

# American Fashions

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A pertinent suggestion for remodeling last year's evening gown.

Novelty in evening gowns is recognized in unique touches rather than in decided innovations. Many a design that appears at first glance to be something entirely new, will, upon closer observation, be found to be made up upon familiar lines, differently arranged, or else, quite as likely, it is an odd material that turns the trick.

This is aptly illustrated in the model sketched. None of its features is of strikingly recent introduction, and yet the modernity of the pretty frock could not possibly be questioned. The skirt of deep, cream tinted satin, is long trailing, and not so very scant but that it rather harks back to other days, while the spiral tunic and the plumed corsage certainly are old friends. But the corsage and the front of the square tunic are worked out in a heavy chiffon cloth, wrought in gold thread in a rose pattern with a banding of slunk to give it emphasis, and, lo, the costume is of the moment.

It is significant that the chiffon of the tunic is embroidered only across the front. In another season the pattern would have been carried clear around, but half the emphasis and most of the artistic effect would have been lost, and herein is demonstrated one of the most pertinent little notes of this new fashion season—that it is the delicacy of treatment that counts very particularly where the tendency is to what is pronounced almost to the point of aggressiveness.

Straight-hanging little dresses of this sort are rather a relief from the festooned drapery arrangements, which, however simple they actually are, can hardly fail to appear more or less complex, and while this special design is not so susceptible of variations as some others, it has an advantage in that it will be in style through several changes.

If desired it could be worked out in a combination of colors rather than in the monochrome effect observed in the original, and let me suggest, it offers a special inducement to velvet or bro-

## Care of the Hair During Illness

By Dr. Edith B. Lowry

Whenever a person is ill at home one of the points most likely to be neglected is the care of the hair. In a great many cases women recover from an illness only a few days to find their hair so snarled and matted that it almost is impossible ever to remove the tangles.

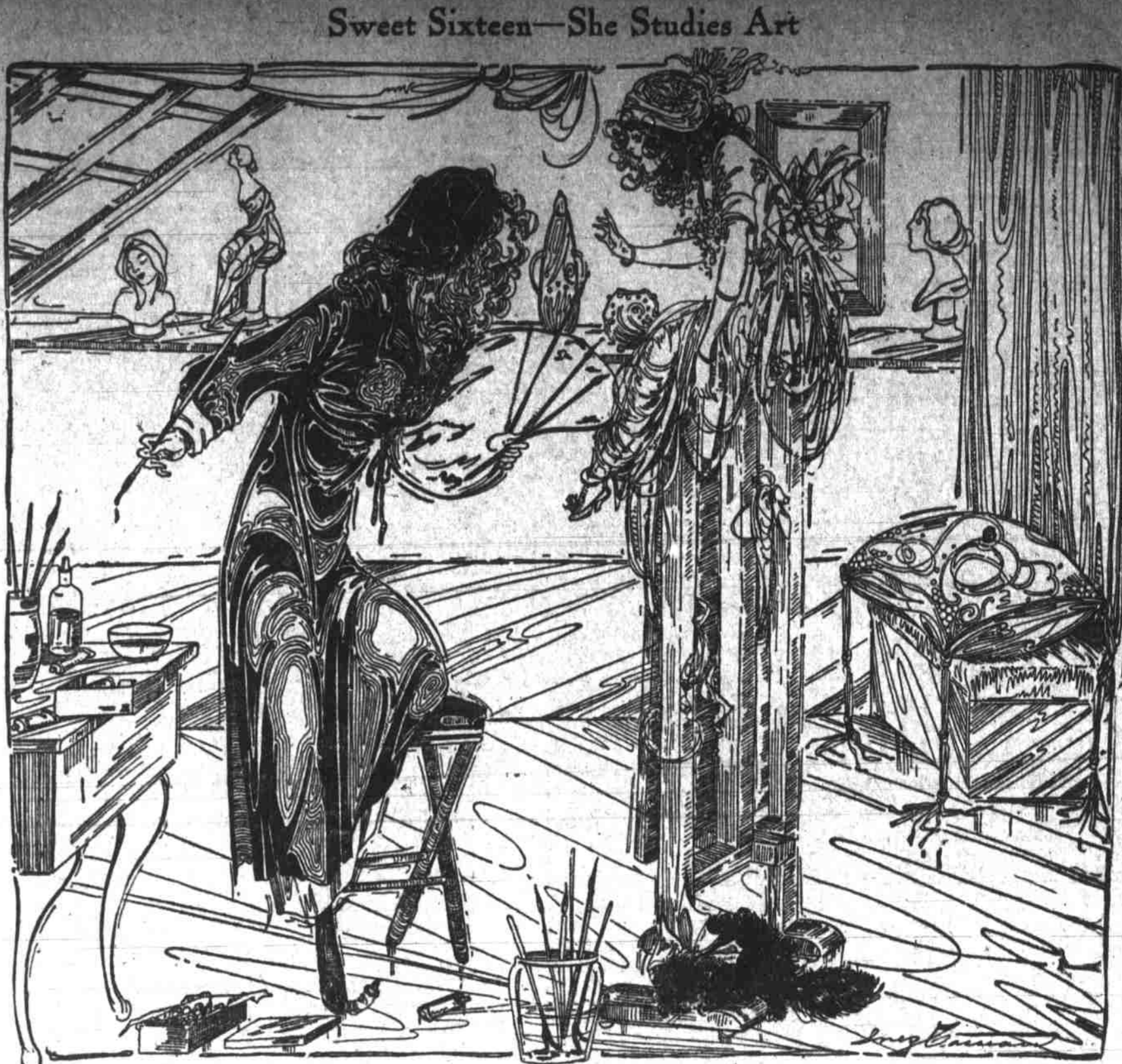
If on the first day of an illness the hair is properly taken care of, there need be no occasion for this condition. The hair should be parted down the center and braided in two braids. The braids should commence far enough toward the front that the patient will not lie on them when the back of her head is on the pillow. The hair should be combed at least once a day. The patient should lie on her side and then one half of the hair can be dressed at a time without any trouble, no matter how sick the patient may be.

In combing the hair one should commence at the ends, gradually removing the tangles by working upward. If the hair is grasped by the left hand between the roots and the part being combed, the patient will not complain of the pulling.

If the hair is badly tangled olive oil may be applied, which will greatly lessen the labor. Where the matting is extensive, it is not best to try to comb out all tangles at once, as it would be too much of a tax on the patient. A few strands can be separated at a time, then braided so as not to become tangled again.

When a patient is compelled to lie in bed for a number of weeks the hair may be washed without much inconvenience and without danger to the patient. The pillow should be well protected by a rubber sheet, and the patient moved as near the edge of the bed as possible. Two basins of rather hot water, one containing the shampoo mixture and the other for rinsing, should be in readiness. One side of the hair should be washed at a time, then rinsed well. The hair and scalp may be nearly dried very quickly with the use of several towels. After the shampoo the hair should remain spread out on the pillow for some time until thoroughly dry. A little alcohol may be rubbed into the scalp after rinsing. Care should be taken that the patient is not exposed to a draught for some time.

It is in the little details, such as the care of the hair, the teeth, and the finger nails that the thoroughness and training of a nurse is best shown. The finger nails should be given proper care every day as well as the hair, while the teeth need attention several times a day.



Sweet Sixteen should be thinking of tone and color, but the image of a certain impish little brunette, who was so popular at the dance, perches itself on her easel, and brushes and paint are forgotten.

## History of First Thanksgiving Reviewed

"Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms."—Psalms of David.

The first Thanksgiving.

This is a theme which even a flip-sant writer would perform be compelled to approach with a feeling akin to reverence.

When after the ingathering of the first harvest in 1620 Governor Bradford sent four men out to shoot wild fowl that the Indians might "mix at a more special manner rejoice togeth'er," he little dreamed to what that shot would grow.

That first Thanksgiving day was marked especially by the gratitude that forlorn little band which came over in the Mayflower—gratitude to him who had preserved them from the perils of the deep and from the hands of their new red-skinned neighbors, the Indians. The day was celebrated in that lovely period of balmy, calm, cool air and soft sunshine—Indian summer.

Feast on Wild Fowl.

History tells us that those four men whom the governor sent out were remarkably successful in their bringing down of wild turkeys, pigeons and partridges which the women dressed and stuffed with beech nuts. But it seems they must have lacked deer since the Indian nobles of the train of King Massachusetts volunteered to go out and bring in the venison. What a cheerful spectacle it must have been, when the red men appeared carrying a many branched buck or a pretty little doe.

Small one doubt that the Pilgrim gratitude of demeanor was for one moment dispelled when the Indians returned with their share of the feast and that a welcoming cheer arose from the throats of many of the deep-lunged Englishmen or that the women beamed upon their red brothers with eyes of Saxon-blue?

After the religious services of song and praise and thanksgiving, came the feast of good things, cooked over huge open fires. The deer were roasted whole, and as they had barley flour the Puritan women prepared some delicious venison pasties and probably some pies and puddings with wild fruit. Fish broiled to a rare brown turn,

claims roasted or stewed and oysters also brought in by the Indians and believed to be the first ever eaten by the Pilgrims, may be likewise among the dainties. Some "firewater" too, it is fair to infer, was passed about, for our Pilgrim fathers, there is abundant evidence to prove, though temperate, were not total abstainers.

And one of the cooks of this wonderful woodland banquet was none other than Priscilla, whom Captain Standish made the grand mistake of wooing through another man, instead of trying to take her heart like a true soldier by storm, face to face, she it was who presided over the largest kitchen, for some of the cooking of special dishes was done inside.

What a picture is here for some historical painter: Priscilla at the fire of fitting through the throng outside with some dainty offering for Massachusetts himself, while the eyes of all the young men follow her footsteps.

And what a noble inspiring picture is the whole scene—a picture of piety, of human brotherhood and of poetry, for which the universal heart of man, when realizing its profound significance, must gladly and proudly give thanks.

## Out of the Mouths of Babes

Teacher—Johnnie, where is the North Pole located?

Johnnie—At the top of the map.

Little Lola—I wonder where Adam got names for all the animals?

Small Elmer—Why, he got them in the dictionary, of course.

Teacher—Bessie, your little brother hasn't been to school for two days. Is he sick?

Bessie—No, ma'am; it's worse than that; mamma cut his hair.

Stranger—Why, little girl, what are you crying for?

Little Girl—C-cause I was out w-waiting with my p-papa; and I-I lost him, and I'm afraid m-mamma will s-spank me if I go home without him.

## Lincoln Foresaw the Wage Struggle

By Graham Hood.

Has it ever occurred to you that our great love for our first martyr president, Abraham Lincoln, is due chiefly to the fact that he was so thoroughly a man? We have had presidents who were more cultured, more learned, more skilled in the arts of diplomacy, but no man who has ever lived and died in the helm of the nation has been so very human in every quality as Lincoln.

It was because he was every inch a man that he was able to display such deep sympathy with every class of people. It was because he was so human in all his thoughts and deeds that he succeeded in finding a basis of harmony between the most antagonistic principles. Lincoln realized—and we must realize if we want to approach the sacred shrine of truth—that the Golden Rule is the only standard by which men and principles can be judged. Extremes, though sometimes useful, are never right. The fanatic may point the way to world-progress. He may indicate the direction in which we are to travel, but he can never guide us to our destination. We may learn truths from him, but they are of no practical value to us until we have eliminated the dross of exaggeration with which he has encumbered them.

The relations between capital and labor which trouble us so sorely today had begun to become burning questions even in Lincoln's time. The blaze did not send its fiery tongues toward heaven, but the fire was there, and, though it was merely smoldering, Lincoln saw it, and recognized its terrible possibilities for evil.

In words that still glow with human sympathy—in phrases that display his keen sense of analysis—Lincoln pointed the way, and the only way, by which such factors can be made to work harmoniously together.

"Labor has its rights," he said, and then, after defining the imperative character of these rights, he added, "and capital, too, has its rights, which must also be respected."

That is what we want at the present moment—somebody with sense enough to see that both labor and capital have rights that deserve respect—somebody with so forceful a character that he can compel the recognition of and respect for these inherent rights.

But it was not only in the fields of politics and economics that Lincoln proved himself superior to the great majority of men of his generation. To read his letters and papers is to be admitted into the inner sanctuary of a living soul. What Lincoln had he gave to all, freely and without thought of recompense. "Let it be said of me," he once said, "that as I pass along life's road I have always endeavored to pull the thistle and plant a rose in its place."

It was because he wanted to pull the thistles and plant the roses that he was ever so ready to espouse the cause of the weak. His work in freeing the slave would doubtless have been but one triumph in his career had the hand of the assassin not put an end to his opportunities.

We are confronted by many serious problems in this day, but our problems are no greater than those which the nation faced when Lincoln was made our president. With his hand to guide the craft of state we ploughed our way safely through the troubled seas and found a harbor at last. I have faith to believe that a pilot as great as Lincoln will yet appear, and that, under his skillful guidance, we shall weather all the storms that now gather so threateningly. History proves, if it proves anything, that there has been no emergency that did not produce a man who was able to meet it. Lincoln was the man of the hour in slavery times. It remains to be seen who will be the man of the hour to point the way to the settlement of the conditions that are becoming so burdensome for us today.

After spending a comfortable night, W. D. Skinner, assistant traffic manager for the O. V. R. & N. company, who was taken ill suddenly yesterday afternoon, felt much better this morning. Mr. Skinner feels that his indisposition is not serious and that he will be on duty as usual in a day or two.

L. C. C. Laursen, a Tacoma lumberman, is registered at the Powers.

## Montenegrin Wife Better Than Insurance

Montenegro is the only country in Europe where a wife may be regarded as a perambulating life insurance policy. This novel use for wives was expounded to the Daily Mirror by a traveler who has recently visited the scene where war has broken out.

"The Montenegrin is intensely chivalrous," he said. "The same remark applies to their Albanian kinsmen, and a woman's honor is safer in the hands of these reckless fighters than in almost any European capital. This respect for women is carried to such a pitch that, although the very word Turk affects the natives as does a red rag an infuriated bull, yet a Turkish traveler finding himself in the wilds of the Montenegrin mountains would be absolutely safe if he were accompanied by his wife.

"A Montenegrin would sooner let his enemy slip out of his hands than run the risk of accidentally hurting a woman.

"This trait is so well known that travelers in that turbulent country who have some definite idea of returning home alive, make certain of it by being accompanied by their wives. While the lives of women in Montenegro are undisturbed by fears of sudden death, it cannot be said that the women have a very good time. They are little better than beasts of burden without the relaxation of gossip, for, unlike the other Balkan peoples, the Montenegrins are very reserved.

"When there is no fighting the Montenegrin sits in his village inn, drinking coffee and smoking cigarettes. The Montenegrin husband is absolute lord and master over his wife. By the custom of the people a woman does not address her husband first, always waiting for him to speak.

"The arduous lot of the women has a decided effect upon their looks, and the Montenegrin women can hardly be regarded as beautiful. Unlike their sisters in Serbia and Bulgaria, they do not go in for dress, the reasons being that the never-ending vendettas have a habit of turning whole villages of women into widows.

"Just recently Montenegro has been going in for schools. Like almost everywhere else in the country these are Russian. Education is not, however, in great repute in Montenegro, where it is regarded as somewhat effeminate.

"Unmarried girls wear little, tight-fitting black and red caps. The red represents the blood shed by their countrymen in fighting their enemies, and the black is a symbol of mourning for the dead. The married women do not wear caps, but place a black veil at the back of their heads, which streams down to their waist.

"The children have but little education, and in the schools that do exist only Russian is spoken. Every educated Montenegrin acquires his knowledge outside his own country."

## Library Lecture Series Announced

Professor Arthur Evans Wood of Reed college, instructor in social sciences, who gave his first lecture in the course of social ethics in the auditorium of the Albina branch library, 350 Knott street Monday night on "The Field of Social Ethics," will follow with a lecture on some phase of this subject on each Tuesday night during the winter.

Will G. Steel will give his lecture on "From Chelan to Crater Lake" in the auditorium of this branch library at 8 o'clock Wednesday night, November 27. This lecture will be illustrated by beautiful stereoscopic views, showing the wonders of the national parks of Oregon and Washington. This lecture will be repeated at the East Portland branch library on Tuesday night, December 3.

Miss Laura G. Eaton of St. Helen's Hall gave an illustrated lecture on "India, Its People and Customs," in the auditorium of the East Portland branch library, East Eleventh and Alder streets, at 8 o'clock Tuesday night, November 19. Miss Eaton will give a second lecture on "The Religions and Philosophy of India" on the following Tuesday night, November 26.

The second lecture by Prof. Harry Beal Torrey, professor of biology of Reed college, on the physiology of conduct will be given at this branch at 7:30 o'clock Friday night, November 22.

The subject will be "The Behavior of the Lower Organisms." Admission to all these lectures is free. Tickets are being distributed from the central library and branches for the courses on the physiology of conduct and social ethics, and seats will be held for ticketholders until five minutes before the lectures.

The board of directors of the Library association held their regular monthly meeting Wednesday night, November 13. The reports covering the work of the month of October showed a total circulation in the library system of 72,188, an increase of 16.8-10 per cent over 1911.

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