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Children Hate Cothes That Are Conspicuous Or Odd

Old Things Don't Matter So Long as They Are Comfortable and Follow Accepted Style.

Children have an uncanny sense, or sensitiveness, about clothes.

You can do more harm to a child by making him wear the wrong things than you can compensate for in a lifetime.

He does not crave finery or the latest style. Almost the opposite. He is even complacent in tears and patches of clothes that are too small.

His two vulnerable points are conspicious and unusual clothes, or having things noticeably too large for him.

He likes to be one of crowd. If all the children wear sweaters, he will feel first rate in a sweater. He won't want it down to his knees and finger nails and he won't suffer if it gets old or even ragged.

If he wears it day in and out, it won't bother him much. He is pretty well satisfied to bear the brunt of his own usage.

Patch those elbows with a too contrasting shade and he won't want to put it on. Patch it or darn it with something he considers right, and he will be utterly unconcerned.

Children are funny. They like to be in the swim. Sometimes this urge is stronger than the one to be inconspicious. They like to follow fads. If there is a rash of red tams, for instance, a girl will rummage for a family cast-off and wear it even though it is sizes too big.

As a rule they hate to wear clothes not bought or made for them. That first day or two of explaining the source is just too much. In this day of flat purses it is almost compulsory to dress the youngsters as best we may and the box from Aut Sue is about the most welcome sight on earth.

But children dread those boxes. If there is a snug little blue coat that fits—well, that isn't so bad. But let it be gawky, though trimmed in sable sable and lined with satin, and watch the next heir edge away to the door. Better strip it a bit and turn up hems and take in seams.

What shall we tell children to say when asked where they got such and such a dress or suit?

The truth is better. Yet, it hurts. But if he fibs about it he will always feel more uncomfortable than if he (or she) spills out the facts at once. As it happens, every one is passing around clothes to each other these days. Two men swapped suits not long ago, as each was tired of his own and it made a change for both.

However, as children are so sensitive, it is better to pay some heed to their wishes.

They dislike buttons off. They don't mind darns but prefer tears to startling patches. They don't mind things too tight or too short but hate them too long. They prefer a ten-cent eye-cup of a hat to a ten-dollar beaver if it looks too much. Each has preference of color. If none of the children at school wear certain colors, don't think yours will pioneer for you. They just won't.

Historic Figure Dies in Winnipeg

WINNIPEG — Mrs. Mary Ann Rajotte, 89, "mother" to many old-timers now scattered throughout the East and West to whom she was known as "the widow Rajotte," died here last week. She was one of Winnipeg's earliest boarding-house keepers, active in her career for 40 years before age forced retirement.

Born in Mountain Township, Dundas County, in 1847, she came West in 1880. She knew intimately the Marquis of Lorne, former Governor-General of Canada and Sir John Schultz, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba. She was housekeeper for Sir John A. Macdonald in the early days of Confederation.

Coat-Frocks To Be Fall Favorites

PARIS—Coat-frocks that wrap to one side are fall style highlights. They are featured by Worth, Lanvin, Mainbocher and others. Tailored types button on the shoulder, and sometimes under the arm. They may be worn open on the chest in a one-rever effect, showing a contrasting scarf or plastron. Worth and Mainbocher have soft dressmaker versions of the wrapped coat dress for afternoon wear. The asymmetrical closing is accented by a contrasting colored fold, matching a trim at neckline or waist. Often the coat is cut and flared to give the suggestion of a tunic drapery. It is never buttoned, but is held together by a tie sash or decorative belt.

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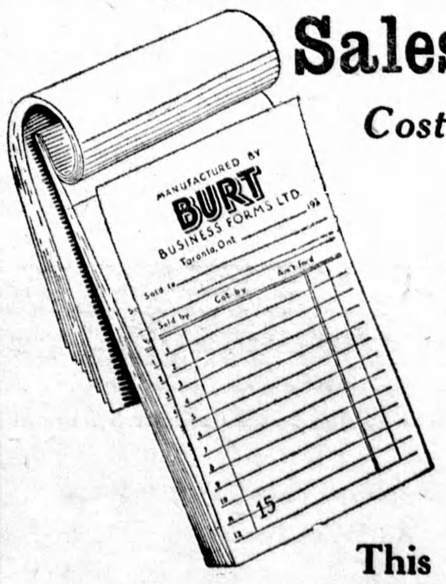

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Quaint Custom Still Prevails

Flowers Provided for Judges During Summer Months At Old Bailey

LONDON, — Justice Charles, a bachelor, referring to the fact that on the jury in a case at the Old Bailey, were two women, said: "I have only one bouquet, and I think that one of them should have it. I must not encourage gambling, of course, but I suppose they will have to toss for it." His Lordship, looking towards the woman jurors, smilingly added: "You must arrange it between you."

The younger jurywoman waived her right to the bouquet.

Flowers are provided for the judges from May 1 to September 1, the custom dating from the time time when cells and courts were so unsanitary, flowers were furnished as a protection against the evil smell.

Salt On Roads Keeps Moving

Mends Bad Spots. Scientists Explain Why It Assures Good Hard Surface

ITHACA, N.Y.—Common salt, used in surfacing automobile roads of clay-sand-gravel mixture converts its grains into countless robots who labor incessantly road repairs.

The discovery of this surprising way in which the salt particles move up and down in the road to keep it moist, smooth, tough and dense was made public at Cornell University today during the celebration of the semi-centennial of Sigma XI, Honorary Scientific Society.

The salt particles convert a mass of clay, sand and gravel into a surface as hard as macadam. How they ccomplish this was a mystery until their workings were studied in the laboratory of Dr. H. Ries, professor of geology. He undertook this study for the International Salt Co., after a few experimental salt-soil-stabilized roads had shown their worth in Michigan, Louisiana and Nova Scotia.

Rock salt is mixed with the top three inches or more of road, with at least two pounds of salt to the square yard. The mixture is smoothed and sprinkled enough to dissolve the salt. It is rolled smooth and hard. As the surface dries it "sets" and stays hard.

Rain runs off without erosion. Even during the long wet spells of winter, the Cornell experiments show that a salt road does not appreciably soften.

When the road dries out the robot salted particles start their most spectacular road repair work, creeping up from the deeper parts of the road and forming a soluble cement to bind together the surface particles. This prevents the road from drying out rapidly and keeps down dust.

These roads, Prof. Ries said, require far less maintenance than old type gravel roads and are much less expensive to build than macadam. A sprinkling of salt once a season has been found sufficient as a rule to keep the robot particle army sufficiently replenished.

Make a Laura Wheeler Knit That's Both Practical and Gay

KNITTED BLOUSE AND SKIRT PATTERN 1236

Airy, cool and practical—this two-piece knit. The blouse, perky with Gibson Girl sleeves, is done in a quickly learned lace stitch in string. Skirt is plain knitting. Pattern 1236 contains directions for making this blouse and a plain knitted skirt in sizes 16-18 and 38-40 (all given in one pattern); illustrations of blouse and all stitches used; materials needed.

Send 20 cents in stamps or coin (coin preferred) for this pattern to Needlecraft Dept., Wilson Publishing Co., 73 West Adelaide St., Toronto. Write plainly PATTERN NUMBER, your NAME and ADDRESS.

Indirect Help

G.B.S. Sends No Money But His Letter Is Sold for $50

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., — Although he put up no money, George Bernard Shaw has nevertheless contributed to the restoration of an ancient manor house here.

Replying to a letter asking his contribution to the work, Shaw said:

'Better sell the whole place to America. I have no influence in Birmingham. There are thousands of leading citizens who can afford the needed money better than I. Besides, if Birmingham does not want the castle, I should not interevene."

Shaw's letter was auctioned for about $50, which the sponsors turned to the restoration fund.

"There Was a Little Girl"

There was a litle girl, who had a litle curl
Right in the middle of her forehead.
And when she was good, she was very, very good,
But when she was bad she was horrid.

She stood on her head, on her little trundle-bed,
With nobody by for to hinder;
She screamed and she squalled, she yelled and she bowled,
And drummed her little heels against the winder.
Her mother heard the noise, and thought it was the boys
Playing in the empty attic,
She rushed upstairs, and caught her unawares,
And spanked her, most emphatic.

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

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Home Sweet Home

SOMERVILLE, N.J.—Be it ever so palatial, there's no place like home to Mrs. James H. R. Cromwell, the former Doris Duke, who inherited the vast tobacco fortune of her father, the late James B. Duke, and came to be know as the world's richest girl.

She may roan the earth, as she did after her marriage, tasting the fruits of wealth in foreign lands, but she always comes back to Somerville. Here she enjoys a 30-room house on a 2,300-acre estate with its 42 miles of improved roads, its woodland glens and a multitude of bass and trout, fearless of capture, frisk in the eight lakes and the winding streams.

Mrs. Cromwell was born on the estate, lived here most of her life, and has spent many week-ends here since her marriage and honeymoon. She has 11 servants, who ocupy the third floor quarters. The big rustic stone stable is now the garage—it looks like an automobile show room, and its floor is covered with matting. Improvements of recent years include a swimming pool, 60 by 120 feet with underwater lighting effects; an indoor tennis court and a lounging room where movies are shown.

Two motorcycle policemen patrol the roads of the estate. Guards are always on duty at the entrances, and the grounds are strictly private.

Billboard Taxes Oust Sky-Writers

PARIS — Sky-writers do no sky-writing over Paris.

Under city laws it costs 90 francs a month per square yard to plaster posters on billboards, walls or fences.

Through a strange quirk in the old laws that rate also applies to sky-writing. By flying at the legal height, a good aviator could cram the words "O.K. Paris" into about 350,000 square yards.

Since the minimum payment on a poster is a month, those seven letters would cost about 31,500,000 francs, or roughly $2,205,000.

Dandelion Uses Cover Wide Range

MONTREAL. — The virtues of the dandelion are extolled by an editor in The Gazette. He is silent on the subject of the good green grass which the dandelion kills out and on the ugly scene after the weed has done its work of reproducing itself in every place where it can gain fothold, 200 flowers in one!

Yet, credit where credit is due, and to quote the editor:

"Our forefathers had a much higher opinion of the dandelion in a general way than we have, though we may know more about the intricate working of its arrangements than they did. By them the dandelion was used as a medicine, a vegetable, and a salad, and greatly esteemed for all, but especially for the first-named.

"Dandelion tea was once considered a panacea for ills, such as fevers and liver troubles, and as a general tonic found many to recommend it. Dandelion leaves, used as 'greens,' have never quite gone out of favor. Country people still cook and eat them in the Springtime, when other vegetables are scarce. Dandelion beer is a rustic, fermented drink familiar to many.

"The thick tap-root of the dandelion when ground has often done duty for 'coffee' cooking, and if washed whole and then ground it is said to be almost indistinguishable from the genuine article. In fact, so many are the uses of the dandelion that the story is told that once, when Minorca was suffering from famine through the depredations of locusts the inhabitants were able to eke out an existence for a time by the aid of the dandelion plants that abounded on the island."

"After You, Gaston"

Sydney, N.S., Twins Each Wanted Other to Be Given Bursary

TRURO, N.S. — Mary and Joan Nolan, of Sydney, N.S., are twins whose best friends can hardly tell them apart.

The faculty of the Nova Scotia Normal College couldn't decide which should receive a bursary. Both were deserving.

Said Mary: "Give it to Joan."

Said Joan: "Give it to Mary."

The faculty gave it up and decided to award a bursary to each.

Choice of Shoes Vital to Babies

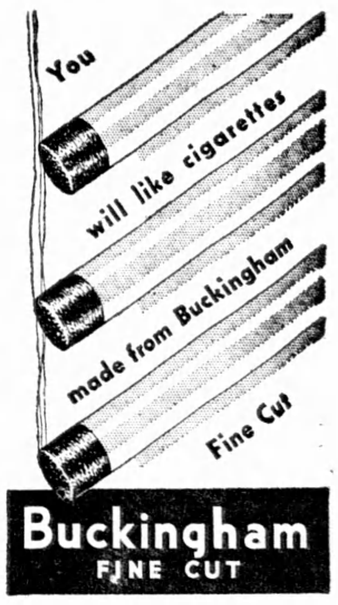
Child's First Walking Footwear Must Be Carefully Chosen

Baby's first shoe is important only as a souvenir, but his first walking shoe is a momentous matter that may have far-reaching, harmful results if it is not properly selected. Children's shoes have reached a stage of development now where there is little excuse for any child reaching school age without naturally perfect feet.

Only one of 26 bones in the foot structure is properly developed at birth. The rest do not develop completely until the age of 20. This is the reason proper care in babyhood shoes for your child. Far better to portance for foot health in later and childhod is of the utmost im- years. It never pays to buy too cheap, skimp on the material of his clothes than upon the shape, style, quality and fitting of good shoes.

Many of the foot defects suffered by children of school age could have been avoided by proper care in their babyhood.

The very soft shoes that are ideal for the small baby just learning to stand are not correct for the walking stage. A firmer shoe is required for this period, with a sole suficiently heavy to protect the foot yet so very flexible that the undeveloped muscles can bend it.



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