

IDEAL PAGE OF THE WOMEN, BY THE WOMEN AND FOR THE WOMEN

Entertaining Letter from Phoenixville Correspondent, Who Sets Forth Her Ideas of the Features a Woman's Page Should Contain

The writer of the following letter, Miss Jean A. Vanderhulst, of 318 Washington street, Phoenixville, Pa., was awarded honorable mention in the competition held for readers of the Woman's Page.

You ask what a Woman's Page should be? Why, bless your heart, it should be a page of the women, by the women and for the women (begging your pardon, sir, for the parenthesis). By this taken, then, the editor should be of the female persuasion. Give the masculine brain all due credit—and there's a plenty coming his way—there never yet was a man who could fully understand the facts and fancies, the frills and follies of the feminine faction! Therefore, please, a "lady-editor" for the ideal Woman's Page.

And the features it should contain? Ah, me! they must be as many and as varied as the diverse types of womanhood into whose eager hands the paper falls.

New recipes and household wrinkles for the busy "housewife," current events for the little stay-at-home-body, patterns for the clever needlewoman, hints and helps for the untutored mother of a brand-new baby. Oh, yes! and a bit of a joke for the tired business woman. Goodness her weary brain, hygienic lessons for the careless or ignorant and just a dash of fashion news for every woman.

Happily, in but few of these respects is the EVENING LEDGER wanting. We have small quarrel with its Woman's Page "as it is!"

Yet frankness impels us to drop a hint or two in response to its invitation for comments and in addition to air a trifling grievance.

For instance, a valuable paper and ink on such inanity as "My Married Life"? Perforce no woman will take another woman's word asent that blissful state of existence. God bless her or happy as may be—is the only teacher under whom she will deign to study such a subject.

Likewise, why burden the gentle reader with the weighty problems of the fair one

whose "gentleman friend," with whom she has been "keeping company," has suddenly and inexplicably grown cold and indifferent to her charms? Or why inflict on a suffering public the mental agitation of young Miss Commuter, who debates whether or no she should speak again to that entertaining stranger who chattered with her so pleasantly the other night? Questions of this type may interest a certain class, doubtless, but surely this class is in the minority. There's a larger percentage of the reading public which is first amused, but finally disgusted with problems such as these.

On the other hand, we do not yearn for the prosy, dull and commonplace. Far be it from us who have a twinkle in the eye and a quip of the tongue with the best of 'em. We like a joke, dear EVENING LEDGER, and here's hoping that never an issue will without some little mirth-provoker on your Woman's Page! A Pure Food Department? Fine! Assuredly, a splendid acquisition and well worth a trial. In these days of high food prices (and low food values) a word to the wise is not sufficient—but necessary, and decidedly welcome.

The Woman's Exchange, a present feature, is one much to be recommended. Long may it continue, at least until it ceases to touch epistles as before mentioned! More frequent articles on the care of the health would prove a valuable asset. I feel sure. The modern girl is apt to be happy-go-lucky in this respect, and neglect its true importance. What woman can be really and truly happy without perfect health. And it's around the happiness of the woman that the happiness of the home centers. Any man creature can bear witness to the truth of that statement.

Now for that last word so dear to the feminine heart, the subject, too that lies close to that changeable (9) organ—fashions! Please, sir, the sketches are so charmingly attractive and a joy to the eye. But to untutored minds like mine, their construction is a bit of a puzzle. Just a shade more of simplicity, please, is the plea of "A MERE WOMAN."

DIARY OF A WELL-DRESSED GIRL

Two Smart Hats for "Knockabout" Wear



Two attractive hats of fabric and straw.

A GIRL hates more than anything else to be "poked fun at" by a man, particularly a very young one. Ted Farwell descended upon me as I was making some sketches of sports hats displayed in a window. In answer to his question, "What on earth are you trying to do?" I explained that it was my intention to copy two of the snappiest hats for myself, and that soon he would see me wearing them. He couldn't have laughed more if I had told him a new joke, and finished with this flattering remark: "Any time you can make a hat as good looking as any one of these I'll donate a month's salary to your pet charity."

At him for questioning my ability to make hats, but I controlled my temper and answered that he might have to make his promise "good" much sooner than he expected. Again he laughed, and I went home determined to show him that I knew a thing or two about millinery.

Since the smartest sport hats are large I chose two shapes but Japanese straw with rather wide brims. They are of a soft, pliable straw somewhat like Panama, and one is white while the other is natural.

The first of the new sport hats I sketched had a Roman striped crown made of rows of grosgrain ribbon in shades of rose, dark blue and green. I changed the color combination to soft tones of Natter blue, violet and old gold.

The ribbon had to be gathered slightly at the upper edge and sewed to the straw as flat as possible. Each hand overlapped the other a trifle to hide the gathering string.

A small wheel of old gold ribbon formed the very top of the crown, and from its center I hung a purple and gold tassel.

The base of the crown was finished with a band of purple ribbon tied in a butterfly bow in a small, soft bow in front. I lined the crown with Natter blue china silk, and one hat was ready to bear witness as to my hat-making ability.

Another hat I sketched had a crown which was much wider at the sides than in the front or back. This gives it a poke bonnet effect that is in itself pleasing and very becoming to me. Each side of the crown is finished with green ribbon and a small wheel of the same shade.

I covered the crown entirely with strips of green faille ribbon an inch and a quarter wide. Each strip started at the base of the crown, passes over the top and down the opposite side until not the slightest bit of straw is to be seen. The ribbon must be finished absolutely flat and smooth to make the trimming effective.

Both hats are even better looking than I thought they would be, so tomorrow Ted Farwell will be invited up to turn over his peek's salary to the Children's Fresh Air Fund. (Copyright.)

BRITISH BAZAAR TO BE HELD LATE IN MARCH

Twenty-three Societies Represented in Plan to Aid Soldiers and Dependents

Fifty thousand persons, representing all circles of society and virtually every line of human endeavor and business, have united on the general committee of the big British Bazaar which will be held at Horticultural Hall the last week in March. The affair will be given for the relief of British soldiers and their dependents and represents the most concentrated effort ever made in the United States to raise funds for a foreign cause.

Twenty-three societies, all of British affiliation and all of local importance, will be amalgamated in the bazaar. Alva Johnson, heads the men's section of the general committee, and Mrs. Cornelius Stevenson acts in the same capacity for the women's division. The proceeds will be partitioned among the British National Relief Fund, the British Red Cross Society and St. Dunstan's Hostel for the Blind.

Efforts are being made to induce Jack McFadden, who recently returned from work with the American Ambulance Field Service in France, to appear at the bazaar and give a lecture on the achievements with which the young Americans have accomplished at the front. McFadden brought with him hundreds of pictures he himself took and many more taken officially by the French Government, which show the horrors of war as no other pictures have done. It is believed Mr. McFadden's lecture would serve to draw thousands to the bazaar. He will return to Philadelphia today from New York, when his answer is expected.

Great surprises have been planned for the affair and one of them will probably be a cabaret. If it is decided to have this interesting feature, one of the star attractions will be a beautiful young society woman of this city who has a marvelous voice. She has already achieved unusual success in the private salons in which she has sung, but she has never appeared in public. Her name will be announced later.

"DIAMOND JIM" NEARLY WELL

New York Financier Rapidly Recovering Health at Atlantic City

ATLANTIC CITY, March 1.—James Buchanan Brady, the financier, of New York, whose loss of appetite and confinement to his room under the care of a staff of physicians for weeks made him a subject of wide interest, is nearly well again.

"Diamond Jim" now makes daily pilgrimages upon the Boardwalk and receives deputations of friends at the Shelburne. He still is under specific orders to forgo dancing, the stock ticker and other forms of excitement.

Edison's Son Stricken

NEW YORK, March 1.—Charles Edison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Edison, was stricken with appendicitis of such dangerous symptoms that physicians took him at once from the home of his parents at Littlefield Park, West Orange, N. J., to the Orange Memorial Hospital and performed an operation to save his life. He did not regain consciousness until three hours later, and his condition continued critical.

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HIGH COST OF SEEDS WILL RESTRICT CROPS

Prices Are Almost Prohibitive, Truck Farmers of Maryland Declare

SALISBURY, Md., March 1.—The high cost of living and the scarcity of seeds, combined with their high price throughout this State, make it necessary that much energy and capital be expended to make this season's produce crop equal to those of former years.

Wicomico County is a trucking county and unquestionably leads the State in small fruits, such as strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, cantaloupes and watermelons, with a big crop of white potatoes which has been increased in acreage and yield.

Truck farmers and truckers, in view of great scarcity and high prices for white potatoes, sweet potatoes, onions, peas and lima beans, will plant these vegetables in addition to the berries and melons usually grown.

The white potatoes will be planted, especially "northern" white potatoes, although prices for seed are almost prohibitive, the market price being \$11 per bushel, with but little stock offered at even that figure. English peas are selling for \$3 per bushel. Onion sets, \$7 a bushel. In fact, everything in the way of seeds is advancing over former years from 100 to 200 per cent.

It is said by many farmers that there is bound to be a short crop in all vegetables and produce throughout the county, which will be caused by high seed prices. The seeds, coupled with the fact that the usual amount cannot be obtained. Some say that seed potatoes will reach \$15 a bushel before planting time, which will make seed potatoes at that price cost about \$1.40 per peck.

County Agricultural Agent W. C. Vail is encouraging the farmers and truckers to plant every available acre possible, but farmers are in many instances balking because of the high price of seeds. Following is a comparison of seed prices per bushel with last year's figures:

Table with 2 columns: Seed type and Price per bushel. Rows include White potatoes, Onions, English peas, Lima beans, and Seed corn.

HOME COMPOSERS HEARD

Manuscript Music Society Gives Choral Concert, Mendelssohn Club Aiding

The most important offering of Philadelphia composers to music during recent seasons was the choral concert given last evening at Griffith Hall by the members of the Manuscript Music Society, aided by the Mendelssohn Club, under its new director, N. Lindsay Norden; the Fortnightly Club, under Henry Gordon Thumher; the Ladies' Chorus of the Mendelssohn Club, under Martha Barry, and the Oxford Presbyterian Choir, under Clarence K. Bawden. The program comprised "The Day," a cantata by Camille W. Zeccker, which won a prize in Cleveland a year ago; "The Sirogh," a cantata for male voices by H. G. Thumher, and a number of glees and part songs by the late W. W. Gilchrist; and "The Mendelssohn Club," by Nicholas Doutry, one of the greatest of Bach interpreters; Philip W. Goepf, program annotator of the Philadelphia Orchestra and author of the three standard volumes on the history and meaning of symphonies, and Camille Zeccker, probably the most prolific and varied of local composers.

The first group on the program consisted of four part songs for mixed voices, "When Love Is Kind," by Camille W. Zeccker; "Winter," by Nicholas Doutry; "It Was a Lover," by Philip H. Goepf, and "If Doughty Deeds My Lady Please," by H. Alexander Matthews.

Another group consisted of part songs for women's voices, "The Belle" and "The Fountain," by the late Doctor Gilchrist, and "Gypsy Life" and "The Fairy Queen," by Philip H. Goepf.

An audience mainly composed of musicians filled the hall to overflowing and gave public applause and private appreciative comment for the merit of the proceedings. The entire program reached a high level of technical efficiency, and some of the numbers were touched with inspiration. Mr. Zeccker's cantata showed melodic inventiveness of appropriate order to the text, Doctor Thumher's interesting work was fully reviewed on its premier here this season by one of the male singing organizations.

GIVE HARRISBURG LICENSES

Saloon, Closed Last Year, Will Reopen; Four New Applications Refused

HARRISBURG, March 1.—Patrick T. Sullivan, applicant for a license to reopen a saloon in the Second Ward that was closed a year ago, was granted a retail license for the next year by the court. Four applications for new stands were refused and one other, that of George E. Winger, for the saloon in the capital park zone, was held under advisement.

Without comment Judge Kunkel handed the decisions from the bench. As the new license year has started, all permits had to be listed at the office of Prothonotary Holder before the close of business today. Sullivan, the only successful new applicant, gave his name before noon.

INDIAN GIRLS TO JOIN SUFFRAGE CONFERENCE

Young Women Leave With Delegation to Congressional Union Meeting

Two young Indian girls were among the nineteen delegates who left this morning for Washington to attend the second joint convention of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage and the National Woman's party, which opens today and ends on Sunday.

The girls, who are Miss Cora Elm, of Front street and Lehigh avenue, and Miss Sarah M. Ingalls, of 4132 Chester avenue, will participate in the suffrage demonstration at the White House on inauguration day, when the Congressional Union committee will ask President Wilson to force congressional consideration of the Federal amendment for suffrage.

The Pennsylvania delegation to the convention includes Miss M. E. Kennedy, chairman; Miss M. A. Burnham, Miss Ella Riegel, Miss Anna Snyder, Miss F. T. Hoehn, Miss Florence Sanville, Miss K. Hefflinger, Miss Martha Hovenden, Miss Caroline Katzenstein, Mrs. G. F. Stradling, Mrs. F. W. Shepard, Mrs. E. B. Arison and Mrs. Pope Yastman, all of Philadelphia; Miss Llewellyn Clinton, of Wyncote; Miss L. L. Dock, of Fayetteville; Mrs. E. W. Niemeyer, of Tacony, and Mrs. J. A. Rulon, of Devon.

HEMPEL GIVES RECITAL FOR EXTENSION SOCIETY

German Soprano of Metropolitan Opera Company Sings at Academy of Music

Perhaps it was Frieda Hempel's undying devotion to the "Ereliand" that prompted her to give the most favored Italian aria from her recital program at the Academy of Music last night. Or, perhaps, she has forsaken the selections which have stood her good stead in the past. But whatever the reason, the fact remains that the University Extension audience had to—and was content with only the "Casta Diva" from Bellini's "Norma." However, Miss Hempel more than atoned for this slight to Verdi and Donizetti by singing "The Nightingale," an exquisite lyric by Alabieff, which, with Hugo Wolf's "The Mousetrap" was the redeeming feature of a none too brilliant recital.

Frieda Hempel can sing better—has sung better—than at her last two appearances in this city. To be sure, she gave a much finer account of herself last night than she did at the performance of "Martha" at the Metropolitan Opera House earlier in the season, but she was still enough lacking to make one wonder as to the trouble.

Curiously enough it was in the coloratura passages that she failed to satisfy the most. The Frieda Hempel who came to this country only a few seasons ago as Germany's finest coloratura soprano and who was hailed in this country as Terzaxini's successor has somehow fallen short of her best. At that time one did not expect the prima donna to sing lieder and ballades; it was enough that she thrill with her vocal pyrotechnics.

But last night it was her ballades that carried whatever conviction there was. From the vast field of songs she unfortunately chose many which Schumann-Heink and Homer had already given us. Her comparisons were inevitable. The remainder of the program contained pure lieder, which is not her forte, or coloratura, in which she was at her best and her worst last night. Miss Hempel's best is second to none, and her worst does not place her below the level of mediocrity. So, after all, it was not a poor recital. But the contrast during the evening and the reminder of her previous recitals made one wish all the more sincerely that it had been one of Frieda Hempel's "good nights."

SPY U-BOAT AND WIN \$100

Glasgow Shipbuilder Makes Offer to Transatlantic Passengers

LONDON, March 1.—Americans and others crossing the Atlantic can make \$100 by sighting a submarine. Sir A. Yarrow, the famous Glasgow shipbuilder, writes to the Times: "I go without saying that it is of the utmost importance to sight a submarine at the earliest possible moment. To encourage every one to keep a sharp lookout I offer a reward of £20 up to a total expenditure of £10,000 to any one on board a commercial vessel who first draws the captain's attention to an enemy submarine. The reward will be paid on certificate of the captain giving the name of the person and a statement that a submarine actually was sighted. Applications should be forwarded through the owners to Sir Thomas L. Devitt, chairman of Lloyd's Register of Shipping, 71 Fenchurch street, London, who has consented to make the awards."

JEWISH RELIEF COMMITTEE APPEALS FOR FUNDS

Treasury Exhausted by Transmission of Money to War Sufferers, New Contributions Now Necessary

NEW YORK, March 1.—The American Jewish relief committee, of which Louis Marshall is chairman and Cyrus L. Sulzberger secretary, announces the sending of the following telegram to all its local branches throughout the United States by its treasurer, Herbert H. Lehman:

After making distributions during the last week to Jews in beleaguered lands for current relief our treasury is absolutely empty. We literally have not a cent left. Unless the public sends us funds immediately in large amounts, the work will have to cease. All foodstuffs, fuel and clothing abroad cost enormously more than here. The number of people needing relief is infinitely greater. We must have large amounts for relief or else people will starve in appalling numbers. Please advise of steps taken to relieve situation.

The committee requested the chairman of all its local branches to proceed at once to meet the exigencies of the terrible conditions under which its correligionists are now living. It is expected that the local committees will proceed at once with renewed vigor to raise funds in their respective communities.

100,000 CANADIANS NEEDED

Will Be Sent to France to Replace Losses Expected in Spring Drive

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 1.—Canada is making active preparations to take a prominent part in the great Allied offensive on the western front this spring. Thousands of troops have arrived in New Brunswick within the last few weeks for final training before embarking at Halifax for England.

Major General Lessard, inspector general for eastern Canada, recently was quoted as saying that 100,000 additional men would be needed within the next few months to offset casualties in the offensive and to keep the Canadian divisions at full strength.

200 "BELLHOPS" DRILL IN PLAN TO AID NATION

Military Company Formed in Basement of Bellevue-Stratford—Others Join Organization

More than 200 "bellhops" in this city are forming a military company and are ready to offer their services to the Government in the event of war.

James A. Reilly, head bellman of the Bellevue-Stratford, has been drilling seventy-five of them every night in the basement of the hotel. The ages of the men range from eighteen to twenty-five years, and their average weight is 150 pounds. Army and navy men who frequent the hostelry are of the opinion that the bell hops would give a good account of themselves if called into service. There are thirty men in the Adolphus, and from ten to fifteen each in the Bingham, Ritz-Carlton, Aldine, St. James, Majestic and Colonnade Hotels who are interested in the organization. A meeting will be held in the near future, when further arrangements will be made.

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FARMERS TO HEAR TALKS ON POTATOES AND CORN

Sessions of the County Institute in Horticultural Hall Will End Tonight

Potato culture, corn growing and other agricultural subjects will be discussed today at the afternoon session of the Farmers' Institute. The lectures, which are in Horticultural Hall, will close tonight.

This afternoon A. B. Hess, of Chambersburg, will speak on "Corn Breeding and Growing." C. E. Myers, of State College, will talk on "Potato Culture." George L. Gillingham, of Moorestown, N. J., will discuss the use of a silo, while J. A. Her, Lancaster, will devote his lecture to the marketing of farm products.

BONNIWELL FOR OUSTING

Municipal Court Judge Tells Live Association Referendum Should Be Asked

Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell, of the Municipal Court, said there should be a referendum on the issue of the pigeries in Philadelphia at the annual banquet of the Philadelphia Live Stock Association. It has been decided by Director Krusen that pigeries must go in the interest of public health, and it was in opposition to this edict that the praises of the hog were sounded.

"Your protest is just," said Judge Bonniwell. "The authorities should not do anything to diminish food at this time. It is a fact that the prices for pork in Chicago now are greater than during the Civil War."

Canned Pineapple advertisement. offers many suggestions for desserts with TASTY-KAKE. When flaked, spread it on the top icing—if sliced whole, place it between the layers. Either way, you'll agree it's delicious. "The Cake That Made Mother Stop Baking" 10c White Yellow Chocolate TASTYKAKE 10c Sponge Raisin Molasses