

WOMAN'S SECTION OF THE BEE

Conducted by Ella Fleishman

SOCIETY

WITH two scant weeks in which to work, promoters of the Red Cross Christmas masque, "The Roll Call" by Percy Mackaye, are working apace. The first rehearsal of the chorus of 150 will be held Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the Young Women's Christian association auditorium which has been donated for all rehearsals. Mrs. C. W. Axtell has this division in charge and is particularly eager that all church choirs in the city shall participate.

Mrs. Conrad Young was considered for one of the important roles in the masque, but her illness with the influenza may prevent her taking part. Congressman A. W. Jeffers, who made such an imposing appearance when Mackaye's bird masque, "Sanctuary," was presented at Childs Point, is cast for another such role.

A big Victory "sing" will precede Red Cross week. The sing is arranged for Sunday afternoon, December 15, in the auditorium at 3:30 o'clock. The leader for the singing, has not yet been announced.

At the preliminary Red Cross meeting next Thursday at the Fontenelle when George Simmons of St. Louis will talk, Private Frank G. McDonald of the First Canadian Mounted Rifles and a former German prisoner of war, will speak. He is the author of "The Kaiser's Guest."

Tickets for Victory Ball.

Have you purchased tickets for the Victory ball to be held at the Auditorium Saturday evening for the benefit of the kiddies of the Child Saving institute? If not, tickets at \$1 each may be purchased at the door or by telephoning Misses Cassie Riley, Marie English, Margaret Welsh and Gertrude McCauley, of the "Joan of Arc" club, or from any of the following maids or matrons:

Misses Margaret McClanahan, Marian Weller, Helen Walker, Polly Adler, Dorothy Brown, Mildred Rhodes, Margaret Baum, Robina Kamerer, Elsie Storz, Diana Gross, Louise White, Gretchen Swoboda, Hazel Peterson, Margaret Gamble, Edith Hamilton, Carolyn Holmquist, Corinne Elliott, Marjorie Howland, Elizabeth Davis; Mesdames John Madden, Fred Hamilton, Dan Haines, H. M. Larrabee, Robert Gilmore, Cora Wolf, Howard Farrell, Maynard Swartz, J. E. Cogley, A. S. Ritchie, Leon Miller and Blaine Young.

Relief for French Needy.

The tiny Christmas socks filled with dimes for the committee for devastated France are to be returned to Mrs. Arthur Crittenden Smith, 1303 Park avenue, at the earliest possible date. The committee is desirous of having all the socks returned at once.

The Colonial Dames met at the home of Mrs. Smith Monday afternoon and filled 140 comfort bags containing the small necessities which will be sent to France. Auxiliary to the Allies, with Miss Jessie Millard as chairman, will sew all day next Wednesday at the Presbyterian church making garments for the women and children of the devastated regions.

To Sing Christmas Carols.

Girls of the three high schools' student clubs meet at the Young Women's Christian association Thursday at 4 o'clock to practice singing Christmas carols. Christmas eve, little groups will visit each hospital and institution in the city to sing the Christmas songs.

Miss Julia McCune, director of music in the grade schools, will rehearse the songs. Mrs. J. A. Tancock, girls' work secretary for the Y. W. C. A., will provide machines to carry the girls about the city.

For the Future.

Many dinner parties are to be given preceding the Victory ball Saturday evening. Miss Helen Walker will entertain a number of the younger girls and officers at dinner at her home that evening.

Mrs. Waite Squier will entertain the board of directors of the Fine Arts society at her home Thursday.

Dancing Party.

A dancing party will be given this evening at the K. C. hut at Florence field by the Joan of Arc club for the men stationed at that post.

Vassar Club Luncheon.

Mrs. Frank Turner entertained the Vassar club at luncheon at the Blackstone today.

Red Cross Notes

Mrs. W. E. Martin, captain of the Red Cross motor corps, has orders to maintain the organization of the local corps for transporting wounded men.

"We have information that 18,000 men are to embark from English ports at once. These will be followed by others. A tentative program for welcoming these men home has been worked out and will be sent you. It is the desire that the motor service play a big part in this welcome. We expect the Motor corps to give service to every wounded soldier who returns and needs transportation assistance," are orders from Central division.

Carter Lake auxiliary, Mrs. A. D. Chapman, chairman, will meet Thursday at Scottish Rite cathedral from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Postoffice authorities will accept no more Christmas parcels. Red Cross is sending a bulk shipment to France to cover lost and delayed parcels.

Gould Dietz is delegate from Omaha chapter to attend the annual meeting of the American Red Cross in Washington, D. C., December 11.

Miss Mildred Scoville, executive secretary, home service division of civilian relief, arrived Wednesday morning from Chicago.

Miss Mary Steele of Hastings has been appointed state director of the Red Cross Christmas roll call masque. Miss Steele will issue manuscripts and advise chapters regarding the presentations.

Mrs. Berry New President of War Mothers



Mrs. William Berry

"Mrs. William Berry of the South Side was elected president of the American War Mothers last night at a meeting in the city hall attended by 80 mothers.

Other officers were: Vice president, Mrs. Alice Ambrose; secretary, Mrs. Laura Parker; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ellen Smith; historian, Mrs. F. M. Hetzler; treasurer, Mrs. Mary Walters; directors, Mrs. Frank Young, Mrs. Susie Finney, Mrs. Carrie Gustafson.

Red Cross Will Send No More Women Abroad

No more Red Cross workers will go abroad from Omaha.

New conditions overseas are responsible for the cancellation of sailing orders for all further Red Cross workers, according to a telegram received this morning by Mrs. C. T. Kountze from Mrs. J. M. Cudaby of Chicago, personnel chairman for the Central division. "Red Cross appreciates the disappointment this announcement will bring to many who made plans to go overseas, but new conditions abroad undoubtedly justify this new order. We hope you will make it clear to all applicants how much Red Cross sympathizes with their disappointment and regrets necessity for now declining offers of service so willingly made," Mrs. Cudaby wired.

Mrs. Kountze will maintain the personnel office in state Red Cross headquarters and will complete the files of the applicants already received. These will be held in readiness if orders are changed and more workers are needed.

The status of Omaha girls now in New York awaiting sailing orders is yet undetermined. Mrs. Kountze does not know whether they will sail or have to return home.

More than 100 overseas workers have been recruited from Nebraska for canteen, hospital hut, clerical, reconstruction and social service work.

Xmas Boxes for Fort Crook Men.

One thousand soldiers at Fort Crook will be furnished Christmas boxes by the National League for Woman's Service. At a board meeting held Tuesday Mrs. E. M. Syfert was named chairman of a large committee to pack the boxes, which will contain plenty of "good eats."

Mrs. George A. Joslyn immediately offered to furnish the boxes, which will be of uniform size. The request for a bit of Christmas cheer for the boys comes from Major Crockett.

Plans for the canteen to be established in the Army and Navy club, with Mrs. L. J. Healey in charge, were discussed. Mrs. Myron Learned was named chairman of publicity.

Wedding Announced.

The marriage of Mrs. Mary French Maltby of this city and Mr. Charles Albright of David City took place Sunday at the home of Mrs. W. H. Miller, Rev. E. H. Jenks officiating. The bride wore her traveling gown of brown broadcloth, with a corsage bouquet of violets and Mrs. Ward roses. Miss Gertrude Miller sang "At Dawning" before the ceremony.

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DREAMLAND ADVENTURE

The Imagination Stone
By DADDY

(Billy Belgium gives Peggy an Imagination Stone, with which she can turn persons, animals or birds into anything she wishes. She drops it and two squirrels get it. They change themselves into Billy and Peggy, while they change Billy and Peggy into squirrels.)

CHAPTER IV.

Turned Into Squirrels.
PEGGY and Billy were both astonished and puzzled when they found themselves turned into squirrels. They certainly had not wished to become animals.

But Jerry, who had assumed Peggy's form, was speaking, and in her words they found the explanation. "My, that was clever of you, Jerry, to grab the Imagination Stone and turn us into children. I've long wished to see how it would feel to be a little girl."

"Hurray, now we can run and play and have lots to eat and a warm house and everything," shouted Jerry. "Here, you keep the Imagination Stone," and he handed it to the wonderful pebble over to her. "Come on, let's frolic."

Away ran the two children, leaving Peggy and Billy, now changed into squirrels, behind them.

"Well, what do you think of that," squeaked Billy.

"I don't know what to think," squeaked Peggy back at him. "Now that I'm a squirrel my mind doesn't seem to work as well as usual. I know one thing, though; I've always wanted to climb trees and now I'm going to climb one."

With that Peggy went frisking up the big oak tree, and Billy went frisking up after her. It was a lot of fun, and Peggy felt very gay and happy.

As she raced around the trunk of the tree, suddenly she came across a huge animal that hissed and spit Jerry at her. For an instant Peggy's heart seemed to stand still. The animal looked as big as a tiger, and just as fierce.

Then she recognized it. The animal was Frisker, who had been turned into a cat. He was just an ordinary sized cat, but now Peggy was looking at him as he appeared to one of squirrel size. No wonder he seemed monstrous.

Billy, racing around the tree after her, also got a shock, but he recovered from it immediately and began to play a new game. He ran up the tree above Frisker, and leaped over to the limb on which the cat sat, giving him a lively bounce. Frisker faced about, hissed angrily,

and struck at Billy with his paw. Billy promptly leaped back over his head.

Billy kept going back and forth, and Frisker kept getting madder and madder. Then Peggy joined in the fun. She found that while she and Billy could jump around freely in the tree and run out on the tiniest swaying branches, Frisker had to move a great deal more cautiously, so that it was easy to tease him and keep out of his way. Frisker kept slapping and slapping at them with his claws exposed, but he never caught them, and finally he got so disgusted that he ran down the tree and bounded over the fence into the yard next door. He was safe in doing this as Tom had disappeared from view.

"I'm hungry, let's eat some acorn," squeaked Peggy to Billy, scampering down to the ground. The idea seemed good to Peggy and soon she and Billy were having a squirrel feast.

Steps on the sidewalk caused Peggy to look up and then scamper out of sight around the tree.

"Gracious, there's Miss Jones, my music teacher, and I haven't practiced my lesson," she squeaked to Billy.

"It's a good joke," chuckled Billy. "Jerry will have to take the lesson in your place."

Sure enough, Peggy's mother, coming home from shopping, had chanced upon Jerry and was bringing her along. Jerry didn't know what was awaiting her, and was running along very lappily.

"I guess she thinks she's going to get a piece of pie," chuckled Peggy. "Oh, hol there's my arithmetic teacher, and he's put Perry to work on the problems I missed today."

squeaked Billy, pointing to a man who had captured Perry and was putting him to work right there on the curb stone.

"That's one job I escaped," squeaked Billy, frisking around the puzzled and disgusted Perry.

Through the window they could see Jerry getting her lesson. She didn't know a thing about it and Miss Jones got crosser and crosser every minute. It was so funny to Peggy and Billy that they frisked away up to the top of the tree in pure glee. As they did so, they heard a croaking voice from high above.

"Change us back! Change us back! Woe comes from the Imagination Stone!"

It was Reddy Woodpecker, now turned into a raven, and he was desperately trying to escape the hawk who was closely pursuing him.

(Tomorrow will be told how Peggy and Billy began to realize what the warning against the Imagination Stone means.)

WAR PUZZLES



BRITISH TROOPS RESCUED
Fifty American and Canadian Engineers, who had been taken prisoners by the Germans, three years ago today, December 5, 1915.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

Upside down in boat

Personals

Mrs. George F. Engler is ill at her apartment with influenza. Columbia Club entertained at cards this afternoon at Lyceum Hall.

Mrs. G. A. Phipps of Denver arrived this morning and is at the Blackstone.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Newman at Ford hospital Thursday.

Mrs. J. F. Dimick was hostess for the meeting of the Comus club at her home this afternoon.

Mrs. G. W. Megeath and Miss Mary Megeath returned Monday evening. Miss Megeath visited her fiancé, Mr. Herbert Connell, at Camp Taylor and Mrs. Megeath has been in the east.

The infant son of Dr. and Mrs. Jack Dwyer, born Tuesday, died later in the day. Mrs. Dwyer was formerly Miss Alta Weeks, graduate of the Presbyterian hospital of this city.

Lovelorn

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX

A Popular Girl.

Dear Miss Fairfax, Omaha Bee: I am a girl of 17 years, with dark brown hair and eyes. What color clothes would I look most attractive in? I am quite popular among my boy and girl friends, but my parents will not allow me to have company, nor can I go to dances, as all my other girl friends do.

I have a very nice boy friend two years my senior. I have often had to refuse his escort home from parties for fear of my parents' wrath. He has a good character and no bad habits, as smoking, etc. Should I ask him to my parents' home without their consent? Should I ask him to my chum's home without my parents' knowledge. I also have another boy friend who is much more attractive looking, but not so popular. Should I consider his escort home from parties? I do really think more of this boy than the other, but my friends think he is not suited to me.

Which is the best school for teachers' normal training? Where shall I write to get definite information? PEGGY.

You can wear many colors, as you are a brunette. The various shades of brown are always becoming, dark blue, taupe, green in the darker shades and pink, pale blue and yellow in the light tones. I would not invite boys to my home if my parents objected; they, no doubt, have very good reasons for their objections.

I would not think of these boys as anything but friends and wait a few years before you accept serious attentions.

The normal school at Peru is considered one of the best in the state. Write to the state superintendent of instruction at Lincoln for information.

Lonely One.

Dear Miss Fairfax, Omaha Bee: The letter written to you last week by a lonely widower impressed me so much that I feel that I should like to meet him or start a correspondence with him. I am 25 years old. I am not a widow, yet I am the next thing to it, in that my dearest one has given his life upon the battlefields of France. I am certainly lonely, and I think I will be more so when the other boys return.

I have worked any way through a normal school and am now attending a business college. I was born and raised on a farm. I don't believe in marriage without acquaintance, friendship and love. If the widower wants my name and address please give it to him, and if we find in the future that love exists perhaps we could marry.

For being mother to the children, if the widower is the right man and his children are good I would certainly love them. For I love most children, that is why I have spent four years of my time in teaching school. If I can bring any cheer into the widower's life, I should be glad to do it. If through you two

lonely people are brought together I am sure you have my thanks. A LONELY MAID.

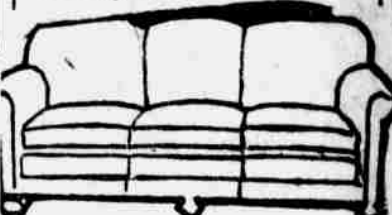
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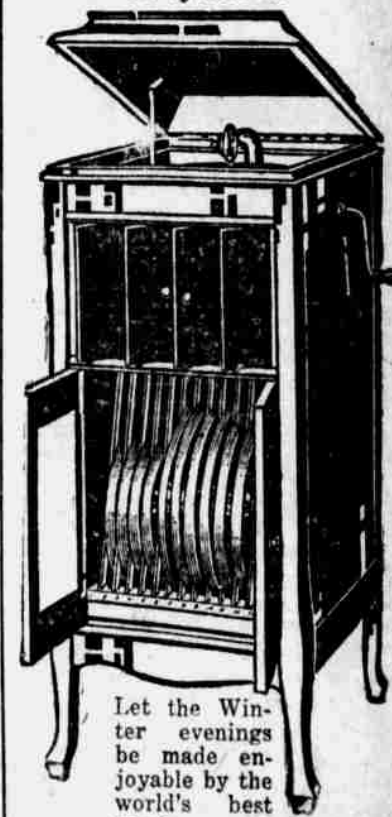


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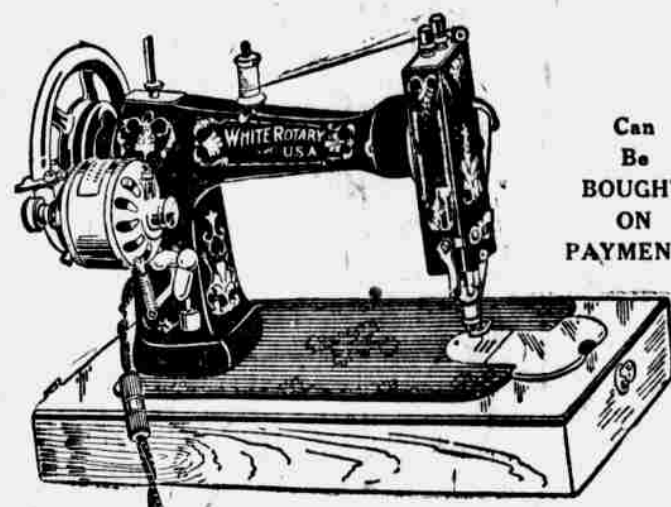
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