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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT THE JOB AND THE MAN

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CHARITY

F all some five or six years we have had a riot of charity appeals. There have been drives for this and campaigns for that—tag days and all other kinds of days.

Rightly the people have responded with promptness and generosity to all the appeals, touching the bottoms of their pockets occasionally when the drives came very close together and always giving something, however little they were interested in the cause.

The war was responsible for the most of the appeals. But the war is, technically at least, over, and it would seem as if there ought to be a let-up and a good breathing spell so that pocketbooks may recover and charities get down to a normal basis.

Charity ought to mean something to the giver as well as to the receiver. Real charity means giving real help. Money is frequently a long way from being the best thing that you can give to a poor and suffering individual.

If you saw a man in a pit and all his efforts to get out were unsuccessful, you would scarcely be doing him any very great service by flinging a dollar down into the pit with him.

Nor would it be the best thing to get down in the pit yourself.

The best thing to do is provide the man a way out of his predicament—a way to better himself—a way to get up on a level with his fellow man.

It was not the amount of money that the Good Samaritan spent that made his name a synonym for generous charity. It was the fact that when he saw the man who had been down to Jericho lying by the roadside "he went to him and bound up his wounds and set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn and took care of him."

There are too many of us who are generous with our dollars and misers with our smiles. We spend a dollar where a hearty good cheer, a message of encouragement, a little thoughtfulness would do a good deal more to help those to whom we intend to extend aid.

Charity which lessens the self-respect of the one helped is badly bestowed.

A loaf of bread given in such a way that the receiver thinks less of himself than he did before he received it is an injury rather than a help.

Better, he had lingered a little longer until his bread could have been obtained without cost to his manhood. There is a good deal of misdirected charity in this world. We give to suf-

THE WOODS

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

CHILDREN OF THE SPRING.

WHAT means the Spring to you?—
The tree, the bloom, the grass;
Wine fields to wander through;
A primrose path to pass;
Bright sun, and skies of blue;

The song of singing streams;
The rippling river side
Awakening from dreams;
Fair-haired and azure-eyed—
Oh, thus the Springtime seems.

Yet not for such as you
She comes with song and voice,
Tis not for such as you
She makes the heart rejoice,
She comes with skies of blue.

Spring's children are the ill—
Tis these she comes to cheer;
Upon the window-sill,
Within the chamber dear,
She sits her song to trill.

On narrow cots they lie
Within the quiet room,
Their sky a square of sky
Cut from the inner gloom,
From dreary walls and light.

Spring means so much to these,
The prisoners a-bed—
The perfume of the breeze,
The bird-song overhead,
The echoes melodies.

The window open wide—
Behold the Spring is here!
No more the countryside
Is dim and dark and drear;
Now stronger runs the dear.

The pale and patient wife,
Her babe upon her breast,
Forgets the night, the knife,
And sleeps the sleep of rest,
Awakening to life.

The old, the very old,
Behold in budding Spring
Another year unfold—
And life, a tinsel thing,
Is turned again to gold.

And e'en the empty cot,
Whose Spring has come too late,
The one who now is not,
The one who could not wait,
The Spring has not forgot.

For, see! the Springtime stands
Our drooping eyes to raise
To fair and shining strands;
The Springtime comes and lays
A lily in his hands.

pers far away and close our eyes to those near at hand.

We give for show—from the pocket rather than from the heart.

We no infrequently make conditions worse instead of better by giving without understanding.

Do not think this is an argument against charity. It is not. It is an argument for wise charity.

Give as much as you can. Give as often as you can.

The wife was a noble gift for the widow, but unless you are a widow do not take that as the basis for your contribution.

But give wisely. See that a wholesome, useful and helpful application is made of your donations and the world will be better and you will be better for having helped your fellow man.

But please all be generous of your kind words, of your smiles, and of your encouragement. It is impossible to misgiver them. You can be sure they are certain to help and you can be equally certain that they will in no instance and under no circumstances work a harm.

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THE ROMANCE OF WORDS

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SCHOOL DAYS



THE GIRL ON THE JOB

How to Succeed—How to Get Ahead—How to Make Good
By JESSIE ROBERTS

DOMESTIC SERVICE

DOMESTIC service is getting to be so well paid that women who a short time ago would have scorned it as utterly beneath them are beginning to look toward it with a growing affection. Domestic science is being taught in most communities, and the graduates increase every year. Most of these girls, after their training, go into institutional and hotel work, into teaching, into hospital service, set up ten and lunch shops, and follow allied lines. But positions like these are not always immediately available. Put domestic cooking in the same class,

Mother's Cook Book

1. Will look sometimes about me for the things that most please.
 1. Will search for hidden beauties that while the granular's gaze.
 1. Will try to find contentment in the paths that I must tread.
 1. Will cease to have resentment when another moves ahead.
- Branan Weesly.

MEALS FOR A DAY.

IF a chicken dish, sometime on a special occasion you may like to try: **Chicken Fillets With Almond Sauce.** Sprinkle two chicken fillets with salt, a little pepper and a few grains of cayenne. Dip in olive oil and cook in a hot frying pan until delicately brown. Add to the pan one cupful of equal parts of white sauce and cream. When hot thicken further with two tablespoonsful of flour rubbed to a paste with an equal quantity of olive oil or cream. Stir until the sauce boils, then add one-half cupful of thinly sliced almonds.

Almond Sponge Cake.

Blanch and pound in a mortar one ounce of sweet and one ounce of bitter almonds. Pound them two at a time, adding a few drops of water or white of egg to prevent the nuts from boiling. When a smooth paste, add the yolks of five eggs alternately with one cupful of powdered sugar. Then add one cupful of flour, sifted with two teaspoonsful of baking powder. Lastly, fold in the stiffly beaten whites and bake as for angel food.

Banana Pie.

Take one cupful of sifted banana pulp, one-half cupful of sugar, one cupful of milk, grated rind and juice of half a lemon, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-third teaspoonful of cinnamon, one egg and one-third of a cupful of cream. Mix all together and bake in a pastry-lined pie plate.

Nellie Maxwell
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THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

These questionings of Destiny
Do naught excepting weary us.
I don't care why things are at all—
It's nice to feel mysterious.



LEE'S LITTLE JESTS



REVERSING THINGS.

The end of the baseball season was drawing near and, as had been the custom, the team from the local police force and a team from one of the lodges in town were playing their annual game of ball. A citizen who owned a fast motorcar was "Cups." The wagers of the star were at bat. Jim Clancy, a special cop, had connected with a slow one. Hich went short. It was a close play.

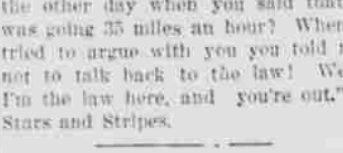
"You're out!" yelled the ump.

"What? I was safe a mile," said Clancy.

"I said you're out," repeated the ump with emphasis, as he started toward his place back of the pitcher.

Clancy said something about roofer, and needing games, when the umpire turned.

"Say, Clancy," he said, "remember the other day when you said that I was going 35 miles an hour? When I tried to argue with you you told me not to talk back to the law! Well, I'm the law here, and you're out!"—Stars and Stripes.



NO NEED TO ECONOMIZE

Wifey—John, do you spell "graphic" with one "r" or two?

Hubby—Well, my dear, you may as well use two if you are going to use any.

Wise Guy.

"The silent man's no fool," said Fern. "He knows what he's about. He thinks mistakes like other men but doesn't blurt them out."

The Dining Room Strategist.

"I suppose the head waiter makes such an ostentatious parade of politeness toward you in order to show his appreciation of your liberal tip."

"I don't think that's precisely it," replied Mr. Cassius Cheeks. "He wants to make the contrasts as striking as possible when he gives the lick glare to somebody who neglects to come across."

Translated into Prose.

Hicks—I must say I don't approve of half of those new woman activities. Every man wants to keep his wife close to the fireside.

Mrs. Hicks (firmly)—You mean, the cook stove.

Nothing Much.

"What's in your traveling bag?" asked the customs officer of the demure damsel.

"Oh, nothing," said the maid, "just some week-end wearing apparel."



SMALL MATTER

Patient: Say buddy that razor pulls something awful.

Barber: That's all right sir I can make out.

Several Raisins.

How famous is the raisin,
With its kick of ten per cent.
But the thing that hurts the tenant,
Is the raisin of the rent.

The Housing Problem.

"Why don't you leave your husband?"

"I have no place to go."

"Go back to mother."

"Mother is looking for a flat herself."

Proved the Point.

"It says here that there is more strength in eggs than in meat," remarked the old fogey.

"That's right," commented the grouch. "I have known eggs to be so strong that you couldn't go near them."

Family Portraits.

"Are those family portraits?"

"They are," replied Mr. Cumrox. "I don't know whose family they used to belong to, but I expect 'em to belong to mine for generations to come."

Friendly Advice.

"I don't know anything about cooking."

"Well?"

"So we're going to live largely on bread and cheese and kisses, and some of our meals we'll take out."

"Don't take the kisses out."

Easy With Him.

"There's one thing I don't like about that man."

"Only one?" retorted the other knocker. "You are letting him down easy."

ROAD BUILDING

SEES NEED OF FEDERAL AID

Road Congress Favors Creation of Highway Transportation Bureau—Roads Lead to Wealth.

Creation of a permanent national bureau of transportation, together with continuance of state organizations, has been recommended as one of the most important steps in the work of construction. Without attempting to seize any credit for themselves, it is the opinion of highway advocates that such investigations as had been undertaken in the several states of the Union had disclosed an unappreciated economic need for the continuance of the work which has for its basis elimination of waste effort in transportation, with a resultant decrease of living costs, as an immediate development of the vast potential resources of the nation now lying dormant for want of means of conveyance.

As a result of the deliberations of a meeting in Chicago the committee went on record as favoring these points: The enactment by congress of an amendment to the present federal aid road act, which would provide \$200,000,000 for work on the roads of the United States during the next seven years; the creation of a federal highway commission of five skilled engineers who should have charge of the expenditure of this fund in conference with the highway commissioners of the various states; the construction of a national system of highways, the location of which is to be determined by the commission and the supervision of which is to remain in charge of the state highway departments, and, finally, changes in the present federal aid act which would do away with the restrictions now limiting federal aid to roads on 70 per cent of the mileage of which there is post delivery and of the limitation of \$10,000 per mile under federal aid.

Reports from all sections of the country showed that it has been possible to bring about a very marked increase in marketing through improved transportation wherever the road would stand the traffic. The conclusions reached were that all that is necessary today to add untold wealth

to the resources of the country, together with an enormously stimulated production of all kinds of supplies, is a road system which will not only open up the virgin territories of the West and South, but which will quicken the pulse of trade in the most congested districts of the East, where the casual observer might believe that traffic has been fully developed, but which close students say could be geared up to a remarkable extent through efficient use of the highways.

In standing by the creation of a federal road commission, the officials of the body expressed their belief in the feeling, now generally prevalent throughout the United States among road men, that the time has come when transportation on the highways is deserving of more substantial recognition than that accorded it as a bureau, while it has been as efficient as the limitations of the law has permitted, would be dignified if elevated to the rank of a commission, and would make possible representation of the United States with their diverse needs.

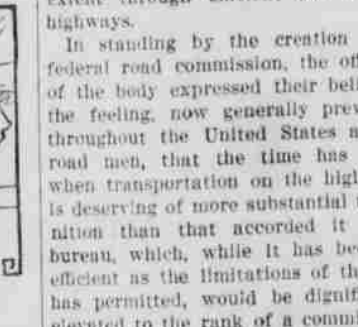
As for the future of the highways transport committee, the work already done by the voluntary organizations has opened such a vast field for research in the economic life of the country that it is believed this work should be continued as a branch under the proposed road commission by salaried men who should be experts in the field, and who would give all of their time to a close development of the problems which the present committee has thus far only had time to uncover.



As to colors, they are gay indeed; vivid greens, bright reds, pinks, tomatos and tangerines, blues, and many tones of tan and brown. And the same time black hats are featured, chiefly of tulle, lisse, hemp and horsehair.

All sorts of flower and fruit, and even vegetable trimmings, are to be found; grapes, currants and cherries being the most popular fruits. Solid flower turbans are shown, while chantly lace and colophane are employed to fashion toques for dinner and evening wear.

Feathers are also used this spring, and as a rule droop instead of standing upright.



So, too, the word sport applies truthfully to the tailored and semi-tailored blouses and shirts of mannish wash silk that many business and college girls affect and to the more decorative and more feminine snoods and overblouses, for is not serviceability, quite as much as style, a dominant note of these well-established garments?

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GOOD ROADS OF IMPORTANCE

Developed into National Problem and Deserves Thoughtful Consideration of Citizens.

The question of good roads is of national importance. It used to be discussed in local townships; it grew to be a county question, then a state problem, and now it has assumed national importance and deserves the thoughtful consideration of every citizen.

Opening of Possibilities.

The wide use of the motor truck—something which has surprised some of the anti-road legislators of other days—has been responsible for opening the possibilities of countrywide road development to us.

Urge Liberal Appropriations.

Farmers who used to combat excessive road levies are now owners of automobiles, and they lead in urging liberal appropriations by both state and nation for road building.

NEW SPRING MILLINERY

Fabric Foundation Is Feature of Seasonable Headgear.

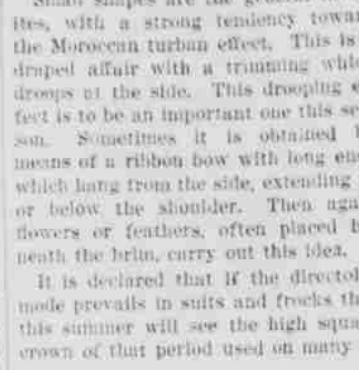
Etamine, Loose Mesh Cotton Material, Resembling Batavia Cloth, Is One of the Latest.

The new millinery which has already made its appearance this spring has usually some sort of a fabric foundation such as satin, tulle, tulle or crepe de chine. Another fabric which is new to the season is a loose mesh cotton called etamine, somewhat resembling batavia cloth.

The mesh is so open that ribbons are often run through it, giving the effect of embroidery. Colored fabrics from Japan are also used. In fact, there is quite a vogue for things oriental, and Japanese embroideries are seen on many a smart shape. Sport hats which are trimmed in this manner are generally accompanied by a scarf and handbag to match.

Small shapes are the general favorites, with a strong tendency toward the Moroccan turban effect. This is a draped affair with a trimming which droops to the side. This drooping effect is to be an important one this season. Sometimes it is obtained by means of a ribbon bow with long ends which hang from the side, extending to or below the shoulder. Then again flowers or feathers, often placed beneath the brain, carry out this idea.

It is declared that if the directive mode prevails in suits and frocks that this summer will see the high square crown of that period used on many of



WIDE RANGE OF SPORT TOGS

Name Applies to General, Practical Clothes—Smart Apparel That Adds to Milady's Charm.



The word sport as now applied to clothes covers a wide range of apparel. No longer can this term be taken to describe those clothes to be worn on golf links and for other outdoor recreations. Sport clothes are general, practical clothes—the smart, serviceable clothes that make a girl or a woman look spick and span, trim and businesslike.

This type of tailored and semi-tailored apparel is admirably suited to the American woman and her activities, and it is unquestionably this quality of appropriateness that has, more than anything else, helped to establish sport clothes in this broad and general way.

Our everyday tailored suit and the topcoat that proves such an ideal addition to this outfit when emergency demands are sport clothes in their well-tailored, well-cut development, in the simplicity of their designs and the excellence of the material of which they are made.

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Behold the Dashing Sash!

Latest Embellishment for Milady's Gown About Three Yards, When Bought Ready Made.

Enter the sash! It has made its bow, and from the immense applause at its entrance, it promises to be on the boards for some time. By this is meant, not the sash which is of self-material and finishes off a great many of those new low-bosomed frocks, but its more brilliant cousin, the separate sash, that is bought or made separately, to be treated as a pet accessory for wearing with several costumes, or as several sashes for one costume.

It is long, about three yards, when bought ready made, and goes about the waist only once, tying to one side and dropping to the edge of the skirt, if not below it. Deep-knotted fringe weights it and composes at least twelve inches of its length at each end.

And what makes the new sashes? All those lovely new ribbons you have been eyeing from a distance and wishing you could invent an excuse for wearing. There are beautiful Roman-striped ones, the fringe on the ends repeating the colors of the stripes or accentuating the color. These are to be worn with navy tricot and serge frocks, under the very short jackets that are coming into vogue for topping off the chemise dress, and with separate skirts that are not too gay in themselves. Wonderful new aprons are weighted with matching fringe for use on evening crepe and crepe de chine, as well as georgette dresses of sombre hue, or with the cotton frocks and separate skirts for summer. It will be the vogue to top the sport silk skirt of white, ivory or neutral gray with one of these flaming sashes.

Use of Laces.

Laces are used extensively, but rather as a decorative feature, instead of the substance of the gown.

FASHIONS IN BRIEF

Ostrich fans in the new tomato shade are smart.

Women in smart cafes are now dressing their hair so their ears are in full view.

Tans, grays and blues are favored for day dresses and brilliant colors for evening wear.

Many spring dresses are on coat lines with flat unbolled backs and elaborately decorated fronts.

For tea dances chic frocks of navy, brown and black moire with lace-trimmed bellows are shown.

Flaring sleeves are forecast for spring, circular effects being noted in both.

Paris asserts that lace is always good for evening wear and proves her assertion by many attractive models. Spanish lace especially is being used for many of the smartest dinner and evening gowns. One model of black lace is made in the full-skirted fashion and trimmed with a cascade in shades of rose and mauve ribbon.

Cotton fabrics and cotton braids applied on cloth are a spring feature.

Bright sashes, worn with simply made dark dresses are noted everywhere.

Straight-line effects in evening gowns are generally broken by side trimmings of net.

An odd bit of costume jewelry is the "stave" necklace. This is a plain gold ring, thicker than the bangle, binged and clasped so that the joints are imperceptible when it is worn. It does not fit tightly to the neck, but falls about two inches below the throat.

A turban of scarlet leather has a feather falling below the shoulder. A hat of gray georgette is faced with blue straw and trimmed with worsted embroidery. Picture hats for the coming season will be simply fashioned in georgette and organdie. Spring hats have brims wide at the front and sides.