

# OF INTERESTS TO THE WOMEN

## ROADS TO SOMEWHERE

A New and Interesting Series  
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The one road that every mother's daughter of us most desires to travel is Lovers' Lane.

In our youth we may like to take a flying excursion into the business world, or to go adventuring a little time on a career of fame, but for our real life journey we all plan to set our feet in the sweet, quiet path of love that ends in home, and husband, and children.

Every woman is seeking this wayward path to love, and the most pitiful thing on earth is that she is so anxious to find it that she often deceives herself into believing that any flowery pathway leads to her destination.

She doesn't consult the road map of common sense enough. She doesn't take her bearings closely enough or watch which way she is going, and before she knows it she has taken the wrong turn of the road and is lost in the slough of misery.

Now there are many roads that seem to lead to love, but that really only lead to sorrow and disappointment and disillusion, and I should like to erect a signpost for the girls along them for the guidance of the wayfarers who are setting forth on the sentimental journey.

The first is the road of girls who think that every path is the path of love, and therefore safe for those willing to rush blindly down it with any man who offers to show them the way.

The Tragic Path  
These are the poor little wrecked pilgrims of love who drench the road with tears. They have heard many of these girls tell the stories of their journey — tell it with painted lips that sneered and trembled. It was always the same.

Foolish, ignorant, and vain, they were so eager to love and be loved they took as guides on the road to love men who knew all the paths of intrigue, heartbreak, marriage and unconventional living, into which they lured girls who did not know where they were going until it was forever too late to turn back.

And scarcely less pathetic is the case of the girl who marries the first man who fires her immature fancy only to find out that she has made one of the most terrible of all mistakes and is tied for life to a husband with whom she has not one thought, or taste in common, and that she must drag through all her days the corpse of a loveless life.

So I implore all girls, not to be in too great a hurry to love. Don't think every green path leads to deathless affection, nor that every man whose eyes flash love is in a dance to your predestined affinity. Travel far along the highroad of life, and examine carefully many roads and paths, until you have finally taken the turn that leads to Lovers' Lane. And be sure you have got the right man with you for a traveling companion.

Men there are girls of a foolhardy turn of mind who are always attracted by the roads of love that are marked "dangerous" at every curve and that are full of risk. They are adventurers in love, and the fact that the pathway they elect to travel is strewn with the broken hearts of the women who have gone before them does not deter them or turn them back.

The Fatal Error  
These are the girls who marry drunkards and rogues, and ne'er-do-wells, and men who are afflicted with tempers and tuberculous and all the other ills to which the flesh and spirit are heir. The more of a dark brown past and dismal future a man has the more attractive he is to this type of girl, because he offers to her the same allure that a hard and rocky road does to a certain kind of traveler.

Nothing that any one can say will keep the feminine mountain climber in love from risking her neck and her happiness by marrying the man she shouldn't, but I do say this to her — be a sport. If you deliberately choose the stiff road, keep to it without whining. Don't wail and weep because your drunkard drinks, or your loafer has no brains, or your pretty faces, or your loafer won't work. Play the game.

And as my first danger signal was erected for sweet-and-twenty, so for last is far sacred-and-thirty. The young girl is in danger because she thinks that in every path she has discovered "Lovers' Lane." The woman of thirty is in danger because she has gotten so far along the road without seeing the cross path that leads to the altar that she begins to fear she has missed it entirely, that she has passed it by without seeing it, so she is likely to turn down the next road, no matter how unattractive it is, nor where it will lead her.

Nearly all of her girlhood friends are married and settled. Her own beaux begin to fall off, and the snips of debutante's comeliness treating her with respect that is a deadly insult in itself. Some day she discovers a pucker at the corner of her eye, and she realizes that she is "getting on" in life.

Then it is that she gets into a panic and marries the widower with seven small children, or the faithful old suitor who has refused forty times and for whom she has only a tolerant liking instead of love. She would have found the path that would have taken her straight to the husband and home of her ideal.

So, I say, you smartly girls, along the road of love. It leads to the haven of bliss and heart's desire, but there are many dangerous curves in the road, and it's the woman who runs the world on which to lose your way.

It's all a matter of teaching, of adopting the right attitude toward one's children. It lies with every woman, when her children are babies, to decide how they shall treat her when they are grown up.

It is the mother's own fault if her children neglect her. It is also the mother's own fault, to a large degree, that her children do not love her as a cherished guest in her children's households.

There is many an old woman who is a good woman and a mother who has made heroic sacrifices for her children but who is so disagreeable to live with that that it would take more than mortal patience to stand her.

There is the meddling old woman, for instance, who never goes into any household without disarranging its whole machinery and trying to run it her way.

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If she goes to her daughter's house she nags her son-in-law to death because she drinks beer, and smokes, and belongs to a club, and plays golf on Sunday. In any house she enters peace packs up its dress suit case and flees for parts unknown.

And there is the querulous and complaining old lady who is a living edition of the Lamentations of Jeremiah, who is always weeping and mourning and complaining all over the place, and is so sensitive and has her feelings spread around her so far that you have to walk on eggs to keep from hurting her.

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And there's the argumentative old woman who can never let any subject pass without disagreeing with everybody on earth, and the tyrannical old woman who wants to force everybody to do her way and think her thoughts, and the narrow and provincial old lady who is certain that the way she did in some obscure village fifty years ago is the way life ought to be run in the city-to-day. And there are also fifty other varieties of disagreeable and cantankerous old ladies who are home wreckers.

When Aged Woman Is Unwelcome Guest It Is Generally Her Own Fault  
Generally speaking, whenever an old woman is not a welcome guest under any roof it is her own fault, for all of us know plenty of sweet, wise, gentle, forbearing, broad-minded old ladies whose children worship them, whose in-laws adore them, and whom we all welcome with open arms.

The moral of all of which is that we are minded as to get what is coming to us, and that it behooves every woman in her youth to begin to make herself the sort of a woman that everybody will want around them when she is old.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17. — The American Red Cross announced today it had been advised by the War Department that colored glasses or goggles, gratuitously to the American troops on the border for the protection of their eyes from glare and sand. This will make it unnecessary, it was stated, for glasses to be contributed by chapters or order Red Cross agencies.

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Natty Little Suit Adaptable to Variety of Materials and Combinations

By MAY MANTON



912 (With Basting Line and Added Seam Allowance) Boy's Suit, 2, 4 and 6 years.

This is a suit that is so simple that any mother who can sew can make it, yet it shows very new and smart features. The straight trousers are the preferred ones for the little boys. The blouse is perfectly straight but held in place by means of the belt, and the shield is buttoned into place. Here, blue linen with a crepe finish is trimmed with white linen of a plain weave. The contrast of materials as well as of color is a good one but this is a suit that can be copied in galatese or in gingham, in linen or in pongee or in the silks that are used for boy's suits, if something very dressy is wanted. It is the material chosen that will determine its use. In style and in cut, it is appropriate for every occasion of the little boy's life.

Made of gingham it will be a playtime suit. If it were made of the ribbed silk it could be used for the most formal occasions, but in the latter case, the pocket would be omitted.

For the material size will be needed, 4 yards of 6 year 27 inches wide, 3 yards 36 or 2 1/2 yards 44, with 3/4 yard 36 inches wide to trim as illustrated.

The pattern No. 912 is cut in sizes for children from 2 to 6 years of age. It will be mailed to any address by the Fashion Department of this paper, on receipt of ten cents.

JENNINGS LIKES STATE'S ROADS; BETTER THAN OTHERS  
After a trip of 1,000 miles over roads in New Jersey, Delaware and New York State President William Jennings, of the William Penn Highway, says that the roads of Pennsylvania will stand comparison with the highways in these other States.

"All of Pennsylvania's roads I found better than New Jersey's," said Mr. Jennings. "Our hard surfaced highways are as fine as New York's, although perhaps not so numerous. New York's dirt roads may be a little better than ours, but not much. I am much pleased with the progress we are making in Pennsylvania."

President Jennings has assurances from the highway department that the work of constructing the new William Penn in the bed of the old canal will be completed in the fall, and the construction of a culvert beneath the railroad tracks, will start in the near future. When he makes his September tour through the agricultural sections of Pennsylvania Governor E. H. Cress will follow the Penn Highway for more or less of a distance each time. He will pass through the town of Danville, for example, four times. The streets of this borough are in very bad shape and will be repaired before the Governor's tour.

Relations between the governments of India and Afghanistan continue to be of the friendliest character and the latter is scrupulously maintaining an impartial attitude toward the punishment inflicted last year on recalcitrant sections and partly owing to the exposure of German attempts to introduce the religious element into the Afghan army, the Government has remained staunch throughout to their engagement, thereby setting an example of loyalty to their neighbors. The only trouble some factors are the Mahsuds, a tribe of Heridary robbers and raiders. Otherwise the restless borderland is quieter than it has been for many years.

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## INDIANS BIG HELP TO BRITISH

Six Officers and Men Wearing Victoria Cross; Situation Good

LONDON, Aug. 17. — "International conditions in India, save in portions of Bengal where robber bands periodically break out, are highly satisfactory," says a Reuter dispatch from Simla.

"The people of Bengal showed their desire to help in the war by organizing a stationary field hospital for service in Mesopotamia. This hospital with the exception of the general commanding staffed entirely by Bengali medical graduates and the personnel was entirely Bengali. After doing excellent work, this hospital has now been withdrawn but scope for national and patriotic aspirations of the Bengalis has been afforded by the raising of a double company of them. It will be trained on the Victoria Cross and twenty-seven have gained the military cross.

"All classes of creeds throughout the entire country held intercession services last August 4, praying in the Churches, mosques and temples for success for the British arms. In certain parts offerings were set aside for the aid of British prisoners in Germany."

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## Sisters Lose \$70,000 Estate if They Wed

Pottsville, Pa., Aug. 17. — A lawsuit before Judge Wilhelm, in the Orphans' court revealed one of the strangest wills ever probated in this country. Caroline, Bertha, Louisa and Sarah Yaisle, four unmarried middle-aged sisters, recently came into possession of an estate from their mother, valued at \$70,000, with the provision that if any got married that one should forfeit all share in the estate.

Miss Bertha, one of the sisters who shared in the legacy under these strange conditions, died a short time ago, and now two brothers who were disinherited by the will of their mother, claim the right to share in her portion of the estate, claiming that she amply fulfilled the conditions imposed inasmuch as she died a single woman.

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## TWENTY KILLED IN GREAT EXPLOSION

Powder Magazine in Venezuelan Port Blows Up; Suppress Information

Curacao, Dutch West Indies, Aug. 17. — Details have reached here of the disaster which occurred July 27 in the fortress of La Vigia, at the Venezuelan seaport of La Guayra, causing the death of about twenty persons. The powder magazine in the fort, on the hill above La Guayra blew up with a terrific explosion and a shower of masonry debris and artillery shells fell in all directions.

In the magazines were stored a large quantity of six-inch shells and hundreds of thousands of rifle cartridges. As this ammunition exploded there continued for three hours bursting of shells and cracking of cartridges.

The government made efforts to suppress information concerning the disaster. It is learned however, that sixteen soldiers and two officers were killed outright in the fort and that one or two civilians met death in the town from flying debris. One of the officers who was under punishment was confined in chains near one of the magazines. A number of men were injured. The official explanation is that it was due to spontaneous combustion. The secretary of the government, however, has given rise to sinister rumor and there are many who believe that revolutionary interests opposed to the Gomez government were at the bottom of the disaster.

The newspapers have been forbidden to mention the matter. Half a dozen peons who were discussing it

in the streets were arrested. After the explosion the police compelled all citizens to leave the town and go into the suburbs.

NEWSIES THANK JACKSON FOR HIS GOOD OFFICES  
A delegation from the Newsboys' Association visited John Price Jackson, Commissioner of Labor and Industry, on Capitol Hill, this morning for the purpose of expressing their appreciation of the cordial support given by his department to the newsboys' in the recent baseball game between the newsboys' and the department. More than \$120 was taken in from the sale of tickets, 50 per cent of which were sold by the officials and employees of the department on the hill and the remainder by the newsboys themselves, the proceeds to be devoted to the sick fund of the newsboys' association. President Koplovitz and his brother, Bernard, who is secretary of the association, together with Mike Klawansky and the Davidson boys, all made speeches expressive of their gratitude and the commissioner responded for the department.

THE NEWSBOYS INCIDENTALLY WON THE baseball game and filed a request for a return game in the summer of 1917.

THE LIMITS OF POWER  
Many a man who froths at the mouth over the speed demon who races his automobile along the streets and highways, at the financial magazine who runs amuck in cornering beef or cotton or wheat, will himself buy the most powerful rifle the market affords and go out hunting over the farms of a well-settled country, without a thought that his bullets shoot far beyond what he can see or control. He will buy an automatic shotgun that will fire six shots at every bird he sees if the bird doesn't fall before the magazine is shot off and he will scatter that shot frenziedly to two or three of the four cardinal points of the compass, recking not at his delirium that there may be men or domestic stock within range.—September Outing.

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