

# The Slaton Slatonite

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## WALLING SAYS SLATON CROP REPORTS ARE BEST IN STATE

The issues of the Slatonite containing the Slaton crop reports caused much comment wherever the papers circulated, and no other paper has attempted to make a showing that can equal it. Tom B. Walling, writing to the Slatonite from Austin, Tex., about this showing of the Slaton country, says:

"Your papers of Nov. 20th and 27th were hummers, and such splendid crop reports are bound to cause wide awake people to sit up and take notice. Several of those farmers I know personally and their word is just as good as gold. I wish Taylor, Austin, and San Marcos papers could have a copy of that report and reproduce it in their dailies, for I am sure that Williamson, Travis, and Hays counties could not show any such report, and they have the finest black land in central Texas. And this land has been selling, up to the time of the great Eastern war, from \$100 to \$200 per acre. While we have better markets and more labor it is an admitted fact that this country must depend largely on cotton for a money crop.

"The fine supply of good water on the South Plains will appeal to our farmers more than any one thing, for most of the Black Land folks must depend on tanks and cisterns for water. The low price of cotton and high price of land here ought to bring you good results. You will find that most of the people here call the Plains "Out West," and so many went from here to the country between here and the Plains several years ago where the crops have been failures, and they moved back. The "South Plains" are really unknown to the most of those who were unfortunate in their purchases of land "Out West."

"I want to get some of those reports you are going to get out for distribution in the Slaton literature. I enjoy your sheet every week."

J. B. Page, a farmer at Mynus, in the Mimbres Valley of New Mexico, built a mill to grind watermelons into pulp and convert the juice into vinegar. The first melons were turned into the grind in September, and there were 300 acres of melons to go into the mill for a total of 300,000 gallons of vinegar this season. The mill will manufacture, also, by-products, as table oils, pickles, preserves, syrups, and stock foods, and has twenty

men on its payroll. The watermelon, if put to the limit of its uses, is a great institution.

Frank Bowles sold his undivided half interest in 320 acres of Section 39 last week to M. F. Lloyd of Lamesa. The consideration was \$25.00 per acre. Mr. Lloyd will improve the land, move to it, and place a considerable area under cultivation. This land is north of the railroad yards and just northwest of the Santa Fe lake.

Bud Howell, Algie Howell, and Jube Meador of Bells, Texas, came to Slaton this week to work in the fields here this winter. They say the mud was knee deep down home when they left. We don't wonder that they took a notion to come to the South Plains.

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## FRUIT TRAIN MALLET ENGINE WRECKS LOCAL AT TEXICO

Engine No. 1039 on the local freight 434, between Slaton and Clovis, was wrecked and turned over into the ditch at Texico Tuesday by being sideswiped by Engine No. 1164 on an east bound fruit train running extra out of Clovis. The local train was switching at Texico when the fruit train high balled thru the yards at high speed. Engineer H. T. Shelby of Slaton was in charge of the local engine and when he saw the big engine passing the station at he knew that an accident was unavoidable and he and his fireman, J. H. Robinson, jumped. They had barely gotten out of the way when 1164 struck the train.

Three or four fruit cars were scratched along the side before the mallet got close enough for serious damage. A car of oranges was then scrambled, the tender demolished, and the engine turned over. The big engine, in charge of Engineer Jim Talifero, which did the damage was turned to the left at an angle of forty-five degrees by the impact. No one was seriously hurt.

R. R. Geer was conductor in charge of the local. The fruit train was running to Amarillo, and should have been under control in passing thru the Texico yards.

Tillie El Cartra, a Holstein cow owned by A. W. Morris, a ranchman near Woodland, California, has broken the world's record in milk production, the test ending in November. In the last 365 days Tillie El Cartra has given a total of 30,452.8 pounds of milk—861 pounds more than her nearest rival, another Holstein named Creamelle which held the previous record.

An old darkey walked into a certain drug store the other day and asked for a penny's worth of insect powder.

"What's that?" exclaimed the clerk, "one cent's worth? Why,

a penny wouldn't pay for the paper and string and the time and trouble of wrapping it up."

"Who said anything 'bout wrappin' it up?" replied the aged negro. "I want you to po'r that powd'r down my back."

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## Tahoka Cries Over Basketball Games

"Slaton was resplendent with borrowed glory yesterday, that being Thanksgiving day in that burg same as in the remaining forty eight states of the Union. The occasion was the payment of a visit to the "four days division point" by a coach load of Tahokaites. Incidentally a double header basket ball game was played to the enlightenment of some of the population of the community.

"The male team of the Slaton free school and educational institute were ranged against our high school huskies. Upon the claim that there was no one in town more competent, the Slaton boys put forth as referee, a lady teacher who had never seen a game played. There was some rough play, blamed to no one in particular. The Slaton referee seemed a little unjust and Prof. Montgomery, coach and referee for our boys being a single man and a gentleman, was rather timid about contending for points she demanded. Really the game was not decisive, the score cards failing to tall when time was called; Tahoka's card showing ten and Slaton's card showing ten to eight, their advantage.

"The girls game was a walk over from the first, and ended in the lopsided score of sixteen to four, Tahoka's advantage.

"Say what we will otherwise, the Slaton bunch are pretty good sports and know how to extend hospitality."

This is a verbatim et literatim reproduction of the leading paragraphs in a column of rambling incoherency in last week's Tahoka News that is supposed to be a report of the basketball games played in Slaton Thanksgiving Day. Some one either grossly imposed on the News or else the funny man tried to write the game up from hearsay and does not know that smartaleckness is a poor substitute for humor, and that vulgar humor is a sorry thank you in acknowledgment of hospitality.

We hesitate to accept the cumbersome sentences, the glaring errors in orthography, and the

ungrammatical clauses of the article as a representation of the standing of Tahoka's schools, yet have no other alternative, as the article shows for itself.

As to "borrowed glory, burg, remaining states, four days division, enlightenment, free school," and kindred expressions, they are a weak play of language, and one could not expect the tenor of a descriptive article like the News' report of the game to rise above its source. It is customary for people to feel about like the trend of the News' article when they come to a larger town; and in an endeavor to put on a good front often overdo the stunt.

Of the games themselves, there were several matters in connection with them that Slaton did not approve of, but a game is only a game after all, enjoyed for its sensations regardless of the final score. Slaton expected to win both games on the merits of the scholars who played, but accepted the result philosophically, told the visitors we had enjoyed the day, hoped that they had had a good time, and invited them back again. But since Tahoka has chosen to "beef" because their boys were defeated it has chilled relations between the schools considerably.

The gentlemanly referee was the one who didn't know the rules, and the game had to be stopped several times while the Slaton lady took the book and read the rules to him. There was one commendable feature about his actions, and that was that he understood English; but his gallantry wasn't noticeable at Slaton. The Slaton lady was entirely competent, informed, and experienced in the game, both as a player and a referee, the News' informant to the contrary notwithstanding.

The Tahoka boys forfeited their game at three different times but the Slaton boys courteously refused to take advantage of their visitors and granted them the privilege of playing a full game. The score cards were decisive. The official score showed 10 to 6, and an unofficial

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card which Tahoka kept showed 10 to 8 in Slaton's favor.

Regarding the girls' game. The distinct understanding between the schools was that no one except scholars were to play, but Tahoka's team only had two school girls on it, the rest being young ladies who were not attending school.

Again, Tahoka absolutely refused to play unless the games were played under last winter's rules. They said they couldn't play under the late rules. Slaton courteously acquiesced to them, altho they frankly confessed that they didn't know how to play under rules that were ancient history.

A game is only a friendly contest and unless won fairly on merit is disappointing both to the victor and the vanquished. Tahoka's idea seems to have been to win regardless of the method. Slaton is proud of our lady referee and our people consider the News' statements as unfair. It ill becomes a gentleman to hide behind a lady to justify himself.

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Jess Bruner was down from Clovis, N. M., the first of the week looking after property interests.

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## LOCAL Gossip

I will do your shoe and harness repair work. Try me. Joe Kimbrough.

Prof. and Mrs. N. A. Terrell have a boy at their home, born Monday morning.

Let us test your eyes and fit you with a pair of glasses that will rest your eyes.—Red Cross Pharmacy.

B. O. Cloud, manager of the Slaton Lumber Company, had a severe attack of illness last week but has recovered.

Olive & Guinn received the new engine for their picture show the first of the week, and have installed it and the dynamo just at the rear of the building.

In a letter from John F. Schriever at Taylor, Texas, he states that he had sold 320 acres of Slaton land and that the purchaser would have it put under cultivation next year.

A. C. Benton says he found the most shiftless men in town, Tuesday. He saw two men dig a hole in the ground and then go out to the canyon and get a load of sand to fill the hole with. If that isn't energy wasted, ask W. E. Olive and G. W. Guinn.

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Fair enough, is it not? If you mean business see or write  
**C. C. HOFFMAN** SLATON, TEXAS

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Page Thursday last week.

Get your shoes and bring them to Kimbrough. He will repair them.

Mrs. T. A. Amos went to Houston Sunday to visit her daughters there.

Have us wrap up your Christmas goods now. Everybody will buy early.—Red Cross Pharmacy.

Watch Robertson's special window displays for timely Christmas suggestions.

H. T. McGee reports having sold a half-section of land each to three South Dakota homeseekers last week.

If it's jewelry you want for Christmas, we have it. Come and tell us about it.—Red Cross Pharmacy.

Joe Kimbrough purchased Joe Teague's shoe shop Tuesday and has located at Morgan's tin shop where he will do all kinds of shoe and harness repairing.

A. J. Martin and J. S. Boone arrived in Slaton yesterday from Houston to look at the South Plains with a view to buying land and locating here.

There will be a "Grand Cake Sale" on Wednesday Night, Dec. 23, at 8.00 o'clock in the School Auditorium. All ladies bring cakes and all gentlemen come prepared to buy. This is a good chance to get your Christmas cake. Nothing charged for admission. A nice entertainment and program will be given free of all charge.

Program for Parent-Teacher's Association Friday, Dec. 18th: Devotional Exercises.

Roll Call, responded to by a name of a Christmas story, a Christmas song, or a Christmas quotation.

Reading, Frances Adams.  
Music, Miss Connell.  
Paper, Mrs. Wallace.  
Solo, Francis Blundell.  
Social Half-Hour.  
Refreshments.

The Slatonite has told how the demand for rent houses in Slaton has exceeded the supply occasioned by the new people coming to this city, how business in all mercantile lines has increased, that the banks are showing the largest business in their history, and now the post office is adding its testimony to the growth of the city. The business at the post office has increased to such an extent that more lock boxes were necessary, and Postmistress Annie F. Higbee this week added 234 new boxes to the service, also a new general delivery and other fixtures to aid in handling the mails.

**D**OES IT PAY TO ADVERTISE? Well, yes. Some few months ago we asked the people of this community thru the Slatonite for their patronage after marketing this bountiful crop. The results show in the following

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Cash and Sight Exchange	29,455.89	DEPOSITS . . . . .	47,594.52
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The Baptist Ladies Aid will hold a market at the Hampton building Saturday. Commencing Monday they will hold a bazaar at the Forrest Hardware.

DRESSMAKING.—Sewing of all kinds. Your patronage respectfully solicited. Call at my rooms on the lower floor of the Higbee building, west of the Singleton Hotel.—Mrs. C. B. Hubbard.

Engineer Frank Hackley who has been running out of Slaton for the past two years has been transferred to Canadian and will run between Canadian and Wynoka. His friends gave him a farewell dance at the Slaton Reading Room Friday night, which was enjoyed by all. Frank will be missed by all Slatonites, and we wish him success on his new run.

J. L. Hoffman has decided to locate in Slaton and may improve his lot in South Slaton near his brother, D. C. Hoffman's, home. His brother-in-law, T. A. Battin, will move here also from near Muenster, Texas, to a farm nine miles northwest of Slaton which is to be improved for him. Instead of Mr. Hoffman's family, it was his sister, Mrs. Battin, and family who accompanied him to Slaton. Mr. Battin will come later.

I. W. Meyer, who is building a suburban home in South Slaton, is one of the pioneer farmers of the South Plains, and was the first one to raise a bale of cotton in Lynn County. In 1901 he came west and purchased 160 acres of land and prepared two acres for cotton. There were four other farmers in Lynn County. The cattlemen did everything they could to discourage Mr. Meyer from introducing cotton on the Plains, and scouted the idea, saying that the bores would never open. However, when the crop matured it was an object of great curiosity for every person who came to Taboka, and many drove long distances to see it. Mr. Meyer had a fine watermelon patch also, and reaped quite a nice profit selling melons to the overland tourists. He picked the cotton and hauled it seventy miles to a gin at Snyder. The little cotton patch and the melons paid for the quarter section of land, which had cost Mr. Meyer one dollar an acre above the state money, in that one year. Mr. Meyer staked his faith to the Plains stronger than ever, and prospered at farming in the following years and bought more and more land until he and his wife earned the nice home they are building at Slaton.

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Col. L. A. H. Smith went to Plainview yesterday to visit a daughter for a few days.

Great Britain Has Monster Army in Training on the Home Soil.

London.—The British army on rolls and drilling in the United Kingdom now amounts approximately to 1,500,000 men. Of this total about eight hundred thousand men belong to what is termed "Kitchener's army"—men who have responded to his two calls for 500,000 soldiers to serve three years or for the duration of the war. About six hundred thousand belong to the territorials, while the remainder are enrolled with the special reserves, so called, or with the regular army, and have seen service previously.

#### Legion of English Poles.

London.—In the event of a serious danger of German invasion the war office will be able to rely on having among the defenders all the Polish societies in London, and it was resolved to form at least one legion of English Poles for this use.

R. A. Baldwin has relieved Prof. N. A. Terrell from his duties at the Slaton Schools this week and has been acting principal temporarily so he, the Professor, could get acquainted with N. A. Jr. who arrived at his home Monday.

The Missionary Society of the M. E. church elected the following officers Dec. 7, for the coming year: President, Mrs. W. H. Proctor; 1st Vice, Mrs. Joe H. Smith; 2nd Vice, Mrs. W. E. Olive; 3rd Vice, Mrs. I. W. Hudgens; 4th Vice, Mrs. T. A. Worley; Corresponding Sec. Mrs. S. H. Adams; Recording Secretary, Mrs. R. L. Blanton; Connectional Treas., Mrs. L. P. Loomis; Local Treas., Mrs. Henry Bessing; Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. A. B. Robertson, Sr.; Agent for Missionary Voice, Mrs. Dave Stokes.

## The Slaton Slatonite

L. P. Loomis ..... Editor and Manager

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Entered as second-class mail matter September 15, 1911, at the post office at Slaton, Texas, under the Act of March 3, 1897.

The South Plains has been having an unusual amount of cloudy weather during the last few weeks.

The Brownfield Herald says that a man from Slaton went to Tahoka the other day and got on a whiz, but was promptly consigned to the cooler by the sheriff. So that's where people go when they want to get on a whiz, is it? He deserved to be juggled.

A real newspaperman is one who has a balance in the bank in addition to a reputation as a writer, and that balance to be net earnings from the income of the newspaper business. A flash in the pan writer who spreads hot air for a few months and then drifts on to another location, leaving behind a large number of unpaid bills or a heavy loss to the owners of the business is a cheap imitation of a gentleman of the newspaper profession. A man must be a good business man and able to show a profit year after year and have ability that commands respect from his readers before is entitled to the emblem of the pen and scizzors.

The fact has been suggested that the Slatonite does not carry prominently enough the fact that the Slaton land requires no fertilizer for raising crops; that this is a great thing to east Texas farmers who have to buy four or five dollars worth of fertilizer for each acre every year. Well, maybe we have overlooked a bet there, but never having lived in a country that required fertilizer for the land, this idea seldom comes to mind. Fertilizing land is a subject that, we are proud to state, it has never been necessary for us to become informed on, and we are prouder to state that South Plains land doesn't require fertilizer.

The idea advanced by Mr. Tom B. Walling in his letter printed elsewhere in the Slatonite about the experience some people have in coming Out West is what we have been putting forth as an advantage that the South Plains has over the rest of western Texas. People in central and eastern Texas think that everything west of Fort Worth is West Texas and that the whole area is similar in climate and rainfall. So when they move to some county east of the Cap Rock and become dissatisfied they move back to the south and say that all of West Texas is no good. And they are honest about it, because they don't know any better. They don't know that the Cap Rock is a topographical demarkation that separates the South Plains from West Texas; a conformity that takes you into a different kind of country from West Texas, a different climate, and a heavier and more certain rainfall. The Slaton South Plains is an empire in itself, distinct from all surrounding regions and possessed of natural advantages from its unique situation that others do not own. You have not seen the best of the west until you have seen the Slaton South Plains.

Snow fell at Clovis, N. M., last week when rain was falling at Slaton.

Plainview has been working to secure a second rural mail route but received word the other day that the government is economizing greatly on account of the decreased revenue, and that no new routes will be established until conditions improve.

The Slaton literature will be ready for distribution next week. When you get it don't lay it away but use it in advertising our city and country. It is being printed to be read by people who want to know about the South Plains. Mail them to the folks down home.

"What is the correct pronunciation of Przemysl?" asks a reader of the Dallas News.

The wise owl that presides over the information department of the News enlightens the reader thusly: "Przemysl, pshemishl, first letter silent."

Now then, will somebody please pronounce pshemishl? It looks like a cross between a sneeze and a stutter.

After a varying experience in trying out newspapermen, the C B Live Stock Company took over the Crosbyton Review recently, and Mr. Avery Coonley of that company is now owner and publisher. In his introductory issue Mr. Coonley takes hold of the steering wheel of country newspaperdom like a man who will become a good driver in the upbuilding of the South Plains, and the Slatonite welcomes him to the fourth estate.

Milo Maize came to the United States about thirty years ago, and is found principally west of the Mississippi River. The United States Department of Agriculture has pronounced it to be the surest grain crop. The average yield of milo maize in the West is forty bushels, or 2,000 pounds, per acre. There have been yields of eighty bushels reported. Some farmers plant milo maize, kafir corn, or feterita in place of Indian corn. In quality of food for livestock, it almost is the equal of Indian corn, and more than of oats and barley. Horses doing heavy work may be fed maize three times, daily. Rolled or cracked, it is fed to beef cattle with great profit. It, also, is fed to dairy cows, to hogs, and to poultry. One hundred pounds of maize will produce twenty-two pounds of pork, and if eighty pounds of maize and twenty of alfalfa be mixed the result will be even better.—The Earth.

**Won His Bride With an Ax.**  
Oakland, Cal.—When William Slattery, a railroader, appeared at the home of John V. McCulloch to claim his bride, a daughter of McCulloch, the door was slammed in his face, and he was left standing on the stoop. Arming himself with an ax, Slattery raided the house and his prospective father-in-law surrendered the bride. The couple went to the nearest minister and were married.

Sheridan, Wyo.—Following a rattlesnake to its den, Fred Williams, a farmer on the head of Seventy-six creek, near here, was attacked by what seemed to him to be hundreds of reptiles. With an ordinary hoe handle Williams killed 211 snakes and only quit because of exhaustion. Williams says the den has two prongs, that he killed snakes from only one side of the winter quarters and believes several hundred reptiles will be found in the unmolested side of the den when he returns there to clean out the nest. The snakes were drowsy and had evidently holed up for the winter, as they were twisted together in knots.

## 500,000 GERMANS ARE IDLE

Trade Unions Report From Two to Six Applicants for Every Job.

Berne, Switzerland.—Figures made public by the German trade unions place the number of unemployed in Germany at 500,000. The same authority says that the average number of applicants for every 100 places open is from 200 to 300 in Berlin, Breslau, Hanover, Frankfort, Dusseldorf and Strasburg; 350 in Bremen and Hamburg, 492 in Leipsic, 629 in Dresden, while in nine other important cities the average number of applicants for every 100 jobs ranges from 160 to 200.

**Sir Edward Grey's Lunch.**  
London.—It costs Sir Edward Grey 18 cents nightly to belong to a supper club organized by the clerks on duty at night in the foreign office, which has not closed since the war began. The feed is served at midnight in the large waiting room just off the treasurer's office. It consists of sandwiches, beer and coffee. Sir Edward is a regular attendant. During the 30 minutes allowed for the midnight luncheon war topics in any shape or form are barred as subjects of conversation.

A Georgia magistrate was perplexed by the conflicting claims of two negro women for a baby, each contending that she was the mother of it. The judge remembered Solomon, and drawing a bowie knife from his boot, declared he would give half to each woman. The negroes were horrified, but had no doubt of the authority and determination of the judge to make the proposed division.

"Don' do dat, Boss," they both screamed, "you can keep it yo'se'f."

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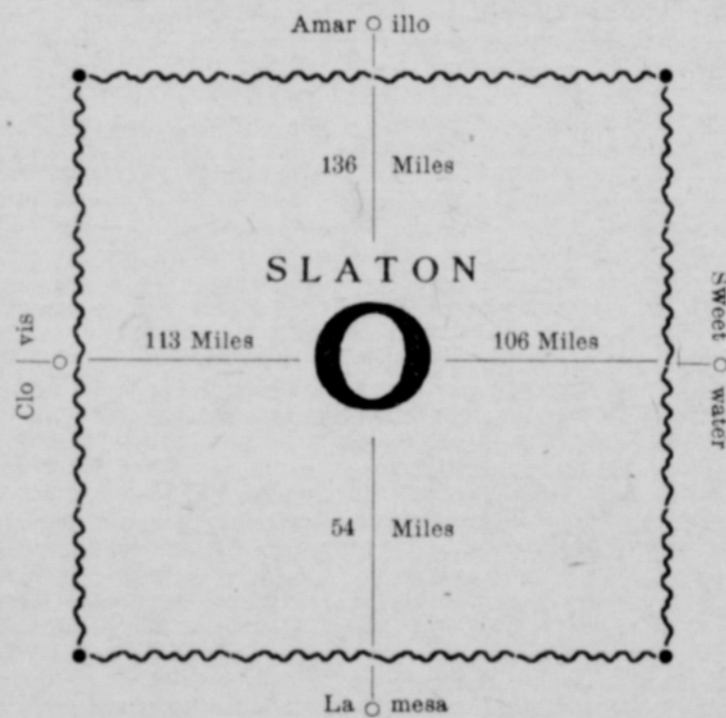
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**CLERK DESERVED THE ROSE**

His Process of Clever Reasoning Was Certainly Well Worth the Decoration.

When a telegram arrived at the Waldorf addressed to Mrs. S. Harkins, Edward Glasheen, the information clerk, looked through his big book and found no person by the name of Harkins was stopping in the hotel. It is a part of his duties, according to the New York Times, to deliver telegrams that at first look undeliverable, and as he studied the address on the telegram, knowing something about the Morse alphabet, he remembered that "h" is four dots and a "p" is five. Whereupon he looked into his big book again and found that Mrs. S. Parkins was stopping in the hotel.

When Mrs. Parkins came to the desk, he handed her the telegram and asked if it was for her. She handed it back. "I am sure it is not for me," she said.

"Would you mind opening and making sure?" asked Glasheen. Mrs. Parkins tore open the envelope and glanced at the signature. "Why, it is for me!" she exclaimed.

Then Glasheen picked up the rose somebody had just presented to John Woolfe, his assistant, and stuck it in his buttonhole.

"Shot" for Johnny.

"I wonder why they call that a lady-bug?" queried Johnny. "Because it's got good manners and behaves itself and doesn't go shouting around like a boy, I guess," answered his sister.

Sometimes a man has to be smart in order to make enough money to support his grown-up sons.

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"Surpassing others in greatness, goodness, extent or value of any quality."—Century Dictionary.

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**TUNICS FOR EVENING**

CHANTILLY NET TRIMMED WITH PEARL IS EFFECTIVE.

Illustration Shows Combination of Lace and Fur in a Most Attractive Form—May Easily Be Adapted to More Youthful Wearer.

Laces figure importantly again in evening gowns, used for an entire gown or combined with other fabrics. The preference is generally given to the sheer, delicately traced laces rather than the heavy ones, and it is possible to obtain some very effective designs at reasonable prices. But naturally the better the lace the handsomer a gown will be.

One of the most effective tunics that has been seen was made of Chantilly net trimmed with a border design of pearl beads. Another clever evening gown tunic was of steel-beaded gray net over a gray charmeuse skirt, and the tunic was deeply bordered with a band of the charmeuse.

In the handsome gown of the illustration a delicate shadow lace tunic is mounted over a long tunic of white chiffon bordered with ermine, and this in turn covers a white satin skirt faced to knee depth with black satin and slashed a tiny bit just over the feet in front.

One very attractive touch is noted in the ermine tails that hang around the lace tunic just above its edge.

There is a lace bodice with slightly surplised fronts and kimono sleeves interestingly "nicked out" on the top of the arms. A section of black satin cut in a deep point, front and back, covers a portion of the bodice at either side, and is bordered on the inside with ermine banding that runs over the shoulders. Black satin is also used for the swathed hip girdle, which crosses directly at center front; the overlapping end hooking at the left side.

A more youthful version of this design can be evolved through the use of

**FALL STREET COSTUME**



In this stylish model, the designer has used hunter's green gabardine. The three-piece suit will be very fashionable during the coming season.

**FOR COMFORT AND SERVICE**

One-Piece Dress May Truly Be Said to Be Indispensable Part of the Wardrobe.

What a comfort it is to have an all-round, serviceable cloth dress—serge preferably—that is made along semi-tailored lines and warm enough to wear as a street dress in the fall, and which later on in cold weather will not be too bulky to wear under a long coat! Provided it is easy to get into, and all in one piece, it will prove the most convenient and indispensable garment included in a woman's wardrobe.

Checks and plaid materials, to say nothing of Roman stripes, will all be exceedingly good for the smart cloth frocks of this type, and many of them are interestingly combined with taffeta or satin and, incidentally, since they are so combined, a solution is offered for the remaking and remodeling of old cloth dresses.

A smart and typically American design was a blouse made with long sleeves cut in one and finished with turned-back cuffs of linen. The neck is relieved by a broad, flat collar and a rolling narrower one, both of white linen. A line of silver buttons adds a jaunty note to the open front edges of the blouse.

The long tunic is given fullness by introducing evenly-packed box plaits all around, the spaces between which are covered as far as the hip line with soutache braiding in self-color. The braiding is continued across the front of the skirt between the open edges of the tunic, but with the design arranged to give a cutaway line from the belt.

**DICTATES OF FASHION**

The skirt of the new corsets is slightly shorter. There is a tendency to trim all suits with fur.

Black velvet jackets are trimmed with astrakhan. Pearls are again being used a great deal for embroideries. Flounces and ruffles share the interest with tunic and plaits.

The hat shaped like a jockey cap is the latest fad in millinery. White crepe de chine blouses are trimmed with striped pique.

There's to be a revival of "tippets" and barrel muffs, and these quaint items of the feminine toilet will be made of velvet and of thick satin and trimmed with bands of fur. For morning, hats are being made of ribbon velvet and of thick brocaded silk. These models are untrimmed save for a band of handsome ribbon round the crown, and they are worn with washing veils of real lace.

**Good Idea.**

One systematic little woman marks all her bed linen with the date of purchase. "I got this idea," she said, "when I was in the hospital, and saw how the sheets there were marked with the date and room number. I use indelible ink with a very fine pen and mark the sheets at the left side of the bottom hem something on this order: 'Crib sheet, August, 1912.' In a little book I mark down what the sheets cost and where I got them and in that way I try to see how well a certain grade wears, so as to know if I shall buy it again."

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sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working; you'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and cannot salivate. Give it to your children! Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

**Concentration.**

It has been said that the world needs a few people who can do many things well, but it needs many people who can do one thing well. Concentration brings the best results, and we need not mourn because we cannot do the work our neighbor is doing, if only our own occupation is a useful one and we are putting into it our best thought and skill. Great and small are only relative terms, and any work that ministers to the welfare of mankind—the part of mankind that is right around us—is well worth the doing.—Selected.

**Rub It On and Rub It In.**

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"But," suggested her small brother, "s'pose somebody had told you not to eat apples?"

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