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**PLANTING GOOD IDEAS
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**Ruth Cameron Mentions Some Incidents Where
Contagion of Good Example Spread in the
Neighborhood and Fireside**

(By Ruth Cameron)
Go make thy garden as fair as thou
canst,
Thou wilt never alone,
For perchance he whose plot is next
to thine
Shall see and mend his own.

I always loved that little poem and
in the last few years I have seen it
literally worked out in a neighbor-
hood I sometimes visit.

A friend of mine who adores flow-
ers had a summer cottage in a place
where very few people had gardens
because the season was short. But
she boards in the winter, it was her
only real home, so she started her
garden there and it was a lovely one.
Not just a hit-or-miss affair but one
of the planned kind where one variety
succeeds another so as to keep the
garden always full of lovely color.

Everyone admired it and presently
the people across the way who had
never thought of a garden before, be-
gan to break ground for "just a few
flowers." The few flowers grew into a
real garden and the people next door
to them didn't want to be outdone
and put some nice shrubs around their
house. And the people whose back
door came up against theirs started
some ramblers. And so it went. The
whole neighborhood has been blessed
and beautified by that original garden.
And I thought of the poem this
time because just yesterday I heard
about another gardener. An unconsci-
ous one. And not an outdoor one. Just
one who made such beauty and order
grow in her home that she also was
not working alone.

The way I heard of it was this. I
wrote you recently of the woman who
said that she knew absolutely noth-

ing about cooking or sewing when
she was married and whose husband
said that she had become the best
cook he knew, and who made all her
children's frocks. Well, I saw her
again and asked her the question
that had been running in my mind.
"How did you go about it? What
started you?"

She thought a minute and then she
said: "Well, there was a woman liv-
ing next door to me. She was a bride
too. And she was a lovely housekeep-
er, everything in her house was per-
fect. She knew just how things should
be done. Well, we became pregnant
at about the same time and we were
very intimate and she showed me
how to do things, and I loved her
house and the things she was doing,
and I just tried to do things the
same way. We made our baby things
together and I made all sorts of
dainty things I wouldn't have dream-
ed I could have done. But she did
them, so I thought there wasn't any
harm in trying. And one thing led to
another. I guess that was all there
was to it."

So there you are again.
One woman's garden of beauty and
seemliness and order begets another.
And there are many, many kinds of
gardens.

"How sweet Helen is to her moth-
er-in-law," I heard a woman say a few
weeks ago. "Not just good to her, but
makes her feel she's really indispen-
sable. It's a lovely thing to do.
Makes me want to do a better job
myself."

So many kinds of gardens and ev-
ery really beautiful one just natu-
rally can't help spreading. Even if the
garden-maker is lucky enough to
know it.

**DIPLOMACY IS NEEDED
IN COSTUMER'S LIFE**

**Also Has to be Historian, Artist, Make-Up Man,
and Know How to Paint Out Black Eyes**

TORONTO, Jan. 4.—The detectives
of fiction that go slouching behind
false whiskers and smoked glasses
live in real life in Toronto.

That bent old man waiting for a
street car, the ancient with the strag-
gly beard, as inconspicuous as any
hundred old men, may be a detective
in disguise.

A Toronto detective will get made
up for a job as carefully as an actor
preparing for opening night. And
when he is all fixed up not even his
own mother would know him. The
only man who would recognize the
cop behind the whiskers is Fred How-
land.

For Fred Howland is a costumer.
He is manager of the Toronto branch
of the Mallabar Costume Company,
King Street West. And as a costum-
er he is a man of many parts. It is
not just a matter of disguising
sleuths. That's only incidental to a
most extraordinary business. He has
to be widely read. He has to know the
characters of history, of fiction, of
modern life. His mind must be a fil-
ing cabinet of pictures. He must vis-
ualize every one from Tom Thumb to
Mao West, from Genghis Khan to
Mickey Mouse. He has to know the
color of Henry VIII's hair, and the
size of King Cole's nose.

A customer is a historian, an art-
ist, a technical makeup man, and a
diplomat rolled into one. When that
big double-chinned lady, 300 pounds
on the hoof, comes in and wants to

walk out looking like Lily Pons you
mustn't offend her. And when Hit-
ler's double wants to look like Her-
cules it calls for skillful taping.

And a costume company has to be
a big business enterprise and a dealer
in human personalities. The Mallabar
Company has three branches, in
Toronto, Winnipeg and Montreal. It
was originated in 1901 by Mrs. Sarah
H. Mallabar. She directed its devel-
opment, and is still the active head
of the organization.

The persons he meets would inter-
est a psychologist, would startle an
analysis of human motives.

A man comes in furtively at noon,
with many a backward glance at the
street. He whispers, "I want to get
a mustache." He rents one, sticks it
on. He grins and says: "I'm taking a
blonde out to lunch and I don't want
the old woman to get wise."

"As if," said Howland, to this re-
porter, "a mustache would change him."

Another fellow rents a beard be-
cause he wants to trail his wife.

One man wrote in and rented a
King-Kong-like affair—"Because my
wife doesn't love me any more and I
want to scare her."

Popular costumes vary. The movie
influences this trend. Walt Disney is
a boon to the costumer for the Three
Little Pigs and the Big Bad Wolf are
still going strong.

But most popular of all, is "the
two-man bull." You've seen the
strange gyrations of the "two-man
horse" on the stage and in the circus,
with the hind legs sitting down and
the front legs walking off. But the
"two-man bull" is surefire at parties.
It has great possibilities for low com-
edy. And it also means a third cos-
tume, for there should always be a
bull-fighter.

Some of the Santa Claus costumes
are booked as early as July. More
than 300 Santas are outfitted. Mer-
chants' parades, Christmas entertain-
ments all over Canada get their
dresses in Toronto.

There is some demand for a "one-
piece" outfit. "It's just a wig," says
Fred Howland. "That's all there is to
it. Can you guess No. 1? It's a wig for
Lady Godiva—but it's five feet long." He
makes appropriate gestures.

But the costume business isn't just
a matter of costumes. "You'd be sur-
prised," says Fred Howland, "the num-
ber of men who come in with black
eyes. They're afraid to go home with
them. We lighten the eye with grease
paint. Yes, sir, we certainly see life.

King Cole
TEA
The Royal Drink

**EDUCATORS AWAKE TO THE
INDIVIDUALITY OF EVERY PUPIL**

(By Dr. Arthur Dean)
Mechanical efficiency has become a
perfect obsession. It is not only in
our factories and stores, but also in
some of the schools. In factories it
may be all right, but who wants can-
ned education?

Before the depression too many
school administrators seem to have
lost their heads. Their cry was for
more and better buildings, for larger
gymsnasiums, more swimming pools,
finer time clocks and bigger audi-
toriums.

Buildings and equipment are ne-
cessary for increased enrollment and
higher educational standards, but I,
for one, want more emphasis on pupil
equipment, and how to give students
ideas, ideals and vision.

A mere layman like myself often-
times had difficulty before the de-
pression when he visited a school in
seeing the pupils at work. The prin-
cipal seemed to be carried away with
the material aspects of education.

I was dragged into the basement to
inspect the steam plant, count the
number of boilers, listen to the whirr
of electrical machinery, note the beau-
tiful electric switchboard, and see for

myself the device for feeding the
boilers.

From there I went to the cafeteria
and listened to an explanation of how
many can be fed in a minute, the per
capita cost of the average lunch, the
size of the electric coffee-pot, and the
number of dishes washed in an hour.
If I sneaked into a classroom—for
that is what I had to do in order to
see the pupils at work—I ran the risk
of being pulled out to examine some-
thing the principal had forgotten to
show me.

You recall the man who was told by
his hostess to take a walk into the
woods and look them over. He came
back saying: "I can't see the woods
on account of the trees."

Well, that's the way I felt when I
visited some schools before the de-
pression when money was being spent
on buildings and physical equipment.
I could not find education, because
the equipment was in the way.

But a great change has come.
Schools are beginning to see each
child as an individual, to help the
handicapped, to advance faster the
gifted; and to see, not bricks and
mortar, but children.

**DR. COSSAR WAS
VISITOR HERE
OVER WEEK-END**

Dr. George C. Cossar, Scottish phil-
anthropist and owner of the famous
Cossar Farm at Lower Gagetown was
a visitor to the city yesterday, and
preached at St. Paul's United church
in the morning, and at Wilmot United
church in the evening. In the after-
noon he addressed the Wilmot Broth-
erhood at its regular Sunday after-
noon meeting.

In his addresses Dr. Cossar stress-
ed the need for Christian work to be
supplemented by the social work done
by the state, and emphasized charac-
ter building, which required the ag-
ency of the church.

Dr. Cossar leaves for Gagetown to-
day, and on Friday he will sail for
the Old Country. The Scottish phil-
anthropist, whose chief contribution
to this province has been his estab-
lishment of the Cossar Farm as a
home for Scottish immigrant lads, has
not yet definitely decided to close up
the Cossar farm. Nor does he yet
know what dispensation will be made
of it in the near future. There are
over 60 boys at the farm at the pres-
ent time. There has been some talk
of sending boys and girls of the Fair-
bridge School in London to the Cos-
sar Farm here for training. Dr. Cos-
sar believes the farm here would be
quite suitable.

While in the city over the weekend
Dr. Cossar was the guest of J. H.
Malcom, Regent street.

Evening Service

It is sure that the congregation
which heard Dr. G. C. Cossar of Glas-
gow, Scotland, last evening in Wil-
mot church felt that this province is
losing a valuable institution in the
closing of the Cossar Farm at Gage-
town. Not that Dr. Cossar spoke of
his philanthropic work in this prov-
ince but that the strength of his
character was borne in upon the lis-
teners by his simple and direct sen-
tences.

In beginning what was to be a pow-
erful sermon on the shortness of hu-
man life and the greatness of its
Christian responsibilities, Dr. Cossar
said he believed that 1937 will be a
year of revival of missionary work
among those outside the church.

We must know that life is passing
and eternity is coming. When we
know that death is near does it not
spell urgency? asked Dr. Cossar.

The Almighty once provided a God
who walked and talked with men but
they turned from Him. If we are lost
when we face eternity we cannot
blame anyone but ourselves.

"I wish I could tell you how God an-
swers prayer," Dr. Cossar said. "It is
a wonderful thing to know what pray-
er does." The speaker told incidents
of his own knowledge in which patient
and unrelenting prayer has brought
an answer. "God hears and answers
prayers in His own time."

We must take care that we are not
letting the word of Christ die, Dr.
Cossar said. God is calling us first to
let Him into our own lives and then
carry the testimony to others. What
are we going to do about it?

**WEEK OF PRAYER
WAS INAUGURATED
HERE SUNDAY**

**Series of Services This
Week at City Churches
-- Sunday Services At-
tracted Large Congre-
gations.**

Services at the various churches in
this city and vicinity on Sunday at-
tracted large congregations, although
the streets and sidewalks were slushy
and slippery and therefore hazardous
to pedestrians. At St. Andrew's Pres-
byterian church the Week of Prayer
was inaugurated and the minister,
Rev. Dr. G. E. Ross called attention
to the fact that meetings would be
held throughout the week at the vari-
ous churches. The Week of Prayer
is inter-denominational. Dr. G. C.
Cossar, of Glasgow, Scotland, spoke
at the morning service of St. Paul's
United church, and at the evening
service of Wilmot United church. He
spoke to the Wilmot Brotherhood in
the afternoon. Rev. A. N. Marshall
conducted the services of Brunswick
street Baptist church in the continued
absence of the regular pastor, Rev.
G. W. Guion.

Rev. W. J. Bate and Rev. Mr. Havi-
land officiated at the services of
Christchurch Parish church on Sun-
day. At Christchurch Cathedral Rev.
Dean W. H. Moorhead officiated at all
services. Rev. D. L. Kennedy led the
services of the Devon Baptist church
on Sunday and Harry Grant led the
Brotherhood discussion. The usual
services took place at St. Dunstan's
church on Sunday, with Rev. D.
Milligan and Rev. Father Albert Mc-
Donald officiating.

**New Substances
Detected in Sun**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Represent-
ative J. Mark Wilcox, Democrat of
West Palm Beach, Fla., said today
he intended to press for inclusion in
any future United States reciprocity
trade treaty legislation of provisions
for greater safeguards for domestic
producers.

"I intend to fight for a provision to
prevent any tariff on agricultural
commodities being reduced below the
amount necessary to equalize the dif-
ference in the cost of production,"
he said.

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to enter into such agreements ex-
pires June 12.

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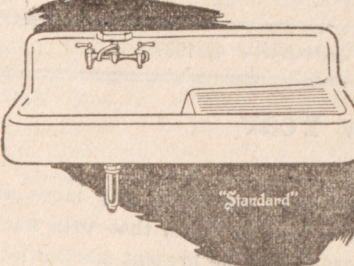
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