

NEWS AND VIEWS FOR WOMEN READERS

LIFE'S SOCIAL SIDE

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Miss Helen Corrigan, New York, will be singing into the broadcasting station WJZ, New York, on Monday, March 24th, from 3 to 3.30 p.m. Miss Corrigan is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Corrigan, Johnson street, and still another musical girl to bring honor to Kingston. She is a graduate of the Ursuline Convent and affiliated with the Toronto Conservatory of Music.

Mrs. and Miss Prescott, wife and daughter of George W. Prescott, Toronto, are guests at the Frontenac hotel for a few days.

Mrs. Frederick Etherington, University avenue, entertained at supper after the lecture in Convocation Hall on Friday evening when her guests had the pleasure of meeting Lorado Taft, the sculptor and lecturer, who had given pleasure to such a large audience by his wonderful slides and delightful lecture. The guests were the Bishop of Ontario and Mrs. E. J. Bidwell, Principal Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Sandford Galvin, Miss Mollie Cartwright, Miss Waldron and Mr. Waldron.

Mrs. M. R. Davis, University avenue, gave a bridge of three tables on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Russell Derry made tea at the effectively arranged tea table, where golden daffodils and white hyacinths in a silver basket made a bright spot of color. Mrs. Charles Anglin cut the loaves. The prize were won by Mrs. M. A. Asselstine and Mrs. T. G. Bishop.

Mrs. Horace Lawson, Johnson street, entertained at Mah Jongg on Friday afternoon for her sister-in-law, Miss Helen Lawson "Ridgemoor," Barrie, when the prizes were won by Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. W. G. Beaman and Miss Cecily Rutherford. Mrs. Garnet Greer made tea at the table charmingly decorated with spring blossoms.

Dean and Mrs. O. D. Skelton, Albert street, are entertaining at dinner this evening for Lorado Taft, the sculptor and lecturer, who is giving a series of lectures at Queen's University in connection with the George Taylor Richardson bequest.

Mrs. I. G. Bogart will entertain at dinner at the Frontenac Club this evening for Mrs. H. D. Warren, Toronto, Mrs. E. B. Smith and Miss Pennington, London, Ont., Miss Wolton, England, and Miss Symes, Ottawa.

A pleasant event on Friday evening was a dinner given by some of the lady teachers in the city schools who adjourned to the Curling Club afterwards and spent several hours playing bridge.

Mrs. Leman A. Guild, Division street, will not receive on Tuesday but will be at home on Friday, March 28th, and not again this season.

Mrs. F. J. Hoag, Alfred street, was the hostess of a small dance on Friday evening for Miss Teddy Hoag and her guest, Miss Dora Vansickle, Hamilton.

Miss Laura Kilborn, King street, was the hostess of a small tea on Friday for Mrs. Van Wren, who leaves for Montreal shortly.

Mrs. Angus Orr, Ottawa, was hostess at the tea hour on Thursday afternoon in honor of Mrs. E. Lloyd Morrow.

Mrs. T. D. Minnes, Kensington avenue, was one of Friday's tea hostesses.

Mrs. H. C. Mabey and Mrs. A. M. Adams entertained at bridge on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. H. D. Warren, Toronto, domain commissioner of the Girl Guides, arrived in town to-day and is at the "Chateau Belvedere." Rester Stewart, Toronto, is the

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HONORED IN HIS HOME LAND.

The last issue of The Canadian Farmer has the following article and a front page cut of Geoffrey O'Hara, whose mother is Mrs. Robert O'Hara, William street, and whose grandfather was the late Rev. F. W. Dobbs, rector of St. John's church, Portsmouth.

"With an Irish father and an Irish-Canadian mother, Geoffrey O'Hara began life with song in his heart. Later it found its way out to his lips and then, later still, he began to write down the music that sang through his being, and now it is sung across several continents. He is a young man yet, but for years, now, concert programmes have carried the name 'O'Hara.' 'There is No Death' that sustained sonorous, reverential, melody, spoke with triumphant certainty to a world torn by the teeth of war. 'K-k-k-katie' caught the troops, and Allenby's army was not the only one that marched to his lilting nonsense.

"I'm glad to have written the song that took Jerusalem," he said the other day, in the midst of a delightful speech to the Empire Club of Toronto, a speech in which he ground jazz to powder, and flayed its promoters with his gifted Irish tongue; while at the same time he poured out all the eloquence at his command on the beauty and the value of folk music and its need for the development of any nation.

Mr. O'Hara was born in Chatham, Ont., is tall and handsome, with plenty of golden hair, which, (being one of the younger school of musicians) he keeps cropped quite short. He sings his own songs and many other songs, in a satisfying baritone, and with restraint and feeling—a happy combination. An other unusual gift is his keen sense of the value of words, a sense that compels him to write music not for its sound alone, but also for its suitability. This is in a great measure responsible for the popularity of his songs. His most recent triumph occurred at the Mendelssohn Choir concert in Toronto, when his "Ann. Laurie" brought an enthusiastic recall, and following this, the young composer was compelled to rise to his feet in the box where he was sitting and acknowledge the plaudits of the vast audience.

When next you see Geoffrey O'Hara's name on song or programme, don't forget he is a true Canadian, and when you sing his music, or when it is sung to you, notice how he has caught into it something of the far spaces of his native land; something of the clear skies and the bracing life of the North; something of the high courage and the quick "catch at laughter" that distinguishes the Canadian-born and without anything of the mystic faith that comes to him from Erin, where the soul of music is embroidered.

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Woman in Public Life. Mrs. Nellie McClung speaking at the Liberal Women's Club had some amusing things and practical, to say on the subject of the everyday woman called to wider duties for the State. Such a woman, she said, would not economize on the health of the people, or in the matter of actual necessities, to any class receiving state aid, or in the matter of education. "A Methodist minister's wife whom I know has already moved 27 times and raised six children; and been president of the Ladies' Aid. Can anyone believe that it would bother her to move a residence or to raise a point of order? A woman who can take her summer hat and cover the straw with velvet and put back the trimming with a dab of fur, and make it into a winter hat, more beautiful in its second reincarnation than it was in its first, surely she could put a bill through its second reading. The old question was often raised: Will women want to sit in Parliament? Anna Howard Shaw used to say that women had stood at the ironing board for so long, and bent so long over washing, that they would be glad to sit anywhere. Political clubs for women would be of great service if they plan an educational programme. The unforgeable mental sin is the closed mind. The person who uses canned thought, instead of digging up fresh thoughts. A new idea is as unwelcome to them as a draft on the back of their neck. Their first instinct is to get up and shut the door."

Alexander Mills, Kempville, has just been appointed sanitary inspector, school attendance officer, police officer, street surveyor, light inspector, wood inspector and caretaker of the village hall.

J. G. Beatty, Toronto, financier, predicts a big boom in Northern Ontario securities, on his arrival from England with sixty million dollars capital to spend in Canadian enterprises.

Jack Dempsey denies that he is interested financially in the proposed Carpenter-Gibbons fight, and says that he will go into motion pictures.

The Greek premier has informed the press that if he is unable to reach an agreement with the royalists the end of the dynasty will be proclaimed.

Obedience is the mother of success, the wife of safety. Great deeds need great preparations. Do not wish to seem the best, but to be it.



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PLANNING OUR CAMPAIGN Each Spring brings its problem of fighting the clothes moth. The thrifty housekeeper will go to any amount of trouble to prevent this persistent little pest from ruining the heavier garments which she is laying away for the Summer.

The city housewife is more fortunate than her country sister, in regard to the moth question. For every large city has at least one shop which offers fur-storage facilities where heavy coats (even without fur) may be kept during the warm months at a very moderate charge. This saves the housekeeper considerable trouble and anxiety.

The woman who lives in the country, however, must become her own clothes-storage expert. The following measures will insure her success in this work: The first step in laying away any sort of wool garment, is to brush it well out of doors, paying special attention to seams, pockets, the under side of collars and other places where dust collects and moth eggs are likely to be deposited. Then sun and air the garment for several days. Next, go over it with gasoline or benzine (these substances do not injure color; but

they are extremely inflammable, so the work should be done out of doors.) Some garments are not injured by being saturated with formalin; this additional measure will absolutely kill moth eggs and larvae, so it is worth using if possible. Dip a small sample, or an inconspicuous part, of the goods into the formalin, as an experiment, before going ahead with the entire garment.

After brushing, sunning and cleaning the clothes, we are next confronted with the question of packing them away. There are several methods of doing this: 1. In camphor or tar bags manufactured for the purpose. 2. In home-made, similarly-shaped bags of gummed paper-tape. 3. In heavy cardboard suit-boxes, with cracks sealed with paper tape. These are all good methods, and the housekeeper may take her choice.

Camphor balls, cedar chips, tobacco, wisps of cotton, wet with oil of cedar and then tied in muslin bags, and other moth-repellents are good to use inside of the storage bundles; these repellents will not kill moths or prevent the eggs from hatching if they already exist in the stored garment; but they will keep outside moths away. Hanging the storage bundles in a light, airy place will also protect them against further moth-invasion.

All inquiries addressed to Miss Kirkman in care of the "Efficient Housekeeping" department will be answered in these columns in their turn. This requires considerable time, however, owing to the great number received. So if a personal or quicker reply is desired, a stamped and self-addressed envelope must be enclosed with the question. Be sure to use YOUR full name, street number, and the names of your city and state.

The Editor Hears

That in the west there are splendid camps of Girl Guides under the direction of the Roman Catholic church. Near Winnipeg, Father Morgan gives his patronage to a large camp for girls belonging to his parish.

That the Woman's Institute is enlarging its work in the three districts the Whig receives correspondence from, and we hear rumors of a new branch to be formed shortly at Barriefield.

That in spite of the many gay hats seen in the shop windows, the small black hat continues to hold its own. It will go with almost any frock or coat and is becoming to old and young alike.

That the Kingston merchants are sometimes laughed at by strangers for keeping the window cards, advertising events taken place a week ago in their windows. Notices that events will take place on March 17th are still to be seen.

That Gananogue will play the Kingston Badminton Club at the armours this afternoon when a good game is expected.

That an inventive Englishwoman at one time was credited with having ten or twelve patents on the market at one time, and these ranged from combination toothbrush racks to ideas for disinfecting money in tills and dust in door mats.

GIRL GUIDES' WINTER CAMP. A visit to the Girl Guide winter camp now being held in Ontario Hall is quite worth while. About fifty girls and women are to be found there in the evening under the direction of Miss Joyce Wolton, the Red Cord Guide, who has come out from England to forward the Guide movement in Canada. Miss Symes, of Ottawa, the camp commandant, is another bright girl, and well up in Guide lore. The raising of the colors is a pretty ceremony, a color party being detailed to perform this duty. The Guide games are fascinating even to watch for not only are they good games requiring a quick eye and quick action, but each game has a definite reference to some point in Guide work. Then most interesting to the onlookers was the singing of camp songs, learned in winter to sing around the camp fires at the many summer camps held by the Guides throughout Canada. No cheap, florid jazz learned from the lowest African tribes, are taught to our young Canadian girls here, but the folk songs of the land which is still "home" to many of their parents, the 15th century folk songs of old England. Sitting on the floor of Ontario Hall in a circle the guides sang, Miss Wolton leading these quaint and tuneful melodies. Many of the songs are arranged as rounds, and the effect is excellent. Miss Wolton insists on distinct enunciation and is beginning to get an excellent tone from the girls. "The Little Bell of Westminster goes Ding-Dong, Ding-Dong-Dong" was altogether delightful. Miss Wolton also told a charming story of how the birch tree got her silver coat.

AUNT HET



"I reckon I'll get used to everything in Heaven except the absence of fightin' in the choir."

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