

CANNES MONEY IN BARROW

Employee of Treasury Department Has Carted Millions of Dollars During His Long Service.

In the redemption division of the United States treasury there is a wheelbarrow which, though apparently only an ordinary wheelbarrow of the ordinary barnyard type, is in reality probably the most remarkable wheelbarrow in the world.

This barrow came to the department in the administration of Andrew Jackson and during the 54 years which have elapsed since then has transported many billions of dollars' worth of paper currency.

For the greater part of that 54 years it has been chartered by James D. Rowe, eighty-year-old veteran employee of the department, who during 53 of his 54 years of service there has worked in the redemption division.

That mutilated or badly soiled piece of paper money which you exchange at the bank for a crisp new bill doubtless is some day due for a joyride on Mr. Rowe's famous barrow. Such currency, recalled from circulation, is assembled by national banks and sub-treasuries throughout the country and shipped to the redemption division of the treasury at Washington where it is stored in vaults in the basement of the building.

After being counted the usage-scared banknote is perforated with two holes at each end to insure cancellation. The bill is then cut in two, the halves going to different offices of the department. At each a count is made as a means of checking with the original figures of the treasury.

The bureau of engraving and printing utilizes the discarded certificates by reducing the halved bills to pulp, which is sold to paper manufacturers and used for making high grade writing papers. Thus, in these days of speedy evolution in domestic relations, it is not impossible that the \$50 bill with which you paid the installment on that diamond ring in 1919 may return to you in 1921 in the form of a nicely typewritten decree of divorce.

Mr. Rowe will be eighty years old October 17, 1920, and has served under a score of secretaries of the treasury. In addition to his skill in manipulating the remarkable wheelbarrow, Mr. Rowe in his younger days was renowned as the champion rapid-fire silver dollar counter of the treasury. On one notable occasion, according to department traditions, he counted and piled within a period of 24 hours 90 tons of silver dollars, consisting of 3,000 bags, each weighing 60 pounds.

VIKING SHIP TOMB OF QUEEN

Vessel of Great Historic Interest on Exhibition in Museum at Christiania, Norway.

The discovery of a new Norwegian Viking ship south of Aalesund, Norway, disclosing many things concerning ancient civilization and northern antiquities, recalls to a reader of the New York Times the finding of the "Oseberg ship," discovered at Oseberg, near Tonsberg, Norway, in 1903.

This ship is the finest and best-preserved of the Viking ships, and is on display at the University of Christiania. It is more than 100 feet long and 16 1/2 feet wide. It dates from the early part of the ninth century. The prow and stern are beautifully carved, and the vessel contains a vastness of priceless furniture and other antiquities, a loom with a tapestry of small pictures, sledges with luxurious ornaments, implements of various kinds and a carriage which is a work of art.

But most interesting of all, the Oseberg ship has served the strange purpose of a sarcophagus for a Viking queen, who lived and died 200 years before William the Norman conquered England. Skeletons of two women were found in the ship, and scientific investigation points to the probability that the remains belong to a queen and her maid entombed there.

Reflections on a Street Car.

As I see a tall, handsome man, broad shouldered and erect, push his way through the crowd, I think how many successful careers depend on looks. See how the crowd parts to let him pass. His appearance carries him triumphantly through life with little effort on his part. What chance is there for the little weazened figure with sallow face and crooked shoulders? His part is to step aside and take the place that's left. From the Summer Session Kansan.

Pumping Air into the Brain.

The brain, as you know, is the most delicate part of the human body. Physicians hesitate to tamper with it. Recently a doctor at Johns Hopkins hospital discovered a process by which purified air may be pumped into the brain. This makes it possible to locate exactly the position of tumors, and to remove them. A brain tumor usually causes either delirium or death. —Popular Science Monthly.

The Neighbor Found Out.

A young woman was out in the front yard with an oil can "oiling" the dandelions so that they would meet with an early death. A neighbor came along and asked her what she was doing. She nonchalantly replied that she was "oiling the grass so the lawn mower would run easier." —Exchange

Fully Foreseen.

"Do you think Gladys was surprised when I proposed to her?" inquired the happy youth. "About as surprised," answered Miss Cayenne, "as a candidate who has received formal notification that he has been nominated."

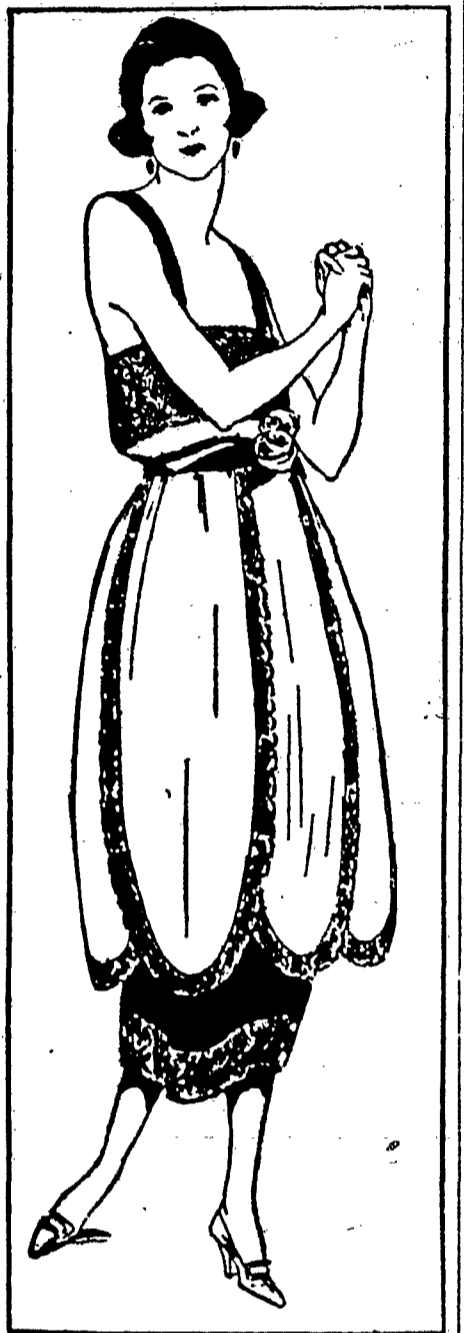
FALL MODES AS SEEN IN PARIS

Skirt and Sleeve Lengths Still Undetermined for the Approaching Season.

CLING TO PRESENT STYLES

Abbreviated Types Likely to Be Retained for Autumn Wear Judging From Fashions Displayed at French Society Affairs.

From Paris, the source of fashion inspiration, there come at this season little tales filled with significance. They are pertinent signs, observes a Paris fashion correspondent, to be regarded with due attention and all seri-



Evening gown showing manner in which lace is being used, Callot putting her own particular stamp upon the design.

ousness if one would know the general fashion tendencies for the season to come.

Now is the psychological moment to think of gowns that will develop by the time cold weather sets in. The original scheme may be changed and juggled, but in that way it becomes perfected and one's wardrobe, instead of being a matter of chance, becomes an individual achievement. That is the way to be really well dressed.

The lessons to be learned from the French women in this respect are numerous. A French woman regards primarily the lines of her own figure, the shape of her own head and the setup of her own personality. A certain line suits her figure. She looks upon that as a fixed point and around it revolves the building of the clothes of a new season. She does not see styles as things in themselves, she sees them only as possible adaptations to herself. And if she finds a new thing that fits in with her ideas of herself she bites at it like a fruit at a fly. She never buys a gown solely because it is beautiful. She never allows herself to stay out of the picture long enough to consider the dress as a separate entity, and what is more she accomplishes her end with cleverness and thought and usually with great artistic success.

Importance of the Lines.

The general lines are the first to be considered, and all signs point to certain changes in silhouette. For instance, the fullness over the hips is gradually declining. That seems to be a certainty, for all the reports from the English and French races say that the lines of the silhouette are straight and uncompromising. They say the chemise dress is still in favor. For that fact many will give thanks, for this dress has come to be greatly loved. So much can be done with it in the way of variations. It is so vastly becoming to many figures and its possibilities of adaptation are too wonderful to be lightly cast aside. Proof of its desirability lies in the fact that it returns repeatedly to the fore ranks of fashion.

There is a heated discussion going on about the ever-variable length of sleeves and skirts. Last year at this time our skirts in America very nearly touched the ground and clung about the feet. Now they have sprung sky high, and everybody—even those who swore they could not do it—is pleased as can be over the change. Will the short skirt stay with us for another season? French and English society women predicted that skirts would lengthen, but, as a matter of fact, they do not seem to be one whit longer.

er. All the photographs which are being sent from the races show skirts that will nigh touch the knees by way of length, for the French always have worn them much shorter than ours. American women, too, have become used to the more abbreviated skirt lengths, and common sense would lead one to suppose that the skirt would remain short for the coming season. However, the only fault in that heavy reasoning is that common sense does not always rule the ways of fashion, and for the actual decision one will have to wait until the fall styles have actually been created and imported. All that can be said is that skirts are still short. Not a long one has been seen upon the landscape.

The Sleeve Lengths.

Sleeve lengths are almost as important. In fact, just at this season they are really more important, for sleeves have taken on such a tendency to fluctuate that one scarcely knows what is right and what is wrong about them. Anything goes as long as it is well done, and whether the long sleeve or the short sleeve or the three-quarter sleeve is the most fashionable is a fact that is hard to establish. Many of the latest Parisian reports tell of sleeves which are longer than they have been, but then, Parisian sleeves have always been extremely short—shorter, in fact, than most of ours. They are showing and wearing sleeves of three-quarter length and sleeves that end below the elbow, having there a wide and flowing opening.

There are some very chic new things, too, that show long and tightly fitting sleeves clasping snugly over the hands. They look beautiful, after so great a quantity of abbreviation as has been our portion during the last couple of years. But here, as with the skirts, there is no telling what will be the wild popularity after the fall openings have actually been held and after the winter modes have been launched. Only a change is due, and just how it will come or what form it will take is hard to foretell exactly. At present any length of sleeve is a good length, and there is ample opportunity to adapt the length and the shape of the sleeve to the proportions of the individual arm and figure. In playing with the lengths and the general thickness much that is beautiful can be and has been accomplished this last season. Also much that is execrable not enough conscientious thought and attention has been applied to the problem in hand.

Plaits have had a wonderful run of popularity, but upon many of the new models plaits are seen revived in many ways.

Evening Gowns in Paris.

The between-season evening gowns that are being created in Paris, mostly for the Parisian trade, are extremely simple in outline. Many of them, a report says, are made of heavy crepes in solid colors. The skirts are draped and the bodices are made quite simply, with little or no sleeves about them. Since lace is so extremely popular one finds additions of lace on otherwise quite simple frocks—as an edging for an under-skirt (this is an extremely good fashion) or as a trilling addition to a bodice. The whole lace gown is certainly popular. It is seen



Between-season creation by Cheruit, illustrating afternoon gown of orange crepe de chine, with embroidery in silver threads.

everywhere, and every day the leading designers are adding new lace frocks to their collections. At the fashionable evening gatherings in Paris many lace frocks are seen, many of them being of black chintilly draped over cream-colored satin. One lace frock was made in chemise fashion and had a train square in shape set on at the shoulders and allowed to sweep over the floor after the gown, which was quite short as to skirt. This was of black lace over white, and the train was also built from the lace laid over the satin.

CATS SIMPLY WOULDN'T DIE

Two More Remarkable Incidents Showing Pussy's Refusal to Surrender Any of Her Lives.

Admiral Beatty, of the British navy, tells an interesting story regarding the ship's cat on the Lion. During the Jutland battle the sick bay was shattered by a shell. Happily, the invalids had been removed beforehand, but, by an oversight, the cat, who lived in the bay, had been left behind.

General grief was expressed by the crew at the loss of the cat, but greatly to the surprise of the men told off to clear away the debris, a good healthy meow was heard, followed by five little meows. Pussy had hidden away on a shelf, and had signaled the battle by giving birth to five kittens, who are now distributed throughout the navy.

Another cat story is told by Captain Llewellyn of the steamer Noldera. One of the ships which he commanded in the war was blown up by a mine. In a rough sea all the passengers, some 500 in number, were safely taken off in boats.

When rowing away from the scene of the wreck, the captain noticed one of the ship's cats floating on a mail bag. He shouted to the officer in charge of the boat nearest the cat to have her taken on board, but ascertained some days after that this had not been done, as before the explosion the cat, when chasing a rat, had lost a part of her tongue in a rat trap. This had made her savage, and the officer in charge of the boat had, therefore, deemed it unsafe to act on the captain's request.

Now for the sequel. Twenty-four days and 20 hours after the sinking of the ship, the cat and the mail bag were washed ashore. The cat, although thin and feeble, was still active and comparatively well. Her tongue had healed, and she is now installed as head cat on a pleasure yacht, the owner of which had heard of her marvelous escape. Lutin fell heavily during some part of the 24 days, and the cat is supposed to have kept herself alive by licking the water from her coat.

Great Value of Mussels.

It has been calculated that an acre of the best mussel ground will produce annually 40,000 pounds of mussels, equivalent to 10,000 pounds of mussels meat, with a "fuel" value of 3,000,000 calories and a money value of about \$1,200. This at a cost of no capital expenditure to speak of, and only such labor as is involved in transplantation to prevent overcrowding and in gathering the crop. No system of cultivation of agricultural land can produce such value in the form of animal food. The average yield in beef of an acre of average pasture land is reckoned to be 100 pounds, equivalent to 120,000 calories, and valued at about \$30. Yet the demand for mussels is said to be greatly in excess of the supply.

His First Client.

An Iowa lawyer went to a small town and hung up his sign. Then he sat down and waited for clients; all the while feeling very clearly the dignity of his new position. Nobody appeared and he fell into the habit of going to the station to witness the arrival of the daily trains.

One morning a handsome, well-dressed lady accosted him. "Are you Mr. Smith?"

At once the feeling of importance returned and, in bland tones, scenting a case of some value, he replied: "I am, madam. What can I do for you?" His chagrin was indescribable when she replied: "Can you tell me how much it will cost to send a big pig and her little pigs to the next station?"—Unidentified.

Not at Home.

Swine fever had broken out in the village and the local policeman had been appointed to call upon all owners of pigs and take particulars of each case.

Knocking at the door of an old cottage he was confronted by a shrewish-looking woman, who curtly asked him what he wanted.

"I've called to see the swine," said the constable.

"He's out," snappily replied the woman, and banged the door.—London Answers.

Forests to Pay Country's Expenses.

A scheme has been outlined for the county of Otsego in New York by which forests now existing and those to be planted will pay the operating expenses of the county in the near future. Each of the twenty-four townships in the county will undertake to plant 100 acres of trees and the profits of these tracts will soon be sufficient to take care of the running expenses of the county, so that taxes will be lowered to the minimum point.

All Right.

"I am not expecting any package," said Mr. Howdle, as a man stopped at the door of his house.

"This is the number," persisted the driver, looking at his book again. "Name's Howdle, ain't it?"

"Yes."

"Then it's for you."

"I think it must be a case of mistaken identity."

"No, sir; it's a case of beer."

"Oh, is that so? Bring it in."

Getting Them Classified.

"Those new arrivals," remarked Farmer Cornissel, "monopolize the conversation and you can't believe a word they say."

"Yes," rejoined his wife. "That's why I call them our ouija boarders."

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