

CLUB WOMEN DECRY IMMODEST STYLES

Mrs. R. J. Burdette Denounces Prevailing Attire at Chicago Convention.

SUFFRAGE POINT IS WON Council Agrees to Permit Discussion on the Floor.

Chicago, June 10.—The immodesty of present day women's fashions was denounced in resolutions adopted at a conference of the bureau of information of the twelfth biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, which was opened here to-day. Six thousand clubwomen were present.

The resolutions urged the convention to place itself on record as heartily in favor of the simpler, more becoming and more modest designs, and all clubs and clubwomen were urged to make a concrete effort to adopt styles adapted to American needs and to urge upon American manufacturers "more reasonable and becoming fashions."

Foreign manufacturers were charged with being the worst offenders in the creation of the objectionable modes.

Mrs. Robert J. Burdette of Pasadena, Cal., led the fight for more modest dress. Speaking on the subject of "Dress and Morals," she said: "Whether clothes were first worn as ornamental covering or for protection matters little, for we seem even to this day to consider the first of prime importance. No matter if the neck be exposed nearly to the waist line and the ankles nearly half way to the knees, if only the styles be followed health and suggestiveness are lost sight of in the craze to be in the fashion.

Whether does not matter, however, whether we look upon dress as so many articles of clothing and decoration to be hung upon or promiscuously strewn over our bodies at the dictate of so-called Dame Fashion or rather as rational human beings with duties toward ourselves and others, with power to affect our fellow beings by our outer apparel as well as by the inner spirit, we endeavor to instill, especially into the younger generation, right ideals that will not permit of immoral dressing. Cheers and applause but no mention in resolutions will be the measure of progress for President Wilson and his associates on behalf of peace. Well informed delegates say that formal recognition is not possible because of the political feeling prevailing among the delegates.

Suffragettes Jubilant. The suffrage leaders are jubilant tonight at their victory in the informal council meeting to-day of officers and delegates to formulate the policies to be considered by the convention. Practically all the speakers agreed that free speech on the floor of the convention should be permitted. The idea that the federation was a democratic organization, that it was for the greater good for the greater number and that should not be by any chance dominated by closed committees was freely expressed, to the accompaniment of applause.

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A misstep, they admit, would mean a serious setback to the cause. An effort will be made to frame a resolution which would meet with the favor of all factions and commit the convention only to the general question and leave open the question whether it should be national or statewide in its application. Several of the Southern delegates are said to be willing to support such a resolution.

Miss Jane Addams in a speech to-night said the clubwomen of the country, who represented the most advanced and enlightened classes of their sex, owe it not only to themselves to strive for the betterment of conditions affecting the human race but to their weaker sisters who are not enjoyed similar advantages of education and "kulturkampf." She traced the movement of the woman's club idea, told what women have done instrumentally in accomplishing and then sounded a note of warning lest organized cooperation fetter initiative and place unnecessary limitations on individual liberty.

Miss Addams' address was delivered at the formal opening of the convention in the Auditorium Theatre. The theatre was a blaze of color, both in the fiery robes of the women and in the floral and drapery decorations. The address of Miss Jane Addams came after welcoming talks marking the turning over of the convention by the local biennial board to the general federation. Miss Addams said: "The earliest clubs were chiefly valuable because they revealed to women the use of that great tool human intercourse, and the moral and the solitary joy of individual effort may be supplemented by its due, social sequence of communication.

Struggle for Early Clubs. The early biennial meetings held by the federation were gigantic reviews, as it were, of the forces engaged in the struggle to assert the strength and beauty of human nature in the teeth of materialism, a situation which inevitably tends to separate art from industry, intellectual from social life, business from morals. When the time for action came it was found that the soil had been prepared in which a sound public opinion might be nurtured and that women's clubs were eagerly ready to discuss matters of public policy as after another as they came before the country.

We are not without proofs that results have already been achieved. To illustrate by examples of protective legislation for working women—within thirty days during February and March of this current year the Supreme Court of Oregon by unanimous decision sustained the minimum wage law; the Supreme Court of the United States in an Ohio case sustained the fifty-four hour week, ten hour day and the six day week; and by the vote of Congress eight hours for women workers was established in the District of Columbia. The Federation of Women's Clubs has been an important factor in creating and disseminating the new social philosophy.

MISS DELANY BRIDE OF ARTHUR CUNNION



MRS. ARTHUR CUNNION and MISS ALICE DELANY, MAID OF HONOR.

Daughter of Supreme Court Justice Married in Church of the Ascension. Miss Helen Cecelia Delany, daughter of Supreme Court Justice John J. Delany and Mrs. Delany, was married to Arthur Jerome Cunnion, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Cunnion of this city, in the Church of the Ascension, 107th street and Broadway, yesterday morning. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Daniel Cunnion, uncle of the bridegroom, and was followed by a nuptial mass.

The bride entered the church with her father. She wore a gown of soft white satin trimmed with duchess and rose point lace, and her veil of the same lace was held by a wreath of orange blossoms. The bridal bouquet was of lilies of the valley and white orchids. Miss Alice Delany was her sister's only attendant. Her costume was of pale pink tulle and chiffon and she carried a bouquet of yellow roses. Arthur Delany acted as best man.

After the ceremony there was a reception for relatives and a few intimate friends. Later Mr. and Mrs. Cunnion started on their wedding trip. They will live in this city.

TOMKINS—RICHEY. Bridgroom, Recently Ordained. Will Be a Missionary in South. WILMINGTON, Del., June 10.—In historic Emmanuel Episcopal Church here to-day the Rev. Floyd William Tomkins, Jr., son of the Rev. Floyd William Tomkins, Sr., rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, married Miss Josephine Richey, daughter of the Rev. Dr. Alban Richey, rector of Emmanuel Church. The respective fathers of the couple officiated. Judge Samuel Seabury of New York, uncle of the bride, acted as best man.

Miss Helen Walbridge of New York was one of the bridesmaids. The Rev. A. Rufus Morgan of New York was best man. Leslie H. Cushman of New York was an usher.

Sadtler—Limond. The marriage of the Rev. H. A. Lindwood Sadtler, rector of St. Paul's P. E. Church, Rahway, N. J., to Miss Margaret Limond took place yesterday afternoon at St. John's Church, on the Park Slope, Brooklyn. Bishop Burgess performed the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. T. H. Hollister, the rector.

Miss Helen Gladys Swan was maid of honor and William V. Edwards of Philadelphia best man. The bridesmaids were Miss Natalie Stewart, Miss Adela V. Marchant, Miss Marion Mantin Fitch, Miss Louise Higgins, Miss Helen Grace Butts and Miss Sarah Dean Towl. The ushers were Alexander B. Clark of Westboro, N. C.; William S. Limond, Jr., brother of the bride; Arthur Maurice of Rahway, editor of the Bookman; Fred L. Hatfield, Charles W. Camp, Maurice Bolmer and Thayer Bolmer of Princeton, N. J.; and Stewart L. Stevens, a cousin of the bride.

Following the ceremony there was a reception at the home of the bride, parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Limond, 759 Carroll street.

Egan—Russell. Miss Mabel Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Russell of 28 Barclay street, Flushing, L. I., and Maurice Egan of Mount Kisco, N. Y., were married yesterday in St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, Flushing, by Mr. E. J. Donnelly, the rector, in the presence of 600 relatives and friends.

Last Sunday \$3 Excursion of the season to Washington

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299 Hancock street, Brooklyn, and Daniel Denison Streeter, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Milford B. Streeter, were married last night at the home of the bride's parents by the Rev. Dr. S. G. Welkott, pastor of the English Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

Miss Natalie Alma Rudolph, a sister of the bride, was the maid of honor and the Misses Caroline M. Behre, Grace Miriam Brining, Evelyn Sarah Payne and Helene Katherine Wisner were the bridesmaids.

The best man was Milford B. Streeter, Jr., and the ushers were William Edward Rudolph, James Dowd Lester, Harold Albertson Jackson, Arthur Pasco Matthews, Edwin Hoyt Udlike, Christopher Blackburn Miller, Benjamin Albertson Willis and Dr. E. Stagg Wain.

Haffen—Butterfield. On Sunday, N. Y., June 10.—Louis F. Haffen, Jr. of the Bronx and Miss Marguerite Katherine Butterfield, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Butterfield of this village, were married at St. Augustine's Church here this morning by the Rev. James A. Collins, assistant rector. The maid of honor was Miss Mae Klipper, a cousin of the bride, and the best man was Augustus P. Ireland, a cousin of the bride.

Pitcher—Buttling. Miss Beatrice Buttling, a daughter of the late William J. Buttling, of one time Sheriff of Kings county, and David Ellsworth Pitcher were married last night at the home of the bride's mother, 841 Carroll street, Brooklyn, by the Rev. David J. Hickey. Miss Buttling was graduated from the Packer Institute in 1911 and is an amateur actress of note. Mr. Pitcher is a son of William Robinson Pitcher of 855 President street, Brooklyn.

Messimer—Clayton. Miss Grace Morgan Clayton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Herbert Clayton, was married to Onslow Wooten Messimer yesterday afternoon in the chapel of St. Bartholomew's Church by the Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks. Only relatives and a few intimate friends were present. The bride, who was given away by her father, had no attendants. Robert L. Messimer, brother of the bridegroom, was the best man. There was no reception.

Gregg—Hinsdale. PITTSFIELD, Mass., June 10.—Miss Mary Livingston Hinsdale, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James H. Hinsdale of Pittsfield, and the Rev. James Edgar Gregg, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Pittsfield, were married at 5 o'clock to-night in the First Church.

Selby—Bray. PASAIC, N. J., June 10.—Miss Esther Bray, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Selby of the Bronx were married in the Masonic Temple. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. William J. Church, pastor of the First Congregational Church.

J. S. HUYLER, JR., LEFT \$198,762. Amount From Father's Estate Shrank in Sale of Assets. The transfer tax appraisal of the estate of John S. Huyler, Jr., who was killed on December 20, 1912, by falling under a train, shows that he left property worth \$198,762. His mother, Mrs. Rosa F. Huyler, widow of the candy manufacturer, got \$50,277 and \$28,757 went to his three brothers, Coulter, David and Frank deK. Huyler. He gave \$14,328 each to John S. Huyler Held and Abigail S. Huyler Held, nephew and niece, and \$21,196 to his half-brother, William C. Dodge.

The report says that the decedent's interest in his father's estate was \$134,459, which included his quarter interest in the Huyler company, left in trust for him. The amount he actually received was only \$175,836 out of a total distributive share of \$204,067, because of losses in the sale of assets of the estate of John S. Huyler.

An accounting by the executors of the John S. Huyler estate which was attached to the report says that they received \$2,795,931, of which \$554,674 was income. They have \$1,664,000 principal on hand and have distributed all but \$26,850 of the income.

THORN, IN COURT, IS SUED FOR DIVORCE

Papers Served After Wife Hears His Testimony in Poss Case.

MRS. POSS FAINTS IN CHAIR "You're the Only One Who Loves Me," She Tells Son Who Revives Her.

After Percy M. Thorn, correspondent in the divorce suit brought by Frank R. Poss, vice-president of the Detroit Baseball Club, against Mrs. Lillian K. Poss, had spent an uncomfortable four hours yesterday under cross-examination before Justice Donnelly and a jury he was served as he stepped from the stand with papers in a suit for divorce.

His wife, Mrs. Lou M. Thorn, is already suing him for a separation on the ground of abandonment, and her divorce suit was the result of what she has heard in court during the trial of the Poss suit.

Thorn was questioned concerning the reports of detectives employed by Poss which showed that Thorn and Mrs. Poss were out until early in the morning frequently, and that their favorite time for visiting Healy's restaurant was at 1:30 A. M. When asked why they went there at that time, Thorn said: "Before 1 o'clock there aren't a dozen people in the place, but after that hour things begin to liven up. That's why we didn't go there earlier."

When asked by counsel for Poss whether he ever got any sleep, he said he managed to get two or three hours a day, which was sufficient for him. Thorn was asked what his feelings were toward his wife when he was going around with Mrs. Poss, and he said: "I loved my wife."

Bernard Duffy, the son of Mrs. Poss by a former husband, was called to testify briefly, but before he had finished his mother fainted in her chair. Duffy then ran to his mother's side and lifted up her head. When she had revived she threw her arms around his neck and said: "You are the only one I have to love and who loves me."

The case will continue to-day.

MOTHER, LIFE IN PERIL, SEEKS TO CLEAR NAME Has Date Fixed for Trial So She May Enter Hospital to Undergo Operation.

A woman's plea that she wants her name cleared of charges in a divorce suit before she enters a hospital for an operation that may result in her death resulted in an order yesterday by Supreme Court Justice Giegerich fixing June 17 as the day for the trial of a suit brought by Mrs. Dora Emma Bacon against Samuel Marshall Bacon, a tugboat owner.

Mrs. Bacon sued her husband for a separation on the ground of cruelty, and he replied with a counterclaim for divorce. Mrs. Bacon declares she is innocent of the charges against her, but has been advised that she must submit to an operation without delay or she can live but a short time.

"I have held in reserve a bed in the Presbyterian Hospital to which I must go in the near future, and it is only because I am innocent of these charges and because I am desirous of having some thing out at the earliest possible moment that I have delayed having this operation performed."

"I am the mother of four children and stand accused of unfaithfulness to my marriage vows. I do not desire to undergo this operation until I have purged my name for the sake of my children from the stigma cast upon it. I do not want to go under the knife, fearful lest the same may prove fatal, until I have eliminated the disgraceful and unjust accusations of my husband."

HAS \$175; OWES WIFE \$1,400. Court Describes Alimony Club Comports to Albert L. Wisner. Albert L. Wisner, former head of the Wisner Manufacturing Company, who was divorced by his wife in April, 1913, and ordered to pay her \$50 a week alimony, is more than \$1,400 in arrears. He was directed yesterday to join the Alimony Club in Raymond street jail by Supreme Court Justice Aspinall in Brooklyn.



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