

WOMAN'S SECTION OF THE BEE

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Women in War Time

Smith Club Girls Plan War Benefit On Short Notice

COLLEGE women who claim Smith college as their Alma Mater are bringing order out of chaos in devastated France. The work of the Smith college reconstruction unit is indeed wonderful and for the last year these self-sacrificing women have brought cheer and hope to the war-weary people of shell-swept Europe. In the gusty month of March this year, these women left one of the French villages just 10 minutes before the gray horde of the German army swept down upon the defenceless town. Their sisters across the sea have worked early and late making garments for the sufferers in France. Benefits have been given to raise money to carry on the work any every spare moment of the girl now in school is utilized to help the young women who carry the banner of their college in foreign lands. Smith college alumnae here have been foremost in their activities and now are planning to stage a dance carnival for the benefit of their unit, September 30, in the Brandeis theater at 4 o'clock. The committee on arrangements met at the home of the president of the club, Mrs. George Kiewit, this afternoon, to outline the working organization of the affair. Just one short week is all the time these women have to sell tickets and promote the affair. Miss Portia M. Sweet will direct the performance.

Luncheon for Miss Slattery.

"It looks like being a case of 'Come early and avoid the rush,'" said J. M. Parker of the War Camp Community Service, in referring to the address to be given by Miss Margaret Slattery of Malden, Mass., Tuesday night. "A number of large groups of girls will attend, including the Patriotic clubs, which will attend in a body, and 1,000 high school girls, for whom arrangements have been made. We expect to fill the Auditorium."

Miss Slattery will discuss the subject of "Hanging Across the Sea," outlining the relation of the women and girls of America to the winning of the war. Her address will be free. Luncheon at the University club will be the only social affair given for Miss Margaret Slattery during her stay. The War Camp Community Service board will entertain about 50 guests in Miss Slattery's honor, including representatives of the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. Miss Slattery is one of the few women who have been permitted to speak at the University club. The luncheon will be an informal affair, no set program having been prepared.

Baptist Speaker Saturday.

Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery of Rochester, N. Y., Baptist woman speaker, who will address two meetings at the Young Women's Christian association Saturday afternoon and evening, is well informed on the missionary topics on which she lectures for she, in company with Mrs. Henry W. Peabody of Boston, made a tour of the mission fields in 1913. Both women wrote foreign missionary text books on their return.

Belgian Day Proceeds.

"Omaha newspaper 'put across' the Belgian Baby day fund drive," said Miss May Mahoney, chairman of the local committee, which Saturday raised \$14,500 for destitute babies. "Two hundred posters, which were to be set up all over the city for publicity in advance of the drive only reached me Saturday evening at 6 o'clock."

Miss Mahoney expects the fund to reach \$15,000 when all returns are in.

Sew for Belgians.

U. S. Grant Women's Relief Corps Kensington will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. R. S. Wilcox, 6235 Florence boulevard. Sewing for the Belgian refugees will be the business of the meeting.

Service League Notes

Service league members believe they have established a record, as indicated by the report of funds from the first of the year until the present time, issued by the chairman, Mrs. William Archibald Smith. Only \$67 of the total disbursements of \$6,891 went for overhead expense. No salaries are paid. Receipts of the league were \$7,731. The treasury now has on hand \$839.78.

The league will sponsor a popular priced concert by the Innes band October 13. The ticket sale is now being organized.

Mrs. T. G. Travis of the general service division reports buttons sewed on 1,500 soldiers' shirts at the request of the army reclamation officer. Volunteers are needed to complete 3,500 more shirts. Tuesday evening from 7 to 9 the work will be done in the room at 311 South Seventeenth street.

Women Banned After Nov. 1 on Cleveland Street Cars

Cleveland, O., Sept. 23.—Women shall not be employed as conductors on Cleveland street cars on or after November 1, 1918, is the decision of Henry B. Dielman and Miss Margaret Rusanowski, federal investigators, acting as special representatives of the Department of Labor, in a report to President Stanley of the Cleveland Railway company received today.

Clad in "womanalls" and carrying her lunch, Mrs. Westmoreland Davis, wife of the governor of Virginia, has been taking a course of instruction at the United States Bagging plant at Seven Pines, Va.

Sorority Girls Pledged



Upper, Left to Right—Frances Wahl and Dorothy Darlow. Lower—Beatrice Montgomery and Jocelyn Stone.

Nine Omaha girls were pledged to University of Nebraska sororities during the rushing season which closed Saturday. Miss Frances Wahl is an Alpha Phi pledge; Miss Dorothy Darlow, Delta Gamma; Miss Beatrice Montgomery, Alpha

Chi Omega, and Miss Jocelyn Stone, Delta Delta Delta. Other pledges are Barbara Roehlin, Chi Omega; Margaret Lina, Alpha Phi; Katherine Willis, Tri-Delta; Edith Howe and Mary Thomas, Delta Gamma.

Washington Society

Washington Bureau Omaha Bee.

SOCIETY this fall has a new occupation, and is giving invaluable aid to the government. This by way of entertaining sick and wounded soldiers. The most severe cases of wounded are brought to the Walter Reed hospital in Washington. Many of these soldiers get as well there as they will ever be, and it is toward these that the special efforts of the women of means and leisure direct their attentions. A little group of the soldiers are entertained at dinner on Sundays each week by many of Washington's hostesses. They send for the men, have dinner in the middle of the day and take them for an auto ride before returning them to the hospital. These soldiers are also being taught by the reconstructionists in some line of work by which they may be self-supporting. Large classes of students, chiefly of the former leavers, are learning the work to be teachers, both in this country and in France, for there is greater need of these teachers each day the war goes on.

Colonel Robert M. Thompson's commodious and luxurious houseboat, the "Everglades," known in all the navigable waters of this country, has been placed at the disposal of Mrs. James Carroll Fraser, chairman of the comfort's committee of the navy league, for the use of the sick and convalescing soldiers. Mrs. Newton D. Baker is a member of the committee and will be one of the chaperones for the parties. Ten or 12 young girls who have been working hard throughout the summer in the lunch room, known as "The Sign of the Ship," run by the comfort's committee for the soldiers and sailors, will look after the soldiers on each trip.

Women war-workers in Washington will probably be put into uniform by the first of October. It is now under advisement in the War department, the kind of uniform and regulations pertaining to it. It is important that these war workers be recognized "as they pass by," and the intention is to order for them, sensible, good looking, moderate priced outfits, with initials or other insignia on their sleeves or collars or hats, that they may be placed at once by those with whom they do business, either for the government or for themselves. This will simplify the winter's wardrobe much, both as to cost and comfort. It is especially vital to do away with the almost invisible and sometimes decolleed chiffon and georgette crepe waists which have been a cause of embarrassment to many employers who would prefer that their clerks would appear in sensible clothes. It is not yet recorded just how kindly or otherwise the said war workers have taken to this regulation in dress, but the sensible ones will welcome it. An effort is also being made to have all female war workers enlist for the war period, as there has been much trouble in holding the young women.

Mrs. S. H. Avery is spending a month in Lincoln, Neb., and visiting in Crete. Major Avery, who was formerly chancellor of the University of Nebraska, did not get home this fall for a vacation. He has recently been made major in the chemical warfare service.

Unitarians Hold Their First Services in New Church

Omaha Unitarians were greatly surprised Sunday when services were held in the new church. Delays in the interior decorating and furnishings prevented a definite date of completion being announced. While the church was being completed services were held in the auditorium. A formal dedication of the church will be held next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The decorations and finishing of the church are beautiful. The sermon was omitted by the pastor, who reviewed the work of securing the new edifice. Five years have elapsed since the old church building was sold until the completion of the new edifice.

WAR PUZZLES



GERMANS MEET DEFEAT AT LUTSK Which is recaptured by the Russians, three years ago today, September 24, 1915. First Russian. YESTERDAY'S ANSWER Left side down in body.

ADVICE TO THE LOVE-LORN

Conduct at Dances.

Dear Miss Fairfax, Omaha Bee: I have never been introduced, and if a girl dances with a stranger how should she ask his name? Also, what should a girl do when a stranger winks at her while dancing near her? Please tell me what does a wink mean?

I have been attending dances and some boys asked to take me home, and my folks don't want me to go home every time with a different boy. If I don't go they don't talk or dance with me any more, and that way I lose many boy friends. What would you advise me to tell them?

I have attended a dance and having noticed one of my boy friends and he couldn't recognize me, is it proper for me to go and speak to him? BROWN EYES.

It is not proper to dance with a stranger at a public dance. If a man is not courteous enough to see you to dance he is so ill-bred that he is not worth knowing. A wink is unpardonable. I am afraid you are attending dances at which very undesirable people are found, and the best advice I could give you would be to remain away from them. The young men have no reason to be offended if you refuse to accompany them, providing you do so in a courteous manner. If a friend does not recognize you it is either because he does not see you or because he does not care longer to be your friend. A pleasant word in passing would be proper, but I should not try to force myself on his attention. Be more careful of the society you keep and you will not have so many problems to solve.

Library Courses.

Dear Miss Fairfax, Omaha Bee: I am finishing high school this next year and do not know what to do then. I wish to become a librarian in a large Carnegie library. What I want to know is whether or not I have to finish the State university first or whether I can just take a librarian's course. I wish to be a very good one. If I just have to take a short course where would I go to get such an education? Are there many openings for librarians? I mean is it very hard to get such a dress made? How much a month does one get?

Miss Fairfax, is it right and proper for a girl of 14 to get a soldier's address and write to him? The girl has never seen or heard of him before, but just saw his address in a paper. She wishes to adopt some lonely soldier as her brother.

BROWN EYES.

There are more positions for librarians open than there are trained library workers to take them. If you make of yourself a really good librarian, as you are ambitious to do, you will find good positions open to you. Most of the library schools prefer a college-trained student, and some of them insist on that qualification. You have plenty of time to finish the university and then take the regular course, which I should advise you to do. Take at least two or three years at the university. The biggest librarians are not usually Carnegie libraries, but the work in all is the same. The nearest library school is the St. Louis Public Library school, St. Louis, Mo., and it is a very good one. There are also schools at Iowa State college, Iowa City, Ia., and State university, Madison, Wis., and others farther east. You would probably have to start at \$800 a year, but would be better paid after the first year.

Yes, it is perfectly proper for you to "adopt" a soldier brother. Write him nice, homey, sisterly letters and he will appreciate them.

Service Pins.

Dear Miss Fairfax, Omaha Bee: Can I wear a service pin for my husband's brother, and can I hang a service flag in the window for him? He did not live with us at any time. Thank you.

For husband, son or brother you may wear the pin and display the flag. For others you have no right to do so, unless they are members of your household.

Keep Clean

Keep clean inside, as well as outside. Do not allow food poisons to accumulate in your bowels. Headache, a sign of self-poisoning, will point to numerous other troubles which are sure to follow. Keep yourself well, as thousands of others do, by taking, when needed, a dose of two of the old, reliable, vegetable, family liver medicine,

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CHAPTER II.

The Stranger from Overseas.

Billy Belgium and Carrie and Homer Pigeon start to recruit a bird messenger corps for the American army in France, and ask Peggy to help them.

Far above the roofs of the neighboring buildings rose the spire of the church. Up and up flew Carrie and Homer Pigeon carrying Peggy and Billy Belgium. Larger and larger grew the steeple as they neared it—much larger than it had ever looked to Peggy from below.

She peered ahead anxiously to discover the entrance to the home of the Steeple Pigeons, but it wasn't until Carrie and Homer Pigeon landed on a flat ledge away up in the air that she saw it. Then she found that there were four big latched windows in the steeple, one on each side. The lattices were made of slats, arranged slanting, one above the other, so that they would keep out the rain and snow. Between the ledge and the lower row of slats was room for the pigeons to creep through.

Within the steeple a noisy discussion was going on. "Cool! Cool! And she said we ought to work for our living," came the angry voice of Airy Potter.

"How shamefully ignorant!" cried another voice.

"Oh, I don't know. It strikes me as a good idea," drawled a pleasant third voice.

"You always did have peculiar notions, Bronze Beauty," petulantly exclaimed Airy Potter.

"I think we'd better knock," whispered Billy Belgium, and he rapped three times on one of the slats.

"Come in," drawled the voice of Bronze Beauty.

Peggy and Billy Belgium scrambled through the slats, with Carrie and Homer Pigeon following.

The sight that greeted them was astonishing. They found themselves in a large chamber, in the center of which hung a huge bell. Away up above was an immense dome-like metal ceiling. Supporting the bell was a heavy framework, beside which ran the rope that rang the bell. The chamber and the bell were really big, but to the eyes of

Pigeons who, instead of being calm and dignified as Pigeons usually are, appear to be much worked up over something. They seemed astonished at the appearance of Peggy and Billy Belgium.

"Who are you?" cooed the drawly-voiced Pigeon, who Airy Potter had called Bronze Beauty. And he surely was a beauty in his coppery-looking coat of feathers.

"I am Billy Belgium and this is Princess Peggy," Billy Belgium began.

"That's her. That's the stingy one who insulted us by saying we ought to go to work," cried Airy Potter.

"And you should go to work," insisted Peggy, not a bit daunted by the hostile glances now bent upon her. "No one deserves to eat in wartime unless they earn their food."

A chorus of haughty protests greeted her.

"What impudence! It's preposterous! How common! I'd never work!"

Only Bronze Beauty seemed the least bit sympathetic.

"I've thought that myself. I'm not very fond of work, but I'd like to do something to earn my keep."

"You can do something," spoke up Billy Belgium. "If you don't like work you can fight. That's what we are here for—to recruit fighting Pigeons to act as messengers for the American army in Europe."

"Horror!" cried all the Steeple Pigeons, except Bronze Beauty. "We are pacifists."

"I think it would be splendid to be a war messenger," drawled Bronze Beauty. "I'll join your fighting Pigeons."

"No, no," cried the others. "Don't disgrace your band."

"He will honor it," declared Billy Belgium. "Aren't there any others of you who love America enough to fight for it?"

"Why should we fight? We're contented and at peace."

"You should fight because America has given you a peaceful and happy home and a good living which you have not deserved," broke in Peggy. "You can't stay contented and at peace if the Germans come over here."

"We're safe in our steeple—safe except for the cruel rats." Airy

Pouter looked around fearfully as he said this. "Safe, but for how long unless patriotic fighting Americans protect you—" "Help! Help!" A voice from outside broke in on Peggy's outburst. All were startled and the place instantly became quiet.

"Help! Help!" came the voice again. Carrie and Homer Pigeon darted out. In a moment they were back again, supporting between them an exhausted Pigeon.

"Gracious, a tramp!" exclaimed Airy Potter in disgust.

"I came from Belgium," replied the stranger, drawing himself up proudly in spite of his weariness. "I am of the fighting Birds of Europe. I bring to the Pigeons of America a call for help."

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