

Woman's World

Mrs. Robinson, First Woman State Senator.



Mrs. Helen Ring Robinson.

Mrs. Helen Ring Robinson is the first woman to be state senator and is the representative of the county and city of Denver in the Colorado state senate.

Mrs. Robinson does not, however, like to be termed "senator," nor does she wish any one to suppose for one minute that she has turned the Colorado state senate upside down. "Why shouldn't a woman be in the legislature?" is her answer to all questions pertaining to the oddity of her office. She discounts her accomplishments and refuses to acknowledge that mainly through her efforts the minimum wage law and the educational reform bill were passed.

"I introduced the minimum wage bill before the senate," she said, "but I cannot say that it passed through my efforts. Why, I was even so ignorant to draft the measure. I confess that if it hadn't been for my masculine colleagues the bill could not have passed."

"One thing I did work for with special zeal, however—namely, the appointment of a woman to the commission of three which investigated wages and the cost of living—and I was successful. The minimum wage law in its present form does not arbitrarily fix wages. Conditions govern the regulation of wages."

The revision of the educational system which Mrs. Robinson fought for provides a six months' term as the minimum length of a school term and a minimum salary of \$50 for all teachers.

The woman senator is a Democrat in politics and was elected upon that ticket. Her hardest fight, she says, was in the primaries. For years Mrs. Robinson was a reporter on the "Rocky Mountain News" of Denver.

Jewelry For Summer Girl.

The girl who possesses one of the new, lucky, winkle bracelets should consider herself fortunate, for they are truly pretty. They are made of little gold winkle shells held together by slender chains, and inside each shell there is an opal, pearl, turquoise, or some other gem. The opal looks especially pretty, because it has the semblance of an iridescent dewdrop. The shells are beautifully modeled, and even the "grain" shows.

Coral is very fashionable now and is used for all kinds of jewelry, from polished pear-shaped earrings to carved pieces set in brooches and bangles.

A pretty bracelet seen the other day was made of gold set with three carved pink coral roses, two small and one large one.

Another new form of jewelry which should not be forgotten is the butterfly kind. It is made of real butterflies' wings of the brilliant Brazilian varieties set behind rock crystal.

A very pretty necklace is made of narrow bars about three-quarters of an inch in length of bright blue butterflies' wings, attached by silver chains. Whole butterflies are treated in this way and are used as brooches.

A Useful Picnic Stove.

Picnic cooking, if in inexperienced hands, will undoubtedly be better over a stove than an open fire, states an article in "Picnic and Camping" in the June Woman's Home Companion. But you cannot carry a stove on a picnic or camping expedition, nor need you. A piece of thin sheet iron thirty inches long by eighteen inches wide is all the stove you want. This, laid across two little banks of earth with the fire between or two logs with the fire between, forms an excellent stove and not only makes it unnecessary to wait for embers for good cooking—since the flames cannot reach the food through the sheet iron—but is itself an excellent griddle for making toast and flapjacks.

To Decorate White House.

As a rival to the historic east and blue rooms the White House is to have a room decorated largely with the handiwork of the women of the south.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, who is interested in the work of the Southern Educational association, has ordered duplications of many of the exhibits of weaving on view in the association's rooms in Washington. The wife of the president and Mrs. Marshall, wife of Vice President Marshall, visited the exhibition frequently.

Points for Mothers

Summer Whooping Cough.

In the summer there often comes an epidemic of whooping cough. Mother notices that her child has a slight hacking cough, which becomes more frequent and prolonged as the days pass and which seems not to respond to the usual treatments for colds. The paroxysms seem to grow more pronounced at night, and vomiting follows a severe spell of coughing.

Well, if it is whooping cough you will have to accept the fact pleasantly—and intelligently—and do your best for your own child and for every other child in the vicinity.

A child may have many severe coughing spells during the day and yet his health be not much impaired. The main point is to give nourishment that can be retained. This can be done by feeding every two hours in small portions rather than giving three heavy meals. A tight bandage around the abdomen will lessen the strain of coughing and tend to prevent vomiting.

In the early stages of whooping cough relief is given if the mouth be sprayed frequently during the day with a mild antiseptic solution.

The whooping is heard about three weeks after the first signs, and it lasts for about three weeks. The cough may remain for some time after the typical whoop has gone.

Disinfection is necessary. Chloride of lime or a 5 per cent solution of carbolic acid will answer all demands. Do not neglect to give fresh air—plenty of it—during waking and sleeping hours. Sunlight must be admitted, and protection from bad weather must be given. It is better to have special toys that may be burned when the patient recovers.

The chief dangers of whooping cough are the results of the "sequels"—as doctors call them. It is not uncommon for pneumonia to follow this disease. Tuberculosis is another terrible consequence of which parents should be especially watchful. It is frequently established before suspected, and through carelessness of parents irreparable damage is done.

If the child coughs for an unreasonably prolonged period, be wise in time. Have his lungs tested once a week and feed them fresh air. Give the deadly germs no opportunity to establish themselves, and, if perchance a few are present, battle with them by using nature's weapons—sunlight, air and nourishing food.

A disinfection of the room after recovery is a safeguard not to be forgotten. Your child contracts the disease from some one. Prevent some one's child from taking and passing on the danger.

Educating Father.

Mary Stewart Cutting in Harper's Bazar writes about "Educating Father." Among the phases of this process which she describes with much humor is the following:

"Father's salient idea, of course, when Selma graduates, is that now she will stay at home and help her mother. It makes no difference that mother doesn't want Selma's help in the household. Her one desire is to have her child 'asked to everything' and to be able to see Selma enjoying herself; to have the house full of Selma's young friends, arrange for the clothes needed when she is invited away over a week end and smooth over all the difficulties that may be in the way—to the motherly providence over Selma's youthful happiness and hear about it all in the first glow of Selma's return from a delightful visit, to be, as it were, vicariously a girl herself again.

"It is dear and flattering to have father sternly insisting that mother shall be considered first. She would miss it if he didn't show that ever jealous regard for her, but it is dreadfully hampering as far as her and Selma's plans are concerned.

"It keeps her, in perfunctory respect for his authority, earnestly impressing on the girl how thoughtful and kind and generous father is and how much money he has already spent on her, really more than he can afford, and the exact reason he doesn't want her to go to the party on Saturday, as if youth could ever be reasoned out of wanting a good time, while all the time mother knows, and so does Selma, that she is going to persuade him to agree to all they want."

New Ideas For Nursery.

Mothers are anxious to make the nursery attractive these days. What are called "life motifs" or studies from nature are now popular designs for decoration and can easily be achieved.

Take a single large sheet of water color paper and on this paste a variety of cut out white paper animals, which are to serve as a frieze. At regular intervals of twelve inches paste one of these animals—a dog, cat, squirrel, kangaroo or any kind of bird. All these must be cut out of white paper, though a little variety is afforded by giving yellow bills and red feet to the chickens.

The walls above and below this frieze of white animals may be painted in tan color and so serve as a restful background to the decorations.

The bird motif in the brilliant colors of every gay hued parrot, robin red breast, bird of paradise, etc., is also highly effective on a background of water color paper, and invariably places a nursery of children.

THE MORNING CANTER.

Smart Riding Togs For Wise Horsewoman.



RIDING HABIT IN GRAY WORSTED.

This little maid is trimly attired for a morning canter. Over her shirt waist of white madras and riding breeches, buttoned at the knee, is worn a smartly cut coat of light gray worsted. Leather boots meet the breeches, and the riding hat is anchored fast with elastic.

Vails Are Fashionable.

Decided is the use of the veil, which gives a chic to a costume that no one can deny and every one can emulate. The veil in its new form has come to stay. It has wound itself around the hair and hearts of the well-dressed women who congregate in the tea rooms of noted hotels and restaurants of the Bols.

Dainty patterns are the favorites. The meshes are fine, and the more conspicuous they are the better they are liked.

The patterns are conventional in design. No longer are there attempts to simulate crawling lizards, sitting butterflies or wriggling crabs. Happily for the appearance of our faces the vogue of the naturalistic has died a well deserved death.

Single chenille dots are very small and appear here and there over a veil.

Afternoon Dancing Frock.

Now that afternoon dancing is so popular girls have to increase their supply of fascinating little frocks for these occasions. The model pictured in a fetching affair in soft, dull blues.



MODEL IN CHINESE BLUES.

combined with a little coat of blue brocade which accompanies a skirt of blue charmeuse silk.

The sash is black, and so are the buttoned boots. The black straw hat has a shaded blue feather.

Police Censors For Split Skirt.

Women in Indianapolis who wear the new style split skirt must also wear undergarments, and the traffic squad of the police force has been told to enforce the order, which was given out by Superintendent of Police Hyland.

The order was issued after Superintendent Hyland had received this letter, signed "The Ladies":

"As we know you are the highest authority in the city, we, as the ladies, ask that you prohibit the wearing of split skirts without undergarments. We hope that you will take this seriously. We are, The Ladies."

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With this gray and white striped serge suit a red straw hat with a red quill is most effective. The velvet reticule is black, and buttoned walking boots of black patent leather accompany the costume.

Clothes Moth Easy to Kill.

The moth that destroys clothing has been studied by the Pennsylvania division of zoology to such good purpose that Dr. Surridge gives this advice about its destruction:

"You can destroy the clothes moths by saturating with benzine or gasoline the fabric which they infest. If you will dissolve a very slight proportion of corrosive sublimate in alcohol, using not more than one part by weight to 100 parts of water and pour or sprinkle this over a cloth it will poison it and render it immune to them."

"Where clothes moths infest articles that can be spread and shaken it is a good plan to take them into the sunshine in an open yard and whip them thoroughly with strong whips and air them well. If one can place small articles in an oven and watch the temperature that it does not get higher than something like 150 to 160 degrees he can kill this pest by heat. Where the articles are small enough to put them into a closed vessel—a very excellent method is to put them into something that can be closed tightly and pour over them or set upon them a shallow pan containing the liquid known as carbon bisulphide and let it stand and fumigate three or four hours or more. At least one pound of this should be used for each 100 cubic feet of space, and more will do no harm. Keep far away from it, as it is explosive, the same as the fumes of benzine or gasoline.

"A barrel will do very well for this purpose, fastening over the top of it two or more sheets of oilcloth. Holding it in place by a hoop placed outside. As a last resort for household pests we can fall back upon fumigation with hydrocyanic acid gas, which is certain to be effective if properly done, but which is both explosive and somewhat dangerous when used by careless persons."

Make Your Own Lace Blouses.

Every woman who can set a stitch is laboring frantically now to fashion herself a handmade lace blouse like the Paris models that are so distractingly pretty in the shops. These French blouses are discouragingly costly, some running up to \$60 and \$75, a tidy price to pay for a separate shirt waist, to be sure. The distinction lies in the exquisite fineness of the material, usually all over, shadow or val lace, and in the hand stitching, which is always expensive. Such blouses are mounted over slips of flesh colored chiffon, and the becoming and soft effect of such a blouse over shoulders and arms makes every woman who sees one on another woman determined to possess such a blouse forthwith.

Keep Down the Ice Bill.

With every return of warm weather big ice bills are bound to come in this land of frozen desserts and chilled salads and cold drinks, for there is no way to meet the demand for iced food excepting by keeping the icebox well stocked with ice. Many of the drivers of ice wagons and the handlers of the ice charge for more ice than they weigh out. The ice companies are seldom to blame. The handlers, if dishonest, charge for short weight, sell the ice so saved for cash and keep the extra money.

Basket or Creek Holder.

Cut strips of crepe paper about three inches wide and braid tightly. Fasten to the sewer crock or basket with glue. Sage green or brown would be pretty.

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