

A PAGE FOR WOMEN AND THEIR INTERESTS

LOCAL CHAT: HOME AND FASHION HINTS: RELIGIOUS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES: THINGS FEMINE

Feminine Chat

Little black satin jackets with long tails are becoming quite the rage. These dainty little wraps are worn over a lace or net frock and are very chic, furnishing one of those dainty little accessories which add so much to the charm of any costume.

Shortly before venturing to Honolulu, the writer heard "The Blue Bird" read by Myra Fless, a versatile Seattle woman whose unfortunate marital misadventure with a hobo count had her high and dry on the rocks of adversity. At that time she was "making both ends meet" by tutoring classes in French and German, and when a Masterlinck craze struck the city, she rented the largest of the independent theaters and interpreted the play to large audiences every night for a week. The fact that she had several years previously spent a summer in the Swiss Alps with the author and his accomplished wife, lent a peculiar element of interest to her interpretation. This and the fact that she was her own press agent and business manager caused quite a furore in misty literary circles never before known to punctuate the even tenor of their way with a genuine burst of enthusiasm. Refusing to be interviewed, she scored again, judging from the size of the audience at the Opera House on Wednesday evening, Honoluluans need to have their emotions jostled up a bit. In view of the fact that when he published his first play, "Princess Maoline," Masterlinck was proclaimed "greater than Shakespeare," the author's fame should be a sufficient guarantee of large and enthusiastic audiences in any clime, but occasionally it takes a woman with a strong sense of the unusual to accomplish results.

An offer to supply a vacancy in the kindergarten conducted at Hilo, Hawaii, by the M. E. Church South, made by the resignation of Mrs. MacCaughey, a native of the city, came some time ago to Miss Helen Jones, at the head of the kindergarten department of Palama Settlement. Miss Jones plans ultimately to visit Japan on a round-the-world tour, but at the time the foreign offer was made, was unable to accept. Rumor has it that Mrs. MacCaughey has again returned to Japan and is engaged in writing another book with an oriental setting. She expects to be joined in the fall by her niece, Alice Hagan Rice. It is interesting to note in this connection that Miss Julia Colick of this city visited Mrs. MacCaughey's kindergarten while

in Hiroshima several years ago. She describes Mrs. MacCaughey as exceptionally attractive, bright and original. A simple and effective application for a centipede bite is common table salt. It should be applied at once. Patch pockets are a feature of the color made shirts, and instead of placing the solitary specimen allowed to stretch high on the left side it is rather novel to set it just beneath the drill of the shirt. The new vests match the trimming or general tone of the hat, and are fairly beautiful and becomingly dainty in texture and original in design—fine mesh with designs of old lace. Charmingly lace in both black and white is worn. "Shadow lace" is shown for the first time in Honolulu. Great popularity is predicted for this new trimming.

The delightfully cool weather of Honolulu was remarked upon by two American board missionaries returning from Japan who were the guests of Miss Julia Colick during the layover of the Tomyo Maru at this port this week. As a testimony of their hearty thanks for the long and comfortable trip over the city, Japan, they declared, is desperately hot at this season. Miss Alice Olson, sent by the Free Kindergarten and Children's Aid Association to study playground work on the mainland, writes to a girl friend that on June 8th she heard Jane Adams speak in Cleveland. Miss Olson is at present in Springfield with relatives. She will return to Honolulu in the Fall to direct the playground work. This is Mrs. Forbes-Robertson Hale's latest suffrage story: "A negro woman was arguing and arguing with her husband, and when she had finished, he said, 'Dinah, yo talk don't affect me no mo' than a flea-bite.'" "Well, nighah," she answered, "Ise gonna keep yo' scratchin'!"—July Woman's Home Companion.

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LOCAL WOMAN BRINGS VALUABLE INFORMATION TO LOCAL POTTERY CONNOISSEURS

Returning from an extended trip abroad, a local woman who has been an enthusiastic pottery connoisseur for years has brought to several of her friends copies of a late Venetian book on the aristocracy of porcelain. The volumes are beautifully bound in limp leather and are illustrated with markings that help to distinguish the real gems of the epoch. It has always been very hard for collectors to distinguish between Chelsea and Venice porcelain, as the paste and marks are almost identical. The differences in the marks are pointed out and the similarities carefully explained in the opening chapters. The preface says in part: "Pottery was made at Venice from an early day, at least as far back as 1513. It seems that a rich merchant of Venice, named Vega, in company with some others, engaged in the production of porcelain there, getting clay from Saxony. Various articles were made until about 1740, but the industry was not a success, owing partly to the fact that the clay had to be transported so far. The Venetians could not, of course, compete with the works of Dresden. The mark of Vega's factory was the word 'Vena,' a contraction for Venezia, painted or stamped on the piece. Hewelcke made some attempts to manufacture porcelain at Venice, with no practical results. Vega's production were of more importance. Chaffers quotes from an official report: 'Con-

cerning the manufacture of Japanese porcelain, it was commenced only in 1765; your excellencies were eyewitnesses of its rapid progress, and therefore deservedly protected and assisted the manufacturer, Hewelcke. He now works with three furnaces, and has erected a fourth, a very large one, for the manufacture of dishes. He has constantly in his employ 45 workmen, including the six apprentices whom he has undertaken to educate, and from the date of his privilege in August, 1765, down to the middle of December, 1765, has disposed of 16,000 ducats' worth of manufactured goods, etc., so that it may be fairly inferred that he will yet continue to make greater progress, both in quantity and quality.'"

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COLLEGE GIRL FOR SETTLEMENT

RECOMMENDED most highly by Laurens Clarke Seelye, president emeritus of Smith College, and also by a former professor of J. A. Rath's at Springfield, who made personal investigation, Miss Lillian Moody will arrive in Honolulu August 5 to take charge of the girls' work at Palama Settlement. Miss Moody is a Smith College girl, being a graduate of the 1912 class of that institution. Miss Moody will supply the vacancy made by the departure of Miss Bertha Fisher for the mainland on Wednesday of this week. It is anticipated that she will inject a new element of interest in this important branch of the settlement work, and that she will have new and valuable suggestions to offer.

The general memorial hospital of New York announced a gift of \$100,000 to be used in maintaining 20 beds for cancer patients and for research. Sydney, N. C., has voted to grant a bonus of \$1,000,000 to the British Canadian Shipbuilding company to establish a shipbuilding plant in Sydney.

The Canadian Y. M. C. A. has decided to break away from the American council. Hereafter all its educational and religious campaigns will be financed by Canadians.

Expert To Investigate

IMPETUS to the social investigation which Miss Blascoer of New York City has begun in this city is to be furnished in a trip to Hawaii in August. Miss Blascoer will be accompanied by James A. Rath of Palama Settlement, Miss Pope of Kamehameha Girls' School and Miss Boshier of Kawaiahao Seminary, all of whom are well versed in traits peculiar to the natives of the territory. This trip will furnish an opportunity to study the Hawaiian in his most primitive state. Miss Blascoer will gather material which will be valuable in the serious work which she has mapped out for the fall. Owing to the fact that many whose services will be valuable are to be away this summer, it has been deemed best to wait until September before effecting the aid of the various committees. Meanwhile Miss Blascoer will continue her study of the individual girl.

The prudent housekeeper will be as wary of doctoring her furniture with polish that is recommended to "cover all defects" as she would be of a patent medicine which is guaranteed to cure every disease. The highly-polished surfaces of furniture have often been ruined by a top free use of a so-called polish which, not having been rubbed dry, has hardened and collects all of the dust before drying, has caused a dull film to appear over the polished surfaces. A simple and effective polish for cleaning furniture and removing scratches is made of one-third linseed oil and two-thirds benzine. It should be applied with a point brush which has very soft bristles and rubbed dry with an old soft piece of muslin or soft flannel. For polishing, dampen a cloth with the mixture, fold it into a pad, sprinkle a few drops of alcohol over the surface of the pad and rub the furniture firmly and quickly. Rub only a small part at a time and be sure to rub until the surface is quite dry.

A Parisian newspaper issued an extra edition with the declaration that the "Mona Lisa" stolen from the Louvre has been discovered by detectives.

Captain John Dibert, a lumberman and capitalist of New Orleans, is dead.

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DEAF AND DUMB TEACHER EXPLAINS INTERESTING METHODS

AN EXPERT teacher for the deaf and dumb in the person of Miss Sarah McBride is numbered among the summer tourists in Honolulu. Miss McBride is a member of the faculty of the State School for the Deaf at Vancouver, Washington. She is a graduate of Miss Garrett's School for the Deaf in Philadelphia, and for two years after receiving her diploma, taught in New Mexico. Miss McBride says that Washington spends more for its deaf and dumb than for any other class of unfortunate. The institution with which she is connected being conducted under the auspices of the state, all instruction is given free. The only expense which the students are called upon to bear is the railway fare to the institution, and if there are good reasons why this cannot be forthcoming, the passage is paid by the county in which he or she resides. After finishing at this school the students are given the privilege of taking post-graduate work at Gaudreau in Washington, D. C., three hundred dollars being advanced for their expenses. If they do not elect to go on, however, they are in a position to be self-supporting. In bearing out this assertion Miss McBride cites the instance of two boys, who, after their graduation at the state school, opened a printing shop in Tacoma, Washington, where they are said to be doing a thriving business. The boys are taught such useful trades as shoemaking, carpentering, printing and art, the girls receiving instruction in sewing, cooking, laundry work and art.

Twelve teachers were employed, eight being for the literary work and four for the trades. Students are taken at as early an age as possible, sometimes being but six years old. They are kept at the institution until they are twenty-one. At the time of their arrival they know absolutely nothing, and not only the most advanced methods, but the utmost patience on the part of the teachers is required to lay the foundation of their education. The oral method is employed entirely in the classes, but is combined with the manual outside of class work. In the long run it would be better if the two methods were not combined, Miss McBride says, but they are taught in this way to express themselves much sooner. The hardest part is, of course the language. They start with the elements and gradually develop an understanding of words. Through feeling they learn the jar of sounds, and through sight are taught the meaning of form. While very taxing to the nerves, Miss McBride believes her profession to be one of the most interesting in the category of child instruction. In coming to Honolulu she hoped to secure a position with a view to remaining indefinitely, but as the Department of Public Instruction does not anticipate branching out in this direction for some time, she now plans to return to her work in Vancouver the latter part of August. Miss McBride is accompanied on the trip by her sister, Miss Mary McBride, and Miss Juanita Ambrose, both public school teachers of Bellingham, Wash.

CHILD'S BUREAU HAS NEW HEAD

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GOOD THINGS TO EAT AND DRINK IN SUMMER

Fannie Merritt Farmer, the cookery editor of the Woman's Home Companion, writes in the July number of that periodical on "Tempting Hot-Weather Dishes." She says that good housewives should try during the summer summer days to stimulate the too often flagging appetites. She gives a number of recipes, three of which follow:
"Chocolate Egg-and-Milk Shake—Put two tablespoons of finely crushed ice in a tumbler, and add two and one-half tablespoons of chocolate syrup, one egg, and two-thirds cups of milk. Shake thoroughly and strain. Add a few grains of nutmeg or a few grains of cinnamon."
"Sunday-Night Favorite—Cut cold boiled potatoes in half-inch slices, and then cut slices in half-inch cubes; there should be one and one-half cups. Add three hard-boiled eggs, finely chopped, one-fourth tablespoon of finely chopped onion, and one canned tomato, drained, dried on a towel, and cut in thin strips. Moisten with salad dressing and serve in nests of crisp lettuce-leaves."

"Luncheon Ice-Cream Coffee—Pour out coffee remaining in pot, chill thoroughly, dilute with cream, and sweeten to taste. Serve in tall glasses, allowing one tablespoonful of vanilla ice-cream to each glass."



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