

# Home Town Helps

## HOMES MAKE GOOD CITIZENS

To Own One's Own Home Means Acquisition of a Certain Standing in the Community.

"He's a home owner and a taxpayer," is the best recommendation any man can have in his own community. It gives him a standing forthwith, not so much as a person of some financial importance, but as a dependable, substantial and self-respecting citizen, wisely regardful of his own and his family's happiness and best interests, and at the same time an asset to the neighborhood in which he lives. So universal is the home-loving instinct that it might almost be said there is something wrong morally with the man or woman who does not care to own a home; and that is why the malcontents, the habitual industrial disturbers and the socially restive that infect themselves on all countries are of the element that is very largely without home ties.

Unless all signs fail, this is to be the great American home-building year. Stimulated by the government's urgent advice to "own a home for your children's sake," and by the injunction that during the war it was patriotic not to build, now we can best show our patriotism by building, there has been a tremendous revival in the sentiment for home ownership. The indications are that the unhappy classes of renters and boarders will be greatly depleted before the end of 1919, and that there will be many thousands of "additional families" entered upon the life of happiness and contentment to be found only in the home.

The price of building materials today is not high, as compared with prices of other commodities, and the community that does not add materially to its total of homes this year is likely to be rated as lacking in patriotism as well as good business judgment.

## GOOD USE FOR OLD WELL

Water in It Employed to Cool That in Use in the Public Drinking Fountain.

In many cities which have acquired water systems, there are old wells which have been abandoned and closed. The illustration shows how one of these was used in a Western city to cool the water used in a public drinking fountain. The supply pipe for the fountain, instead of running directly from the water main to the base of the fountain, led first to the coil pipe which was placed below the water line in the old well. As the drinking water flowed through the



The Cold Water in the Old Well, No Longer Considered Fit for Drinking, Was Used to Cool the Water Piped to the Drinking Fountain.

turns of this coil, some of its heat was radiated to the cold water in the well, and, on emerging at the upper end of the coil into the pipe leading to the fountain, it was several degrees cooler than when leaving the water main. The device is especially effective on fountains of the type which are not running continuously, but are turned on by pressing a lever.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

**Unique Horticultural Club.**  
Takoma Park, D. C., has a horticultural club of 140 members, half of whom are specialists and scientists of the United States department of agriculture. This club was designed to promote gardening, culture of flowers and beautifying of home grounds, and to aid in civic improvements, as well as to hold contests and exhibitions of flowers and vegetables. The club purchases seeds, bulbs, plants, fertilizer and garden implements co-operatively for its members. Educational meetings are held at regular intervals. This year 23 prizes, including two loving cups and eleven gold and silver medals, as well as a savings bank account, will be awarded to club members for the best vegetable gardens.

**Town Plants 900 Trees.**  
New Bedford, Mass., is setting out 900 trees this spring and this town claims that it almost holds the record for the number of trees it possesses in proportion to street mileage, according to a report to the American Forestry association of Washington, whose campaign for memorial trees for soldiers and sailors is nation-wide, and which is registering all such trees.

**"Flower in Every Home."**  
Now, let's celebrate the return of peace by "cleaning up," "planting up," "painting up" and end it with nature's choicest tribute to man. Our slogan is "A Flower in Every Home."

## ALL SHOW RIBBON

Dresses for Midsummer Are the Prettiest in Years.

Net, Lace and Sheer Organdie Frocks in Particular Call for the New Effects in Way of Trimming.

Nothing prettier or more daintily feminine could be imagined than the ribbon-run midsummer dresses of this year. Net, lace and sheer organdie frocks have satin ribbon of two-inch width run through shirred casings, the ribbon emerging here and there to make a coquettish bow. Several of these dainty frocks have been worn on the stage this winter. There were three at least in "Gloriana" and the determined ingenue in "Miss Nell o' New Orleans" wears a delectably youthful frock run with pink ribbons; one across the bodice and three across the skirt, the emerging bows of ribbon coming under each other, all the way down the frock. A lovely summer afternoon dress for a young girl is of white net, with several shirred casings on bodice, tunic and skirt and blue satin ribbon run through each casing. Care should be taken, in planning such a frock, to have the ribbon-run casings at equal distances apart. One across the bodice just below the bust; one at the hip and another at the knee, usually makes a graceful proportion of trimming. Of course, the wide elbow sleeve will be finished at its edge with a shirring ribbon, and a smart bow of the ribbon on the other side of the sleeve.

## SEVERE STYLES COME BACK

Return to Correct and Neat Tailleurs of Ten or Fifteen Years Ago Observed.

There is a revival of the correct and neat tailleur such as we wore ten or fifteen years ago. One might even say that there is no difference in the cut, either in skirt or jacket. The little handkerchief in the side pocket and the flowers in the button-hole have resumed their place. Often a waistcoat in color or a white border coming below the vest adds to the smartness of this costume. The only difference between the severe tailleur of today and that of the older mode is the insistence on the wide waist; there is no indication of corseting or of girdle.

This return to the strictly tailored costume for street wear, the resumption of the clear definite lines, and the desire to be free, on street costumes, from incumbering folds and restless fringes and floating panels is very decidedly marked among the women of the smart world. One may see the women who sponsor this new mode jumping out of their cars in front of the hotel looking as if they were ready for horseback, with a flowery button-hole in the left revers, or perhaps a Spanish carnation.

It is with this idea in mind that the great dressmakers are thinking of bringing back the Louis XV jacket, that is to say, the jacket worn by the men of that period, which opened over waistcoats of heavy stuffs imported from London. They are in brilliant colors printed with English hunting scenes of the eighteenth century.—From the Paris Letter in Vogue.

## COOL-WEATHER COSTUME



Black panne velvet makes this attractive model for Fall.

## Those Old Crochet Edges.

You probably never thought to use again the crocheted edges already used. And you can, by the very simple expedient of cutting the edge away and crocheting a single chain to connect the remaining loops. It is a very simple matter after that to sew on to the new edge as you would a fresh lace edging. Then should the old edging be obviously old, what say you to treating it to a dye bath? Wonderfully effective are dyed laces of all sorts just now. And whether you are going to use the edging on frock or blouse or undies, the dyeing can hold good for all. A further suggestion is to dye the undies and the edging at the same time, so as to be quite sure that they match up.

## Among Novelty Patterns.

Bouquet designs of simple field flowers in their natural colors, daisies, poppies and cornflowers on vivid grounds, such as yellow and green and on the ever conservative navy blue, are among the other novelty patterns.

## HOG IN COLD STORAGE TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

Detroit.—Agents of the investigation branch here of the department of justice said that in one cold storage plant visited a frozen hog was found which they were told had been in storage for 25 years.

The officials declared that while they believed that if the hog really had been held for that length of time it was through an oversight. They intend to investigate further next week.

## STEAMER EDITOR LAUNCHED AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Seattle, Wash.—The steamer Editor, named by the United States shipping board in honor of the newspaper men and women of the United States and Canada, was launched here in the presence of cheering scores of members of the National Editorial Association gathered in Seattle from all parts of the country to attend the association's 1919 convention.

Mrs. Guy U. Hardy of Canon City, Col., sponsored the boat.

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