a very childish manner and I would forget him, if possible. I sympathize with you in your dilemma, but I do not think he treated you as gentleman should. It is the girl's privilege to set her wedding date and he should have been glad to conform with your wishes. A ring is not always given; it depends on the circumstances. Many young couples do not wish to spend so much money on a ring, but would rather put the sum in something for their home. A diamond solitaire is the usual stone for an engagement ring, though a ring of less value will serve the same purpose.

my parents. I would let the young man tell them as he wishes to do, for I like his attitude in the matter. He is evidently a conscientious fellow, who will make a good husband for you. I wouldn't indulge in too much kissing, but, of course, this is permissible for young people who are to be married.

#### Kitchen Hints

Custard can be sweetened with honey. Apples will form the basis of almost any jelly. Use raisins for sweetening in rice pudding. Scrambled eggs served with asparagus make an excellent dish. Any bananas can be used for making marmalade. Good salads can be made of potatoes and salt mackerel. Try browned bread crumbs and cream for a breakfast food. Never sweeten a war bread.

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