BAILEY MAKES GOOD IN AMERICAN DEBUT

Amateur Champion of World Defeats Wohlrab in Straight Heats at Newark Velodrome.

WINS BY LENGTH MARGIN

MacDougall Easily Captures Half Mile, and McNamara Finishes First in Ten-Mile Tandem Race.

William Bailey had a successful American debut yesterday at the Newark Velodrome, seven thousand spectators applauding the world's amateur champion when he defeated Gus Wohlrab in straight heats. Bailey won the world's amateur title in 1909, 1910 and 1911, as well as this year. He will race against Donald MacDougall, world's champion last year and American champion this year, later on.

Bailey did not extend himself in the first heat, his advantage over Wohlrab being about a length. But in the second heat the tall young Briton raced away from Wohlrab and defeated him by six lengths.

Donald MacDougall captured the half-mile Amateur Champion Stakes and did not have to overexert himself. Kaiser led at the bell, with MacDougall second, the latter watching Wohlrab. On the backstretch MacDougall went on about his business and led Kaiser over the line by a length. MacDougall took things too easily in the handicap, and when he tried to get through the field in the final lap found it rather difficult. Fred Woisin won and MacDougall was second, nearly three lengths behind.

McNamara was up in the lead when the bell rang in the ten-mile tandem match by virtue of some fast pacing by Fred Hill and Hehir. Grenda left his tandem and raced after McNamara, but the latter won with ten lengths to spare. Clark was a bad third and sat up when he saw he had no chance to win.

Grenda was ahead when the bell rang in the one-third-mile open, with Iver Lawson at his heels. Lawson tried hard to sprint around Grenda in the last half lap, but the elongated Tasmanian won from him by three inches. The summaries:

Two-mile (novice)—Won by Gus Bower; Albert Gundecker, second. Time, 5:18⅘.

One-third-mile, open (professional)—Won by Alfred Grenda; Iver Lawson, second; Reginald McNamara, third. Time, 0:39⅘.

Two-thirds-mile handicap (amateur)—Won by Fred Woisin (100 yards); Donald MacDougall (scratch), second; H. W. Heintze (110 yards), third. Time, 1:21⅘.

Two-thirds-mile match (amateur)—Won by Bailey, in straight heats. Time, last eighth of a mile, first heat, 0:12⅘; second heat, 0:13⅘.

Unknown distance, invitation (professional)—Won by William Coburn; Floyd Krebs, second; Fred Hill, third. Time, 3:11⅘. Distance, one and one-third miles.

One-mile tandem handicap (professional)—Won by Ryan and Hansen (35 yards); Halstead and Drobach (30 yards), second; Hedell and Bedell (20 yards), third. Time, 1:50⅘.

Amateur champion stakes, half-mile (open)—Won by Donald MacDougall; Harry Kaiser, second; Edward Madden, third. Time, 1:13⅘.

Ten miles tandem paced match (professional)—Won by McNamara; Grenda, second; Clark, third. Time, 20:08⅘.

BIG PURSE FOR CHESS MEN

Havana Aldermen Appropriate Funds for Tourney.

J. R. Capablanca, the Cuban champion, writes to "The American Chess Bulletin" from Havana, under date of September 11, that there is not the slightest doubt that the Board of Aldermen will appropriate $10,000 for an international chess congress, to be opened at Havana on February 1 of next year. The motion, which is signed by twenty-seven of the most influential members of the board, goes on to say that, in view of Havana being able to boast of having in Capablanca one of the finest chess players in the world and that the congress is apt to attract the close attention of all chess players, the Mayor should be authorized to spend $5,500 for prizes and $4,500 for expenses.

The team of contestants is to consist of ten players, to be selected from the following experts: Rubinstein, Tarrasch, Schlechter, Spielmann, Duras, Marshall, Teichmann, Niemzowitsch, Janowski and Capablanca, with Maroczy, Vidmar, Bernstein, Atkins and Alechin as substitutes.

CUPS FOR MATINEE RACES.

The Road Drivers' Association of New York held a meeting at its headquarters yesterday, at which it was decided to hold a seven matinee meeting, beginning next Sunday afternoon. There will be no midweek trotting. Eleven cups were offered for horses scoring the most points.

DINNER TO FLAG OFFICERS.

The former flag officers of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club have been invited by the present flag officers and members to a reunion dinner on Friday evening next at the clubhouse, Oyster Bay, to celebrate the closing of a successful season. Commodore August Heckscher's flagship, the steam yacht Anahma, will leave the anchorage off East 23d street at 4:30 p. m. on that day.

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MINNESOTA GETS M'DEVITT

Former Yale Football Player to Act as Coach.

Minneapolis, Sept. 14.—E. W. McDevitt, former linesman on the Yale football team, will be assistant coach at the University of Minnesota, according to an announcement made to-day. McDevitt's home is at Duluth.

McDevitt played guard on the Yale team in 1910 and 1911. Last season he was assistant head coach at New Haven, but resigned to study law at the University of Minnesota. He will report for first practice next Sunday.

PELKEY CONFESSION BOGUS

Boxer Retracts Statement as to Fake Fight.

Calgary, Alberta, Sept. 14.—After a long conference with Tommy Burns, his manager, Arthur Pelkey, heavyweight boxer and the second man in the ring when Luther McCarthy was killed here several months ago, to-night issued a statement in which he retracted a "confession" recently made at Portland, Ore., in which he declared that Burns and he had "faked" a match at Calgary last spring and that Burns did not owe him money. Pelkey declared he was under the influence of liquor when he signed the Portland statement.

WHITE PLAINS HORSE SHOW

Four Hundred Entries in and Varied Programme Planned.

The twentieth annual horse show at White Plains, scheduled for the afternoons of September 17, 18, 19 and 20, has attracted 400 entries. They are well distributed among the seventy classes to be judged and are of a quality to assure a fine exhibition.

A varied programme has been arranged for each day, including a number of events in which women will ride and drive. An exhibition drill by the Aqueduct police, commanded by Sergeant Stephen F. Hart, will be one of the features of Saturday's programme.

In the classes for roadsters and trotters the exhibitors include W. M. V. Hoffman, James McClenahan, M. A. Mosle, W. H. Callahan, Frank P. Williams, T. L. Watt and D. W. Maloney. Entries in the heavy harness classes have been made by William Ziegler, jr., J. Campbell Thompson, John Doyle, Felix M. Warburg, Eugene von Bach, L. M. Newgass, Frank E. Palmer, E. von der Horst Koch, Lehman Strauss, Walter H. Hanley, Edmund Butler, M. A. Mosle and Irvington Farm, Sewickley, Penn.

Saddle horses will be shown by J. A. P. Ramsdell, Mrs. E. T. Kirkland, Dorothy Webb, George Crouch, Walter H. Hanley, C. Douglas Franks, Mrs. Herbert L. Camp, D. Lorme McGibbon, Mrs. Edwin G. Babcock, E. Campbell Douglas, Mrs. George Wallen, Godfrey Preece, Eugene Meyer, jr., W. A. McGibbon, Miss Claribel Jefferson, L. M. Newgass, Mrs. Charles M. Allaire, Edward McLean, Felix M. Warburg, S. Bryce Wing, Harry J. Graham, Percy R. Drury and Lehman Strauss.

BRONCO BUSTERS IN TIE

Bertha Blancett Wins Title as Relay Cowgirl Rider.

Pendleton, Ore., Sept. 14.—The bronco busting championship of the world was settled here last night. A. E. McCormach, of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Bob Cavin, of Caldwell, Idaho, tied for the honor, and the luck of the draw gave McCormach the championship. Bertha Blancett, of Los Angeles, became woman champion relay cowgirl rider by winning each heat in the three dashes.

Mrs. Blancett, on Rambling Sam, was barely defeated for the championship of the world in the cowgirls' bucking contest by Nettie Hawn, of Fresno, Cal., on Snake. Wallie Padgett, of Cheyenne, who made a world's record at Cheyenne of six seconds for "bulldogging" a steer recently, won the world's championship here by "bulldogging" in 1:47.

BLUHM CAPTURES GIG RACE

Ariel Rowing Club Holds Its Regatta on Smooth Water.

The oarsmen of the Ariel Rowing Club held their regatta yesterday. All of the races were rowed at a mile over a course off 21st street, Bath Beach. Ferdinand Bluhm won a clean cut victory in the novice single gig race. Herman Brauenlich was his nearest rival.

Bluhm paired with F. R. Howess in the novice double shell event, and with A. Bornholt as coxswain captured first prize.

The summaries follow:

Novice single gig—Won by F. Bluhm; H. Brauenlich, second.

Intermediate single gig—Won by R. Eppler; O. G. Schaulberger, second.

Novice double gig—Won by F. R. Howess and F. Bluhm, A. Bornholt, coxswain; W. Dieckman and H. Brauenlich, R. Eppler, coxswain, second.

Junior double gig—Won by R. G. McCreary and R. Eppler, O. Kappleman, coxswain; A. Paetow and O. G. Schultberger, H. A. Buechner, coxswain, second.

Intermediate double gig—Won by H. Brauenlich and J. C. Koch, R. Eppler, coxswain; O. W. Kappleman and H. A. Buechner, C. Brega, coxswain, second.

NAUTILUS OARSMEN RACE

Haarstick Wins Single Sculls Title by a Spurt.

After a hard struggle James Haarstick succeeded in winning the single sculling club championship when he defeated B. W. Rupprecht, the title holder, in the postponed annual regatta of the Nautilus Boat Club, held over a one-mile course off Bay 22d street, Bath Beach, yesterday.

Haarstick and Rupprecht rowed almost on even terms for three-quarters of the distance, when Haarstick spurted. The latter kept up the fast stroke, and was able to defeat Rupprecht by little over a length.

The summary follows:

Novice singles—Won by D. G. Waller; A. R. Doughty, second.

Intermediate singles—Won by H. Schmitt; W. F. Jones, second.

Senior singles—Won by James Haarstick; B. W. Rupprecht, second.

Junior singles—Won by F. T. Gaab; H. Schmitt, second.

Senior four-oared shell—Won by crew No. 1, with W. G. Yenter, stroke; J. W. Jones, jr., No. 2; W. T. Combes, No. 3; G. E. Smith, No. 4, and J. Bischop, coxswain.

Senior double—Won by G. F. Eaghtens and H. A. Schmitt; J. Haarstick and G. E. Smith, second.

Junior double shell—Won by F. P. Gaab and H. A. Schmitt; R. Van Worst and T. Donahue, second.

Junior four-oared six—Won by crew No. 1, with J. Cavanagh, stroke; R. W. Granville, No. 2; P. L. Adams, No. 3; F. Nitschke, No. 4, and T. J. Lunheady, coxswain; crew No. 2, second, with H. A. Schmitt, stroke; R. Van Worst, No. 2; J. J. Carroll, No. 3; A. R. Doughty, No. 4, and W. Goat, coxswain.

A TARIFF FOR SMUGGLERS.

From The Philadelphia Ledger.

The defeat of Senator Smoot's amendment proposing to decrease the duty on precious stones from 20 to 10 per cent does small credit to the intelligence of the Senators voting against it. It was shown that one firm in New York will have 2200,000 legislated into its pockets by the higher duty, yet it is opposed to it. The great importing jewellers of the country proved conclusively that with the duty as low as 10 per cent smuggling practically ceased, being no longer sufficiently profitable, and that the government actually collected more revenue under a lower rate than under a higher rate.

MERMAIDS SHOW SPEED IN HUDSON RIVER RACES

Miss Nellie Greenhaughl Takes Firsts in Two Swims in Quick Succession.

FINISHES PROVE EXCITING

Fifteen-Year-Old Girl Surprises Her Rivals by Winning the Prize in Fancy Diving Competition.

Giving a rare exhibition of skill and speed, Miss Nellie Greenhaughl, of this city, won two victories in the annual water carnival of the Hudson River Yacht Club, held off the club's float, at the foot of 92d street, yesterday. She won both the 100 and 200 yard swims in spite of the fact that both were held within twenty minutes of each other. The long race was held last, but in this Miss Greenhaughl proved as strong as when she started, taking the contest by a close margin.

Almost twoscore of women swimmers, including many prominent members of the Women's National Life Saving Society, took part in the competition. A half dozen of the contestants were little girls under ten years of age, and they attracted much attention. The clubhouse and many vantage points along the east bank were congested by a crowd of about 4,000 spectators that loudly applauded the efforts of the fair mermaids. Innumerable water craft fringed both sides of the fifty-yard course.

Nellie Greenhaughl, Josephine Bartlett and Ethel Strauss were the leaders of the seven starters in the 200-yard race, and practically throughout the issue for the prizes rested between them. All three swam along less than two feet apart for the first 150 yards, with Miss Greenhaughl doing the bulk of the pacing. Touching the turn for the final fifty yards, all sprinted, with Miss Greenhaughl churning the water in the lead. It was a bitter fight down the stretch, with Miss Greenhaughl ultimately winning by an arm's length from Miss Bartlett, with Miss Strauss the same distance behind.

Eight lined up in the 100-yard swim, which contained some of the fastest girl swimmers of the East. It was any one's race until the turn, when Miss Greenhaughl jumped into the lead and was able to win by a scant margin from Charlotte Epstein. Mrs. Lilliard Howard, the long distance champion, of Brooklyn, was a good third. The time was 1:40 1-5.

Miss Greenhaughl's eleven-year-old sister, Daisy, also showed up well in the fancy diving contest for girls under twelve years by easily defeating her opponents with the big score of 114 points. Hazel Battell, twelve years old, was second, with 90 points, and Tessie Gromaldi, twelve years old, was third, with 82 points.

Ethel Edison, of Brooklyn, who is fifteen years old, showed promise of developing into one of the greatest women divers by taking the first prize in the fancy diving competition. She also took first place in the tub race.

Miss Elsie Hanneman, of Brooklyn, who at Lake Erie recently successfully defended her title as champion diver of the world, gave an exhibition of her skill which brought forth applause from the onlookers.

Miss May Nerich, a sister of the well known amateur swimmer, carried home her subject first in the rescue race, but was disqualified for the assistance that her mate gave her. First place went to Mrs. Lillian Howard, of Brooklyn, the five-mile champion, with Miss Adeline Trapp third.

The summaries follow:

Rescue race—Won by Mrs. Lillian Howard; Adeline Trapp, second; Lillian M. Ramsperger, third.

200-yard swim—Won by Nellie Greenhaughl; Josephine Bartlett, second; Ethel Strauss, third. Time, 4:09.

Tub race—Won by Ethel Edison; Daisy Greenhaughl, second; Katherine Nerich, third.

Fifty-yard swim (girls under twelve years of age)—Won by Margaret Vousden; Katherine Nerich, second; Daisy Greenhaughl, third. Time, 0:45.

100-yard swim—Won by Nellie Greenhaughl; Charlotte Epstein, second; Mrs. Lillian Howard, third. Time, 1:40 4-5.

Fancy diving contest for women—Won by Ethel Edison, 177 points; Josephine Bartlett, 176 points, second; Adeline Trapp, 157 points, third.

Fancy diving contest (girls under twelve years of age)—Won by Daisy Greenhaughl, 114 points; Hazel Battell, 90 points, second; Tessie Gromaldi, 82 points, third.

Fifty-yard swim (boys)—Won by Joseph Humphry; Andrew Rage, second; Albert Eberline, third. Time, 0:42 2-5.

100-yard swim (men)—Won by H. G. Schroeder; H. Clements, second; A. Ceasur, third. Time, 1:18 2-5.

200-yard swim (men)—Won by H. G. Schroeder; H. Clements, second; Gus Crittenden, third. Time, 3:08.

AID FOR WAR PHOTOGRAPHY

Fund Set Aside to Secure Improved Methods.

Washington, Sept. 14.—The army board of ordnance and fortifications has allotted $5,000 to enable the chief signal officer of the army, Brigadier General Scriven, to experiment in war photography. The object is to develop a suitable method of photography in the field so that results may be enlarged and projected on a screen for the benefit of the commanding general.

It is proposed that a tent shall be constructed in such a way that the enlargements of photographs, especially those taken from an aeroplane, may be shown with the least possible delay.

It is pointed out by some of the officers that this proposal adds to the equipment of the signal corps in the field, and they doubt whether the results will justify the additional equipment.

FIVE YOUNG RABBIS ORDAINED

All Orthodox and All New to the Country.

Five young rabbis, none of whom has been more than two years in this country, were ordained yesterday in the Rabbi Isaac El-Chanan Theological Seminary, at No. 156 Henry street.

The young men are Solomon Zimmerman, twenty-three years old, of No. 146 Henry street, who came from Russia two years ago; Isachor Levine, twenty-one, of Rochester, who came to America two years ago; Isaiah Aaron Horowitz, twenty-one, of No. 244 Madison street, who has been in the country only eight months; Jacob Sachs, twenty-two, of No. 100 West 142d street, who has been here nine months, and Joseph Grevy, twenty-three, who came to this country a little more than a year ago. They are all orthodox.

Among the rabbis present at the ceremony were M. S. Margolies, Sholem El-Chanan Jaffe and Dr. Philip Kline.

COST OF LIVING AT A NEW HIGH MARK

Bureau of Labor Shows Increase to Have Been 15 Per Cent in Last Two Years.

THREE PER CENT LAST YEAR

Bacon Leads the Advance in Food Supplies—Only Four Articles Have Declined in Price.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, Sept. 14.—Statistics compiled by the Department of Labor after an investigation of retail prices of fifteen articles of food in forty important cities in the United States indicate that the cost of living is still soaring despite a change of administration and tinkering with the tariff by a Democratic Congress.

The statistics are given in a bulletin which shows actual prices for May and June, 1913, and May and June, 1912, and also summarizes retail prices for the period from 1890 to June, 1913.

Comparing retail prices on June 15, 1913, with prices on the same date in 1912, eleven of the fifteen articles for which quotations are given advanced and four declined in price. Bacon advanced 16.2 per cent; smoked ham, 14.1 per cent; pork chops, 13.4 per cent; hens, 11.8 per cent; eggs, 11.7 per cent; round steak, 10.1 per cent; sirloin steak, 9.8 per cent; lard, 7.2 per cent; rib roast, 6.8 per cent; butter, 5.8 per cent, and milk, 4.1 per cent.

Potatoes declined 31.9 per cent; sugar, 15.2 per cent; wheat flour, 7.7 per cent, and cornmeal, 3.9 per cent.

Comparing retail prices on June 15, 1913, with average prices for the ten-year period, 1890 to 1899, every article for which prices are carried, with the exception of sugar, advanced. Bacon went up 128.5 per cent; pork chops, 111 per cent; round steak, 102.5 per cent; smoked ham, 84 per cent; hens, 76.8 per cent; sirloin steak, 75.2 per cent; rib roast, 75 per cent; lard, 66.5 per cent; cornmeal, 57.3 per cent; potatoes, 44.4 per cent; butter, 41.3 per cent; eggs, 40.8 per cent; milk, 28.4 per cent, and flour, 28.6 per cent. Sugar declined 8 per cent.

When the price of each of the fifteen articles of food is weighed according to average consumption in workingmen's families, retail prices were at a higher level on June 15, 1913, than at any other time during the last 23½ years, excepting on November 15, 1912, when the level was slightly above that of June, 1913. Retail prices of food on June 15, 1913, were 59.2 per cent above the average price for the ten-year period, 1890 to 1899; 3.3 per cent above the price for June 15, 1912, and 14.4 per cent above the price on June 15, 1911.

The cities for which actual prices are shown are Atlanta, Baltimore, Birmingham, Boston, Buffalo, Charleston, S. C.; Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Fall River, Mass.; Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Fla.; Kansas City, Mo.; Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Manchester, N. H.; Memphis, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Newark, New Haven, New Orleans, New York, Omaha, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Portland, Ore.; Providence, R. I.; Richmond, Va.; St. Louis, St. Paul, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Scranton, Penn.; Seattle and Washington.

BALLOT NOT VICE CURE

Anti-Suffragists Dispute Mrs. Pankhurst's Claims.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, Sept. 14.—Apropos of the expected visit of Mrs. Pankhurst, the militant English suffragist, to the United States, to join the crusade against the "white slave" traffic, the Washington headquarters of the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage issued a statement to-day declaring that the ballot in the hands of women can have no great effect in helping to abolish the social evil.

The statement is intended to contradict claims made by certain leaders of the suffragettes, and is based on assertions credited to Chief of Police Kiely, of Plainfield, N. J., in reporting the sentiment of the National Association of Chiefs of Police. Miss Reina A. Lawrence, a Planfield anti-suffragette, is quoted in the statement as follows:

"Chief Kiely reported that the consensus of opinion of six hundred chiefs of the National Association of Chiefs of Police at their meeting last June was that the social evil is a sex problem that women alone can solve.

"This is quite satisfactory to our suffrage friends thus far, but the chief continued:

"'The women themselves can abolish the social evil, not by means of the ballot, but by spreading the broad mantle of Christian charity about their sisters who have fallen. The fact is, however, that the women, instead of trying to reclaim the fallen one, exclude her from their society. If the women would throw a protecting arm around these unfortunate girls, try to give them another chance in life, the social evil would soon be a part of the history of our unhappy past.'"

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS SCHOOL.

The new parochial school attached to the church of St. Thomas Aquinas, in the Southern Boulevard, near 176th street, The Bronx, was dedicated yesterday afternoon by Bishop Thomas F. Cusack and will be opened this morning under the direction of Mother Mary Joseph. The new building cost $125,000 and will accommodate a thousand children.

The Bishop, the Rev. Dennis F. Coyle, the rector of the church; the Rev. Joseph McMahon, rector of the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes; Judge John M. Tierney and Assemblyman Joseph P. McMahon made addresses.

AUTHORESS QUITS LIGHTHOUSE.

Petoskey, Mich., Sept. 13.—Mrs. Daniel Williams, authoress and keeper of the Harbor Point Lighthouse, on Little Traverse Bay, for the last twenty-nine years, has resigned. Before taking charge of the Harbor Point Lighthouse Mrs. Williams tended the Beaver Island Light for fifteen years. Her writings deal with her own marine experiences.

TO BLEACH HANDKERCHIEFS.

In wet weather, when one cannot hang napkins and handkerchiefs outdoors to dry, an excellent way to bleach them is to let them soak, after washing, in water in which a little cream of tartar has been dissolved.

ANOTHER GOODWIN BRIDE.

From The Hartford Times.

Having completed his book, Actor Nat Goodwin announces that he is wedded to literature. The Goodwin census grows rapidly.

FAT WOMEN'S CRUSADE

All Weighty Ones Who Resent Hobble Skirts Asked to Join Mrs. Flannery, of Pittsburgh, in Revolt Against Fashions "Designed Only for the Scrawny."

WHAT CHANCE HAS A FAT WOMAN IN A FROCK LIKE THIS?

Fat women of New York, arise! The trumpet sounds inviting you to battle.

Battle against what?

Why, against the hobble skirt, which has enshackled you; the slit skirt, which covers you with shame.

Behold, a leader appears to fight for appropriate fashions for fat women, a leader from Pittsburgh. Many things have come out of Pittsburgh, some good and some bad. This Joan of Arc in the cause of fat women, Mrs. John S. Flannery, president of the Housekeepers' Co-operative Association of Pittsburgh, is surely all to the good—at least, the fat women will all think so. Let them listen to her stirring words:

"What chance has a fat woman got with the present styles—the tight-fitting skirts, the draped skirts, the indecently slit skirts? Slim and scrawny women have a monopoly. Who ever started the theory that skin and bones constitute beauty, anyhow? This imposition on fat women has gone on long enough, and it has now got to stop. In the name of the Housekeepers' Co-operative Association we demand clothes that a modest fat woman can wear without subjecting herself to public ridicule."

This demand was made by a delegation of fat women, who visited in turn all the department stores and dressmaking establishments of Pittsburgh, reading the riot act in each one. Every fashion maker approached by the fat women admitted at once that the arguments were weighty. But fashion makers are fickle, and while feigning with one hand to widen skirts for fat women they may be tightening the hobble and lengthening the slit with the other hand.

Besides, Pittsburgh is only one city. Fat women in all cities should arise. Mrs. Flannery has sounded the clarion call. Let fat women everywhere respond.

Let every fat woman who has known the horrid sensation of trying to mount a car while wearing a hobble skirt and hearing 'er rip join the army.

Let every fat woman who has gnashed her teeth to hear her dearest friend whispering to her dearest friend:

"Shouldn't you think poor, dear Mollie would know better than to wear that tight skirt—a woman of her size?"

Let every such misjudged one join the army. En masse, the fat women ought to be able to sit on the fashion makers in a way to make themselves felt.

Postal Card Departments

Recipes Tested and Found Good

All recipes appearing in these columns have been tested.

Level measurements are used unless otherwise stated.

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INSTEAD OF MAPLE SYRUP.—The following syrup is good, inexpensive and easily made. The butter called for in this recipe gives the syrup a richness which the ordinary sugar syrup does not have. Use one cupful of dark brown sugar, one cupful of water and one teaspoonful of butter. Put all in a saucepan, stir often and allow to boil until it thickens slightly, about like cream. H. J. B.

MAPLE MOUSSE.—Use one cupful of maple syrup, one pint of whipped cream and whites of three eggs. Pack in ice and salt and let it stand four hours. W. H. B.

CHOPPED STEAK ON TOAST.—Put a generous piece of butter into a frying pan, and when hot add one pound of finely chopped steak; stir and turn over until it is slightly cooked. Add one cupful of milk, salt and pepper to taste. Thicken with flour moistened with cold milk. When ready to serve grate nutmeg over it and pour over slices of toasted bread or serve plain. S. F.

COD STEAKS BAKED WITH MUSHROOMS.—Use one cod steak, half a pound of mushrooms, quarter of a pound of butter, one wineglassful of sherry and one tablespoonful of cornstarch. Choose large mushrooms, peel, trim them and lay them in water into which half a lemon has been squeezed. Wash and dry the fish, rub in well with pepper, salt and flour. Lay in baking tin and spread the mushrooms over and around it. Sprinkle with more flour and half the butter, cut up in small pieces. Have the oven hot, and at the end of five minutes baste with the rest of the butter, mixed with half a cupful of boiling water. Slacken the heat of the oven. When the fish is cooked (in from fifteen to twenty minutes) take out carefully and place in a dish, arranging the mushrooms around it. Place in oven to keep hot while making the sauce.

For the sauce: Mix the cornstarch with the sherry to a smooth paste; if too thick, thin with water, then pour into the baking tin, scraping up the browned flour from the bottom. Boil until slightly thick, strain and pour over the fish. P. M.

Useful Household Tips.

TO BEAT MASHED POTATOES.—The best mashed potato is made with the aid of an egg beater. Mash the potatoes with a potato masher; season. Warm the milk, melt the butter in it and pour by degrees over the potato, after which beat it with an egg beater. If the quantity is large beat half at a time. MRS. E. F.

ASKS WOMEN'S SUGGESTIONS

Secretary of Agriculture Plans to Make Department Serve Farm Women

Washington, Sept. 14.—David F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture, within the next few days will address a letter to the women members of 50,000 farm households throughout the United States, requesting them to give him information as to how the Department of Agriculture can best serve the needs of the farm women.

These letters will be addressed "To Houswives in the Homes of the Official Crop Correspondents," and will be sent to the full list of crop correspondents for transmission to the women members of their households. With each letter will be supplied a return envelope in which the women can forward their suggestions.

This inquiry results from the receipt of a letter addressed to the Secretary, in which the writer said:

"The farm woman has been the most neglected factor in the rural problem and she has been especially neglected by the national Department of Agriculture."

This letter was written not by a woman but by a man so thoroughly in touch with the agricultural and domestic needs of the country that his opinions have great weight. Following the receipt of this letter, the Secretary determined that the best way for the department to learn how to give these women the fullest possible aid and service which their important place in agricultural production warrants was to write to the women themselves and ask them to make their own suggestions.

In the letter these women are invited to give individual answers to the letters or to discuss the matter in their church societies or women's organizations and submit answers representing the combined opinions of the women of their entire communities. The answers are requested not later than November 15, and this date is set because it will give the women time after harvest to consider the matter and discuss it with their women neighbors.

This letter will go to about twenty leading farms in each of the twenty-eight hundred counties of the United States. The answers, it is expected, will represent the views and opinions of upward of 500,000 farm women. These answers will be carefully considered by the specialists of the department having to do with that branch of agricultural activity.

Daily Bill of Fare.

TUESDAY.

BREAKFAST.—Farina, bacon and fried tomatoes, Johnny cake, coffee.

LUNCHEON.—Fish salad, German coffee cake, watermelon, tea.

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