

Fairy Lightness in Party Frocks



Party frocks for the young maid could not symbolize more clearly youth and gaiety and irresponsibility than they have this season. The thinnest and most vapory of materials have divided honors with laces in point of favor for making them. And everywhere silver and gold-thread laces lend sparkle to the general radiance of white and light colors in the sheerest materials.

One of the prettiest is made of white net and venice lace. A fine quality of voile might be used instead of the net, with good effect. Two-inch tucks, with spaces of equal width between, are hemstitched in the material, covering all the surface. The skirt is short and round and the bodice is cut in the surplice fashion, with the tucks in both running around the figure. There is a crushed girdle of soft wide satin ribbon about the waist. Very short sleeves, that hardly amount to more than a cap over the arms, are finished with a frill of lace which extends only half way round them.

Over this dress a long straight-hanging and sleeveless coat is worn.

made of venetian lace. Bows of satin ribbon with floating ends are caught to the coat at the shoulders. They are of narrow ribbon, matching the girdle in color. Black velvet ribbon may be used for them and for the girdle if a touch of dignity is needed to adapt this gown to an older wearer.

In the party gown pictured above, silver-thread lace edges the underskirt of thin crepe or satin. A wide over-dress of chiffon is edged with a satin-covered cord at the bottom. Chiffon roses decorate the bodice and are repeated in a wreath in the hair. This is one of those very dainty frocks whose usefulness begins and ends with evening dress. The gown previously described may be worn both for afternoon and evening.

In January the new "lingerie" gowns will appear for the use of those who journey South. They are in the making and awaited with the keenest interest, for they are the most adaptable and refined of dainty things. But they will not displace the party frocks of tulle and lace, given over to airiness and sparkle which make a grace of being gay.

Some Pretty Ribbon Things



There is actually no part of the apparel of women, from head to feet, in which ribbons are not playing a prominent role this season. The patron saint of weaving, or the goddess of the looms, appears to have turned especial attention to the fostering of this particular article of adornment. The result is that the beauty of ribbons has compelled attention and inspired their universal use. They crown the head and clothe the feet and touch up all the belongings of womankind.

Just a few of the pretty things that have kept the ribbon business brisk are shown in the picture given above. These include a pair of boudoir slippers with heels, and a pair without them, a pair of gaiters with small pendant sachet bag, and a ribbon bag.

The last is suited to many purposes, but is found chiefly useful for carrying the necessary accessories to evening parties. There is an immense variety in ribbon bags; including those made for shopping and those for holding gloves, handkerchiefs, slippers, toilet articles, etc. Besides these there are workbags with fittings required for mending or sewing. But they are frivolous-looking affairs, so

gay and pretty that it is hard to believe their intention to be useful is serious.

Ready-made soles are bought for making the ribbon slippers, and they are covered on the inside with plain satin ribbon. Flowered and brocaded patterns lined with the plain saton ribbon are used for the upper part. This is cut in the proper shape and sewed by hand to the soles. A very narrow ribbon quilting usually finishes the edges of these gayly attractive slippers.

The gaiters, are made by shirring narrow satin ribbon (usually in two colors) over flat elastic. Bows and rosettes finish them, and the addition of tiny sachets is a new touch.

Colored applique trimming, such as was used a number of years ago, has been seen upon one recently created gown. It is doubtful, however, if it will succeed in establishing itself in this season of comparative severity.

Julia Bottomley

ASYLUM HEAD QUILTS

DR. BAXTER, SUPERINTENDENT OF HASTINGS HOME, RESIGNS.

ILL HEALTH GIVEN AS CAUSE

Action Came While Probe of Management Was Under Way.—Resignation Will Be Accepted.

Lincoln.—Dr. M. W. Baxter, superintendent of the state hospital for the insane at Hastings, has tendered his resignation, to take effect February 1, giving as his reason ill health.

Dr. Baxter's resignation came in the midst of an investigation by the board of control of his management of the institution.

Commissioner Holcomb said Dr. Baxter had voluntarily assumed all responsibility for anything that might be wrong at the institution. His explanation, Judge Holcomb said, was that he did not look over the supplies very closely, but took the sample sent him and accepted it as indicative of the rest of the goods.

"As an example of conditions there, sixty suits of clothing from an order of 100 were delivered and only one was up to grade and that was sent in as a sample," Judge Holcomb said.

Doctor Baxter told members of the board he and his wife were both sick and were planning to spend some time in the south as soon as he is relieved of his duties.

The board will accept the resignation and gave out that the discrepancies at the institution will all be made good by companies having the contracts.

The board's check on supplies bought for the institution has been completed with satisfaction to the members and affairs at the institution are in good shape.

By the board of control members, Dr. Baxter is regarded in many ways as one of the best institution heads the state has ever had in hospital for insane work.

Money for Schools.

Half a million dollars will be included in the distribution of state school funds in January, under the new law of the 1915 legislature, according to the estimate of State Treasurer Hall. The last winter distribution under the old law, in November, 1914, amounted to only \$333,000.

Of the January distribution one-fourth will be divided equally among the school districts of the state and the remaining three-fourths will be apportioned on the basis of school population to all the districts. Small districts will receive a greater share than formerly and larger ones will have their amounts materially cut down.

There is \$325,000 in the temporary school fund now, which estimate indicate will be increased to more than \$450,000 and likely \$500,000 by the time the distribution is made.

Wants to Give Up Land.

Land Commissioner Fred Beckmann thinks he has discovered a curiosity. It is a man who has lived on a piece of Nebraska land seventeen years and now does not want it any more. The man is Bernard Koch of Fordyce, in Cedar county, and the land is a quarter section upon which he has been paying a rental of \$1.75 per acre per year. The lease runs out January 1 and Koch says he wants to give it up, but he attaches a couple of strings to the proposition, one of them that the state should pay him \$3.74 for improvements he has placed on the land and the other is that he be permitted to purchase the land at not more than \$30 per acre. Mr. Beckmann has informed Mr. Koch that the state does not buy improvements placed on leased land and that in case of sale the price must be fixed by appraisal.

Value of Tobacco in State.

According to reports filed in the state department of labor by manufacturers of cigars and those engaged in the preparation of tobacco for the market, for the year 1914, there was a capital of \$321,136.78 invested. Employment was furnished to 426, of which 169 were females. The total paid in wages for the year was \$247,505.09; total value of stock used was \$259,669.94. The total value of production was \$746,818.89. Per cent of sales in Nebraska 97%. Average wages per week, \$13.79.

Tubercular Hogs Found.

Fifty per cent of the hogs on Joe Roth's farm west of Milford have been found afflicted with tuberculosis, following an inspection by a state veterinarian. Of his twenty-six short-horn cattle, eight tested tubercular.

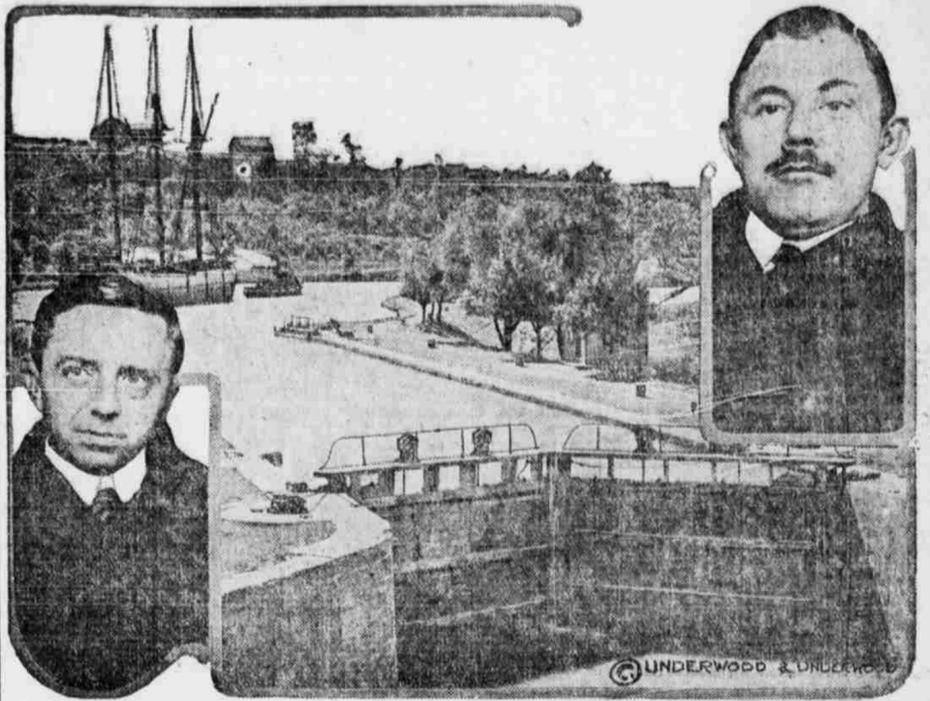
Files for Legislature.

The first legislative filing to reach the secretary of state's office came in from Scott's Bluff county.

What Counties Pay.

Seventy-eight counties reporting to Secretary Bernecker of the State Board of Assessment show that money raised by taxation for all purposes, which includes state, city, school and all taxes needed to run all departments of state and municipal government, amount to \$20,983,561. This amount nearly equals the total amount raised by the entire counties of the state last year, which was \$20,465,457. While the state tax is one mill lower than last year, county and municipal taxes are higher.

WELLAND CANAL OBJECT OF ALLEGED PLOTTERS



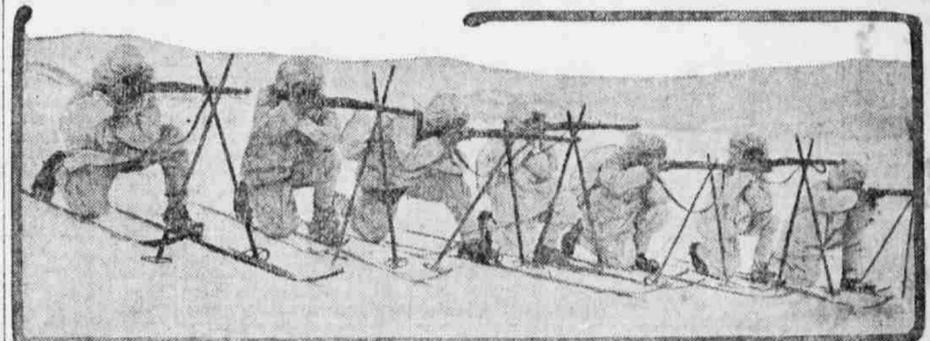
Federal authorities in the East believe the alleged plot of Paul Koenig, head of the detective bureau of the Hamburg-American line, to blow up the Welland canal is only an incident in a vast conspiracy. The illustration shows a part of the canal, which connects Lake Ontario with Lake Erie. At the right is Koenig and at the left R. E. Leyendeker, an art dealer, under arrest as one of the alleged conspirators.

INTERIOR OF TURKISH FORT ON GALLIPOLI



Interior view of Turkish fortifications on the Gallipoli peninsula, with a body of troops about to move to the first-line trenches.

SHARPSHOOTERS IN WHITE AND ON SNOWSHOES



The mountain fighting in which the Germans are engaged has made it necessary to draw on those German soldiers who are snowshoe adepts. The photograph shows a patrol of these men, garbed in white uniforms to make them almost invisible against the white background and equipped with their snowshoes, taking a bead on the enemy in the Vosges mountains.

KING OF ITALY WATCHING HIS SOLDIERS



A striking photograph taken on the heights of Cadore while the king of Italy, accompanied by his minister of war and the commander in chief of the Italian armies, was watching the movements of the fighting forces. King Victor Emmanuel has his eyes fixed to the great field glasses.

GIVEN TO HER DESCENDANT



A beautiful statuette of Pocahontas, Indian maid famed in history and ancestor of President Wilson's bride, was presented to the White House couple by the Pocahontas Memorial association, an organization made up of Washington women. It is in bronze and is a replica of the statue that will be erected at Jamestown, Va. The statuette is 18 inches high and the sculptor, William Ordway Partridge of New York.