

# IN THE REALM WHERE WOMAN REIGNS

## Woman's Party Strikes Snag in Dixieland

Efforts to Push Feminine Bill of Rights Meets Opposition.

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The National Woman's party, which is undertaking to put through the so-called woman's bill of rights in various legislatures, is meeting with opposition in the Southern States, where the party is active at work.

Early last December a meeting was held in New York, at which nine national women's organizations were represented, and consideration was given to this equal rights measure. It was the consensus of opinion at this meeting that the equal rights amendment to the Federal Constitution will endanger the efforts of all State legislatures to have obtained the large, earning members of their sex. At least, it is expected the legislation will be thrown into the courts and its beneficial effects delayed by years of litigation. Miss Florence Kelly of the National Consumers' League is leading the opposition to the bill of rights.

THREE WOMEN'S PARTIES.

The laws sought to be endangered by the proposed amendment include: Mothers' pension laws, the laws protecting wage-earning women by prohibiting sweat-shop conditions, by prohibiting work in factories immediately before and after child-birth, by providing seats at work in factories, stores and elevators, and by giving to women in industry an eight-hour day and a living wage.

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The women's committee for industrial legislation includes the following legislative representatives of the respective organizations: National Consumers' League, Mrs. Florence Kelly; General Federation of Women's Clubs, Miss Lila Hartford; National League of Women Voters, Mrs. Maud Wood Park; National Women's Trade Union League, Miss Ethel M. McCallum; National Council of the Y. W. C. A., Mrs. Samuel McClinton; American Home Economics Association, Miss Gertrude Van Hoosen and Mrs. Kate Treloar Abrams; National Council of Jewish Women, Mrs. Alexander Wolf; American Association of University Women, Mrs. Laura Puffer Morgan, and Girls' Friends' Club, Mrs. Graham Powell.

THREE STATES.

Wisconsin, Georgia and Louisiana have passed the measure. The Wisconsin act provides women shall have the same rights and privileges under the law as men, in the exercise of suffrage, freedom of contract, choice of residence for voting purposes, jury service, holding of office, holding and conveying property, care and custody of children, and in all other respects.

The bill now is before the New York Legislature. The Woman's Party is endeavoring to have the measure passed by the various legislatures as well as the passage of a constitutional amendment.

The measure has not yet been placed before the Indiana Legislature.

## MANUAL PLAYS WIN APPLAUSE OF AUDIENCE

Young Actors and Actresses Present Three One-Act Playlets.

The opening performance of the three one-act playlets which the January class of Manual Training High School is producing, was given last night before a large audience of relatives and friends of the students. The first playlet, "The Snag," was given this afternoon and the last one will be tomorrow night. The cast of the first playlet, "Nevertheless," by Stuart Walker, included, Miss Pauline Chastain, who took the part of "The Girl," Irvin Baumbach, who played "The Boy," and Arthur Mills, who was the burglar. This was a comedy of child life in which the two children reform the burglar and all three parts were well played.

The second playlet was "Rosalie," by Max Maurey and represented a comedy of social life which revolved around the eternal servant question. Miss Elizabeth Tynan, as the diminutive, but important maid, was well appreciated, and Harold Shurman and Miss Louise Altman as Monsieur and Madame Bol, played their parts well.

The third, a comedy of "Neighbors," by Zona Gale, brought many laughs from the audience because of the clever and amusing costumes worn. The cast included Miss Beatrice Mathews, Miss Mary Johnson, Miss Jean Gregg, Miss Ruth Karp, Miss Pauline Chastain, Miss Alice Caveney, Austin Gilbreath and Harry Martin. The staff for the production included Miss Lola Perkins, director; Miss Knox, business manager; Leonard Kord, stage manager; Charles Theim, electrician, and Maurice Bowers, head usher. The play committee consisted of Mary Johnson, chairman; Wanda Lyday, Lucille Roessner, Leonard Kord, Charles Hagamier, Harry Rail, Chester Lively, Albert Tegler, helpers; costumes, Carolyn Retherow, Helen Kirkpatrick, Eunice Cassidy, Mildred Whitted, Maud Walthers, under direction of Miss Williams; publicity committee, Leonard Kord, Charles Hagamier, Essie Long, Charles Theim, Homer Phillips, Chester Lively; property committee, Lucille Dicmann, Mae Brennan, Oscar Vogt, Maurice Bowers, Delver Landers, Norma Ernsting.

Republican Women to Hear Mrs. Du Biel

Mrs. Jean Du Biel will be the speaker before the Indianapolis Woman's Republican Club at its January meeting to be held at the Marion Club, Thursday, Jan. 26, at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Du Biel will talk on "Immigration," with which she is familiar, having some time in England, Belgium and, where she made a study of

for P. Barker, president of

## PLAY LEADS IN TECH COMEDY



WARREN FAWCETT.

MILDRED GARRISON.

"The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary," the dramatized version of Ann Warner's clever farce, will be presented Tuesday evening at the Murat, by the January, 1922, seniors of Arsenal Technical High School.

## 840 CHILDREN UNDERWEIGHT IN THREE SCHOOLS

Nutrition Workers Investigate Conditions in Marion County.

Reports made to the Marion County Tuberculosis Association today by nutrition class workers and representatives of the Marion County Parent-Teacher Federation show that the number of school children in schools outside the city are underweight and that corrective steps of some sort should be taken in all schools to bring the undernourished children up to normal.

More than 840 children in three county schools have just been weighed and of this number 32.7 per cent were found to be underweight by 7 per cent, or more, when their weights were compared with the national average.

INVESTIGATE BEECH GROVE BROAD RIPPLE, BEN DAVIS.

The three schools in which the studies of child health were made were grade schools at Beech Grove, Broad Ripple and Ben Davis. Of the 845 children weighed 32.7 per cent were found to be underweight, 35.5 per cent were found normal, 28.5 per cent were on the borderline between normal condition and 31 per cent were overweight. The county investigation was carried on by the local anti-tuberculosis association with a view to supplementing similar work done in the city schools, where it was discovered last fall that thousands of the city school children were suffering from undernourishment. Under the direction of the tuberculosis association in cooperation of parents and school authorities, nutritional classes have been functioning for several months and rapid gains in weight have been reported by many children.

Of the 845 children weighed in the three county schools, 440 were boys and 338 were girls, and the were underweight.

Of the 440 girls weighed, 277, or 61.6 per cent were underweight.

At the Broad Ripple grade school 272 children were weighed, 40.1 per cent of them, or a total of 109 children, were not up to normal weight for their height and age. Of the total at this school, 133 were boys and 39.5 per cent of this number were underweight while 139 were girls, of which total 40.3 per cent were underweight in weight have been reported by many children.

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A reception for the officers of the Thirtieth Eighth division auxiliary was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. P. Cochran, 3221 Kenwood avenue. A color scheme of red, white and blue was used and baskets of red roses tied with ribbons of the colors were placed throughout the rooms. Mrs. Cecil Dunbar, chairman of the group of parents written by her husband the Rev. Mr. Benjamin, which included a tribute to Woodrow Wilson. The committee in charge of the arrangements included Mrs. H. J. Simpson, Mrs. O. D. Phillips, Mrs. Frank Green and Mrs. Harry Kellar.

SECOND LOWEST IN PERCENTAGE.

The children of the Beech Grove school, one of the lowest weight schools, have the grand record of being the second lowest in the county in point of percentage of underweight pupils. Of the 405 girls weighed, 277, or 61.6 per cent were underweight.

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The University of Chicago Club of Indianapolis will hold a luncheon and business meeting at 12:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the dining-rooms of the L. S. Ayres room. New officers will be elected and other important club matters discussed. All former students at the University of Chicago are invited. For reservations call the secretary, Mrs. Pierce A. Philbin, Main 0642.

THREE STATES.

The Indianapolis chapter of the American Legion's National League will have a get-together luncheon at 12:30 o'clock every Friday hereafter in Ayres' room. The regular monthly meetings will be held the first Thursday in each month at the home of Miss Adah Bush and Miss Alice Bush, 70 Blachere apartments.

The Mothers' Club of the Beech Grove school will be the recipient of a contribution tonight at the school auditorium. Pupils of the south side branch of the College of Music and Fine Arts will present an operetta, there will be a vocal solo by Mrs. Robert McKay and selections by the school orchestra.

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