WOMEN and THE HOME

DRESS

By MARY MARSHALL

The Slightly Rounded Square Crown Appeals to Women of Conservative Taste.

The task that many smart women set themselves when choosing a new hat is to sail a straight course between the several pronounced types that have been seized for large-quantity production—and that are or will soon be worn by innumerable women everywhere in the land—and avoid at the same time the possibility of looking dowdy or old-fashioned.

Of course there are some women who, wisely or otherwise, never feel better dressed than when wearing the most popular hat or frock in town. They always want to wear what everyone is wearing. And to follow the fashion in this manner is not especially difficult.

When the high and angular square-topped hat had ceased to be a novelty, and when at least in this country it had been tried and been found rather unbecoming to many women, milliners had an anxious moment wondering what would take it place. This square-topped hat, regarded as part of a Directoire revival, had been hailed as a substitute for the cloche, which had remained in favor past the endurance of most milliners, who saw profit in the adoption of something radically different.

Well, the square-topped hat, as we had it, was extremely smart and becoming to some women. But to most women it was trying.

So, when this seemed to be passing quickly off the stage of fashion, everyone wondered what would take its place—and the milliners hoped it wouldn't be a revival of the cloche.

Here the so-called peaked hat—the chapeau pointu—came forward to fill the breach, and it has filled it with amazing satisfaction.

However, if you are one of the more conservative members of your community you may not like to appear in one of the new fool's caps. You may dislike the idea of having the trimming of your hat place impertinently on the apex. For you, then, there are interesting modifications. The sketch shows one that retains many of the advantages of the square-crowned Directoire hat—which you must admit was smart and was dignified. At the same time this hat shown in the sketch has a ridge going straight across the crown from front to back—just enough of a ridge to make it comply with the demand of fashion that all hats should somehow go to a point at the top. But the trimming is at the side—a pointed arrangement of pleated green and black ribbon.

Black corded silk hat trimmed with green and black pleatings.

WISE AND OTHERWISE

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE PARTIES.

Have you tried a cross-word puzzle party?

It is interesting, and you can work up all sorts of little surprises and variations yourself.

To begin with, give the same puzzle to all your guests to solve. You can copy a good puzzle in pencil without very much trouble. Or you can cut the same puzzle from several copies of a newspaper printing one. For the quickest correct solution you can give a prize.

Then have a puzzle-making contest. Give each guest a design, and have him fill in a workable puzzle. The one who does the best piece of work, or the one who finishes first, is winner of this test.

Of course the prizes should be some sort of cross-word puzzle books or games.

When it comes to refreshments, you might make out the menu in cross words. You must exert a bit of ingenuity to do this, but you can do it if you try—of course.

TWO GOOD PUDDINGS.

Tapioca Pudding.

Soak half a pound of tapioca overnight in a pint of milk and cook slowly in a double boiler until soft and thick, adding sugar and flavoring to taste, and a pinch of salt. Mold, chill, spread with jam, and cover with whipped cream.

Cocoanut Souffle.

One cup of milk, one pinch of salt, three level tablespoons of flour, softened in a little cold milk, two level tablespoons of sugar, yolks of four eggs, one teaspoon of vanilla, one cup of shredded cocoanut, whites of four eggs.

Heat milk, add salt and flour and cook ten minutes after it has thickened. Mix together butter, sugar and yolks of eggs. Pour hot mixture over, stirring well, and set aside to cool. Add vanilla and cocoanut. Lastly fold in the stiffly-beaten whites of the eggs. Bake in buttered pan, in moderate oven until firm. Serve hot with chocolate sauce.

COATS FOR EASTER.

Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Jan. 29.—From now until Easter coats are likely to be distinguished by quilted embroidery. This adornment lends itself especially well to the Kasha coats now being designed in rust, platinum gray, rose and bronze.

Dorothy Dix

Many a Man With a Nagging Wife Would Hail With Delight a Silent Partner.

A young man writes me that he is much attracted to a girl who is beautiful, and amiable, and sensible, and domestic, but who is literally a dumbbell.

The young woman is not dull, nor stupid. On the contrary, she is intelligent and well educated, but she does not possess the gift of gab. In company she sits up serenely silent and lets people talk at her instead of with her, and when he and she are alone together he is forced to do a monologue until his whole conversational repertoire is exhausted.

And he wishes to know what sort of wife this clamlike lady will make.

Well, for one thing, she would be a most unusual one, son. Something rare, and unique, and recherche in wives that will cause many another man to envy you. For the thing that most men object to in the women to whom they are united in the holy bonds of matrimony is not that they talk too little but that they talk too much and too continuously.

"And are all your sisters dumb like you?" asked Rip Van Winkle of the dwarfs he met in the mountains. And then he added, wistfully, 'My, my, what wives they would make.'"

For the egotistic man who likes to talk about himself, a silent wife is assuredly the ideal mate. The real reason why so many men seek affinities away from their own hearthstones is because they want somebody to listen to them and because they are never able to break into the conversation at home. Wife is monopolizing that, and she doesn't pay the slightest attention when hubby tries to tell how great and wonderful he is.

It is not to be disputed that the woman who has a talent for silence possesses a great and shining virtue, but there is another side to the question, and that is the lack of companionableness.

Try as you will, you can't chum up with silence. You can't get close to it. You can't warm up to it. No matter how much we may respect and admire silent people, we never really love them. They are no more human than oysters on ice

And after a while they bore us because they contribute nothing to the subject under discussion. We strike no fire out of them. We rouse no enthusiasm in them. Every topic falls dead as soon as it comes under their blighting influence. There is no give-and-take in small talk with them, no spirited tossing back and forth of a bright conversational ball, and after a bit we grow tired of trying to entertain them and give it up as a bad job.

Therefore, if youths and maidens were wise in selecting their life mates they would pick out those who carried an entertaining line of conversation and who would be sure to be interesting companions with whom to spend the next forty or fifty years.

DOROTHY DIX.

GOLDEN LINK CLUB.

Mrs. D. A. Gray, 236 Rectory street, entertained the members of the Golden Link club this week. Mrs. R. Collins won first prize for high score, and Mrs. E. Sheldrick second. Mrs. G. Webber won the consolation prize; Mrs. R. Aitkins captured the special prize for the hidden number. Miss L. Gray of Staffa, a house guest, assisted the hostess in waiting on the guests. Mrs. C. Perrin, 393 Adelaide street, has invited the club to her house for Thursday, Feb. 5.

LOCH LOMOND CHAPTER.

A meeting of the Loch Lomond chapter, I. O. D. E., has been called for Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Robert Brown, Wortley road, at 3 o'clock.

R. C. R. BAND TO PLAY FOR SUNDAY CONCERT

L. K. Harrison, L.R.A.M., Will Direct Artists at Capitol Theatre Tomorrow.

One of the finest Sunday evening concerts of the season will be given tomorrow night by the band of the Royal Canadian regiment, under the direction of L. K. Harrison, L.R.A.M., assisted by other local artists. This concert is being presented under the auspices of the Municipal chapter, I. O. D. E., and the funds will be devoted to work among the blind and other causes in which the I. O. D. E. is interested. The band is playing through the kind permission of Lieut.-Col. E. A. Seely Smith.

The following selections constitute the program to be played by the band: Selection, "Merrie England" (Edward German); concerto for clarinet by soloist, Band Sergeant J. E. Maule; first movement of the "Unfinished" Symphony in B Minor (Schubert); selected xylophone solo by J. H. Allcoat; Scottish rhapsody, "The Wedding of Shon Maclean" (Hubert Bath) and the Spanish scene, "Sevillana" (Elgar).

The following selections will be contributed by the assisting artists: "The Penitent" (Dandewater), by Mrs. Wyatt, soprano; "The Light of the World" and "The Heavenly Song," by Miss Gladys Topping Cornell, contralto; "Abide With Me" and "When I Survey," by William Lloyd Bullen.

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Timmy Wakes Up Just In Time To Escape Shadow the Weasle

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Timmy the Flying Squirrel had slept all day. He had been curled up in a little round ball, with his tail wrapped around him, in the softest of soft beds in a hollow in an old stump in the Green Forest. Ever since the last of the Black Shadows had disappeared in the morning Timmy had been there. Now he awoke, yawned and stretched and wondered if it was time to get up. Of course, down in that hollow it was dark. He looked at his little round doorway. There was no sunlight coming in there. In fact, there was very little light.

"I guess it must be 'most shadow-time again," thought Timmy. "I'll wait a few minutes and then I'll go out."

But Timmy didn't wait a few minutes. His ears caught just the faintest of faint sounds. It sounded like little claws on the outside of that old stump. Timmy didn't expect a visitor. He couldn't think of anyone who would be likely to visit him. Anyway, he couldn't think of any friend who would be likely to visit him. You should have seen him scramble up to his little doorway. He was up there in the time you would take to wink your eye.

The instant Timmy reached his doorway he looked down. Then he caught his breath. For just a second he couldn't move. He was too frightened to move. There, more than half way up, was a slender, trim little fellow all in white, with a black tip to his tail. It was Shadow the Weasel. With a squeak of dreadful fright Timmy jumped with all his might. He was none too soon. As it was Shadow's teeth all but closed on the tip of Timmy's tail. Down sailed Timmy with his legs spread out flat and landed on the foot of a tree. Up he raced to the top and jumped again. This time, because he jumped from high up, he sailed a long distance. But even then fear held him. Up another tree he ran and jumped. Twice more he did it before he stopped. He was still shaking with fright.

"Oh!" he cried softly. "Oh, but that was a narrow escape! It makes me shiver just to think of it. If I hadn't waked up when I did Shadow would have got me. If I hadn't climbed up to see who was coming he would have got me. It was a lucky thing for me that he didn't happen along when I was sound asleep.

And then a new thought came to Timmy. He was homeless! He had been so thankful for his escape that nothing else had entered his head. But now he realized that never again would he dare sleep in that snug, warm home.

"I can't go back there," sobbed Timmy. "No, sir, I can't go back there. Now that Shadow the Weasel knows where I have been living it wouldn't be safe for me to go back there. He would be sure to catch me. I've got to find a new home. Yes, sir, that's what I've got to do. And it has got to be a long way from that dear old stump I was so fond of. I wouldn't dare make a new home anywhere near that place. Oh, dear! Oh, dear me! Why can't people leave other people alone? I haven't the least idea where to look for a new home, but I've got to find one right away. Oh, dear! It is dreadful to be homeless in any season of the year, but this is the very worst season of all. Where shall I go? Where shall I go?"

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The next story: "The Hunter Is Hunted."

With a squeak of dreadful fright Timmy jumped with all his might.

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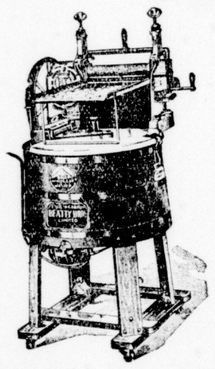

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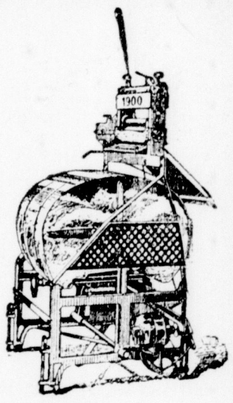

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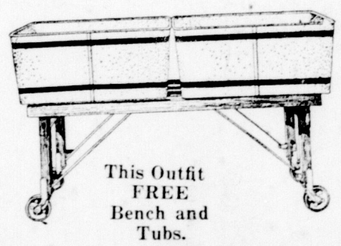

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