

Summer Vogue of White Fur

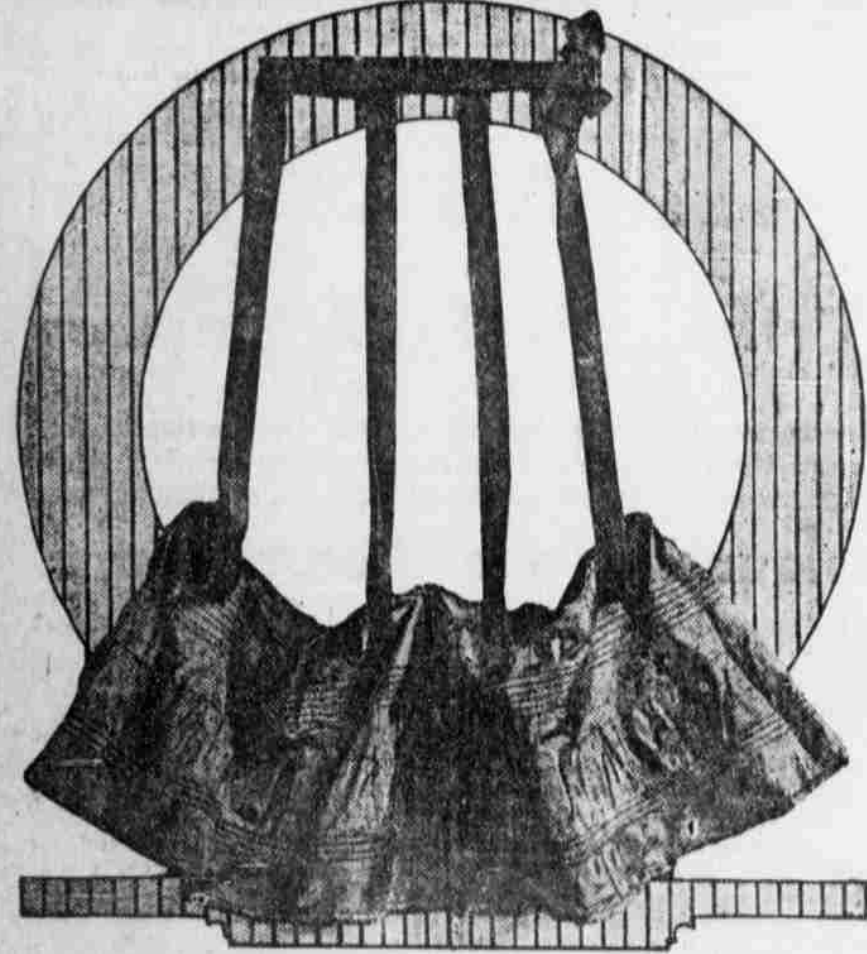


If there is one thing in the world more becoming than all others, it is the white fur neckpiece.

Let us be thankful that the majority of the neckpieces with which the wayward devotees of fashion have chosen to bedeck themselves are not really of white fox.

There would surely be few foxes left if every white neckpiece cost the life of one.

The Skeleton Petticoat



A founce suspended by ribbons, to be worn in place of a silk petticoat, is the very latest device for comfort and style.

To Mend Gloves. To mend kid gloves satisfactorily remove all ragged edges with a small, sharp pair of scissors.

erect figure correct. The fashionable girl of 1915 appears on the scene with a beautiful, erect figure.

DESIGNED FOR BUSINESS FARM

Comfortable Living Quarters, With Office and Workshop, Provided in This Plan.

ROOM FOR THE EXTRA HELP

Housewife Will Appreciate the Accommodations Provided, Which Will Keep the Men Out of the Kitchen at Meal Time— Closets in Plenty.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD. Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building for the readers of this paper.

Large farmhouses for business farms are built differently from any other kind of residence.

The business of farming is carried on to make money; therefore, part of the house becomes an office and a workshop.

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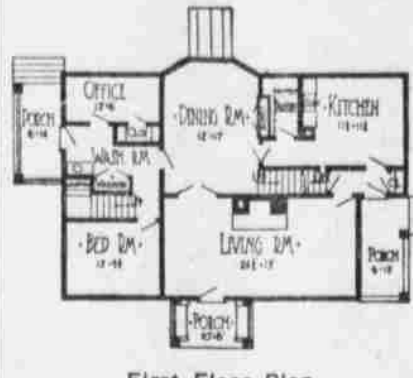
size and the use required of it. On some farms considerable use is made of dairy by-products, while other farms require only sufficient machinery to separate the milk and keep the cream at the proper temperature until it is disposed of.

For inside convenience there is a splendid easy cellar stair leading up to a hallway which connects the front porch with the kitchen and living room.

The plan of the main floor as well as upstairs is especially interesting to farmers who want considerable house room because of the extra help that is necessary at certain seasons of the year.

Farmers are obliged to bring a good deal of business into the house, which requires an office. Accommodation for extra help is needed at times in addition to the private living rooms for the family.

In this plan there is a side porch built especially for an entrance to the office and men's quarters. Entering from the porch is a washroom with a good-sized wardrobe for the especial



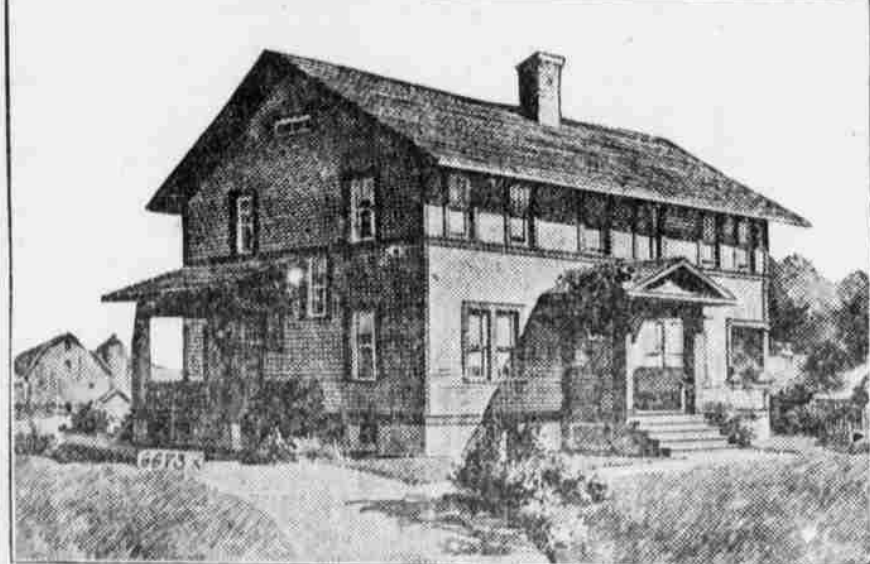
First Floor Plan.

use of the men. From this room there is a stairway leading to the two bedrooms upstairs, which are set aside for the use of the men kept by the month or year.

There is an extra bedroom downstairs that is intended for occasional use when it is necessary to keep an extra man for a few days.

The dining room, kitchen and living room are arranged especially for convenience in combining the working features with home comfort and accommodation for help at meal time.

The dining room is 12 by 17 feet, which is supposed to be large enough for all ordinary occasions. At three times it may be necessary to open the double doors into the living room



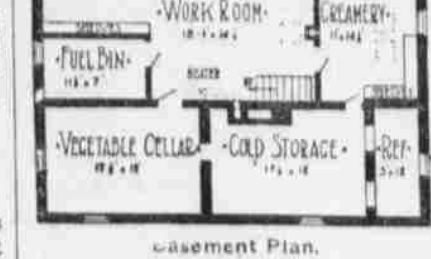
lar, cold storage and refrigerator. The other part is divided into creamery, laundry, and general workroom and fuel bin. The cold-storage part of the cellar or basement comes under the front living rooms, which is an advantage in several ways.

The wall is buried a few inches deeper into the excavations along the front part of the house; also there is less noise in the storage part to disturb the quiet of the living rooms.

The windows in the front or storage part of the cellar are of the usual cellar-window type, but the windows lighting the workrooms may be made deeper to furnish plenty of light.

There is a septic tank provided to take care of the sewage from the house, and the vitrified tile drain extends from the bottom of the laundry room to empty into this tank 100 or 200 feet away.

A back entrance with cement steps leading down to a wide doorway provides easy access into the basement.



Basement Plan.

A creamery 11 by 14 feet 6 inches is partitioned off in one corner, where the work of separating the cream and making butter may be carried on, if so desired.

The large workroom is intended to hold the warm-air furnace, a washing machine to launder by power, and laundry stove, a mangle and any other laundry machinery required.

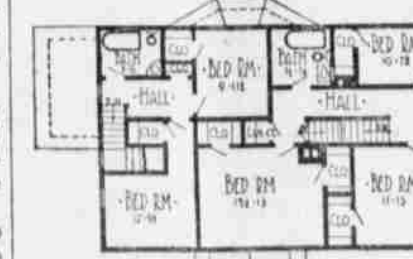
The size of the vegetable and cold-storage rooms may be varied to meet the requirements of different farms.

The chimney starting from cold storage room is no detriment, because there is no heat in the bottom of the chimney. The heat all goes up.

The little refrigerator room will be supplied with a built-in refrigerator or portable affair, according to the

and extend the dining table out to its full length, but as a usual thing the living room is intended for the use of the farmer and his family. It is provided with a big fireplace and there is plenty of room for comfortable furniture.

A stairway for the use of the family leads up from the main hallway, which also has easy connection with the living room, kitchen and side porch. The small front porch is more



Second Floor Plan.

In the nature of a private entrance with comfortable built-in seats to make it as cozy as possible in the summertime.

Upstairs there are three bedrooms and a bathroom for family use, shut off entirely from the men's department. On both sides of the upstairs there are storage closets for clothing and for linen. Altogether, the plan comprises all the conveniences and comfort possible to combine in a practical house suitable for a large family, when considerable business is carried on, and that may be occupied comfortably by a small family during winter-time.

Feeding Plants. Do you ever think of inviting your plants to dinner? An expert in plant life who took a large number of sundew plants and supplied half of them with nitrogenous food in the form of roast beef arrived at the following facts:

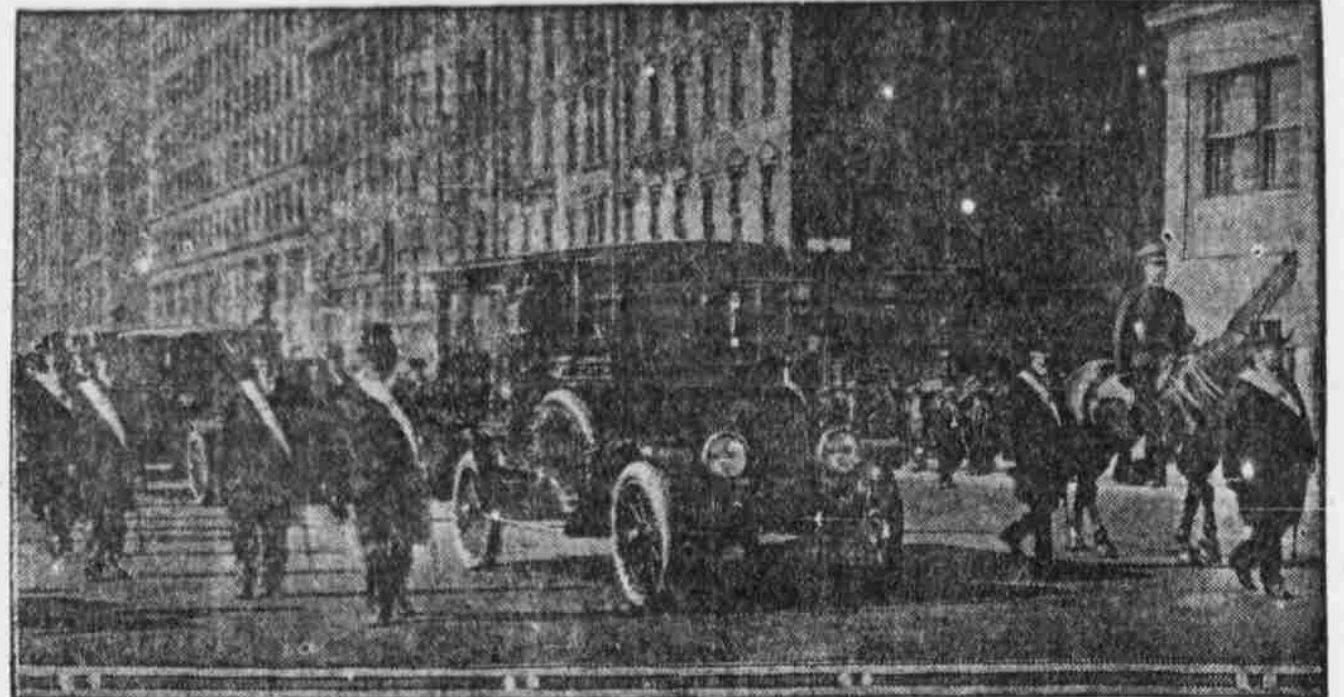
Of the plants that he fed, 89 per cent more survived than of the same number that were not fed in this way; their stems weighed 41 per cent more, they excelled the starved plants in the number of their seeds by 141 per cent, and in the aggregate weight of their seeds by 279 per cent.

Other scientists who have fed these plants with aphides of similar small insects have secured like results.

Fast or Slow? "I judge from the harassed look on that driver's face that he hasn't owned an automobile long."

"Why, he's been motoring for years." "What's the matter with him then?" "I notice his passengers are a sedate elderly woman and a pretty young one. Maybe he can't adjust his speed to suit them."

FUNERAL OF ARCHBISHOP QUIGLEY IN CHICAGO



Funeral procession of Archbishop James Edward Quigley of Chicago as seen on Michigan boulevard, the automobile hearse escorted by members of Catholic societies.

HAS OWN "CARNEGIE"

Western Kansas Has Philanthropist to Itself.

Makes No Noise, School Libraries His Hobby, and Churches of All Creeds Are Well Taken Care Of.

Topeka.—Out in western Kansas lives a modest man—George W. Finnup of Garden City—who is conducting a "foundation" of his own.

Mr. Finnup's hobby is to help the country schools and churches, and the good he is doing in this respect is attested by the people of six counties in the southern part of the state. If there is a single country school in those counties which has no library, it is not Mr. Finnup's fault.

Thirty-six years ago George Finnup, a thirteen-year-old boy, came from Indiana with his parents and settled at Garden City. From that day to this he has worked like a Trojan.

Some time ago Mr. Finnup conceived the idea of using the money which he had made, or a large portion of it at least, in trying to make western Kansas a better place in which to live.

The public furnished the textbooks if a family was too poor to buy them; the district supplied the building, the blackboards and teacher. One essential was lacking, however—a good library. So he made a proposition to every country school in Finney county that he would donate a sum of money if it would match it, for the purpose of equipping the school of that district with an up-to-date library.

The result is that the country children of Finney county have access to as good books as do the children of the larger cities. So popular was the enterprise that Mr. Finnup extended the proposition to five other counties in southwestern Kansas, and they, too, are taking advantage of it with avidity.

The books selected for the school libraries are chosen by a committee named by the district boards. The only suggestion Mr. Finnup makes is that the books shall be wholesome and that they cover history, the sciences and fiction. No "yellow backs" or coarse books are permitted.

After getting his library enterprise well started, Mr. Finnup branched out in another direction. Education must be accompanied with religion to assure the best results, he reasoned, although he himself is not a church-going man. The influence of the church, next to the school, would help western Kansas materially, he believed. He did not care to pass judgment on the several creeds nor to dictate whom the churches should employ as pastors.

Bones in Shark's Stomach. Miami, Fla.—A skull, a right shoulder blade, a left thigh bone, and several other smaller bones were found in the stomach of a 12-foot shark caught by Henry Sanford of Richmond, Conn. The victim was a white man.

MAKE MEAT BY ELECTRICITY

Lighting of Pans at Night Causes Sheep to Eat More, Thinking it Day, and Grow Fat.

Spokane, Wash.—The illumination of sheep pens by electricity to encourage the animals to eat frequently and so fatten for market in record time is a novel scheme of Oregon ranchers, according to Samuel Galand, vice-president of the Spokane and Eastern Trust company, who

WOMEN AS CAR CONDUCTORS

They Have Done So Well That They May Be Retained After War is Over.

Newcastle, Eng.—As street car conductors women have done so well here that many people believe they will be retained after the war, or at least that they will be regarded as equally eligible with men for such positions.

The last meeting of the tramways committee the general manager reported that 48 woman conductors had been trained and half that number were now in full charge of cars.

"The employment of women," he said, "has been an unqualified success. They have done far better than the most sanguine expectations when we first ventured on the experiment."

The committee decided to employ more woman conductors and an announcement was made that applications for service in that capacity would be welcomed.

NOW DOES HIS OWN TIPPING

Columbus Restaurant Keeper Tries Unique Plan and Finds it Profitable.

Columbus, O.—Manager Ben Harman of a local restaurant tips his waiters, so that with their regular weekly stipend and the plunder picked up from generous patrons they are reasonably happy.

Harman says it pays to tip waiters. The way he does it is this: Each month there is a contest, all of the waiters being entered. The one who shows the largest receipts gets \$15. The waiter serving the largest number of persons gets \$10, and the third prize of \$5 goes to the best all around average for politeness.

LOVE GERMAN PASTOR



The recent anti-German riots in Great Britain, which came as a climax to the sinking of the Lusitania, was not directed at every German inhabitant of the British empire, for there are still a great number of Germans who are regarded with the highest esteem by their British neighbors.

This has been strongly emphasized in Birmingham, England, in the case of Rev. Gertrude von Petzold, M. A., who is seen in the accompanying photograph at work preparing a sermon. For fifteen years she has been a resident of England and during that time she has endeared herself in the hearts of her neighbors to such a degree that they have petitioned the home secretary to grant her naturalization papers. She is the pastor at Waverly Road Unitarian church and has taken her degree at Edinburgh university.

CITY MEN ARE EASY

Swindlers Now Pass Up the Rural Dwellers.

Automobiles and Newspapers Have Combined to "Put Them Wise" to the "Con" Man—Town Folk Still Fall for Swindles.

Omaha.—Attracted by the great prosperity of the trans-Missouri country, an army of sharpers and "con" men are swarming around Nebraska farmers. But they are meeting with mighty poor success. The ruralists who, a few years ago, would "bite" at almost any old bunco game have become so thoroughly sophisticated that they are as wary as a jack rabbit and as wise as a treeful of oaks.

The lightning-rod agents are going out of business; the washing-machine salesmen who take fake receipts for their goods are hunting other pastures, and the spurious nurserymen who sell willow sprouts for grape trees are finding that they are no longer able to dispose of their stock. The farmers are "wise" to their tricks.

There are still many schemes worked on the gullible to separate them from their money, but the gullible ones are the city men and the men from the towns—not the farmers. Now and then a man from the country is buncoed out of a few dollars, but when the "con" man of the present starts out after money in big bunches he goes after the city men and lets the farmer severely alone.

The automobiles and the newspapers have worked the transformation. Back of the automobiles are the great corn and wheat fields, of course, but the autos have put the farmers in the suburban class everywhere and the newspapers have taught them the wiles of the bunco artists.

When the Mabray gang of swindlers, operating in Omaha and Council Bluffs, cleaned up more than \$1,000,000 on their bunco games it was significant that not a single farmer was caught by them, but that every one of their victims came from the cities and larger towns.

William Hall, a farmer of Cass county, was approached by a suave stranger who wanted to leave a barnful of washing machines at Hall's place and get Hall's signature to a rental contract while the agent was out selling. The farmer saw that the contract was so worded that it became a promissory note under certain conditions, so he had the fellow arrested.

Last summer and fall a gang went through the West selling wild horses to any purchaser, the purchaser to go down into Arizona and catch his horses right on the plains. Many thousands of dollars were paid in to their treasurer, but not a single purchaser was able to catch one of the horses he had bought. And these fellows did not even attempt to sell to the farmers. They went after the city men and the men in the small towns.

A few years ago no farmer in Nebraska could build a new barn without half a dozen lightning-rod agents going after him. They even offered to put the lightning rods up almost free of charge in order to beat the other fellow. But after some of the contracts turned up at the bank in the form of sight drafts the farmers became suspicious. Now the lightning-rod man can do business in the towns and small cities, but he cannot sell a yard of lightning rod to a farmer.

The farmers have got so keen they can smell a swindling scheme before the sharper has a chance to unfold his scheme to them.

All these schemes are still worked. But now it is the man from the small town or the foreigner who is caught by them. The western farmers have got the money, but they no longer wear chin whiskers, nor do they have hayseed in their hair and beads on their backs. But no "con" man can fool them any more.

Fined for Spanking. Evansville, Ind.—After admitting he spanked his sixteen-year-old daughter for going out at night with a "beau," Frank H. Otta, a local business man, was fined in the city court.

the irrigation districts and for chopping grain in the winter where they raise stock.

"At the latter place we saw electricity put to a novel use for winter feeding. The sheep pens are wired, and the light is turned on at four o'clock in the afternoon in winter and burns until nine o'clock. The sheep feed all the time the light is on. It is turned on at four o'clock in the morning and the sheep main begin to feed. The frequent feeding brings them to the marketing stage quickly."