

Exiled Baroness Says Russian Women Have No Time for Beauty Now

Chic French Midinettes Wear Smartest Styles and Introduce Regular American Jazz in Paris



GEORGETTE



PARIS MI DINETTES



BY MARIAN HALE

PARIS, Sept. 22.—The midinettes of Paris are responsible not only for the introduction of many of the smartest styles in Paris, but for the introduction of American jazz.

These girls, who start as dressmakers' apprentices and helpers almost as soon as they reach their teens, and work for as low as 30 francs a week at the start, form an organization 100,000 strong, and are perhaps the most interesting group in Paris.

Despite their long hours and hard work, they develop an amazing "esprit" and they soon learn to copy for themselves the expensive gowns they make for others.

At noon they are given an hour and a half for lunch and recreation, and their recreation takes the form

of varied and interesting entertainment.

They're Stern Critics

Many an act is presented at the sidewalk cafes for the midinettes before it is shown at the smart theaters. Practically all the new songs are tried out before them before they are exploited. Those that "flop" with the midinettes are considered dud.

Their appreciation of jazz is instinctive. They rarely have any idea what the words are, but

tiny feet in their stubby, round-toed little French-heeled slippers can quickly detect the rhythms that will be popular in the French dance halls.

You will see them laughing heartily over a song that has such a plaintive refrain as "Every Night I Cry Myself to Sleep Over You," and looking perfectly serious over some lyrics that would bring down the house in America.

Orchestras always consist of banjo, violin, and any number of

singers. Between musical numbers, the tumblers give exhibitions of their skill, and French comedienne try out their latest acts.

Mimi and Georgette—the midinettes have only one name to the public—are considered the most beautiful and attractive midinettes in Paris, and they have popularized as many as 100 Parisian Al Jolsons in the United States. They are so successful with American songs they are coming to America this fall to study jazz at its source.

"And perhaps to get husbands—who knows?" laughed Mimi.

Battery C Show

Happy Atherton of this city and Jimmy Sayres of Lafayette will meet in the main go at the Battery C show on Wednesday night at the Armory. Heine McDuff and Merle Alte will clash in a ten-round go.

Their Problems of Today Are to Eke Out Mere Life—Those Who Wore Jewels Grateful for Rags.

By N.E.A. Service
NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—Russia's most beautiful woman, the Baroness Mara Lilier de Steinheil, has just arrived in America to start all over and make her fortune as a singer.

"Perhaps I was beautiful in the old Petrograd days," she admitted with an impersonal air. "Then the artists all wanted to paint me, and men turned to look again as I passed; but in those days many Russian women were beautiful. Today none of them are."

"We have starved and suffered and starved and lost our faith. Our faces will not lie."

If the baroness has lost any of the vivacious that made her the toast of the Russian capital in the pre-revolution days, she has retained enough to make most women envious of her.

How to Live

"Since the Bolshevik regime we women have not thought much about beauty," she said. "We've been more absorbed in the problem of getting enough food from day to day and saving our lives."

"Those who once wore jewels and furs are grateful for a few rags to protect themselves from the cold. Stockings are a luxury few can afford."

"Soap is so expensive, cleanliness is out of the question. Face powder is prohibitive in price and every woman is wearing her own complexion. Bobbed hair is the style, because it requires less care."

"The slender figure is in vogue, because it is the result of starvation and deprivation."

But one good has come out of all this chaos.

All Can Work

"Every Russian woman has learned to work," the baroness says. "Women who speak languages usually can find employment in the government offices. Those who can sew, can earn their bread. Others must cook, wash, scrub."

BARONESS STEINHEIL



The baroness, escaping from Russia, became a scrubwoman and dishwasher in a Constantinople restaurant. When the proprietor found she could speak seven languages, he put a sign in his window saying all these languages were spoken in his place.

"Frequently," she said, "I was called from my scrubbing to act as interpreter."

Though her jewels were confiscated, she has brought with her an interesting collection of peasant costumes and headresses and plans to wear the old native Russian dress at her recitals.

Martha Lee Says

Quarrelsome Thinking Brings Marital Storms

A rather significant, and most uncomplimentary, comment on modern married life is contained in a letter that has come to me.

A man whose wife has left him, with no word, writes: "We get along as well as any of the young couples do nowadays."

Divorce records might seem to give this man ground for his cynical statement. However, outside the circle of married persons who keep the divorce judges busy is another, a larger, circle of very happy married couples. Because they make little fuss about their happiness, something we forget about them. But they are the ones who keep the world moving.

Brides and grooms who go into marriage with the idea that they naturally will quarrel, do quarrel. They start out with the wrong idea. Harmony, after all, is just a condition of the mind.

Wife Missing

Dear Mrs. Lee: My sweet gone away, she didn't say where and she didn't even say good-bye. Do you suppose she will come back if she gets real homesick for her daddy? We have been married two years and I do not think he has done anything to make her leave me flat.

We get along as well as any of the young couples do nowadays. I have to make an occasion of nowadays, but I think she would be nothing if you could not argue a little. I have spanked her and done everything a good wife should do to make him happy, but the little rascal no doubt has chased off with some other man, and if she has she will get a good spanking when I get her back.

What should I do? Should I notify the police and let them hunt her? I make enough to keep wife comfortable. I am almost distract.

AGGRAVATED PAPA.

The "good spanking" you expect to give your wife certainly will not help bring her back. Had she been happy, she would not have left you. So it is up to you to find out what was wrong, and, if you really want her back, to change conditions. Perhaps the "occasional fuss" you say you "have to have" and the spankings of a "good husband" had something to do with her leaving.

I suppose you had better ask the police to help you find your wife. But remember that they can not help you keep her, unless you change your tactics.

Takes Troubles to Navy

Dear Mrs. Lee: I am a girl 17 years old and am going with a boy my own age. He and his father had a little trouble and

Flirtatious Husband

Dear Martha Lee: I am a married woman of 33. My husband is 49. Every time we are alone, he tries to make me feel like one, married or single. This is getting so disgusting I almost want him. You cannot imagine how it makes me feel. I am with a man that would show such little respect for the mother of his children as to stand by her side and try to make her just anything he wants her to be. He has never been sure of the kind of girl or woman that will fit him. Women advise me to leave him. His hate to deprive the children of a father, but I cannot put up with this man longer. What is the public's opinion?

ANXIOUS.

You seem to have a good case. But you see, you give only one side. Why does your husband flirt? Usually husbands do it, if they are good to their wives in other respects, because they fall to get from their wives the compliments and even flattery that men unconsciously demand to make them feel young. Try giving your husband this. It may cure him and restore the happiness of your family.

The Tangle

LETTER FROM JOHN ALDEN PRESCOTT TO SYDNEY CARTON.

The lightning has struck, Syd, old chap. Your hunch was right. Paula wants her baby back.

Yesterday a letter came to John Alden Prescott, Jr., enclosing a \$500 bill, nothing else. Ordinary paper; ordinary envelope; postage stamp so blurred that it looked as though it had been done purposely.

Of course Leslie was nearly mad with anxiety. I think it would have been if she had to give up the baby now and it would break my heart as well, Syd. Before I let him go I'll tell Leslie the whole story as you once suggested and I'll go into court and swear that the child is mine, personally as well as legally. That, added to the fact that we have legally adopted the child, I think will clinch the matter.

Leslie lives in hourly fear that some one is going to kidnap the boy. She hasn't let him out of her sight since she received the money. I tell her if any one had wanted to kidnap him they would not have sent the money.

Poor Leslie! She has played in rather hard luck, hasn't she? When she thought she could not by any possibility take care of her child, she sent it to us and right after that fortune smiled upon her and she finds herself much better off than the people to whom she has given her baby.

No wonder she wants him back. She always says, Syd, as you said a while ago. I scoffed at you but now I am beginning to think it is

G.O.P. WOMEN TO LAUNCH CAMPAIGN

Indiana Bar Association to Sponsor Move.

A State-wide campaign for "Better Citizenship," sponsored by the Indiana Bar Association, will be launched at the luncheon of the Indiana Republican Women's Club 1 o'clock luncheon at the Clarendon Hotel Wednesday. The State educational committee, which will assist with the campaign, consists of members from each county, with Mrs. Julia Belle Tuteviller, chairman of the committee, assisted by Mrs. Beryl Showers Holland of Bloomington, first vice president, and Mrs. Austin Stults of Ft. Wayne, second vice president.

At the afternoon meeting Charles

Coffin of the State Bar Association will address the club on "Better Citizenship and the Constitution of the United States." Mrs. Martha J. Stubbs will preside and there will be election of a nominating committee.

Reservations for the luncheon may be made with Mrs. E. J. Roessner, 2516 Broadway. The luncheon committee is composed of Mesdames Julia Belle Tuteviller, R. E. Kennington, Dorothy Wood, J. H. Donaldson, Irma Coder and David Ross.

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The Junior Auxiliary to the P. H. N. A. will meet Monday afternoon with Mrs. Benjamin Cochran, 627 E. Thirty-Eighth St.

Bethel Council No. 1, Jobs' Daughters, will have a special meeting Saturday afternoon, Sept. 22, in the hall at 119 E. Ohio St.

Belle Vue Place Union, W. C. T. U., will meet Tuesday evening at the Eighth Christian Church, Percy and St. Clair Sts.

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Katherine Mullis, Marguerite Hindle, Julia Bemis, Esther Lavanchy and Jessie Hamrick; Mesars, and Mesdames R. L. Brullis, J. R. White, Clay Breily, Erwin Esterline, George Elliott, Jr.; R. W. Waldo, Harold Arnott, William Ayers, Frederick R. Clark and Carl Bretzman, Jr.; Thomas Bemis, Jr., Earl Woods, Ralph Perkins.

Miss Bemis was the honor guest this afternoon at a miscellaneous shower and "500" party at the home of Miss Almira Davis, 5320 University Ave. Miss Davis was assisted by Mrs. Harold Arnott. The gifts were presented in a large peach and orange hat box decorated with a bride's wreath. The tables were lighted with orchid tapers in crystal holders tied with peach tulle.

A clever surprise shower and dinner party were given Thursday night for Miss Julia Hession, who is to marry Harry Pierson on Wednesday. The dinner party was given at the home of Mrs. William F. Smith, 3174 Kenwood Ave., after which the guests accompanied Miss Hession to the home of Mrs. Selena Hoffmeyer, 4238 Carrollton Ave., where she was presented with the shower gifts drawn in a little wagon by little Miss Mary Jean Hoffmeyer and Betty Lightbriar. The favors were presented on a tea cart tied with satin bows in peach shades. The favors were little candy nosegays in the bridal colors.

The guests: Mesdames G. C. Lightbriar, Alice Hendricks, W. F. Smith and G. Perry and Misses Florence Lightbriar, Lucille Clarke, Frances Hession, Bess Graves and Lou Gentry. Mrs. Hoffmeyer was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Theodore Perry.

Mrs. John Bickett, 1240 Windsor St., was the hostess Friday night for a dinner party for the house guests of Mrs. R. H. Miller, 2236 N. Pennsylvania; Mrs. Kate Hutzell of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bolanger of Dayton, Ohio.

Mrs. S. R. Smith, 2933 N. Meridian St., and Miss Sarah Elizabeth Gasaway, 1131 N. Delaware St., accompanied by Miss Alice Salley of Terre Haute, have returned from Estes Park, Colo., where they have been spending the summer.

Miss Lillian Weber of Galion, Ohio, is the house guest of Miss Carrie Thompson, 1412 Laurel St.

For the benefit of the Riley memorial fund pledge of \$500 members of the Cedars of Lebanon will present a lecture and program Friday night.

The guests: Misses Esther and

ALTRUSA CLUB ELECTS

Hazel Williams Takes Presidency Left by Fannie Sweeney.

At the first dinner meeting of the Altrusa Club Friday night at the Hotel Lincoln, Miss Hazel Williams was elected to succeed Miss Fannie Sweeney.

Members of the national board of directors: Miss Fannie Sweeney.

After the election Miss Lucy McGee told Irish folk stories, gave several Irish dances and told of the customs of the Irish people. She wore a costume composed of ninety pieces.

Members of the club reported on the State convention of Indiana Altrusa Clubs at Turkey Run last week.

The instructions will be a feature of the regular training in home hygiene and care of the sick under the direction of Mrs. Edith M. Reider, head of the Red Cross teaching center.

Straightline Frocks

Cloth of gold with very wide stripes of green, purple or flame color is used to make stunning straightline evening frocks.

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