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SHE CRAVED ROMANCE BUT NEEDS OF OTHERS KEPT HER FROM ALTAR

Maggie McGurn, 75, Tells of Blasted Hopes and Gives Some Advice.

CHICAGO, May 14.—Maggie McGurn is just like thousands and thousands of women in the world. Her heart craves romance. But "that sickness in the family and other things," which is the way she puts it, kept her from the altar.

She could have been a grandmother by this time. But instead Maggie is working at the same old job.

Within a few months she will have rounded out 49 years of toil. Records claim her the world's oldest woman employee in point of service.

Once there was a beau. But that was in the long ago, just when it was necessary for her to work for the comfort of others.

Miss McGurn never married. Yet she favors marriage.

Stop to think of her. For 49 years she has trudged to the same task at the same time for the same firm.

She has been a weaver of carpets and a weaver of dreams that never come true.

"Girls shouldn't work after they are 25," says Maggie. "Home and children. They are normal. Girls should have them."

"Yet I am not sorry that I never married. I cannot be sorry because I know not what I have missed. But they tell me marriage is wonderful."

And as she says this her hands keep flying in busy search. Mending carpets and making carpets on mechanical looms.

That is what Miss McGurn does for a living. That is what she has always done.

"Though I have never had a home and family, I have always been happy," she says.

"I guess it's because I like my work so much. And they have been so wonderful to me here."

By "they" Miss McGurn means Marshall Field & Co. She began working for that firm when she was 16. Now she is 75.

"I don't say girls shouldn't work," she explains. "When your work is pleasant, and your firm takes a real interest in you, you can't help but be happy."

And Maggie McGurn returns to her loom and her dreams.

DECLARES WOMEN GREATEST LOSERS

Lost and Found Bureau Returns Many Articles to Losers.

LOS ANGELES, May 14.—"Women are persistent losers; they drop, mislay or walk off and leave purses and parcels with a frequency ten times as great as men," says Alfred T. Clothier, custodian of the lost and found department of the Los Angeles street railway and student of the losing habits of mankind.

Nine out of ten lost articles returned to their owners through his department turn out to have been lost by women. Clothier relates. His theory is that women lose more than men because they have fewer pockets, but he admits he has not yet discovered why mothers will get off street cars with their babies and leave baby bottles behind.

MEN ARE FUSSY. Men make more fuss over what they lose, however, than do women, according to records of the lost and found bureau. An outstanding case was the man who lost his false teeth and would not be consoled until he recalled that "if they don't fit the funder any better than they did me, they won't do him much good."

Traveling bags and suitcases left on street cars frequently contain puzzling combinations of articles, Clothier says. One recently found, belonging to a woman, contained two dainty silk undergarments, a long sharp butcher knife and a pear nucleus. Another, the property of a man, held a pair of rubber boots with \$4,700 in currency stuffed in the toes, a bottle of whiskey and a suit of athletic underwear.

FIND RATTLENAKE. One of the most unpleasant finds reported was a box containing a live rattlesnake housing thirteen rattles. It was claimed by an Arizonian, who said he had brought it here to be stuffed. Another parcel contained half a man's head. A student of anatomy was taking it home under his arm for further study, but left it on the seat when the conductor called his street.

Ontario Cabinet Has Approved Liquor Tax

TORONTO, May 14.—Cabinet council today formally approved the regulations drafted by the provincial treasurer, Hon. W. H. Price, which provide the machinery for the collection of the 50 cents per gallon impost on native wines, the 10 cents per gallon levy on 44 beer and the 5 cents per gallon on soft drinks, as passed by the legislature at its last session.

The luxury tax act, which imposes this new taxation, comes into effect tomorrow on wine and soft drinks and will automatically be enforceable on the 44 beverage when the product reaches the marketable stages.

A surprise is afforded by the unheralded taxation of soda fountains at a minimum of \$15 per annum.

Police Confer Over "Dope" Traffic Curb

NEW YORK, May 14.—Possible production of synthetic opiates from coal and more drastic police regulations were declared, the chief means for the suppression of the opium traffic by speakers at the International Police conference today.

Special Deputy Commissioner Symon, of New York, said that production of synthetic morphine would destroy the market for opiates derived from poppy plants.



MAGGIE MCGURN.

WEDDINGS

Flood-Lambert.

A pretty wedding was solemnized in the Carmarthen street Methodist church last night by Rev. A. D. McLeod, when Miss Annie S. Lambert, daughter of John Lambert, of Trinity Bay, Nfld., and Hayward Flood, son of John Flood, also of Trinity Bay, were married.

The large gathering of friends that attended the wedding taxed the capacity of the church. The bride looked charming in a beautiful gown of white brocade satin and wore a bridal veil with orange blossoms. She carried a lovely bouquet of white tulips.

Miss Myrtle Avery, bridesmaid, was becomingly gowned in peach colored Canton crepe with hat to match. The groomsmen were Gerald Cooper, of the choir of the church, and Miss Stark, the organist, played the wedding march as the bridal party entered, and the choir sang "The Voice that Breathed our Eden" immediately before the ceremony.

While the register was being signed Miss Alma Roberts sang the solo, "O Perfect Love." A reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cramm, 224 Charlotte street, and many friends showed good wishes upon the bride and groom who were leaving for a honeymoon trip to Newfoundland, and will visit their native town of Trinity Bay. They will make Saint John their future home.

Miller-Peters. FLORENCEVILLE, May 14.—The marriage of Doris Vivian, eldest daughter of Councillor J. W. Peters, and Norman McLeod Miller was solemnized at the bride's home on May 8. Rev. K. M. Vallis performed the ceremony in the presence of only the immediate relatives. The bride was becomingly gowned in navy canton crepe and was given in marriage by her father. The pair were unattended. After a buffet luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Miller left for their home in Connell.

Deaths

Benjamin Comeau.

YARMOUTH, May 14.—The sudden death of Benjamin Comeau, of Little Brook, Digby county, occurred here today. He was a carpenter by trade and worked up to within 24 hours of his death. He was stricken suddenly and his physician advised an immediate operation, after which Mr. Comeau's condition appeared quite satisfactory. Heart complication developed, however, and he passed away.

Mr. Comeau was 55 years of age and leaves his widow and two daughters at Little Brook where the body was sent for burial.

Heber F. Sharpe. HALIFAX, May 14.—The death occurred at Victoria General Hospital, Halifax, today of Heber F. Sharpe, aged 72 years. Besides his wife, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. E. White, Montreal, and Mrs. W. L. Barnes, Macan; also five grandchildren. The funeral will be held at Saint John Friday on arrival of afternoon train from Halifax.

Scientific Temperance As A School Subject

TORONTO, May 14.—Urging that the new public school text book that is to be prepared on the subject of hygiene should contain adequate provision for the instruction of the pupils along the lines of scientific temperance, a delegation of three representatives of the Ontario Prohibition Union, waited on Premier Ferguson today.

Seen after the interview the members of the delegation stated that the Premier has received their suggestion very sympathetically and that provision would be made for their suggestion in the new text book.

LOOKS OVER FARM LANDS IN PROVINCE

Dr. W. J. Black, of C. N. R. Colonization Department Visits N. B.

MONCTON, May 14.—Dr. W. J. Black, director of colonization development and resources branch of the Canadian National Railway, arrived in Moncton this afternoon from Prince Edward Island, where he had been carrying on investigations with regard to the settlement of lands.

Today Dr. Black, accompanied by Matthew Lodge, director of the C. N. R.; W. H. Lugsden, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce here; W. F. Humphrey and A. T. Weldon, traffic manager Atlantic railway Canadian National Railway, left for Albert county.

Dr. Black was taken to the site of the available farm lands in that county and shown the other natural resources which it possesses.

2,500,000 U. S. Men Now Wearing Silk

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 14.—Silk underwear is now being worn by 2,500,000 men in the United States, says Mary B. True, of Troy, educational director of the Association of Knit Underwear Manufacturers of America.

Miss True divulged this "inside information" at the annual meeting of the association being held here.

"Three or four years ago," she said, "only one man in 100 wore silk underwear, but now one in every 20 does. Not long ago for every woman who wore silk underwear there were 20 who wore cotton. Now the proportion is about even."

DEPORTATION BILL BACKED. OTTAWA, May 14.—Second reading was given to a bill in the House of Commons this evening, providing that orders for deportation of foreigners convicted of crime, shall be signed by the minister of justice instead of the Minister of Immigration.

Says Vancouver Firm Got Japanese Drugs

VANCOUVER, May 14.—The prosecution concluded its case this afternoon in the preliminary hearing of Wong Foon Sing, charged with the murder of Janet Smith, here last July.

F. L. Baker, at whose home the girl met her death, admitted under cross-examination, that while in Paris with his wife and child, accompanied by Janet Smith, who was employed as a maid, the firm of Baker-Goldwyn and Company, of which he was a member, negotiated for drugs from Japan to the value of 40,000 pounds sterling.

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In Parliament Today

THE SENATE will not sit. IN THE COMMONS—The House will probably spend the whole day in supply.

B. C. Officer Terms Cider Dangerous

VICTORIA, May 14.—Commissioner Hugh Davidson, of the Liquor Control Board, has ruled that cider cannot be sold in the beer parlors of British Columbia.

"In the first place we could not put cider in the bars under the present laws, which specifically allow only beer to be sold," Commissioner Davidson said. "In the second place, cider is hard to handle. It increases rapidly in alcoholic percentage; in fact it is dangerous stuff. It is liable to go off."

Government experts who have been investigating the possibility of selling cider in the bars reported that cider will not mix with beer. They found that almost nothing produced a "jag" so quickly as a drink of cider on top of beer.

Dogwood is a shortened form of dogwood. It was so called because it formerly was used to make daggers, which held meat together while it was roasted over a fire.

300 Make Claim For Bicycle in Montreal

MONTREAL, May 14.—Following the appearance yesterday in a local paper of an item to the effect that the juvenile court was in possession of a stolen bicycle for which an owner was sought, more than 300 boys presented themselves at that tribunal this morning claiming ownership. After an hour and a half of questioning the rightful owner was weeded out and awarded the machine.

IS MUCH ENJOYED

"Me and Otis" Repeated by Portland Methodist Players in East Saint John.

A capacity audience received with hearty applause the repeat performance of "Me and Otis," given by the Portland Methodist Dramatic Club in the Community Hall, East Saint John, last evening. The proceeds were to be divided between the Community Club and the players.

The specialties were solo by Miss Cora Carr, of Portland church, and Miss Edith Magee, of East Saint John, convenue of the entertainment committee of the Community Club. Miss Mabel Sandall and Mrs. Arthur Powers were accompanists. Candy was sold between the acts. Charles Weldon, president of the Community Club, acted as chairman. Miss Madeline McDougall took the part of Miss Edie. Miss Molly Lingley and Miss Harriet Wright were directors of the play. Those taking part were Misses Laura Panjor, Gertrude Harper, Annie Hartshorn, Mildred Kink, M. McDougall, Frank W. Merrill, Harold Chown, Stanley Goodwin and Walter Webster.

SALE OF CREPE-DE-CHINE BLOUSES

Continues Today. Fashionable Styles. Big Bargains \$3.95 (Blouse Dept., 2nd floor.)

Sale of Porch Frocks

All Day Saturday Offering an extra special value at \$2.95 A Brand New Assortment in Fresh Summer Styles

Having a few crisp and colorful Porch Frocks all ready to jump into, adds a zest to summer days in the country. These dresses are in very newest styles—simply designed and easily laundered. You'll want to choose a number of them when you see them. Some of the fashionable colored stripes among them and other patterns you'll like just as well. Sizes range from 36 to 44 in. (Costume Dept., 2nd floor.)

SALE OF DAMAGED TURKISH TOWELS

Still offers great bargain opportunities. (Linen room, ground floor.)

Some Genuine Bargains in Wash Fabrics

Select what you'll need from these tomorrow. Values are very exceptional and fabrics are very attractive.

At 79c yd Special assortment of Tub Fabrics consisting of Ombre Crepes, Moroccan Crepes and Cotton Crepes with silk overchecks. Such lovely colors as powder blue, flame, helio, champagne and others. Some of these were originally \$1.25 yard.

At 98c yd Special assortment of New Cross-Stripe fabric in silk and cotton mixture; also some beautiful Cotton Crepes with silk overchecks. Many of these were originally priced at \$1.75 yard.

At 23c yd Lovely patterns in Oriental printed Crepes.

At 33c yd Lingerie Crepes in brand new stripes, floral and bird patterns. (Wash goods, ground floor.)

Remnants of Curtain Marquisette

All white in stripes and cross-bars. Pieces, range in length from 1 to 5 yards. Very Special Bargain Price to Clear. Saturday Sale—45c yd (Germain street entrance.)

Headlights on New Hat Fashions

Our showing of late spring and early summer hats will prove an inspiration to those in search of just the right thing to wear with summery frocks or to use just now with suit or separate coat.

For those who prefer them, there are large picture hats, for others there are small close-fitting hats of real distinction. Leghorn Hats too are finding high favor and are showing with draped silk crowns, velvet bindings and lovely flower trimmings.

Come in tomorrow and look over our new assortment. (Millinery salon, 2nd floor.)

Try "Maritime Maid" Candy

At 60c lb box It's a high grade confection that will become a habit with folks who appreciate fine flavors (Ground floor.)

Saturday Specials in High Grade Toiletries

Vantines Talcum Powder in sandalwood, winter, and joffeur. Special 29c French Face Powder in large sized box with puff. Special 75c Mary Garden Toilet Water. Special 75c bottle Tooth Brushes (pro-ply-lac-tic and ru-po-na). Special 39c and 49c Compacts in neat designs and dainty size. Single 45c and 55c; Double 75c and 90c (Ground floor.)

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