

BERKELEY, CAL., MATRON WHO HAS RETURNED HOME AFTER A VISIT WITH PORTLAND FRIENDS.



Mrs. Claude Downing

MRS. JAMES C. ZAN returned informally at tea yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Dorothy Huber, popular bride-to-be. About 20 of the younger set, including the bridemaids and maid of honor, enjoyed the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elvin Clements are visiting the latter's mother in Tacoma, Wash. They were accompanied by their small daughter, Mrs. Clements before her marriage was Miss Inola B. Smith, and was a great favorite in Tacoma, where she is now being delightfully entertained by a large circle of old friends.

Mrs. Claude Downing, a charming and talented young matron of Berkeley, Cal., who has been the house guest of Mrs. Donald Spencer for some weeks, returned to her home in the south. She has been entertained delightfully during her visit in this city at small and informal affairs. Miss Lulu Paul, of Walla Walla, has arrived for a short visit with the Donald Spencers, and she doubtless will also be extensively entertained.

Mrs. Will F. Powell is the guest of Mrs. A. G. Hofmann, of Forest Grove, for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Craig McMillen (Vivian Holmes) are being felicitated upon the arrival of a baby daughter. The little lady arrived last week.

After four months at her Summer cottage, Frontier Lodge, on Garibaldi Beach, Mrs. John W. Kelly has returned home. She was accompanied by Miss Alta and infant daughter, Alison.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Cleland announce the birth of their daughter Hortense, on September 1.

The Misses Cassie and Ann Sherlock and Misses Campbell and all the O'Brien, returned home during the week after a delightful visit at Long Beach, Wash.

Miss Margaret M. Lentz left for San Francisco to visit her sister, Mrs. James Milne Barry (Sophie H. Lentz), where she will be much entertained.

The Coriell Club will meet at the home of Mrs. L. K. Moore, Oak Grove, Tuesday. This will be the first meeting of the year.

WHAT ANNE RITTENHOUSE SAYS

The New Plaids and Stripes.

PARIS, Aug. 13.—Some new Scotch plaids must have come into being recently, if one is to judge by the new plaids that are shown at the openings the dressmakers are holding despite the war. These plaids do not boast the time-honored reds and blues and yellows, greens, whites and black of their brother plaids. They have adopted the rich, deep colors that make the clothes of this Summer distinctive.

One plaid shown by Callot was in shades of brown. It was combined with black and dark blue in a street suit.

At the Premet opening plaids were used. One suit had a plaid velvet jacket and a plain cloth skirt. Another suit had a plaid hip yoke at the sides of the skirt and a plaid collar on the coat.

A plaid of dull cerise and purple, with a generous intermingling of black threads was used for the foundation skirt of a striking suit I saw the other day. There was a long, pointed tunic of blue serge, which was made of the plaid and serge combined.

In Premet's rather abbreviated opening a novel material shown was a black silk plaided with velvet bands. It is very interesting and marks the tendency to plaid or stripe one fabric by applying bands of another. The new striped materials are made in the same way—by applying strips of one material on another.

A smart frock worn not long ago by a smart woman was made of white satin. There was a long net tunic, edged at the bottom with lace or ruffles of blue velvet and the tunic was striped from top to bottom with strips of blue velvet ribbon of three different widths. And a smart little blouse which I saw a few days later was made of black chiffon plaided with bands of broadened velvet in deep shades of red, blue and gold.

This idea of striping or plaiding a plain fabric by applying bands of some contrasting fabric—silk, velvet or fur—is very good.

Another new idea is to use striped silk as a foundation for lace or ruffles and flounces. A charming evening frock is made with black Chantilly ruffles mounted on black and white striped silk—the stripes follow an inch wide.

HINTS TO THE SEWER.

Always thread silk into a needle by putting the end of the silk that exists before it is unwound from the spool in the eye first, if the silk is put in from the end you break or cut it untwists more easily than if it is threaded from the other end.

Don't bite thread. It is an easy thing to have a small pair of scissors always handy. You can have one fastened about your belt with a piece of ribbon or tape. Biting thread is a bad habit because it breaks the ends and makes the teeth thus making work for the dentist probable.

Clip all bastings to be removed at five or six inch intervals. The bastings should be pulled out without wrinkling the fabric.

Always have a little bottle of machine oil at hand. A drop of oil often transforms a stiff, heavy action into one that is perfectly smooth and easy. But never use much oil. A drop or two applied at the right spot is enough. Always run a piece of waste muslin through the machine after oiling; it so that any oil that finds its way to the needle may be absorbed.

If you are making a skirt or waist with pleats or tucks in it, try pressing them into place before pressing them. Pin them in two or three places and press with a cool iron, removing the pins as you come to them. It is then an easy matter to baste the pleats or tucks exactly in place.

Don't sew on black at night. It is very trying on the eyes. White sewing is the only sort that ought to be done at night, and that should be done in a clear, shaded light.

Never sew in the dusk. Nothing tires or injures the eyes so quickly as doing fine sewing in an insufficient light. When you are making your own frocks, take advantage of the many small touches that you can easily acquire to give a professional look to your work. One is machine hemstitching, which gives an admirable finish to silk or linen collars and cuffs. All you have to do is to turn the material under at the edge, and baste through the two thicknesses on the line where you want the hemstitching. If you want a neat edge, baste a line in a single thickness of material. Another professional touch is gained by the use of pleating of various sorts, for narrow frills and for ruffles. Then there are covered buttons of various sorts that you can have made from any material you choose.

Don't stuff pin cushions with cotton.

THE SANDMAN STORY FOR TO-NIGHT

By Mrs. F. A. Walker

Tom Kitten.

TOM KITTEN was a tiger kitten—that is, his coat was striped and very handsome, but he did not think much about that just now, for he was young.

What Tom Kitten thought, most of his having fun.

One day he saw something to chase. It ran right across the yard, and Tom Kitten stopped chasing his tail and ran after it.

On and on it ran, and so did Tom Kitten until he came to the woods a long way from his home before he realized how far he had run.

The little creature he was chasing ran up a tree, and so did Tom Kitten, for he was a very brave kitten. But then the strangest thing happened. The creature he was chasing disappeared and it seemed to Tom Kitten that it went into a branch of the tree.

"Oh, there is a hole," said Tom Kitten, "that is where it went. I'll sit here and watch, and when I catch it I will take it home and show it to mother. I guess she will be surprised to find I can catch a big rat all alone."

Tom Kitten thought it was a rat he had chased, but it was a squirrel, and Johnnie Grey had no idea of being caught, at least not by Tom Kitten. By and by a bluebird flew into the tree and seeing Tom Kitten there, he thought, of course, he was waiting to catch a bird.

"Look at this fellow, mates," called the bluebird. "He is waiting to catch us. Let us fly at him; he is little and cannot catch us. We'll scare him so that when he grows up he will not try to catch us."

They picked at poor Tom Kitten and he had to close his eyes to save them from the bills of the angry birds. Of course, he could not see where he was walking and poor Tom Kitten slipped and caught at the branches as he tried to get to the ground.

That of it last fell on the ground at the foot of the tree if he had not been very quick the birds would have picked him, but he was up on his feet in a twinkling, and off he ran into some bushes not far away.

The birds flew to the bush, but Tom Kitten had gained courage by this time, and he stretched out a paw showing some sharp-looking claws, when

one bird ventured too near his hiding place, and the birds thought they had better keep at a safe distance after all.

They chattered and chirped at him from the trees around for a while, and then flew away, and Tom Kitten poked out his head and looked about. Everything was still, and he crept out from under the bush and started to run home, but to his surprise he saw a number of squirrels running around, and when they saw Tom Kitten one of them said: "There he is; there is the fellow that chased Johnnie Grey. Now let us chase him; he can't hurt us."

Back went Tom Kitten under the bush again as quick as you can think. Just as he was getting terribly frightened Tom Kitten heard a noise that sounded very much like the bark of Rover, the dog at home, and while he was thinking the squirrels ran as Tom Kitten had never seen anything run before, and when a second later he looked out there was not a squirrel to be seen.

"What are you doing under there?" asked Rover, when he ran up to Tom Kitten, "and how did you get so far from home?" he asked.

"I was chasing one," said Tom Kitten, "but when there are so many of them I could not chase all of them at once."

"Well, come along with me then," said Rover, "I bet you do not know which way to go." Tom Kitten confessed he did not, but he followed Rover Dog as he led the way.

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Tomorrow's story—"Tom Kitten Becomes a Real Hunter."

Divorced Life

By Helen Hissang Flessler.

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"LIFE," said Marian Winthrop, "is so hard to understand."

"That's because we find it hard to understand ourselves. Life is what we make it," answered Challenger.

"I don't think so at all. That dancer, for instance, at the cabaret was not there because she wanted to be, but because she had to be. We seem to be ruled by the inevitable, dragged into certain paths, hurled into certain directions."

"Partially," admitted Challenger, "but aren't we ruled because we refuse to seize the flying reins and assume control ourselves? Don't we do the things we think we have to do, and refrain from doing the things we really want to do, until finally the habit gets hold of us and we actually begin thinking of ourselves as puppets in the ebb and flow of chance?"

Challenger's convincing, magnetic words, flowing on, always impressed Marian Winthrop and held her attention, whatever the subject under discussion.

Tonight, as he walked at her side, taking her back to her hotel, her thoughts flew suddenly into the future, into the bleak, vague, undefined future. She was painfully conscious that whirling changes were in store for her; changes that would sweep this man and his golden friendship out of the circumference of her life. The thought was sharp and painful, like the thrust of a knife. She caught her breath, conquering a motion of I. Nudelmann, not yet ready to face utter loneliness again. The thought overwhelmed and oppressed her.

"What I was saying is absolutely true," continued Challenger, as though divining Marian's groping thoughts and endeavoring to cheer and steady her. "We allow inertia and fear and what not to grip and control us. The result—chaos, regrets, whole lifetimes of suffering and chagrin. It requires bravery to be one's self. We vent ourselves over with deceit and then wonder that we get so little out of life."

"Perhaps," agreed Marian dreamily. "You and I, for instance," said Challenger, with sharp abruptness. "We stand covering back of absurd conventions, afraid of the truth, afraid to look squarely into our hearts."

"What do you mean?" demanded

ECONOMY DECLARED

City Commissioner Says Expense 10 Per Cent Under Estimate.

The City of Portland is operating for the present year on but 90 per cent of its estimated under the budget, according to the declaration of Commissioner Dierck before the meeting of the Non-Partisan League at the Library last night. He said that he had been following the expenditures closely and found that 10 per cent of the total revenue was being saved. This was in answer to a question asked him by one of the league members as to what economy the commission form of government was accomplishing in this city.

Commissioner Dierck said that \$30,000 had been saved by the water commission in the first six months of its operation, and Commissioner Dierck said that the reduction of expenditures in the department of public works during six months of operation had been \$42,900.

The Commissioners addressed the meeting by request, speaking on the public utilities and water departments. Commissioner Dierck said the leak in the distributing end, he said the purchasing department had accomplished great economies which melted away in the distribution.

The operation of the system of alternating sprinkling of the 15,000 lawns in Portland was discussed by Commissioner Dierck. He said that nine or 10 months out of the year Portland had a supply of water sufficient and mains adequate to supply a city with twice the population, but that in two or three summer months the water supply runs short unless economies were practiced.

Thomas McCusker presided as chairman of the meeting. The next meeting will be held October 6.

MARKET MAN ARRESTED

Meat Dealer First to Suffer in New Sanitary Crusade.

Excuses and promises will no longer be tolerated. Portland's markets will have to maintain strict sanitary conditions or warrants will be issued for the proprietors, declared Market Inspector E. L. Melton yesterday, and his earnestness was testified to by the arrest and conviction of J. Nudelmann, a fine of \$25 for carrying putrid meat at the Western Market at 341 First street.

As witness, Mr. Melton had Luther Choate, of the Leeds Apartments, who testified that he purchased meat the night previous which was anything but fresh and wholesome, as demanded by city ordinance.

HOP MEN KNOW SUSPECT

Baron von Horst, Held in England, Has Friends at Independence.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Sept. 4.—(Special).—Baron von Horst, who was taken as a German spy and imprisoned in England, is well known by some of the prominent hop growers of this vicinity. He is, or was, a stockholder in the E. C. Horst Company, which company had hop yards in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, besides extensive holdings in California, the home of the company.

The E. C. Horst Company hop yard, four miles from this city, is considered the largest single hop yard in the world. It contains more than 600 acres. It employs about 1500 pickers and these camps make up a good-sized city. The firm of E. C. Horst Company, a branch office in Salem, was discontinued three years ago. H. N. Ord, a young man, graduate of the University of California, is the manager of the local hop ranch.

Ultimate operation of through trains of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul into Portland is expected to be one of the results that will follow the

CLUB WILL ATTEND FAIRS

East Side Business Men Protest Removal of Water Office.

The East Side Business Men's Club, meeting in its new quarters, 153 Grand avenue, adopted a resolution protesting against the closing of the East Portland water office and a committee was appointed to present the protest to Commissioner Dierck.

M. F. Brady, H. H. Haines and Wilson Benefield were appointed to take up with the Southern Pacific Railroad the removal of the purchasing department to San Francisco.

The club decided to attend the Gresham fair September 17. Invitation to attend the Interstate Fair at Vancouver was accepted and the club will send representatives Thursday.

The public market committee was instructed to secure winter quarters for the East Portland market.

The club decided to oppose the proposed to move the children's parade during Rose Festival.

SHORTER VACATIONS URGED

Ordinance May Be Adopted to Oust "Working Day" Clause.

If an ordinance presented to the City Commission yesterday by Commissioner Brewster is adopted city employees in the future will have only 13 working days for vacations instead of 15 days, as at present. Mr. Brewster would make the vacations 14 days in length, running consecutively. At present they are given 14 working days. By cutting Sunday the vacation periods now run up to 15 days, and some employees, by taking advantage of holidays, get as much as 17 days for vacations.

By eliminating the words "working days" from the present ordinance Mr. Brewster would hold the vacations down to two weeks, or 12 working days.

OLD PAVING CASE ENDED

Patullo Avenue Property-Owners, Vancouver, Must Pay.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 4.—(Special).—Property owners along Patullo avenue will be compelled to pay full price for sidewalks and curbs, according to a ruling of the Superior Court in the case of Herman Mueller and wife against the City of Vancouver and S. P. White & Son, contractors.

In the lower court it was held that the improvement was not up to standard and should not be accepted, and many property owners refused to pay their assessment. The case has been in the courts more than two years.

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LATENT VOTERS AROUSED

Dr. Withycombe Captivates Crook Republicans Who Promise Help.

Dr. Withycombe, Republican candidate for Governor, is captivating the hearts of the voters of Crook County on his trip through Central Oregon this week, according to reports brought into state headquarters at the Imperial Hotel.

On Wednesday night he was enthusiastically received by a large audience at Redmond, Or., where he addressed the Commercial Club. He spent Thursday in Bend, where he was warmly received and entertained at luncheon by the Emblem Club. His reception at Prineville on Friday was no less hearty.

The visit of the Republican candidate to Crook County has brought to the surface a great deal of Republican enthusiasm which up to this time has been latent. Reports from that section are to the effect that not only Dr. Withycombe but the rest of the Republican ticket will receive a tremendous vote.

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