

**112-Year-Old Woman Has Birthday Party; Her Guests All Over 100 Years of Age**



MRS. MASCHI URDANG, the oldest guest of the Home of the Daughters of Israel, Harlem, N. Y., has fittingly celebrated her one hundred twelfth birthday. No children were allowed to mar their elders' pleasure on this festive occasion, although a debutante of 18 and a younger friend of 78 were tolerated as waitresses. They performed their duties with celerity and charm, too.

Each guest, Mrs. Urdang insisted, must be over 100 years of age—much to the disgust of Luigi Friedlovitch, who being merely 92 was obliged to remain outside with the younger set.

The total ages of the 82 occupants of the Home is 6560 years—an average of 80. The combined ages of the eight attending Mrs. Urdang's birthday party, however, is 847—an average of approximately 106. Mrs. Urdang, 112, tops the list. It is easy for her to remember the Civil War, for she was fifty years of age when it began. Even in 1812 she was able to crow lustily at the marching patriots. Mrs. Guter Fox, 108, and Mrs. Esther Tischler, 107, are next in rank. Barnett Berkowitz, 106, is the oldest man.

"These aged men and women en-

joy life," said Superintendent Schlessel, himself approaching four score years. "They are a merry and cheerful group, living with a zest that would shame many who are twenty years younger. They want to know the news of the day and keep in touch with world events. Today's fiction, however, does not interest them, as their minds run more to the past."

"They are particularly interested in their food," he continued, "and are like a lot of children when mealtime comes. Their morning cup of coffee, and another again in the afternoon are enjoyed with the same relish as that displayed by a child over his favorite dessert."

Dr. H. W. Honor, on the medical staff of the Home, in discussing the dietetics of the aged, remarked:

"Most of them are fond of soup. They like it hot and rich. For a beverage they prefer coffee and we find that in moderation it is essentially beneficial to those in advanced years. As age comes there is a tendency to hardening of the arteries. This is overcome by the use of coffee which is mildly stimulating in its effect."

**MYSTERIOUS VALLEY Baffles Man**

**Meadow Surrounded by Jagged Peaks Far Up in Siskiyou Has Never Been Explored**

High up the Salmon River mountain ridge in Siskiyou county, near the Trinity county boundary line, is a beautiful mountain valley of approximately 160 acres, which man is said never to have entered. It is claimed impossible for a man to get into the valley, though several have stood on jagged peaks and looked into what may be called the "promised land."

G. O. Laws, deputy fish and game commissioner in Trinity county, caught a glimpse of the mysterious valley a year ago. He, too, says it would be impossible to descend the jagged peaks that wall it in.

All the mountains in that region—the elevation is 9,900 feet—are of a jagged granite formation that makes ascent almost impossible. From this land-locked mountain valley flows a little creek that empties into a branch of Salmon river, but as it comes out of the valley, it plunges over a precipice 300 feet high.

Good diggings have been found along this creek below the waterfall. Gordon Abrams of Trinity Center has mined up this creek clear to the base of the waterfall precipice, and his returns in gold have been highly satisfactory. Abrams and a few forest rangers have made futile attempts to enter the valley. With spy glasses they can see the meadow land through which winds a tiny stream.

A gray streak crosses the valley, which Abrams thinks may be a quartz ledge, the mother of the

gold that is found along the creek where he has such good gold diggings.

But it is out of the question for a man with ordinary appliances to descend into the valley. It is not named.

Forest rangers declare that it is very probable no human being has ever been in the valley, and it may be years before anyone will find means to enter it.

**Prince Makes Dance Popular in London's Fashionable Cafes**

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The popularity of the cabaret and the evening dances in London's fashionable west end restaurants is returning, and the reason therefore seems to be in no small measure due to the Prince of Wales and his brothers.

Immediately after his return from the Far East, the prince appeared at several well-known restaurants for the late supper and dance, accompanied generally by the Duke of York or Prince Henry, and a party of friends. Also since the return of the prince from Scotland he has been seen at several of these dances, and so have his two brothers.

The royal visitors applaud heartily the entertainment and music, but only occasionally take part in the dancing. The mere fact that they are present, however, is enough for the west end, and the places are crowded nightly in the hopes that some member of the royal family will be present.

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**Haiti To Keep Short Skirts**

CAPE HAITIEN, Nov. 14.—Haiti, often has been referred to as a backward nation, but in dress the Haitian women of the predominating peasant class long anticipated the American flappers in two of her most distinctive traits. Short skirts and the trick of "rolling her own" were adopted here long before the flapper took them to her heart. Short skirts are a necessity to the women who spend her days toiling in a garden or riding a burro. They were then short in Haiti when Andrew Jackson was in the white house, and the style has not changed.

It was in 1915 that the peasant women began to "roll her own." In that year the occupation forces of American marines and shore leave parties of bluejackets brought a golden trail of American coin to the impoverished island. Regiments and ships bought freely in the markets, and the women reaped the benefit. Haiti is a country of caste, and the possession of shoes and stockings marks a decided social advance for the peasant class. They invented their earnings in them, but drew the line at garters, and necessity taught them a substitute.

It is now a common sight to see the women of Haiti on the roads leading to the city markets, seated side fashion on their gray burros, whip out stockings at the city limits, don them while the little burros amble patiently on, and then give them the final twist and roll before lacing their shoes. When the day's work is done, the reverse is accomplished as the city limits drop behind, and stockings are packed away until the next state occasion.

There is one distinctive feature of women's dress in Haitian peasant circles, however, that will hardly find favor in the sophisticated eyes of the American flapper. Frequently one sees among the universal faded blue and white attire, one of red, white and blue, with the three colors arranged in fantastic patterns of stripes and squares, usually topped by a bright red bandana turban. A peasant woman thus arrayed, accustomed to carry burdens on her head from infancy, strides along in this gay costume with the carriage of a Greek goddess. She is

a "pentente" who has broken one of the laws of the peasant code of conduct, and her self-adopted costume openly proclaims to her sisters that she has backslidden from their curious code and is wiping it out by public penance.

**College Fraternity Men Are Latest to Turn Cliff-Dwellers**

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—College fraternity men are the latest New Yorkers to turn cliff-dwellers.

The high price of lodgings, which has driven away many families from private houses into apartment houses, has caused members of various fraternity clubs to seek a common roof.

To meet this need the Fraternity Club building, a 16-story structure, is being erected at Madison avenue, and 38th street.

Members of the various clubs, nearly all of them college graduates, will have their own private club quarters and sets of sleeping rooms, but while they may lounge and slumber under the Greek emblems of their own brotherhoods, they will eat and exercise in a common dining hall and gymnasium.

The house committee will comprise a representative of each participating club. National headquarters of several fraternities will be located in the building.

Serving on the honorary board of the housing committee are Newton D. Baker, former secretary of war; Major-General Robert L. Bullard; T. Coleman DuPont; Byron P. Harrison; Will H. Hays, former postmaster general; Secretary of State Hughes; Joseph E. Ransdell; Rev. Dr. Ernest M. Stires; Oscar W. Underwood and former Governor Charles S. Whitman.

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