

DID YOU KNOW MAIN LINE IN 60'S? READ AND LEARN

D'ja Ever Hear of "Kissing Station" or a Wistar Wearing a Red Flannel Shirt to a Dinner Party? Then Hark for a Moment

When a Wistar (yes sir, a Wistar, spelled with an "a") wore a red flannel shirt to a dinner party—

And when Johnny Converse and Randall Williams were regular cut-ups—

And patrician Main Liners took only one bath a winter, because it was so cold—

And when there was no "Laoli Po-cao" from Philadelphia out on the line between 6 p. m. and midnight—

And when now dignified Haverford was dubbed the "Kissing Station"—

Those were the days. They must have been.

And they are all described most delightfully and with a delicious disregard for the feelings of aristocratic Main Line ghosts in an amusing little book written by A. N. Onymous.

It is gravely charged that the author is John W. Townsend, and no other, but in the preface of the merry little book there is this one paragraph:

"These meanderings of an old man's memories were jotted down principally for his amusement, but memories continued to run away with the pen until they have gone beyond reasonable bounds. They do not pretend to accuracy, in which memory often fails, but a wide margin will allow the reader to make corrections as desired."

Thus, Mr. A. N. Onymous provides a graceful little loophole: he permits choleric old shades to make corrections if corrections are in order, or if the shades think they are in order. It was the writer's bad memory, they will explode.

Who Knows? Perhaps Mr. Wistar didn't wear a red flannel shirt to a dinner party, after all. It may have been a blue flannel shirt. Maybe the old-time Main Liners were wronged in regard to their winter baths. They may have taken one every Washington's Birthday. Who knows?

This intimate little history is called "Personal Reminiscences of the Main Line in the Sixties and Seventies."

It tells briefly, near its beginning how thriving communities got their start. Nantuxet, the author states, started life as "Elm." "Brakenem" then called it "El-lum." It had the same infantile diseases that early Bryn Mawr suffered with—ponds and sloughs, so that commuters beyond dubbed one side "Pond's Extract" and the other side "Slippery Elm."

Wealthy Philadelphians early began to purchase large farms outside the Bryn Mawr tract. "Among the first to purchase was Mr. George W. Childs, editor of the PUBLIC LEDGER, who took up a large property on the new road that had just been laid out southward from White Hall, called Bryn Mawr avenue."

Some of these same early days Mr. Childs and his inseparable friend, Mr. Drexel, founded the town of Wayne, as a real estate operation.

"Mr. Childs was asked one day why they built their new town so far up the road when there were numerous properties just as available nearer the city; he quickly replied, 'The author charges a large property on the new road that had just been laid out southward from White Hall, called Bryn Mawr avenue.'"

Living on the Main Line in those days was a matter of patience and endurance when it came to transportation.

"The Pennsylvania Railroad did not cater much to commuters. The sixties," the book says, "there were only six trains a day each way. If the 6 p. m. was missed there was nothing doing till the 'Immigrant' at midnight. Old rounders could not wander out on any old train asking for the 'Paoli local' gate."

A contrast is drawn between the accepted luxuries of today and the rigorous simplicity of a half century back.

"It really seems as if bathing is more of an esthetic pleasure than a sanitary necessity," modern theories notwithstanding," the book observes. "Our sturdy old colonial ancestors probably never bathed all winter. How could they with no heat in their house except an open wood fire and an occasional iron stove in the living room?"

"Fifty years ago the best city houses had only one tin-lined bathtub and part of the spring housecleaning was to have its inside padded, especially to obliterate what 'Mrs. Gump,' of the

EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER comic page, alludes to as the high water marks. They certainly were not sanitary, but porcelain tubs were as yet unknown."

Boarding Houses Were Centers Many young men and women who later became noted Philadelphians figured in the summer frolics at boarding houses along the line.

"Among these young men was Henry Pettit, a talented musician, who helped much in entertaining, as did also John Converse, who was a ringleader in the escapades of the young set. He was then only a private secretary of Mr. Williams, of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, and his old violin was his sole amusement."

"Randall Williams was another jolly

follow. You never could tell what he and his younger brother Charlie were going to do next."

Haverford, known then as the "kissing station," was the scene of a practical joke played on Malcolm Lloyd, then recently married.

The early motorcar was received with disfavor by Main Line residents, principally because of the recklessness with which the early machines were driven by sporting youths. Says the book:

"Mr. Wayne MacVough, who was very fond of driving, threatened to shoot at sight one such youth who was utterly regardless of everything as he plied his nose sport, and some others who were old enough to know better were also similar offenders."

"A. N. Onymous's" book is being sold to help the campaign for the Bryn Mawr Maternity Hospital.

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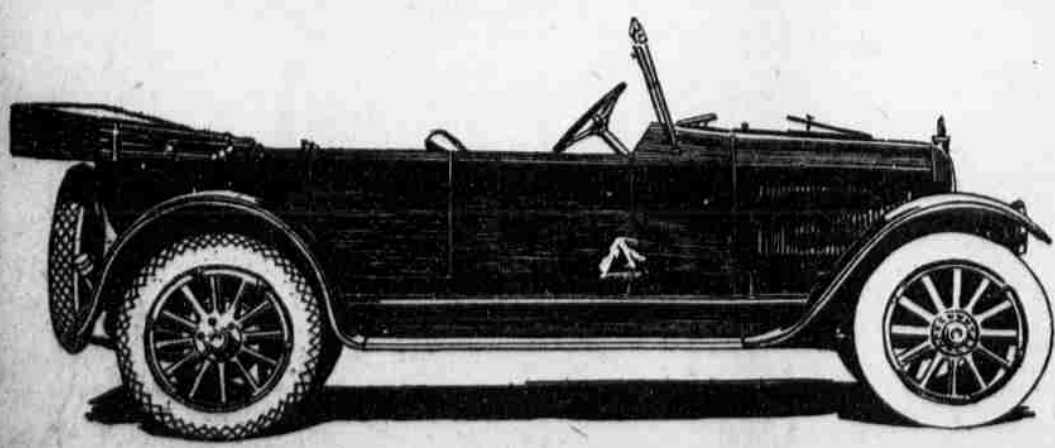
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\$7 Ready-to-Wear FUR HATS \$4.85

Several hundred from which to pick. They are shown in the smartest new shapes, usually small and in the clever turban, toque, tam and up-rolled effects.

Some are prettily combined with satin, others with velvet and still others with duvetyne finish cloth. The trimmings include flowers with foliage, fancies and ornaments. Two pictured.



Some with colored collars and cuffs; others all white. Some with chevron, yoke or laces. Sizes 8 to 20.

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Women's \$4.50 Silk-&Wool Union Suits \$2.95

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