

A MARRIED FLAPPER.

She Culls Herself a Failure and Blames the Community.

The writer of this is an ex-flapper—has been married nearly two years—whose husband is finding out that he has assumed the support of an expensive luxury and become responsible in part for the upkeep of a wet wash laundry. As an assistant, a helper, a home maker for a steady, hard working husband I am out of place. As a wife I am a failure and it is not my fault.

The community spent hundreds, perhaps thousands, of dollars on my education, for I was graduated from high school, but persistently refused to regard me as a national asset and insisted that I become a cog in the immense wheel of commercial life. The community fashioned me into an office assistant and disgraced me by making me a fact that nature intended me to be a wife and mother.

I can neither cook nor wash, iron nor sew, and I fear to bear children, for I do not know how to care for them, even though I realize now that it takes more than a wife to make a home for a man; it takes a wife and children.

Good cooking is a very important detail of home life and good cooks are not born but become such as the result of intelligent, thoughtful observation and experiment, and I have discovered that there is no royal road to becoming a good cook in a few months.

Fine sewing is an art of which I know nothing, and to speak to me of clear starching is equivalent to talking in a foreign language.

Multiply my case by hundreds of thousands and the danger that will threaten the basic—Nordic—stock in this country at some time should be apparent to all.

The nation, the state, the community should jointly provide a remedy, and it is a herculean task; as a starter I venture to submit that overeducation at public expense tends to keep a large number of boys and girls at school during the very years when knowledge of household arts and habits of economy, thrift, industry are most readily acquired, and I believe therefore that education above the grammar grades should be at private expense and not provided for by general taxation.

I realize that I am a pretty helpless piece of female machinery, that the maid I employ, who can neither read nor write, is one of the aristocrats among working women. I pay her \$50 a month, everything found, private bathroom, no washing or ironing. Including her room and board the cost to us of our maid is more than \$100 a month—\$1,200 a year.

My husband receives \$4,000 a year and 20 per cent of his salary is needed to pay for service I should be able to render as my share of the matrimonial partnership. This outlay is necessary because the community failed to provide that the females of the human species in the United States should be developed as household managers and home-makers. New York Herald.

FARM DRAINAGE IN VERMONT.

Plans Outlined Whereby Lowlands May Be Improved.

The extension service, college of agriculture, University of Vermont, in cooperation with the United States department of agriculture, have during the last two or three years given considerable attention to farm drainage in Vermont. A drainage engineer from the federal department has visited various sections of the state and laid out a number of drainage systems.

In Vermont the lands needing drainage may be divided into three classes: (1) The flat or clay loam soils found in Lake Champlain and Lake Memphigaugue. (2) The areas of muck or peat soils along other creeks and areas of seeped or swampy land found on the Winooski river. (3) The many small farms scattered throughout the state. The first two classes are, in general, subject to reclamation by drainage at reasonable cost, but economy requires that such lands usually be handled in comparatively large tracts. This requires co-operation among the landowners.

It is with the third class—the scattered areas of seeped or swampy land—that the individual farmer of Vermont is most concerned.

Why Enrico Stopped Tooting.

In his earlier years Caruso used to play the flute. One day a salesman tried to induce him to buy a phonograph, and he suggested to Caruso that he play his flute to test the machine. After hearing the record, the flute asked: "Is that what I did?"

"Yes, sir."
"Exactly as I played it?"
"Exactly, sir. Isn't it wonderful? You'll buy the phonograph?"
"No," said Caruso, shuddering, "but I'll sell the flute."—Boston Transcript.

Keep Scratching.

Said the little red rooster: "Gosh all hemlock, things are tough. Seems that worms are getting scarcer, and I cannot find enough. What's become of all those fat ones is a mystery to me; There were thousands through that rainy spell, but now where can they be?"

The old black hen who heard him did not grumble or complain. She had gone through lots of dry spells and had lived through floods of rain; So she flew upon the grindstone and she gave her claws a whet. As she said: "I've never seen the time there were no worms to get."

She picked a new and undug spot; the earth was hard and firm. The little rooster jeered. "New ground; That's no place for a worm." The old black hen just spread her feet, she dug both fast and free. "I must go to the worm," she said, "the worms won't come to me."

The rooster vainly spent his day, through habit, by the ways. Where fat, round worms had passed in squads back in the rainy days. When nightfall found him supperless, he growled in accents rough: "I'm hungry as a fowl can be. Conditions sure are tough."

He turned then to the old black hen and said: "It's worse with you. For you're not only hungry, but you must be tired, too. I rosted while I watched for worms, so I feel fairly perk. But how are you. Without worms, too? and after all that work?"

The old black hen hopped to her perch and dropped her eyes to sleep. And murmured in a drowsy tone: "Young man, hear you this and weep: I'm full of worms and happy, for I've dined both long and well. The worms are there as always—but I had to dig like—"

Oh, here and there red roosters still are holding sales positions. They cannot do much business now because of poor conditions. But soon as things get right again they'll sell a hundred firms. Meanwhile the old black hens are out and gobbling up the worms.—Holyoke Transcript.

VERNON.

Diplomas Presented to Four.

Pretty graduation exercises were held in the Union church Friday evening, when four members of the eighth grade of the center school received diplomas. The officers of the class were: President, William Johnson; secretary, Nathalie Carr. The class colors were pink and white; class motto, Our Goal is the Mountain Top. Members of the class were Nathalie Carr, William Johnson, Raymond Tenny, Harold Blodgett.

The program included invocation by Rev. E. E. Jones; commencement greetings by Nathalie Carr; exercises by pupils of No. 7 school, pupils of South school and pupils of the North school; recitations by Raymond Tenny and Harold Blodgett; our dreams, class of 1922; address to graduates by Rev. E. E. Jones; presentation of diplomas by Supt. Ethel A. Eddy; parting song by class of 1922.

Mrs. B. A. Willey of West Northfield was a visitor in town Monday.

J. T. Wright and family spent Sunday in Whitingham, where they visited friends.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Newton were visitors Sunday at Ransom Akley's in Guilford.

Charles Wright of Whitingham spent the week-end at his home with Mrs. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Johnson of West Brattleboro were visitors with his parents Sunday.

The ladies' circle will serve a supper Wednesday, June 14. A business meeting will be held in the afternoon.

Mrs. B. N. Clark and children left Monday for Shelton, Conn., to visit relatives. They also will visit in Holyoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harrington and child of Brattleboro were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hethcote.

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Jennison are keeping house in the Hubbard tenement, where they had stored their goods.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Whitney and two children of West Northfield and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dool of Acton were visitors Sunday at D. B. Vose's.

Mrs. H. W. Knight of West Brattleboro was a guest at the Miller farm from Friday to Sunday and called on friends and relatives in the neighborhood.

There were 23 delegates from this town at the Windham County Sunday school convention in Westminster Wednesday. Eleven delegates went from South Vernon.

Mrs. V. A. Sears of the Putnam school will entertain the children of the north school and the Guilford school on the evening of June 16 at a lawn party. Their parents and friends are invited.

Among those who attended the meeting of the Tobacco Growers' association at Laurel park last week were Dr. F. Hamilton, John W. Hamilton, S. S. Pike, J. T. Wright, William Weatherhead.

Mrs. Charles Hutchinson, who was taken ill while visiting in Greenfield, was able to come to the home of her daughter, Mrs. John McIndoe, but was taken suddenly ill again Saturday and is under the care of a physician.

Miss Mary Carter of Rutland came Wednesday to visit her sister, Miss Elizabeth Carter, and friend, Miss Mary Correll, teachers in town schools. All left Saturday for their homes in Rutland.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Twiss of Wolcott came by automobile Sunday to take their daughter, Miss Claudia Twiss, home at the close of her school. Miss Gertrude Brown accompanied them to be a guest of Miss Twiss a week.

Miss Dorothy Edwards and friend, Miss Hertha Dale of Brattleboro were visitors Friday and Saturday at Mrs. M. I. Reed's. Other visitors recently were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reed of New York city and Miss Alice Morse of Brattleboro.

Miss Elizabeth Jones of Providence, R. I., who came to attend commencement exercises at Northfield seminary and whose sister, Miss Grace Jones, was a member of the graduating class, left Tuesday for her home. She was a guest of Miss Judith Jones while here.

Children's day will be observed next Sunday in the Union church at 10:15, when a program will be presented by the primary classes of the Sunday school. Diplomas will be presented to those promoted. Sunday school at noon. Christian Endeavor service at 7 o'clock; evening service at 7:30.

Vernon Grange held an interesting and instructive meeting Saturday evening, the lecture hour being in charge of Mrs. M. I. Reed. Among the visitors present were State Senator O. L. Martin of Plainfield, Past District Deputy H. W. Sargent, Mrs. Sargent, District Deputy O. R. Whitney and Mrs. Whitney of Brattleboro, who helped to make the meeting a success. Delicious refreshments of sandwiches, cake, lemonade and candy were provided and served by Ralph Gates.

HINSDALE, N. H.

John Snow is home from Worcester tech.

Sylvia Dickerman is ill with measles. Miss Julia Streeter is caring for her. Miss Doris Thayer has gone to Northfield to do clerical work in the administration building.

George Wheeler of Walpole was in town last week. His father returned home with him for a visit.

The strawberry supper at the Universalist church vestry was well patronized. It was served under the direction of the domestic booth committee.

June 6 was a very enjoyable day for the Hinsdale Women's club. About noon 26 members and guests started on an automobile picnic party. Their picnic lunch was in the open had to be changed to an indoor party on account of a hard shower. Nearing the home of Mr. Bailey in Mount Hermon, with his permission, all the party were made comfortable in his large barn, where they spread their bountiful lunches. They journeyed to Ye Old Deerfield, visiting the historic building and library.

The climax of the day was a chicken and waffle supper at Sweetheart Inn. The party arrived home about 9 o'clock.

GREEN RIVER.

Henry Bell is with relatives in Vernon.

Dr. White was called to attend Mrs. Lewis Pittenger Wednesday at Mrs. Will Dennison's.

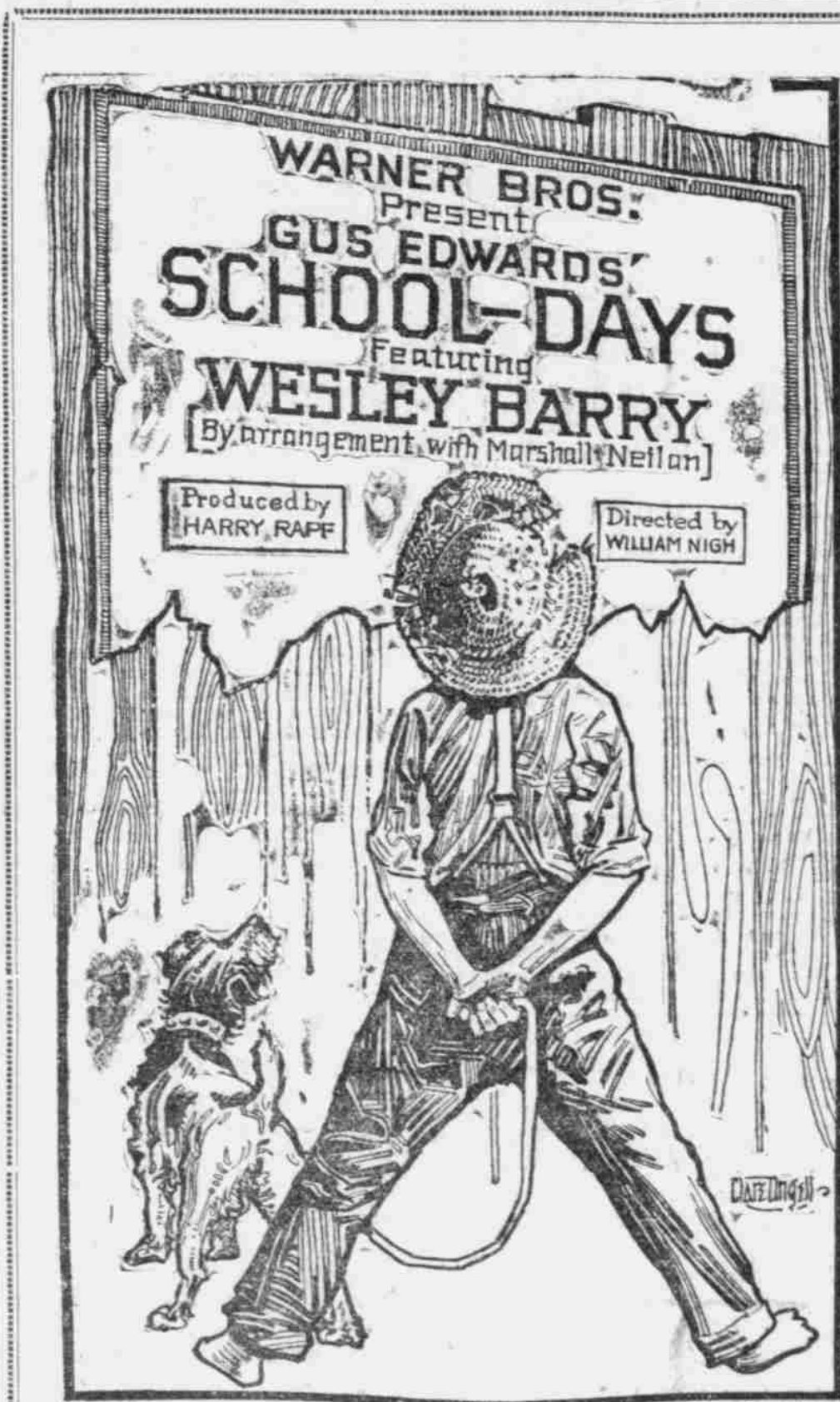
Mr. Glazier and daughters, Esther, Anna and Sarah, have gone to Newfane to visit cousins.

The auction at Lyman Glazier's brought out a large company Tuesday. Everything sold well.

Raymond Wells is repairing the buildings used by the late Henry Stowe for paint shop and storehouse. Mr. Wells plans to occupy it for a home in the near future.

DEATHS.

In Brattleboro (Memorial hospital), June 8, Mrs. Ellen (Turner) Griggs, 60, wife of Elwood Griggs of Windsor, formerly of Brattleboro.



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