

HAPPENINGS in the CITIES

Mule Doesn't Get This Idea of Saving Daylight

LITHONIA, GA.—Among the many problems that had to be solved with the inauguration of the daylight-saving movement, and one that still is a source of perplexity to local professors of natural history and astronomical translations is the regulating of the famous Lithonia jackass, who, by his regular and dependable brayings, has regulated clocks and watches in Lithonia for several months.

E. W. Reagon, who lives not far from the center of the town, owns the biggest jackass in De Kalb county, the prize specimen of North Georgia. Something more than a year ago Reagon's little son, Aaron, started going out in the morning and leading his horse out of the barn, and whenever the jackass saw the horse he would bray. Aaron was pretty regular in his time, hence the jackass brayed every morning at eight o'clock sharp. During the last six months he has brayed at precisely eight o'clock whether he saw a horse or not. Lithonia folks quit bothering about watches and clocks. Whenever they heard the jackass bray the children liked to school.

Then along came the daylight-saving law. Those who have clocks and watches got them out and greased them up, preparatory to setting them ahead an hour. They didn't want to depend upon a braying jackass when government law is concerned. Their old tickers must do full duty now, if they never did before. So they set their timepieces ahead one hour and let it go at that.

But how were they to set the old jackass ahead an hour? Not by pushing from behind, said some. One man said he had tried it, and it didn't work. Neither did he, for a fortnight.

A special meeting of the board of trade has been called to consider ways and means of setting up "that braying jackass," who still insists on hee-hawing at eight o'clock, old time, but which is nine o'clock, new time, thus making all the kiddies late at school.



Grateful Wildcat Gets His Benefactor in Trouble

SAN FRANCISCO.—Fred Hall, pioneer of Shingletown, Cal., is sorry now he befriended a female wildcat two years ago. Hall was traveling along Bartie creek on his snowshoes one day when he came upon a wildcat and her two young cubs. One of the cubs was caught fast in a steel trap that Hall himself had set.

The look of anguish in the mother cat's eyes caused Hall to take pity on the brute, and instead of killing the trapped cat and the other two animals with his rifle, Hall drove the mother and other cub away and liberated the animal held in his trap.

The mother cat followed Hall to his cabin and brought her cubs with her. Hall dressed the injured animal's leg and gave the animals some food. He then closed the door and left them outside. A few weeks later the mother cat brought a freshly killed fawn, which she laid at the cabin door and then, like a tame cat, stood purring and arching her back in front of the cabin door. When Hall took the young deer inside the cabin, the cats made off into the woods.

Since then the mother wildcat and her cubs—now grown to full size—have paid Hall regular visits. Each time they bring Hall a present of some dead animal—not always a freshly killed animal, though.

Hall was not bothered much for a time by having wildcats keep him in meat, but when two game wardens found the carcass of a deer in his possession out of season he had some explaining to do.

Needless to say, the game wardens did not believe Hall's story. But Hall asked them to remain a day or two and see for themselves. The officers accepted the invitation and two days later the three wildcats appeared. One of the young cats dragged a large dead animal into the clearing. It proved to be the carcass of a neighbor's thoroughbred calf!

The neighbor, William Dunham, expects Hall to pay for the calf, contending that the wildcats in killing the calf acted as Hall's agents.

Youngster Hadn't Much to Give, but He Gave It

DETROIT.—Holding tightly to a tattered book and with a bundle of papers under his arm, a small and very brown and dirty, curly-headed boy sidled up to a group of soldiers standing at the door of the armory Saturday, pulling at the coats of the men to attract their attention.

"Get along out o' here, sonny, we don't want any papers," said one as the lad wiggled his tiny person into the group.

"Say, sojer, I want t' know where t' leave books for the sojers. I got a book here. It wuz me brudder's, then he giv it t' me and I was keepin' it for me little brudder, but he, th' baby, he died last week and we don't want it no more, and I want t' giv it to a sojer."

"Kiddle, you're alright; come here and let me see the book," said one of the men. The book, thumbed and dirty, with its gay-colored pictures streaked and partly obliterated, was a collection of Mother Goose rhymes.

"Me mudder read in th' paper books wuz wanted for th' sojers, so I brunged all I got," said the youngster.

"What are you, anyway, boy, an Italian?" asked a soldier.

"New, I ain't no Eyetalyun; I'm a Serb," replied the lad.

"Well, you don't talk like one—I guess you're just a regular American," and his interrogator laughed.

"Sure, I'm an Amurrikian, but I'm a Serb, too, for I cum here on a ship wrapped up in me mudder's shawl," was the lad's retort. "Anyway, I don't like no Chermans. And, mister sojer, please take me book for th' sojers."

The men then bought all the youngster's newspapers, carefully took the treasured old book into the armory, and sent the boy away happy with his pockets bulging with apples, popcorn and candy.

"Exhibit A" Won the Suit for Fair Plaintiff

NEW YORK.—After Miss Minnie Lipkowitz, seventeen years old, had had her ankles measured on the counsel table in the presence of the jury, the Interborough Rapid Transit company gave up and Justice McAvoy, before whom, in the Bronx supreme court, the pretty stenographer's suit for \$5,000 damages was being tried, announced that the case had been settled out of court.

Miss Frieda Thomas, counsel for Miss Lipkowitz, said that \$1,000 was reasonable compensation for the discrepancy of three-quarters of an inch between the right and left ankles of her client. Miss Thomas staged the big scene which riveted the attention of the jury so surely that the traction lawyers decided to quit. She had drawn the interest of the jurors by promising to show them, which she later did. With the aid of a tape measure she proved that her client's right ankle was 9 3/4 inches, while the left ankle was 10 1/2 inches in circumference.

Miss Lipkowitz, who is a stenographer, testified she had been pushed off the subway platform at Broadway and Forty-second street, her left ankle wedging between platform and car. Fortunately, the train was not moving, but her ankle never was the same.

After the case had been outlined and Miss Thomas had said, "I shall show" so many times that the jury was crimson, Miss Lipkowitz was called to the counsel table, and with very rare grace climbed upon it. Then, while the jury threatened to vibrate out of the jury coop, she slowly lifted her modish skirt and exhibited all that her attorney had promised.



CAPE FOR SUMMER

Daytime and Evening Wrap in the Same Garment.

Materials Include Serge, Gabardine, Broadcloth or Wool Jersey—Worn Loose or Belted.

There is no question about the popularity of the cape for the spring and summer of 1918. A year ago, states a fashion writer, capes were brought out in large numbers, but their popularity was never very firmly established, and a great many manufacturers who cut up much good material for these garments were inclined to be slow about repeating the experiment this spring. However, as the weeks have passed the cape vogue has firmly established itself. At this time it is the wrap par excellence for morning, afternoon and evening wear, and is developed in nearly every one of the spring fabrics.

Capes for wear with bathing suits appeared last summer and are again in evidence for the coming summer, and one of the latest uses of the cape is that of part three in a set of boudoir or lounging pajamas. The pajamas noted, made of rich silk with mandarin coat, handsomely embroidered, had a detachable circular cape reaching a trifle below the waistline in the back. The cape shown in the sketch, made of one of the popular spring wool



Cape for Spring and Summer Wear.

fabrics, such as serge, gabardine, broadcloth or wool jersey cloth, has moderately long pointed back and front sections. The cape has arm slits, and it may be worn loose all around or as shown in the sketch, with the belt of self-fabric drawn about the waist in the back, underneath the cape, pulled through openings left for the purpose and tied loosely in front.

This cape is lined with one of the bright printed silks, and it can easily be made reversible, using either self-material in contrasting shades, or wool fabric for one side and satin or silk for the other. Thus a daytime and evening cape will be embodied in the same garment. Only loose capes can be so handled, of course.

Quaint Boudoir Cap.

A pretty little cap that reminds one faintly of the head coverings worn by French sailors—in shape, not in coloring—is made of pale pink crepe de chine. A straight band, four inches wide or so, of the silk is edged with a fringe of inch-wide lace and banded with rows of insertion to match. The crown is made of fine Brussels net over the pink silk and in divided into four segments by straps of narrow pink satin or velvet ribbon, the center of the crown, where they cross, being adorned by a fluffy pink pom-pom.

Handsome Sport Shirts.

There is now rookie crepe de chine, washable, which has been used for a handsome shirt, its severe cut softened somewhat by a new plaited yoke and a low open neck with a wide collar edged with knife-plaited frills. The waist is tucked back and front. Windsor ties with flowing ends are worn with these sport shirts. Some of the newest have wide big fowlard dots and are unusual enough to be smart.

Outside Blouse.

There is no diminution in the fashion for the outside blouse. They have sashes instead of girdles, and the fullness over the hips is taken in at the side seams. The newest material for these blouses is gingham, plaid or plain. A red-and-white checked gingham outside blouse has a short sash of turkey-red cotton, and it is worn with a white jersey skirt.

A New Motor Veil.

Now that long motor trips are about to begin, women will welcome a new motor veil which completely envelops head and hat and has a breathing space of thin chiffon to be worn directly over the face. Silk jersey cloth of thin weave is used for the heavier part of the veil, which is rainproof as well as dustproof. The colors most often seen are gray, green, navy, beige and plum.

TAILORED SUIT A FAVORITE

Indications Point to Reaction From Dressy Top Coat Uniform—Jackets Vary in Length.

The strictly tailored suits are again receiving attention. Many of the best-dressed women have been noted wearing such suits, a good indication, notes a fashion critic, that there has been a certain reaction from the dressy top-coat uniform of the winter. There is no denying the fact that the tailored suit is dear to the heart of the American woman.

Few suits were shown at any of the openings which were recently held and those few were of more elaborate design. It therefore follows that the tailored suits seen this spring may be said to be thoroughly American in make.

As usual, the first choice for such a suit is the dark navy blue serge, the man's serge, or the more twilled gabardine, but it must be dark and, this year more than ever before, blue is to be the color used above all other shades.

The length of the skirts this season varies from six to eight inches from the floor. Where the skirt is inclined to be rather narrow, it is best to adhere quite closely to the six-inch length, for these skirts are bound to draw up on the body and prove very unartistic when a woman is sitting. In skirts that are plaited and when the figure will allow it, the eight-inch length is considered smart.

The jackets vary in length from the Eton, of which you have heard a great deal, to the jacket which reaches about to finger tips, which is probably the type of jacket that will be featured for fall.

WOULD REVIVE TRIMMED HATS

American Milliners Anxious to Bring the Fashion Back—Paris Approves the Plan.

The American milliners are earnestly endeavoring to bring back trimmed hats into fashion. They feel that the American woman will continue to buy shapes, cheap and expensive, bad and good, and then attempt to trim them at home. Paris has set the seal of her approval on the trimmed hat, and it is probable that we shall get the impetus of this influence by July, says an authority.

As far as women and art go, the hat should be left as it is. However, the trade thinks otherwise.

The poke hat continues to gain admirers. It is both small and large; it is made of straw and of satin, and the ribbon streamers hang down the back. Young girls are ordering this kind of hat in yellow straw with pink ribbons, pink roses and a pale blue chiffon facing. Sounds Victorian, doesn't it?

DRESS HINTS FOR WOMEN

Novel sleeve designs inspire dress thrills.

Suit skirts are plain, narrow and fairly long. Flowers made of ribbons decorate organdy frocks.

Tailleurs, as a rule, are made without belt or girdle.

All forms of field flowers are used for hat decorations.

Bison, hay, chinchilla and deer are names of new colors.

Fancy checked voiles make up into smart chemise blouses.

Kid, cot and Sea Island duck are materials for white shoes.

Baby's bonnet is no longer a bonnet, but a crocheted toque.

Flowers of raffia with moss backing trim garden hats.

GOWN OF BLUE SERGE



This afternoon gown designed in Paris is of blue serge with the skirt draped over a black satin petticoat. The upper part of the dress is blocked off in yellow.

PENNSYLVANIA BRIEFS

Royersford tax rate has been fixed at six mills.

Newton Boone, breaker builder for Arlo Pardee when the latter developed the Hazleton coal fields years ago and one of the best known fishermen and hunters in this part of the state was taken to the State hospital at Hazleton suffering from gangrene of the foot.

Heads of patriotic organizations, lodges, school boards and councils of the Hazleton district, formed a War Chest association at a mass meeting at Hazleton city hall to raise \$350,000 in twelve monthly instalments to finance all future war drives in this community.

Altoonians are paying twelve cents a quart for milk, a decrease of two cents. This action by the dealers is the aftermath of a stormy session recently with the local food administrator, S. S. Reighard, when that official accused the milkmen of charging too much for milk. In reducing the price, the dealers have put into effect a cash system and have eliminated rear-door deliveries.

Altoona women are running elevators working on the railroad tracks and clerking by the hundreds in the railroad offices, positions before the war held exclusively by men. It has remained also for Miss Ethel Wilson and Miss Miriam Jackson to invade another spot, inhabited formerly by the male sex alone. They have accepted positions as managers of the largest billiard parlor in the city.

Hazleton's idlers must go to work or to jail, declared Mayor H. W. Heidenreich when he arranged for a forcible enrollment of all loafers. They will either take jobs or else be prosecuted under the vagrancy act.

E. W. Peters, Montour county fuel administrator, fixed anthracite prices for this year. They are: Pea, \$6.45; chestnut, \$7.90; stove, \$7.90; egg, \$7.20, and chestnut and pea mixed, \$7.25 a ton. Danville is thirty-two miles from the Shamokin mines.

At the New Castle school board meeting this week, the board took final action on the matter of ousting the study of German from the high school. German will be dropped at the end of the present term, being replaced by Italian, French and Spanish.

Patriotism and self-sacrifice are believed in by Mrs. Harriet Salt, of New Castle. She sold her sewing machine and turned the money into the Red Cross fund. The total was \$50.50.

Esther Rubel, aged six years, of Miners Mills, near Wilkes-Barre, was instantly killed when struck by an automobile driven by Charles Sitko. The little girl had been helping in her father's store and was going across the street to deliver a bottle of milk when the automobile appeared from behind a street car and struck her.

The Danville school board fixed the tax rate for this year at 12 1/2 mills, which is the same as it was for 1917.

When a bench warrant was issued for Arthur Hemmerly, of Berwick, who failed to appear before the Columbia county court for trial on a minor charge, Judge Harman was told that he was in the draft. The court at once decided that his country had first call on Hemmerly.

Declaring that he preferred the army to jail, Edward Woods, of Danville arrested for a misdemeanor, was allowed to enlist, and he was sent to Camp Meade.

The last sermon in the German language in the historic St. John's German Lutheran church in Marion township, near Beaver Falls, was preached by the pastor, Rev. Theodore Fisher. Hereafter the services will be in the English language. St. John's church, better known in this locality as "Berry's Church," was built in 1837 by settlers from Alsace-Lorraine. From 1837 until now the services and sermons have been in German.

Through the efforts of the Sharon chamber of commerce the housing problem is nearing a solution. Government aid has been promised. The industries of the valley are now working almost exclusively on government work and war orders. It was ascertained by an investigating committee that 58 per cent. of the workers are forced to board and only 16 per cent own their own homes. It is expected that hundreds of new dwellings will be built in Sharon and vicinity this year.

The National Reform association, represented by Dr. J. M. Tibbets and Rev. G. L. Beeman, of Pittsburgh, opened a campaign against polygamy in Pottsville. Mrs. Marion Williams, for twelve years the second wife of a Mormon, is among the speakers. She was a native of this county and was only six years old when her father was persuaded by Mormon missionaries to go to Utah with his ten children. It is alleged the Mormons expect to introduce polygamy extensively after the war.

Hazleton held the biggest patriotic celebration seen here since the troops came back from the Mexican border when it raised the honor flag won in the third Liberty Loan drive at city hall as the official opening of the war chest drive schedules for next week.

George Anderson has been held for court in Lancaster to answer a charge of arson. It is alleged he set fire to a building in which was stored tobacco on which there was insurance. Anderson was seen in the vicinity of the building shortly before the fire was discovered.

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