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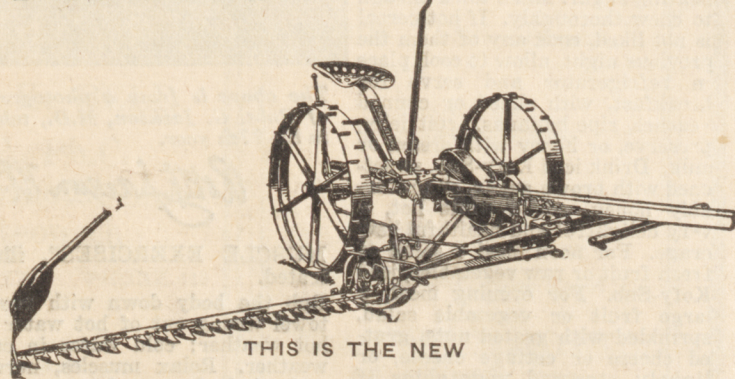
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Interest to Women

UP TO LONDON GO VILLAGE WOMEN

They've Something To Protest Against and Besides, It's a Bit of a Holiday

(By Marion Ryan)

LONDON, July 8—Women in England have found enough to protest against so that they can have big conferences in London, coming up to town from all parts of England, just when London is at her gayest and loveliest.

George Lansbury, whose sayings mean much to women since he worked hard to get them the suffrage and is always for the underdog anyway, declared recently that he thought women had been disappointed in parliamentary and social affairs since they had had the vote. That stung, perhaps the more because there is a certain amount of truth in it and women have united to try and get what they want from the Government by sheer force of numbers and great perseverance. England not being like the United States of America, where a few strong-minded females can run a small town or village and where all women get what they want from their menfolk.

There are about 8,000 extra women in London just now representing the 340,000 women who belong to women's institutes in small towns and villages and the Government may have to pay some attention to their demands since local boards seem unable to accomplish anything.

For example, the Minister of Transport will have to listen to distressing figures of the number of children killed by ruthless motorists, overtired lorry drivers and crazy motorcyclists. The best of English roads. The peace and quiet of ancient villages, the fragrant charm of country lanes have been destroyed by all this and women want strict driving regulations and severe punishment for offenders.

The Minister of Health will hear about the necessity for free milk for school children, better water supplies cottages that are more sanitary and hygienic like those which have been built for workers in and around London.

It is all very well to see Tudor cottages, to paint or photograph them, but when you live in them the windows are too few and too small, the sanitary arrangements are primeval and it is not really picturesque to have to carry all water for cooking, washing and drinking from a nearby well.

The Minister of Education will be approached on the subject of most of the schools, their buildings, their form of education, the practice of birching. Meanwhile when they are not discussing these things the delegates are seeing London from the tops of buses and char-a-bancs.

These women's institutes are god-sends to the housewives in remote

little places. Not only can they sell produce through them but they offer the first chance of social life the English woman has ever had.

There are talks by celebrated people occasionally, dancing is taught, one may become an amateur actress, above all they are meeting places and once a year they give a grand excursion somewhere and mother just deposits the younger children with a neighbor or gets the older boys and girls to look after the wee ones puts on her best clothes and goes off for the day.

Most of the 8,000 women meeting at Albert Hall every day are red-cheeked and strong looking though careworn. They have not the best of themselves but even at that they are very different from the village women of years ago. Moreover, they know how to express themselves and they know what they want and what they came up to "London" to get.

TABLE FOR YOUR PICNIC

Many dishes of many perfectly good picnic dinners have been upset because there was no smooth place on the ground where they could be safely placed. Often much of the pleasure of eating out of doors is spoiled for want of a flat place upon which dishes may be set. These inconveniences may be almost entirely overcome if Handy Boy has had the forethought to make some of these small tables. When not in use they may be nested together in bunches of four, fitting the legs into holes bored through the top of each; the legs will not project enough to be troublesome or to interfere in packing for transportation. The tops may be of 3-8" or 1/2" plywood, the legs of 1/2" or 3/4" dowels 1 1/2" or 2" long depending on the thickness of the top. Saw four circular tops 16" and four tops 8" in diameter as shown. Draw a circle 1 1/4" from the edge of the larger table and 1" from the edge of the smaller table; divide these circles into sixteen equal parts. Bore four 3/4" holes through the large tables and four 1/2" holes through the small ones to receive the dowel legs as shown, being sure they are accurately spaced and centred on the line. Make the 1/2" and 3/4" dowel legs, glue four of them firmly into each circle in the holes indicated and drive 1 1/4" and 1 1/2" No. 16 brads through the edge of the plywood in to and through them.

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WHY SCHOLARS ARE OFTEN LISTLESS

(By Arthur Dean, Sc.D.)

When a school system is run on records and statistics and emphasis is put on a filing cabinet of cards more than on individual teaching with interest and understanding behind it, the children may not be getting a real education.

There are things which are never recorded on cards, and if they ever are so recorded there will be nothing for you to do except call yourself a machine worker in a machine educational plant. It will be a sad world when all people are made alike and act alike.

Listen for a moment:

The boy is very sleepy in the first recitation. "Wake up, Redhead; this is algebra hour and not bed time." Sure of it? Find out, as I did once, that he had been up since 4 a.m. delivering milk without a breakfast.

The boy doesn't concentrate. That is, he does not concentrate on your classroom work. His mind wanders. He is always making sketches when you are not looking. Always looking out of the windows toward the fields. Oh, how sure you are of his non-concentration! You may find that he is the most concentrated youngster in the class. He is concentrated on some one thing outside of school. What is it? It is lots of fun to find out.

Louis Fuertes, the world's best bird painter, was this type. His lack of concentration nearly drove his father crazy. He wanted him to become a famous engineer and all that boy can and will do is to lie under trees and listen to birds sing. Frederick Remington, the finest western life artist in North America, couldn't concentrate on geography. If only his teacher would now resurrect that geography with its marginal drawings of cowboys and steers! Recently one of his pictures sold for more than \$7,000.

Henry doesn't seem to understand a question. He stares at you finally he seems to get you. You ask yourself: "What's the trouble?" and then say: "Oh, the boy is just a plain fool, that's all." Now, are you sure about it? Just go to the records and you may find "Hard of hearing." The girl is risking her reputation. She pets, smokes and drinks.

Apparently her influence on the rest of the school is bad," you say. "She'll come to a bad ending." Sure you know? And if you know so much what are you doing about it? You will not find it on the school record filed in the general office. Slowly, but surely, it is being recorded in red ink on her own spirit. Of course you say, "Go to the rest room and wash off the paint." But that's not knowing your pupil. Miss Grumpy or Mrs. Grundy. To steer a girl in expressing good taste and to explain away the fact, if you can, that while society women may be photographed in Sunday supplements with cigarettes drooping from their lips, and dressed in the "height" of fashion and lopping over sideways as Exhibit A of the smart set, it is not proper for nice girls to behave this way. A teacher who knows her girl will find, hard though it may be, a way to redirect that wish, dear to every girl, to attract.

The boy is physically handicapped. You are sympathetic and show him every attention to lessen it. He does not respond. "Grouchy," you say, "as are all these handicapped people. Do anything for them and they act as though they were hurt. Anyhow he never can amount to much." Sure you know? Do you realize that he wants you to treat him just as you do everybody else? He wants no feeling of condescension on your part. Can he amount to anything? A young man without eyes and without hands passes bar examinations. An armless girl graduates from a California university with honors.

So one might go on showing by case method that formal school record card tells only what the eyes are like, not what they see. Records the I.Q., but nothing of a child's potentialities in the world of initiative, imagination, art, music or even dog dancing. It states poor marks the pupil received because of lack of mental cleverness in memorizing, but nothing of those skills useful in business, industry, craftsmanship, the stage, aviation or literature.

The classroom teacher must keep the educational factory humanized. Sad and tense-minded experts from the "central office" see children only that they may make statistics and curves. I see no hope for children in those principals who show visitors the gymnasium, glory in the cubic feet of fresh air entering the audit-

KEEP CHIN UP AND LOOK YOUNGER

Keep your chin up and look five years younger!

This is the advice of Hal Rosson, ace cameraman in Hollywood and former husband of the late Jean Harlow, whose knowledge of lights and shadows in relation to the face has taught him numerous tricks valuable to women the world over.

"When the head is held high there is little chance for shadows," Rosson explained, "and shadows that are not definitely planned ruin beauty."

"Holding the head low causes shadows to fall on the cheeks, giving a sunken appearance. It has the same effect on the neck."

Rosson advises women to stand before a mirror and test the truth of his statement. The marked difference between the low hanging head and the tilted chin is obvious even in sunlight.

Still another advantage to holding the chin high is evidenced in the effect upon posture.

"When the head is held erect, the rest of the body seems to fall in line. An even, graceful carriage always denotes youth and, more than that, it exerts a psychological effect over the individual."

Maybe you need a few exercises for the head and neck, and here are some:

"Place head back as far as you can, open the mouth wide, then close, a motion similar to chewing. Repeat fifteen times."

If the back of the neck is flat, place finger tips on shoulders and twist arms and shoulders in a circular motion.

Lie on abdomen, raise head, bring far back. Turn on your back and stretch neck toward chest as far as you can.

Relax head and neck muscles and roll head in a complete circle, going as far forward and backward on the neck as you can.

Drop the head forward on the chest as far as possible, then backward, as far as possible. Repeat five to ten times.

orium and brag about the size of the school. I see no hope in superintendents who see education in terms of blue prints and big business.

You Mustn't Cheat Your Budget

"I'll have to ask Bill for some more money," the young bride said nonchalantly.

"But, my dear," her mother reminded her, "you just told me you were on a budget. You've already had your household allowance for the week."

"I can't help that. It's gone, and we still have to eat."

"But you bought a lot of food the first of the week. I should think you could have made some of it last until Saturday."

"What do you mean?"

"The roast, for instance, that you had the night your father and I were here for dinner. What became of that?"

"I ate some cold for my lunch," the bride explained, "and threw the rest of it out."

"You threw out a perfectly good roast of beef?"

"I didn't know what else to do with it. I couldn't eat it alone, and Bill doesn't like cold meat."

"You could have made hash or a meat pie or stuffed green peppers," her mother said. "And while we're on the subject, I notice you threw out a big bowl of rice. You could have added an egg and a few raisins and made a pudding out of that. The prunes that you were tired of could have been filled with cream cheese for a salad. The pieces of stale bread should have been ground up and saved for bread crumbs."

"Well, if you're going to check up on my garbage, Mother!"

"It's a good thing I did," her mother said calmly. "No couple can get ahead if the wife throws money away faster than her husband can make it. Come home for dinner tonight, and I'll give you what's left of the chicken for your dinner tomorrow. Then next week remember what I've told you and never throw away anything that can possibly be used in another form."

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