

HIP PADS AND STRAW HATS IN FASHION'S MART, M'LISS SAYS

The Latest Vogue, If Analyzed, Reveals Itself to Be a Mere Recrudescence of Styles Our Grandmothers Were Familiar With

THERE is nothing new under the sun. Even the supposedly novel fashions in women's wear that are brought out every season with startling regularity but emphasize this.

I was talking with Miss Edith M. Burtis, one of the fashion experts of the Ladies' Home Journal, the other day. She had just come back from New York, and among the "last cries" that she had brought with her was—Well, what do you think? A hip pad.

I'll have to modify my first statement, though, for this 20th century model of a bygone pattern had a distinctive feature that hip pads, as our grandmothers knew them, lacked.

Our grandmothers were content to have hips that remained the same size; for as long as the pads lasted, at any rate. The modern contraption, however, is fitted with roomy pockets, in which pads of various sizes can be inserted. Thus, if your mood demands that you have long, evelte lines, with hips of barely appreciable size, you put in small cushions; if a tendency toward corpulency is desired, there are large ones to fill the need.

Miss Burtis also had other revivals to show. Among them was an affair of stiffened material to be worn under a frock in order to give the lampshade effect. That can be discovered in the old fashion prints. An underskirt of net, boned and taped in such a way as to present a bulge at the sides and a flat appearance at the front and back, she also brought forth. Simply the hoop-skirt idea reborn!

"Fashions move in cycles," was the way she explained it, "there seem to be only a certain number of style ideas. When you want something really new, you go back and get something very old. That's the secret."

A Different Pace

Why is it that a woman who feels the pangs of exhaustion at the very mention of a brisk two-mile walk can sprint for leagues up and down the aisles of a crowded shop with the driving energy of a locomotive?

He's Really Real

The man purchaser at the woman's hosiery counter sounds like a stereotyped comic, but go into any shop these hectic days and you can see him by the dozens, puzzled as to size, helplessly dependent on the saleswoman, but emphatically agreed on the desirability and good taste of the gift.

The Straw Hat Man Speaks

Before the January bills for our winter chapeaux have been rendered, straw bonnets make their appearance in the windows. These bonnets, a leading manufacturer informed me the other day, have been in the process of making since September. In other words, before you've got your 1915 summer model off your head, the kind you are going to replace it with in 1916 has not only been designed, but is in far way of being made.

"The time was," Mr. Hat Man told me, "when we looked to Paris exclusively for ideas and designs. Gradually, though, the 'Made in America' influence is making itself felt and now we copy from New York models as well as from those conceived in the French capital. Maybe the day will come when we will not have to go across the Atlantic for pointers on headgear. We've clever enough to make the hats, and it isn't too much to hope that we'll begin to find out that we're able also to originate."

If straws show which way the wind blows, big hats with wide brims and medium-sized crowns will be the popular shape next summer. Though hat manufacturers, like dramatists, say that the individual who can discover what the public wants, before it is ready to declare itself, will be hailed as the man of the century.

A Modern Chesterfield

A frenzied shopper's idea of a true gentleman: The parcel post clerk who licks her stamps for her.

Fat Days Are Here

The muscle on the arm of a little boy who stands at the door of a popular Chestnut street jewelry shop is as sure an indication of the wave of prosperity that is submerging us all as the smile on a broker's face.

The little boy's muscle is at least two inches larger this year than it was last; and it all comes from opening and closing the door of the shop that engages him.

Yesterday at noon the little instrument that clicks every time a patron enters registered 1607, and he admitted that at rush hours they surged in in such numbers that to get them all was impossible.

Last Monday, however, was a halcyon day for all the merchants, he totaled \$476 in nine hours. Not bad that, even if only half of the entrants were actual purchasers.

Letters to the Editor of the Woman's Page

Address all communications to M'LISS, care of the Evening Ledger. Write on one side of the paper only.

Dear M'LISS—Please write information as to the words "religious" and "Christ-like." Are they both needed in speaking of a person or would the one adjective be sufficient? B. W. Federalburg, Md.

Christ-like means having the attributes characteristic of Christ. Religious means, pious, devout, holy, conscientious. A man can be religious without attaining a Christ-like plane, but a Christ-like man would necessarily be religious. You might speak of a Mohammedan as religious, but you would scarcely call him Christ-like.

Dear M'LISS—Is it possible to buy a crankless ice cream freezer? And what is the advantage of this kind over the old make? F. T. U.

Yes; in the house furnishing department of any big shop. The big advantage is that you don't have to turn them. They are particularly adapted to the making of mousses and whipped cream mixtures. They are, however, more expensive than the usual freezer.

Dear M'LISS—What is the difference between Hepplewhite and Jacobean furniture? I have an old piece of furniture that I think is a real antique and I'd like to be able to place it. MARIE L.

The difference between Hepplewhite and Jacobean is the same as the difference between day and night; white and black. The former, which came into vogue in England at the time of George III, is light and elegant in style, while the latter, that was designed in the early Elizabethan period, is heavy, plain and severe. There are books at the public library which will give you detailed descriptions of period furniture. They would be helpful in identifying your own.

Dear M'LISS—Help me out in an argument. A says that a certain stew made of beef, onions and other ingredients called "porkolt" is a Hungarian dish. I maintain that this is goulash. WAGER.

CHRISTMAS AT HIGH SCHOOL

West Philadelphia Institution Presents an Interesting Program

The Christmas exercises of the West Philadelphia High School were held at 10:30 this morning in the auditorium of the school. Selections by the school orchestra and glee club, reading by the principal, Charles C. Heyl, and an address by the Rev. August Pohlman were other features. The program was in charge of Willard S. Campbell, musical director of the school.

The orchestra, led by E. J. Hoffmeister, rendered both classical and popular selections, as well as the songs of the school. Roy Helton, teacher of English, gave a reading, while Cecil Richardson, a student, played Liszt's "Rigoletto." Paraphrase on the piano. There were two solos by B. F. Evans, of Norristown.

SEEN IN THE SHOPS



A GOWN SUGGESTIVE OF THE ORIENT

A GOWN of many uses is the one here shown. For bridge, tea, the dansant, a morning or afternoon musicale, the theatre, the restaurant, in short, for occasions where the extremes, either the strictly tailored suit or evening costume, are not required, this gown is appropriate. Its general utility will appeal to many, but its chic and charm to more.

The gown is of crepe Georgette over a foundation of chamois. Wide bands of rich marten fur trim the gown, forming the "chin-chin" collar and edging the Chinese sleeve and pointed tunic. The only other trimming are the tabs with pendant balls which mark the closing at the left front and ornament the sleeves. The wide slash of self material fastens with short ends at the left side. This unusually smart gown can be had in white, midnight blue and black for \$17.50.

The hat, which was borrowed from the coolie, is in perfect harmony with the gown. It is of black velvet with flunk fur encircling the crown and trimmed in front with a jet ornament. Price, \$7.50.

Full particulars as to the place where this article can be purchased may be obtained by sending a stamped, addressed envelope to the Editor of the Woman's Page, EVENING LEDGER, 608 Chestnut street. A clipping of the gown or fashion you want must be inclosed.

Marion Harland's Corner

More Than Enough

"I MAILED to you a fortnight ago a card, thanking you for putting me into communication with the many friends to whom you passed on my request for quilt pieces, and to say I have received more than enough for my purpose. Yet, today I have two more packages by parcel post. I have sent cards of thanks to all who favored me with their names and addresses. I am most grateful to them and to the Corner, but I do not want to get more than my share of the goods you dispense. MARY A.

The persons to whom your name was passed, and who responded after you wrote to us to withhold supplies, had your address before you notified us of the superfluity. May I suggest that you let us forward the names of several applicants for pieces lately received by you? Keep good things in circulation. Don't dispose of the extra parcels until you hear from us.

Gives All Chance to Help

"Yesterday I received your favor, giving addresses, etc. So, in time, I'll get them all if I wait a little. 'All things come to him who waits,' if he waits patiently. I wrote concerning the widowed mother who asks for a wheel chair for her 13-year-old boy. But really I would not add one care to your burdened life. I do sincerely admire the great work the Corner is doing, and one of the greatest is giving us Cornerites an opportunity to help one another. MRS. S. B."

The last sentence of your pleasant letter strikes at the root of the matter we have in hand, unbaring the great throbbing heart of the family. I like to use that word in connection with the H. C. Involuntarily I repeat mentally, after

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

You'll find your friends out by their gifts And by the way that they bestow them—I think an old quotation says That by their presents ye shall know them!



writing or speaking of the word, "One family—we dwell in him; one church—above us." With me it stands as a motto glowing with living light.

Chocolate Cake and Icing

"In cheerful compliance with your suggestion that practical homemakers should send to you recipes they have tested and found good, I am inclosing one for chocolate cake that we like more and more after each trial of it: Half cup of butter, two cups of sugar, two cups of flour, one cup of buttermilk, three eggs, sugar and water until it ropes, beat into one level teaspoon of soda, one teaspoon of cloves, two teaspoons of cinnamon, half cake sweet chocolate. Mix as you would any white cake, adding the chocolate (melted) last. Chocolate icing: Three cups of sugar, three-quarters cup of boiling water, whites of three small eggs, one-quarter cake of chocolate. Boil sugar and water until it ropes, beat into well-beaten whites, a little at a time, then add melted chocolate. X. Y. Z."

Well done, good and true Cornerite! Our labors would be marvellously lessened if we had 50 more such faithful disciples. Your recipe is written in legible characters. It is a pleasure to read and clearly expressed. Do not rest content with one contribution to the treasure chest of "tried and true."

A Good Stew

"I have been a silent reader of your Corner for years, and have received aid and stored away many a good thing. I am sending a fine recipe for a good stew: One can of tomatoes, one can of corn, one can of Irish potatoes cut into small pieces (use tomato can for a measure), three large onions, pepper, salt. Add this to the stew, pork preferred. There should be one quart of meat after it is cooked tender and the bones are removed. I have cooked this with beef, pork and mutton, and have always found it good. For a change try adding a few seeded raisins to potato custard before baking. Also currants in rice pudding. They are nice. Won't some sister who hates spirits as much as I do try a glass of sweet milk in her fruit cake when baking and leave out the wine? She will find it improve her cake. Save old hosiery, cut round and round in long strings and crochet them into round rugs. They are both pretty and serviceable. C. T. D."

A notable addition to our collection of trustworthy recipes. She is practical and economical—two excellent things in a woman. It is easy enough to make toothsome fruit cake without spirits of any kind. I have never tried substituting milk for wine.

All communications addressed to Miss Harland should inclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and a clipping of the article in which you are interested. Send to Marion Harland, Evening Ledger, 608 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

ANTIS SET FORTH THEIR PLATFORM

Reasons Why America Should Not Continue Plans for National Defense

"We are in no danger of attack unless because other nations fear our aggression. They will have good reason to fear our aggression if we increase our armaments, for the President has admitted that we are not threatened from any quarter. If we arm, South America, Japan and China will adopt measures of defense against us, and we shall antagonize European nations who will believe that we are taking advantage of their weakness. 'International good will is effective, and especially so at a time like the present, when humanity longs for some other method than slaughter for settling difficulties. The method of good will disarm other nations of the motive and attack.'"

This is the platform of the branch of the Woman's Peace party which opened a shop in the Lincoln Building this week to do war relief work, and, incidentally, to disseminate anti-preparedness literature among the men and women who go there. Mrs. J. Reece Lewis, delegate to the recent Woman's Peace Congress at The Hague, said, in speaking of the movement, "It doesn't seem strange that women whose ideals of life and home are shattered by war should be advocating the prevention of war. Why? war doesn't protect them; they are the greatest sufferers. We are calling on men to defend us by protective measures. Justice to the other countries is the best means to accomplish this, and it is in this that we are most interested. 'The week of January 17 will be devoted to debates, lectures, etc., on the subject of peace. Speakers of prominence will be present, both in favor of and those against preparedness. Plans for the affair are not concluded yet, but we are going to have these meetings open to the public.'"

Canvas Tub for Baby

Here is a clever arrangement for his highness the baby. The low bathtub has a canvas tub to many a busy mother, and this plan of having the tub made of soft canvas is very considerate of baby's tender skin. The small canvas tub is suspended from a frame which fits over the top of the regular bathtub. This is arranged so that it is not even necessary for the nurse to lean over, for the



tub may be drawn close to the edge of the frame. Another advantage of this plan, says the Popular Science Monthly, is the sanitation it affords. The canvas tubs may be laundered like an ordinary shower curtain, and made not in use, the whole thing may be suspended from a hook on the bathroom wall. A felt bumper is placed underneath the frame when in use to prevent it from rubbing the tub. A good thing for grandfather to give the new baby.

On Christmas Eve

All blissful and bright is the future to be That the Bayberry Candle is bringing to me; "Send out thy glad message to one o'er the sea, O, little green Bayberry Candle! O'er this dark, wintry world thou art shedding thy beam, Symbolic of all the fair fancies that gleam. And of all the good deeds that I hold in my dream, O, little green Bayberry Candle."

"It is burned to the socket"—it flickers and dies. Yet still doth a lingering fragrance arise; "Waft, waft thy faint sweetness to far distant shores, O, little green Bayberry Candle! Like the sweetness of love, that endureth away. In the light and the dark, in the night and the day, O, little that lingers, forever and aye—O, little green Bayberry Candle."—Mary Small Wagner, in Southern Woman's Magazine.

Trades School Celebrates Xmas An extensive program was given this morning in the Philadelphia Trade School's headquarters, 17th and Wood streets, when the annual Christmas exercises took place. Following recitations, songs, addresses and instrumental music, the students and their guests were entertained with a minstrel show.

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PELLAGRA, ITS CAUSES, SYMPTOMS AND EFFECTS; A GROWING DISEASE

By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.

WHATEVER may be the cause of pellagra, be it spoiled maize, a diet too restricted in variety or some unknown toxin or bacterium, the disease is apparently on the increase in this country, and in some parts of the South it is giving health authorities great concern.

Unfortunately, the earlier descriptions of the disease emanated from hospitals for the insane, where many pellagrins ultimately wound up. This has tinged the popular idea of pellagra with the fancy that it is a nervous or mental malady. It is not.

Competent observers in private practice describe the earlier manifestations of pellagra as our old friends, "stomach trouble" and "biliousness." It is asserted that many pellagrous individuals never exhibit the skin, tongue and nervous symptoms of the disease, but remain throughout life victims of a mild degree of poisoning which manifests itself as "stomach trouble" or "biliousness."

So early as 1830, the earlier symptoms were given by Bolsonant as follows: "Loss of appetite, a disgust for food, a heaviness in the stomach and dryness of the mouth." And Zanetti, long before that, called attention to the curious unusual lassitude felt by the patient for weeks preceding the eruption, which lassitude made it difficult for the patients (in Italy) to carry on their work. "Heartburn and a burning sensation in the stomach are commonly complained of. Pain in the head, a feeling of heat and heaviness in the head, dizziness, a tendency to melancholy, muscular feebleness, constipation or diarrhoeal movements almost without odor, red tongue, which is furrowed, tremulous and a little swollen—these are suggestive signs." Dr. H. F. Harris, of the Georgia State Board of Health, remarks: "The history of bad health in the spring, summer and autumn, repeated for a number of years, followed by a curious and unaccountable loss of physical strength and mental vigor, a gloomy outlook on life, hurried, restless, nervous, and a change (exaggeration) of the reflexes, constitute a clinical condition that, so far as I am aware, could be ascribed to no other cause."

HUNDRED NEEDIEST CASES RELIEVED BY ONE WOMAN

CHRISTMAS is the time for charity, and the various ways in which charitable deeds are accomplished are often interesting, often positively mysterious. The story of a wealthy Philadelphia woman, who asked the papers to send her the names of the hundred neediest cases in the city, and took it upon herself to relieve the distress of these cases personally, should be cited as an example of the true meaning of charity.

Although it is absolutely essential that the Lady Bountiful's real name remain a secret, her act belongs to the public, and the public has a right to be acquainted with her whole-hearted manner of caring for those who are unable to do for themselves. This woman took it upon herself to avoid the regular organized charities, because she firmly believes that the personal touch, the meeting of the donor and the recipient, is essential to the pride and well-being of the poor. She always respects the feelings of others, and in each instance of her benefactions there has been no ill-feeling, no embarrassment attached.

Naturally many cases of human interest come under her notice, and, while paths always accompany poverty, this lady of the noble heart strives and succeeds in combining cheer and substance in the one gift.

HINTS AS TO THE PROPER MANAGEMENT OF WINDOWS

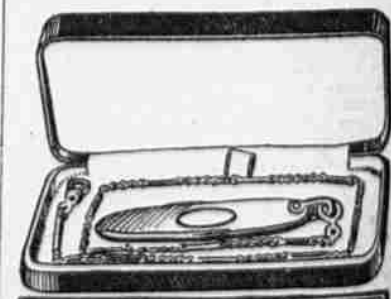
TODAY the decoration of the home is assuming a rational tendency and we are becoming more and more convinced that simplicity is the keynote to good taste. In the treatment of windows, for instance, we are beginning to realize that the heavy, overloaded hangings of a generation ago were not only ugly and inappropriate, but extremely unhygienic. So we are demanding simple, thin materials that can be hung close against the window pane to act as a protection from prying eyes, yet which do not shut out the light and air, the two great essentials to good health. Cheap curtains and other inexpensive materials with elaborate patterns which flaunt their ugliness to the passer-by are being replaced by simple, artistic, muslin or net curtains which are the most appropriate materials for the purpose. They can be finished with hemstitching, interesting lace insets or a simple gimp, for curtains that are so elaborate as to call attention to themselves are only hindering for display and do not fulfill the mission for which they are really intended. Curtains, therefore, are required for the purpose of preserving privacy and for a necessity in city houses where one lives in such close proximity to one's neighbor. Often this white expense is disturbing in a low-toned room so overhauling in a low-toned room so overhauling that blend in with the general color scheme of the room help to keep the windows and walls in their true relation, for when the wall spaces are broken by a number of glaring white windows, that blatantly attract the eye, all harmony of color is lost.

XMAS JOYS FOR UNFORTUNATE PROVIDED BY CITY MISSION

Poor Families, the Sick and the Inmates of Prisons Remembered More than 1000 poor families and several thousand persons were the recipients today of food and other articles that took them some of the good cheer of the Christmas season through the generosity of the Protestant Episcopal City Mission. Under the direction of the Rev. Dr. H. Cresson McHenry, the acting superintendent, the poor, suffering and imprisoned were remembered in all parts of the city and in practically all the jails and prisons.

Shortly after noon representatives of 1000 poor families, to whom special invitations had been extended by the mission, assembled for services in Old St. Paul's Church, 33 street below Walnut, and at the conclusion of the worship hour 1000 baskets of turkey and other foodstuffs and groceries were distributed among them. Further cheer was extended throughout the city among the aged and ill who were unable to attend the mission services by baskets sent out in wagons and automobiles. The Rev. A. L. Mellet, chaplain for the mission at the Philadelphia Hospital, arranged for services at that place, and at the Home for Convalescing Women in Chester County a special dinner and distribution of gifts was planned. A beautiful tree has been erected. At the Home for Consumptives, at Chestnut Hill, special dinners are to be served.

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MILLIE AND HER MILLIONS



OH! HORRORS! IS IT POSSIBLE?

THE MORNING PAPER, MADAM.

ANYONE DECLARED WAR THIS MORNING?

THE SOCIETY PAGE HAS AN ACCOUNT OF THE TEA MRS. GETRICH GAVE.

DOES IT SAY HOW MANY LUMPS OF SUGAR I TOOK?

OH! MONTY, OH! THE IMPUDENT WRETCHES.

WHAT'S THE MATTER? SHALL I SEND IN A FIRE-ALARM?

OH! I SHALL NEVER FORGIVE THEM. I SHALL SUE THEM FOR LIBEL.

WE'LL MAKE 'EM PRINT AN APOLOGY, WHATEVER IT IS.

THEY'VE SPILT OUR NAME, VAN OODLES WITH A SMALL V.