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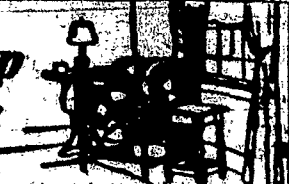
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Brightening up the home

By Dorothy Snow



Modernization Aid to Housewife



RUDGEBY and housework are no longer the anonymous terms they were in the old days before the advent of electricity and other modern wonders. At least this is true to those forward-looking women who keep their homes modernized up to the moment. Such women are the ones who accomplish the most in life with the least effort because they make use of all the inventions and modern equipment intended to bring them comfort and speed in their work. However, it is surprising that there are still hundreds of thousands of homes which are without modern conveniences—no bathrooms, no running water, no plumbing fixtures of any kind or heating systems. Millions of gallons of water are carried into homes by women and waste carried out.

In many cities where there are water and sewer systems, a report of the research department of the Kohler company, Kohler, Wis., "thousands of homes have failed to take advantage of the facilities afforded. For instance, in a typical city it has been found that: 88 per cent of the homes have no bathrooms; 80 per cent have no plumbing fixtures; 10 per cent do not even have running water."

"There is no excuse for the American housewife who makes a slave of herself today," the report remarks. "Even to the rural woman every modern aid to housework is available, and today she can enjoy the comfort and help that can

be secured by expert plumbing and electrical appliances. "Woman's housework can be made simple, swift and easy if she will take advantage of the many opportunities that are available for modernizing and equipping the present day home."

This report reveals to a large extent the new trend of thought toward women. In the present and not a great deal of time is being spent in sympathy for the bedraggled woman who is wearing herself away in the service of her family. Most people are inclined to feel that she either wants to make of herself a martyr or that she is actually stupid and is to be awake to the new surge in modern housekeeping.

Aside from the installation of plumbing, electricity and heating, much can be done in the kitchen. Of course, many women may say they cannot afford all the new kitchen inventions but there is no woman who cannot avail herself of some of these things; many of which are very simple and not costly.

Think of the pleasure of a high sink, built under a window, with a mechanical dish washer, a good stove with an automatic regulator, a table with rolling castors and an enameled top, ventilator fans to carry away steam and keep down temperatures, walls lined with deep shelves in easy reach, incinerators built-in-the-wall, ironing boards, above all, plenty of hot water.

To name all the household conveniences and appliances that are available would be almost an impossibility. However, the modernizing housewife will say that it is difficult to ascertain how she can get the most out of this rapidly developing perfect age for home making.

Annual Retreat For Students Of Nazareth Academy Will Be Held Next Week, Starting Monday Morning

The Very Rev. Peter F. Cusick, S.J., of Auriesville, N. Y., Will Be the Retreat Master—More Than Eight Hundred Girls to Participate.

The annual retreat for the students of Nazareth Academy will be held in the Academy, starting Monday morning, March 30, at 8:30 o'clock, and will end Thursday morning,

April 2d. The retreat will be in charge of the Very Rev. Peter F. Cusick, S.J., of Auriesville, N. Y., former president of Canisius College, Buffalo. Father Cusick conducted a similar retreat at Nazareth Academy two years ago, and made such a deep impression upon the students and Sisters that he will be cordially welcomed back.

The student body of more than 800 girls in the Academy will participate in the retreat, and perhaps the higher grades of the grammar school. The program for the retreat will be divided into periods for spiritual reading, meditation and conferences. During the first three days of the retreat the girls will wear regulation uniform, and also black veils. On the fourth and final day, the black veils will be changed for white veils.

The parents of the Senior girls are invited to attend the closing services on Thursday morning, beginning shortly after 8 o'clock. The retreat exercises are inspiring and helpful, and they are always looked forward to with happy expectation by the students of Nazareth Academy.

Mankind Never Able to Change Nature of Cat

It seems that the house cat of today behaves in much the same manner as it did in the bygone years. The animal's association with man has not changed its habits in any particular. It goes about in its own way and takes its own time and all efforts to make it take some part in the operations of the household have failed. The animal resents any interference with its coming and going. Miss A. S. Firkin, of Columbia University, has put the cat to an intelligence test. Seventy-eight cats were secured from a pet show and put through a series of tests. The first problem put before the cats was how to reach food placed inside an inclosure. Most of the cats solved this by stepping upon a plate which opened the way. This problem was then increased in difficulty, the hardest being one which required the cats to touch several plates one after the other, to get the food. Only two of the contestants were smart enough to do this. One of the conclusions arrived at was that male cats are smarter than the females.

Old-World Melody

A New Yorker in London was strolling past Lisson's Inn, one of the old inns, which figures in Charles Dickens' "Bleak House." Out of the old building came familiar strains of music. Meditating, as he walked, on the old-worldliness of this inn built centuries ago, the tune was slow in identifying itself. It wasn't until the last line of the song that the words came to mind. They were, "I'll never go there any more," and the song, of course, was the one that starts: "The Bowery, the Bowery."

"The charm of language, which is so necessary for dealing with men, is a thing to be ardently desired."

Items of Interest From WHAM

The unequivocal success "Good Friday Music" from "Parade" in the center of interest in the Rochester Civic Orchestra's concert to be broadcast over the WHAM-NBC network at the Stromboli-Wesson Program at 10 o'clock Monday night, March 30th. Guy Fawser Harrison will conduct the program in which Lula Gates Rootes appears as soprano soloist.

The fourth Rochester symphony group to broadcast over the NBC system will be heard Good Friday afternoon when the Rochester Concert Orchestra presents a program of appropriate religious music from the studios of WHAM at 1 o'clock. The Rochester Civic Orchestra and the student orchestra of the Eastman School of Music are heard regularly, and the Rochester Philharmonic is broadcast by the WHAM-NBC combination during its Fall and Winter season.

Sixty minutes of Good Friday afternoon devotion consisting of talks by two eminent New York pastors and choral interpretations of sacred music will be heard over WHAM and both NBC networks, on April 3rd. This special feature, which will go on the air at 3 P. M. will end with a series of talks in silence. In reverent observance of the hour traditionally designated as the time of Jesus' death on the cross, the two speakers will be Rev. James M. Gillis, of the Paulist Fathers, and Father William J. P. M., of the Holy Family, representing the Roman Catholic faith, and Bishop Charles K. Gilbert, of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, representing the Protestant belief. Each will speak 15 minutes. The balance of the program will be furnished by a special chorus, under the direction of George D. Worth, which will sing religious work and secular music on the Easter theme.

Charles Francis Cox, criminologist and author of the dramatic books, "The Gangster" and "Footprints," will be heard over WHAM in the first of a series of Sunday broadcasts depicting, with authenticity, "What Is a Gangster's Life?" Sunday, March 29 from 10:15 to 10:45 P. M. The speaker will relate happenings in his own life, and also those obtained during numerous investigations. He views the new broadcast series in an educational rather than sensational light.

Father Shay will continue his series of talks on the steps to perfection with an address on "Preparation" during St. Patrick's Cathedral Hour over WHAM at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon, March 29th.

Dangers threatening the entire radio industry and the entertainment of the listening public will be the subject of a warning to be broadcast in a talk by G. M. Caldwell, former Federal Radio Commissioner and at present a member of the National Advisory Council on Radio Education and member of the Electrical Committee of Chicago's World's Fair of 1933. Caldwell will speak over WHAM and NBC Tuesday night, March 31st, at 10:45.

The organizations and government of the Catholic Church will be discussed by the Rev. Dr. Francis J. Connell, C.S.B., of Roseton, New York, when he speaks over WREN Buffalo, in the Cathedral Hour at 8 o'clock Sunday night, March 29th. This will be the first of four addresses.

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