

BELLS OF CHRISTMAS

World's Oldest, Simplest Musical Instrument Is Universal Yuletide Symbol

Each nation has its individual symbols of Christmas: In England there is the Yule log, in France the candles and in Holland the wooden shoe. But throughout the entire world there is one universal symbol, the bells of Christmas.

This is strange because bells were not associated with the church until at least 400 A. D. when Paulinus, an Italian bishop, installed them in his church. Some bell authorities claim that Pope Sabinianus gave us the first church bells in 604.

The custom has grown until there is perhaps no use of church bells so widely known in Christian countries as the ringing of chimes to herald the advent of the birth of Christ. From huge cathedrals to tiny country churches, from the frozen arctic to the sunny tropics, the bells peal forth each Christmas season an old, old story of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

America's very national existence is wrapped up in the priceless Liberty bell at Philadelphia, and certainly no one can say that bell music isn't the most democratic music in the world.

In recent years the ancient bell has "grown up" into the carillon, a highly sensitive instrument on which Christmas carols seem to find their most perfect expression. There are now more than 200 of these instruments, 30 of them in the United States. Similar to the carillon, but differing in the number of bells, tuning and arrangement of keyboard, are chimes. Some of the finest chimes hang in English cathedrals and spread the Christmas message each December.

A chapter in the history of bells may be found in the story of almost any creed or culture. First known in the East, they were used by aboriginal people as ornaments. They came down through Grecian days and called Roman citizens to the forums, later summoning early Christians to worship. In the Middle Ages they called people to arise, guided the far-away traveler.

Napoleon loved bells so dearly he would not destroy them, while Henry VIII took fabled delight in destroying them.

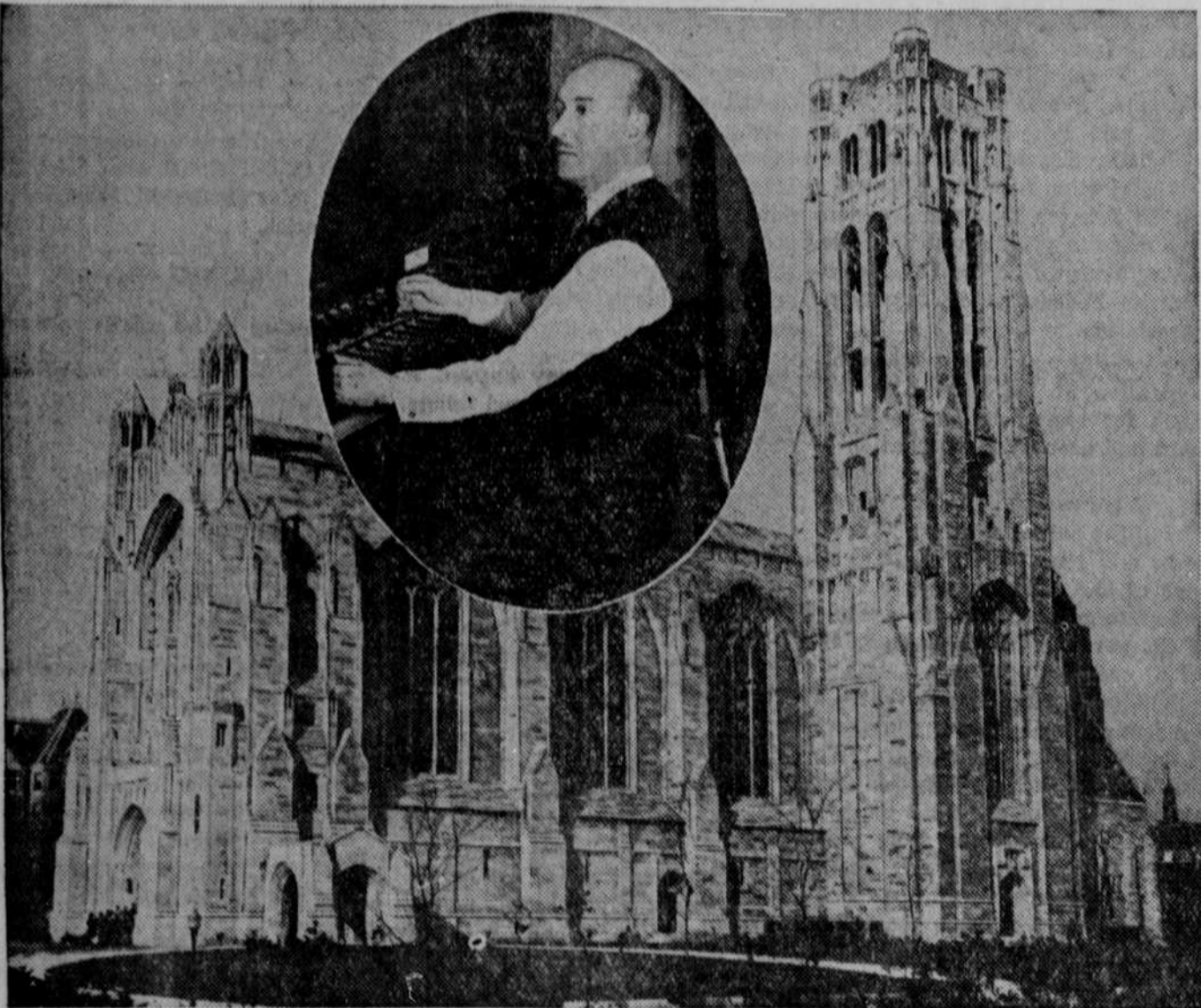
Bells have made people laugh and cry, have stirred them to action and

lulled them to sleep. Bells are the simplest, yet the most compelling musical instrument in the world and it is fitting that they should toll the universal message of Christmas, of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

RIGHT—Bok singing tower and bird sanctuary at Mountain Lakes, Fla., said to be the most ideally conceived and located carillon in the country. It rings each Christmas day.



ABOVE—Mrs. A. S. C. Forbes tests the tone of a replica of a California mission bell, which were among the first church bells in the territory later to become the United States.



The University of Chicago chapel which has one of America's most beautiful carillons, the gift of John D. Rockefeller Jr. Inset, Kamiel LeFevre,

noted Belgian musician who was brought to the United States to play it. This carillon, too, rings out the story of Christmas each year.

Typists for U. S. G-Men Buy Gifts for 'Children'

WASHINGTON.—Girls working in the typing section of the G-men's fingerprint division at the United States Department of Justice, will stake their three "adopted" families to a Christmas dinner on December 25. Last Christmas the girls adopted three needy Washington families, agreeing to help them throughout the year. Annually the federal bureau of investigation employees distribute food, clothing and toys for orphans, hospital patients and other needy people of Washington.

Roosevelt's Greetings Broadcast to U. S. Navy

WASHINGTON.—Christmas greetings from President Roosevelt and high ranking officials of the Navy department will be flashed Christmas eve from the radio towers at Arlington, Va., to the fleet and naval ships and stations throughout the world. The message is an annual custom, awaited by American "gobs" and officers alike in their iron-clad battleships thousands of miles from home.

'Silent Night, Holy Night'



NEW YORK.—Youthful members of the choir of St. Vincent of Ferrer's church, New York, lift their boyish voices in the unforgettable hymns of Christmas. Throughout the United States, church choral groups are preparing special music for Yuletide recitals, for song plays an all-important part in the observance of Christmas. No church music is better known than Yuletide hymns.

Style Pendulum Swings to Handsome Ostrich Finery

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



FRILLS, feathers and furbelows mark the lady of fashion today and a lovely lady she is indeed, an alluring creature utterly feminine in her Edwardian grandeur. The long post-war cycle is over and with it has gone the tailored career woman, trim and uncompromising with her boyish figure and her workmanlike clothes. Back into favor come portrait gowns, picturesque dinner costumes topped by whimsical evening hats, nosegays or violets nestling in long fur stoles, opera-length evening gloves and back comes ostrich feathers placing their glamorous seal on the return to femininity which colors the whole current fashion picture.

In the millinery field, ostrich sets the style for the new dress hats with their flattering softness. Long sweeping feathers droop gracefully from worldly dinner hats. Lordly plumes toss above high-piled curls for evening or lend height to tiny formal daytime hats for fur-coat wear. All-ostrich toques and bonnets, without a hint of fabric, are cleverly molded to the head. Not only do ostrich plumes go to the head on bonnets, toques and picture hats for formal daytime and dinner wear, but even tailored street hats use discreet flat-worked feathers or ostrich montures and motifs that are smartly conservative.

Outstanding in the evening wardrobe are the new ostrich wraps which are designed in any number of types and lengths from brief shoulder capelets to full-length coats and capes. They are in black or white or are superbly colorful. With the present trend to the pure-

ly feminine, the ostrich muff has returned to prominence for both formal daytime and evening wear. Carried with the formal daytime costume the ostrich muff lends infinite chic but it is of two-fold charm when it complements an evening wrap of matching ostrich as pictured to the left in the illustration. Paquin designs this capelike coat and muff of black uncurled ostrich. Many smaller round muffs of ostrich are also shown that are youthfully pert and extremely smart for dinner or afternoon wear.

The long, long ostrich stole adopted this season by the duchess of Kent has unlimited possibilities. It may be draped or wound about the shoulders for protection or simply for flattery. It will be especially outstanding in black, black-and-white, pure white or the modish vintage tones. The one shown to the right in the picture is fashioned of long white feathers with black-dyed tips.

This season's interpretation of the ever-graceful ostrich fan is unusually lovely. Festive fans in exciting shades are carried, also very handsome all-black types that set a theater gown or dinner costume off to perfection. The evening fan pictured is of graduated uncurled ostrich plumes in pale pink with an uncurled ostrich hair ornament in the new deep plumbeous shade.

The encouraging part of the ostrich vogue is that the new feather fashions start with simple items on the hat and fetching little inexpensive neckpieces and scores of other unpretentious ostrich fancies that are within the reach of any limited clothes budget.

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Forecast in Silk



For the woman who looks ahead when she buys there are some exceedingly interesting advance silks on display. For the first new silk print a stylized palm tree design is suggested such as fashions the dress pictured. This print has the advantage of being dark enough to wear for town under the fur coat, and it will continue to be chic for spring in that it is new this season both as to color and patterning. Small neat tailored motifs in high-style colors are the desirable prints for immediate wear.

Grand Blouses of Metal Top Skirts

A gorgeous blouse in your wardrobe is a necessary luxury this season. It's left to you either to buy 'em or make 'em. The shops are showing the new glamor blouse in dazzling array. Likewise the fabric sections are scintillating with showings of gleaming lame in gold, silver and color, also rustling taffetas and crisp moires and lustrous slipper satins. A mere remnant of either in the hands of the woman who "makes her own" will transform into a blouse softly styled or smartly fashioned in the new jacket silhouette.

Gold Glittering On Winter Frocks

All may not be gold that glitters, but in the multitude of short lame afternoon dresses gold is the favored basic metal. The gold may be nothing more than a pin-stripe on a black wool or silk background; it may be combined with other less precious metal threads; or it may completely prevail to form a lavish cloth-of-gold.

This all-gold lame makes a striking "don't-dress-for-dinner" gown—so short it almost reaches knee level—and long-sleeved.

Black Furs Varied

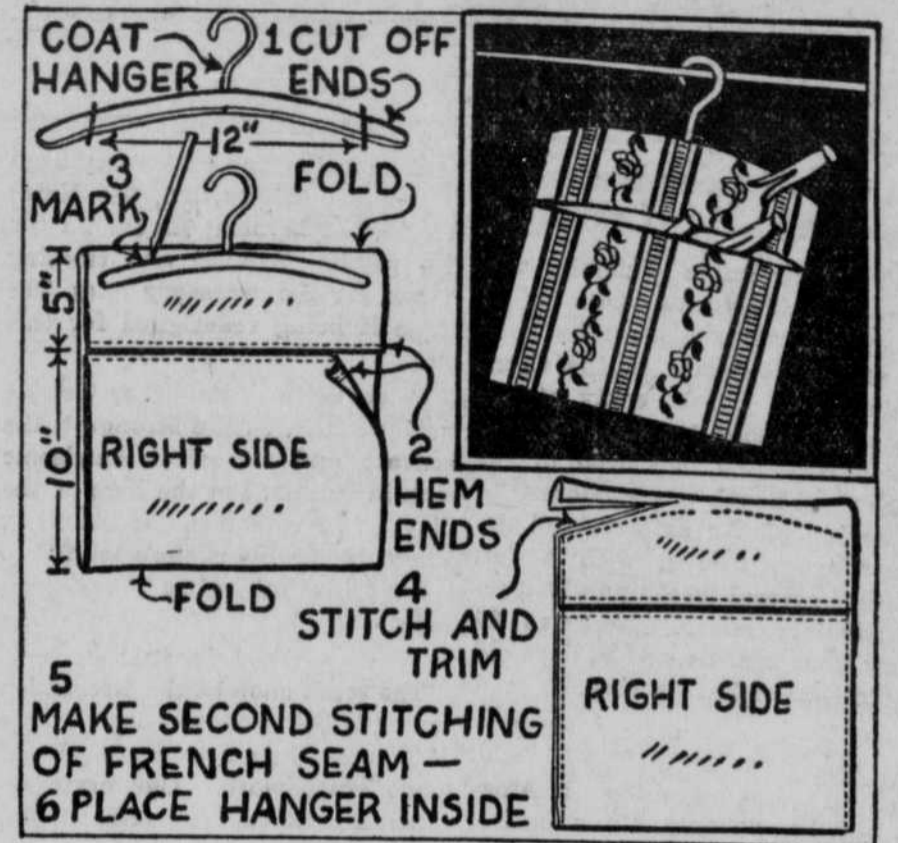
Does your fancy run to black furs? You might have Persian lamb, black caracul, black kidskin, Alaska seal, silver fox, American broadtail or skunk.

Suits for Evening

Severe looking dinner suits with tuxedo-like jackets are defying the popularity of ultra-feminine styles.

HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Make a bag on a hanger.

THIS bag has been a great success. Several others can be made for different purposes. They are good to hang in the closet or the sewing room for patterns or small equipment. When traveling I find a little bigger one perfect for laundry. The size shown here requires 3/4 yard of bright ticking. You will notice in the sketch that French seams are used. This makes the first stitching of the seams on the right side. Trim close to this stitching, turn the bag inside out and stitch the seams again so that the raw edges are covered. Punch a small hole in the center top for the hanger hook. Clip today's lesson and add

it to the many gift suggestions contained in the books offered below.

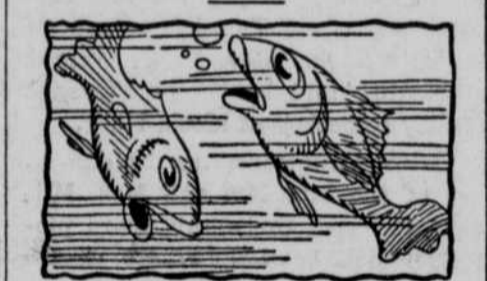
NOTE: Mrs. Spears' Book 2—Gifts, Novelties and Embroidery, has helped thousands of women to use odds and ends of materials and their spare time to make things to sell and to use. Book 1—Sewing, for the Home Decorator, is full of inspiration for every homemaker. These books make the most delightful gifts. Mrs. Spears will autograph them on request. Books are 25 cents each. Crazypatch quilt leaflet is included free with every order for both books. Address: Mrs. Spears, 210 S. Desplaines St., Chicago, Ill.



Before and After
Robinson—I think a sharp nose usually indicates curiosity.
Brown—And a flattened one may indicate too much.

The Guide—Yes, it must be over a thousand years old. You can take it from me they don't build such ancient castles nowadays.

AT CODFISH BALL



"You say he belongs to the codfish aristocracy. Where did you meet him?"
"At the fish ball, of course!"

Heart vs. Ribs
A beautiful chorus girl sued a banker for breach of promise and was awarded \$2,000. Shortly after leaving the court she was hit by a motor-car and had eight ribs broken. The same judge awarded her \$50.
Moral—Never play with a woman's heart. It's cheaper to break her ribs.

Customer (to head waiter)—Just as a matter of curiosity, did the waiter who took my order leave any family?

Topsy Turvy World
Customer—Isn't the price rather high for such a little pillow?
Shop Assistant—Well, you see, madam, down is now up.

Or What?
Police Sergeant—Give the prisoner a bath and clap him in irons.
Crook—Gosh! First I was collared, now I'm being washed and ironed. Is this a police station or a laundry?

Right Road
The truck driver was unfortunate enough to run his car into a house where a woman stood ironing. Having lost his nerve he did not know what to say and blurted out:

"Can you tell me the way to Detroit?"
"Yes, straight past the sideboard and then to the left past the piano," replied the woman.

We Must Eat
He arrived home to find his young wife weeping bitterly.
"What's the trouble, my dear?" he asked.
"Boo-hoo," she wept, "the cooked meat shop is moving from the corner."
"Never mind," he said, gently, "we can move too, you know!"

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