

JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Further Plans Are Made for Pony Show at the Clothiers' Place. Nancy Wynne Hears a Funny Tale

MUCH more interest is being taken in the pony and dog show at Wynneswood this year than ever before, I'm told, one reason being that very few outdoor events have been planned and another that the charity which has been selected as the beneficiary is one of the most worthy in the city.

Much of the advanced drug investigation, which has been made by the United States in order to replace the German drugs, has been done at the laboratory of the Polyclinic Hospital, which serves an immense downtown section of the city, where, even in prosperous times, there is a great deal of charity work.

Fashionable and charitable interest centers on Wynneswood, and May 15 is the date for the entertainment, which has been greatly enlarged this year with the addition of many attractions. Starting originally as a pony show, new features have been added each year until now the day is turned into a regular country fair.

MANY of the youngsters who became patrons of the pony show when it was started are now getting on toward the college and debutante stage, but they are still interested in the show. Several horsemanship favorites, including Anne Ashton, Frances Powell, Frances Lieber and Anita Clothier will enter their ponies, and Charlie and Catherine Mather will be among the exhibitors also. Mrs. Victor Mather, at Haverford, is receiving the entries for the show.

All kinds of new recipes have been collected for the cake and candy department, and all will conform to Hoover's rules. Mrs. Walter Clothier and Mrs. Fayette Plumb are in charge of that department.

The baby contest, in which votes will cost ten cents apiece, will be as lively as usual. The dog show, which will be directed by Mariana W. Gowen, will be a big factor. Mrs. Harry Thayer, who is in charge of the pets for the fête, has received a tiny burro, which will be the delight of the youngsters. Mrs. Harold Sands will be in charge of the toys.

IT'S GOING to be perfectly fine, I think. It kind of gives one courage when the same things that have been done in other years come up again and are given once more. You sort of take a breath and think for a moment of something else besides this awful, horrible carnage. Of course, though this show is to be for the benefit of a home hospital, it is to help the war and the war sufferers, too, for, as I said before, the Polyclinic bacteriological clinic is famous throughout the city, and country, for that matter.

Quite a number of the young doctors' wives and sisters have taken courses in this work this winter. Even if they are not allowed to go "over there" and help they will be of great assistance to aid husbands when they return. To have a wife who can do your laboratory work is having some helpmate, believe me. Mrs. John Flick has been taking courses all winter at the Polyclinic, and Mrs. Harry Dillard, too. Both their husbands are with Base Hospital No. 10, the first Philadelphia unit to leave after war was declared against Germany by the United States.

TONIGHT will be the last one of the Indoor Horse Show. And it has been a decided success. The hospital should receive a goodly amount. I would think, but then the outlook never knows what the expenses of these shows are. The young people in the show riding their horses were especially attractive to me. I wondered why I did not see little Henrietta Schmidt, and made the remark to my neighbor, who said: "Why, didn't you know that little child has absolutely refused to have any other pony or horse since her pet died suddenly at the Devon show several years ago?"

And then she told me the cutest story. It appears small Henrietta is no crazy about animals that she has any number of cats and dogs and a pair of rabbits, for which she has a little harness and cart. Fancy rabbits harnessed up and drawing dolls about the lawn!

Besides these pets she has a chicken that she has loved and tended for years. The chicken itself is ten years old. I never knew they lived so long myself. Well, Henrietta, it appears, has the measles at present, and, will you believe me, the chicken is sick, too, and Henrietta and every one else declares it has the measles. The gardener has been taking care of it, and it's improving, but that story certainly is funny. Children certainly are lambs, aren't they?

THERE is a committee that goes every Saturday night to the Union League Annex to give a dance for the enlisted men. Any man in uniform can come, but the girls are picked out and invited specially, and they really have an awfully good time. On Thursday night they go down to the Chaplain's Recreation Center at the navy yard to dance with the jacks who can't "go ashore," as they call it. This week some of those who went down were the Sanders twins, in blue dresses and stunning long capes; Corinne Freeman, Margareta Foltz, Anna Sartori, one of the Wilson girls (I don't know whether it was Edith or Dorothy), but anyhow she played the piano all evening because the music didn't come, and she was much appreciated, and a lot of others. Miss Clara Chase and Miss Gertrude Leidy go with the girls and sort of run things and chaperon. The same crowd will be at the annex tonight, and if they have as good a party as they had on Thursday it will be some party.

Social Activities

Mrs. Wharton Sinker, of 1606 Walnut street, will return today after spending a few days in Baltimore.

Mrs. Edward Hydenham Page, of Devon, is spending a few days in New York.

Miss Esther Lloyd and Mr. Malcolm Lloyd have opened their house in Devon for the summer.

Mrs. William J. Wilcox has opened her house at St. David's for the season.

Mrs. and Mrs. H. Stone and her family, of

St. David's, left this week for California, where Captain Stone is stationed. Captain Stone, chaplain, United States army, will be remembered as head of the Stonecra's League in this city.

Friends of Mr. William A. Smalley, of Queen Lane, Germantown, will be glad to hear that he is recovering from his recent operation from appendicitis and is recuperating at Atlantic City.

The wedding of Miss Edith V. Thomson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rogers Thomson, of 2211 North Thirteenth street, to Mr. Doeg Moore, son of United States Congressman and Mrs. I. Hampton Moore, will take place at the Church of the Messiah, Broad street and Montgomery avenue at 4 o'clock on Saturday evening, June 29. The bride, who will be given in marriage by her father, will be attended by Mrs. John S. Thomson as matron of honor and the bridesmaids will be Miss Julia Moore and Miss Serena Moore, sisters of the bridegroom. Mr. Moore will have as his best man Mr. John S. Thomson. The ceremony will be followed by a reception at the home of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Barber, of 2031 North Eighteenth street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Martha Cooney Barber, to Ensign Max H. Unger, United States naval reserve force.

Mrs. John Musser, Jr., of 228 South Twenty-first street, is in Chelsea for the summer. Captain Musser is in France.

Friends of Captain Charles C. Watt, Jr., will be glad to hear that his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Watt, of Wayne avenue and Hertie street, Germantown, have received word of his safe arrival overseas with the American expeditionary force.

Mr. James H. Lord, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Gallagher and Mr. James G. Costello are staying at the St. Charles, Atlantic City.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Alice V. Butler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Butler, of 2128 Newkirk street, to Mr. William H. Stanley, of 1436 North Eighteenth street, on Tuesday, at the home of the bride's parents by the Rev. William Freeman, of the Reformed Episcopal Church of Our Redeemer, Sixteenth and Oxford streets. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley will be at home at 1535 South Redfield street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Clark have returned from their wedding trip and are receiving at their new home in Kenton, Pa. The bride was Miss Loretta Geiser, daughter of Mrs. Rena Geiser, of 2282 North Thirteenth street, and the late Dr. W. H. Geiser.

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Photo by Betty & Way. MISS ANITA SANDERS

"CONSERVE PLATINUM," GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL

Metal Badly Needed for Use in the Making of Explosives With Which to Win the War

Women of Philadelphia, don't buy any more platinum jewelry! There are several reasons. In the first place, it is very expensive. In the second place, the world supply of platinum has almost been exhausted. In the third place, Uncle Sam needs platinum, and needs it badly, for the manufacture of explosives wherewith to win the war. There are other reasons, but these will suffice.

This, in effect, is the appeal being made by the Women's National League for the Conservation of Platinum, of which Mrs. Alfred S. Weill, of Chestnut Hill, is State chairman.

GREAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN'S SERVICE

High-Minded Women of Vision Needed in China for Constructive Work

"Probably the greatest field of opportunity in China is the work with women. Any nation that fails to give to women equal opportunities for education and service with men handicaps itself, when compared with the nations that do," says Julian Arnold, United States commercial attaché at Peking. "China will never be able to take a place alongside of the nations of the west in a creditable and effective way until her women are educated and trained to serve intelligently as mothers and coworkers in Chinese society. As has been the experience in the west, woman will not achieve the place to which she is entitled until she herself is able to demand it, despite the fact that the nation will be benefited by her elevation to that position.

CENTRAL CLUBROOM OPENED

Girls' Alumnae Association to Hold Meetings Hereafter in Witherspoon Building

The Alumnae Association of the Girls' High and Normal Schools has opened a central clubroom, 722 in the Witherspoon Building, Walnut and Juniper streets, to serve as a bureau of information, where budgets, tickets, membership cards and alumnae stationery may be obtained. It will be a convenient meeting place for small committees and classes, besides being, at all times, a social center for various civic and patriotic activities.

BELGIUM LACKS SOAP

Water From Boiled Potatoes Used as Substitute

Soap is almost unobtainable in occupied Belgium, and the housewives are accordingly seeking possible substitutes. To them a chemist, through the medium of a Brussels newspaper, gives this advice: "Pour the hot water in which peeled potatoes have been boiled over the lino in the bathtub. Allow it to soak until the following day, then rub it as you would in a lather, but without adding soap or anything else. The lino will come out of the tub perfectly white."



MRS. SAMUEL GIBBS Who, before her marriage on April 30, was Miss Rose Sugerman, of 333 Gladstone street. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs are spending their honeymoon at Atlantic City, and after their return they will live at 162 Fitzgerald street.



Photo by Marceau. MISS ESTELLE SANDERS

WOMAN IN TRAINING TO FLY WAR PLANE

Mrs. Herne, Whose Husband Dropped Eleven Boche Fliers, Hopes to Equal Him

No doubt we have all seen, or at least heard, of women aviator operators, women chauffeurs and Congresswomen during wartime; but probably the latest war wrinkle is the "air soldier" of the air.

SOLDIERS' FAMILIES WILL BE CARED FOR

Social Service Division of Red Cross Working to Prevent Suffering

When the soldiers must leave wives and babies behind them they can leave them with the assurance that they are going to be cared for, tenderly and efficiently, through the aid of the Red Cross home social service division.

SAYS ITALIANS ARE READY TO FIGHT OFF NEW DRIVE

Acting High Commissioner, in City Yesterday, Tells of Nation's Preparations

"Italians are prepared to meet the expected great drive by the Germans on the Italian front as soon as the snow melts from the Alps," according to P. Quattaroni, acting Italian high commissioner, who yesterday in Philadelphia yesterday to take part in the exercises at the flag raising at the Gloucester shipyard.

COLLEGE CLUB ASKS WOMEN TO EXPLAIN WAR TO PEOPLE

Miss Kirkbride Is Elected President; Bryan Mawr Executive Talks on Convention

At the annual meeting of the College Club yesterday Dr. M. Carey Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr, spoke about the plans for an anti-war convention to be held at Bryn Mawr, May 16 and 17. She told of the great need for women speakers to explain to the people the reason why the United States is at war.

HOUGH NOT A CAPTIVE, BUT RAN GREAT RISKS

Pennsylvania Track Athlete and Others of Friends' Unit Escaped

The latest communication from the Friends' reconstruction unit of the American Red Cross, which was prior to the recent German offensive, operating in the terrain now in the hands of the enemy, deny a rumor which has been circulated in this country that Israel E. Hough, former track athlete at the University of Pennsylvania, had been captured by the Germans and his ears cut off.

BOOST PHILADELPHIA AS BUSINESS CENTER

Movement Launched to Bring Commercial Buyers Here From Many States

A movement to boost Philadelphia as a business center has been launched by the Philadelphia Wearing Apparel Salesmen's Association.

LAST CLASS OF NURSES

The graduation of twenty-six nurses at the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital last night was especially impressive from the fact that the famous old hospital is to go out of existence on June 1, to make way for municipal improvements. Fifteen of the nurses will enter Red Cross work.

GIVES THEATRE TO CAMP

Washington, May 2.—Washington's first Liberty Theatre, for the use of men of the army, navy and marine corps in and near this city, is soon to be built, according to an announcement by the District of Columbia war camp community service last night.

The theatre is the gift of Mrs. Edward T. Stotsbury, of Philadelphia, who has given a sum sufficient to buy all materials for the theatre. It is to be built in Potomac Park, near the camp of the Fifth United States Infantry. Men of that command will build it.

Up to this time soldiers in camps and barracks in and near this city have had no theatre of their own at which amusements could be held. It is to be used also as a drill hall, recreation and committee room, library and gymnasium.

Hunting a Husband

By MARY DOUGLAS (Copyright)

CHAPTER LV The Room Below

THE steady coughing in the room below kept me awake. I stifled a sob. I had with me some of mother's little pills. He took me politely, but with a whimsical look in his hollow eyes.

"I entered, 'Propped in a chair by the window sat a man. His cavernous eyes looked at me out of a drawn face."

"I looked around, but that look on every thing with a dainty dash. I would it away. When I had straightened the rug and pulled down the shades so that they hung evenly, I looked around me with pleasure."

"How glaring and artificial it looked in the bright morning light. It needs the twilight dimness to make it artistic."

"I am making a little curtain now for the window, which I have had to buy for me. I have a strange little air that haunts me with its sadness."

EVERY TENTH EGG GOES FOR A SOLDIER'S BIBLE

Pat-otic Farmer's Wife Solves Problem of How to Help Boys in France

Bibles and Bibles form an important connecting link in the life of a farmer's wife in Montgomery County. She wants to help the boys "over there," but, like many other farmers' wives, she finds her financial resources limited.

"It was saving the money for a sideboard," she writes, "but the sideboard can wait and the soldiers can't."

LIVING COSTS CLIMB

"Employees in exclusively feminine vocations are enjoying the benefits of the present juncture only in so far as they are receiving wages that are higher in proportion to the general increase in the cost of living."

GOLF TOURNAMENT TODAY

A "nickers' handicap tournament" will take place today under the direction of the Philadelphia Golf Club, which is an annual tradition of the club's Creek course, where the tournament will be held.

MISSOURIANS TO LIVE HERE

Mrs. Howard Kehde, 4943 Lackawanna street, St. Louis, left recently for Haverford, Pa., to attend the marriage of her daughter, Margaret Dresher, to Mr. George G. Roadman, auditor of the United States shipping board, having charge of the American International Hotel building, Philadelphia. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, and the young couple will live in Philadelphia. The bride is a cousin of the Rev. Dresher, who is now in France with the balloon observation corps.

INFLUX OF WOMAN LABOR LOWERS PAY

Conditions Have Thrown Men Out of Competition in Austria

Underbidding Stopped

Feminine Workers Are Not to Blame for Situation That Has Arisen

A correspondent who signs himself "E. T." contributed the following interesting discussion of women's wages in Austria to the Neues Wiener Journal:

"One of the maxims which hold good because never subjected to repeated examination is that which is embodied in the saying that woman labor reduces wages. The nation is true in so far as the fact of lower wages comes about through the large and changing supply of women for work. 'Away with woman labor that is ruining us'—this became the slogan of a struggle for existence, though it never achieved any success."

"Women have worked on calmly for the lower wages because they would have found no other employment; and the struggle between the sexes—there is nothing surlier than the struggle between man and woman, because by nature they should love and complement each other—this struggle, I say, became a conflict in the field of pay instead of a competition in respect of ability."

"The extraordinary conditions which have now been going on for years have thrown the man out of the woman, out of the competition as to work. It appears that the bidding for the general reduction of wages and salaries does not fall upon women as such, but at most upon the flooding of the labor market by the influx of women."

"The change becomes most obvious when we take the men who have remained in their positions and compare their salaries—increased by the inflation factor—had to pay the general increase of the cost of living—with the increased incomes of many women. This change has come about not only through the reduction of wages and salaries, but also through the fact that women have had to work in many fields that were formerly closed to them."

"Changes for the better which amount to several thousand crowns a year are not to be set aside lightly, and managers who released their old capable women workers out of account of slow accommodation to the new valuation of their labor had to pay the new, inexperienced workers the same amount that they were unwilling to give the old employees. Extraordinary high are the salaries paid to capable women who are able to do the work, by the way, are not nearly so common as people think."

"It has also happened—no cause, say whether by chance or as a result of the trend of the times—that those women in public offices whose training equals that of their male colleagues are on absolutely the same footing with the men in regard to their salary and promotion. A woman who teaches in a middle school can attain to a salary of 10,000 crowns (\$2000) a year, and this salary can be brought up by private tutoring to a very respectable annual income. A woman of academic training who is engaged in the office of some ministry has the way open to her intellectually to the rank of secretary of a court councillor. And in the professions the constellations are still more favorable. At the present time Vienna has women doctors who earn an annual income of 5,000 to 10,000 crowns (\$5000 to \$10000)."

"Employees in exclusively feminine vocations are enjoying the benefits of the present juncture only in so far as they are receiving wages that are higher in proportion to the general increase in the cost of living. The servant girl can hardly buy with her wages of sixty crowns (\$12) what she formerly obtained for her monthly income of forty or fifty crowns (\$8 to \$10). And the capable seamstress who formerly earned five crowns (\$1) a day does not profit from the fact that she is now getting nine crowns (\$1.80) a day, for she has had to pay for the now so-called 'men's work' and wild carousals, disproportionately more than they used to earn."

"It looks very much as if the future—yet too far distant, we hope—will see woman complaining because the competition of those in reducing wages and salaries. But perhaps the men will be so proud to have won this one-time expedient of the women and let ability alone decide the competition. In this case, that which exceptional circumstances might have brought about would be abnormal, namely, that those who are capable in accomplishment will earn much and the less useful will earn little. Whether one happens to be a man or a woman ought not to afford a basis of discrimination."



MISS KATHARINE McCLATCHY

Two of the aides for the Fete Champetre to be given in aid of the Misericordia Hospital on the grounds of the convent in Merion



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WHAT'S DOING TONIGHT

Delta Phi Psi Dinner, Hotel Adelphi, Members.

Benefit card tournament by Alliance Catholic Women, Hilt-Carlton, 3 o'clock charge.

County Fair, Germantown V. P. A. Admission charge.

Play, "The Japanese Girl," by Misses department Temple University, New York, Drawing Room, Adelphi Hotel, 8 o'clock.