

## FROST TONIGHT

Apple-green west and an orange bar,  
And the crystal eye of a lone, one  
star . . .  
And "Child, take the shears and cut  
what you will,  
Frost tonight—so clear and dead-  
still."

Then I sally forth, half sad, half  
proud,  
And I come to the velvet, imperial  
crowd,  
The wine-red, the gold, the crimson,  
the pied—  
The dahlias that reign by the garden-  
side.

The dahlias I might not touch till  
tonight!  
A gleam of the shears in the fading  
light,  
And I gathered them all—the splendid  
thrang,  
And in one great sheaf I bore them  
along.

In my garden of Life with its all-late  
flowers  
I heed a Voice in the shrinking hours:  
"Frost tonight—so clear and dead-  
still . . ."  
Half sad, half proud, my arms I fill.  
—Edith M. Thomas.

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TODAY'S FASHIONS

Fashion has thrown all caution to  
the four winds and an Age of Eleg-  
ance is with us again. The sumptu-  
ousness of this season's clothes is  
only fittingly complemented with  
beautiful jewels. Their luxuriously  
flowing, feminine lines, their luxurious  
fabrics, even their necklines and  
sleeves, all contribute toward a mode  
which lovely jewels completes.

Necklines especially are the focal  
point for jewelled treatment. They  
are often draped for a feeling of  
width. Many smart cocktail and din-  
ner gowns have low V or square  
necklines. High necklines continue  
to prevail but of the utmost simplic-  
ity. All these are foils for clips, pins,  
clip-brooches and necklaces.

The need for jewels is so strong  
that New York manufacturers are  
showing simulated precious and rhine  
stone jewelry on their dresses. Some  
are even called "Jewel Dresses" since  
the jewels truly make the dress. Every  
store in New York is displaying  
rich evening gowns with low decol-  
letes which place necklaces definitely  
in the picture for evening.

The most fascinating aspect of jew-  
elry today is that, in many instances,  
real jewelry leads a double life.  
Pearls have always been classic.  
They never go out of fashion. This  
year, however, they are very smart  
with every type of costume. They are  
even coupled with tweeds and sweat-  
ers as Mr. Hyde and appear in the  
ballroom as Dr. Jekyll.

Gold has come into its own. Heavy  
gold jewelry of modern or antique in-  
spiration is a daytime type ap-  
proved by fashionables here and abroad.  
It is often set with precious and semi-  
precious stones or worked in designs  
displaying various tones of gold. More  
delicately wrought gold jewelry set  
with precious stones is eminently  
suitable for evening with period in-  
spired costumes.

Since good jewelry leads a double  
life, the women who can afford only a  
few jewels can get a great deal of  
wear out of a beautiful bracelet, and  
clip-brooch. Designers have perform-  
ed miracles of ingenuity in combin-  
ing several pieces into a single piece  
that can be worn separately or togeth-  
er: flexible gold bracelets with jew-  
elled clasps fashioned from two clips;  
brooches formed of one to two clips;  
necklaces which come apart to make  
shorter strands and bracelets.

As a new note, old-fashioned jet has  
come back with the revival of Ed-  
wardian and Victorian modes. Black  
with black has been much talked  
about, but jet may also be used as a  
contrasting note. Its quaintness adds  
a quaint touch to modern clothes.

Real jewelry is in fashion, and to  
fashion, quality means more than  
quantity.

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## ABOUT SPOTS!

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## Interest to Women

SELECTING BULBS FOR  
EARLY FALL PLANTINGBeautiful Garden Scene Before Tulips, Daffodils  
and Hyacinths Appear --- Dozen of Kind is the  
Smallest Number That Should Be Planted.

The fall planting season has arrived.  
It is a busy time for gardeners  
everywhere, as hardy bulbs must now  
be planted to provide for next year's  
spring and early summer blooms. The  
mailman's pack for weeks has been  
loaded down with catalogues that tell  
the story of fall planting in words and  
pictures. The most important plants  
of interest to the gardener include  
all kinds of hardy bulbs, which ac-  
counts for the prominence this group  
receives in the catalogue and on the  
counters of stores. Delay beyond the  
time that frost enters the ground  
means the loss of another full year.

Tulips, daffodils and hyacinths offer  
the greatest appeal to most gar-  
deners because of their size and  
showy colors. Yet there are many  
other hardy bulbs that give the dainty  
touches necessary to the well-planned  
spring garden. These usually are  
spoken of as the group of little bulbs.  
They do not boast of sizes as large as  
those of tulips, daffodils and hyacin-  
ths, but gain their charm by dainti-  
ness and grace. They are as essen-  
tial to the garden picture as the bold-  
er kinds, to provide the finishing  
touches and add variety in color, size  
and form.

The list to choose from is large,  
and one is tempted to include a few  
of most varieties or types. This tend-  
ency has had a rather serious effect  
upon their use. Because they are  
small, they need to be planted in  
groups, sufficiently large to make a  
showing. A dozen of a kind should  
be the smallest number planted, even  
where the garden space is restricted.  
This number will be just about en-  
ough to make a small clump covering  
an area of less than a square foot of  
space. In larger gardens where good  
mass effect depends upon bolder pre-

sentation, the number of bulbs plant-  
ed in a clump may well number from  
one to several hundred. Most kinds  
are inexpensive, and considering the  
fact that they last for many years, in-  
creasing in number with every sea-  
son, they represent a good garden in-  
vestment. Where garden space is lim-  
ited restrict the choice to just a few  
kinds, instead of planting several  
bulbs each of a great many varieties.  
A good beginning may include Single  
Snowdrops, Chionodoxa Lucillae, Glory  
of the Snow, Crocus and Scilla sibir-  
ica. All four are hardy and will per-  
sist for many years. If a fifth is to  
be chosen select Muscari (Grape Hy-  
acinth). The single Snowdrops are by  
far the most popular. They are ac-  
customed to cold winter weather, and  
bravely flaunt their nodding little  
white bells into the face of the cold  
March winds. They are the earliest  
of the spring-flowering bulbs, often  
raising their small bells above the  
melting snow.

## Make an Extra Early Start

If planted where protected against  
severe winter winds, they make an  
extra early start, whereas if located  
in wind swept, exposed areas they  
bide their time in putting in their ap-  
pearance. Where planted in positions  
with different exposures, the gar-  
dener may enjoy a succession of  
blooms for a month or more. There  
also is a double flowered type that  
is most attractive. For some reason,  
it has not proved so permanent as  
the single one. Another snowdrop,  
named Elwest Giant, has flowers that  
are larger than either of the preced-  
ing. It will last for several years in  
our northern climate, though where  
winters are less severe it has proved  
as permanent as has the common  
single kind with us.

## BELIEVES IT'S UP TO THE PARENTS

It's All Right For Them to Stay Young, Says Mrs.  
Brodie, But They Ought to Look After  
the Youngsters' Too

(By Jean Lyon)

Parents are running around having  
too good a time themselves, these  
days, to be of much use to their chil-  
dren, according to Mrs. Ralph E.  
Brodie, president of the New York  
State Congress of Parents and Teach-  
ers which opened its two-day annual  
convention yesterday at the Hotel  
Pennsylvania.

"Parents—and mind you I don't ex-  
clude myself—are really more dan-  
gerous to the child than anything else  
in the community. I know this sounds  
strange. But I really believe that the  
worst problem we have now in child  
training is the failure of parents to  
give enough attention to their chil-  
dren.

## No Alibis

Mrs. Brodie laughed, in her soft,  
dignified voice, as she said this. She  
laughed, of course, at herself. She  
even pointed out that she was doing  
a pretty thorough job of neglecting  
her home back in Albion, N. Y., while  
she presided over this congress in  
New York.

Nor did she make any of the excuses  
that she might have made—that of  
her two children one was already out  
of school and working in New York,  
and that the other was 16 years old  
and pretty well along in his child-  
training course. Mrs. Brodie, appar-  
ently, is not given to alibis.

Instead, she went on to describe  
her own generation of parents—for  
though she has a head of almost  
white hair she is distinctly a "mod-  
ern" mother. "We have been too busy  
entertaining ourselves," she said.  
"Home has become a place where you  
hang your hat between calls. Par-  
ents are having such a good time that  
they can't be bothered to teach their  
children any of the things that chil-  
dren once learned at home."

## Staying Young

It's not that Mrs. Brodie thinks that  
having a good time is so bad. She's no  
prude. "In fact," she added, "in some  
ways this change of attitude about  
parenthood has been a good thing. I  
think that parents should stay young  
with their children. But they should  
also take some time out from keeping  
young to help train their children."

It's all going to come out all right,  
Mrs. Brodie thinks. But it is a pain-  
ful process.

## Home Responsible

In the discussion of the influence  
of moving pictures on children, which  
was one of the liveliest discussions of  
the convention, Mrs. Jeannette W.  
Emerich, public relations representa-  
tive for the Motion Picture Distribut-  
ors and Producers, echoed Mrs. Bro-  
die's sentiment. "The home is finally  
responsible," she said.

"The parents," Mrs. Emerich said  
afterward in an interview, "must do  
the deciding. There have to be pic-  
tures for adults, just as there are  
books for adults, which children  
should not see. And, therefore, it is  
up to the parents to choose intelli-  
gently."

No child should go to the movies at  
all before he is seven or eight years  
old, Mrs. Emerich believes. After that  
his picture-going should be carefully  
supervised by his parents.

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## IN PRAISE OF BRIDGE

There is no need today to apologize  
for being a player of the game of  
bridge, though, truly, it were better to  
admit an acquaintance with contract  
bridge rather than to show one's ig-  
norance of the great developments  
which the game of bridge has made  
in recent years. How, or why, the  
game obtained its name is not clear,  
some authorities stating that it was  
due to the fact that the word 'bridge'  
most closely resembled the English  
pronunciation of 'British,' or Rus-  
sian whist as it was sometimes call-  
ed; others have said that it derived  
its name from the 'bridging' of the  
bid, so to speak, when the dealer had  
the privilege of passing on the nam-  
ing of the trump suit to his partner.  
Whatever may be its derivation,  
the game first mentioned in a pam-  
phlet published in 1836, has today spread  
to every corner of the world. There  
is not a country so small that bridge  
has not been played there, and bridge  
competitions today are national and  
international in scope.

It is rightly claimed for bridge that  
chess alone is its intellectual superior  
in the realm of pastimes, but, it might  
be said, a friendly game of bridge is  
far more relaxing to the average per-  
son. At the same time the division of  
players into beginners, average play-

ers, experts and masters quite clearly  
shows that a considerable amount of  
practice and skill is required to be-  
come a finished exponent of the game.  
As a matter of fact, bridge draws up-  
on the imaginative faculties to the  
widest extent, each 'deal' presenting  
fresh problems either of bidding or  
play. It is, indeed, the endless vari-  
ety of the game which makes its  
greatest appeal to those who relish it  
most.

While it is true that cards have  
been labelled as the 'tools of gamblers,'  
the shady doings charged on  
cards should properly be charged on  
games. Cards, properly used, are se-  
ductive but harmless instruments of  
social relaxation. Cassius M. Paine,  
writing in the magazine Whist, said:  
"But if whist is not a game for the  
saloon or the gambling hell, it is, on  
the other hand, a game for the home;  
a game in which any bright child may  
innocently indulge, and that will as-  
sist in training his mental faculties to  
such a condition of excellence as will  
materially help him in the duties of  
afterlife." This may be a somewhat  
exaggerated claim, but countless law-  
yers, doctors and other professional  
men in Montreal, in Canada, indeed,  
throughout the world, count bridge  
not merely a social relaxation, but as  
a fine mental tonic.

BENES BATTLES  
TO SAVE OUTPOST  
OF DEMOCRACY

NEW YORK, Oct. 15—Game little  
Edouard Benes, president of Czecho-  
slovakia, is the lone outpost of Dem-  
ocracy in Eastern Europe. He has  
said that he had both Fascism and  
Communism beaten in his own coun-  
try, but now his Little Entente is  
crumbling, and opposing systems  
again close in with glacial pressure.

This is the interpretation of infor-  
med European observers, who see in  
the fall of Titulescu in Rumanian an-  
other Fascist state added to Ger-  
many's Baltic string, and Czechoslo-  
vakia left with only her alliance with  
France—a feat which President  
Benes has diligently fostered. He  
placates the German minority, but  
Prague fears the next step in Chan-  
cellor Adolf Hitler's "Mittel Europa"  
advance.

During his remarkable post-war career  
as one of the half dozen most  
brilliant statesmen of Europe, Dr.  
Benes has fought with his back  
against the wall for an authentic  
brand of British and American dem-  
ocracy, against extremist forms of  
government. Short, slight in stature,  
sharp-eyed and sharp-featured, he be-  
came a mass leader without demag-  
ogy. A skilled orator, he is a realist  
who is contemptuous of vote-getting  
tricks. He has been noted as more  
conspicuously lacking in personal  
magnetism than any other European  
statesman, and yet for years has built  
mounting political strength.

An agile little man, careless in  
dress, with his flat felt hat cocked  
high on his head, he has driven him-  
self and his country like Simon Le-  
grec, with the bloodhounds frequent-  
ly on his trail. For 18 years he has  
worked 15 hours a day, six days a  
week. Now at 52, he shows no signs  
of abating energies. He says men of  
good will must work desperately if  
civilization is to be saved from a  
ruinous slump into barbarism.

WHEAT HITS  
6-YEAR HIGH  
IN LIVERPOOL

OTTAWA, Oct. 15—A jump in  
wheat futures prices at Liverpool to-  
day drew renewed attention to ex-  
pectations that Canada's surplus of  
the golden cereal will be absorbed by  
the end of the crop year next July  
31 or before.

Drought in the United States, re-  
ports of short crops or crop damage  
in some exporting countries, and an-  
xiety in Europe are regarded as fac-  
tors making for freer sale of wheat.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 15—A spurt in  
wheat futures in the last five min-  
utes of trading today lifted prices  
about two cents a bushel, to the high-  
est levels in six years.

The recent rise of the market  
stimulated by lower world supplies  
and broader export demand, was given  
impetus in the local market by re-  
ports of frost from New South Wales.

PARIS, Oct. 15—A steady market  
for Canadian wheat in France is  
promised as the outcome of conver-  
sations begun in Geneva and now be-  
ing continued in Paris between Prime  
Minister Mackenzie King, Premier  
Blum and members of the Blum  
Government.

Since the Popular Front came into  
power last June sweeping changes  
have been made in the economic life  
of France. Social laws have been  
passed improving the lot of the work-  
ers but putting heavier charges on  
industry. In finance the deflationary  
policy of the last few years was re-  
versed. As a consequence of devalu-  
ation of the franc, France was able  
to modify her import quotas and  
make tariff reductions. At the same  
time, however, French farmers are  
active in agitation against any inter-  
ference with heavy protection against  
imported foodstuffs.

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