

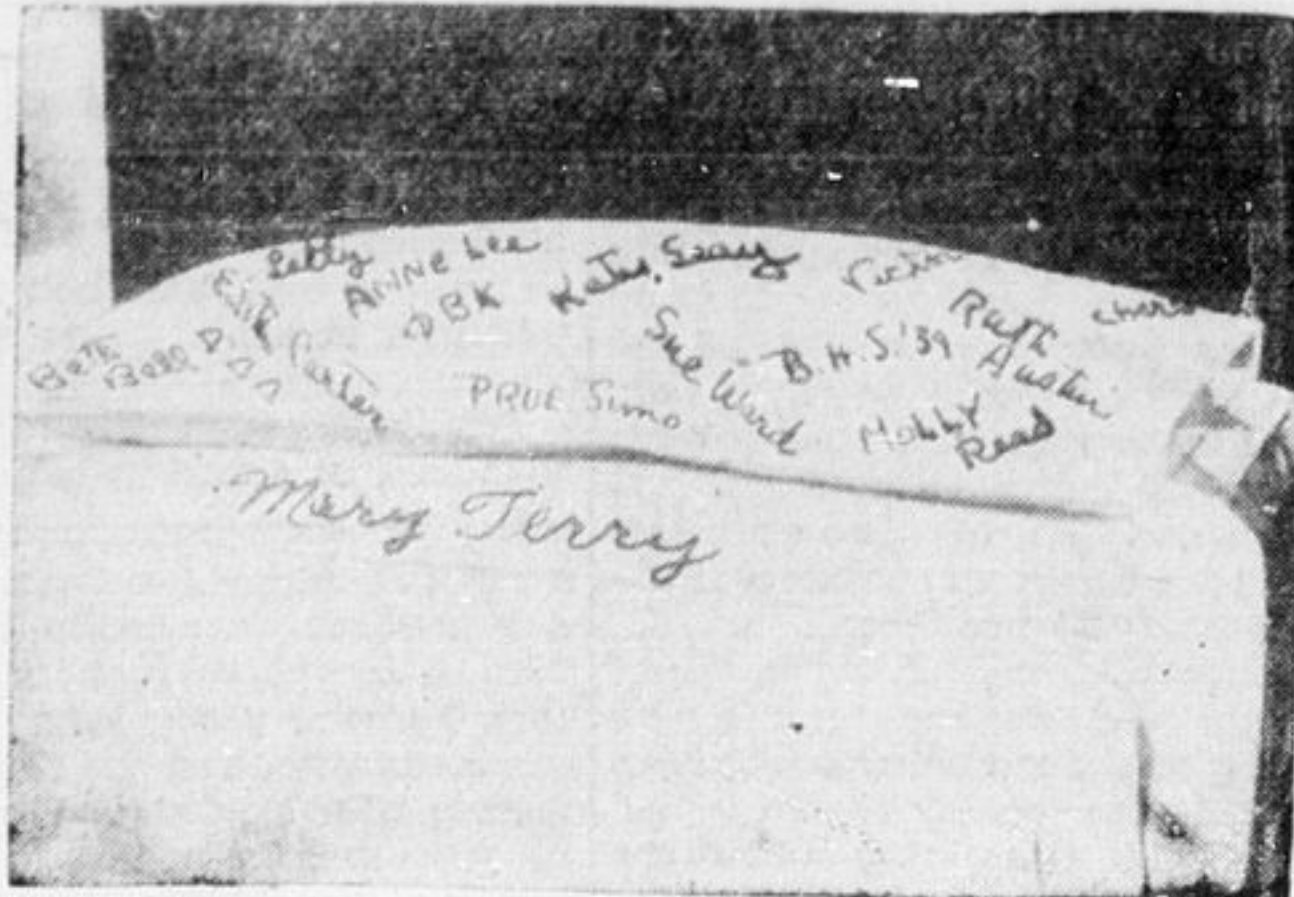


PLEASANT HOMES

by Elizabeth MacRea Boykin

TWEEDY EFFECTS FOR SCHOOL-AGE ROOMS

Whether at Home or Away at School, the Student Needs a Good Place to Live, Study and Have Fun.



School-age sheets can be marked with a student's own autograph—use indelible ink or pencil it in and stitch on the sewing with fast-colour pre-shrunk thread. Get autographs from friends for the pillowcase. These sheets are made of stout muslin that can "take it." They have woven-in hems and permanent projection index tabs.

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The Hanging Question

Towels can have names written on the borders in indelible ink, machine stitching or embroidery. Speaking of towels reminds us to remark the need for places to hang wet towels in young rooms without private baths. The hanging question is complicated by the penchant of school girls for midnight laundry jobs. Those three-bar floor racks come in unpainted finish, in chromium or in lucite. Folding wooden racks for drying have their points, too, though the little rope and reel clothes lines are probably easiest to manage. Metal shelf racks for bottles and such like have towel rods across the bottom—handy for a closet. For soap flakes there are tote containers with facial tissue holders to match. For bath soap, sals and facial stuff, a metal bath rack is our nomination. Carry the whole business back and forth in this basket-like affair—set it across the tub while bathing in real luxury.

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Tailored Rooms

But don't get the idea that scholarly rooms are getting fancy - - it's the tailored, rain-coat-y sort of rooms that students like -- to match the clothes they wear, accented with crazy details. But that must be achieved with a tweedy flair, and the smooth casual manner is the thing, whether the occasion is a snack during study hours or a celebration. Everything for school-age rooms should pay its way in usefulness and jaunty convenience. Quarters are too small . . . academic life too busy to be over-burdened with gadgets. Extra small tables for sociability in the rooms are sometimes handy. For snacks, a short-legged folding beach table is a lot of fun, or else a tray with a folding luggage rack base. An end table with phonograph record rack in the base is swell for the phonograph fiend. Nowadays radios can fit right into a book shelf. . . . some are about the size of a camera or pocket-book. Unpainted book shelves, especially hanging racks, to be finished to taste, are the most popular thing for extra tomes.

For bed linen, stout muslin seems to be the best bet -- especially the kind that has the hems woven in so that they can't snag or rip out. Instead of a monogram, if you're going to have something embroidered on, why not have an entire signature? Less expensive and more amusing is the idea of a young friend of ours who is having her signature written in a bold hand in indelible ink on the hems of her sheets. She's also getting her pals to autograph her pillowcases in indelible ink -- using the kind that doesn't need to be pressed in for per-

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Autographs and school insignia enliven this plain white lamp shade to the student's own taste and contribute individual decoration to the room.

went to the rag man, then cut a big hunk out of an unworn part to put into her quilt -- with an autograph embroidered on each in red. She even has a scrap of army khaki and navy blue included.

Scholarly Fabrics

Bedsprad of woven materials, in plaids or stripes or homespun textures are most popular and practical, and there are available ready-made with draperies to match in designs that are sure to interest. But for the student who wants to be different the yard goods departments in the stores are the answer—plaid flannels, tweeds and suitings are marvelous for sprads and draperies—then add an assortment of other materials for extra cushions. For the floor, woven textured scatter rugs are popular—so are machine braided rugs of cotton. Fur rugs are pretty grand, too, for any student lucky enough to have one in grabbing range.

Waste tasks with some impudence are preferred by the students we know —make these by pasting newspaper, clippings, music, hotel stickers, auto-

Timmins Man is Suicide Victim Near North Cobalt

Body was Found Last Thursday Morning After the Man Had Been Missing for Five Days.

After missing from the home of a former neighbour in Bucke Township, about two miles from North Cobalt, for five days Ludger Gagne, 60-year-old Timmins man, was found last Thursday lying near a path leading to his home with his throat cut and in circumstances which the investigating authorities said pointed conclusively to suicide. It is not likely that an inquest will be held into the man's death. Gagne, who has a brother in Cobalt, disappeared from the farm of Wilfrid Bilodeau early a week ago last Saturday morning, and all trace of him was lost until Thursday last week, when a search party which included his son, Ludger Gagne, Jr., and provincial constable Fred Simpson, B. G. Walsh and H. M. Purdy, from district headquarters at Halleybury, found the body. A straight razor, with a handkerchief over the handle, was in the victim's right hand. Coroner Dr. W. C. Arnold of Halleybury, made formal enquiry and the body later was taken to Halleybury. Earlier investigation had disclosed that Gagne had come south on train No. 46 a week ago last Friday, getting off at New Liskeard, where he attended the theatre, police said, and later took a taxi to the Bilodeau farm, which adjoins the property on which Gagne himself lived until about six years ago. He spent an hour in conversation with members of the Bilodeau family, and he was heard to leave the house about a quarter past five the following morning. Little was thought of that circumstance at the time, but when he did not return police were notified and search was started and continued until Thursday's tragic discovery.

No motive for the man's action had been found, police said. His body was lying just off a path through the bush which leads to his old farm and along which, it was stated, there had been some traffic in recent days. The distance from the Bilodeau farm barn would be approximately 400 yards. Constable Simpson was in charge of the police party, the other officers having only recently come north to join headquarters' staff or the present. Gagne had been dead several days. Police learned that box of tools, checked through from Timmins on his railway ticket, was awaiting a claimant at New Liskeard station. The man had two brothers, Francis in Cobalt and Fred at Ville Marie, with a sister living at Guigues. Mrs. Gagne was stated to be on a visit to Montreal, and there is a son living in Timmins, and who came south to aid in the search for his father.

SENSE TO SOUND

The city fathers of Franklin, Massachusetts, wrote to Benjamin Franklin: "We have named our town after you, and we should like a donation of a sum of money from you in order that we may put a bell in the church steeple." Replied Franklin: "I am very much honoured, very glad indeed to send you a sum of money, only don't buy a bell with it. Buy a public library, because I have always preferred sense to sound." They bought the books.—Christian Science Monitor, Boston.

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graphs, news photos, advertising slogans or what not on a plain waste basket. If the student is at home or is to supply basic furniture, the chests and tables can be bought unfinished and decorated with autographs and slogans and shellacked to give them a permanent surface. A good spring and mattress is essential but the bedstead can be done without. A study chair, lamp, hamper, screen, good mirror and book shelves are also "musts." For school-age rooms at home, there are ever so many snappy wall papers that would be amusing and appropriate. For the away-at-school room, these wall papers would be fun for screens. (Released by Consolidated News Features, Inc.)

Twenty Years Ago

From the Porcupine Advance Files

In The Advance twenty years ago there was a rather romantic story of a hold-up at Barber's Bay, the solving of the mystery by R. Allen and the sentencing of the guilty man to five years in Kingston penitentiary. According to the story as told by The Advance, Morris Isby, a clothing traveller, fell in with a man on the train and this new friend impressed on Mr. Isby the idea that he (the new friend) could lead him to a whole big flock of clothing orders if Mr. Isby would get off the train at Barber's Bay. Mr. Isby agreed to do this and the two started down the railway track together. They had gone only a short way when the friend held up Isby. A spirited battle took place, Mr. Isby putting up a lively struggle to retain his money. Although the new friend was much bigger and sturdier, he had to hit Isby over the head with the revolver before he could subdue him and get his money. Isby lost his watch, \$410.00 in cash received in payment for clothing, and a cheque for \$300.00. His assailant made good his escape. Mr. Isby could give a fair description of his assailant, but there seemed little chance of picking him up in this country. Officer R. Allen was given the apparently hopeless job of finding the guilty man and despite the apparent scarcity of clues and the hopelessness of such a search he went into the matter in a very thorough fashion. After a few days Officer Allen was on the trail and eventually arrested a man named Geo. Drakos at a mine back of Matheson. He denied all knowledge of the crime and had an alibi as to his whereabouts at the time of the hold-up. Officer Allen checked up and broke down the alibi, then he found \$400.00 cached at Matheson, next he located the stolen cheque, and soon he had Drakos tied up completely. Isby was able to identify Drakos as his assailant and the accused was faced with a case that left no doubt of his guilt. He came before Magistrate E. R. Tucker, of Cochrane, who was taking court here in place of Magistrate Atkinson who had been called to North Bay by the Attorney-General to preside at a big case there. Drakos in court pleaded guilty but in a disjointed story of his own defence suggested that he had transactions in high-grading with the man he had robbed. In commenting on this, The Advance report at the time said:—"In view of the record of the accused, his character as given by the police, and the unattractive nature of his story, along with the apparent respectability of the man he made his allegations about, Magistrate Tucker showed little credence in the story and of course accepted in no measure as a defence. The five-year sentence was accordingly imposed on Drakos for his crime at Barber's Bay."

The first regular session of the Temiskaming Presbytery to be held in the Presbyterian Church here on Sept. 15, 1921. Among the visitors to Timmins for the occasion was Rev. J. Irwin, of Hearst, the Moderator of the Presbytery, who was heartily welcomed here again by many old friends in the town and district. Rev. Mr. Irwin was minister of the Presbyterian Church at Timmins previous to going farther north. A list of the members of the Porcupine branch of the Children's Aid Society was published in The Advance twenty years ago, the list being an acknowledgement of the subscriptions received from these members. There were 372 members of the branch for the year 1921.

In 1921 the Iroquois Falls baseball team won the championship of the Northern Ontario Baseball Association. The Falls won the second of the deciding games on Sept. 17th. The win gave the Hamilton B. Wills cup to the Falls for permanent holding, the Falls winning it two years out of three. In 1919 and 1921 the Falls won the cup, while Timmins won it in 1920. The Advance at the time said that the Falls won fairly and squarely by good sportsmanship and good baseball and that all good sports in Timmins congratulated them on their win. The second deciding game was played at the Falls and won by a score of 5 to 3. There were five innings in which neither team scored, and up to the seventh inning the score was a tie, 1 to 1. In

One of Directors Ontario Branch Last Post Fund

Head of the Northern Ontario command of the Canadian Legion, Thomas J. Faught, M.M., has been appointed a director of the Ontario branch of the Last Post Fund. The appointment was announced officially last week.

The Last Post Fund was set up as a guarantee that no person who had served King and Country would be buried in a pauper's grave, and it is administered by some of Canada's most distinguished personages.

The Ontario directorate on which Commander Faught will serve, consists of Rev. E. Ralph Adey of Whitby; Lieut. Col. J. A. Cooper of Toronto; Col. W. W. Dennison, D.S.O., V.D., of Toronto; Lieut-Col. D. O. Hooper, of Toronto; Major Vincent W. Price of Toronto, and Rev. Robert Shiras of Toronto.

The honorary chaplains are Lieut. the Rev. Sydney Lambert of Toronto, and Rev. A. T. F. Holmes of Hamilton. Miss E. C. Scammell of Toronto, is secretary-treasurer of the organization. The Earl of Athlone is the honorary dominion president.

Former Police Inspector Suffers Memory Lapse

Capt. F. B. Creasy, formerly provincial police inspector for this district, was known to many in Timmins, and there will be general interest in the following from the last issue of The New Liskeard Speaker:—

"A temporary lapse of memory was suffered by Captain F. B. Creasy, former police inspector for this district, when a bomb dropped "a little too close for comfort" to his quarters in England, according to a letter received from him by his wife, who is now living in Barrie. Captain Creasy wrote that he is "all o.k. again and feeling fine." He went overseas some time ago from his post with the Ontario provincial police in southern Ontario, and recently was promoted to Deputy Assistant Provost Marshal of Canadian Base Units in England. His hearing was affected during an intensive aerial raid by Nazi planes in England. The former inspector at Halleybury came to the North Country about ten years ago from Kitchener, changing posts with Inspector W. T. Moore, later being transferred to Toronto. Captain Creasy had not been in England for many years prior to joining up in this present war."

For Erie Times-Review—As a substitute for silk stockings, English women are now spraying their legs with sun-tan lotion, thereby saving clothes-ratting coupons. There is no truth in the rumor that, in a similar way, coupons will be saved on bathing suits.

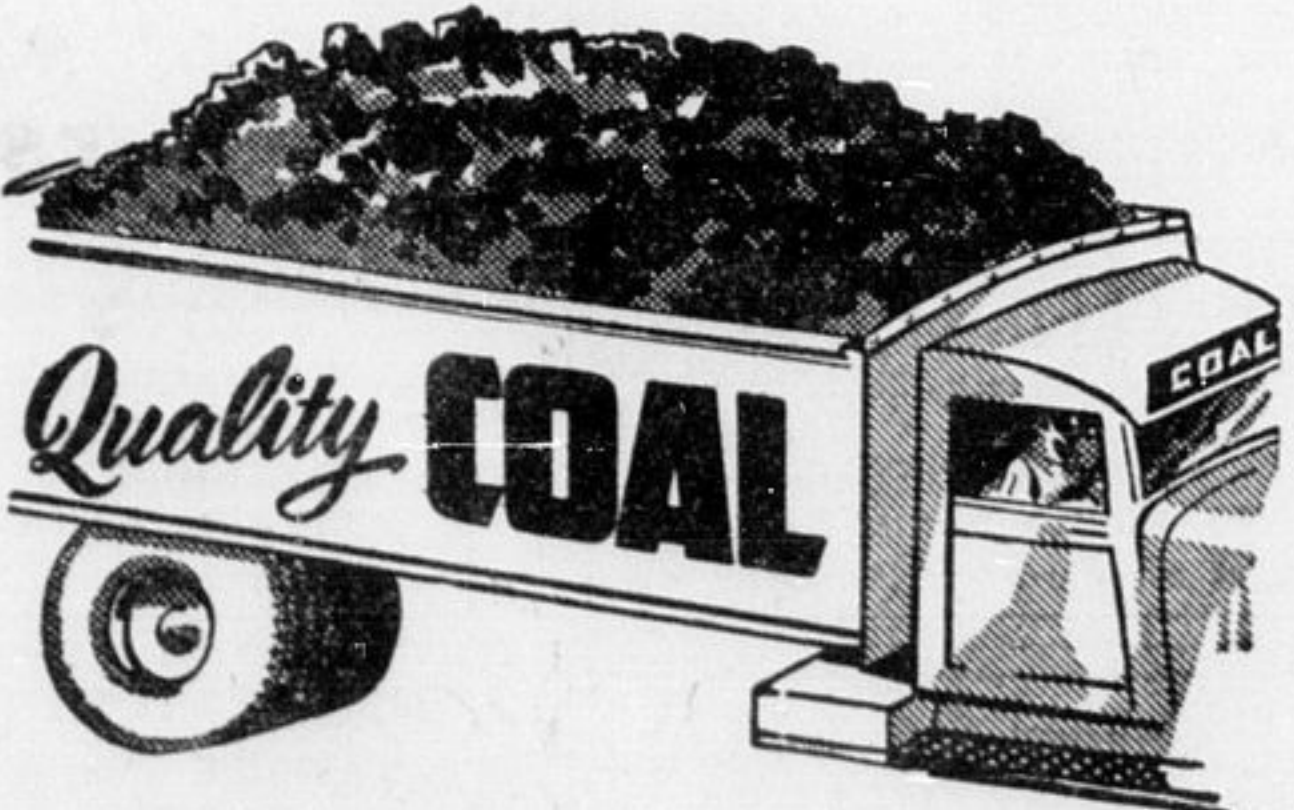
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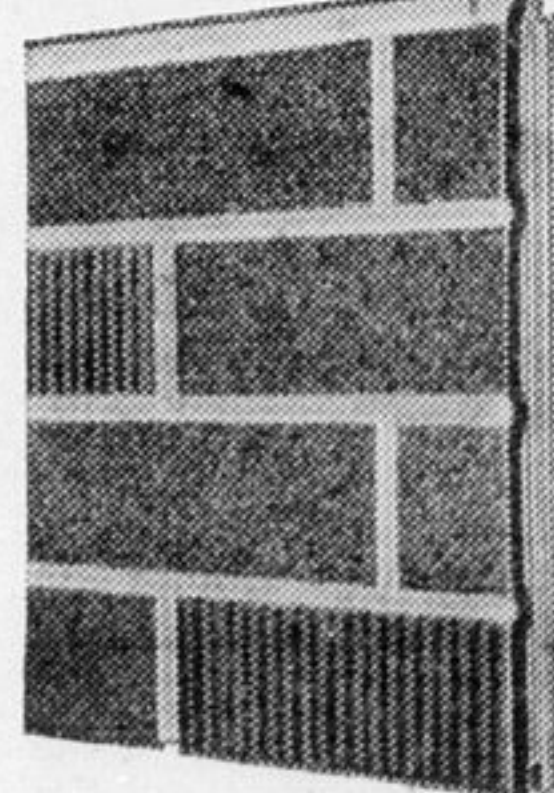
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