"MA" SUNDAY'S ADVICE TO WOMEN—FURTHER LETTERS FROM NAN—GOOD HEALTH TALKS

ALL FEELING OF GRATITUDE KILLED BY CONSTANT REMINDERS

Many Persons Unable to Find Expression for Their Thankfulness—"I'm Sorry" the Polite Phrase Now in Use

NOTHING so quickly kills all feeling of gratitude as a constant reminder of the benefits received from the person who is responsible for giving them. It is only natural that when we perform a kind or generous act we want to feel that it has been appreciated, even though we may not believe in letting the left hand know what the right hand doeth.

Yet it is well to remember that there are many so constituted they cannot give expression to their feelings, and expect you to understand by ever so slight a sign that they are grateful.

ONE woman I have in mind is like this. She will accept really considerable favors with the greatest indifference, and many times those who do not know her well think her an ingrate; yet when opportunity offers she will inconvenience herself not a little to return these obligations. Yet it is hardly this—a return of an obligation. She is so made that she is always putting herself out for other people. If a girl comes to her, for instance, with a piece of knitting over which she is struggling, she will spend hours working out the stitches for her. This generosity extends to still greater things. She will take upon herself the support of a friend's child as a matter of course, and not, either, from a sense of "duty" to this friend, but from duty to humanity at large.

And, obversely, she believes others are imbued with the same sentiments, when as a matter of fact too many of us expect to be patted on the back for every unselfish act, and, failing to receive the share of applause we consider ours by right, we feel that, alas, we are not appreciated!

A WRITER has been singing a requiem over a phrase which has become virtually obsolete. It is "I beg your pardon." True, as she says, its omission can mar a whole day, its use make even the most weary smile with contentment.

Yet its successor, that phrase which is now in more or less common use, goes even further, to my mind. It is "I'm sorry," spoken as if one really meant it.

"I'm sorry" carries with it not a plea for forgiveness from the one against whom the offense is made, but expresses the contrition of the offender, and means more, so it seems to me, than the former polite phrase. It takes rather for granted the forgiveness of the other, and instead dwells on the abject state of the one who has intentionally or unintentionally caused him unhappiness or discomfort.

Vyvettes

One must have garden hats and sunbonnets these days, even if one does live in the city and only hoes a window box or a tiny patch in the back garden! When every one is becoming economical, hats must be becoming and economical. Here is a hat that is both. It is of plain blue gingham, with three strands of black ribbon. The lady above is seen going marketing in it.

What to Buy Now in Produce Markets

THE produce market report of the Home Defense Committee advises women as follows:

SCARCE GROUP

Peaches cantaloupes, watermelons, blackberries, huckleberries, green corn, lima beans are just beginning to arrive in market and are high in price.

Strawberries are scarce because the rain shortened the season.

Cherries are scarce because the rain virtually ruined the crop.

Tomatoes are coming from Mississippi only.

Potatoes are scarce on the market today, but prospects are that they will be more plentiful next week.

NORMAL GROUP

Cabbage, carrots, cucumbers, eggplants, asparagus, peppers, spinach, cauliflower.

ABUNDANT GROUP

These products are plentiful and cheap. They should be used heavily: Rhubarb, green string and wax beans, beets, onions, lettuce, peas.

Parsley, kale, radishes are also plentiful.

The housewife should take advantage especially of the rhubarb, peas and onions, as this is the height of the season for them and they must not spoil.

J. RUSSELL SMITH,
Chairman.

Nikolina

Oh, tell me, little children, have you seen her—
The tiny maid from Norway, Nikolina?
Oh, her eyes are blue as cornflowers, 'mid the corn,
And her cheeks are rosy red as skies of morn!

Nikolina! swift she turns if any call her,
As she stands among the poppies, hardly taller,
Breaking off their scarlet cups for you,
With spikes of slender larkspur, burning blue.

In her little garden many a flower is growing—
Red, gold and purple in the soft wind blowing,
But the child that stands mid the blossoms gay
Is sweeter, quainter, brighter e'en than they.

—Celia Thaxter.

ADVICE TO THE HOME-BUILDER OF MODERATE MEANS

By VICTOR EBERHARD, B. Arch., R. A.

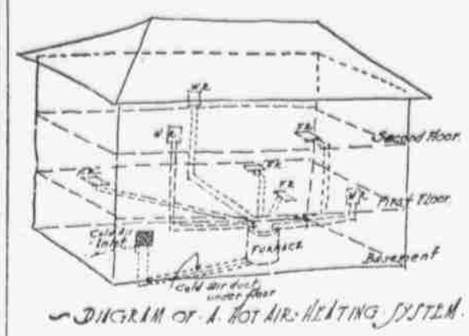

DIAGRAM OF A HOT AIR HEATING SYSTEM

This diagram illustrates in a rough way the method of hot-air heating. The fresh air is taken in through the cold-air opening, thence it passes to the furnace where it is heated, and then it rises into the heating pipes which carry to the various rooms in the house. At the end of each heat pipe is a register, either a floor register, marked F. R., in the diagram, or a wall register, marked W. R.

Furnace Heating

FURNACE heating has seemingly been forgotten by the home builder. Hundreds of houses are built every year that are of the size that could be better heated with hot air; but, instead, an average of about $300 more is spent for hot water. We think that this is not because money is so plentiful, but because the home builder is not well enough acquainted with this form of heating. Let us, therefore, go into the subject in sufficient detail to understand its theory and to be able to prevent faulty installation.

For warming residences not exceeding 1200 square feet of ground area, the author believes a good furnace, properly set and with hot-air pipes of proper size, suitably located, will give the best satisfaction, as it is economical in first cost, easy to manage, costs little for repairs, and furnishes a pleasant and healthful heat at no greater expense of running than for steam or hot water. The most common defects observed in furnace heating are overheating of the air, vitiating of the air by the gases of combustion and imperfect distribution of the heat. The first two defects may be entirely avoided if sufficient care is exercised in the selection and setting up of the furnace and in tending the fire, and the last defect may be reduced to a minimum by a wise location and proper proportion of the flues and registers. The cause of the unsatisfactory heating of a great many houses by furnaces is the refusal of the owner or builder to pay the necessary price for a first-class furnace and for the best workmanship and materials. The same carelessness and skinning that is sometimes permitted with furnace work, if permitted on a steam or hot-water apparatus, would in most cases prevent its working at all.

Furnace heating may be divided into two parts, the production of heat and its distribution. The former depends entirely upon the furnace, its setting, cold-air supply, draft, kind of fuel and attendance.

THE FURNACE—In principle a hot-air furnace is simply a stove or heater incased with iron or brick, so as to form an air chamber between the heater and casing. The air enters at the bottom of the chamber passes over the heated surfaces of the heater and is conducted by hot-air pipes to the various rooms. The external surface of the firepot and all portions of the heater which receive heat from the fire or smoke are called radiating surface. As a rule, the furnace which has the greatest radiating surface in proportion to the size of the firepot will give off the most heat for a given amount of fuel consumed. As the amount of radiating surface largely affects the weight of a furnace, and the latter in a great measure the selling price, it is obvious that the best furnaces must cost the most. It is true that one furnace may have its radiating surface better arranged than another, so as to give off more heat for a less quantity of metal, but it is seldom that a very light furnace, particularly if of cast iron, is a good heater. Furnaces should be so designed that the smoke, after leaving the combustion chamber, must travel around the radiator one or more times before finding an exit to the chimney. With a chimney flue of proper size and topped out well above the roof, it is possible to make the smoke travel a long distance and thus obtain great economy of fuel. The best furnaces are designed on this principle. Besides having a large radiating surface, the furnace should have as few joints as possible, and should be arranged so as to be easily cleaned.

Furnaces are made of cast iron, wrought iron and steel, either used singly or combined. Though there are excellent furnaces made of wrought iron and steel, the author believes that a heavy cast iron furnace is the most durable, and can be made as tight. Some furnaces are made chiefly of cast iron, but with air or smoke flues of wrought iron fitting into cast iron sockets. This arrangement is not generally approved, as the two metals expand and contract unequally, thus tending to open the joints.

Questions and Answers

My architect would reduce his commission in case he did not make any full-size details. He, however, advises against this. Are such details necessary in case the plans and elevations are well drawn out? E. G.

The details of a house are very important as a means of adding a great deal to its interest and beauty. If the architect does not make full-size details of all these, this opportunity will certainly be lost and instead, the details, both on the interior and exterior, are liable to spoil the artistic success of your house entirely. Do not try to save in this particular. If a reduction in your expenditure is necessary, follow the advice of your architect as to where the cut should be made.

Wednesday—Furnace Heating Continued.

"MA" SUNDAY'S INTIMATE TALKS

The wife of the famous evangelist discusses everyday topics in a helpful and wholesome way.

The Restaurant Flirt

"MAMIE and you do not seem to be as friendly as you were," I said to a young man the other evening. "What has happened?"

"Nothing, so very much," he answered casually, "but enough to make me determine never to take her out to eat in a public restaurant again. You know I met Mamie in the mountains last summer, and her high spirits and generally companionable ways made her a very jolly little comrade. There was never much sentiment between us. She was more of a 'pal' to me. She was very pretty, and very merry, and I'm a sort of lonesome chap and don't easily get acquainted.

"Things went on very nicely at first," he continued. "Mamie was popular, and we had interesting times together. One evening I suggested a little supper after the play, proposing that we go to some quiet Fifth avenue restaurant, but Mamie was all for a Broadway cafe. I didn't like the idea, for I don't approve of such places for young girls, but Mamie's heart seemed set on it, and I let myself be persuaded.

"To my surprise and chagrin, Mamie said she wanted a cocktail, and, as the waiter was hovering over us, I could not well protest without causing her embarrassment.

"At the table next to ours was a party of college boys, who had been drinking freely. Mamie's fresh, wholesome beauty attracted them, and they began to ogle her. Instead of being annoyed, she simpered and tossed her head, and kept throwing them glances of encouragement.

"When her cocktail came the boys, evidently rich men's sons, drinking champagne, raised their glasses simultaneously with a little significant gesture to suggest that they were toasting her. Mamie blushed and cast down her eyes, and then responded with her own glass. I was furious at the by-play, for I realized its significance if she did not.

"The music struck up a fox trot, and almost instantaneously the young chap nearest Mamie rose, and murmuring, 'My dance, is it not?' whisked her off on to the floor before I fully realized what was happening.

"By this time I was so thoroughly incensed that I could hardly control myself, but, fortunately, I realized that a public restaurant was no place to make a scene. The thought that a good girl, under my escort, should allow herself to be picked up by a stranger in this free-and-easy way so enraged me I paid the bill while they were dancing, and, when Mamie returned to the table, I told her we were leaving at once. She protested that she had not eaten her supper, but I was in no mood to argue, and firmly guided her toward the door.

"She declared I was jealous, and that there was no harm in what she had done! If those are Mamie's views of what a good time is, I am through with her!"

Girls, why will you continually cheapen yourselves and lose the friendship and confidence of worth-while men for the sake of a minute's amusement? If you like a man well enough to accept his attentions, you, at least, owe him the courtesy of your attention when you are together, and should be above humiliating him with a stranger whose respect you forfeit by even noticing him without the proper introductions.

God wants you to have a good time. Being a Christian does not mean that you have to bid good-by to all the joys and pleasures of life.

But a good time according to the right standards and a good time according to the devil's standards are two vastly different propositions.

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THE WOMAN'S EXCHANGE

Letters and questions submitted to this department must be written on one side of the paper only and signed with the name of the writer. Special queries like those given below are invited. It is understood that the editor does not necessarily indorse the sentiment expressed. All communications for this department should be addressed as follows: THE WOMAN'S EXCHANGE, Evening Ledger, Philadelphia, Pa.

TODAY'S INQUIRIES

1. How can wilted flowers be revived?
2. Should the leaves be pulled off flower stalks before placing the flowers in water?
3. What makes a good preservative for cut flowers?

1. How can hollows in the neck be filled out?
2. What are the ingredients of an effective neck bleach?
3. How can delicate blouses and handkerchiefs be given a slight suggestion of sachet?

ANSWERS TO SATURDAY'S INQUIRIES

1. Thick glassware cracks more easily under heat than thin glass, as the outside of thick glassware does not always expand rapidly enough.
2. When making jelly it is better to cook a small quantity at a time than a large quantity; if necessary to cook a large quantity divide it among several small receptacles.
3. An overamount of sugar, instead of hardening jelly, will make it soft and syrupy.

1. After attending a dinner a man on leave-taking should seek out his hostess, also the host and the woman he took in to dinner.
2. A man should never drink a toast of which he is the subject.
3. When attending a tea a man should never wear his gloves into the drawing room, but should discard them upon entering the house.

To Can Eggplant and Beets

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Will you tell me through your column, please, whether eggplant and beets can be canned successfully and how it is done? (Mrs.) K. R.

These vegetables can be canned with very satisfactory results. To can the eggplant, pare it, cut in thin slices as you would for frying and drop it in boiling water for fifteen or twenty minutes. Drain off the water and pack the slices into jars, cover with water, then after placing the rubber rings around and the lids on loosely, but without putting down the springs, place the jars in the boiler, leaving a space between each, pour in about three inches of cold water, or just enough to form steam and to prevent the boiler from going dry, put the cover on the boiler and set on the stove. After the water begins to boil keep it boiling for an hour, at the end of which time remove the cover of the boiler to allow the steam to escape, press down the springs at the sides of the jars, remove them and allow them to cool. Next day place them again in the boiler and boil for an hour after loosening the springs on the jars again. Repeat this process on the third day, then set aside for a day or two before testing. This is done by releasing the spring at the side and turning the jar upside down. If sterilization has not been completed or there is the slightest decomposition, the top will come off; otherwise it will hold.

Beets are prepared by washing, cutting off the tops, then boiling for an hour or more until they are thoroughly cooked. Then remove the skins, cut in slices and pack into the jars, cover with water and sterilize as you do the eggplant.

Caramel for Soups

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—How do you make caramel for coloring soups? A. N.

Put two tablespoonfuls sugar into a small saucepan and let it melt, then bubble, over the fire. When it is brown pour in two tablespoonfuls boiling water and stir until the sugar is dissolved. A very small quantity will color the soup sufficiently.

Recipe for Artificial Honey

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Is there a way of making honey at home out of sugar? ADELE B.

This recipe is a good one if the directions are carefully followed: Ten parts sugar, three parts rainwater; bring to a boil over a slow fire and let boil fifteen minutes, skimming all the while. Let cool, add three parts of good old strained honey and five drops of oil of peppermint to a gallon of the sugar syrup. Loaf sugar is better than any other for this purpose.

Anchovy Butter

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Can you give me a recipe for anchovy butter to use in sandwiches? READER.

Beat the anchovies to a paste, then pass them through a sieve, add twice their quantity of butter and cayenne pepper or paprika and other spices to suit.

To Make Opaque Screen

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Will you tell me what preparation is used to make an opaque screen out of a piece of sheeting or other thin cloth? Also, will you please repeat the directions you gave some time ago for removing chewing gum from cloth? (Mrs.) D. McL.

This mixture, if applied, is said to give the desired result: Prepare a mixture of one part gum arabic, four parts powdered magnesia, eighty parts water. In this soak your cotton or linen sheet and you will find that after drying it will have a reflecting surface.

Press a piece of ice wrapped in a cloth to the chewing gum and it will crumble off when scraped with a knife. If any spot remains, apply ether, benzine or alcohol.

Frock for Wedding

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—What kind of dress would you suggest for me to get for a wedding early in July? It is to be at 4 o'clock. I don't want to buy anything I can't wear afterward for church or on the street. (Mrs.) W. B. C.

Why do you not buy yourself a frock of georgette crepe in some dark color? One of navy blue, combined with white, gray or buff, is effective, green combined with some lighter shade is also good, or black combined with ivory, pale blue or gray. Georgette crepe is cool and summery, but at the same time can be worn on the street very readily.

Wants to Visit Encampment

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Will you please give us your opinion? We are two girls of eighteen and nineteen and have been going with two young men who are now away at camp. Do you think it would be all right for us to go up near where they are to spend our vacations so we could see them? BROWN EYES.

It would be very unwise for you to stay near the camp to see your soldier sweethearts unless you were accompanied by an older woman or a married woman to act as chaperon.

Anxious to Swim

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Will you let me know in the EVENING LEDGER where a young man can go to learn to swim and how much it costs? I am a stranger in this city, and where I formerly came from out in California there were large pools open to the public for a small sum. O. S. P.

You can go to any one of the Young Men's Christian Association Buildings; the central building is at 1421 Arch street, but there are branches scattered all over the city. The one at Fifty-second and Sansom streets would probably be most convenient for you. If you will apply there you can obtain full information as to the charges, which, however, I am told, are moderate.

He Is Old But Wealthy

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Please give me your advice. I am a young girl of twenty, short and very attractive looking, and have a chance to marry a man twenty-five years older than myself, who has an automobile and is wealthy. Do you think I could be happy with him? MYRTLE.

My dear young lady, from the tone of your letter I judge it is the man's material possessions which have attracted you rather than the man himself. Twenty-five years' difference is no small matter, and although many girls have married men so much older than themselves and been very happy, their marriages have been founded on something more than a desire for the luxuries of life.

Eat Sandwich With Fork

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Will you tell me how a club sandwich should be eaten—or, for that matter, any substantial sandwich? JENNIE.

A substantial sandwich of any description should be eaten with a fork. If it is not possible to break the toast with a fork, a knife may be employed also. Only little sandwiches made for afternoon tea should be eaten with the fingers.

Informal Invitation

To the Editor of Woman's Page:

Dear Madam—Will you kindly word an informal invitation for a shower which I wish to give for a friend next Friday? I want to write to ten other girls and, as I want it to be a surprise and wish to ask them to keep it quiet, I think it would not do to send the invitations formally. KATE.

Write something like this:

Dear M——: Will you come in next Friday afternoon about 4 o'clock for informal afternoon tea? I want to give ——— a linen shower for her trousseau and thought you might care to join us. I am anxious that it should be surprise, and do hope you can come. Affectionately, KATE.

THE GOOD HEALTH QUESTION BOX

By DR. JOHN HARVEY KELLOGG

Holding the Breath

THIS has often been mistaken for merely temper, when it is a nervous affliction and entirely out of the child's control. It is a disease, rather than a voluntary action or habit, and should receive the consideration due to a wrong condition. The fact that it so often happens when the child is angry does not disprove this statement, as the physical effects of strong emotions are not usually recognized by the mother; they require treatment both from the physical and psychical side. The excitement of anger often causes spasmodic contraction of the breathing muscles.

Sometimes a child will suddenly stop breathing and become blue in the face, perhaps unconscious. Often no cause can be assigned; some disturbing influence has caused the muscles of the larynx suddenly to close. There is no reason for anxiety, as the application of cold water to the face and chest will usually correct the immediate trouble. But a child so affected should be carefully guarded from all excitement and special care given to his diet. Constant recurrence of this trouble indicates some constitutional disease, and should receive the attention of the physician. Usually the child is delicate, supersensitive, and needs "hardening" by cold baths, out-of-door life, including outdoor sleeping, short sun baths, better bowel movements and attention to his diet.

To Improve the Circulation

What can a person aged sixty do to improve his circulation so he will not require heavy bed covering? J. C. R.

He can exercise in the open air if his heart is not weak and his arteries diseased. He can saw wood, golf, walk, work in a garden.

He should eat moderately and his diet should consist of plain, wholesome food. Fruits and vegetables are advised to the exclusion of coffee, meat, fried food and hot breads. The bowels should move freely without the aid of medicines. Two tablespoonfuls of bran should be taken with the meals. It can be mixed with cereals or taken in soups or with vegetables. One person's need for bed covers cannot be a guide for others. People in health vary in their requirements.

Hip Reducers

Are rubber hip-reducing garments injurious? D. J.

Such garments cannot be recommended. Exercises to reduce the hips are healthful and effective.

To Reduce Fat and Blood Pressure

What food and how much should a person eat to reduce fat and blood pressure? Are hot or cold baths best in such a case? A SUBSCRIBER.

Very meager meals are prescribed in such cases. Gluten bread, fruits and vegetables. The bowels must be made to move two and three times daily. Take paraffin oil or petrolatum to lubricate the intestines. Omit from the diet meat, poultry, fish, cheese, cream, butter, all fat, sugar and bread and breakfast cereals. Eat lettuce, spinach, asparagus, celery, cauliflower, cabbage etc.

Neither very hot nor cold baths are advised when there is high blood pressure. Take baths of a comfortable temperature. All exertion, exercise or work that is a physical or mental strain should be avoided when there is high blood pressure. Sweating baths are useful and exercise. A walk of three or four miles at a moderate gait will burn up an ounce of fat.

Ankle and Arch Supports

My ankles frequently turn over. Would the wearing of ankle braces cause them to be still weaker? My third toe has a swelling under it. I have been advised to use a metatarsal arch support. What is your opinion of these appliances? H. H. P.

The surgeon who examined your feet is the only one who can properly advise you. Consult an orthopedic surgeon and follow his advice.

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Little Girl Takes Poison

Mary Devine, three years old, of 1619 North Twenty-eighth street, is in a serious condition at the Mary Drexel Children's Hospital as a result of swallowing a poison tablet. The tablets were knocked from a shelf in the bathroom by the little girl's brother. She swallowed one before he could get them. Her father is a policeman of the Twenty-third District.

Uses Match to Find Gasoline Leak

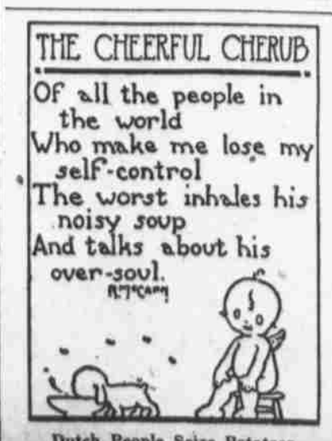
Looking for a leak in a gasoline tank of his automobile with a lighted match caused an explosion which seriously burned Peter Cafuti, twenty years old, of 815 Mount Vernon street, Camden. He was taken to the Cooper Hospital suffering from burns of the face, neck and head. The machine was wrecked.

IN THE MOMENT'S MODES

Egyptian Bathing Costume of Khaki Kool

There is bewildering variety in the season's bathing costumes. There are straight jumper models, quaint aproned affairs, some belted designs, Empire effects and long-waist models. Of each of these one finds many versions, developments in mohair, satin, silk, with decorative schemes employing an almost endless list of materials. One of the unique results of this effort of the style creators to give women something new in bathing costumes is the beach suit, which finds its inspiration in ancient Egyptian garb. Such a costume is pictured in the accompanying sketch. The material is oyster-colored khaki kool, the neck and armhole outlines stitched in apple green silk. The decoration is in Egyptian motifs and the headdress is borrowed from the land of the Nile.

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB



Dutch People Seize Potatoes

THE HAGUE, June 25.—Your correspondent learns from a competent source that the populace of Rotterdam has seized all the potatoes on lighters ready for export.

Tomorrow's War Menu

BREAKFAST
Oranges
Boiled Eggs
Rye Cakes with Honey Coffee

LUNCHEON
Bean Stew
Gingerbread
Iced Tea

DINNER
Lamb Stew
Rice Loaf Asparagus with Butter
Pimento Salad
Caramel Bread Pudding Coffee

ASK FOR and GET
Horlick's
The Original
Malted Milk
Substitutes Cost YOU Same Price.

LIVING UP TO BILLY

By ELIZABETH COOPER

This powerful, human document, written in the form of letters to a young mother serving a term in prison, is one of the most gripping literary products of the twentieth century.

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Dear Kate:

I am having the best time of any girl in the whole world. Oh, Kate, I do love to dance, cause dancing is just a saying the nice-thoughts inside of you with your body instead of your lips. And I think when you get better thoughts you do better work. I know mine is different somehow, cause even old, fat Casey who never throws you a decent word if he can help it, said I'd do. When I used to dance in the joints around Fourteenth street and over on Eighth avenue I danced just the things I knew then, which was cafes filled with cigarette smoke, booze on the tables and puffy, bad-faced men staring at me. My dancing was not good, just making my feet go, but now I think about other things and I dance the buds coming out on the pussy willows, the dogwood blossoms and the ripples of the lake when the moon shines on it.

I hear the crickets and the katey-dids and the little peepers from the pond, and instead of hard-faced girls puffing cigarette smoke into men's faces, I see Billy with his curls hanging round his laughing face as he runs up the long road to meet me when I come from the station. My body seems to have grown softer with my feelings and it bends more easy and I believe I have even changed my face. I don't feel that all the world is against me and that I have to fight my way through it, cause I know I am loved and trusted and there is always some one waiting for me at the gate. Why, Kate, it changes your whole life to know there is some one caring for you who won't try to do you the first chance they get, and if it makes such a difference in your feelings, it is bound to make a difference in your actions, and that is the reason when I dance, I sway and bend and turn as light as if I was a fairy one reads about in story books. It ain't dancing, it ain't work. It is just telling all the world I'm happy.

Dancing in these better places is not bad for a girl cause the management don't make you talk to no one and won't let the men get fresh. Of course I get a lot of notes and bids to dinner, but I don't mind them cause I have had them all my life. The only difference now, the spelling is good in these and they are supposed to come from gentlemen. Yet I tear them up just as easy as I did the other kind. Mrs. Smith is always scared about me. I showed her a mash note once and she sure threw a fit, but I tell her she don't need to worry about me. I know how to take care of myself all right, as I have been doing it all my life. I seen too much crookedness and I have seen that it don't pay. I never knew a girl yet that went the limit but landed hard some day on the pavement. Even you was straight, Kate, your only trouble is that your hands are too small and when you married Jim and he showed you how easy they went in other people's pockets, you kind a took to it natural.

I supposed that is because of father who is a born dip and it had to come out again in some of the family. I wonder if lots of people ain't crooked cause they don't know no better. I have been thinking a lot lately about education. Mr. Smith was a teacher in a boy's school in England, and he talks sometimes about the right kind of learning, and I sit by and listen trying to hear all I can that will help Billy. Mr. Smith says that if a boy has got the right kind of education, he will just naturally choose the right things in life. He don't believe because Billy's father and his grandfather are dips that that is any reason that Billy should be one. He says, give him the right kind of schooling and teachers that will understand him or show him what kind of books to read and tell him the great things that have been done by other men, and that he can do it if he tries, that it will make him ambitious and he will naturally choose the right kind of a life instead of the wrong kind. He will go with the right kind of people, instead of the wrong kind.

He wants to make Paul an electrical engineer, but first he wants him to go to college and get a lot of booklearning, so when he is by himself he will be willing to sit by the fire and read some book he loves instead of chasing down the Great White Way to find amusement. He says a man must know something besides his business or when he ain't working he won't know what to do with himself. Them is the men, he says, that fill the night restaurants and sets in the front row at the burlesques. He believes that if men were educated in the way they orter be, there would not be no crookedness. That the upper-story men and the dips and the safeblowers most always ain't got no education, and they are crooked because they don't know nothing different. He say ignorance makes a man not able to tell right from wrong. I told him I knew lots of dips who were clever, and he said:

"Yes, that is so, but if they had been able to train that cleverness in the right way when they was young, they would not be dips now.

"They would use their brains in building up some business that was on the square. They ain't never had the right chance, so they can't be blamed." That is so, part of it, Kate. Lots of people I know feel it in their bones that crookedness don't pay, but they don't know nothing else, cause they got in wrong at the start. Now, if it is all true that he says and education will make a man on the level, then me for education. Billy is going to have it if I have to pour it down him with a spoon. Billy is going to have just as good a chance as Paul. I am getting to be such a tight wad that I am losing all my friends. I won't buy a drink for no one, and I even shove the girls Sweet Caporals instead of Melachrinos when they come up to my room. Why, I squeeze a nickel till it hollers, and I wear out three dollars of shoe leather chasing up the street to find an eating joint where they fill me up for a quarter. Any way, Kate, your son is going to have a lot of letters writ after his name, if his aunt Nan don't get the cholly hoss in her legs, and lose her thirty bucks per week that she is making now.

Good-by, Kate, I am coming to see you soon, and I will bring you some pictures of the kid that we took when he went in swimming. He can float on his back, and Mr. Smith nearly scares a lung out of me learning him to dive. I am thinking of you always. NAN.

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(CONTINUED TOMORROW)

Held for Hitting Wife With Wrench

Accused of hitting his wife on the head with a wrench, Frank Carrigan, of 1826 Pierce street, was held without bail for a further hearing by Magistrate Baker today. The prisoner's wife is in St. Agnes's Hospital with a fractured skull. Her condition is serious. Carrigan was arrested by Policeman Bogel after the attack, which was the result, the police say, of several hours of quarreling. The couple have three children, who were turned over to the Society to Protect Children from Cruelty.

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