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IT MIGHT BE WORSE

If a woman does not have to face the matter right out with her own checkbook, she may find it rather cheering to study the recent advertising concerning coats of "velangora" in smartest brown shade, the model simply styled, with convertible collar and large pockets; and suede cloth coats in brown with deep nutria collars or in dragon-fly blue with Australian opossum collar, \$135.

It seems pleasant to live in a world where such desirable garments exist. She may even view with equanimity the description of "suede cloth coats in loose model, all around belted, the collars huge and of fine mole—\$165."

These of course, are simple affairs for ordinary folk. There are also "luxurious coats for afternoon or evening service modeled individually on free, enveloping lines, of exquisite texture fabrics, with huge collars of unique beauty in taupe nutria or more, some with fur accentuations repeated on the cuffs—\$250."

All this is rather on the fairy-tale order, and reminds one in some vague, far-off way of the "Castle of the Chinking Guineas" perused on youthful afternoons.

But when there just has to be a new winter coat in the family for father and mother and Sister Sue, all in one winter, because they skipped their regular years in favor of Victory chests, then these visions of more-than-oriental splendor are more than appalling. Just how they are to be paid for is a sadly puzzling question.

There is one ray of comfort. The American dollar may have depreciated to 49 cents, but the Austrian currency has fared worse. "An ordinary suit of clothes in Vienna—no "huge collar of unique beauty in taupe nutria or mole" is on it, either—Costs about \$1,100.

"RECOGNITION AS MEN"

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in his notable speech before the Industrial Round Table in favor of union labor, told of a man who had been studying industrial problems in this country and who had come in contact with thousands of workers in all sorts of industries. The investigator wanted especially to find out what it was that the workmen wanted. A first it seemed to him that the chief thing they were after was higher wages. But after a while he changed his mind.

"As his touch with them extended, he came to the conclusion that not higher wages but recognition as men was what they really sought."

And why have they considered "recognition" vital enough to justify so much effort on their part? Mr. Rockefeller explained, very much as others have explained before him:

"What joy can there be in life, what interest can a man take in his work, what enthusiasm can he be expected to develop on behalf of his employer, when he is regarded as a number on a pay-roll, a cog in a wheel, a mere 'hand'?"

The personal relation, familiar in former times between employer and employee, has almost vanished from industry. The employer is generally a big corporation; the owners are many, and the employed are numbered by thousands. That intimate, human, mutually respecting relationship can never be fully restored. But in so far as anything can be done, in that direction to make a more human, less mechanical connection between capital and labor, it is to be done, says Mr. Rockefeller, through organization and collective dealing.

The employees cannot all know their employers personally, but they can choose representatives who will come into touch with the representatives of the employers, and

thus enable each group better to understand the other's problems, ideals and desires. Mr. Rockefeller adds:

"The resumption of such personal relations, through frequent conferences and current meetings, held for the consideration of matters of common interest, such as terms of employment and working and living conditions, is essential in order to restore a spirit of mutual confidence, good will and co-operation. Personal relations can be revived under modern conditions only through the adequate representation of the employees."

Explained in this way, by a man who is said to be the biggest employer of labor in America, the demand of the steel men for recognition becomes more comprehensible to many who have been inclined to regard this particular claim as unimportant or frivolous.

NO FIRESIDE MEDICATION

Surgeon General Rupert Blue, head of the United States health service, has been issuing a series of addresses on simple health topics. A recent one dealt with the habit of self-drugging, the fashion many people have of diagnosing their own illnesses and then deciding what remedies they will employ. "Don't" says Surgeno Blue.

Don't take unproven remedies. Don't take poisonous or habit-forming drugs. Don't pour medicines of which you know nothing into a body of which you know less."

In simple illness the home treatment should deal with simple diet, exercise and cleanliness without and within, but beyond these no "fireside dosing". The human body is a delicate and complicated machine, nobody should undertake to repair it who does not understand it. The home medication may be exactly wrong, and prove fatal. Doctors are cheaper than funerals.

The term "red-blooded" is being badly overworked nowadays. Honestly, did anybody ever see any human blood that wasn't red

What organized labor needs most is organization. That is, organization tight enough and disciplined enough to insure the fulfillment by the rank and file of contracts made in their name by their chosen representatives.

The transcontinental air-lanes are not yet as safe and sure as the railroads, nor is the Liberty Motor, with all its merits, as dependable as the locomotive.

It would have a wholesome effect in eastern Europe if Foch would unleash his war-dogs again. A few barks might quiet things.

Good times or bad times, there's always a booming market for automobiles. Whether people eat or not, they must ride.

One of the unexpected results of the steel strike is that steel stock is going up and strike stock is going down.

NEW COLUMBIA RECORDS

- 2760—Wild Honey, (Dance Orchestra)
Hawaiian Smiles, (Jazaramba Orchestra) .85c
 - 2761—Sweet Hawaiian Moonlight, (Hawaiian)
Hawaiian Nights, (Hawaiian Orchestra) .85c
 - 2768—The Alcoholic Blues, (Jazz Orchestra)
Kansas City Blues, (Jazz Orchestra) .85c
 - 2767—In the Heart of a Fool, (Henry Burr)
I've Lived, I've Loved, I'm Satisfied,
(Henry Burr) .85c
 - 2770—Carolina Sunshine, (Sterling Trio)
Give me a Smile and a Kiss, (Harrison) .85c
 - 2773—Yearning, (Fox Trot) Dance Orchestra
Karavan, (Fox Trot) The Happy Six .85c
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Percy R. Kelly, County Chairman,
Albany, Oregon.

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The above amount is inclosed herewith.

According to the plans of the Roosevelt Memorial Association, the Roosevelt Memorial Fund of \$5,000,000.00 is to be utilized to erect a National Monument in Washington, D. C.; to acquire and maintain a public park at Oyster Bay, N. Y. and ultimately to include Sagamore Hill, the Roosevelt home, therein, to be preserved like Mount Vernon and Lincoln's home at Springfield; and to endow a National Society to perpetuate the principles and ideals of Theodore Roosevelt.

Each contributor to the fund will receive a certificate of membership in the Roosevelt Memorial Association. A certificate will also be presented to every school contributing to the fund.

The name of every contributor will be placed on the list of names deposited in the National Monument to be erected at Washington, D. C.

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