



Home Chats

By MARGARET BEST

"We are shaped and fashioned by what we love."—Goethe.

The Changing Years ... Assuredly we acknowledge, we grow by change.

But in spite of this plain truth we occasionally come across people who pride themselves that they never change their thoughts or ideas when once they have made up their minds.

The days must pass, each day witnessing many plans and hopes shattered while disappointments multiply but happily there are also many compensating joys and pleasure in the day which shows the consummation of some cherished wish fulfilled or sees some good work achieved.

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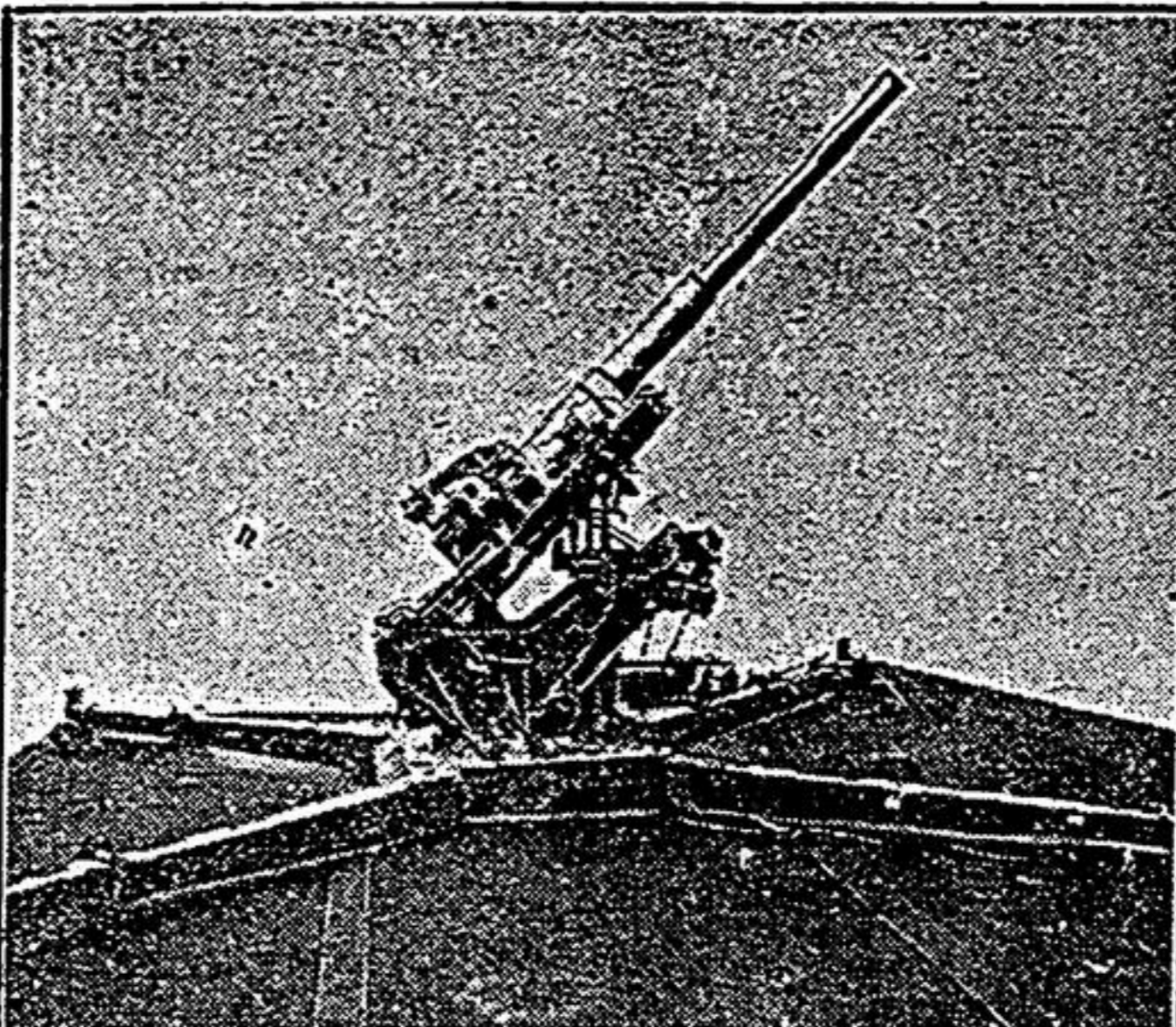
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And we, because He lives, and they, Our loved who fell amid the strife, Shall feel that fuller life and free; The King of Love is Lord of Life.

Lord Algy: "Why did you accede to your valet's demands?" Lord Arthur: "He threatened to strike and quit just when I was half dressed, you know."

Aircraft Menace



...which will make London practically invulnerable from attack has vertical range of 5 1/2 miles, fires 25 rounds a minute, and it is claimed, can be fairly certain of hitting plane once for every ten shots.

Sunday School Lesson

April 5. Lesson I—Jesus Teaches Humility—Luke 14: 7-14; 18: 15-17. Golden Text—Whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.—Luke 14: 11.

ANALYSIS. I. ON TAKING THE LOWER PLACE, 14: 7-11. II. ON TRUE HOSPITALITY, 14: 12-14. III. JESUS RECEIVES THE CHILDREN, 18: 15-17.

This story, we are told, is a parable (v. 7), that is to say, we are to infer from it the sort of conduct required of the children of God's kingdom; it is also an illustration of Christian conduct. The point or meaning of the parable is given in v. 11, "whoever exalts himself shall be humbled, and the man who humbles himself shall be exalted."

It is not only in ancient Palestine that there have been bitter disputes as to precedence, as to who should be given the seat on the hostess's right hand, who should be given the front seats on the platform. The Christian is not to push himself. Jesus Christ, though he was the Son of God, "condescended to men of low estate"; the Christian must follow Jesus in this; he is not to be a climber.

II. ON TRUE HOSPITALITY, 14: 12-14. We are not to understand by this that Jesus tells Christians they are to give no parties to their friends, but a man is not to fancy himself as being hospitable and a good fellow because he often entertains his friends and those whom he likes. There is nothing meritorious about this. The distinctive element in the Christian character is that it has a love which breaks through the narrow restrictions of class and of the group of people we happen to like, and embraces the whole world, including our "enemies."

Easter Kisses

Public love-making, an old-time Easter custom, is still a feature of the holiday in various parts of England.

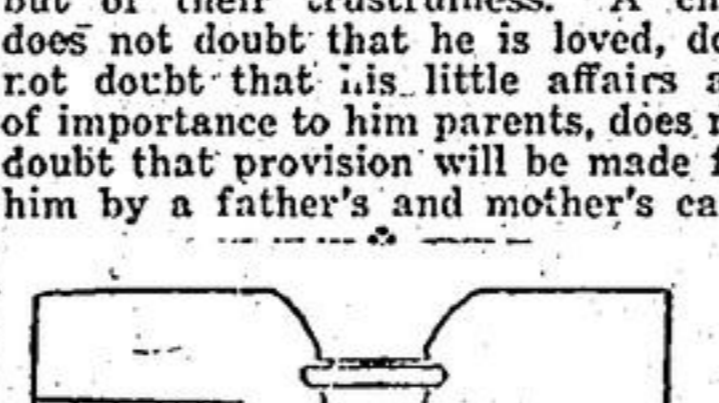
On the first Tuesday after Easter, the young men of Hungerford, a small town on the borders of Wiltshire and Berkshire, may safely kiss every maiden they meet.

Many years ago a large sum of money was bequeathed to the town authorities of Smedgate, in Yorkshire, on condition that every Easter the interest on the money was distributed among poor people who wished to get married but had not enough money to buy the necessary furniture.

The Spring By ALIX THORN Over the high, bare hills I see her coming. Joyous her eyes, new hope she ever brings.

They Had to Agree It was midnight. On his way through the smoking-room to his own quarters the secretary of the club saw a young man huddled in a chair.

India's Population New Delhi, India—This year's census of India, which has just been completed, shows a striking increase for the last decade of more than 32,000,000 in the country's population, which is now placed at 351,000,000 persons.



First Actor: "The hotel clerk just handed me a bill for \$10 for our board, two days. Can you beat it?" Second Actor: "Sure, if I can get my trunk out of the window." His Royal Highness is also the Prince of Salesmen.

An April Adoration

Sang the sunrise on an amber morn—"Earth, be glad; An April day is born.

"Winter's done, and April's in the skies, Earth, look up with laughter in your eyes!"

Putting off her dumb dismay of snow, Earth bade all her unseen children grow.

Then the sound of growing in the air Rose to God, a liturgy of prayer;

And the thronged succession of the days Uttered up to God a psalm of praise.

Laughed the running sap in every vein, Laughed the running furies of warm rain.

God in all the concord of their mirth Heard the adoration song of Earth.

—Charles G. D. Roberts.

What New York Is Wearing

BY ANNABELLE WORTHINGTON Illustrated Dressmaking Lesson Furnished by "Every Pattern"



Enhancing jacket costume. It is a season of jackets. The one sketched is in the soft green printed crepe in combination with plain green silk crepe that matches the ground.

The skirt shows slenderizing line in pointed hip yoke treatment. The jacket is in popular hip length. Style No. 2436 comes in sizes 14, 16, 18 years, 26, 33 and 40 inches bust.

Navy blue flat crepe silk with white eyelet embroidered batiste is exceedingly youthful. Beige flat crepe silk is also fashionable choice.

Wool jersey, tweed and shantung also suitable for this interesting sports model. HOW TO ORDER PATTERNS Write your name and address plainly, giving number and size of such patterns as you want.

The Poet By Witter Bynner A poet lived in Galliee Whose mother dearly knew Him, And His beauty like a cooling tree Drew many people to Him.

He loved the speech of simple men And little children's laughter. He came, they always came again, He went—they followed after.

And tell them what they ought to do; "Love our folk," He pleaded, "As you love me and I love you!" But almost no one heeded.

One For the Golfers Placid Old Lady (to golf apparel salesman)—"I'd like to look at some large handicaps, please; my husband said if he had had one yesterday he would have won the golf tournament."

When You Entertain at Easter-Time

The Easter idea is expressed in the choice of food and in the decorations. For a dinner given during Easter week the following menu is suggested:

- Chicken pie or Creamed celery Baked ham or Spinach with eggs Rolls Salted nuts Sweet pickles Easter salad

Easter baskets Coffee Boiled eggs cut in half crosswise. The white portion is then sliced lengthwise and arranged on lettuce leaves to form the flower petals.

For the Easter baskets, make cupcakes with any good cake recipe. When cool, carefully remove centers with a sharp knife.

Place-cakes and nut cups combined are made of empty egg shells (washed and dried). The egg-shell can be made to stand on a card by means of sealing wax.

Small round cookies can be spritzed with a little white frosting and decorated with white frosting. The frosting is still moist, with flowers cut out of colored gum and stems.

These quaint confections carried out in cake decorations will delight the little folks, and make especially nice centerpieces for the Easter party.

For another centerpiece, bake a round cake and frost, inserting a celluloid-rimmed mirror in the center of the frosting, and around this arrange strips of citron, angelica, or green gum-drops to represent ferns and foliage about a lake.

Bird Legends of Calvary One of the most interesting legends concerning the Crucifixion tells how, as Christ lay dying on the Cross, a little brown bird fluttered round the Crown of Thorns and succeeded in pulling out one spike to ease His pain.

A Swedish tradition says that the stork derived its name from the fact that it flew round the Cross of Calvary crying "Styrka!" ("Strengthen") and it is also believed that the swallow is so called because it hovered over the Cross crying "Svala!" ("Console").

The Legend of the Crossbill tells how a tiny bird fluttered against the Saviour's hand, striving with all its puny might to draw the nails from His hand.

A Bald Fact Grandpa, an old warrior who had fought in the South African wars, was relating some thrilling yarns to his young nephew.

Truth is a gem that is found at a great depth; whilst on the surface of this world, all things are weighed by this false scale of custom.—Byron.

MUTT AND JEFF—By BUD FISHER



There's a Long, Long Trail A...

