

WOMEN and THE HOME

New York Society Ladies Dip Hands In Mother Earth

Spend Day and Night Tending Miniature Gardens at Flower Show.

IN MUDDY CLOTHES

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New York, March 23.—The old saying, "Clothes make the man," or woman—is being demonstrated anew here at the international flower show. Overalls or mud-soiled smocks, rubber-soled shoes, and a little mourning worn beneath the finger nails are making of some fifteen society leaders just plain gardeners.

Equipped with miniature rakes, hoes and watering pots, these hostesses of fashionable drawing-rooms, with numerous servants on call, get down on hands and knees three or four times a day to tend their six-foot square gardens, which are a feature of the show.

Anxiously, Mrs. Harold I. Pratt, whose name is known in social circles from coast to coast, watches each of the hundreds of tulips in the indoor garden which has won for her the Holland gold cup for tulip growers. Their many colored heads must be kept fresh and bright until the closing of the show—and such a sacred task cannot be trusted to the mercenary hands of a professional gardener.

Mrs. Samuel Seabury, Mrs. Reen Schley, Mrs. Sterling Peters, Mrs. Arthur R. Gray, Mrs. Mortimer Fox, Mrs. William A. Freese, Mrs. S. S. Hathaway, Mrs. William F. Garrett, Mrs. H. J. Davenport, Mrs. Leighton Lobdell, and Mrs. John E. Sloane, are some of the other society women who are gardening day and night.

Out of the midst of flying soil and water at the show came Mrs. Seabury's voice.

"Some women play bridge for recreation. Some do fancy embroidery. I grow gardens out in East Hampton, L. I. I'd rather get my hands black with good rich garden mud, and find it working in beneath my nails, and smell its healthy fragrance—and then see wet things grow—than do anything else on earth."

"As for the costume—it's both necessary and sport. I'd rather be dressed this way than in the finest clothes in New York—for these mean gardening."

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NEW ARMENIAN CLUB

Mrs. W. W. Gammage entertained the club and their friends at a delightful St. Patrick's tea at her home, corner of Oxford and William streets, last week. Mrs. Bolton, of Perry street, acted as hostess, assisted by Mrs. Tucker, Miss Scott and Mrs. Wetherall.

Social and Personal

Miss Beatrice McMullen of Toronto is a guest with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Raymond.

Mrs. T. A. Loveless and Miss Ruth Loveless are guests at the King Edward hotel, Toronto.

Mr. George M. Bertram of Tillsonburg spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bertram, Maple street.

Mr. John E. Bertram of Waterford, Ontario, spent a few days with his son Billy and Mrs. Bertram, Maple street.

Miss Eula White leaves this week for New York where she will be the guest of her sister, Miss Shirley White.

Miss Swisher arrived in the city from New Liskeard to assist in the production of "F. I. F." at the Patricia theatre on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Roberts and Miss Ida Roberts, Princess avenue, were week-end guests with Mr. and Mrs. Allen C. Perley, "Mosseside," Paris.

The Orchid club is arranging a theatre party for Thursday night of this week, when the guests will attend "F. I. F." at the Patricia theatre.

Mr. Archie McPherson of this city is at Holly Inn, Pinehurst, N. C., where he is spending several weeks enjoying golf on the Country club links.

Mrs. George Fraser is entertaining the members of the Janey Cunnick chapter, I. O. O. E., at bridge at her home, Huron street, last night. Four tables were in play.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. McMurphy, Victoria street, Glencoe, Ont., will be at home to their friends on Thursday, March 26, from 3 to 6 p.m., it being the 60th anniversary of their wedding day.

Mr. R. T. Byrner has consented to sing at the musicale and tea which is being given at the home of Mrs. E. P. Ellis, 1000 Avenue Road, this afternoon in aid of the Y. W. C. A. building fund.

Mrs. H. S. Maus of Paris is a guest with her brother, Mr. John Stuart and Miss Stuart, Becher street. Mr. Stuart's daughter, Mrs. Arthur Loring, is also a guest at his home.

Mrs. Frank Anderson, Grosvenor street, is in Montreal attending the spring meeting of the executive of the dominion board of the Anglican auxiliary of the Church of England.

Mrs. Guy Guymer, Wharfedale road, was in Forest yesterday, speaking in the interests of the forward movement campaign of the Anglican W. A. and will speak at Cartwright tonight.

Mrs. A. J. Blanton of Rodney, who came to the city to be present at the dedication of the new building of the local committee, which includes Miss Grace Fairley, Miss Blanche Rowe, Mrs. Leonard Pritchett, Miss Anne Forrest, Mrs. W. J. Tighe and Mrs. W. J. Tillman.

Mrs. T. F. Kingsmill, Jun., 526 Ribout street north, is leaving home on Friday, March 27, for a

musical and tea to be given by the women's association of the First Presbyterian church.

Dr. Frank Anderson, who has been confined to his home for the last few weeks, following injuries sustained when he was knocked down by an automobile, is able to be back at his duties at Huron college.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Richardson of Toronto will be week-end guests with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Reid, Talbot street. In their honor, Mr. and Mrs. Reid are giving a small house dance on Monday night.

Following the rehearsal of "F. I. F." at Lennox last night, the executive of the Campers' association entertained the principals of the cast at supper. Those acting as hostesses were Miss Helen d'Avignon, Miss Billy Graves and Miss Kathleen Yeater.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Buchanan, their small son Billy, and Mr. William Turnbull sail from New York on S.S. Aurania on April 4 to spend several months abroad. At first they will be guests at Mr. Buchanan's home in Hamilton, Scotland, going later to southern England and the continent.

Mrs. H. B. White, the Ridgeway, is lending her home on Thursday afternoon for a tea in aid of the relief work of the Victoria mothers' club. Every member of the club is being invited to this gathering, for which the hostesses are Mrs. A. Cress, Mrs. C. Wallender, Mrs. S. Hessel, Mrs. C. Spearling and Mrs. S. H. Bryant.

Following the regular meeting of Edinburgh Castle camp last night, Mrs. Stanley Carter, who is leaving the city to make her home in Winnipeg, was presented with a handsome chum lace cloth. During the evening musical numbers were furnished by Mr. Stanley Carter and Mr. Arnold Webb, following which supper was served.

The management of the Arena is planning special features for the closing night of the skating season this Saturday. Miss Doris Belton and K. B. Mallen, professional skaters, have been invited to repeat their double exhibition, which was an outstanding feature of the skating club carnival on Friday, but have been unable to accept.

Mrs. Albert Luce, Orchard street, was the hostess of an attractive children's party recently when she entertained in honor of her small son, who has reached his fifth birthday. Mrs. Charles Fletcher assisted the hostess in looking after her small guests, who spent the afternoon in playing games. Gay St. Patrick's decorations were used on the party table.

Dr. Dorothy Turville entertained the musical and tea at the home of the University of Western Ontario at her home on Oxford street last week. A large number were present to enjoy a program of musical piano numbers being contributed by Miss Laura Kirkwood, Miss Louise Garbutt, Miss Mary Watson and Mr. W. E. Collin. The afternoon was brought to a close by an hour of lively French conversation.

Mrs. Bert Finch, Huron street, entertained recently, complimenting Miss Evelyn Cartwright on her birthday. An enjoyable evening was spent in dancing and cards. Music was supplied by Miss Marion Finch, Miss Muriel Willis, Mr. Bob Campbell of Hamilton and Mr. Leo Carpenter.

Following the musical numbers Mrs. Darch invited the guests, numbering about thirty, to the dining-room, where a dainty buffet supper was served with pretty tables effectively centered with daisies and ferns.

Mrs. Anna Finch and Mrs. Norman Edwards assisted the hostess.

One of the largest St. Patrick parties was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bertram, 151 Maple street. Cards were the order of the evening, the music being supplied by Mrs. Bertram and Miss Dorothy Campbell and Mr. Frank Hulson, and the consolation to Miss Louise Andrews and Mrs. Doris Kibbler. A dainty supper was served at midnight by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Robertson and Miss Robertson. Those present included Mrs. and Mrs. C. Carrothers, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hulson, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kibbler, Mrs. Robertson and the Misses Ruby and Louise Andrews, Dorothy Campbell, Gladys Robertson and Made Bertram of Tillsonburg, Mr. Fred O'Brien, Mr. Harold Hodgins and Mr. Rollo Wickerson.

A unique birthday party was held last night when Mrs. T. H. Yull, Princess avenue, entertained in honor of a son and daughter and two grandchildren, whose birthdays all fell during the same week. The evening was spent happily in music and games following a birthday supper served from a table attractively arranged with flowers and ferns.

The guests included Mrs. Geo. Yull, who was presented with a handsome clasp bag; Mr. Frank Scheiding, Master Ralph Yull and little Miss Helen Yull. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Herman Scheiding, Mrs. J. C. Levenood, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Master Philip York, Mr. Frank Scheiding, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Yull, Eleanor, Doris, Aileen, Helen and Ralph Yull, and Rhea and Herman Scheiding.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Brown, King street, celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary last week, when a large number of relatives and friends gathered at their home. During the serving of tea the hostess was assisted by her daughter, Miss S. Brown, and Miss E. Cameron.

Many lovely gifts were showered upon Mr. and Mrs. Brown. During the afternoon delightful musical numbers were given by Miss Harrison. The guests included Mrs. S. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. G. Ratton, Mr. and Mrs. G. Ratton, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Brown, Galt, and Mrs. J. C. Levenood, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Brown, Ronald, Misses F. and L. and Miss H. Salmon, Mr. and Mrs. J. Jolly, Wm. Salmon, Mr. and Mrs. A. Elliott and daughter, Miss R. Elliott; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Braithwaite, Rev. G. T. Watts and Mrs. Watts, Miss M. Tagg and Miss J. Harrison, all of London.

FIVE SOVIET OFFICIALS DIE AS BURNING PLANE CRASHES

Canadian Press Despatch. Moscow, March 23.—Five soviet government officials were killed, says a Reuter despatch, when a military aeroplane flying from Tiflis to Su-chum caught fire in mid-air and crashed to earth.

Dorothy Dix

Don't Overdo the Mother Business—it is a Parent's Duty to Prepare Children for the Battle of Life.

Among my friends is a woman who has "given her life to her children," as she phrases it.

There is nothing the matter with the children, who are a fine, sturdy, husky lot, that calls for any particular sacrifice, but the mother has considered it her duty to be a special providence to them and watch over and direct their every movement. And that takes time, and work, and worry.

From the time they were born mother has breathed, and eaten, and slept, and played for these youngsters, as far as it was possible for one human being to substitute for another. She has never let them do one thing of their own volition, or exercise a particle of individual initiative, or judgment or taste. She has picked out their friends for them, their schools, their amusements and their beaux. She has decided on their careers and whom they should marry, and she looks with pride upon the automaton she has produced who cannot move unless mother pulls the strings.

Now, this woman considers herself a wonderful mother, and it would shock her to death if she could be made to see that children can be over-mothered, and that it is worse for them to have too much mother than not to have any mother at all.

For mother cannot always keep her brood under her wing. Pretty soon life forces them out on their own, where they must use their own brains and fight their own battles, and how can they do this if mother has always done their thinking for them and stood between them and all danger?

You cannot teach a child to walk unless you let it stand on its own feet. You cannot teach it to be free and independent if you always lead it around by the hand. You cannot develop in it the habit of keeping it sitting on a silk cushion. You cannot give it courage and endurance if you keep it from ever getting any bumps.

The successful men and women are not those who have been mollycoddled through their infancy and youth by over-teaching, over-caressing, over-protecting, over-feeding them. It is a significant fact that more fathers than mothers have been brought to the high places in the world.

Of course, the mothers' plea is that they want to protect their children from hardships as long as they can and save them from making mistakes. But the fact is that mothers are bound to come when their children are bound to come, and then if their children have not learned how to protect themselves, they are bound to be beaten by life.

You can atrophy a child's brain by not letting it think for itself just as you could the muscles of its arms if you never permitted it to use them. And you can develop self-reliance and quickness of perception by giving it the chance to use its own resources. You can see a vivid illustration of this in the difference there is between the nimble-witted little newsboys who dodge safely in and out between the traffic of the street and the poor, stricken little rich boys who cling frantically to their parents' hands.

It is a great thing to be a good mother, but don't overdo the mother business. Have at least as much intelligence as a sparrow, that pushes her young out of the nest and forces them to use their own wings.

DOROTHY DIX.

N. S. MINERS DEPENDING ON PUBLIC FOR HELP

Collection Taken Up at Moncton N. B. Meeting To Relieve Distress.

Canadian Press Despatch. Moncton, N. B., March 23.—"It's a race between relief and starvation, and the answer as to which will depend upon you and the other citizens of the country," declared Tom Moore, president of the trades and labor council of Canada, in speaking of the situation in Cape Breton, here yesterday afternoon.

The mining affairs in the troubled province, the speaker said, was authentic and wherever the fault lies it must be uncovered by men of high estimation in this country appointed to investigate the situation.

Mayor Edgett presided and the collection taken up at the close of the meeting for the relief of the starving miners amounted to about \$400.

KING STREET L. A.

The regular meeting of the ladies' aid of the King street Presbyterian church was held in the schoolroom yesterday afternoon, with the president, Mrs. Joseph Miller, in charge.

The meeting was held a week earlier than the usual date in view of the fact that committees had to be formed immediately for the arrangements being made in connection with the anniversary tea being given on April 6. The regular routine of business was conducted and the meeting was well attended.



THE "LADY FROM MONTANA."

Above is Miss Jeanette Rankin, the first woman legislator in North America. She was known as the "Lady from Montana," and became famous from the number of babies named after her and from her vote against the entrance of the United States into the great war. She is now devoting her life to the cause of international peace. Her father was a Canadian from Appan, a village near London. An uncle still resides there. Miss Rankin spoke last week in Victoria College, Toronto, to the local branch of the Women's International League for Peace.

Just Being Oneself Is Keynote To Popularity

To Be Forcedly "Original" Is To Be Tiresome at Best.

IMITATE NO ONE

By JULIA HOYT.

It seems to me that I have written many times on personality, and the importance of being genuine, but I am writing about it again, because it is so often brought home to me that many people do not realize the value of being themselves, and standing or falling by that, instead of trying to achieve personality by affectation or imitation.

For instance, I watch with great interest the effect a friend of mine has on those with whom he comes in contact. He is a man of great vitality, amusing without effort, and absolutely like a child in his unlimited capacity for horse-play and wetting his shoes and getting his clothes soiled with vitality and pleasure. He is one of the few people I have ever met who is not boring with so much vitality, simply for the reason that he never puts it on and genuinely feels it.

Tiresome in Others.

In most people his characteristics are tiresome and annoying, and yet almost invariably people with whom he comes in contact try to be as he is. The quality of being capable of mixing congenially with all kinds of people and, at the same time retaining one's own personality, is a great one.

While personality is a difficult quality to define, an attractive personality cannot be attained by imitating another, or by being conspicuous in looks, speech, manner, etc. It is unquestionably something that comes from the inside, and no amount of outward manifestation alone will gain it for one. People with really strong, natural personalities do not have to go to any effort in order to make themselves felt. Some people believe that bad manners are a sign of personality, others that slovenliness in dress is proof of it. These and other affectations are quite unnecessary if one is the lucky possessor of a personality, and useless if one is not.

Just Being Yourself.

If one has a worthwhile personality—in other words, something worth offering to others—people will put up with bad manners, untidiness, etc. for the sake of the other things, but at best they put up with it. If you really have nothing to offer, attempts to make yourself conspicuous or "original" will gain you absolutely nothing. In fact, I can put it even more strongly. If one has some great affection of manner or looks it is a barrier to be overcome.

In other words, if we meet someone of this kind we say: "Well, to atone for this mode of dressing or manner of speech, he must have something very extraordinary to offer." Immediately we expect something of interest from him. Whereas if he were just a nice, ordinary, unaffected person, we would be quite content with just those qualities and thrilled if we discovered others. No one can go wrong in being himself—imitating no one and being unaffected and simple in manner and bearing.

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FARMER DROPS DEAD DURING CONVERSATION

Chatham, March 23.—Theodore Chatham, a well-known and respected Dover township farmer, dropped dead while talking with members of his family at his home, concession 8. He had been in good health, and a short time before his death enjoyed a hearty meal. Three daughters and two sons survive.

CANADIAN MOUNTED MAN ARRESTED IN ROCHESTER

Winnipeg, March 23.—Staff-Sergeant Coleridge of the Royal Canadian mounted police was arrested in Rochester, N.Y., Saturday on a warrant charging embezzlement of approximately \$2,000. Coleridge disappeared from Dauphin, Man., where he was stationed, nearly a year ago.

EASTER HAT WILL BLOSSOM FORTH

Plaster of Paris Casts of Beautiful Models Used as Mannequins.

By AILEEN LAMONT. Special to The Advertiser. Copyright.

New York, March 23.—It has always been difficult for a woman to hold an escort quiet before a plate glass window where feminine garments are displayed. But it will be easier from now on. For the simpering wax figures, with stiff and unbecoming poses, are disappearing and their places are being taken by life casts taken from the most beautiful of models posed by eminent sculptors.

Plaster of Paris is used to make the molds, being applied to various parts of the model's body, including the face. The figures are then finished in wax, bobbed hair is added, and the eyes, cheeks and lips are colored by artists in so lifelike a way as to make it seem the model herself were on exhibition. The poses are so arranged as to permit the adjustment of nearly any garment on the figure.

For the time being, most of the figures on exhibition will wear beautiful hats prepared for the Easter parade. The showrooms today resemble nothing so much as greenhouses in full bloom, for flowers undoubtedly will form the adornment of most of the headgear seen Easter morning.

The large shops are attracting much attention, but their popularity is being somewhat limited by the fact that with the present day extremely short skirts, the large cape lines give a top-heavy appearance to the wearer unless she be tall. None the less, there are some beautiful models now on view in hand-stitched erin and black satin, trimmed with large bunches of peonies, and in black straw trimmed with bands of cyclamen ribbon.

The small hats are much simpler so far as trimming is concerned. Their appeal lies in the beauty of the straws and other materials which are of wonderful fineness and suppleness. The colors are very varied. Beige in all its shades is popular as is the shade of red orange, almond green and certain tints of blue.

On the small black satin hats, the latest adornment is a bird such as a parrot of bird of paradise or flamingo embroidered in natural coloring on the front of the crown. These figures usually are about two inches high.

FUNERAL OF EDWIN WICKIE HELD IN MITCHELL CHURCH

Special to The Advertiser. Mitchell, March 23.—Sunday afternoon the funeral of the late Edwin Wickie was held from the Grace Lutheran church, Rev. Ness conducting the services, assisted by Rev. A. B. Elk. The church was filled as the deceased was a popular young man of only 24 years. Interment was made in the Presbyterian cemetery.

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