

# Woman's World

Busy Days, These, Among Fair Politicians.



Photos by American Press Association. Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Mrs. Wood, Miss Carpenter.

An indisputable proof of the general interest women of every class are showing in public affairs is demonstrated in the recent organization of three distinct political campaigns directed by women to aid the causes of three presidential nominees.

Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, a noted New York society and club woman, is president of the Woman's Wilson and Mayhew League. Mrs. Harriman when interviewed recently concerning the work of her party said, "I am firmly of the belief that women should interest themselves as much as possible in political affairs. We women of the national Democratic party are out frankly to use our indirect influence to gain votes for Woodrow Wilson. Every woman has a certain amount of influence over one or more voting members of her community. If she can't exert it directly let her make the best of the situation and be as much of a power as possible indirectly."

"We are," Mrs. Harriman continued, "at the beginning of a new era of general co-operation, the friendly working together of all classes for the public good. In matters of sanitation, pure food, child labor and kindred topics there is an almost universal response from the women to any appeal that they trust."

The interests of the Woman's Republican National party are in the very efficient hands of Miss Helen Varick Boswell, who is using every means within her power to interest women in the re-election of Mr. Taft. Miss Boswell is not a newcomer in the political field. For her part back in 1888 she was connected with the Republican woman's organization of the state of New York. Besides this political activity Miss Boswell's welfare work is a matter of current history.

To be the first woman who has ever been a member of a committee in a national convention is the experience of Miss Alice Carpenter, who was a delegate from Massachusetts to the recent Progressive party convention in Chicago. Miss Carpenter is now the leading spirit and "whipper in" of votes for Colonel Roosevelt.

Miss Carpenter looks typically Bostonian. She is tall and brown haired and speaks in a measured, impressive way and looks as if she would be smart at home conducting a class of girls in a settlement, but would lead a torchlight procession in a minute if she saw it to be her duty.

## Milady's Mirror

**Harm Dandruff Does.**  
Dandruff has come to be such a common disease that many of us lose sight of the harm it works until the real harm is done. It causes the hair to become dry and lusterless and by clinging to the clothing gives the appearance of uncleanness.

One of the chief causes of dandruff is weakness of the scalp, caused by infectious diseases. Pressure of heavy or close hats on the head is another common cause, while the practice of matting the hair close to the scalp is a well known promoter of the disease. Hair oils and dyes used to excess in variably cause malignant dandruff.

If you find your scalp is becoming affected make haste to discover if one of these prevalent practices is not bringing about a condition you will find great difficulty in overcoming.

First of all, keep the scalp perfectly clean. Shampoos containing yolks of eggs, with chloroform, borax (with or without camphor), carbolic acid soda, and chlorate of potash are recommended for dandruff.

Add to the yolk of an egg ten drops of chloroform and beat with an egg beater to a stiff froth. Rub the size of a black walnut of this remedy into the roots of the hair, then wash it well with a good soap. Dry quickly with a soft towel, and you will find the remedy most efficacious.

A tendency to gray hair is often hereditary—that is to say, in certain families there seems to be a lack of the pigment which gives the hair its natural color. This deficiency in such cases sometimes makes itself apparent in early life and cannot be prevented. Other people notice gray hairs for the first time after some illness or other loss of their normal vitality, and in such cases there is rarely any restoration of the natural color.

Sudden or severe mental disturbance may sometimes produce gray hair, and if the mental worry be very quickly removed and the general health has not suffered there may be a chance of the hair regaining its original color.

**Chocolate and the Teeth.**  
A box of chocolates and a matinee ticket constitute happiness for a great many girls of today. If the play is good the matinee ticket is a real benefit, which is more than can be said for the chocolate.

There is always a temptation in a mellifluous layer of rich brown goodies holding all manner of delicious surprises beneath their glossy coats. So strong is this temptation that the girl who neglects her dentist throws discretion to the winds, knowing full well the price of her indulgence will be aching teeth and a disgruntled digestion.

A famous authority who recently declared "chocolate can only do harm, is common with all good foods, when eaten to excess" seems to ignore the view generally taken by the dental profession that chocolate, like other sweet meats, does a vast amount of harm to the teeth, at least when eaten, even in small amounts, at the wrong time—that is, between meals or before going to bed.

Unfortunately it is at these times that chocolate generally is eaten. If it were always taken toward the end of a meal, followed by a detergent food, such as fresh fruit, which is claimed for it would no doubt be true.

Unfortunately we like to nibble on chocolate over our books and magazines or in idle moments such as come to us at odd hours of the day. A thorough cleansing and sterilizing of the mouth and teeth will do much to counteract the harmful effects of chocolate.

**To Cure Brittle Nails.**  
Brittleness of the nails is caused by a weakened physical condition. Then again if you do your own housework the strong soap which you probably use for cleaning purposes will make your nails brittle.

Twice a day hold the tips of your fingers for five minutes in a vessel containing enough olive oil to cover the nails. At night before retiring dip the fingers into cold cream and let the tips take up as much as they will retain. After this dip them into talcum powder.

Never polish the nails too vigorously, as this heats them and increases their dryness.

**Helpful Suggestions.**  
When your eyes are tired close them for five minutes. If they smart and burn bathe them in lukewarm water. A teaspoonful of witch hazel in the water will aid them in a few moments.

When your ear aches get a little absorbent cotton, dip in Jamaica ginger and pack tight in your ear. You will be surprised how soon the ache will leave you.

Cabbage contains a great deal of sulphur and for this reason frequently causes flatulence. Cauliflower, which is of the same family, is more easily digested.

**Scalp Massage.**  
A thorough course of massage to the scalp will do much toward improving the hair. The finger tips may be dipped into sweet almond oil or a stimulating lotion before massaging. Combing and brushing the hair are other aids.

## SMART TOPCOATS.

Three-quarter Lengths Are the Fall Fancies.



NEW MODEL IN COVERT CLOTH.

This fall the three-quarter topcoat is the smartest of the season. To be sure, it does not cover the gown as do the longer models, but it is smart; consequently the last word has been said. The coat illustrated is carried out in this modish length and developed in a tan covert cloth. The gown over which it is worn is of brown messaline ornamented with embroidered medallions in oriental colorings. A plaited drape is particularly fetching. The hat is a coque garnished affair of white felt faced with brown velvet.

**Cameos For Outdoor Wear.**  
A novelty of this season is the revival of cameo jewelry, which has come to light for wear with outdoor frocks and is fast ousting the now hopelessly old fashioned enameled jewelry, which was done to death by an overplus of popularity.

The favorite form in which the cameo now makes its appearance is framed by a light, fragile design of small diamonds set in filigree fashion in so delicate a setting that they appear to have no support.

Indeed, the whole idea of setting of small stones today is to place them so that there is nothing to interfere with their brilliancy and beauty.

In this form cameos are now worn as pendants and brooches, or mounted on a black velvet ribbon they take the place of the one time popular old paste buckle or plaque, the only other really smart form in which plaques for mounting on velvet neckbands are seen this season being large, flat, heavily fringed diamond tassels of great length, which are set high under the chin, the graduated diamond fringe falling two or three inches.

**Your Autumn Hat.**  
No matter how hard the milliners try to evade the magic effect it looms up as dainty and attractive as ever at the beginning of each season. The model in the cut is but another instance of this revival. The shape is a modified continental with its upturned brim faced with black braid. The crown is of white satin. A narrow quill of black and white feathers gives a dashing air to the creation.



BLACK AND WHITE EFFECT.

**Fall Collars and Hats.**  
The new Medici collars, distinguished by extended ruff effects in the back, are gaining wider representation and will no doubt be welcomed on all sides, says the Dry Goods Economist. The Medici have the advantage of being more generally becoming than many of the Robespierre styles. The general effect is softer and more youthful, while the extended ruff in the back affords a delightful finish. Fine fancy nets and batistes in combination with shadow faces and hand embroidery are favored in the development of some of the most striking novelties. Great individuality is given to this style by the cut of the jabot or vest effect with which it is finished.

## THE LAST WORD.

Fashion Approves the Box Plated Skirt.



THE NEW PLATED COSTUME.

Platts have once more come back to fashionable favor, and they are to be seen forming the underskirt of many of the best fall costumes.

Pictured is a gown with the new box-plated skirt, which, you see, adds no fullness to the width at the bottom. The platts are stitched and pressed flat so that the slim silhouette is preserved. The overdressery is somewhat on the tunic order with an odd sash effect. The collar and cuffs of white faille silk are edged with scantily platted lingerie embroidery. This collar, broad at the back, ends sharply at the shoulder line.

## CHAT WITH THE BRIDE.

**About Going to Housekeeping and About Furnishings.**  
Are you going to housekeeping? A sensible girl if you do. Love of home life should be instilled in the early days of marriage in the hearts of both man and wife.

The man will be much less apt to wander from his own fireside if he feels that he has a personal interest in it.

The woman will be less apt to degenerate into a gossip if she has the care of her home in her keeping.

It is such a pleasure to beautify your own home and add a little to your belongings from month to month. Pay for everything as you get it.

Better delay your marriage a year than to begin overburdened with debts. If funds are low start with the furnishings of the kitchen, dining room, bedroom and living room.

Put only the absolutely necessary articles into these rooms.

Purchase only good, substantial furniture, allowing nothing for show.

These articles will last a lifetime and will never look poor, while showy, tawdry furniture grows shabby in a few months' time.

A couple married four years ago adopted the following ideas with great success:

They bought their small house before it was finished and less the cost of papering.

They are buying it through a building association.

The papering will come later.

What little furniture they have bought has been paid for and is really good.

Two beautiful children gladden the hearts of their parents, and their training is just what you would expect from such sensible people. This is one of the homes where happiness is sure to reign.

**Caps For Milk Bottles.**  
How to keep milk bottles in the cleanest and most satisfactory way concerns all housewives. To aid in obtaining this cleanliness milk bottle "caps" are now for sale. One kind, made of celluloid, fits into the bottle and opens with a small aluminum shutter, so that the milk may be poured out and the bottle closed afterward. These cost 15 cents each or two for 25 cents. Another kind is of celluloid and must be taken out of the bottle each time it is used. These latter are also made for condensed milk. They cost 10 cents each.

**The Widener Memorial.**  
Mrs. George D. Widener, who was a passenger on the ill-fated Titanic, her husband and son losing their lives on it, will give \$2,000,000 to Harvard for a library in memory of her son, Henry R. Widener. He was graduated from Harvard in 1907, and his collection of books will be housed within it. It will be erected next to the present Harvard library and will be a work of art, as much pains has been taken in selecting plans for the building.

**A Colored Suffragist.**  
Miss A. L. T. Waytes of Boston, who is said to be the only colored woman in active campaign work for votes for women, is doing splendid work among the negroes in Wisconsin. She has been speaking in the churches and at open air meetings.

**Pla for the Children.**  
The indigestion of one's children is continually the concern of mothers. The best qualities of food and sterilized milk may form the diet, and yet there is trouble. Not too often the difficulty lies not with the diet, but with bad mental conditions, physical fatigue or chills. Mothers should never reprimand the children about table manners while at the table, but give instructions at some other time and let the children practice at each meal. While it is not good to pamper young tastes, nevertheless indigestion will result when a poor, unhappy child is commanded to swallow what it does not want.

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**Suggestions For a Child's Room.**  
There are many suggestions which are helpful in making the child's room the healthful, cheerful, aesthetic domain it should be. Above all things, it should be simply furnished and the color pleasing and restful. A splendid idea was carried out successfully in a child's room. At one end of this room a platform raised one step above the level of the floor and extending about six feet from the wall was thickly padded with a material that toned in with the wall covering. This padding also extended up on the wall for about four feet, thus protecting the child from all bumps and falls. Here he played all day, beyond the reach of drafts and out of harm's way, says Harden Thompson.

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The furniture, very simple in design, was enameled in white or gray paint, which can easily be renewed, and the curtains hung softly to the windows, reaching only to the sash, and were so arranged that they could be removed easily and washed often.

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