

## Our Women and Children

Conducted by Lucille Skaggs Edwards.

### THE MESSAGE OF EASTER.

It was formerly the custom for the head of each family, on the evening before Easter, to extinguish the fire that had been kept burning all the year on the household hearth. On Easter morning, when the brands had turned to blackened embers, and the ashes had almost grown cold, the young men removed the grime and fire-charred fragments, and swept and made clean the fireplace. Then the young women brought flowers and green boughs, and built within the fire-tried walls a bower of beauty. In the evening, a new fire was laid. Then the priest, bearing the consecrated flint from the church, made a pilgrimage from one home to another, lighting in each a new hearth-fire, to be cherished and kept burning during the coming year.

When the fires of faith burn low, and the heart is as ashes and dust, then it is that a new hope and a new faith are lighted with the spark from the sacred Source. On the first Easter morning, as the body of our crucified Lord lay in the narrow resting-place of Joseph the Arimatheaean, the eleven disciples were sorrowful and perplexed. Some of them were doubtful; all were douncast. The fires of faith had all but burned out, and the ashes of hope and grown almost cold. But those two faithful women, Mary the Magdalene and the other Mary, still clung to His glorious promise of resurrection. As the sun shone out over the rugged ramparts of Jerusalem, they drew near to visit the sepulchre. Christ had risen. In a single instant the fires of hope and faith were rekindled, to burn in the heart of humanity for all time.

The world's faith in immortality is greater today than it has been at any other time since the great day when the Son of Man rose from the tomb. Never before has man believed so firmly as now in the imperishability of his soul, for never before has there been so much mutual helpfulness. Never has this life seemed so brief, with so little time for the service which an awakened consciousness of brotherhood demands; and never before has it seemed so inadequate to the full development of man's potential greatness.

"I go to prepare a place for you." With these words Christ expressed his own unwavering faith in the immortality of man. On the cross he said: "Father, into thy hands I commit my spirit." Thus his last utterance voiced a belief in the certainty of a future life. By faith he achieved the highest nobility possible to one who dwells on earth. The world's sole reliance today is faith—faith in God's power to harmonize the discordant elements and unite men in universal brotherhood.

The brotherhood of man is today experiencing the severest tests it has ever known; but it promises to rise triumphant to them all. By faith we shall convert all that is evil into good; and all that is ogod we shall dedicate to God.—*Mother's Magazine.*

### THE RIGHT WAY.

By Arthur Wallace Peach.

Rough is the way of life? Ah, no! It all depends just how you go. Rough is the way for him and long, Who tries to walk it without song.

Who never seeks, when cares oppress,  
Some hidden cause for happiness;  
Who does not learn before the end  
How much it means to be a friend;  
Who never sees along the way  
Some beauty touch each common day;  
Who has no goal set far ahead,  
Toward which in patience he may  
tread;

Who does not find in every hour  
Some proof of God's abiding power;  
Who does not vow, that though he fail  
To reach his goal, he shall not quail,  
But thankful be, through peace,  
through strife,  
He walks with joy his way of life!

### A GIRL'S FRIENDS.

By Mrs. Frank Learned.

Much of the happiness of life depends on making a wise choice of friends.

A girl's friends and companions show just what sort of a girl she is. A girl who is refined in her tastes will not associate with those who are loud in manner, coarse in speech, and conspicuous in dress.

One must remember that "no friendship is worth the name which does not elevate and does not help to nobility of conduct and to strength of character. It should give new zest to duty and new inspiration to all that is good."

### SPRING'S APPROACH.

By William Edward Ross.

Every time th' Souf Win' blows,  
Ticklish feelin' in mah nose,  
Makes me sort o' hol' mah breath—  
'Fraid I'll scare Ol' Win' to death  
By the mighty way I sniff,  
When I catch his fragrant drif'—  
For I jucks that I can smell  
Springtime comin' up the dell.

Blow, Ol' Souf Win', blow yo' best!  
Blow th' swallows to their nest!  
Blow th' blossoms to th' vine!  
Blow th' cones unto th' pine!  
For I vum of all the year  
Spring's th' time to me most dear,  
An' my heart renews its spring  
Every time I hear you sing.

Altruistic effort is of three kinds:  
First is that which is palliative—to  
mitigate evil which cannot be cured.  
Second is that which is remedial—  
to cure and restore.

Third, that which is constructive—  
to add to the forces which make for  
the good.

The Charity Ball will help make a  
payment on N. W. C. A. Home.—Adv.

### VOTES REPORTED BY CONTESTANTS IN THE FREE TRIP CONTEST

#### Help Your Favorite.

Frances Shaw	260
Madeline Roberts	225
Hazel Hall	105
Oletha Russell	105
Blanche Lawson	144
Ruth Jeltz	65
Pearl Ray	49
Olga Henderson	21
Ozelia Dunning	21
Anthone Edwards	no report

A charity ball will be given by the  
Advisory Board for the benefit of the  
N. W. C. A. Tuesday, April 25, at the  
Mecca. Admission 35c.—Adv.

# Silk Dresses

FOR THE EASTER PARADE

### DRESSES AT \$19.75

In plain and fancy taffetas, crepe de chenes, pongee and georgette crepes in plaited, plain flaring, draped and tunic effects. Models suitable for street, afternoon and evening wear. Included are the pretty soft spring shades, at \$19.75.

Burgess-Nash Co.—Second Floor

### DRESSES AT \$24.75

In beautiful taffetas, georgette crepes and crepe de chenes, white and dainty spring shades. The new loose coatee belted effects; others with side drapes and tunics combined with georgette crepes and chiffons, very special, at \$24.75.

## AN UNUSUALLY REPLETE ASSORTMENT OF Novelty Coats for Utility Wear

Town and country coats in color plaids and shepherd checks. Street and travel coats of covert, gabardine, serge and "cords," featuring original and distinctive silhouettes of becoming line, at \$12.00, \$25.00.

### NEW SILK COATS OF TAFFETA, FAILLE, OR TAFFETA AND POPLIN COMBINED

Redingote, full flare and short, jaunty types—navy blue or black with bandings of velvet; trimmings of self cord; stitchings of silk to entice one. Exceptional values at

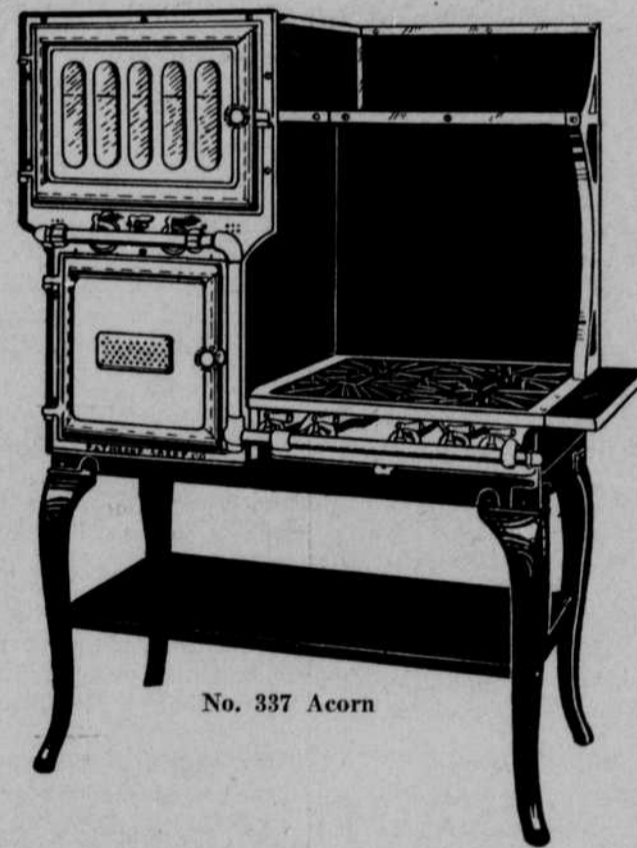
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## Burgess-Nash Company

"Everybody's Store"

## "Standard Acorn Cabinet"



No. 337 Acorn

Only one week left in which to secure one of these high grade ranges at the April price.

#### Dimensions:

Floor space required for this range is only 26x46 inches including end shelf.

#### Description:

All exposed parts are heavy Japanned finish—preventing rust; enameled door panels, drip pan and key handles—easy to clean; high shelf and splashers and glass oven door.

Regular Price.....\$37.00

APRIL PRICE.....\$33.00

5% DISCOUNT FOR CASH

You can save \$4.00 by purchasing your new range this month. See this range on our salesfloor before buying.

## Omaha Gas Company

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South 247

1509 Howard St.  
Douglas 605