

WOMEN'S CLUBS ARE DOING GREAT THINGS

ACHIEVEMENTS ARE MANY

All Over Country They Are Aiding in Every Movement for Betterment of Conditions, Is Claim

"Call them 'uplifters if you like' invites Mrs. John D. Serman, President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, writing of American club-women in the March Scribner's Magazine.

"The nation did not call them that when it called on them for every kind of war work, and the spirit that prompted the service so gladly given then is the same that prompts them now to work for libraries or kindergartens or pure food or abolishing child labor, town water, or anything that they are convinced is important and worth while. Their work is unselfish and sincere, and that is why it is so powerful that it is constantly subject to efforts to discredit it."

More Than Two Millions
Mrs. Sherman, who heads an organization representing more than two million women, answers efforts at depreciation by citing records of work accomplished in communities throughout the United States.

"No one—no matter how cynical a scoffer at women's clubs he or she might be—could read those records and not feel a rising wave of respect and admiration for what our American club-women, just the plain, everyday folks, not specialists in anything but home-making, are accomplishing," she declares.

Certain forms of activity appear to be universal. Among the earliest was assistance rendered those who wanted something to read. Sometimes it took the form of traveling libraries, with travelling picture-galleries as a later development; sometimes it resulted in branch libraries, and oftener and oftener it is resulting in library buildings that are becoming social centers around which the social life of the community revolves.

State Libraries
Again and again they have initiated the public library—sometimes with the donation of a few volumes and a volunteer librarian from the woman's club to keep library hours in the clubhouse or at a member's home; sometimes by such a movement as that of a small club (forty-five members) in Sugar City, Colo. This club, feeling the need of a library, got the president of the railroad to give them an old unused depot, got some one else to give them a lot, had the depot moved to the lot, a foundation put under it and a porch around it, then cleaned, decorated, and lighted it, put in shelves, and now have a community-house which provides a clubroom for the club, reading-room, and li-town affairs."

MAKING NEW STYLES BETTER THAN OLDER

Americans Thoroughly Alive to Modern Trend in Furniture Creations

There is a marked tendency in our country at the present time to make the new styles better than any old styles ever were before. This includes far more than simple methods or choices in things to wear. Nothing is more important when it comes to new styles than interior decoration.

The "Colonial period" may be dated at about 1800. That was the time of triumph of beautiful styles in furniture and household furnishings.

The creators of Colonial styles were so successful that present day sign-painters are still kept busy painting signs upon which are the words "Antiques Sold Here." Old Virginia and parts of New England signs.

A generation ago people became seized with the desire to possess Colonial furniture, and this desire grew into a mania, which is just now being dissipated by the manufacturers of new, modern, and more beautiful furniture.

Our people became such "bugs" on Colonial furniture that on the occasion of an international decorative arts convention held some years ago in France, no invitations were extended to Americans because this country was known to be obsessed with the idea of collecting the treasures created in the time of grand-fathers.

This condition does not prevail today because Americans are thoroughly alive to every modern trend in decoration, and like France, Italy, England, and other nations, our Americans are now creating their own motifs. In architecture we have always been in the van. Now we are also beginning to express ourselves in wall coverings, in drapery fabrics and in the abundant use of color in these things. Such a thing as Mural Art makes this expression in wall decorations most possible.

Impassioned youth (throwing himself to his knees): Light of my life! Light of my existence! Light of—
The lady: "Aw, douse the glimmer kid, and while you're down there I'll you buckle my galoshes."

Not merely is the political pot beginning to boil, but some of it begins to smell.

HINTS FOR CARING FOR THE AUTOMOBILE

THINGS ANYBODY CAN DO

Little Adjustments, Etc., Which Go Far to Extend Life of Machine and Make Driving Pleasant

There are many owners who are extravagant without knowing it. They do not know that year by year the designing engineers of all the automobile factories have made it more and more easy to make the minor adjustments that are necessary in taking care of the car.

Adjusting the brakes, regulating the amount of hot air entering the carburetor system, putting water in the battery, taking out many of the squeaks and rattles are all very minor and very necessary operations on any car. Frequently they are either neglected by the owner, or the owner pays very dearly to have the work done by a man with far more mechanical skill than is necessary for any one of these jobs. This makes the ownership of a car more expensive than it need be.

Adjustments
There are some of the adjustments that should be made seasonably and others as wear develops because of usage. One of the important seasonal adjustments is that which regulates the amount of warm air taken into the carburetor.

There are many cars that have a Summer and a Winter setting. In the Summer the air taken into the manifold is mixed, warm and cold, whereas in Winter on some of the cars particularly all the air taken in, at low speeds, passes through the hot air stove. Better performance is secured from the car if the adjustment is properly made. In all but hot weather, the adjustment should be in the Winter position.

In spite of all the warnings regarding the battery, there are many owners who are not giving it enough water. In winter the water should be looked after quite frequently. At least once a month with a moderate amount of driving, and more than this if the car is used to a large extent. The water should always cover the cells or the battery will deteriorate rapidly. Any owner who does not get this done for nothing in conjunction with other service should do it himself. It takes a hydrometer syringe and a supply of distilled water. Both are cheap and the man who

sells you the hydrometer will tell you how to use it. It will save the battery.

How To Test
Space does not permit detailed instructions on adjusting brakes. The exact way to do the job varies with the car on which you are working, but the general idea is the same. Be sure that the brakes are adjusted every time they fail to take hold quickly, certainly and evenly.

If the pedal goes too close to the floor board before the brake takes hold, it must be adjusted. If you will drive the car about 10 miles an hour and then put on the brake hard so as to lock the wheels, you can tell by the skid marks under the wheels whether the brakes are taking hold evenly or not. The marks beneath the two wheels should be identical.

Many cars are on the road with rattling spring shackles when a half hour's work done by the owner would remedy the trouble. A large percentage of the cars now out have adjustable shackles. It is simply a matter of loosening a lock nut, taking up on the shackle and again tightening the lock nut on the cars which have the adjustment. It is certainly unnecessary to drive a car with noisy shackles when it is that easy to make them as quiet as new.

It is also unnecessary and foolish to pay good money for these simple adjustments when they can be done so rapidly.

PROFESSOR DESCRIBES MEETING WITH TUNNEY

Dr. William Lyon Phelps Tells of Seeing Champion in Florida City

The champion of many ring battles and each conquered the other. William Lyon Phelps in his "As I Like it" tells of his Florida holiday where he saw much of Gene Tunney, heavyweight champion boxer. His impressions are:

"During our two weeks in Miami I saw a good deal of Mr. Tunney, playing golf with him and having long and intimate talks. He is even better than gossip reports. He has charming manners, is well read, loves books, the best poetry, and the best music.

"On the last day of the year Mr. Matheson had as guests the bishop of Florida, the Right Reverend Cameron Mann, and his vivacious and charming wife. Although I was brought up a strict nonconformist, I like bishops—they are good fellows, and this one particularly so. Gene Tunney and the bishop got along together in fine style, and we had much good talk. That night we celebrated the passing

of the old year by a large dinner-party at the Royal Palm, given by our friends Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Drake. Mr. Drake was an athlete at Princeton in his undergraduate days, and is now a mighty hunter. Within forty miles of Miami he shot two fine bucks while we were there, so we had venison, and very good it was. That was not a cheap dinner; some of the vegetables may have been inexpensive, but the meat was deer."

INVALUABLE STATISTICS

The best vegetable soup is usually made with vegetables.

It is still possible to secure whiskey in the United States.

Michelangelo was not the inventor of golf knickers.

If a piece of burning wood three inches long be dropped into a fifty pound box of dynamite, there will be an explosion.

It is two hundred and twenty miles from Peru, Indiana to a point two hundred and twenty miles away from Peru, Indiana.

Saint Peter never mastered the art of shaving himself with a safety razor.

It has been estimated that 9,721 toothpicks are lost every year.

A man diving from the Rock of Gibraltar will drown if he is unable to swim.

To be a good housewife it is necessary to be a woman.

The Spanish language is spoken in Spain.

Bald-headed men should not part their hair in the middle.

George Washington did not enlist in the last war.

A clergyman gave out the hymn, "I Love to Steal (Awhile Away)," and the deacon, who lead the singing, began, "I love to steal—" and again got the pitch wrong.

After the third failure the minister said: "Observing our brother's propensities, let us pray."

Wisdom of Children
"I had rather take a walk with a wide-awake child than with the wisest man that ever lived," said the philosopher. "for the questions of the child bring out things an older person would never think of."—American Magazine.

Chivalry Is Dead
Tight Ty Tomson has stopped tipping his hat to the ladies. Ty says a hat wears out too fast when you keep yanking it off all the time.—Farm & Fireside.

Anyway the boys are willing to dig in the back yard, as soon as the worms get big enough to use for bait.

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"House leaders," declares a prominent newspaper correspondent, "do not hesitate to admit that Representative Chindblom is rapidly forging to the front rank of parliamentary experts, and there are many who predict that he will wield an increasing influence in the legal deliberations on the floor in future sessions. Furthermore, he is declared to have a wider grasp on general legislation than most of the members more prone to "specialize" in particular types of measures.

Henry Rainey, a Democrat who has been a member of Congress for a quarter of a century, offers unbiased and non-partisan tribute in the following words: "Mr. Chindblom has opportunities for service enjoyed by but few members of Congress. He is a member of the great Ways and Means committee, the most important one of all. While Congressman Chindblom and myself belong to opposite political parties, we are personal friends and usually find ourselves fighting for the same non-partisan economic propositions. He is a man of great ability. During my long service in the House I have never known a member of Congress who has so rapidly risen to a position of importance and influence in the House as has Mr. Chindblom.

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