

DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS OF WOMEN

Franchise League to Raise Funds at Garden Fete

The members of the Woman's Franchise League of South Bend are planning to do their share in raising funds for ratification work by giving a garden party at Tippecanoe place on Aug. 29. Tickets will be placed with the different members for sale, and at the Y. W. C. A. A very worth-while program is being planned.

The Shelbyville league has voted \$100 for ratification work, and it is arranging a window display showing day by day what states have ratified the federal amendment.

On Oct. 1 the Elkhart league will open a "department store" to raise its share of funds.

Women are rejoicing over the fact that 15 states have ratified the amendment in less than two months. Montana and Nebraska legislatures ratified the amendment by great majorities, during the past week. And the supreme court of Tennessee handed down a decision upholding their partial suffrage bill, although it failed to specify separate ballot boxes for women or provide for a poll tax.

The extension department of Indiana university is preparing courses in civics, public speaking and parliamentary law, and will cooperate with the Franchise League in arranging a course in civics to meet the needs of the newly enfranchised—the work to be given in classes or by mail.

The next annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage association will be held in February, 1920, but a place of meeting has not been decided upon. It is hoped that the federal amendment will have been completely ratified by that time and the convention be in the nature of a jubilee.

It has been decided to hold a national memorial service for Dr. Anna Howard Shaw in Philadelphia on Sunday, Nov. 9, 1919. Delegations of women from many states will attend this memorial.

Baseball Makes Hit With Army Nurses

"Army nurses make splendid baseball players."

This is the statement of Miss Mary H. Pope, Y. W. C. A. secretary, who is directing the recreation of army nurses at Camp Mills, a aviation field No. 2, where large numbers of nurses are stationed.

"When I first came to the camps I was surprised at the lack of play spirit among these nurses and their eagerness to be initiated into it. One girl came to me and said she never knew just girls could have so much fun together. When we began to play baseball they forgot all of the reserve that has come with the intense nature of their work and they lunged themselves into the spirit of the game with remarkable results.

Entertain Nurses. Army nurses who are arriving in New York City every few days from overseas, are being well taken care of and entertained by the Y. W. C. A. Boat rides on the Hudson river, sightseeing trips over the city, theater parties and teas are among the attractions which the Y. W. C. A. offer as a welcome to nurses.

An information bureau at Hotel Albert furnishes information to nurses and assistance in finding comfortable places to stay during their visit in New York. Nurses are not only directed to places of interest in New York, but they are given booklets showing the varied Y. W. C. A. privileges open to them among them are:

Swimming pools, tennis courts, use of sewing machines, laundry-trees and pressing boards, magazine rooms and libraries, rest and writing rooms, hostess houses, nurses' club rooms, cafeteria and living quarters.

Household Hints

When the cream seems on the turn add a pinch of soda and it will not curdle, even in hot cocoa or coffee.

Meat that must be kept a few days before being cooked should be washed well with cold water, to which a tablespoonful of vinegar has been added. Then spread over with a finely chopped onion. When it is to be cooked remove all the onion and rinse the meat well with cold water.

The eating of fish that is not fresh is often followed by serious consequences. When buying fish make sure the eyes are bright, the gills red and the flesh firm. It should be odorless. To test the freshness of fish, place it in water. If it sinks it is fresh. If it floats do not eat it.

If you want a nutritious soup, get the skin of beef. You can eat the meat with boiled horseradish. The meat from the skin also makes a good stew, and the bone can be used for soup. For a cheap stew use the fore shank.

LOOKING TOWARD SCHOOL DAYS



One-Piece Dresses Solve Problems

By Annette Bradshaw.

The one-piece wool gown is an ideal dress for a girl who must be gotten ready for school or college.

Plaids are effectively combined with plain brown serge, gabardine and tricotine, to make the one-piece dresses which are the best solution of these ready-to-slip-on frocks. These dresses are best made with adjustable collar and cuffs of pique, butcher's linen or other wash materials.

Blue serge is a perennial favorite with young girls and its popularity is more marked than ever for fall dresses.

Blue serge is combined with a gay plaid in the middy-style dress illustrated. The plaid skirt is set on to this in a series of plaits that are cut out like "steps" where the skirt is stitched to the middy. Buttons and bound buttonholes trim these plaits. A round collar and

cuffs of white pique are an effective neck and sleeve finish for this smart frock, which is worn with a black patent leather belt.

A smart outing hat of blue velour which is trimmed with a fancy of blue uncured ostrich accompanies this costume.

The other dress is brown gabardine combined with brown and green gabardine. The plaid material forms a front and back panel cut in one with the skirt and also makes the cuffs. The panel may be seamed at the skirtline and the seam covered with a row of buttons.

A belt of brown, suede fastens with a gold buckle and holds the waistline trimly. Pockets are left open in the sides of the skirt.

The smart hat worn with this dress is castor velour. A chenille cord and tassel—seal brown in color—ties the crown and makes an effective trimming.

Portiers are taken down, dusted, sunned, and thrown over a line in the garret of the storeroom. If they are folded, it is sometimes difficult to remove the creases and throwing them over clothes bars or over a line avoids future difficulty. Sofa pillows are dusted and, by means of a loop of tape pinned to the corner of each one, suspended from hooks in the clothes closet, the door being left ajar for circulation of air.

Neither pillows nor anything having weight should be thrown on a piece of furniture with springs, else the upholsterer will need to be called in to reset the springs. The upholstered furniture is dusted and covered, either with the linen covers, or, in the event of the covers having been laundered for the coming season, with a dust sheet that is easily removed.

In the bedrooms, the first thing

When one Returns to the Town House

The closing of the country house for the winter is a recognized test of housewife's efficiency, and a task so important, in many ways, that, from its requirements, a system has been evolved by one good housekeeper, who smiled wisely when questioned about it, and responded with the recital of her own experiences.

"As soon as we have decided upon the date when we shall leave," she said, "the plumber is engaged to come on the morning of our departure. That is the most important matter in connection with the house that is to be closed for a season, with no caretaker in attendance. All other details are merely incidental, in comparison with the importance of the plumbing, which, if not properly cared for, must be met in the spring with much unnecessary inconvenience and expense. The date then being fixed, the work of closing can begin quietly and without confusion, fully a fortnight before hand. Muslin curtains are taken down, laundered and put away in a bureau drawer of the rooms to which they belong. This saves confusion and mistakes in the spring. Rugs are cleaned and rolled on poles and the poles are stood in the corner. Grates are cleaned out and left in readiness for cool days of the spring season. If the furnace has been used, that also must be cleaned, repaired, too, if necessary. The cellar must be cleaned and put in perfect order, the garden tools occupying a place by themselves, so that they may be at hand when needed. The plants from the beds in the garden that are available for another season are left on shelves and labeled, so that there may be no mistakes.

Wrap the Pictures. "The pictures are taken down and, after the glass is washed, wrapped in paper or cloth, tied with string and laid glass downward on a table. To stand them on the floor warps the frames. If left on the walls, they may discolor the wall paper. The books on the library shelves are taken out, carefully dusted, put back with paper folded around each one, and one book removed from each shelf so that air may circulate. This avoids the discoloration that frequently appears on book bindings caused by dampness. The bric-a-brac is all cleaned carefully, wrapped in paper and put away on the shelf somewhere, or possibly left on the mantel. The grates utensils are wrapped in paper and tied up. The aim is to have as little work to do as possible at house-opening time and as little confusion.

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to do is to take all the toilet articles from the top of the dressers and wrap them in paper, tie them up neatly, and lay them in a bureau drawer. No drawer should be closed entirely, but left half-way open, so that they may not become warped with dampness, and neither open nor close. The linens that belong to the bureau, chiffonier or dressing table, should be laundered and laid away in a drawer, ready to spread in place. In this way, nothing is misplaced. The mirrors must all be wrapped in a sheet, or even a blanket. The mattresses, after being thoroughly brushed and beaten and sunned, are then thrown over the footboard of the beds, the quilts folded and put away, the blankets placed in the moth-proof chest, or in paper sacks, or in paper with moth balls. It is essential to reserve one room, usually a south room on account of the sunlight, in which to store special treasures: the music box, the curio cabinet, even chairs and tables of value. It is not much trouble to carry them to a place of special safety. In the dining room, linen should be listed and put away.

"In the kitchen, the stoves are thoroughly cleaned, and then coated with a thin layer of melted paraffin.

"The boarding up of windows and doors is the last thing to be done, and the tools are left in a conspicuous place, to be readily found a few months hence. Finally, there is the arrangement with a local custodian, who agrees to clean snow from piazzas. The orderly closing of a house is attended with most auspicious results when opening time arrives. The confusion of the return, with all the additional equipment which each year brings to the country house, is reduced to a minimum. Each year the housekeeper learns something new of what, and what not, to do, and no teacher is quite so efficient as experience."

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