

Fashions in Footwear Are Described

—By Margie

Fashion fashions received from New York and carefully adhered to by the Bootery, stress the importance of kid pumps, arty color, gun metal with vamp of patent leather, and slippers of beige silk kid for dressy occasions. Satin pumps will be worn with spring formal costumes as will crepe de chine slippers.

For the sports ensemble they are showing oxfords in antelope and lizard, tan calf, brown trim, and other numbers in lighter shades. There is little change in heel styles. Tan variations in dull kid are more in fashion's favor than is patent leather.

In the Bootery's selection of feminine footwear are styles and colors to meet each costume requirement — dark shoes in black, brown or blue, to accent the ground color of print frocks. But if one is buying for plain material dresses, the shoes may be fancy.

Remember that Easter Sunday is March 31, and the Bootery has shoes to complete Missy's ensemble.

For the women who prefer sport skirts and sweaters rather than knickers for a hike or camping trip Kidd's shoe store has lace-up, medium height light buff shoes with turned down cuffs of green. Sport oxfords are important in this spring's feminine footwear. Kidd's have them in combinations of black and white buck, brown and tan and tan and white. The heels are flat, or not so flat. The soles are made of long-wearing gristle, and fancy zygotes and colored stitching are striking notes in trimming.

Dress shoes for street or evening wear in a variety of leathers and colors may be found at Kidd's. High Louis heels continue in the foreground, and light tan shades rival patents.

Men's footwear is seldom the subject for talks on changing modes no matter what the season. But now and then there are variations such as the trend towards narrower toes this spring. Floe-bein oxfords in nut tan or black are carried at Kidd's. Tan is especially good with the new tan and grey suits.

Most any youngster would love to wear a pair of Pied Piper shoes to wear to Sunday school Easter day. Kidd's are showing them in styles which equal the grown-ups. The soles are flexible and there's plenty of room for five toes in each one.

ITALY KEEPS HOME FIRE BRIGHT FOR IMMIGRANTS

ROME (AP)—More than 7,000 children of Italian living abroad were given free holidays in the mother country of their parents last year.

Plans are under way to take care of 10,000 during the spring autumn and summer of 1929. They will be brought at government expense from German, England, French Tunisia and the Dalmatian coast.

CONTEST FOR INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY HONORS



Here are some of the beauties who will seek honors at the annual beauty contest at Galveston, Texas. Liouba Yotzova, 20-year-old Sofia stenographer, will represent Bulgaria; Elsie Goldarbeiter is Austria's prettiest; Ladislav Kostak, Warsaw typist, represents Poland; Aspasia Karsatja comes from Greece, and Cora Lee Pomeroy is Miss Galveston.

In Defense of the Crow

Developments today justify our original contention that the crow, under all ordinary circumstances, is pretty well able to take care of himself. The manful adventure of dynamiting a million crows in a rookery on Lake Lowell, near Boise, Idaho, has failed. It is said the crows "apparently were frightened away by spectators," and so failed to roost accommodatingly just where they might be blown into sterility with 700 pounds of explosive. We question this explanation. The truth is probably that a busy crew council was held, that wise leaders shook their heads in a doubtful feeling that all was well, and that the rookery temporarily was abandoned until such time as circumstances were less suspicious.

On behalf of the crow, we submit the whole proposition was shameful, lacking in the first elements of sportsmanship and calculated to demoralize crows everywhere. The

crow is willing to take his chance on any genuine sportsmanship deal; let it be a battle of his own with against shotguns, or any similar paraphernalia the alleged superiority of man may employ, and he will have far better than an even break. But to violate all the rules of crew warfare and resort to dynamite is to substitute massacre for legitimate sport. The crow has assumed that mankind, however clever it may imagine its methods of attack to be, at least would be on the level.

The worthy scene in Idaho was devised by a courageous fish and game commission on the pretext the dynamiting was necessary to preserve food for starving ducks. The commission ought to blush in humiliation, then display its enterprise by providing food for crows and ducks alike until such time as operations against the former may be resumed on a plane of honorable warfare. —(Kansas City Star)

Peanuts—A Chinese Drama

WASHINGTON (AP)—Behind the 50 per cent rise in the tariff on peanuts is a geographic drama.

The actors, says the National Geographic society, are President Coolidge, two Chinese farmers, an archdeacon of the Episcopal church and an American missionary to China.

Stage properties are quite simple; merely four quarts of Virginia peanuts.

Archdeacon Thompson, of the American Church Mission society, landed at Shanghai 25 years ago with the four quarts of peanuts in his luggage. He graciously divided them with Dr. Charles R. Mills of the American Presbyterian

Mission North, who was leaving for Tengchowfu in Shantung province. His two-quart Doctor Mills divided between two Chinese converts on the promise that each would replant the peanuts produced for three years. Each quart produced flourishing vines but one Chinese, having tasted a peanut, weakened and ate his entire crop.

The other Chinese fulfilled his promise and prospered even more bounteously than his biblical predecessor, who made 100 per cent profit on an investment of five cents. The single quart of peanuts multiplied and spread throughout Shantung province which has become one of the chief peanut pro-

ducing regions of the world.

Peanuts now grow in every province in China. They help banish the ever-present specter of starvation. The estimated annual crop of 900,000 tons is three times as large as the United States' production. Nor is China a nation that "bath plenty of good peanuts and giveth his neighbor none," for its exports to America increased from 500,000 pounds in 1922 to nearly 7,000,000 pounds in 1928.

China's peanut generosity received scant thanks from American growers who found themselves in competition with oriental farmers. This situation prompted President Coolidge to use powers granted under the provisions of the flexible tariff laws to raise the rate on peanuts. The tariff on shelled peanuts has been increased from 4 to 6 cents per pound and on unshelled, from 3 cents to 4 1/2 cents per pound.

The success of the Chinese with peanuts goes beyond mere pounds produced. "The farmers of 49 centuries" growing this new vine greatly outdistanced Virginia and Alabama growers in "roobers per acre." In the United States 720 pounds per acre is a heavy crop. A Chinese farmer collects and from the family gods if his peanut harvest falls short of 1,000 pounds per acre.

STOCKHOLM (AP)—Sweden is now producing 49 per cent of the world pulp which is sold in the world markets and 6 per cent of the world's newsprint.

There is a tendency to increase the output of newsprint to meet the growing production of this commodity in Canada. The Canadian output increased by 12 per cent during the first eight months of 1928, while the export of newsprint from that country increased 17 per cent in the same period.

TAXIING AROUND The AIRPORTS

Civic organizations in Vandalia, Ill., are seeking funds to establish and equip an airport. Vandalia is midway between St. Louis and Indianapolis and planes of the Transcontinental Air Transport will pass directly over the city when operations are started in May.

The airport at Pierce county, Washington, will be finished and ready for operation within a few months, officials of the county in charge of the project say. The sum of \$200,000 has been made

available for the airport, and it has been decided to locate it at Tacoma. Until the new field is ready, the present Tacoma municipal airport will be available.

Earl Ovington, one of America's pioneer aviators, is improving the landing field he has in operation at Santa Barbara, Cal. Plans call for enlarging the air port and filling ditches that have proved a menace to operation.

Massachusetts American Legion officials are sponsoring a state-

wide air marking campaign and have requested all American Legion posts to take steps toward marking their cities.

Authorities in charge of the Mercer county airport at Trenton, N. J., are drawing up plans for the erecting of a large hangar. The airport was formerly a department of commerce intermediate field and the county has taken over its maintenance and operation. Many improvements have been effected since the county gained control and added facilities are planned for future development.

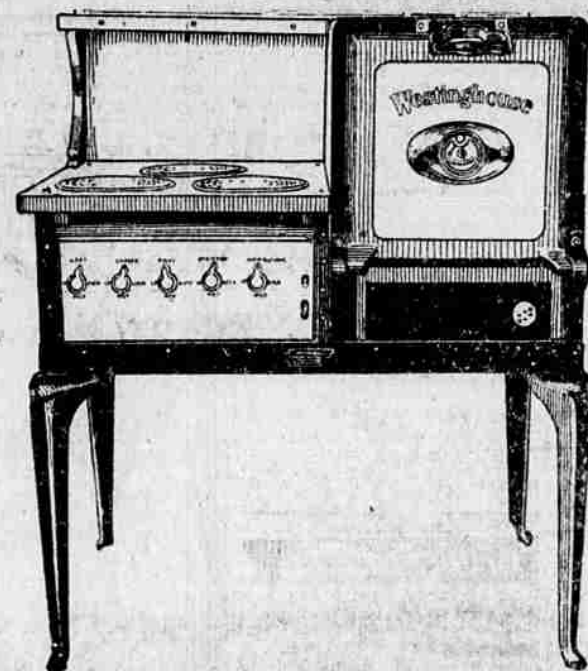
Galveston, Tex., has acquired 100 acres of land to be developed into a municipal air port. Plans call for conditioning of the area

and installation of complete facilities which will include night flying equipment. Officials in charge of the project plan to seek recognition of the field as an "airport of entry" at which customs officials may be stationed. The army airport at Fort Crockett will be used for all operations until the new city airport is completed.

Forecasting by Feet
CADIZ, Ky. (AP)—Basing their predictions on the size of his feet, which are 12 1/2 inches from heel to toe, four physicians have prophesied that 16-year-old Robert Wadler of Alton will become nine feet tall. At present he is six feet six inches and weighs 211 pounds.

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