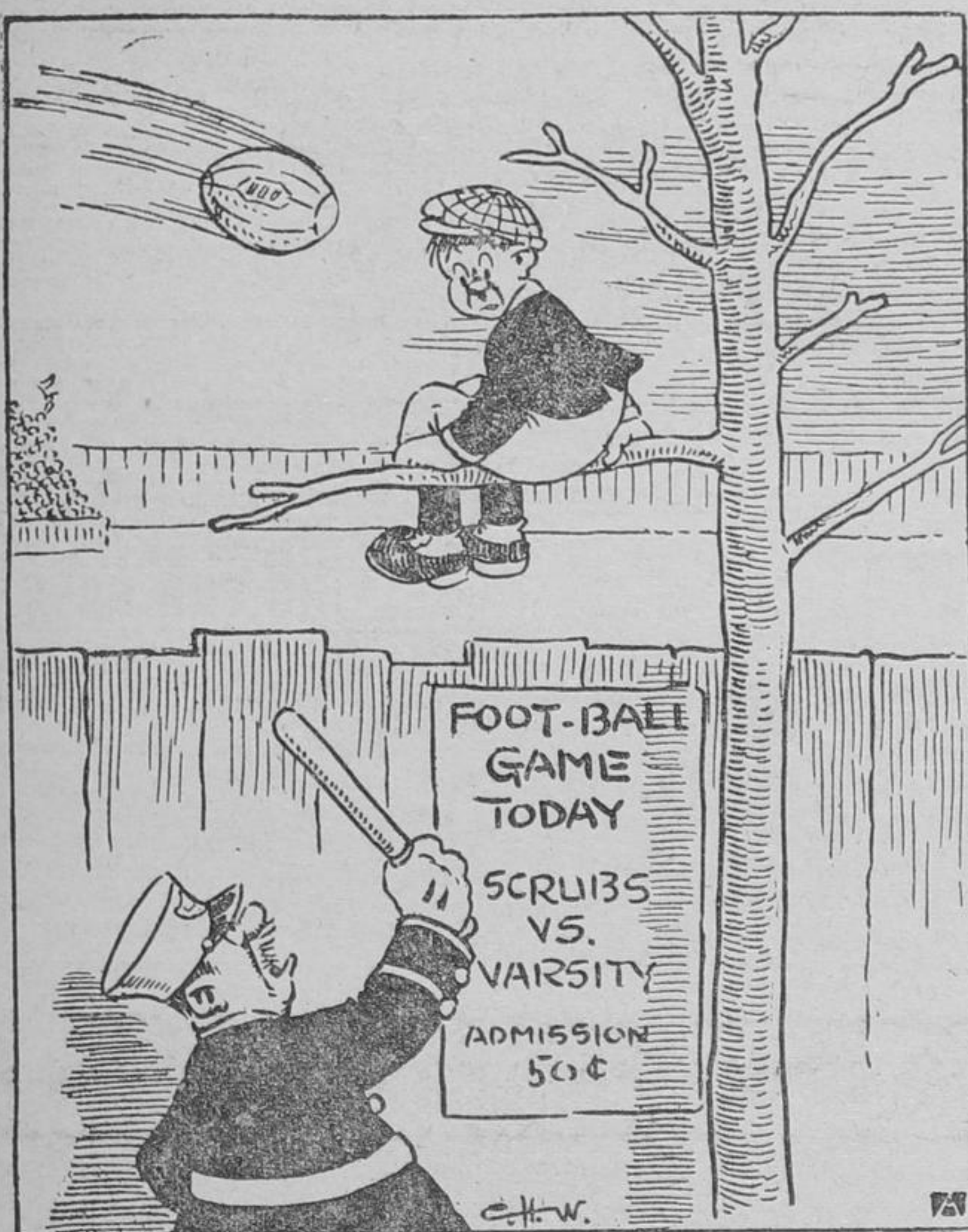


—and the worst is yet to come



## About the House

### Combination Suits for Home and School.

These little combinations are convenient and comfortable. Daughter likes them because they button down the front so she can button herself up, and because being all in one piece it only takes a minute to dress. Mother likes them because she does not have to stop her work to button up little underwaists and petticoats.

They can be made of any fine material for the best suit but for every day and even common school wear I have found that sugar sacks do very well. Using this material and some coarse crochet lace I made dainty little suits for less than thirty cents; of course, not counting the labor. Two sugar sacks, two spools of No. 40 crochet thread, some buttons and a little sewing machine thread are the materials needed.

First cut a band or strip twelve inches wide and long enough to go around the child's body comfortably and lap over enough to make an inch hem at each end. For my seven-year-old daughter this strip was twenty-seven inches long. Make an inch hem in the top of this and a narrow one in the bottom. Also an inch hem in each end.

Cut two pieces for the bloomers from your regular bloomer pattern. Do not sew all the way up the front of the bloomers but finish about three

inches of top for centre front closing. Make four-inch slashes at centre top for seat opening. Sew up back of bloomers.

Join under parts of the legs and put on bands long enough to go around leg well above the knee so they will not be too tight if crowded up when playing. Place a band at top of back for top of seat. For average size this will be about twelve inches long and three inches wide before finishing. Sew the bloomers to bottom of underwaist on each side of front and about one inch up on the underwaist.

Make a skirt of the required depth and sew onto waist at a point about one inch above the bloomers. This one was twelve inches deep and had three-inch lace, making fifteen inches in all, but it is deeper than you will want if you wish to expose the bare knee. Sew on lace yoke and you are ready for the buttons and button holes. This requires about four down the front and three for the back.

The crochet lace used was an easy pattern and quickly made but any kind may be used or it may be finished with two plain bands over the shoulders and a hem on the bottom of the skirt, bringing the cost down to about fifteen cents.

One suit was made from the bottom of a lace trimmed pillowslip which was worn in the centre. Another was

from sister's worn petticoat. One for best was made of fine white linen and trimmed with a fine crochet lace. The coarse lace usually sold for pillowslips makes a satisfactory substitute for the crocheting if one has no time to make trimming.

Try these and see how well sister will like them.

### Keeping a Diary.

Every child, as soon as he is able to write legibly, should be encouraged to keep a diary. The material benefits that result from the practice are many; and as time goes on, reviewing what, if properly done, will be a miniature history of his life will give more and more pleasure to him who keeps a diary.

For the beginner, one of the smaller sizes of regular diaries that provide half a dozen lines each day will do.

One of the first things to consider in beginning a diary is persistence. Mentally pledge yourself to write something every day. All else failing, there still remains the weather. You can at least jot down "Fair," "Foul," "Cold," "Thundershowers" or "Windy," as the case may be. However, you will rarely find yourself so hard put to it. Something in some degree noteworthy happens every day, and, although incidents may seem trifling when they occur, many of them will be found in later years to have had an important bearing on your subsequent life.

Be methodical. Give the first line of every entry a half-inch margin and, at least in the case of the more important subjects to which you are likely to refer in the future, begin the entry with a word that will most readily suggest the matter recorded. For example, "Freshest—Swift River sweeps away dam, mill, other buildings"; or, "Fire—Smith's garage burned, Park Hotel damaged." By following that method you make it possible, when you desire to find a particular entry, simply to run your eye down the left-hand side of the pages until you find the index word.

You should keep carefully a record of births, deaths and marriages in the family and among intimate friends, for you are likely to have to refer to them to verify dates or other circumstances.

Of course the regular entries in a small diary must be brief; but if you wish to make a more elaborate account of any particular event, you can write it in the space devoted to "Memoranda" that appears in the back of all standard diaries. Append the note, "See Mem.," to the regular entry.

As you gain experience you will no doubt outgrow the small diary and make your daily entries in an ample blank book, which will enable you to give more important matters the comprehensive treatment to which their special interest entitles them.

The other departments included in the back part of commercial diaries, "Bills Payable," "Bills Receivable," "Cash Account," "Addresses," can be utilized for jotting down matters of transitory interest. But a boy or a girl will make no mistake in learning to keep a careful account of all money received and expended. An occasional review of such a record serves as a valuable lesson in handling your finances properly.

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and waste time and space in careless and irregular entries of nonsensical paragraphs, but rather take it up with the serious aim to make the most comprehensive and worth-while record possible in the space that you have. Above all, write plainly. On completing each volume mark the year on the binding and place it on file. Get a new book well in advance, so as to be sure to be ready on the first day of the new year. Filling in from memory is an untrustworthy method, to be avoided at all times.

### Remedy for Scorched Fabric.

A white waist was scorched so badly that the print of the iron had gone through both sides of the sleeve and colored the ironing board. It seemed a ruined article, for nothing could have been rubbed on it without breaking the fibres of the cloth.

The scorched sleeve was dipped into cold water, hung dripping on the line in the hot sunshine. As soon as the water had dried it was dipped again, and the process repeated over and over. It took two days and one night's exposure out of doors to bring the cloth to whiteness, but it came so perfectly that one would not know which had been the sleeve browned by the iron. Just cold water, hot sunlight and persistence worked the cure. The sleeve has been worn months since then and shows no indication of breaking.

### A Thought.

Wishing star that shines to-night,  
Do not smile at me.  
Look you toward some lovely child  
Who in the dark may be.

Bluebird, sing not at my door,  
But be you swiftly flown  
To where perhaps some little child  
In silence sits alone.

Roadside berries, red in June,  
Change your place to grow,  
For fear some lonely little child  
May empty-handed go.  
—Josephine Van Dolzen Pease.

### To Erect Memorial to Early Missionaries.

The most probable site of the martyrdom of the Jesuit missionaries, Fathers Brebeuf and Lallemant, by the Iroquois in 1649 at the mission of St. Ignace situated near the present town of Midland, Simcoe County, Ontario, has been donated by Mr. Charles E. Newton for the erection of a permanent national memorial to commemorate one of the most heroic episodes in early Canadian history. At this time the hereditary feud between the Iroquois and Huron nations reached its climax and a terrible visitation of the Iroquois resulted in the practical annihilation of the Huron tribe. Urged to flee, the heroic missionaries de-

clared that the priest must stay with his people and amid the whoops and yells of the Iroquois they were dragged through the forest and subjected to the most frightful tortures until death released them from their sufferings. Mr. Newton, at one time reeve of the township of Tay and for many years in the service of the provincial government, has shown much public spirit and historic interest in preserving the site and at the request of the Canadian National Parks Branch has deeded over an acre and a quarter of his farm for the erection of a suitable memorial and tablet in memory of the heroic priests. The work will shortly be taken in hand and the memorial will add one more to the notable historic shrines of Canada.

### What Pat Wanted to Know.

"Phwat are them buckets for on the shill in the hall?"  
"Can't yez read? It says on them, 'For Fire Only!'"  
"Thin why hov they put water in them?"

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## MOTHER!

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