

JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Many Parties Planned for Mask and Wig—Member Has a Fitting—Miss Thompson Chooses Maid of Honor for April 27

IT were not for the mask and wig I don't believe there would be very many in town this coming week, for the perfect weather has an alluring finger beckoning shoreward. And there's no place like little old Atlantic City around this time of year.

In spite of the mask and wig there will be a great many who will go down and quite a number are off for Augusta, as it's not likely our men down there will be on this side of the water very much longer.

Still, the stay-at-homes will be compensated by the "Bridal Not" and the parties planned are simply numberless. On Monday night the Emery McMichaels will give a dinner and box party for Ellen, who is coming home from school in Virginia for the Easter holidays.

Mrs. Arthur Brock will also give a box party, as will Mrs. Heckscher Wetherill, Mrs. William Wanamaker, Jr., Mrs. Barton Hirst, who will entertain for Elsie, and Mrs. Frank H. Moss.

On Tuesday the Walter Thomsons have a box and they have one for Saturday night, too, their daughters, Rebecca and Louie, and their friends to be entertained therein respectively. The Samuel Price Wetherills will also entertain and Mrs. Charles Y. Fox.

At the Wednesday matinee Mrs. Thomas Leaming, Mrs. Craig Lippincott, John Price Wetherill and Mrs. Joseph Sullivan will have parties.

The evening of that same day will find the Dick Cadwaladers again entertaining; also the William Wardens, Mrs. A. J. Casmit, who will entertain for Lois Thayer, and Mrs. J. Bertram Lippincott will have a family party.

Others who will entertain in boxes for the rest of the week are the Earl B. Putnam Jr., Charles Lukens, Dr. and Mrs. George Fales Baker, the Murdoch Kendricks, Mrs. George McFadden, H. N. Taylor, Mrs. W. C. Wetherill, Mrs. Clayton McMichael, Mrs. E. Walter Clark and Mrs. William J. Elliott.

WHILE on the subject of the mask and wig, I have a bit of a story I would like to relate. She (you know her and I do, too) was having tea with a friend one afternoon about two weeks ago and was chatting with her in came said friend's son. Now, he is a student at Penn., as Mother proudly explained, and though, of course, he would not admit it, he did get along rather well with his studies. Son, who was tall and manly, didn't like that in the least, and hastily changing the subject asked Mother if he might use the phone.

The permission granted, he picked up the receiver and—Did Mrs. H.'s ears deceive her or didn't the number he gave belong to the highly renowned specialty shop which she knew very well? Why, my dear, the good-looking suit she wore the very minute, and which every one admired so much, had come from the very same shop. And then came Son's voice:

"Hello, is this B.—?" (Good gracious! she had been right; it was the same one.) "Well, this is Mr. M.—. Is my gown ready for a fitting?" pursued he. (Right here she could not refrain from setting her tawdry down with an astonished clatter.) "It isn't! Now, look here, don't you know I hafta have that?" and more, oh! much more, to the same effect.

"Tomorrow at four? Well, all right," and he hung up resignedly. But when he beheld Mrs. H.'s bewildered face and saw how convulsed with mirth his mother was he wanted to know where the joke came in. There was nothing funny that he could see about giving up a perfectly good Saturday afternoon for a fitting.

"Oh, but don't you see, dear?" his mother choked, "Mrs. H.— didn't know that you are in the mask and wig and I guess she thought you'd gone crazy!" And then the three of them did have a laugh, I assure you.

DID you know you really and truly can make two pairs of socks on four needles at one time? Now I am telling you the truth. It not only "can be did," but it is being "did" this very minute; and what is more, Eleanor Harriman, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Edward Harriman, of Water road, Ardmore, is doing it and is demonstrating how it can be done at the Ardmore Red Cross headquarters. Think of it! A pair can be knitted in the time it usually takes to make one sock. It's called the new double knitting. Miss Harriman can make a pair in this way in two days. And she's only fourteen years old, mind you. Some knitter!

I HEAR Jean Bullitt is to be Elizabeth Thompson's maid of honor; in fact, her only attendant, when she becomes the bride of John Drexel, Jr., in New York on April 27. Jean and her father have been down in Augusta since October to be near Dick, you know. Dick was first with the City Troop, you know, and then went into the officers' camp down there. The camp closes on April 19 and Mr. Bullitt and Jean will come to Philadelphia a few days later, that the latter may have time to get ready for the wedding. She and Elizabeth came out the same year, you know, and have been great friends.

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H. Austin, of 1821 Pine street, and Lieutenant W. Hobart Porter, now stationed at Camp Meade, has been set for Saturday, May 18, at Early, Mrs. Austin's country place at Cornwells, Pa.

Miss Austin will have her sister, Miss Eleanor Brander Austin, as maid of honor, and the bridesmaids will be Miss Lucile Austin and Miss Elizabeth Austin, cousins of the bride.

Mrs. Franklin H. Strawbridge will give a dinner on April 4 at the Anchorage, on the River drive at Midvale avenue, in honor of Miss Margaret La Rue and Mr. Clayton Strawbridge, whose engagement has recently been announced.

Mrs. Barton Cooke Hirst will entertain twenty-five guests at the Mask and Wig on the opening night, Easter Monday, in honor of her daughter, Miss Elsie Hirst.

Miss Lucretia Heckscher will be the guest of honor in the box Mrs. Thomas Leaming has taken for the Wednesday, April 3, matinee performance of the Mask and Wig.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wheeler will close their house at 2137 Locust street about the middle of May and will move out to Ardmore, where they have taken Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carstairs' house on Golf House road. Mr. and Mrs. Carstairs will occupy their Chelsea house this summer.

Mrs. William Gray Warden has returned to her home, Red Gate, School House lane, Germantown, after spending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. William G. Warden, who has been ill for some time at St. Augustine, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel I. Murphy and their family, 145 South Twenty-first street, have opened their cottage in Chelsea for the Easter holidays.

The alumnae and students of the Philadelphia School of Design for Women will give a dance and card party at the school on Saturday evening, April 6, for the benefit of the American Artists' War Emergency Fund. The price for each table will be a sketch by a prominent artist of this city.

Mrs. Thomas H. Emmens and Mrs. John A. Hickey, of 251 South Thirty-eighth street, are guests of Mrs. Thomas H. Curley at the Traymore, Atlantic City, over the Easter holidays.

Friends of Miss Helen Carroll, of 5916 Summer street, will be glad to know that she has recovered from the injuries received in an accident which occurred in the early part of January.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Rachel E. Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilson Campbell, of 1821 North Park avenue, to Mr. William E. Achermann, of 1534 North Twenty-second street, on Thursday evening, March 28, at 7:30 o'clock, in Grace Baptist Temple, Broad and Berks streets. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Russell H. Conwell, D. D.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss May Campbell, Mrs. William Kleinfeiler was the bridegroom's best man. The ceremony was followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents.

Mrs. Walter S. Bauer has returned from Williamsburg, Va., where Captain Bauer is



MRS. C. WILLIAM GLOSE Mrs. Glose, who has just given up her home in Germantown, has returned from a visit to Princeton, where her husband is stationed at the School of Aeronautics. Mrs. Glose will be remembered as Miss Kathleen Irish, of Norristown.

In the service of the Government, and entertained at luncheon on Wednesday, followed by sewing for the Red Cross. Her guests were Mrs. W. G. Gibbs, Mrs. Charles Thompson, Mrs. Louie Higgard, Mrs. Allen Moxie, Mrs. C. C. Clegg, Mrs. Thomas M. Scholley, Mrs. Ralph Humphreys, Mrs. J. H. Dripps, Mrs. Raynor Bowman, Mrs. J. H. Chadwick, Mrs. Harvey Cressman, Mrs. Walter Miller, Mrs. Paul Gough, Miss Ida Dripps, Mrs. Julius Neufeld and Mrs. Horace Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Scott Bannister, of Washington, D. C., are visiting Mr. Bannister's parents, Misses and Mrs. Edward Bannister, of Holmesburg.

Mrs. G. H. Clamer, of 3125 North Broad street, will entertain a house party over the weekend at the Seaview Golf Club, Atlantic City.

Miss Margaret Van Order, of 3120 North Fifteenth street, accompanied by her little niece, Miss Florence Hollowell, has gone to New York to visit Mrs. Walter Tiedt formerly of Toga.

Miss Emma Bittling and her sister, Miss Triphonia Bittling, of North Park avenue, are spending a week in Wernersville, Pa.

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MISS SYDNEY BIDDLE AND HER MACAW



Miss Biddle is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Mercer Biddle, of Torresdale. The cameraman snapped her photograph as she was trying to induce Mr. Macaw to walk off his perch on the old fountain at the Biddles' home on the river, bank at Torresdale. Miss Biddle has entirely recovered from an automobile accident she sustained in the fall.

MANY AIDED IN BUREAU OF WAR INFORMATION

Women Take Load Off Shoulders of the Hard-Worked Policemen

Gloomy and uneventful is the life of the downtown policeman these days. The charming young damsels who used to take their troubles and queries to the gallant "cop" now go to the War Information Bureau in City Hall. This transference of attention is greeted with chagrin by the most gallant of the blue-coated gentlemen, but one was heard to mutter "Traitee be!"

The noticeable increase in the independence of young girls and the increased number of inquiries from foreign labor seekers in the city was responsible for that ungallant remark.

Nevertheless, the girls at the War Information Bureau in the pavilion in City Hall court find that place a busy center from 8 o'clock in the morning until 8 o'clock at night. Here information of all imaginable sorts and descriptions is given out to scores of persons each day. Some inquiries might lead one to believe it an employment agency or a housewife's trouble bureau. Designated desires to do war work have brought volunteers and paid workers into this great field of endeavor.

The human-interest aspect of the work is infused into the answers. Not one of the girls and women working there under direction of Miss Elizabeth McShane fail to take an interest in the persons she is there to assist and help. There is none of the parrotlike sort of information given that tends to instill distrust in an information bureau and immediately start the inquirer on a search for himself.

Some of the questions are so ridiculous that they are disgusting. Many of them are everyday questions, while some of them are extremely pathetic. Each and every question is answered as accurately as possible, and no one is turned away without some information or reference to some one who can give full details.

Employment is the greatest subject that people are seeking information about. Hundreds of men have been referred to the various free agencies that are looking for shipyard help. The large number of aliens who apply for this sort of information makes it impossible to place these men with Government corporations, but there are numerous private shipyards that are continually wanting this help.

One pathetic story of a young alien who came here from Detroit inspired the interest of the workers. Hearing of the great demand for workers in and about Philadelphia, he came here without a penny in his pocket, feeling that it was necessary only for him to get here and be received with open arms. After sleeping outdoors all night and going without food for two days, he applied for help at the War Information Bureau, and they put him in the way of getting it.

"I want to get a warrant for the arrest of Frank Smith," a young negro girl said one morning. It seemed that her husband would not support her, and she wanted this information bureau to help her.

War recipes, garden information, the woman's land army and the boys' working reserve are some of the subjects frequently asked about. Then there are questions of local interest, of streets, car service and public buildings, all in the day's work. A great many persons just go into the pavilion, look at the maps and exhibitions and then go out, in that way answering their own questions.

This War Information Bureau is under the direction of the Bureau of Municipal Research, and was made possible by the interest of Dr. George Woodward, who is financing it.

It is the ultimate hope to make this information bureau a permanent thing, for already the great need of such a central information place is proved.

Miss Elizabeth McShane is in charge, with Miss Catherine Newbold, Miss Emma Adams and Francis McShane assisting her.

MUSICALES FOR FIGHTERS Art Alliance Entertainment Tomorrow Will Be Followed by Supper A musicale, followed by a supper for men in the nation's service, will be held tomorrow at 5 o'clock in the clubhouse of the Philadelphia Art Alliance, 1223 Hittenhouse square.

MT. SINAI BALL PLANS PROMISE RARE BEAUTY

More Elaborate Decorations and Music Than Ever at Affair April 8

The eighteenth annual ball of the Mount Sinai Hospital, which will be given Monday evening, April 8, at the Academy of Music, promises to maintain the reputation of being one of the most beautiful and delightful social events of the year.

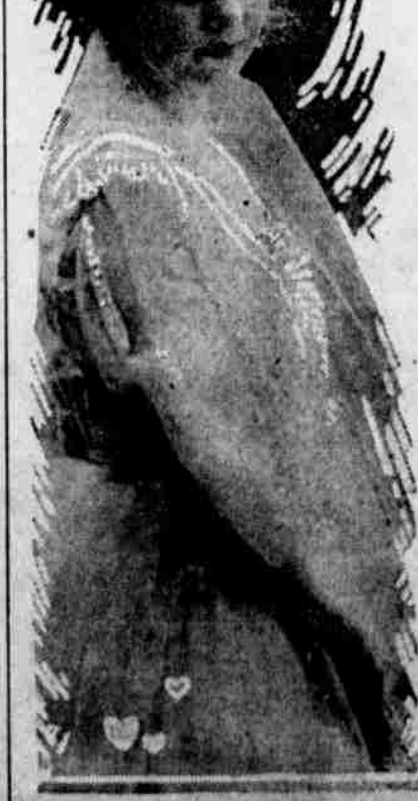
Elaborate in conception, dainty in color and artistic in design are the decorations which will be used. The historic building will be converted into a bower of fragrance. Large columns supporting the word "Charity" in big electric lights will be arranged on the back of the stage and hundreds of electric lights will be suspended. Masses of blooming plants will give the effect of woodland dell and the proscenium boxes will be curtained with greenery, delightfully set with palms and shrubbery.

Myriads of tiny electric lights will sparkle and gladden and the music stands will be converted into a lower covered with flowers and colored electric lights. The decorator's art will also be shown in the balcony boxes, which will be draped in red, white and blue silk bunting and similar.

The hall will open promptly at 9 o'clock with a concert by one of the two orchestras. The opening patriotic number, under the direction of Mrs. Walter Daulner and Miss Elizabeth Steinbock, for which many well-known singers and dancers have been procured, will undoubtedly prove to be one of the most novel features presented this season. Detailed announcements of the program will be given at a later date.

An orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music for the dining room, where a special will be cleared for dancing. The proceeds from this event are for maintenance and completion of the present hospital building, which has been made necessary by the extraordinary increase in demand by the sick poor who apply for treatment, and especially this year, which the demands upon this institution have been greater than at any other time in its history.

Soldiers Asked to Y. M. H. A. Dance The Young Men's Hebrew Association will give a dance tomorrow night at the clubhouse, 1616 Master street. A cordial invitation has been extended to all enlisted men.



MISS CHARLOTTE FLEMING Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fleming, of 6004 Chew street, Germantown, whose engagement to Mr. William Bishop, of this city, has been announced.

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE FOR NEW HOSPITAL

Contributions Have Been Made by Merchandise Dealers to Help Misericordia Hospital

Since the Sisters of Mercy have been requested to have the Misericordia Hospital completed and ready for Government use as soon as possible, they and their friends are working with renewed effort and energy to raise as much money as possible for the furnishing and completion of the hospital, as this has now become a patriotic duty as well as a local one.

A White Elephant Rummage Sale, which promises to be one of the largest ever given in this city, will be held for three days, April 17, 18 and 19, at 1024 Chestnut street. This sale will in no way interfere with the plans for the Fete Champetre to be given in the late spring at Merion. All the parishes in the city are keenly interested in the White Elephant Rummage Sale and are working as earnestly as though the completion of the hospital depended entirely upon their personal efforts.

The sale will be given under the direction of the executive committee of the hospital, of which Mrs. M. E. H. McMichaels is chairman, and Mrs. A. N. Burke is vice chairman. Others on the committee are Mrs. A. A. Hirst, Mrs. M. P. Quinn, Mrs. John C. Sheehan, Mrs. James A. Gundy, Miss Laura Blackburne, Miss S. Moore and Mrs. J. M. Quonell.

The restaurant will be one of the interesting departments and will be under the direction of a number of women in St. Francis de Sales' school. Mrs. E. W. Briggs and Mrs. Develin will have charge. Luncheon will be served each day from 12 to 2 and tea will be served during the afternoon. Many valuable articles have already been received and will be disposed of at very low prices. Contributions have been made by well-known milliners, druggists, florists, confectioners and all kinds of merchandise dealers.

The clothing department will have on sale coats, suits and hats for men and women, as well as a number of evening gowns and wraps which are in good condition. Several slightly used Victrolas and many of the new records will be on sale. An interesting feature will be the sale of a number of chickens, sheep and a few pigs for those who expect to be patriotic this summer by using every scrap of ground for raising things.

Children's and young girls' clothing will be sold by the Junior auxiliary of the Misericordia Hospital, of which Miss Mary Conway is chairman. Many lovely spring dresses, coats, hats and shoes, which are in excellent condition, will be sold at exceptionally low prices.

Among those who will have booths are Mrs. W. J. Bogert, Mrs. Frank Hooker, Mrs. Charles Halliday, Misses M. Hanna, Mrs. H. Howard, Mrs. J. Donovan, Miss Kathleen Delaney, Mrs. Thomas Hare, Mrs. J. Joyce, Mrs. Samuel Wagner, Mrs. F. H. Randall, Mrs. Misses Montague, Mrs. D. S. Scannell, Miss Mary Flanagan, Mrs. McDevitt, Mrs. Walter Eckhardt, Mrs. J. Billington, Mrs. J. Egan, Mrs. Powers, Miss K. Raleigh, Miss McPhillips, Mrs. J. P. Lafferty, Mrs. P. J. Early and the Misses Cantwell.

Every one has something in the way of clothes, furniture, jewelry, books and pictures that are no longer of use but will prove acceptable to some one else. These articles, all being donated, can be sold at the lowest prices, and are quickly disposed of, making a clear profit.

EASTER TREATS FOR POOR St. John Knights Ladies' Auxiliary to Cheer City's Charges

The Ladies' Auxiliary, Knights of St. John, and the visiting committee of Blockley will serve cake and ice cream to the inmates of Blockley tomorrow afternoon. This is in the form of an Easter treat to the afflicted of the institution.

The inmates of Byberry will be visited Monday afternoon and on Tuesday there will be an entertainment for the inmates of the Germantown Poor House.

Another Rummage Sale The Young Ladies' Auxiliary to the Presbyterian Orphanage, at Fifty-eighth and Chestnut streets, is planning a rummage sale for Friday, April 5, and Saturday, April 6, from 10 o'clock in the morning until 5 at night. It will be held at 127 South Twelfth street.

RIGGS WILL PICTURE BELGIUM

Unoccupied Portion, Size of This City, Subject of Lecture

"Heroic Belgium" is the subject of an illustrated lecture by Arthur Stanley Riggs, of Northport, N. Y., at the Commercial Museum, Thirty-fourth street below Spruce, this afternoon.

Mr. Riggs, who has visited all that is left of the brave little country—about as big as Greater Philadelphia—discusses not only the devastated Belgium of today, but her early history and her development from 1830 to 1914.

The address is one of the series of the spring course of free illustrated lectures held every Saturday afternoon at the museum.

BAZAAR TO ASSIST PENSIONED FIREMEN

Entertainment With Unusual Features to Aid City's Crippled Heroes and Dependents

When the citizen calls for firemen he needs their assistance sorely. When the fireman reciprocates he stands in equal need of the citizen's help. But he doesn't ask it often. During the last year, according to records at the Bureau of Fire, more than 3000 alarms were turned in, calling out firemen and apparatus at all hours, in all weathers, to rush at break-neck speed in response, that the menaced lives and property of Philadelphia's 2,000,000 estimated population might be saved.

Bits of heroism, collective and individual, marked this devotion to duty, some of them claiming as toll the lives of their intrepid performers.

Hosemen and ladders have been carried to hospitals from fire grounds, to emerge later hopelessly crippled, with no means for supporting themselves or dependents except the meager sum obtained through the self-denial of their comrades.

Widows and orphaned children, maimed and aged members of the bureau are being sustained through the Firemen's Pension Fund, which heretofore has borne its burden with true "fireman's" patience, until the Bureau of Fire, with its members, is empty, but faces a deficit exceeding \$45,000 and nearly approaching \$50,000.

Compelled by stress of this alarming condition and foreseeing additional demands upon its exhausted finances, the board of control of the pension fund appeals to the citizens of Philadelphia to respond to this, its first, call for aid in its vital necessity.

The public invitation is couched in terms of announcement that a firemen's bazaar will be held, beginning next Wednesday and closing Saturday, April 13, in Moose Hall, Broad and Thompson streets.

Already public-spirited citizens have shown appreciation of the bazaar and its purpose by donations of articles, useful and ornamental, for the various booths. The chief prize of the exhibition is a dwelling house and lot, the donor remaining anonymously.

The advance sale of tickets, conducted through the several stations of the bureau, is encouraging a response that is encouraging the members of the various engine and truck companies to deprive no householder in the

city of opportunity to enroll himself among the "firemen's friends."

Deputy Chief Engineer Ross B. Davis heads the committee in charge of the bazaar. His aides are Captain Schaeffer, of Engine No. 11, and Captain Piper, of Truck No. 12; Lieutenant Jones, of Truck No. 7, and Lieutenant White, of Chemical No. 5, and Engineer Myers, of Engine No. 29.

The program is not yet complete, but features enough have been arranged to provide a novel entertainment for every evening during the continuance of the bazaar. The "Firemen's Banquet" of things to come will feature music for dancing, which will be one of the attractions.

NOTED U. S. EDUCATORS COMING HERE TO SPEAK

Provost Smith Announces Program for Schoolmen's Week, April 11-13

Prominent educators from all parts of the country will be in Philadelphia for Schoolmen's Week, one of the most important yearly educational meetings in the State, according to announcement made today by Provost Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania. The program for the three days, April 11 to 13, also was announced.

Among the speakers from outside the State are Dr. Payson Smith, commissioner of education of Massachusetts; Dr. Charles H. Judd, director of the University of Education of the University of Chicago; Dr. Ernest Burham, specialist in rural education, State Normal School, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Dr. Alfred L. Hall-Quest, of the University of Cincinnati, and Prof. Clifford B. Utton, and Prof. John F. Woodhull, of the Teachers' College, Columbia University.

The sessions will be addressed also by many Pennsylvania educators, including Provost Smith and Dr. Nathan C. Schweitzer, State superintendent of public instruction.

On Thursday evening, April 11, there will be a joint meeting with the American Physical Education Association, consisting of a demonstration at the University gymnasium of physical education activities, showing preliminary instruction adapted to age and sex.

The Public Education Association of Pennsylvania will hold its annual meeting at the University on Friday evening, April 12, joining in the program to be given at 8 o'clock.

The reception and registration committees are making preparations to accommodate and entertain the schoolmen from Pennsylvania and adjoining States, from Philadelphia and

TO SHORE BELT

Joy, Tinged With Patriotism, Thought, Marks Annual Exodus to Sea

RAILROADS ARE TAKEN Thrift Stamps Replace Many Bits and Eggs on Cards

Bright and early today the Easter throng, light-hearted and more or less light-headed, began its annual invasion of the seashore. Apparently there is no place in the country where Easter hats and the general ambulation that goes with the hats can be exhibited to such advantage as at the shore, and the crowded stations and ferryhouses are witnesses to the fact that the exodus to the war-drained capotias of the railroad shore lines were taxed to their utmost to accommodate the thousands who flocked to Atlantic City and other Jersey coast resorts today.

This is a war Easter. There is no glass fallen upon the crowds, nevertheless, few no one appeared to have forgotten that the holiday spirit this year is controlled a bit by thought.

Many persons acted upon the suggestion that the money which heretofore has gone so easily into the purchase of speckled sugar eggs and Easter cards and little, soft bunnies and chickens might be spent to better purpose on thrift stamps. Instead of the conventional Easter card, with its rabbit or lilac or colored eggs, cards today are being received thick with mail, with a thrift stamp in the corner, serving both as an incentive to the recipient to further collection of these stamps and as a small aid to Uncle Sam.

But at any rate, if Philadelphia is observing a more serious Easter than those of former times, it is no less "Easterly." Juvenile hearts were gladdened by sparsely speckled eggs with pink sugar trimmings and bunnies of every color, with beautiful yellow and lavender ribbons; while older faces smiled upon receipt of Easter lilies and other seasonable flowers. That the prices are not the prices of yesteryear, interfering with the sales. If the purchaser did have to pay twenty-five cents for the chocolate eggs that once were obtainable for a dime, a cheerful acquiescence smoothed over the difference.

"It's the war!" smoothed over the difference. Florists and confectioners alike report satisfactory business, while the railroads aspect no let-up in the outward tide of passengers travel until tomorrow is well advanced, their only worry being how to handle the home-bound rush that will assail their rolling stock tomorrow night and Monday morning.

PHILADELPHIA WOMEN IN WAR ZONE ARE SAFE

Emergency Aid Learns of Arrival in Paris of Those Engaged in Relief Work

Philadelphia women engaged in relief work under the direction of the Emergency Aid in France, forced to flee before the advancing Germans, are now safe in Paris, according to information received by Mrs. Cora-uis Stevenson, chairman of the French committee of the Emergency Aid.

The personnel of the group which escaped include Miss Catherine Thompson, daughter of Henry B. Thompson, of Wilmington; Miss Josephine Hayden, daughter of Rowland C. Hayden, of Overbrook; Miss Juliana Wood, daughter of Edward Wood, of 245 South Seventeenth street, and Miss Ellen Church, a trained nurse.

"It is most unfortunate that the German drive should have touched villages which, through the help of Philadelphia women, were just beginning to get back to something like normal life," said Mrs. Stevenson. "We had helped the people about Villacoublay, Amont and other villages near Nogent to plant seeds, stock their farms and build simple homes."

"We've been expecting this in a way," said Mrs. Charles Wood, chairman of the service shop committee of the Emergency Aid and sister-in-law of Mrs. Stevenson. "One of the four Philadelphia women who were in the villages they nearly always were carried gas masks and sometimes were so nervous that they were unable to do anything like normal life," said Mrs. Stevenson. "We had helped the people about Villacoublay, Amont and other villages near Nogent to plant seeds, stock their farms and build simple homes."

Others representing the Emergency Aid who are in Paris, but who were not caught in the Hun drive, are Miss Frances W. White, Mrs. Arthur E. Hutchinson, Miss Emily Wiley, Mrs. Donnell Swan and Mrs. Leonard Berk.

Hunting a Husband

By MARY DOUGLAS (Copyright)

The Skin Traits CHAPTER XXV

I AM engaged to be married. It is all so easy, I wonder, but a girl can't do it. Just put your mind on your unacknowledged will. And—it is accomplished.

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