

Women have it too soft

Leisure? What is that, the housewife asks wistfully, in spite of all the time-saving appliances invented to save time?

The pioneer of old would say, "wimmen, they never had it so good! Not even an old-fashioned broom in the modern kitchen. It's electrified too. They just push a button, plug in, and presto, dust and dirt vanish."

But the fact remains, according to a male authority, that today's women is perhaps "the loneliest, hardest-working woman who has ever lived." She's got the tools of technology for instant housekeeping. But because domestic help is a thing of the past, she is trapped indoors with just the little ones for company.

The housewife's role today is endless. Her chores are endless, despite all the gadgets. It still takes hands to run them, to do the beds, the laundry, the ironing, a dozen clean-up jobs, not to mention shopping and cooking for a well-nourished family. Add to that the role of chauffeuring husband and kids to trains and schools, and a multitude of errands.

And not the least, the role of the glamor girl. Happy marriage experts have warned. "Don't greet your husband looking drab and dreary."

So she must make a special effort after a harassing day to look fetching and pretty. The re-

ward? A peck on the cheek. "You look tired dear. You should organize your time better for some leisure, all to yourself."

Swallow your rage, and admit he's partly right. Free an afternoon or an evening for a card game, or have the PTA committee meeting at your house.

Hospitality needn't be a chore. You haven't time to bake, so just resort to simple refreshments which can be just as delicious as complicated ones.

Give raisin bread special treatment. Butter the slices, cut in three strips, spread with cream cheese. Add a gourmet touch of grated lemon peel, or grated orange peel, sprinkled over with a dash of finely chopped nuts.

To add variety, spread enriched white bread slices with cream cheese of different flavors. Pile three slices, one on top of the other, cut in quarters, and top with toasted coconut!

For something sharp in flavor, there are the popular cheese strips — with a dash of imagination. Cut bread in long, narrow strips, spread with butter, then with a thick coating of grated cheddar cheese. Dot with whatever the pantry yields, bits of olives, pickles, anchovies. Brown in a moderate oven.

Thomas elected ACW president

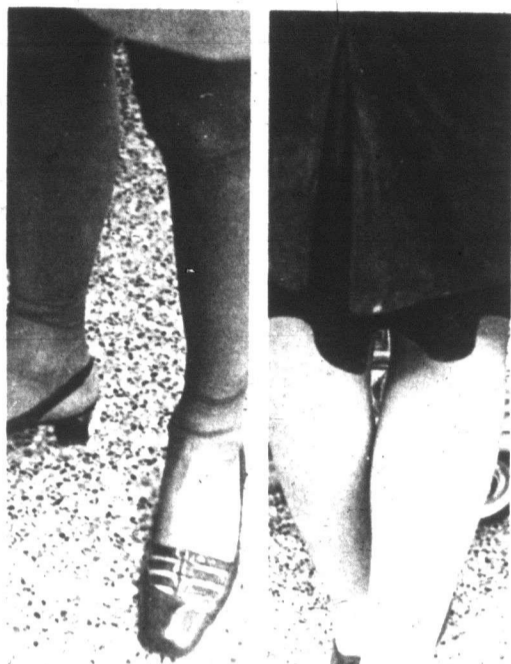
STREETSVILLE — The ACW held their annual general meeting Tuesday evening in Trinity Church Hall. Various reports were given indicating that the past year had been busy and successful.

Mrs. Elsie Welland conducted the election of officers for the coming year electing, president, Mrs. R. J. Thomas, first vice-president, Mrs. Frank Walker, secretary, Mrs. Robert Humphries, treasurer, Mrs. Geo. Pelling and corresponding secre-

tary, Mrs. Joe Wingfelder.

Mrs. E. Fray had a beautiful quilt on display that will be sold at the bazaar Saturday. Mrs. A. Lovatt supervised the quilting and the results were lovely. Following the business meeting coffee was served by Mrs. R. Kerr and Mrs. Jack Anderson.

The next meeting will be Jan. 7 in the Church Hall at which time the installation of officers will take place.



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WOMEN'S

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Fashion no-no's

You've just finished feeding the children, cleaning the house and now have decided to run down to the plaza to pick up a few odds and ends that were missed when you did your weekly shopping.

It will take just five or 10 minutes, so maybe you could leave the curlers in your hair, or just slip on your old coat and hope you don't see anyone you know. Nine times out of 10, you will. See if you are guilty.

1) We are living in a world of legs and with all the good-looking stockings to choose from, there is really no excuse for wrinkled ankles.

2) This girl really can't decide whether to go mini or midi. It doesn't take long to hem a skirt or for that matter to lengthen a coat.

3) Just because it is winter, doesn't necessarily mean you have to dress in dull, drab colors. All three ladies, gloom, gloomy and gloomier, are guilty of this, plus the fact the two on each side are sitting most unfemi-

ninely, definitely a no-no.

4) With today's styles to choose from, it is easier than ever to go wrong, and may lead to a few misunderstandings about how they should be worn. Sneakers are strictly taboo with elephant pants. Save them for the tennis courts.

To create this effect with the elephant pants, brogue, chunky heeled shoes would have set this style off perfectly.

If it was a financial problem that permitted her from completing this outfit properly it would have been much better to wait and wear it in its

entirety for the best effect.

6,7,8) To sum up the going style for hair — it is soft, curly with no backcombing. 6) This one may eventually be soft and curly but in its present state, who wants to know? 7) This style is outdated by a couple of years. A lot of time and effort probably went into this nest, but it is for the birds. How would you men like to run your fingers through that?

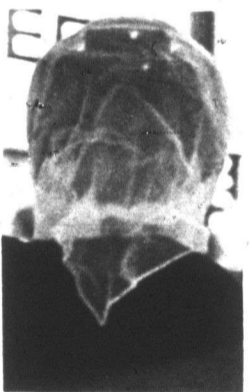
The same goes for 8) Does your hair look dull, brittle, split ends, limp, wiry . . . she would be perfect for a conditioner advertisement. She cer-

tainly has a hair problem and the comb adds to it. Blonde hair, especially, has to be cared for constantly.

This hairdo would have looked much better tied at the back with a ribbon.

These are a few resolutions to note for 1969 on how you shouldn't look.

Next time you run down to the local store, take time for a second look.



IT'S YOUR CASTLE

by Margo Gamsby

Frankly, I am sick to death of avocado green. However, it is still very much "in". Everything from ashtrays to trash cans is available in this color, so if it's for you, here are some suggestions.

Avocado teams with a surprising number of colors. Almost any pastel can be teamed with avocado. Particularly effective — celery, wheat gold, orange sherbet.

Medium tones, such as turquoise, can create an effective color scheme when co-ordinated with avo-

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cado. Combine your avocado with black, rich cocoa brown or deep burgundy for a dramatic change of pace.

Avocado green is suitable for almost any room in the house. Consider:

A living room with wall to wall carpeting in this soft shade. Add a formal white silk sofa; occasional chairs in dark green and white striped tafetta. Choose a nubby white wallpaper and echo this with similar drapery fabric, banded in avocado. Lots of white accessories and green fernery would complete a formal, yet liveable room.

Avocado teamed with pale yellow could create a warm, homey kitchen, particularly if teamed with early American cabinets and breakfast set.

Wallpaper could set the theme here, chosen in avocado, yellow, and cocoa.

Or, consider avocado for a striking guest bedroom. Choose pale, pale avocado for a lush bedspread of quilted velvet. For added impact, have it fall well onto the floor carpeted in deep burgundy broadloom. Walls could be white, except the one behind the headboard. Paper this with a mural — a delicate branch of avocado leaves and pale pink blossoms. Furniture should be light and accessories white.

So, if avocado is "your" color, go ahead. It's hard to go wrong with this accommodating color.

A paperback book "Be Your Own Interior Decorator" is available through Greywood Publishers, 365 Bannatyne Blvd., Winnipeg 2, Manitoba.