

New Arrival Among Coats.

A new arrival among coats fore- shadows no radical change in the styles which are expected to prevail with the coming of fall. Except for a little additional length it might be classed as a model designed for spring. It envelops the figure as completely, with a collar high enough to more than cover the neck, ample width, and a length of skirt that is only six inches shorter than the dress worn under it. There are big patch pockets and a rather narrow belt that extends only across the front of the coat. The coats of spring fastened at the waist-line, however, while this one extends its line of buttons half way or more down the front.

and the cuffs and collar are of the same material. The cuffs are noticeably smaller than those on coats of the current season, and the raglan sleeves promise a continuance of the vogue for them which has been so useful to designers. It has helped them in getting the required flare, in making variety in models, and assures easy adjustment in the garment. The coat pictured is of a kind that will prove useful to the motorist and serve for almost any wear. If one must choose at this between-seasons time it is a model worth copying. In fact such a coat may be relied upon for several seasons' wear without appearing old-fashioned. The materials used in it are lasting and the style selected for good stuffs should be conservative enough to last as long as they do.



As Worn by Conservative Brides.

If the bride is one of those who likes to be conservative in the styles selected for her gown and veil she may wear the veil as shown in the picture. The wreath is arranged in the fashion of a coronet and the veil envelops the figure. Other styles may come and go, but this one goes on forever. Perhaps that is because the wreath suggests a crown and because the arrangement of it is almost universally becoming. For the bride who decides that something new suits her personality better, or is better suited to the sort of wedding she elects to have, there are many quaint and novel ways for mounting the wedding veil. In nearly all of them little caps of lace support the tulle, but there are caps of tulle, caps of pearl beads, or even hats of tulle, from which the veil, always ample, floats about the figure. One of the prettiest drapes has a little close-fitting cap of fine lace like a "Baby Stuart" cap. The veil is draped over this so that a short length of it falls over the face, barely reaching to the chin. It is caught to the lace cap at each side by small sprays of orange blossoms and there is a slender half wreath of them brought from one side

to the other across the back. The long veil at the back falls from this wreath to the end of the train. Another drape which brides of this summer favor employs a band about the brows and head as a support for the veil. This band may be of white satin or of cloth-of-silver or of some small blossom set close and flat to it. The veil is laid in close high plaits extending across the back from temple to temple. They are graduated in height so that they are tallest at the center of the back. The very short veil over the face is the newest of all, with its supporting cap of lace. But whatever style the bride may select after experimenting with several, she has the comforting assurance that nothing else in the world is quite so becoming as a wedding veil.

Yellow Piano Keys.

Dampen a soft cloth with alcohol and wipe off the keys, rubbing with the grain of the ivory. If they are much shined, wet strips of Canton flannel with oxalic acid and lay upon the keys. Be careful not to get the strips so wet that the acid will drip upon the wood of the piano. Leave them upon the ivory until they are dry.

USE THOUGHT WHEN MOVING

Exercise of a Little Common Sense Will Do Away With Much Discomfort.

When one must move, begin with the small, out-of-sight tasks that will not render the house untidy and uncomfortable long before leaving it. A little thought and a look around the house will disclose many of the belongings that are not in general use. For instance, stuff in the pantry, in the storeroom, superabundant grocery supplies, temporarily discarded clothing, superfluous ornaments, company porcelain and glassware, books, music and a thousand other things, all of which can be disposed of without destroying the appearance of the house while those abiding in the same will not be the wiser for it.

Dispose of unnecessary possessions that someone else may be glad to make use of, then pack clothing not in use into boxes and mark the contents on each box. Books, pictures and ornaments are best packed in rather small boxes that are easy to handle. Have carpets, rugs and matting cleaned, rolled and tied.

For packing kitchen utensils, jars of fruit, etc., tubs are best, for they have handles. A pot or kettle in the bottom might have several jars placed in it with bits of paper, hay or smaller articles, like knives and forks, to hold them steady, but be careful not to have anything to extend higher than the sides of the tub.

Barrels are best for fine china and glassware. When packing breakables, remember that every article must be prepared so that none of its surface is left exposed to pressure without support. Stuff all hollow articles as full as possible, surround all handles, stems, etc., by padding so thick that the article becomes, as nearly as possible, a solid ball. Cups and glasses should not be slipped inside each other unless well covered with padding. Plates and saucers may be made in a pile with, stuffing between, and the whole made solid by bands of muslin wound round them. Excelsior, hay and newspapers are all good packing material, but often kitchen towels, holders, underwear, etc., may be used to steady things and get themselves transported at the same time.

TAKE STAINS FROM BATH TUB

Kerosene the Best Agency That Can Be Employed for the Purpose, Says Authority.

The most efficient method of removing that oily deposit which forms on the sides of the porcelain bathtub and bowl is to use kerosene. Take some soft paper, moisten with kerosene and rub over the soiled part. This will cut the grease easily and the extra kerosene can be wiped up with more paper, which with the first, should be burned, to avoid danger. The fixtures may then be washed with plenty of soap and hot water and they are clean. This method requires very little rubbing and is not injurious to the finish.

Avoid the use of soda or scouring powders. These will in time injure the finish of the enamel.

To remove brown stains caused by standing or dripping water use a little oxalic acid and wash out with plenty of clear water. This is very effective.—Nellie M. Kilgore, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Corn Soup

Cut enough corn from the cob to make one pint of the milky part of the kernels without the hulls; add one pint of hot water or plain white stock; let it cook for ten minutes; meanwhile have ready one quart of milk brought to the boiling point and season with a teaspoonful of onion juice; add this to the corn and thicken with a tablespoonful of flour mixed with a tablespoonful of butter; simmer gently for 15 minutes, press through a puree sieve, add a little butter, and serve in a hot tureen with cream sauce.

Stuffed Fillets of Whiting.

Three whittings, one small onion, three or four mushrooms, parsley, salt and pepper, egg, bread crumbs, clarified fat or oil. Pate the whittings and sprinkle each piece with pepper, salt and finely chopped onion, mushrooms and parsley. Roll each piece up, and fasten with a little piece of skewer. Dip them in the egg, and then in bread crumbs, and fry in boiling fat or oil. Remove the skewers and serve.

Orange Omelet.

Beat the yolks and whites separately of five eggs, combine and season; add five tablespoonfuls of cream, in which has been dissolved two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch. Pour into a buttered omelet pan and cook slowly on top of the stove until the egg is "set," then place pan inside the oven to finish cooking. Spread one-half of the omelet with orange preserves and serve on a hot platter.

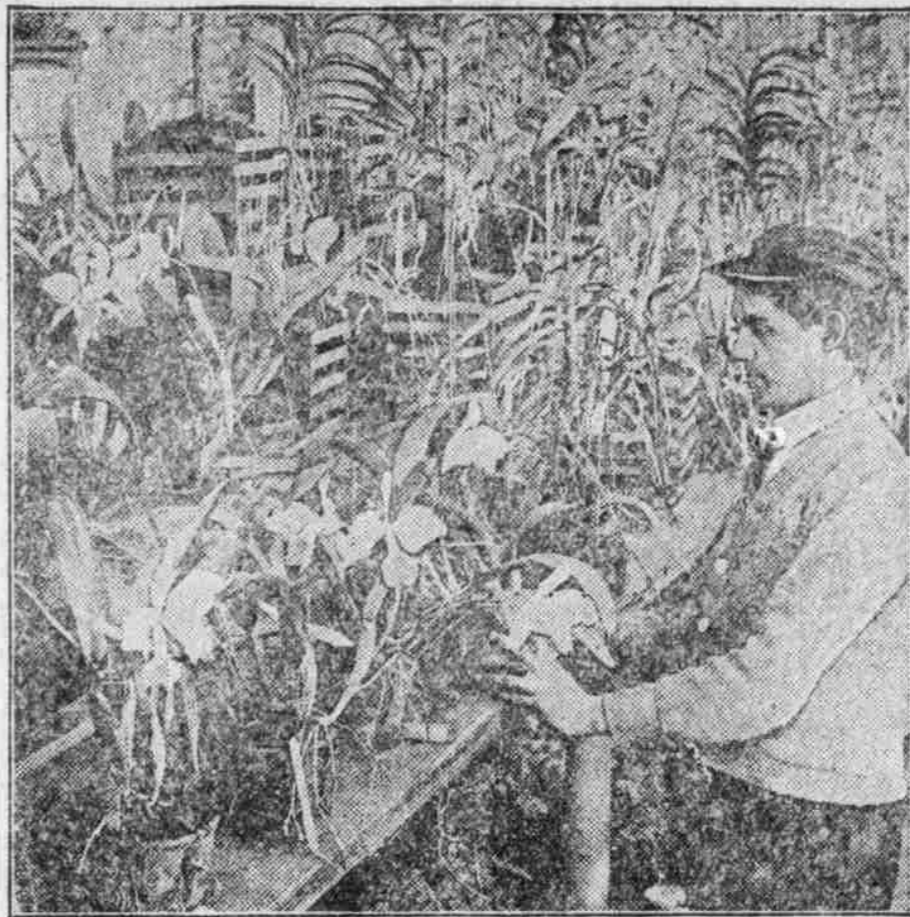
Bixie Dessert.

Scoop out the top of small sponge cakes and fill with banana, chopped walnut and coconut. Garnish round the edge with slices of banana, top with half a walnut and sprinkle with coconut.

Credle Dish.

Take two cupfuls of cooked rice, a cupful of minced ham browned in butter, salt, cayenne and a tablespoonful of sugar; put into a buttered pan and cover with cracker crumbs; brown in the oven.

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TOO MUCH WATER KILLS PLANTS

By LIMA R. ROSE.

More plants in the window garden are killed every year by overwatering than in any other way. Some persons labor under the delusion that water must be applied daily, and the consequence is their plants are literally drowned out, unless they happen to have the best drainage.

Others go on the "little-and-often" plan—that is, they apply water in small quantities whenever they happen to think of it.

The result is the surface of the soil is kept moist and from this the owner takes it for granted that the soil beneath must be properly damp.

Nine times out of ten examination will show that an inch or two below the surface the soil is dry. Of course the roots of the plants cannot do their work under such conditions. The plant soon sickens and eventually dies and the owner wonders what caused the trouble.

Now, in watering plants several things have to be considered. First, the nature of the plant. Some like a good deal of water, others only a moderate amount.

Second, the soil. A close, loamy soil dries out slowly, therefore it will not require as frequent or as large applications as a light porous soil from which moisture evaporates rapidly.

Third, location and exposure must be taken into consideration. Plants in the sun or a very warm place, will need a good deal more water than those in full or partial shade or a low temperature.

Fourth, the size of the pot must be reckoned with. The soil in a large pot will not dry out for two or three days, but the soil in a small pot will become quite dry every day.

Fifth, a dormant plant requires but little water. It is not in a condition to make use of much water and an oversupply of it will surely result in harm. When the plant begins to grow then increase the quantity and proportion this to the development made.

All these things must receive due consideration by the amateur who would know how to care for his or her plants intelligently.

Study them. Experiment with them. In this way you soon become familiar with the individuality of each one and you will be able to give to each the care it needs.

We are often asked for some rules for watering plants. It is impossible to make any rule that can be followed strictly.

The only rule I have ever been able to give is this: When the surface of the soil looks dry, water. Use enough to thoroughly saturate all the soil in the pot.

You can tell about this by the es-

cape of some at the bottom of the pot. Then wait until the dry look appears on the surface again and apply water as before.

But, as I have said, one will have to modify this rule to fit the conditions. It is a general rule, subject to such change as may appear necessary to the intelligent plant grower, who does not believe in treating all the plants exactly alike.

Give fertilizers to growing plants only. A plant standing still needs none and will be injured by the applications of the food if it is not in condition to make use of it.

WORK ON THE LAWN

How are the lawn and home grounds in general? Are they all that should make summer home life enjoyable and a pleasing sight to the passerby?

If the lawn is patchy and bare in spots, keep on seeding it the whole summer through; the seed will finally catch and fill up the bare places.

White clover is a fine lawn plant, but many find that it dies out after a few years. White clover, as all the clovers, is a biennial, completely dying after the second year. If the lawn is kept closely clipped, white clover seed should be sown each fall or spring to insure a permanent stand.

The same result may be secured by not mowing in the fall, allowing the plants to blossom and seed.

PLAN FOR BEAUTY

Plan for beauty, then work unceasingly for the plan.

Let your light shine in the back yard, that there shall be nothing hidden.

Have grass and shrubbery in the back, rather than rubbish.

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Let your kitchen window be a picture frame. Let the picture frame be green things growing.

Let the green things be something beside burdock, jimson weeds or cockle burs.

Plant to screen the ugly views from the back door. Vines will do it.

Get a root of the trumpet-creeper from the woods and plant it in the back yard.

Set a strong stake beside it, and keep the vine cut back until the "shrub" habit is formed. It is beautiful.

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Seals Can Drown. It is a curious fact that the fur seal was once a land animal. The baby seals are actually afraid of water; they would drown if thrown into it, and have to learn to swim by repeated efforts. When once they have been taught to swim, however, they soon forget to walk.

There are in existence only two important herds of fur seals, one of which has its breeding ground in the Commander Islands, belonging to Russia, the other in the Pribilof Islands, belonging to the United States. Of these the latter is much the larger. The Pribilof Islands are government property, and thus it happens that the United States government finds itself the owner of by far the most valuable herd of fur seals in the world.

Fifty-Fifty Deal.

A number of politicians were attending a convention in Chicago a short time ago when one of the number was approached by an old acquaintance who was plainly down in his luck. Sliding up to the politician he said: "Say, Jack, lend me ten, will you? I'm short."

The big fellow went down into his pocket, fished out a big roll and handed a five-dollar bill to the down-and-outer.

"Say, Jack," said he of the "touch," "I said ten."

"I know you did," replied the politician, "but I think this way is fairer. You lose five and I lose five."

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