

WOMAN'S SECTION OF THE BEE

Were I so tall to reach the pole
Or grasp the ocean with my span,
I must be measured by my soul;
The mind's the standard of the man.—John Watts.

The moon and the stars are commonplace things,
The flowers that bloom and the birds that sing,
Yet God, who sees each separate soul,
Out of commonplace lives makes His beautiful whole.

Omaha Girl in China Tells Great Story of Life

Union College at Peking, China



Lives in Palace and Plays Ball in Court Yard.

LARNING to speak Chinese amid surroundings that were ancient when Columbus first touched the shores of Cuba is the experience which Miss Anna M. Lane, former teacher at the Central High school, is undergoing at Peking, China, where she is preparing herself for missionary work in China at the North China Union Women's college. Following are extracts from a letter written Miss Irma H. Gross of Omaha:

"Most people know so little about Peking that I am sure I was not alone in imagining it a city of filth, flies and sore eyes. That is true, but along with it come a wealth of gay streets, temples and royal palaces which can be compared to nothing but Arabian Nights tales. This oriental city, with its multitudes of people, throngs of rickshaws, low buildings, camels walking with stately strides, awful beggars and painted ladies is a very wonderland.

"I have just come from the Temple of Heaven. I visited the summer palace of the empress dowager Thursday. One thinks of things Chinese as gaudy red and tinsel, so is scarcely prepared for the exquisite coloring of the buildings. Decoration is all contention and is perhaps overdone, but it is not cheap. The buildings are roofed with tile, which are usually orange, ultramarine or emerald, and glisten in the sun. The walls are wood or brick and are covered with plaster or frescoed. A temple is never a building; it is a group of many buildings put on a hill to give them height. The hill is often made for the purpose since Peking is as flat as a table. China was old in the days of Abraham. Most of the buildings are set off in huge compounds, as everything enclosed within walls are called. The Chinese do not seem to have much taste in fixing up the grounds and many of the finest buildings have fallen into decay. The tile roofs are covered with grass that has grown in the dirt that has accumulated there.

Chinese Gods Guard.
We felt quite safe, however, for the Chinese gods are still perched on the roofs keeping away the demons. You understand that this is the nunery that is right inside our own compound. Entertainment included the witches scene from Macbeth, roasting chestnuts in our beautiful fireplace, a house of horrors and everything that makes such an evening gruesome. One of the nicest things was when the Chinese college girls came through the moon gate each carrying a lighted candle, and watched us in our grand costumed march through the court. You hear it said that the



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they can distinguish tone more accurately and speak them more quickly. Every day I am impressed with the sureness and skill of the Chinese teachers. I can see all the theories that I have been hearing advocated during the last few years put into effect. They seem to be working just as they should.

"There is a great bond of sympathy between all the language school students, for we feel as one big family and as if our lives depended on conquering this bedlam of sounds. I thought of all the people at home on Hallow'een. I spent it in the presence of all the ghosts that anyone could possibly wish for. We had a real party with nothing left to be desired in the way of spookiness. Can you imagine prowling about the court of an old Buddhist monastery, or rather nunery, that was in use long before Salem knew there was such a thing as witches?

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The Ground Gripper Walking Shoe
"But the thing that looms largest in my horizon is the language. Oh the overwhelming, engulfing dumbness that one feels in the face of this strange tongue and more strangely written characters. You dare not go far alone, you are at the mercy of the rickshas men. You cannot even buy anything, you can only smile feebly at the maid and it is not worth while to want anything done by the 'boy.' I have actually mastered a few inches of sounds that a sympathetic listener will admit are Chinese. I don't know of anything that compares to the thrill of the language. Here is a school that takes neither notebook, pencil or text. In fact there is nothing that one can bring to bolster up his fainting spirit. You simply present your brains and absorb all you can, twist your voice in to unspicable noises and then go home to forget every bit of it. Next day you come and do likewise. Bye and bye you have the courage to try a few words on some mortal. I have had eight days of this and my hopes are high. I expose myself to all the Chinese that I can stand on Sundays and incidentally to the grippie which is slaying its thousands. As yet I seem to be immune from both.

Chinese Teachers.
There is a big class for all beginners with a Chinese teacher dressed in American clothes. By the aid of pictures, acrobatics and all sorts of ways the teacher tries to convey his idea to the class. These teachers are interesting and when I first saw them racing back and forth in the court yard dressed in low robes slit in the sides with their small, black dome shaped caps I thought that they looked like the geni in the story of Aladdin's lamp. They have a high sense of humor and are just as delighted when you show a glimmer of intelligence as a mother teaching her baby to talk.

People Notice It. Drive Them Off with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets
A pimply face will not embarrass you much longer if you get a package of Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. The skin should begin to clear after you have taken the tablets a few nights. Cleanse the blood, bowels and liver with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets, the successful substitute for calomel; there's no sickness or pain after taking them. Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets do that which calomel does, and just as effectively, but their action is gentle and safe instead of severe and irritating. No one who takes Olive Tablets is ever cured with "a dark brown taste," a bad breath, a dull, listless, "no good" feeling, constipation, torpid liver, bad disposition or pimply face. Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a purely vegetable compound mixed with olive oil; you will know them by their olive color. Dr. Edwards spent years among patients afflicted with liver and bowel complaints, and Olive Tablets are the immensely effective result. Take one or two nightly for a week. See how much better you feel and look. 30c and 25c per box. All druggists.

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Even temples and pagodas mere miniatures compared to the towering mountain of this strange speech. But in spite of all that, we feel hopeful and have the feelings of a Columbus when we discover the meaning of a new word or phrase. Here is another place where physical people have the advantage, for

Chinese cannot sing, but if you could have stood and watched the girls filing through that perfectly round 'moon gate,' with their candles dimly lighting up the arbor and the date trees throwing weird shadows upon the wall and heard their clear voices in the stillness of the evening, you would agree not only that they can sing but that they are beautiful.

"In the main I do not think that even the girls are pretty. I have been relieved to find that even the coolies in the street and the poor in the alley ways are not repulsive. It is a surprise that anyone can so quickly get used to their dress and hair. Even extreme styles in America never taught us that women should wear trousers and men should wear skirts. I can walk down the street behind a man wearing a beautiful long queue or a woman hobbling along with her feet bound and feel that I have known them all ways. Many of the servants have bound feet and I marvel that they can get around at all.

"My work with the school has not yet begun, but sometimes I can have some share in its activities. They are most studious girls, but need to learn the art of play. There is basket ball and tennis here for them and they have appreciated the fine new basket ball that Mrs. Loomis' niece sent them by me. Our school girls wear skirts over their trousers and a jacket sort of waist. Although the patterns are all alike the colors may vary. They use a coarse cotton cloth, usually blue. The girls come from 12 different provinces and would all pass for 'sweet sixteen.'

"I have just come from church, where two hours of Chinese has just left me with a stupid feeling. It is worth going just to see the audience in that fine church.
American Mail
"It goes without saying that the biggest event of the day is the arrival of the American mail. Woe is he who is without letters when the American mail comes in. We get the cabled news just as often as you do. We have Miss Orvis to describe and interpret the events in the Balkans and Russia. She has just received an order from Boston to go back to Turkey. We feel that China is very civilized when we think of conditions there. And yet they tell us that China is resting on a volcano right now.

"I was invited to the Indemnity college for the celebration of the founding of the republic. I wish you could have seen those 600 boys in a torchlight parade and then breaking up into class groups and dancing around a huge bonfire. Imagine a big snake dance such as might follow a great foot ball victory in your own alma mater going on in the glare of that great fire, and then picture, if you can, the participants dressed in blue garments that reach to the ankles, and these garments flying forward and backward. It was New China, indeed.

"In the face of all these Chinese characters that look like chicken tracks in the mud, and Chinese sounds that make you think you

Council Defense

Woman's Committee Convention.

A national meeting of the chairmen of the state divisions of the woman's committee and of the state presidents of women's organizations which have been doing war relief work is being planned to take place in Washington at the end of January or early in February. Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, president of the national woman's committee, sent the following letter to Prof. Sarkab B. Hrbkova, chairman of the Nebraska division to which a large majority of the state organizations and individuals entitled to vote on, answered affirmatively.

Dr. Shaw's Letter.
Council of National Defense.
Washington, Dec. 13, 1918.
To the state chairmen and members of the honorary committee of the woman's committee.

The signing of the armistice seems to have had an effect upon the country similar to a declaration of peace, and immediately there were evidences upon every hand of an eagerness to discontinue those agencies and committees which had been created for war service. This may readily be done with some war agencies but not with others and the question arises: Are the state

divisions of the woman's committee among those whose usefulness has ceased?
We are well aware that an armistice is not a declaration of peace, and that there are and will continue to be until after the peace treaty is signed many obligations resting upon our country that are directly connected with the war and from which we have no desire to escape.

We have also the added duty of keeping before our people the debt we owe to those glorious and devoted nations whose valor and sacrifice saved us from the unhappy fate which was theirs. The honor of our country demands that we shall continue to render every possible service to lighten their burden of rehabilitation. They must be fed and given such additional material aid as their need requires and we are able to provide.

The uncertainty which surrounds the future of specially created committees for war service makes it impossible at this time for the woman's committee of the Council of National Defense to say what the decision of the government may be in regard to definite plans; hence our inability to give to the

state division a definite program. Even the president, in his address before congress, stated that he had no clearly defined program nor had anyone as yet presented an adequate one. The woman's committee is much less able to do so until the Council of National Defense has stated its purpose.

It was therefore resolved at an executive session of the woman's committee to submit to the chairmen of state divisions and to the honorary committee of the woman's committee a questionnaire asking for an expression of opinion as to the advisability of calling a conference of the state chairmen and of the members of the honorary committee in Washington the latter part of January or early in February for a general consultation regarding future work, at which time all may frankly express their opinions with reference to the wisest methods by which their work may be continued for the best interests of society.

If a majority of the state chairmen and members of the honorary committee approve of holding a conference, the woman's committee of the Council of National Defense will proceed to call it at the earliest possible date.
Your prompt reply is of the greatest importance. Faithfully yours,
ANNA HOWARD SHAW,
Chairman Woman's Committee and Vice Chairman, Field Division, Council of National Defense.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Clark have taken an apartment at the Blackstone.

Day's Grist of Questions

Here are specimen questions asked at the American Library association's library at Camp Beauregard in one day:
"Who is the sultan of Turkey?"
"What is the population of Philadelphia?"
"How many months in the year is the Baltic navigable?"
"Is there such a place as hell—and is there a princess of hell?"
"Is Alan Seegar American or English?"
"How much space in a line march is required by a motorcycle?"
"What day of the week was Julius Caesar born?"
"What people of ancient times were destroyed because they had six senses instead of five?"
"Where was Atlantis, the island described by Plato, where people were perfectly happy and contented?"

Mrs. Fred Hamilton is planning to leave soon for California.

How and Where To Use Your Pin Money!

In the fourteenth century, when Pins were invented, they were a great luxury, and to buy them needed considerable money. Not only that, but the fashionable women of those days were so extravagant in their use and purchase that the authorities limited their purchase to the first few days of January in each year. Pins are now so low in price that they can be bought any old time and there are neither restrictions on their purchase nor their use. **HOW** and **WHEN** to use your PIN MONEY is just as important today as it was six centuries ago. On January the second

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started the greatest sale in all the firm's history—TEMPERATURE HAD NO TERRORS for the THOUSANDS of buyers who crowded the various sections, where, times and market considered, were offered the Greatest Values in the firm's experience. We promised you a further Surprise Party in few days and here we give you several surprises—

First at the Silk Section at 9 A. M. Monday, a Remarkable Sale of Costly SILKS Much in Vogue

All our Colored Crepe de Chines; all our colored Georgettes and four pieces of black brocaded crepe of exquisite quality. **\$1.69**

All 40 inches wide. And all pure silk at formerly \$2.25

35 pieces of fancy silk checks, plaids and stripes 36 inches wide which sold up to \$2.50 at **\$1.50 per yard.**

Both these lots for **ONLY ONE DAY.**
You have been wont to take our word in the past. We do not believe that we ever offered you better values and so confidently once again we advise you to use your Pin Money Monday at Kilpatrick's.

Letter Writers Here Is Your Chance for Bargains

About 1000 Boxes of Stationery.

Society note size, letter size, correspondence cards and envelopes to sell. **One day only.** 24 envelopes, 24 cards or 24 sheets of paper. Sold previously up to 50 cents at **25c per box.** And a lot of choice papereries sold up to **\$1.00 at 50c per box.** No such values in such wide variety offered by us since that fateful day in 1914 when Bill the Brute started to whip the world.

Four Great Lots of Wool Dress Goods

At the Dress Goods Section.

69c for serges, which were until now \$1.00 per yard.

89c for wool mixed, 42 inches wide, value \$1.25.

1.09 for 52 inch wool mixed storm serge instead of \$1.50.

1.98 for 54 inch mixtures and fancies sold up to \$3.95.

GOOD INTEREST ON THE INVESTMENT OF YOUR PIN MONEY HERE

As we write this ad our store is crowded in every section but the business in our

Linen and Bedding Sections Is Simply Huge

So large indeed that it is utterly impossible for us to give details as to what quantities or numbers will be on hand by Monday. Our employes in these departments have been compelled to work until 10 p. m. to straighten stocks and get ready for the following day's business. Rest assured we'll have a round-up before Monday morn and those who come on Monday will have a rare chance to get some wonderful values in small lots or odd lengths.—Another good place to spend your pin money.

We Are Getting Ready to Take An Inventory

This is the time when if there is a loss to take, we take our medicine and POCKET IT. We get down to real worth at such a time if ever. And what we don't turn into money and put into the cash drawer, we take mighty good care to price so low that we won't fool ourselves.

You can readily understand from what we have stated that it's in the Ready to Wear Section that we do the radical things. Here is where the price cutting knife goes in to the hilt. As an evidence read list of a few KEEN CUTS for MONDAY. Big business has left small lots of COATS. We bunch them for Monday at **\$25.00 each.**

Some surprises here if anyone should ask. SUITS OF VELOUR, Serge and Broadcloth and velvet, heretofore sold for \$57.50 will also go at **\$25.00 each.**

Dresses too, go at \$25.00

Many of serge and quite a few spring models among 'em.

LARGER WOMEN can be coated or suited up to size 52 at \$25.00, just the same as regular sizes.

Furs

And it's real fur-time. Animal scarfs of fox, wolf, marten and Jap mink and we include five white fox pieces all at same price of **\$25.00 each.**

Silk Petticoats

Monday will be SILK PETTICOAT DAY also. Taffeta, Jersey and Jersey Combination. **\$4.75** instead of \$7.95. **\$6.75** instead of \$10.00. **\$8.75** instead of \$15.00.

Pin Money Will Do Much Here Monday

We Smashed to Smitherens a 20 Year Record in the Junior Section

Coats, Suits and Dresses for Children and Juniors on Monday at **\$5.00, \$10.00 and \$15.00.**

Coats for Juniors and little women at **\$15.00, \$22.50 and \$27.50.**

Only a few suits left for Juniors. These go at **\$13.75 and \$24.50.**

Wool and Velvet Skirts for children, \$6.95 up to \$12.95. All BARGAINS.

PETER THOMPSON DRESSES of good quality serge from **\$9.50 to \$19.50.** In these lots are garments worth up to **\$31.50.**

White dresses of lawn and batiste at **\$3.50 to \$10.50.** Some of these were priced at **\$20.00.**

Undermuslins for Children—Mothers, here's another good place for your PIN MONEY. No place carries a stronger appeal. Drawers at 19c, 29c, 39c and 49c. Gowns 69c, 98c and \$1.98. See and you will buy. You figure materials at cost and you won't want to make them.

For Monday we will be all straightened out in our wonderful UNDERMUSLINS SECTION. Here also we beat all records.

For Monday you'll get—wonderful gowns at **\$1.50 up to \$2.95.**

MUSLIN PETTICOATS at **\$1.29, \$1.98 and \$2.95.**

CHEMISES—Several lots not before shown at **\$1.50 to \$2.49.**

What They Saw

FROM THE PHILIPPINES. What a delight it was for those who had the good fortune to hear big, Manly, Kindly, Genial scholarly able ex-President Taft tell the other night something of what he and our own Archbishop Harty saw in the Philippines. How the Filipino has progressed. It would seem as if there is hope even for the Prussian. By the way many women prefer Filipino Lingerie to silk. We will sell Monday gowns, envelopes and petticoats made by native hands at **\$2.49, \$2.98, \$3.49 and \$3.98.**

Corsets

What a chance for you on Monday, indeed six chances for you can pick from six makes at prices in most cases less than half.

Come in the Morning if you can, but if you cannot--- come anyway

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