

Young People's Forum

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Making Money for Red Cross Purposes

NO patriotic event is complete nowadays without the "Fortune Booth." However, it is not always possible to find any one capable of telling fortunes without any preparation. With the aid of this old rhyme, any person with a reasonable amount of imagination, may find in the teacup a story worth at least the usual charge of ten cents. This rhyme (by the way) is translated from an old Chinese tea song:

"One leaf alone, alone you'll be;
Two together, the minister you'll see.
Three in groups, your wish you'll gain;

Four, a letter from a loving swain;
Five, good news the letter will bring;
Six in a row, a song you'll sing:
Seven together great fortune waits
For you, so says the Teacup Fates.
Tea leaves short and tea leaves tall
Bring you company great and small;
Tea leaves many and dotted fine
Are of bad luck the surest sign;
Tea leaves few and clean the rim;
Your cup with joy o'er flows the brim."

Daisy Fortune Booth.

"Let the Daisies Tell Your Fortune."
This was the sign placed over one of the booths at a Red Cross Bazaar Party lately. The decoration were very simple, but entirely of green crepe paper and daisies. Ferns make a splendid substitute for paper if available. Huge daisies were made containing about 100 petals, or more if the crowd warrants. A fortune was written on each petal with invisible ink or milk. The petals were ironed with an electric iron (a common flatiron answers the purpose), the fate of the purchaser is revealed by the application of heat to the paper.

Sample Fortunes.

Your friendly manner, winsome ways

Shall win you joy through all your days.
Your glance cheers others all the while
And fortune will return your smile.

Another Fortune:

"The busy town is not the place for you,
With all its turmoil and its noise and strife.
But seek the country. There you'll wealth accrue
And win a wholesome, healthy, happy wife."

Still Another:

"You will deal in city real estate,
Till you make a fortune simply great,
From your rows of model tenements,
You'll collect such lots of rents.
That you will not find a way to spend it.
Till you marry. That will quickly end it."

Fortune Telling by Initials.

This would make a jolly game for an impromptu evening gathering. It can be played by any number of guests and it makes no difference if they are old or young. Its chief attraction lies in the fact that it is so easily arranged. Simply write on as many slips of paper as there are people, the following words: 1, Disposition; 2, Past; 3, Present; 4, Future; 5, Fortune; 6, Occupation; 7, Residence; 8, Fad.

Beside each word there should be space left to write three other words. Each one writes his or her initials on the top of the page, then the papers are gathered up and re-drawn. They are filled in by those who hold them the answers being in as many words as there are initials at the top of the page and the words must begin with the same letters. For example, he initial at the top of one page would be, R. M. L. Disposition, rollicking, merry lad. Past, rich man's lad. Present, reads much literature. Future, roams many lands. Fortune, regal magnificent lady. Occupation, reveals much law. Residence, Rochester, Montreal, London. Fad, riding many logs.

When the papers are filled, they may

be read out loud and the two who filled out each other's papers can be partners for supper.

Doing Your Bit With Pen and Paste.

The war-time letters and scrap books have proved of such interest to our boys in the trenches and have seemed such a wonderful aid in helping the wounded soldiers to pass the weary hours more pleasantly, that I venture to make some suggestions regarding them to our readers. Many of our young people no doubt have made them, but there are lots of young people's societies wondering just how they can "do their bit" in the busy season. We must not forget our boys, even if our societies are closed for the summer. Let us form "Pen and Paste Leagues" among ourselves. The passport will be: "I promise to write a letter or send a book at least once a month, in the spirit of the Christ to soldier, friend or kin."

There are no officers, no dues, only members and you initiate yourself when you send a scrap book, or write a letter once a month. It would be interesting to know how many of our readers would be members.

How to Make the Books.

The books may be made at home at a very little cost. Cut 50 sheets of plain brown paper or cardboard, the dimensions of a magazine. Sew them with cord, using a darning needle. Cover the outer page with gay cretonne. In the centre of the front page paste a card and write some odd or humorous title for the book. Neatness is absolutely essential. Don't cut crooked edges. Practice pasting it is quite an art. Don't have too many items on one page. Like the tray of food for an invalid, the book for the wounded soldier should be tempting. Paste the clippings square on the page. A wounded soldier has not always the strength to turn the pages around. Don't put in jokes about the war. To the soldier the war is no joke. Put in pretty short

stories and pictures, and, oh, do be sure they are cheerful stories.

If you live in a small town or community, make a "Local" book. Select all the local news you can find of your home neighborhood. If you can get a few snap shots, use them, or picture post cards will answer the purpose. And when such a book falls into the hands of one of your own boys, what an inspiration it will be to the boy. I assure you the letters you will get in answer to these books will be the most and thought you have spent on them.

Saskatchewan Homemakers' Clubs Convened

THE Eighth Annual Convention of the Saskatchewan Homemakers' Clubs (similar to our Women's Institutes) held recently in Saskatoon, marked another milestone of achievement in its history. The whole atmosphere of the convention was one of preparedness for the reconstruction that must come after the war and these conditions which cannot longer tolerate war or the shadow of war.

Miss DeLury, who is director of Homemakers' Clubs, gave an interesting report of the year's work. Fifteen new clubs have been organized, making a total of 180 live and working clubs. Forty-nine of these clubs were visited during the year by a representative of the extension service, these visits being either in the nature of a demonstration or lecture. Medical inspection of school children has been more general in the past year than ever before, and while this splendid work is still in its infancy, it has been shown that it is well worth while. Community work was shown to be much increased in its scope and its desirability. The short courses were numerous and well attended. The 25 travelling libraries are still in use and 25 permanent community libraries have been organized. More sanitary conditions in the schools had also been receiving the attention of the Homemakers' clubs, individual drinking cups and hot school lunches being the result of their efforts in a number of communities.

Four clubs have also been instrumental in having women on the trustee board. In the midst of these activities, production and conservation are being looked after, besides a great deal of patriotic work. Recently a new director of Boys' and Girls' Clubs for Saskatchewan has been appointed in the person of J. G. Rayner. Mr. Rayner gave the delegates at this convention an idea of the work which has been accomplished along this line and also some of the plans for the immediate future. It was pointed out that too much cannot be done in the training of boys and girls for their responsibility in after life.

Mrs. Murray, who is the president of the Local Council of Women in Saskatoon and also provincial vice-president of the National Council of Women, outlined the work of the National Council at their recent convention in Brantford, Ont. She spoke of the advantages to be gained by the affiliation of the Homemakers' Clubs with the National Council, in that they would be enabled to reach out for a wider sphere of influence. Before the convention was over it was unanimously decided to affiliate with the National Council of Women. The federation of Homemakers' Clubs, Home Economics Societies and Women's Institutes has been under consideration in the various provinces for some time and the decision was reached at this convention that when the other provinces decided to take the step, Saskatchewan would unite.

A Conservation Slogan

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In Substitute.



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