

FARMER'S WIFE HAS HARD TIME TO GET MONEY

Declares Country Woman
Writing to President Local
Council of Women.

THINKS LAW NEEDED
Hard-Working Wife Should
Be Assured of Adequate
Dower.

In the great variety of questions vital to affecting the welfare of home and nation, included in the agenda of the executive of the National Council of Women in session in Woodstock, Ont., this week, is a resolution from the Toronto Local Council of Women to the effect that under the law a wife should be legally entitled to a definite part of her husband's income.

A farmer's wife, reading several days ago an advance notice of the meeting and agenda, was so impressed by the record of opinion from the Toronto Local Council that she immediately wrote a letter to the president of the London Local Council, Mrs. E. B. Smith, urging the need of such a measure, asking her to do her part in having the resolution adopted by the national body, and commending the council of women for all that it has done and is doing for Canada's welfare.

The letter in part reads as follows:

"Know to My Sorrow"

"This motion has interested me greatly. Farm women, especially, have a hard time to get any of their husband's income, that is milk checks, sale of stock, pigs and cattle, hay or grain, and are cramped for money, not having a definite allowance. I think that it is no more than right that women should have a right to get new clothes for themselves and family and things needed in the house without having to ask and be refused, condemned, abused and cursed in some cases. That I know to my sorrow, and another thing, it is not right that a mother, no matter whether she is first wife or third, should be deprived of the satisfaction of knowing that she will have plenty to keep her and should survive her husband."

"Too often the husband farmer usually leaves everything in property and money to the children, and the mother that has raised them and wife that has worked as hard as he and saved and done without, to educate a perhaps unappreciative child, can be left with little or nothing and be obliged to go and live with the children."

"I am not connected with the national council, but I know they have the welfare of the women of Canada at heart, and they all know there are some noble mothers in the country."

Mrs. Smith stated to The Advertiser that she purposed taking the letter with her to Woodstock and reading it in connection with the discussion on the resolution, time permitting.

Western Ontario Women's Activities

Address News For This Column to
The Editor of Woman's Page.

SALEM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.
The Salem W. I. met on Nov. 9 at the home of Mrs. Frank Jackson, with Mrs. J. Jackson presiding. Mrs. Currie, Mrs. W. Hodgins and Mrs. L. Pearson gave interesting reports of the convention held in London, followed by several solos by Mrs. Connor of Dorchester. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. L. Pearson on Dec. 14. After the business part of the meeting a delightful social hour was spent and refreshments were served by the hostess.

HURRY UP, LAUGHING LIZZ.

Dear Miss Grey,—I have read your column for some time with great interest, and would like to have Laughing Lizz send in her method of growing ferns.

MRS. W. S.

We are all waiting patiently for Laughing Lizz to give out her great secrets, concerning the growing of ferns, so if you keep watching the Mail-Box I am quite sure you will see a letter from her one of these days.

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Confessions of a Movie Star

CHAPTER 22.—AN ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP ME.

A TAXI driver hailed us when we left the theatre. As Mother and I went on through the fog, I observed that he was following us. Probably he felt sure of a fare as soon as we should discover what a bad night it was.

Inside the first block, I forgot all about the taxi. I continued to review myself on the screen. I could see exactly where I had done badly. I was annoyed with myself. Moreover, I had caught a glimpse of Dick Barnes watching the film. It had been short before he entered the company. He couldn't have come to watch himself. Then—

At this point of my reverie, I noticed that the taxi was tacking toward us. It made me uneasy. Mother and I were wearing a stunning pin of diamonds and platinum. It had been my Christmas gift to her the year I was first started. She always wore it over her heart, if necessary, under her blouse.

This night it adorned her dinner dress of soft white canton crepe. When we left the movie theatre, we were protected only by our umbrellas. The night was muggy as well as misty. The lightest wrap was superfluous.

No sooner had we turned from the crowded avenue than the taxi careered to the curb, close to me, and a man, before unseated, jumped from the vehicle. At the same moment another man

stepped from behind the bole of a huge elm and blocked our path.

"Highwaymen!" I decided. "They are after Mother's pin."

And so I threw myself between her and the men.

Now came the supreme inspiration of my career.

I remembered that Dick Barnes had been in the theatre. Also that Dick whistles marvelously. He can imitate the calls of most of the birds. In that happy summer of my day-dream, before the scandal and losses drove him from the town, Dick had taught me how to whistle the delicious note of the meadow lark.

That was our "call," Dick said. When he came to see me, that summer, he notified me from the end of the lawn before he touched the bell. And I called him to me, many a time, for no reason at all. And he had been so pleased!

Never—never in my life had I needed Jimmy as I did that night in the fog. As the highwaymen hustled me toward the taxi, I tried to give the meadow lark's whistle. My lips were stiff and refused to shape any sound, I tried again—and failed.

And then, by a supreme effort of my will, I gathered up whatever courage I possessed, and I sent into the mist of the city street at midnight, the clear, sweet note of the shy bird of country meadows.

(To Be Continued.)

WITH BRIDES THE

SCHMALTZ-HOFFARTH.

A sociable event, in which considerable interest was centered, was the marriage of Miss Ludwina Hoffarth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Hoffarth of Karlsruhe, to Mr. John Schmaltz of Kitchener, which took place in the Roman Catholic Church, Karlsruhe, Rev. J. A. Lenhart officiating. The bride was most becomingly attired in a brown serge suit, with hat to match, and carrying a bouquet of bridal roses and ferns. She was assisted by her sister, Miss Josephine Hoffarth, who was dressed in navy blue suit, hat to match, and carrying pink carnations and ferns. Mr. David Hoffarth acted as best man. Guests were present from Kitchener and other points. Mr. and Mrs. Schmaltz will reside in Kitchener.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sheehy left yesterday for Costa Rica, where they will spend the winter with their son, Mr. Frank Sheehy.

Members of the Women's Liberal Association executive had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Grant Needham of Toronto informally at the tea hour at the home of Mrs. C. R. Somerville Tuesday afternoon.

The reception given by the board of governors and faculty of medicine at the opening of the Medical School on Friday evening will be followed by a dance held in the gymnasium of the new school.

Dr. J. L. Hughes, who has been specializing on diseases of the nose and throat in Bellevue Hospital, New York, for the past eighteen months, is visiting his parents, Dr. F. W. Hughes and Mrs. Hughes, Queen's avenue.

After the recital held in St. Andrew's Church on Monday night, the Ladies' Aid entertained the choir, and the girls and boys of the church sang.

Mr. Robert H. Morrison and Rev. D. C. MacGregor gave short addresses thanking those who had taken part for their splendid work.

Mrs. H. S. Harper entertained a number of the younger set at a tea Tuesday afternoon, given at her home on Ridout street, south in honor of her daughter, Mrs. Gordon Shields of Listowel. The living-room was aglow with large shaggy mums, pink and white ones being used in the dining-room. The table was covered with a shiny cloth, and was centered with a large basket of pink and white pom-pom mums.

Mrs. A. T. Edwards, chairman for London of the National Liberal and Conservative Women's Organization, is in the midst of a busy week campaigning for the Meighen interests. On Monday she addressed large gatherings in Clinton both in the afternoon and evening, and spoke on Tuesday in Hensall. Owing to her engagements to address political meetings, she was unable to be in town for the dinner and address to the ladies.

McLACHLIN-WILSON.

A pretty wedding took place on Wednesday at the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. James Wilson, Warton, when Miss Ethel Wilson was united in marriage to Mr. Frank D. McLachlin of London.

Yellow chrysanthemums decorated the spacious drawing-room, where the ceremony was conducted by Rev. H. L. Smith of Warton. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Jas. Wilson, was assisted by Mrs. A. A. McLaren as matron of honor. The bride wore a lovely suit of sorrento blue duvetyn, trimmed with moleskin, with hat to match, and a corsage of orchids and pink roses. The wedding march was played by Miss L. G. Phillips of London. Immediately after the wedding a delightful luncheon was served to the relatives and friends of the contracting parties by Miss Ruby Wilson, sister of the bride, assisted by Miss Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. McLachlin left on a trip to Hamilton, New York City and other American points. On their return they will reside in London. The bride is a graduate of Victoria Hospital, London, and until recently was a member of the staff of Wellesly Hospital, Toronto.

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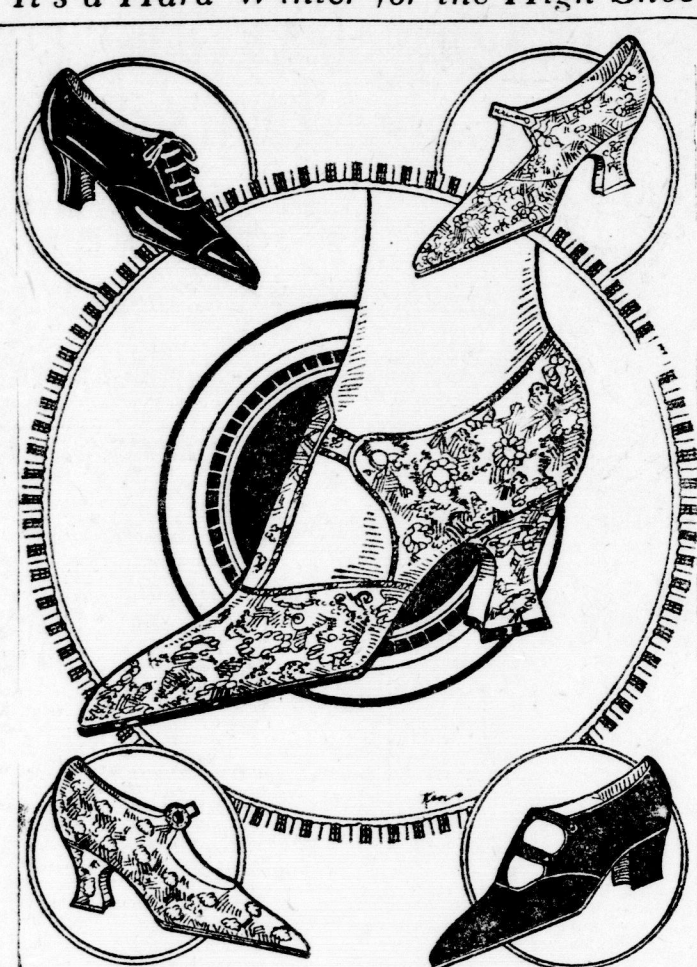
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It's a Hard Winter for the High Shoe



NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—At the beginning of the season the elaborate shoe fantasies took our breath away. But as shoes come and go, it seems there is no limit to their gorgeousness. Not only the richest and most ornate of materials are used in shoes, but the length to which ornamentation is carried reaches a fantastic mark.

The sandals is still the most popular form with the low cut sides and the inlaid strap running up the centre of the foot and joining the encircling strap or straps.

Brocades of metal cloth are especially in vogue and steel bead embroideries vie with the most elaborate gowns.

Period shoes are popular and the high-

meeting of the Alma Daughters' Board on Monday.

Three of the four Alma Daughters societies in Ontario, Toronto, St. Thomas and London were represented at a dinner and meeting held by the Alma Daughters' board at Wong's on Monday evening.

Miss Venning, first vice-president for the London society, presided in the absence of Mrs. A. T. Edwards. Miss Ida Alderson, president of the Toronto branch, was the guest of Mrs. F. W. Hughes for the occasion.

Five members of the board were over from St. Thomas—Mesdames J. H. Still, E. S. Brown, G. P. Smith, H. Jackson, C. Benders. London was represented by Mrs. Venning, Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. LeTouzel.

Mrs. Ralph McPhillips held her post-nuptial reception at her pretty home in the St. George Apartments on Tuesday afternoon. The bride wore her lovely wedding gown of white tulle and Chantilly lace and a corsage of red roses and violets.

Mrs. Chas. McPhillips, wearing a gown of blue tulle and a corsage of pink roses and sweet peas, received with her daughter, assisted by Mrs. Wm. McPhillips, groomed in brown lace over chamoisee and wearing a corsage of violets.

The rooms were gay with lovely flowers, gold mums and pink roses being used effectively in the living-room, while the dining-room was decked with lavender and white mums, with a large basket of baby mums on the buffet.

Mrs. Jack Barnard and Mrs. Philip Cook were in charge of the tea table, which was centred with roses arranged in a silver epergne. Mrs. Barnard in a black satin gown with a large black hat and Mrs. Cook wearing a gown of black, chamoisee and silver lace, a black hat and a corsage of roses.

Many guests were ushered to the tea room by Mrs. Hubert Dignam in a becoming gown of grey canton crepe and a smart black hat. The tea room assistants were: Miss Marian Crawford of Sarnia, wearing a smart frock of brown canton crepe and velvet hat to match; and Miss L. I. would

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