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DRESSMAKERS MANNIKINS IN PARIS DISAPPEARING

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(By Henry W. Francis)

Paris, Dec. 24—What has become of the army of beautiful dressmakers' mannikins who paraded the salons of the famous Paris modistes before the war exhibiting the "very latest" creation of their employers? This was a question often asked by the American buyers who have just left Paris after inspecting the winter collections of the Paris dress-making houses.

"The mannikins this year are the homeliest lot I ever saw," said a veteran buyer who has crossed the Atlantic innumerable times to buy models for a Fifth Avenue shop. "What has happened to the beautiful girls we used to watch as they glided majestically over the polished floors in the finery establishments of the Place Vendôme? I have been trying to find out but I haven't been able to."

"It is all on account of the war," said one of the best known of the Paris modistes when asked the reason for the change. "Before the war the job of mannikin was considered as offering considerable attraction for the young girls of Paris. They liked to wear fine clothes and appear prettily before the foreign buyers and also before the world of French fashion who came to see the clothes."

"Now all that has changed. The girls during the war, learned so many other trades and made so very much more money than they ever did as mannikins that they are unwilling to resume their former occupation. Now a good looking girl does not have to look very far for work. She can find work in the innumerable departments of

the government which have sprung up as a result of the war; in the offices of the many foreign concerns which are doing business in Paris. She can be a chauffeuse or a stenographer positions which were not considered very attractive in pre-war days. But now there is far more money in office work than there is in being a mannikin. And we simply can not pay more just to have our dresses worn."

"Before the war we could have our pick of dozens of applicants and we were never obliged to have any but the prettiest girls. Nowadays a girl who has a normal figure, never mind the looks, can pick the place for which she will work in Paris. We simply cannot get mannikins—evenly homely ones."

And here is what one of the mannikins says about it:

"Being a mannikin, most people think, is a cinch (or words to that effect) but it is really much harder than most other jobs open to girls. We start in at ten in the morning. We hardly get our hats off before they are shouting to us to hurry up as the designer is waiting for us. We go into the designing room and there we stand for hours, perched upon a wooden stand, while the designer lengthens, shortens, pads out, takes in, pins and unpins. Lunch time comes but nothing happens for the designers' inspiration must not be interfered with. Nothing must interfere with his inspiration. When he sticks a pin into the mannikin's arm she mustn't budge or the idea may be lost. Mannikins must be pin proof. My arms look like

RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT GRAND FALLS

Grand Falls, Dec. 24—At the regular monthly meeting of the local branch of the Self Determination for Ireland League of Canada and Newfoundland, held on Friday evening, with His Worship Mayor D. J. Collins presiding, the following resolution was unanimously passed.

Whereas, we the members of the Grand Falls Branch of the Self Determination for Ireland League of Canada and Newfoundland, in regular monthly meeting assembled, have learned with regret of the effort made by irresponsible persons of this Province to prevent free speech and the voicing of opinion from the public platform on questions of vital concern within the Empire, both fundamental principles of democracy and recognized as such from times immemorial; And

Whereas, we conceive it the solemn duty of all citizens of the Dominion of Canada to encourage and promote by free and frank discussion of such questions, good will and understanding among the members of each unit of the Empire, and to lend their support in solidifying the different races and creeds that constitute our glorious Empire; And

Whereas, we are convinced that such a course as was recently followed at Fredericton and Moncton, whereby Mr Lindsay Crawford of the City of Toronto, was prevented, by a group of disloyal and irresponsible individuals, from discussing in public assembly, the long burning question of Ireland's right to Freedom, will but involve misunderstanding detrimental to the progress and prosperity of Canada and the Empire; Therefore be it

the map of France, they are so scratched up.

"And then we go into the show-room and show dresses until six thirty o'clock. Sixty or seventy dresses have to go on and come off—all with the utmost care—in the course of an afternoon. Sometimes we are so tired that we can hardly put the dresses on but all the same we must walk out and 'be stylish'. No wonder the girls don't want the job any more. It's not the easy thing it seems."

Of course, there are still some beautiful models in Paris but the strange thing about it is that they are all English, working for houses with English connection or with English man-



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OLD RECORD SHOWS A FINE OF 20 SHILLINGS FOR A "KYSSE" IN 1660

(Philadelphia Bulletin)

It cost a 20 shilling fine to "kysse" a Puritan maid.

And now since the girl with elephant whiskers on her hat has discovered this fact in her history research of Puritan customs there is an awakened interest in girls' high schools in attempts to revive the Blue Laws.

"Do you think this law is just," was asked of one dimple-cheeked, smiling eyed young student.

"Now don't for an instant think I condone such fresh carrying on," was the answer. "But I think the law is a transgression on personal rights. It may be wrong, like drinking cocktails but still you don't want a kiss inspector snooping in dark corners where he has no business. A girl with a good right arm can take care of herself."

From the court of records of New Haven for May, 1660, is extracted a bit of evidence on a case of "spooning" tried on that date.

The record says:

"Jacob M. Murline and Sarah Tuttle being called appeared, concerning whom the Governor declared, that the business for which they had been warned to this court he had heard in private at his house, which he related to stand thus:

"On the day that John Potter was married Sarah Tuttle went to Mistress Murline's house for some thread. Mistress Murline bid her go to her daughters in the other rooms, where they fell into speech of John Potter and his wife. Whereupon Jacob came in, and took up or took away

her gloves. Sarah desired him to give her the gloves, to which he answered that he would do so if she would give him a kysse, upon which they sat down together, his arms about her waist, and her arms upon his shoulder or about his neck, and he kissed her and she kissed him, or they kissed on another, continuing in this posture about half an hour, as Marian and Susan testify, with Marian now in court affirmed to be so.

"Mr. Tuttle pleaded that Jacob had endeavored to steal away his daughter's affections. But Sarah said he had not. Thomas Tuttle said that he came to their house two or three times before he went to Holland.

"Sarah professed that she was sorry that she had been so sinful and foolish. The Governor also told Jacob that his carriage had been very evil and sinful and to make light of it doth greatly aggravate the offense.

"Whereupon the court declared, that we have heard in Public Ministry that it is a thing to be lamented that young folks should carry on so. The sentence therefore concerning them is that they shall pay either of them 20 shillings to the treasurer."

A housewife is able to find a place for a new floor lamp, but her husband's footstool is always in the way.

Present styles are such that men don't have to be barred from attending young women's "kid" parties.

There's one peculiarity about women—the more a man knows about them the more he has to learn.

NO AMERICAN EXPLOITATION

Special to Daily Mail. Copyright 1920 by Cross Atlantic News Service. Vienna, Dec. 28—That American aid rendered to starving Austria is quite disinterested is the declaration of the American "Aid Committee" which has sent the following statement to the Press:

"Mr. Herbert C. Hoover is opposed to the exploitation of Austria. Mr. Hoover is the head of the American 'Aid to the Children's Campaign' which is now feeding about two million children in Europe—among them 30,000 in Austria. He is one of the men designated as a probable member of President Harding's new cabinet.

"Mr. Hoover states: 'Please declare categorically that I have no interest whatever in financial enterprises in Austria, and I strongly object to Americans or any other nation exploiting Austria's present distress for their own interests.'

CURLING LAST NIGHT

A scratch game of curling was played at the Curling Rink Tuesday night the expected match in the Managing Committee series not materializing. The result last night was as follows:

W. J. Carten, S. L. Morrison, J. R. Walker, H. B. Colwell, Skip 8; B. H. Kinghorn, C. VanWart, L. C. Macnutt, H. E. Fowler, Skip 11.

That old-fashioned man who used to have a red nose continually has a daughter who is troubled with chapped knees.

Our Travelling Salesmen Enjoy Selling Red Rose Orange Pekoe Tea

Travelling salesmen work very hard as a rule. They put in long hours, and the pleasure of travelling is not so great as to those of us who mostly live at home.

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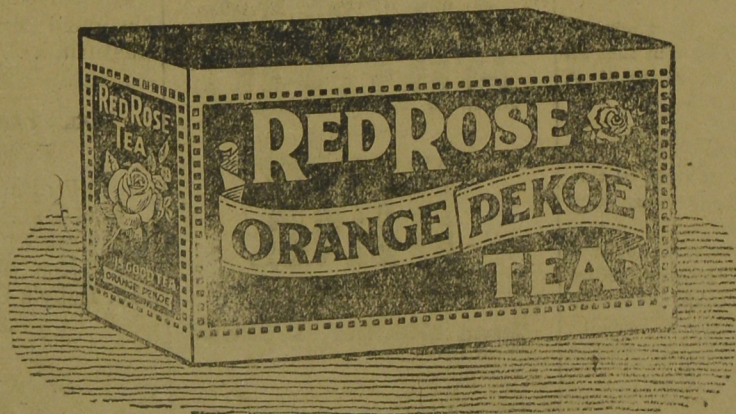
Our travelling salesmen are exceedingly critical of the products which they are asked to sell, and when we told them last January that we wanted them to sell a new tea of extra quality—much finer than has usually been sold in Canada—they were keenly interested, put the new tea to many tests amongst their friends, and gave it a lot of time and thought.

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HUNS WANT THEIR COLONIES

(Special correspondence C. A. N. S.)

Berlin, Dec. 26—Germany's need of colonies was emphasized by Professor Hans Meyer in a lecture on the distribution of the former German Colonies under the Versailles treaty. The lion's share, he said, fell to England, who got 2,400,000 square Kilometers with 7,300,000 inhabitants, and a trade which in 1913 amounted to 200 million marks.

"Germany," the professor said, "must find new ways to acquire colonies. For this purpose, she must be admitted to the League of Nations and be eligible as a mandatory Power. The possibility of acquiring colonies by purchase from other Powers must not be excluded."

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