## HER FAD--AND

By CLYDE PARSONS.

If every man, old or young, has a tad-and we know he has; if every woman, old or young, has a fadand we know she has-why blame Miss Nora Lee for having one, too? It wasn't a great big fad, and one to keep the police busy and the babies on the block awake o' nights, but a reasonable fad, and was not seriously objected to even by people with a grouch

Miss Nora was not a moving picture flend; she did not go to ball games more than twice in a season; she did not attend the races at all. Her fad was cats dogs, rabbits? Not at all! She lavished her affections on a goat, and he wasn't anything of a beauty at that. In fact, he was a scrub goat. He was built on the lines of a saw-buck. He was homely from the tip of his nose to the tip of his tail. He remained gaunt despite the food set before him. He evinced no gratitude for her love and care, and he wasn't a bit proud when he was led along the street with yards of blue ribbon streaming in the breeze and a silver bell around his neck.

Mistress and goat were bound to attract attention when they walked out. Adults stared, small boys indulged in levity, and dogs seemed to have a longing to try conclusions with "Billy."

However, a fad wouldn't be much of a fad unless it attracted attention, and while Miss Nora tried to look calm and unconscious, there is no doubt that she felt glows of pride as she caught such remarks as:

'Did you ever!'

"Can you beat it!" "Why don't she love a hippo!"

"Hasn't she a father or a mother?" "A hobble skirt and a pet goat-

Miss Nora's father was dead, and her mother's objections to her fad carried no weight.

"Does Billie bite any one?" the daughter would ask. "Of course not."

"Does he bark and disturb us?"

"No." "Does he cost any more to keep than a dog?"

"I guess not." 'He isn't handsome, but isn't he bet-

ter looking than a bull dog?" "Then what's the matter with my

keeping a goat?" "It's so unusual."

"Wasn't the split skirt unusual two

years ago?" Living half a mile away was Mr. Burt Wiltshire. He had a fad. Instead of leading a goat about the streets, he led a pig. It was a black

pig with a red ribbon for a collar. It had been trained so it could be led like a dog. That pig was also an innovation as well as a fad. The police had tried to suppress it, but the courts had held that it had the same rights as a dog and was not half as dangerous.

Like the goat, the pig attracted much attention when out for an airing, and like Miss Nora the young man at the other end of the lead received such expressions from the pub-

"Is he an escaped idiot?" "Does he belong to a side-show?"

"Can the pig tell fortunes with cards?"

It might have ben figured out by a mathematician that there was just one chance in ten thousand that the girl and her goat and the young man and his pig would ever meet on the street in a head-on collision. That one chance came to them. It was so willed by the Destiny that shapes our ends. At nine o'clock one morning a promenade for their health and other reasons. There was an abandon about them that was charming. That is, they occupied most of the sidewalk. and their motto was, the public be hanged.

At the same hour Mr. Burt Wiltshire and his educated black pig set out for their stroll. They had heretofore taken one particular direction. This morning they took a new route Destiny would have it so.

"Get on to the goat!"

"Where'd he get the pig!" "That's the latest thing at New-"Oh, Lord, what things we do see

in a town!" As the public exclaimed the human and animal objects gradually ap-

proached each other. They finally met. There was no record in sacred or profane history to go by-no society rule laid down in the blue or red book. Therefore the ilm dandy goat and the educated pig

bumped against each other. "Sir!" demanded the girl. "Miss!" replied the man.

"You have got a nasty pig there!" "And you have a villain of a goat!" "Don't you dare let your pig-!"

"And your goat-!" It was too late. No work on natur-

al history-no writer on heart throbs in the yellow journals, has told us that when a pig and a goat meet there must be a deadly conflict, but a record has been made with this story. The goat was the attacker but the pig stood to his guns. The goat used his horns and hoofs; the pig used his snout and teeth.

"Call your pig off!"

"Call your goat off!" "Your pig began the fuss!"

"Your goat began it!"

"You are no gentleman!" "You are a nice young lady!" A growd gathered.

made remarks. It made remarks to the girl and to the young man. It gave advice to the goat and to the pig. It advised the goat to pin the pigto the fence with his horns and hold him there until life was extinct. It advised the pig to remember Bunker Hill and go in and make a whirlwind finish of it.

Not until the police came did each owner gather up the remains of his animal and quit the scene of the combat. Their glances expressed nothing but supreme indignation as they turned away. It was so plain that they wished each other destruction in some awful form that a chauffeur who had stoped to witness the affair while the meter went right on recording, felt called upon to express himself:

"Gee! but 'sposen he should fall in love with that girl some day! How she would turn him down!"

And it happened. It was bound to happen. Destiny wouldn't have missed such a golden opportunity for all the old second hand thats in Boston. A fad is acquired as easily as a cold in the head. Some run about the same length of time-some a little longer. but they are bound to be abandoned for something else

Miss Nora Lee got home from the scene of that tragedy disgusted with her goat and herself. It wasn't the same goat with which she so blithely set out an hour before, and she wasn't the same girl. She found herself hoping that the goat would jump the fence and take himself off to be seen by her no more. Then she would buy a parrot or a tame crow, or a squirrel with a wheel in his cage. She might even turn to a French bulldog or an alligator from Florida.

And Mr. Burt Wiltshire reached home to telephone to the nearest butcher:

"Say, now. do you want to buy a

Yep. Got one for sale?"

"I have."

"How much?"

"If you take him away at once you can have him for two dollars."

"All right-he's mine." Mr. Wiltshire also determined to drop his pig-fad for another. It might be for a donkey or a camel-he would think it over.

And one day two weeks later the girl without the goat and the young man without a pig met face to face on the street. Each wavered. Each halted. Each blushed and was confused.

"-I want to beg your pardon!" he finally managed to say. "And I want to beg yours," was the

reply. "It was all my pig's fault."

"I believe my goat began the row."

"It was so sudden that-that-" "The same with me." "I have sold the pig."

"And my goat has got away, and I don't want him back."

And then and there came a new fad for each one. It was interest in a human being of the opposite sex. (Copyright, 1913, by the McClure News-paper Syndicate.)

Songs of Today.

Where is the present-day "popular song" that may be compared with "Annie Laurie," or "My Old Kentucky Home," or "Sally in Our Alley?" Nay. where is the present-day popular song that has more than an off chance of being remembered or sung a single year hence, let alone remaining a favorite for a generation? Nowhere. In songs, as in so many other matters, the one desire just at present is to get the applause-and dollars-of the moment. If a "bearcat" dance or a sloppily sentimental ballad attracts attention to itself and income to its inventor, nothing more is asked or expected. So of "cubist art," which is merely lunacy on canvas; so of tenderioin plays. The one thing required is not that they shall be true, or beautiful, or thoughtful, or enduring; but that they shall make money. It is Miss Nora and her goat were taking strange that an age like the present, which has so many superb achievements to its credit, and which is more deeply imbued with the sense of human brotherhood than any preceding time in history, should have come to this sorry pass in matters of art and

Learn Wisdom From the Savages. A lay sermon by William Allen White: "A young cub, who has fifty

thousand a year, is in trouble in New York-young lady trouble. Which is natural enough. Any youth who has fifty thousand a year to spend is going to get into trouble spending it. Work is the thing that keeps youth straight; work is the one medicine that cures youth of its vast and stupendous folly. If a young man has fifty thousand a year to spend, he has so more chance of being decent than a monkey. In South Africa, in the interior, the native custom provides that all the young negroes shall go to bed at dusk in tree houses reached by ladders, and the smart old men come and take the ladders down. But give a young man \$50,000 to spend, let him sit up nights, and give him access to the ladder at all hours of the night, and he will go to the Bad Place sure. Can it be that the African savages know more of life than we do?"

The Oldest Separator.

"I see you keep a cow?" Yep."

"Got a separator?" "Yep."

"What make?" "I'm it. I separate the cow from

her milk twice a day." Mind the Vidders, Sammy.

Old Sage-Look out for the widows my boy. Young Snip-I shall certainly try to avoid having one of my own, siz.

Prevailing Styles in the New Shoes.



E VERY season finds women more it is appropriate for the demi-tollet or exacting in the matter of foot the tailor-made. wear. Shoes and stockings must be faultless for the well dressed and update member of modern society, buckskin top, and others with patent whether she be a devotee of fashion. vamp and tops in shepherd check or or engaged in business or simply de- in cloth or suede leather matching a voting her time to the business of being a woman.

The styles now prevailing and those just preceding them have brought the fact into prominence. It is not the fashion to conceal them, but to clothe draperies about them. Lace and chif- The range of ornamentation for the fon petticoat, slashed skirts and in- toes of evening slippers is quite wide hanging draperies all bespeak atten- also. tion to fine footwear.

For general wear a neat looking, inconspicuous shoe all of leather, or of leather and cloth, should be chosen. Perfect fit and neat finish are the matters of importance for shoes to be worn for shopping, traveling and general utility. Two pairs are more economical than one, if such shoes are worn every day, and one should alternate them. They are easily kept in commission in this way. One pair dressed and on the shoe tree stands always in readiness. Properly cleaned and aired and polished, they will pay for the attention with long service.

vamp and brocaded silk top in black. same vamp with plain black cloth top | the end. puts the shoe in another class where

Elegant and more showy shoes are shown with patent vamp and gray gown in color. These made-to-match shoes are effective, but not essential to a proper shoe outfitting for the av-

erage woman. For evening dress there is a variety in slippers to choose from. Black satin

In black or bronze there is the strapped slipper with bead embroidery. It is a graceful shoe and a fine choice for those who need only one pair of slippers with which to look the season's full dress occasions in the face. It is dressy enough for any wear.

The price of good shoes has advanced because the materials of which they are made cost more than they have heretofore. There is no economy in buying cheap shoes. The expenditure at the end of a year will be greater if one keeps the feet respectably clothed, if cheap shoes are bought For dressier wear in the winter than if the better grades are worn. If there is the shoe with patent calf one must economize let it be in some other direction and not in the matter This is an elegant shoe with any visit- of footwear. Quality cannot be sacriing or dinner gown except the most ficed here without of a certainty inbrilliant of opera or ball gowns. The volving both economy and comfort in

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#### COIFFURE AND HAIR ORNAMENT **MOST EFFECTIVE**

THE very attractive and becoming colfure pictured here belongs to the class described as the "Casque" coiffure. All the hair is waved and combed to the nape of the neck and the crown of the head at the back. There is the shallowest of parts at the front with the hair at each side brought down over the ears, wholly concealing them,

To make this hairdress the hair must be parted off all around the crown of the head, and waved. That which is left on the crown is to be laid in a flat coil at the back and pinned down securely. All the remainder (except the lock left at the middle of the forehead) is to be drawn loosely



back to the coil and over it. The hair at the nape of the neck is first brought up and the ends tucked under the coil or pinned around it. The ends of the front and side hair are then disposed of in the same way

Then the lock at the middle of the forehead is parted and brought down at each side over the ears to the nape of the neck. The ends (the lock being light) are tucked under the waved hair covering the coll and pinned into place with invisible pins.

A light fringe of hair curled in flat, short ringlets, is cut across the forestraight, as best becomes the wearer. These ringlets must be flattened to the head to preserve the correct lines a few minutes.

The colffure is finished with an ornamented band and single, curling spray of Paradise. The band in this costume is made of flat jade beads matching those worn with the costume about the neck. But there are innumerable bands, those of black gauge or velvet and rhinestones being among the most effective.

The costume worn by the handsome brunette is of black velvet and silver embroidered net, with a skirt which appears to wrap about the figure, terminating in a high waist line. The rather scanty bodice is made of white chiffon.. With a drapery of gossamer lace it would be much prettier and more in keeping with American ideas of modesty, which criticism is made without apologies to the great designer, who, with such wonderful fabrics to work with, yet missed the final finishing touch by placing a glorious skirt with an insignificant waist on so splendid a model.

The coiffure suits the style of the wearer and her costume. It is one of those that almost any one will find becoming, except women with very thin faces and necks. For them there are other designs which soften or conceal their defects.

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Slashed Petticoat. We have had the "tango" gown;

now has descended upon us the "tango" petticoat. This latest addition to the wardrobe of the fashionable woman is made of but two pieces, with seams in the side, which, needless to say, are open to a point just above the knee. The front and back breadths of the petticoat are scalloped, sloping gradually up to the joining of the seams at the knee. The garment in this instance is edged with a plaited ruffle of the silk of which the skirt is made, but lace of almost any kind would be nearly as effective. To regulate the height of the skirt slashes on each side of the openings there have been sewn crocheted rings, through which a lacing of ribbon is passed.

All Shades of Gray.

Gray in all possible shades is one of the colors of the season. Pearl gray is being most successfully combined with white velvet and ermine for really rich tea gowns; and a deep shade of smoke gray is being very much used for mantles in conjunction with bands of smoke gray fox. All shades of rich head in a line more or less curved or | blue are in demand in such materials as velours de laine and liberty cashmere, Costumes in these materials are trimmed with bands of sable or of in this coiffure. This may be done by black fox, and the craze of the moment tying them down with a light veil for seems to be for Chinese embroideries of the finest description.

NEARLY \$10,000 IN FEES COL-LECTED DURING MONTH.

### **GOSSIP FROM STATE CAPITAL**

Items of Interest Gathered from Reflable Sources and Presented in Condensed Form to Our

Grants Extension of Time.

Readers.

The state board of irrigation has granted C. P. Ross of Omaha the equivalent to a two-and-a-half-year extension of time for completion of his proposed water power project on the Platte and Elkhorn rivers. The development is planned near South Bend and will undoubtedly reach both Lincoln and Omaha territory if carried through, much sooner than would be possible with any of the projects farther up the Platte river. The move is particularly significant because in taking the step the board not only overrides the drastic views held by the lower house of the last legislature, but also takes a decisive stand for development of the state's resources.

Many Inspections by Commission.

The food, drug, dalry, oil, weights and measures commission, under the control of a single head, received a total of \$9,272 in fees, of which \$1,408 was for permits of various kinds. Upward of 1,400 inspections were made during the month, including the following: Grocery stores, 335, meat markets and slaughter houses, 156; hotels and restaurants, 148; cream stations, 195, and saloons, 5. There were twelve prosecutions put under headway and 170 sanitary orders written. Oil and them daintily and set the flimslest of with a French heel is a great favorite. gasoline inspection fees totaled \$7,382, or \$2,300 more than for the same month last year. During the week there were 467 weights and measures inspections made which brought in \$76.70 in fees.

Questions of National Welfare.

The activities of the inner circle to the national conservation congress, the conservation commission, are planued in Lincoln, although this fact is not generally known by local people. Dr. G. E. Condra is president of the commission and it is in his office that the program is made up and the topics of important discussion to come before the congress decided on. This commission is composed of men who are actively engaged in practical conservation work in various states. It meets November 17, the day before the opening of the congress, which holds session three days, November 18, 19 and 20. The program for this years brings up practical questions of tional welfare and nearly all the departments at Washington will be

Advance in Farm Values.

While farm lands in this state are advancing yearly from 4 per cent to 10 per cent in value, city and railroad lands and lots are increasing only between 1 per cent and 3 per cent on the average. And at the same time a potent advantage is maintained in favor of acre property when it comes to taxation. City lots and railroad property are assessed at from 80 per cent to 100 per cent of their value, while farm lands are assessed at only from 45 per cent to 75 per cent of the price they would actually bring in the market. These are deductions made by members of the state tax commission, who have been busying themselves in ferreting out such things for several weeks past.

Bona Fide Residence Qualification. If otherwise qualified, it is not essential that the signer of a petition for a liquor license has resided in a village for the length of time required to make him a legal voter, but it is essential that there be a residence in good faith, according to a state supreme court opinion handed down in the case of H. W. Shakleford against Frank Zimmerman of Springfield. The contention was made in the lower court that not thirty freeholders had signed Zimmerman's application, and that one man signed the next day after he moved to Springfield. The high bench holds that the chief qualification is bona fide residence

Lists of abstracts on homestead lands proved up on in this state during the past year are to be collected as soon as possible by the state auditing department and an effort will be made to have the slate clean by January 15, as provided in the statutes. The work is assigned to the following people in the state: E. Olsen, Valentine; C. F. Shedd, Lincoln; Ira L. Bare, North Platte; B. E. Sturdevant, O'Neill; Bruce Wilcox, Alliance; Lucy E. Palmer, Winnebago; Emma M. Scott, Broken Bow, and Sara E. Fuller,

Four weeks' operation of the school at the state penitentiary have been found to be extraordinarily beneficial to the convicts and the registration in the courses offered is now on its way to the century mark. Fundamentals are receiving attention just now and there are two class periods provided weekly for the men. One branch of the work includes a debating society, in which much interest has been shown, and through the medium of which sharp discussions have been

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Heredity.

"That gambler's son is a chip of the old block

"I see. A regular poker chip."

#### ERUPTION ON CHILD'S BODY

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Needed Only the Beginning. Anatole France once agreed to write an essay on Moliere. He repeatedly broke his promise to his publisher, who finally threatened him with legal proceedings unless a certain number of pages were delivered within a specified time. France hurried off to his lawyer, who was none other than Rayond Poincare, now president. Poincare heard his story and said that the author would better comply with the publisher's demand. "It's impossible." said France. "But you're a genius," was the reply. "Genius is infinite patience. I can't possibly do it in the time," said France. "Nevertheless begin," replied the advocate, "and we'll see." So Poincare dictated the first sentence, "Moliere is a Parisian," and added, "Go on from there." France was complacent, perhaps inspired by the suggestion of the words, and the brilliant piece of criticism was easily done in time.

Willing to Oblige. Lady of the House (to persistent peddler)-If you don't go away immediately, I shall whistle for the dog. Peddler (calmly)—Then let me sell you a whistle, mum.-Lippincott's.

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Nuts."