



DESTRUCTION OF SMALL BUSINESS FEARED

THE FOUNDATION of free enterprise is the opportunity to make a profit. It is that opportunity that attracts investments; those investments create jobs, they keep American business ticking. Remove that opportunity to make a profit and free enterprise is dead. This applies especially to small business.

When government encourages workers to demand higher wages, but, at the same time, refuses to permit higher prices for the commodities produced by those higher paid workers, government has taken away the opportunity to make a profit. Large business can, to some extent at least, defend itself. Small business is helpless.

Lawrence Sullivan, in Nation's Business, cites hundreds of business concerns, small, yes, but representing thousands of jobs that have been forced to close their doors, because government has denied them the opportunity to make a profit. These small business concerns were without sufficient reserve capital to carry a loss month after month, while they fought through the red tape of OPA to show the necessity of a raise in price. To the nation, and to thousands of individuals, it has represented a permanent loss in jobs, and in the production of those commodities for which there is so great a demand, and a need if we are to escape that feared inflation.

It seems all very much in line with the avowed purpose of those who would "make America over." The bureaucracy that proposes to plan for America, to regulate and regiment our business and people, has no place for small business. Their purpose is to operate big business. Small business must get out of the picture. OPA, with its control of prices, represents the heart of that bureaucracy that proposes to "make America over." It is the one greatest danger to American business. It has in the past, is now, and if congress permits, can continue to force the closing of production plants, especially the smaller ones. The bureaucratic theorists do not want to fool with the operations of small plants. Their ambition is to plan the operations of big business, but they want no small business to confuse their plans.

The time will come when big business, despite their financial reserves, will be forced to quit. Our bureaucratic theorists see that as the time government will take over. That time draws nearer each day. When it arrives our American free enterprise will be dead. We will have state socialism that will lead to a totalitarian government. We will have what they have in Russia; what failed in Germany and Italy. The government will then direct what we will produce; what workers will be employed at what jobs, for how many hours, and at what wages. Regimentation, with its detailed regulation, is more than a threat; it is nearing the stage of reality and OPA is the bureau that is fostering it.

"THE EMPLOYEES of this town are sadly underpaid. They should have an increase of as much as 50 per cent," said the big-hearted citizen. But when he was shown such an increase would cost him \$60 a year in increased taxes he had a different idea.

FRANTIC DEMAND FOR NYLON STOCKINGS

BEFORE THE WAR nylon, as a leg covering, was coming along in popular favor by American women at the cost of much expenditure for advertising. War demand for that comparatively new product suddenly created a scarcity, and nylon hosiery disappeared from store shelves. With the women it became a popular subject of conversation to bewail their inability to purchase nylons. Doing without became one of the great sacrifices women made in the war cause. All the wealth of the DuPonts, expended for advertising, could not have created such a demand for their product as has the nylon scarcity. Women who had never worn, or had scarcely heard of nylon stockings, insist on having them today. War scarcity created a demand it would have taken years of advertising to have produced. Despite all evidences to the contrary, women are not so fickle as are men, and the nylon craze following this war will last longer than did the silk shirt craze that followed World War I.

A UNITED STATES SENATOR said recently: "The people can no longer be aroused." If that is true then "government of the people, for the people" is dead.

THERE ARE SOME THORNS in that "retired" mattress that looks enticing to those who have been busy working over many years.

THE LAST REMAINING few of any generation are more to be pitied than envied. They survive in a new and strange world.

Women's World  
Tight Dress Can Be Altered  
To Fit Wearer Comfortably

By Erta Haley

Torso Jacket

A DRESS that fits you, and you alone, is good value. It will give you real pleasure every time you wear it, no matter how inexpensive or expensive it may be. But just what is meant by perfect fit, as we know it today?

A dress that fits easily at the shoulders without straining when you bend or stretch is just right for you. The shoulder seam should lie about one-quarter inch back of the center of the shoulder and be absolutely straight from neckline to sleeve. The sleeve seam should lie at the extreme edge of the shoulder.

Now, how should shoulders be padded? If you are square in the shoulders, little or no padding may be necessary. If, however, you are rounded or sloping in the shoulders, one or even two sets of pads may be necessary.

Collars should lie flat without pulling or wrinkling. If there is any tightness in sewing the collar, you can bet on its wrinkling sooner or later, particularly when the dress is washed.

That taut look around the bustline means the dress is too small, and chances are you do not look your best in it. I'll tell you how this can be remedied a little later, but in the meantime, when you buy a dress or pattern, get one that fits well across the bust. It's possible, too, that another style might be more becoming — one with fuller shoulders or more fullness in the bodice.

Waistlines, Skirts  
Sleeves Important.

Most dresses you buy will not nestle down on your natural waist line because most of us vary slightly from the average. But just where is the natural waistline? Tie a tape measure or belt around the waistline and you will find out easily. Bend slightly to the front and the tape measure will settle at the correct line.

You can also determine the size of the waistline accurately if the zip-



If your dress is too tight . . .

per slides open and shut easily with out straining. Don't try to gather in a too-large waistline with a belt. It looks untidy and you're uncomfortable. It's far better to refit the waistline.

An easy fit over the hips is a big comfort. Sit down when trying on a dress and if it doesn't ride up, you have a well fitting hipline. Length is also important. Most women are wearing their dresses just below the kneecap, but this can be varied slightly as looks best on you. Full skirts should be slightly shorter and snugly fitted skirts can be a trifle shorter than average.

Armholes must be big enough so that you feel at ease in them. When trying a dress, move the arms up and down. There should be no straining.

On long sleeves, look for the elbow easing to come right. This is at the crook of the arm.

If you have chubby arms, do not wear tight short sleeves with cuffs.



Here's how to make it fit.

These will not only make the arm look larger, but will not be comfortable.

If just the bustline is off, pieces may be added underneath the sleeves to ease the fitting, and a bolero can be made or purchased to go with the dress.

If you have a two-piece dress in



Hattie Carnegie's cosmopolitan suit is made of gray sharkskin and favors the longer torso jacket. Saddle pockets around the hips accentuate the small waist.

which you cannot make the skirt fit, you might make a darker skirt to go with the jacket. Dark skirts are very slimming with lighter colored jackets if you are full in the hips.

If you have a princess type dress or a button-front dress, try contrasting panels down the center or on the sides to add fullness. This is a good way to adjust the dress for the short, full figure.

If the waistline is too tight, and the dress too short, with no hemline to let out, consider placing a piece of contrasting colored material at the waistline. This may be set in wide or narrow as necessitated by your problem.

If the neckline is too tight, let the shoulder seam out enough to ease the strain on it. There is usually enough in the seam allowance to take care of this minor problem.

If your sleeves are too short, add crosswise bands below the elbow. Add this detail somewhere else in the dress, too, so that it will look as if it belonged.

If your skirt has stretched from wear, adjust the bagginess at the waistline.

If the skirt is too short, add a band of ruching or ruffles or braid around the hem. Several rows of gay ribbon will also do the trick. Add this detail to the sleeves, too.

Stitching Pointers

Mercerized thread is recommended for most sewing because it is strongest and easiest to use. Select the color of thread by matching closely to fabric.

Use correct needle and thread sizes and test on a piece of material before attempting to stitch the garment.

Fine, sharp-pointed needles are best for pinning. In pinning rayon and taffeta, take care not to mark up the fabric from pinning.

Adjust the tension to suit the fabric and test on a scrap before sewing the garment. Generally speaking, a tighter tension is more suitable for sheerer fabrics, a looser tension for heavier fabrics.

Stitch with paper underneath the fabric when working with sheer materials. This provides a firm sewing base and prevents slipping.

When you have completed as many single seams as possible, get out the ironing board and press them out. Seams should be pressed before sewing other parts together.

Press each bit of binding and facing after basting, and sometimes before and after to assure smooth fitting. They will be much easier to machine stitch if the fabric is pressed and seams are straight.

Summer Fashion Notes

Long full peplums and skirt draperies are a high fashion note these days as the fullness over the abdomen movement gathers strength.

It's often been said that most women can wear blue. So, no matter what your type, you'll be seeing plenty of all types of blues, but particularly blues that match the color of skies and seas.

Look for the South American influence in play clothes and gay cottons. They have a real south-of-the-border flavor.

If you have any lace tucked away in the attic, now is the time to take it out. Lace is appearing at the neckline, on sleeve cuffs, pocket trimmings and even hems. This is one of dips fashion is taking into prewar era of the first war.



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Congress Lacks Courage To Solve Our Problems

I WALKED ACROSS the broad, beautiful lawns of Lafayette park with its century-old trees, toward the White House. The fountain playing in the foreground beyond the high iron fence, flowers in bloom, sun bright, peaceful, as traffic rolled leisurely up and down Pennsylvania avenue. I flashed my pass at the gate, and the guard waved me up the paved driveway toward the White House press room.

It wasn't a good press conference. I felt sorry for the President, a little embarrassed. For here he was, heading the world's most powerful nation . . . the world's biggest government . . . the world's only great Democracy and he was, figuratively, wringing his hands.

Why was he wringing his hands? There is only one answer. Because the world's most powerful nation, the world's biggest government and the world's only great Democracy is not united behind him. Our power is being clipped and hacked until other nations who stood shoulder to shoulder with us are fearful. Our legislative branch of the government is cringing, supine, and there is not a vestige of leadership apparent on either side of the political fence. What little legislation that is enacted is shot-gun legislation, worse than none.

And our great Democracy, under test at this moment as never before in history . . . watched by the rest of the world . . . is apparently futile, running in circles, seemingly rudderless . . . without unity, tacking this way and that with every gust of a wifitl wind.

Selfishness in Saddle

Why? Because personal selfishness is rampant . . . because arrogant labor leaders grasp at moments of national opportunity to seek more power . . . because members of congress are afraid to face facts . . . because farmers refuse to sell grain at parity prices even when their government offers a bonus, to feed starving fellow human beings . . . because ranchers and cattle raisers sell meat to the black market so they can get more than ceiling prices . . . because every mother's son of us will buy from the black market or any place else in our scramble to get what we want when we want it . . . because manufacturers withhold goods from market waiting for inflation prices . . . because industrial and business leaders grab the opportunity created by selfishness of labor leaders to penalize all labor . . . because congress, stung, as John L. Lewis single-handed, defies the government and slows up the reconversion program in his grab for power and money, fiddles and "deliberates" . . . because business men in their mad grab for more money would tear away the last vestige of controls for a shibboleth they have named "free enterprise" and which is not freedom but license—and so we are quarreling and squabbling and stumbling and staggering . . . and the world which looked toward this nation as the hope of the world . . . the one great, firm rock . . . now gasps with amazement and horror, their hopes rapidly fading.

'And We Jitterbug'

We have wealth, the productive capacity in field and factory, the raw materials, the manpower, the know-how, the consumer demand, the world demand, we have everything including the amputees, the soul weary veterans, the lame and half-wounded, the hospitalized victims of a world war . . . and we have the ideal for which they fought and a quarter of a million of them died. We have the atomic bomb with which a wavering congress is afraid to deal . . . and all humanity fears a craven man with a gun in his hand . . . and we jitterbug.

We are deadlocked everywhere along every front . . . our secretary of state makes commitments and our congress knocks the props from under him and from under our veterans and members of the armed forces. If congress had deliberately set out to sabotage and hamstring our foreign policy they could have done nothing more injurious than what they did do by voting their own personal selfishness on the selective service bill, responding to election year pressures.

At this particular time in the world's history there is no substitute for strength and this most powerful nation is showing nothing but weakness . . . all brought about by personal selfishness and intolerance.

And when you watch this thing first hand . . . as it is unfolded here in Washington, it is not a pretty thing to see, nor to contemplate. Are we going to let the rest of the world down . . . are we going to let ourselves down . . . for what is happening is there for all to see . . . it's in your town and on your farm and it's here in Washington.



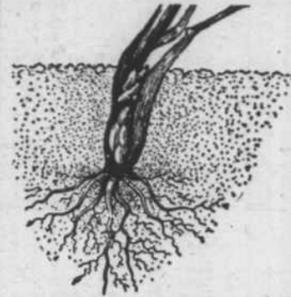
Hessian Fly Always Troublesome Factor

Proper Sowing Dates Protects Winter Wheat

By W. J. Dryden

Until recently little damage has resulted to spring wheat from the hessian fly. With winter wheat it has been another question.

In the past two years several states have reported outbreaks



Hessian fly maggots beneath leaf sheath in the soil.

among spring wheat. After a succession of cool seasons with good rainfall several outbreaks were reported. At the North Dakota experiment station it was found that the Mida variety of wheat showed a high degree of resistance to the hessian fly. The Mida was not immune to the hessian fly, but its resistance was strong enough to make loss negligible.

Kansas State college found that the Pawnee is highly resistant to the hessian fly in that district. Other strains have been developed in other states.

With winter wheat, the USDA has determined the fly injury may be avoided by safe sowing dates. These dates range from September 16 in the latitude of central Michigan to October 27 in that of central Georgia. The exact safe date in any locality may be determined from state agricultural specialists.

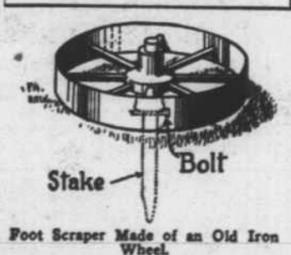
Portable Saw Aids Pasture Expansion



Converting waste brush and timberland into profitable green pastures is an important job being performed by new portable power saws developed in the southwest as an aid to farmers whose land is covered by undesirable undergrowth.

In field operation the cutting blade is horizontal. For cutting logs to length, the blade can be raised to a vertical position. The Kraft Foods company are assisting farmers by making the portable saw available on a loan basis. By this plan they hope to assist dairy farmers to produce more milk on available acreage.

Wheel Foot Scraper



Foot Scraper Made of an Old Iron Wheel.

This type of foot scraper utilizing an old wheel with a somewhat broad rim. The wheel is slipped over one end of a round stake which has in turn been driven into the ground. About two inches from the top end of the stake a hole should be bored and a bolt thrust through to keep the wheel off the ground, allowing it to rotate and always present a clean edge.

Vitamin Deficiency May Cause Pink Eye

Lack of vitamin A, brought about by long periods of drought or lack of green feeds often causes keratitis, or pink eye, to occur in range and pasture cattle. The condition may also be caused by injury to the eye which becomes infected with the normal staphylococci and diphtheria. Treatments suggested include milk eye antiseptic and astringents. The cattle should be kept away from dust during treatment.

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