

The Evening Chit-Chat

By RUTH CAMERON



Are you a collector? Not necessarily of stamps or birds' eggs or any of the conventional things, but just of something? If you aren't you are missing one of the sources of happiness that life has to offer.

Jewels five words long That on the stretched forefinger of all time Sparkle forever. Why, I wonder, do so few people have the scrapbook habit nowadays? In our grandmothers' day I think every woman had a scrapbook. Most of us have one of those books still tucked away in a drawer or cupboard—dead, time-yellowed old things, filled with clippings from "The Ladies Repository" and "Every Saturday," and pages of copying done in the sweet old-fashioned writing that seems almost to exude a faint fragrance of rose leaves and Sweet William and musketteer from its quaint slants and curves.

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HOUSEHOLD NOTES.

Towels should be perfectly dry before they are placed in the linen closet, or mold is liable to form upon them and cause skin diseases.

Neuralgia may be often relieved by applying a cloth saturated with essence of peppermint to the seat of the pain and leaving it there.

To keep tulips, used as table decorations, from opening wide a tiny bit of wax should be dropped onto the calyx of each of the flowers.

Bent whalebone, the genuine article, may be straightened by soaking before used in boiling water a few minutes and then ironing it straight.

If mutton chops simmer in just a little water on the back of the stove before being broiled or fried, the flavor will be quite like lamb chops.

For a slightly and tasty addition in the salad, sprinkle it lightly with finely-minced green pepper or finely-shredded pistachio nuts.

Chiropodists say that a shoe that will not allow the great toe to lie in a straight line should not be worn if it is desired to avoid bunions.

It is wise to break eggs one at a time into a cup and to transfer each one as it is broken. Then, if one proves bad, the whole dish will not be spoiled.

A very weak solution of ammonia water is excellent for cleaning a diamond. It should be applied to the under side, and will make it very brilliant.

WALKING SUIT OF SERGE



A natty little suit of blue serge is sketched above. The coat is very long, reaching quite to the skirt hem in the back. The extreme plainness of the collarless neck and the front of the coat is relieved only by motifs of self-tone silk braid simulating buttons and button holes. The coat has a cuirass-like body, the bottom of which is also ornamented with these motifs of braid. The sleeves are long, close-fitting and absolutely untrimmed. The skirt also is perfectly plain. With this is worn a hat of rough blue straw, surmounted by a wreath of pale yellow roses.

Women's Evening Home Page

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Miss Bleeker Reid will have as her charming guests, Misses Louise Bahnon, of Winston-Salem, and Mary Bell, of Lexington. Miss Bahnon will arrive to-night and Miss Bell to-morrow night.

A series of informal membership meetings will be held at the Young Women's Christian Association each Thursday afternoon in March. The first is scheduled for this afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock. Mrs. Edward Scott and Mrs. H. H. Straub, of the social committee, are to be in charge with the board of directors. The members whose names begin with A, B, C and D have been invited for this afternoon, but any friend of the association will be most welcome. Misses Elisabeth Chambers, Helen and Anna Forbes Liddell will assist at the table.

Mrs. J. E. Kavanaugh, of Winston-Salem, will be the guest of honor at a bridge party given by her sister, Mrs. Paul Chatham to-morrow afternoon.

Charlotte hasn't a more delightful hostess than Mrs. Chatham and her parties are always looked forward to with delight.

The many friends of Mrs. Vinton Liddell will regret to learn that her attractive little daughter, Miss Vinton Liddell, is quite sick with measles. She has just recovered from an illness which occurred in the winter and is now being quarantined with measles seems hardly fair.

Mr. John S. Blake and daughter, Miss Beatrice Blake, leave to-night for Florida and Cuba. They will spend a month or more on the trip and anticipate a most delightful time.

Mrs. Plato T. Durham, of Concord, will arrive in the city to-morrow to spend a week or more with Miss May Courtney Oates, on South Tryon street.

Miss B. B. Coleman, of Roanoke, is spending the day in the city as a guest of the Selwyn Hotel.

Miss Myrtle Irwin has returned to her home in this city after a visit of several weeks with her sister, Mrs. J. Virgil Sims, of Raleigh.

Mrs. J. R. Potts, of Savannah, will arrive in the city next week from Oxford, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. N. E. Cannady. Mrs. Potts will be the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Lawrence on Tenth avenue.

Mrs. Eugene Reiley arrived home this morning from Baltimore where she was called on account of the illness and death of Mr. Reiley's sister, Miss Florence Reiley who had been failing steadily for some time. Mr. Reiley was in the far South and could not reach Baltimore. Mr. Eugene H. Reiley accompanied the remains to St. Louis, Miss Reiley's former home.

Mrs. Clarence E. Mason arrived home this month from Atlanta where she has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Thomas A. Capps.

Mrs. J. R. Barxell and little daughter, Mary, of Rock Hill, are spending the day in the city.

Miss Annie Hamrick, of Caroleen, will arrive in the city Saturday and will be the guest of the Misses Harrill on Jackson avenue, Piedmont Park.

Misses Christine and Emily Tompkins will arrive in the city this evening and spend a few days here as the guests of Mr. D. A. Tompkins at the Selwyn Hotel.

Mrs. W. E. Nichols, of Chester, and Miss Edith McLean, of Gastonia, are spending the day in the city shopping.

The Woman's Club held its regular monthly meeting at the Carnegie Library this morning at 11 o'clock. Mrs. C. C. Hook presided. There were three amendments to the constitution adopted, namely: One business meeting a month when here and there were two; the dues were raised to two dollars a year; and the third amendment was that the chairman of each department of the club must present a budget to the club at the last executive meeting.

It was decided to have another "tag day" for the Carnegie Library. The last day of April was the date named.

Mrs. E. P. Tingley was elected a delegate to the bi-annual meeting in Cincinnati in May. Mrs. W. L. Nicholson and Mrs. Charles McManaway attended.

Mrs. Charles C. Hook as president will attend.

A marriage of interest to a large circle of friends occurred yesterday afternoon when Miss Edna Lee Cosby became the bride of Mr. Claude E. Jarvis, of Winston-Salem. The wedding was celebrated at the home of the bride, 10th Avenue Presbyterian church, Rev. A. R. Shaw, the pastor, performing the ceremony.

The bride is well known in Charlotte, where she has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Pettus for the past year and Winston-Salem is her former home. The groom is a popular young man in his home town where he holds quite an important position with the Salem Iron Works. Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis will make their future home in Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Dorenemus have gone to Florida to spend sometime. Mr. Dorenemus is suffering with rheumatism and goes to a warmer climate hoping to be benefited.

Mrs. William A. Reynolds has returned from Richmond, Va., where she spent some time with her father, Mr. T. Morgan, at her old home. Mrs. Reynolds also attended the marriage of her sister, Miss Maude Morgan, to Mr. Robert Cabell, which took place at the Morgan home February 24.

Miss Eldora Ross is out after a rather severe attack of grip.

The Cheldon Book Club will not

hold its regular meeting this week but will meet next Friday with Mrs. John Carson, on South Tryon street.

Mrs. O. F. Gregory arrived in the city last night from Charleston and is the delightful guest of Mrs. B. F. Witters at her home on East avenue.

Mrs. Gregory says that every spot in Charlotte is sacred to her on account of the love her father had for the city and her people. Mrs. Gregory will leave to-morrow morning for Staunton, Va. Her friends regret that her stay here is so brief.

Miss Helen Rhym of Mt. Holly, is spending a few days in the city with friends.

Miss Lillian Keestler, of Farmville, Va., is the guest of Mrs. Herbert Macdonald in Dilworth.

Miss Nan Erwin, who is the guest of Mrs. J. J. Hutchinson at her home

on West Hill street, will return to her home in Asheville Monday.

Mrs. George W. Graham left this morning for Greensboro, Ala., where she will spend a month as the guest of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. W. C. Tunstall.

Dr. Graham accompanied her as far as Atlanta and will return to the city to-morrow morning.

Miss Sarah Cheshire, who has been spending the week here as the guest of the Misses Nash, on North Church street, will leave to-morrow for Hillsboro to visit relatives before returning home in Raleigh.

Miss Josephine Timlow, of Washington, arrived in the city this morning and is a guest at the Selwyn Hotel.

Mr. R. S. Busbee and son, Master Simmons Clarkson Busbee, are spending the day in Concord as the guest of Mrs. Irwin A. Brown.

The managers of the Alexander Rescue Home held an important meeting in the parlors of the Second Presbyterian church this morning.

There were 11 applications, the children all being from the city. Needless to say they were admitted as the good women of this organization never turn away a helpless child if accommodation can possibly be provided.

SOME FASHIONS IN DRESSING THE HAIR

The coiffure was originally designed to suit the turban hats, but instead of being worn with the hat only it now appears on every occasion. Indeed, the reigning style at present is the "swirl," and every one wears it who can manage to stretch the hair to the required length.

It is a perfectly natural sequence of events that the present love of the barbaric should extend to the top of the head and the designers here are their utmost to provide fitting ornaments for the mop coiffure. Huge square and round topped shell pins could not be too elaborate for the great heads of hair, so the modern woman must perforce pocket her pride and pay for the hair gown on the heads of European peasants.

As a last word in regard to false hair, both in the modern woman's hair and in the modern woman's hair, it is worth noting that in looking well at all times, there may be procured little caps of dainty lace edged with a ruff of artificial curls. These novelties are intended for a madame to wear when she is ill, too ill, indeed, to even have her hair properly arranged. The lace, usually baby Irish, allows the head to remain cool and comfortable, while the little curls will be crisp and becoming, even if the bed is flanked by attendant nurses and anxious doctors.

FOLLOW RULES AND AVOID BOTHER OF LOST MAIL

Etiquette and reason combine to make very positive rules as to addressing envelopes that contain letters and notes. According to a recent report of the post office department more than 13,000,000 pieces of mail matter went astray last year, most of which, if not all, was due to careless addressing.

Under no circumstances must "freak" addresses be used. The name comes first and it should be written in full, or at least, with initials, in case the street number may be wrong. Street and number follow, the number being the first on the second line.

Nothing should be left to the intelligence of the postmen, not that these men are dull, but they have no time to speculate and decide what post office is intended.

There is a fad in society now for omitting both city and state names when formal notes are posted to be delivered, in the same place.

Society's reason for this is to give the impression that the note was delivered by hand, always smarter than through the post. But inasmuch as the stamp must be used the illusion cannot be carried out very successfully.

Under no circumstances is it good form to put the stamp anyway but on the upper right corner, and care must be taken to do this exactly, not only because the envelope appears better, but because stamps are carried by machinery designed to strike always in that part of the envelope.

If the stamp is not there the machine must be stopped and specially operated. Under postal regulations twelve hours' delay in sending may be the penalty for failure to observe the rule.

On important letters and all parcels put the name of the sender and the address in case they cannot be delivered.

The post office department requests that this shall be done, for it saves a lost article from going to the dead letter office as it can be returned to the sender if occasion requires.

It is not good form to put the address on the back of an envelope instead of the front, a bad sometimes aided by young girls who are careless.

Nor should parcels be addressed on both sides, because only one is stamped, and names on both oblige the postman to turn it from side to side to find that on which are the stamps. One side is sufficient.

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LITTLE PROBLEMS OF LOVE AND MARRIAGE

AN ANSWER TO UNHAPPY WIFE.

BY BARBARA BOYD.



I seem to be the general impression that the whole duty of keeping the home happy rests upon the wife. She is to smile and to smile a smile that will make her husband always the things he likes best to eat, and in every other way possible to keep the sun ever shining.

But it is just as much the husband's part to help make the home happy as the wife's. It is just as necessary that he should be bright and cheerful and do the things essential to her happiness as it is for her to play this part. One person alone cannot make the home happy if the other does not co-operate. The blithest little bride in the world cannot keep the home sunny if the husband is surly, grouchy or continuously ill-tempered.

However, every bride does want to do her part, and to do it well. What, then, are her chief aids? In the first place, the requirements of each home need individual study. In one the wife may need to combat a bad temper in her husband. Then her first care should be to avoid all causes of friction and quarrels. Another man may be stingy or make a hobby of economy. If he does not carry it too far, she can humor him in this. Another may want things gay and cheerful and plenty of company. It is a problem for each bride to study.

But some general aids there are that will be of help to all. The chief of these is the husband's happiness maker in a home is such a great, unselfish love that the husband feels it underlies every moment and every act of life. If he knows that his wife's first thought is for his happiness and the home's welfare, it is an inspiration and a wellspring of joy. And such love will blossom out into all the little things and big things of life that will make the home happy.

An even, sunny temper on the part of the bride is a great aid to happiness in the new home. The woman who has sufficient self-control not to lose her temper or to get ruffled or excited no matter what happens will keep things running pretty smoothly in the home. She is equal to emergencies, whether it is an unexpected

guest her husband brings home to dinner or a cook departing without warning. Health is a tremendous factor in the happiness of the home. A woman should bend all her energies to keeping well. Ill-health at six or seven, means a house all the time, and the happiness of the home. On the other hand, a bright, cheerful, a vitality that can be bright and amusing in the evening, when the husband comes home, despite the day's work—all mean a happy household. A man does not look forward to a bright, cheerful wife, where his meals will be well cooked, daintily served, where he can smoke, or cards, or the spirit moves him. He likes to feel, too, that he is special, a friend home without a special announcement and yet be sure of a cheery welcome and a good meal. He likes a home where men friends are sure of a good time. The man who has a home like this doesn't go off to clubs for amusement.

Neatness and economy are, of course, necessary. Even if the means permit servants, a bride should know enough about housekeeping to make a good job, and, if necessary, to do the work herself. She should know how to buy judiciously, and to get the value of her money. This knowledge is most essential to the happiness of the home. Lack of it has caused more shipwrecks than almost anything else. Money extravagantly and unwisely spent for food and clothing, meals poorly cooked; food wasted—these are the things that play havoc in the average home. The bride who desires happiness in the new home should look well to these practical details, for, though they may be humdrum and commonplace, they are a large part of it.

And when one gets away from the practical details of housekeeping, control, sympathy, tact, self-control are all factors in the making of happiness. But it is as necessary for the husband to exercise these qualities as for the wife. The neatness, the order, the management of the home depend primarily upon the wife when it comes to supplying its atmosphere. The husband must help make sunshine as well as she.

DAILY DIET HINTS.

BY DR. T. J. ALLEN.

FRUIT AS SOURCE OF ENERGY.

Carbon, in the form of starch, fat or sugar, is the chief source of muscular energy and heat, which may be stored for future use as fat. The best source of energy is fruit sugar, as found in the banana, raisin, late, fig, etc., though bread, rice and potatoes are more largely used with us. Fruit sugar digests much more readily than starch or meat. Bananas go well with cream or rice, or nuts, but not with meat. Fruit contains little albumen, but on account of its easy digestion, is especially suited to the evening meal or to the invalid. Children, a give a special rate to grape sugar and its natural form is in fruits, but improper mixing should be carefully avoided.

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RIDE WITH STORK RISES IN COST

Price of Being Born is \$25 to \$50 Higher Than Ten Years Ago in New York—Special Rates for Twins and Triplets Explained. NEW YORK, March 3.—Feeble persons who have been complaining about the increased cost of living will be asked to press the soft pedal and be thankful that they are here when they learn that it costs from \$25 to \$50 more to be born now than it did ten years ago. The chances are they wouldn't be here to murmur if they had to pay the excessive initiation fee that is being charged nowadays. In common with everything else, the fare from fairyland to New York has gone up by leaps and bounds until Stork & Co., passenger agents for this line, are seriously thinking of making a protest to the public service commission. Ten years ago a ticket which landed you on earth cost \$15, with a few dollars extra for the services of a white-capped conductor, but now the surgeon who acts as a reception committee for the new member demands from \$50 to \$75. Thousands of infants can't afford the trip. The increased expense in a manner accounts for the number of twins and triplets. Stork & Co. give a special rate to parties of two or more. The increased rates prevail in all parts of the city except the great East Side, where the infants get together and refused to stand for the increase. Friends of the babies are up in arms and intend to take up the matter with Colonel Roosevelt or let them return from Africa. They say that it is a blow at the most important of our infant industries. Many causes enter into the increased cost according to physicians interviewed to-day. The principal reason is that more attention is paid to these cases than ten years ago.

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