

### Women's Clubs BY VELLA WINNER

**T**HE Oregon Society of Artists met last evening and held its annual election of officers as follows: President, C. C. McKim; vice president, J. M. Crook; secretary, George O'Brien; treasurer, Miss Edna Freeman; chairman, Mrs. C. C. McKim; Mrs. G. E. Miller, Mrs. G. E. Miller, Mrs. G. E. Miller, Mrs. G. E. Miller.

been made at the annual valentine tea given at the residence of Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett last Friday afternoon. The following directors were elected for the coming year: Mrs. E. J. Cronin, Mrs. R. G. Marsh, Mrs. S. E. Montague, Mrs. C. U. Gantenbein, Miss Virginia Wilson, Miss Katherine Gile, Miss Valentine Prichard, Mrs. A. C. Morrison, Mrs. J. E. Kerr, Mrs. J. C. E. King, Mrs. James Honeyman, Mrs. S. Frank, Mrs. Kate Mather, Mrs. Tannhauser, Mrs. A. F. Bliss, Mrs. R. L. Babler, Mrs. H. L. Corbett and Mrs. R. G. Dieck.

#### Club and Association News.

The dramatic department of the Woman's club will meet Friday afternoon at which time there will be a debate on "Which is the greater benefactor to the human race, art or drama?" Mrs. Alice Wister will present the argument in favor of art and Mrs. R. M. Tuttle will champion the cause of drama.

#### Visiting Nurses' Annual Meeting.

The Visiting Nurses' association, one of Portland's largest and most progressive social agencies, held its annual meeting yesterday afternoon with a large attendance. Mrs. Robert Dieck, president, was in the chair and gave a comprehensive report of the past year's work. She laid special stress on the constant growth of the work and the many needs that the organization will be asked to supply in the next few years with great numbers of foreigners coming to this section.

#### Miss Emma Grittinger, superintendent of the nurses, gave a most interesting report, which showed that 7337 general visits had been made during the past year, which is more than double the number made the previous year. It was reported that \$500 had

### For Shopper and Housekeeper BY VELLA WINNER

#### Beauty Hint.

The "floor dive," which is an excellent exercise for reducing the hips and for general daily exercise of the waist and arms, consists in extending the hands as high as possible above the head and then without relaxing them and while holding the knees rigid, bending to touch the floor. Practice enables one to perform this exercise quite rapidly, thus accelerating the breathing and the circulation.

#### "Elizabeth and Her Garden."

Elizabeth is starting a souvenir garden. One friend will give to her a bridge; another will contribute a tree; one will donate a tall boat for the tiny lake which is to occupy the central space in the garden; another has volunteered to send a summer-house for the knoll. Water fowl will be set afloat upon the margins of the lake by other friends who intend to write their names upon the souvenir landscape, and quaint statues, representative of the good will of other friends, will adorn secluded nooks designed for cooling lovers.

When all have added to the plan whatever of beauty suggests itself, will not this prove a souvenir worthy of long treasuring?

#### A very large consignment, say you? Not so at all.

You see, the bridges cost but a few cents apiece, imposing though they seem, and the summer-houses, however artistic their form, are equally inexpensive, and it is the same throughout the list of garden beauty-making objects.

Do you begin to understand? Yes, that's it. It is one of those wee gardens of Japan. You see them in the oriental shops and the variety of composition which can be wrought in them is practically without limit.

#### Is not Elizabeth's plan an interesting one? Far ahead of autograph albums or souvenir postal cards, and the cost is scarcely more, you see.

#### For Summer Hangings.

A wonderful array of gay and dainty prints in plain and crepe-like materials is on sale at a big up-town shop for a few cents a yard. All sorts of possibilities are suggested by these piles of fresh, new prints, and dozens of yards are being picked up by prudent buyers for hangings for bench and mountain cottages. At the prices asked one can hardly expect the colors to be fast, so it is suggested that all purchases be dipped into a gallon of boiling water to which an ounce of acetic acid has been added. After thoroughly saturating the material hang it across a pole over the bath tub and let drip for a couple of days. If care is taken in keeping the material folded very little or no pressing is necessary.

#### Vegetable Pie.

1/2 cupful melted crisco, 6 potatoes, 2 carrots, 1 parsnip, 1/2 head celery, 1 cupful peas, 1 cupful sliced beans, 2 onions, 4 tomatoes. Pepper and salt to taste. Sufficient white vegetable stock to cover. 1 teaspoonful powdered herbs.

Peel and slice potatoes and partly boil them. Then prepare parsnips, carrots, celery and onions, and cook them for 15 minutes. Grease large fireproof dish and place in all vegetables in layers, with herbs. Crisco, salt and pepper to taste. Pour in white stock, cover with layer of sliced potatoes and bake in moderate oven for one and a half hours.

#### Sufficient for one large, savory pie.

**The Black Taffeta Suit.** The smart, good looking black taffeta suit has come into its own once more. The taffeta is softer and finer than ever before, and the new models are much trimmed and fancifully cut according to present fashion trend. I was shown a number of exceptionally good models yesterday in an exclusive little Alder street shop; most of them are all black, but an occasional one shows white linings and white rolling collars. The coats are both draped and the finishings are

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### Little Stories for Bedtime BY THORNTON W. BURGESS

#### Jumper the Hare Consults Buster Bear.

Jumper the Hare was sitting under a low growing hemlock tree deep in the Green Forest, where he could look out over the pond of Paddy the Beaver. Jumper was not feeling at all good that morning. No, sir, Jumper was feeling anything but good. In the second place, he couldn't rest easily a minute even with his eyes wide open. All the time he felt as if his heart might jump right up in his throat any minute. And it was all because Reddy Fox had set out to catch him, and gave him no peace night or day.

#### Fashion's Whims.

Smart Parisiennes are wearing their hair in a fashion that leaves the cars exposed. With the calling gown of silk is worn the carriage cape. This is made of silk or cloth.

The double and triple tunic is a good idea to change the silhouette of last year's gown.

Spring topcoats for young women have straight backs, the new length and raglan shoulders.

Many of the evening gowns have bodies that are practically sleeveless and are décollete.

Paniers, tunics and overdresses are all contributing to the extended effects of the new gowns.

Flowers and fruit in wonderfully natural blooms will be the leading note in the new spring millinery.

The veils that are most noticed are of heavy lace over the nose and mouth and clear net over the eyes.

Black taffeta and boleros, cut with original and pretty lines, will be a feature of the models for spring.

The new silhouette shows width across the back, and puffings are so insinuated as to make an attractive line.

Strands of beads adorn the smart evening gowns; ornaments of all varieties trim coats, frocks and millinery.

Moire and taffeta ribbons are used to trim chic frocks.

It is rumored that bustles will be worn beneath the spring dress.

The combination of strange and violent colors is no longer smart.

Tailor costumes are ornamented with silk, gailon and soutache braid.

In shoes colonial is the green satin are a favored combination in millinery.

All suits—even the simplest tailored ones—are frilly and charming.

The fabric bag is a new note. Rich brocades and metal cloths are used.

Waistcoats are playing an important part in the new fashions for spring.

In shoes colonial is the leading style for spring and summer months. Diamond tiaras are worn more than

sigarettes, which have been so popular.



My friends, you see, they understand each other perfectly.

Jumper hopped out and sat up in front of Buster Bear. Buster sat up, too. Very funny they looked as they faced each other, one so very big and one so small, and both sitting up in just the same way. Paddy the Beaver had to laugh as he looked across at them.

"Hello, Buster!" said Jumper. "How do you like the Green Forest?"

Buster's little eyes twinkled as he grinned down at Jumper. "Pretty well, Jumper; pretty well so far. Seems to me you are looking thin. Yes, sir, you are looking thin. That ought not to be in the beautiful spring time in such a nice place as the Green Forest."

Buster shook his head as if he didn't understand it at all.

"It's all your fault!" cried Jumper. "Buster Bear looked puzzled. 'How is it my fault?' he demanded.

Then Jumper told him the whole story, how he had been sent to invite Buster to meet the other little people of the Green Forest, how Reddy Fox had tried to catch him and then had been terribly frightened by the sudden appearance of Buster and had run, and then how he (Jumper) had run after him just for fun, and how all the little people were making fun of Reddy now, so that he was spending all his time trying to catch Jumper so as to get even. Buster's eyes twinkled more than ever as he listened.

"Perhaps I can help you," said he. "Oh, will you? That would be perfectly splendid!" cried Jumper.

Next story: "Buster Bear Plays a Trick."

advantage of both the men and the girls.

First of all, the girl would be more independent. I like independence and I do not like to feel that I owe anything. Often, too, a girl could suggest an outing if it were understood that she was to pay her own expenses.

On the other hand, the man could not think then, as I know men often do, "She goes out with me simply because I do the treating. He would know you pay my share, because I am afraid of hurting his feelings. And I do not want to refuse to go, and so make him think I do not care for his society."

It seems to be a matter of habit and tradition, and I believe this habit could soon be changed, to the great

and so both of them could get much more fun together, and on a better basis.

The hardest part of the business is to get the habit of it, but that would come in good time. For there is really no reason why the men should do the treating all the time, and it is for us girls to get together and down the old prejudice and establish a more sensible and honest custom. Sincerely yours, JEANNE B.

#### Grants Pass Bond Case Is Argued

Salem, Or., April 21.—The question of whether the bond issue of \$200,000,

### No License Yet For Wallace Co.

Notwithstanding Opinion of the Supreme Court, Commissioner Ferguson Tells Attorneys He Is Not Through.

Salem, Or., April 21.—State Insurance Commissioner J. W. Ferguson today refused to issue a license to Guy L. Wallace & Co., attorneys in fact for the Commercial Underwriters at Commercial inter-insurance exchange, Portland. The commissioner returned the company's check for the amount of the license fee with the brief statement that "this incident is not closed."

The supreme court rendered an opinion last week to the effect that the company had complied with the law relating to inter-insurers and were entitled to a license; but Commissioner Ferguson is preparing to ask for a rehearing and to attack the constitutionality of the law on the ground that it is class legislation. He says the law exempts one kind of insurance concerns from regulations and costs imposed upon other insurance concerns in the state.

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