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**QUOTATION OF THE WEEK**

The building of a family remains the Great Adventure, the road that is always new. It is not for every man and woman to undertake it, it is a happiness, a fulfillment not granted to all. But, ah, the glory and the beauty and the triumph of the dreaded Fifties and Sixties to the man and woman who begin them deeply established in a real home of their own creating—Kathleen Norris.

## WHAT PRICES

The recent report that the farm implement manufacturing industry in the United States is concentrated in a relatively few companies is no news to Queen Anne's county farmers. From the prices they have been paying year in and year out, depression and better times, they have long suspected just such a situation to exist.

The Federal Trade Commission after two years of study into allegedly monopolistic practices reported eight "long line" companies in which the bulk of production of farm implements and machines have been concentrated. Queen Anne's farmers are acquainted with some of these firms which include the International Harvester, Deere & Company, J. I. Case, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing, Oliver Farm Equipment, Minneapolis Moline Power Implement, Massey-Harris and B. F. Avery & Sons.

The report of the Federal bureau emphasized that farm machinery makers had maintained prices for the products at high levels even when market value of farm products was far below normal. Ask any Queen Anne's farmer if this is news to him.

The farm machinery is dependent upon farm income. When farm incomes dropped from five bilion dollars to one and a half billion between 1929 and 1932, farm implement production shriveled from $607,000,000 to a comparatively mere $95,000,000. But in 1936 and 1937 when farm incomes picked up the implement makers enjoyed their best year since the World War.

The Federal Trade Commission made no specific recommendations for corrective measures.

Apparently if there are to be any corrective measures the farmer will have to get in the saddle and ride herd on his senators and congressmen.

No one in America begrudges any enterprise a fair and proper profit. However, monopoly, or semi-monopoly, have always been ugly words in the minds of the American public. The bigger the enterprise and the sharper its practices, the more the little consumer is held by the neck and forced to shell out.

Farmers need agricultural implements and will have them. During the depression years and after them Queen Anne's county farmers muttered long and loud at the prices they paid for machinery compared to what they got for their own products. Farmers have a way of getting together and putting pressure on Congress when some aim is to be realized. If they don't like farm machinery prices they can draw upon the report of the Federal Trade Commission for ammunition.

## WORK WITH THEM

Supervisors started out this week checking acreages, crops and farm practices in Queen Anne's county under the 1938 Soil Conservation program.

Their work necessitates the asking of questions and seeking certain information. While most farmers cooperate in smoothing the task of the supervisors a request has been made that all farmers cooperate in giving the supervisors the needed facts.

The checking has to be done. With friendly cooperation the supervisors can proceed faster and in a way satisfactory to both parties. After all this is the best way to get along through life.

## RIDING THE STORM

Residents of Sudlersville went through an hour they will long remember when two electrical storms met and mingled directly over the center of the town on Friday afternoon.

The storm broke with an electrical display that would have made fearful denizens of a few centuries past shrink in the horror of feeling that the hour had struck for the long-promised destruction of the earth by celestial fire.

Better intelligence of the earth by stripped the tempest of that dread. Sudlersville people passed through the display of heavenly artillery calmly knowing it to be just another natural phenomenon and watching warily to check damage at the earliest moment possible.

Nature still has powers to make men cringe. However, man has learned to take his courage in his hand and battle against nature on the prowl whether it be fire or flood or what not. When rebellious nature is too strong man goes under but he does so knowing the type of danger he is facing. When man can fight back he does so.

Now that the experience is passed Sudlersville merely writes it off as something to talk about hereafter when other storms break, and goes on its way, the busiest little town in Maryland, still unterrified and still forward looking.

## LIFE ON THE FARM

Electricity surely is bringing blessings to the farm. The house now is equipped with an electric radio, instead of the troublesome battery set; a vacuum sweeper has replaced the broom and an electric washer the washboard; electric toaster, percolator, grill, and range have obviated the necessity of building a fire in the stove or the risk of getting kerosene in the food, an electric razor and curling iron have added personal comforts, while there is an electric radiator in each room for frosty mornings and refrigeration in the kitchen.

For the barn and outbuildings, says a mid-western professor of agricultural economics, there are 200 practical uses for electricity. The dairy farmer should have electric milkers, portable hot water heater and sterilizer, electric cabinet for cooling milk, electric separator, motor-driven mill that grinds 700 pounds of roughage per hour, and a feed mixer that mixes a quarter ton of grain in five minutes. The poultry farmer needs an electric incubator and brooder, an electric egg candler, and an electrical device which removes pin feathers. Besides which there are electric sheep shears, electric currycombs, and electrically driven corn-shellers ,hay-balers, and scores of other devices.

The up-to-date farmer need neither marry to get a helper nor have a hired man. All he need do is to sign on a few unemployed electrical engineers.—Christian Science Monitor.

## DRIVING CODE

The needless slaughter of Americans on the highways as the result of automobile traffic has awakended the nation this year to means of cutting down the toll. Law enforcement authorities are taking an increasingly determined position that if motorists will not play safe they will be forced to do so.

Safety efforts are showing some result thus far. In the United States as a whole the death list has been cut fifteen percent from 1937. Maryland's record is even better, the gain being about 25 percent.

The final burden of cutting down motor vehicle fatalities rests with drivers. Haste, not necessarily speed, is the most serious evil.

The American Automobile Association recently issued a code of safe driving which every motorist should bear in mind, if his heart is really set upon a safe driver. It includes these points:

Keep your place in the line of traffic and avoid weaving. Keep a steady driving pace and avoid spurts of high speed.

Take plenty of time for your trip. Get an early start.

Avoid passing on hills, curves and at street intersections.

Take a restful position at the wheel. Grasp the wheel lightly to avoid tenseness. Avoid eyestrain caused by staring ahead.

Adjust the driver's seat so there will be no strain in reaching the accelerator and brakes.

Drive within your headlights at night. Check brakes so they will stop within the distance revealed clearly ahead.

Keep on right side of the road.

Be sure the car is in good mechanical condition—brakes, tires and steering wheel in particular.

There is sound sense in these suggestions. Motorists should heed them so that they, their passengers and the always unfortunate pedestrians may live longer.

According to a publisher, only a person who has suffered can write a modern novel. Read one, and you can write one.—St. Louis Star-Times.

## Abner *says*—

My nabor, Tim Hay, wishes his eyes wuz as good as they wuz thutty years agone so's he c'd take advantage of these here new bathing suits.

## THE Rambling Recorder

What this summer needs is a little Prohibition. It is wringing wet. Not satisfied with pouring down deluges for weeks on end it takes the clear days and stuffs them with humidity. For the past week it was the humidity rather than the heat which bothered. Most crops have received injury in one way or another from the wet season. Now it seems as if corn in the lower lands has inccurred damage. The countryside, however, is revelling in the moisture and is as fresh and green as in mid-June. We're in for a lovely fall and possibly late hanging leaves to add beauty to the autumn landscapes. Our Ingleside corerspondent pulled a fast one the other week when she wrote that swimmers there did not go to their classes in the rain—they were afraid to get wet. We often wondered why R. A. Kenworthy spelled the name of his farm "Little Cocica," rather than Corsica, as the river is denominated. But we are told that a rock found on the farm and marked in an old type of script gives the spelling Cocica.

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We suspect that Boney Lane has been listening in on Bob Burns. If he hasn't, then Bob Burns should listen in on Boney. Some one asked Boney how old he was when he first wore shoes. Twenty-one, said Boney, and I had to put sand inside my shoes to get used to them. And, added Boney, the first time my mother put a necktie on me I stood still for two days thinking I was tied. But Boney can raise healthy looking soy beans. He has a stalk on exhibit at the Farm Bureau that would be ten feet tall if the top four feet had not broken off before Boney brought it in.

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The Sudlersville Firemen's Carnival must have thought it was the one copyrighted by the Queenstown smokeeaters. On the day it should have opened it drew a three-inch rainfall to force a postponement of the first performance. But Sudlersville has a long way to go before it can match Queenstown. Firemen down that way can induce a hurricane, flood or full fledged tempest that will run through the entire ten days carded for carnival. The Cordova knights of the lance and ring may run into a little opposition at their tournament at Old St. Joseph's next Wednesday. Seems as if the king bees around the Talbot line went over to the Western Shore last year to show the horsemen there how to ride at the rings. And what a surprise they met when they found the western fellows rode at rings an inch in diameter instead of the three-inch variety. The Cordova knights drew a complete shutout, to say nothing of a hint that the Western Shore knights would come over to Cordova this year and show the Shoremen how to ride.

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Politics is either unusually apathetic this year or running in a deep dark channel. Here it is August and the plain voters will not come out into the open where the candidates can get a chance to burn their ears with arguments. For two successive Tuesdays the Courthouse Green has been curiously devoid of voters waiting to be convinced. This week the candidates outnumbered their would-be constituents nearly three to one and the candidates had to talk with each other. From what we could learn the candidates did not attempt to win any support from rivals but merely asked each other how they were doing in their own ballwicks. A dry time, certainly. Mordy Price was the most energetic. Only one young matron appeared during the afternoon wheeling a coach with a baby in it. Mordy spotted the coach before it came around the corner and easily beat all rivals to the coach side. One candidate asserted that he had never yet kissed a baby, meaning those well under eighteen.

## BARCLAY

The annual picnic of the M. E. Church, South, will be held this Friday at Tolchester.

Leroy Phillips was a guest during the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. John Holliday at Woodside, and also the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bradley at Felton, Del.

Miss Mary C. Wallace returned home from College Park last Friday and entertained three classmates of the University of Maryland for the week-end. On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wallace, Mary and guests were Rehoboth, Del., visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simms and family, of Baltimore, were guests during the week of Mrs. E. B. Beatty. Miss Josephine Beatty was a Wilmington visitor Friday.

Mrs. A. W. Anderson with Mrs. Emerson, of Hartley, spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

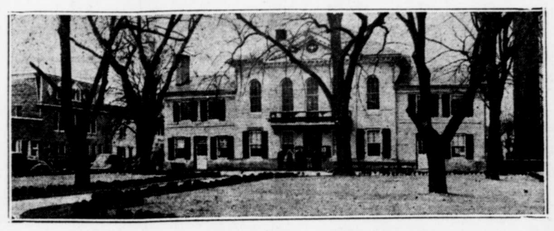
Master Bobby Barker, of Bellefonte, Del., is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bambary. Buss returned home Sunday after a several weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Kennard Ross and family, of near Chestertown, spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ross.

Miss Mildred A. Phillips, of Laurel, with a house guest, are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rembert Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Cecil, who were recently married, moved on Saturday, into Mrs. Anne Phillips' property. Mrs. Cecil is the former Miss Ethel Smith, of Chestertown.

# The Court House Green



**A Forum Open To All For Discussion of Politics In Queen Anne's County.**

August 9, 1938.

To the Editor:

The opening gun has been fired. The Campaign is on. From now until Election Day on September 12th, we have work to do.

Four years ago our organization pledged a new and better deal to the citizens and taxpayers of Queen Anne's County. Our pledge and trust has been kept. A Business Administration has supplanted a Political Administration. From the foundations of a real "new deal" have arisen the towers of Good Government. From a debt-ridden, tax-delinquent, and special class privileged County under Political Rule, there has come forth the present debt-free County with its taxes paid and special privilege abolished.

We believe the citizens and taxpayers of Queen Anne's County will demand a continuance of our present Business Administration, and will again reject and repudiate the forces of reaction that are now trying to regain control of our County and its affairs.

The citizens and taxpayers themselves must decide the ssue. Do not allow our voters to be swayed by petty politics and smoke screens. It is our duty to show them the many favorable accomplishments and improvements that have been made in the past four years under our present County Officials. These achievements, based on sound laws passed by our present able representatives at Annapolis, have been solely wrought for the benefit of one and all by the public spirited men in whom we placed our trust and faith. We reaffirm that faith, so that Government of the people, for the people, by the people shall not perish in Queen Anne's County.

Yours for Victory,
HARRY L. JUMP.

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August 1, 1938.

To the Editor:

Ever since I can remember, it has been the custom of the voters of Queen Anne's County to give its Senator two terms. Senator Kirwan, Senator Harper, Senator Legg and Senator Dudley G. Roe each had two terms in the Legislature. Senator William R. Wilson has had one term only and is now running and asking for the customary second term. He should have it. He is entitled to it, first by right of custom, and second, by virtue of his record.

Senator Wilson is a man who has not meddled with the School Board, or with the County Commissioners. He has co-operated nevertheless with all branches of the administration of our Good Government, with the result that we have been given a sound Business Administration, the County got out of debt during his term, and we see on every side substantial and growing improvements to our roads and schools.

Under the present County Administration Queen Anne's County has seen her "Golden Age" and every taxpayer and voter should see that the men responsible for such a happy condition go back in office to continue their good work.

Very truly yours,
W. LEONARD WALLS.
Centreville, Md.

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August 10, 1938.

To the Editor:

I, a citizen of Queen Anne's county would like to have you publish that as Mr Louis B. Perkins has filled his job as Deputy well, and when there is any trouble you know who to call on I think that every well thinking Queen Anne's county man and woman should give him their Support for Sheriff this coming Election.

PLAIN CITIZEN.
Centreville, Md.

August 5, 1938.

To the Editor:

The Fair Trade Movement has become a major issue in the campaign for the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate. Senator Tydings, the courageous sponsor in Congress of the Tydings-Miller Fair Trade Enabling Act, is defending the movement, and Congressman David J. Lewis is campaigning against it. The usual false statements and misrepresentations are being made, and the usual red herrings are being drawn across the scene. It is amazing how reprehensible a thing becomes when it turns out to be of some help to the average small business man.

Senator Tydings knows the philosophy of fair trade legislation, and is fully familiar with the fact that the preservation of the small, independent retailer is its great objective. Senator Tydings knows that for nearly thirty years these independent retailers had fought in Congress for legislation, which would protect them from the commercial cannibalism practiced by predatory price cutters. Senator Tydings knows the part played in community life by the small grocer, hardware dealer, druggis, and others, and of the struggle for existence they have had to wage against grossly unfair odds. Senator Tydings knows, that when forty-three States had passed fair trade laws in an effort to give the small man some semblance of a break, it was proper that Congress should remove Federal obstacles so that the State laws might have the chance to prove their worth.

In spite of these facts, Congressman Lewis brands the fair trade laws as in the interest of big business, and says that they set up a dictatorship which works to the disadvantage of the retailer and the consumer. He charges that the fair trade acts are price fixixng, notwithstanding the fact that the Supreme Court of the United States, in an unanimous opinion, stated specifically that they are not price fixing. Mr. Lewis went out of his way to show his ignorance of the subject, and to give utterance to many unfounded and unjustified criticism of this important economic experiment.

Small, independent retailers know that the fair trade laws have given them a better footing. They know that they are on a better competitive basis with the larger stores; they know that they have curbed the vicious practice of loss leader selling; they know that they give great promise of curing, or greatly alleviating, the serious economic ills with which they are faced; they know that they have a real bread and butter value to retailer and consumer alike; that many nationally advertised products are lower in price today than before Fair Trade Acts were put into effect.

Retailers should take up the challenge, and do everything in their power to reelect Senator Tydings. He was shown them he is their friend, and that he can be counted on, through thick and thin, to aid them in working through a more secure position in our economic scheme.

In making this plea for Senator Tydings, I want to make it clear that I am not interested in partisan politics, but I am interested, and deeply interested, in the fair trade movement. One way to protect fair trade legislation from its enemies is to support its friends.

Yours very truly,
A. A. M. DEWING.
Centreville, Md.

# BOOKS You May Enjoy

By Graham Watson

**EDITOR'S CHOICE**

The choice of Francis Ludlow, Editor of The Retail Bookseller is given in his current issue.

"Of all the fine novels to be published in August, I recommend especially" . . . "And Tell of Time", by Laura Krey. I believe it has something for more readers than any other book of the August list. It is a long book, over 700 pages, packed with story substance. The setting is in Georgia and Texas. The novel opens with the Confederate soldiers drifting back toward their homes. Weary, hungry, ragged, they returned, many of them to homes that had been gutted by Sherman—and set cheerfully about building up a new life out of the ruins. The book follows one soldier in particular, Carvin Dancy and Lucinda, the bride he found in Georgia. Calvin and Lucy return to Calvin's home in Texas, on the Brazos River, and eventually establish a new home.

The historical setting of this novel—the growth of Texas during the second half of the Nineteenth Century would make it interesting to a great many people. But the real pull of the story is in its easy, simple and swift pace. People talk and act naturally. They move about their affairs with quiet courage and humor. These are not the Southerners of crystal chandeliers and obsequious negro servants; they are boys fresh home from the wars, old judges who refuse to wear collars—drawling, soft-speaking Texans, ready to be friendly and equally ready to fight.

There is constant movement-dramatic scenes—glimpses of the lawless negroes and the corrupt authorities from the North—moments of tense excitement—and a great many charming chapters. The book is essentially romantic, a picture, on the whole pleasant and attractive, but the colloquial tone gives it a surprising reality.

. . . And Tell of Time" is likely to be one of the most popular of the Fall books."

"And Tell of Time, what gifts for thee he bears,
What griefs and wonders in the winding years."
—From the "Bacchae of Euripides".

The author Laura Kreys belongs to a family prominent in Texas history. The background of this book has come to her first hand. She was born in the Brazos Valley, where her family still owns a plantation; she was educated and lived many years in Virginia. Her husband is Professsor of Medevial History at the University of Minnesota and is widely known throughout the country. They are living at present in St. Paul, Minnesota.

She says, "One of my own family, for instance, could describe every turn of the road from Carolina to Texas. All that the wise and the learned have ever read in musty documents about the opening of the Southwest, he knew first hand. Night after night, on his long front gallery, as the dark came on and the hoot owls flew out of his chinaberry tree, he would tell me what he remembered. As the evening breeze from the Gulf stirred in and out of the live oaks down by the river, the soft night would suddenly close in upon us and his old Negro servant Uncle Lot would begin to remember the past. Like that I learned history—as simple as that; even yet it seems strange to me to readd it cold and dead shut up in books.

## DOMINION

The Dominion Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. William Thomas with Mrs. Thomas Thompson helping as hostess. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Seventy-two members and six visitors were present. Late in the evening refreshments were served.

Mrs. Kirby Thompson and children Shirley and Warren have returned home after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Emory Mitchell, of Seaford, Del. They also visited at Rehoboth Beach, Del.

Mrs. Mary E. Whitaker, of Baltimore has returned home after spending ten days with Mrs. Daisy Thompson. Mrs. Thompson accompanied her home where she was a guest for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee left for Baltimore, where Mr. Lee has entered the John Hopkins Hospital, where he will undergo an operation. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery and hope he will soon be back in our midst.

Mrs. Nannie Crouch has returned after spending a few days in Harrington with her father and friends. She attended the fair and visited Rehoboth Beach while there.

Little Miss Karaleen Jones is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of near Queenstown.

Miss Bessie Lewis, of Baltimore, is having a pleasant stay with her sister, Mrs. Cleveland Johnson.

# Among The Watermen

By Edward Earl Coursey

Fishing was not as good this week as it has been but there were big fish in the Narrows. Some few trout have been caught in lower Eastern Bay showing that this is the beginning of the trout season which usually comes in about the middle of August and lasts until about the end of October. It shows that these fish are working up the Bay and will probably hit Chester River and Love Point in a week or so. They used to have dashed good fishing in Chester River. Trout weighing from a pound to four or five pounds make very good sport but trout are soft fish and very hard to land because the hooks will pull through.

E E. Coursey

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Captain Oscar Smith had a dozen people from Lansdowne, Pa., out on a fishing party Friday. They went out in Eastern Bay and had a very enjoyable time. The party caught 175 large hardheads two to four pounds each and also three trout. They found the trout commencing to bite. Those who went out were Mr. and Mrs. Lee N. McWilliams, Mrs. Gertrude Wonnell, Joseph Wonnell, Bunt Wanner, Miss Mary Cavanaugh, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Crawford, Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Arnold, Joseph Henderson.

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An item in the Crisfield papers tells that bluefish were so hungry the fishermen used rags for bait. This is no new method of catching bluefish. Fishermen of Queen Anne's county have been using this method for fifty years. If Crisfield people want methods for catching fish let them call on Kent Island Narrows. When fish go hungry they'll bite without bait.

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Captain Chalk Anthony of Queenstown and his crew landed about $500 worth or rock this week in Chester River while the Schelberg Brothers, most famous seine haul fishermen in the county were asleep in Eastern Bay. Captain Will Schelberg has aranged with Captain Anthony for fish to feed his crew on this coming week they only caught four hardheads in the whole week.

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Crabs are about as usual with a few more hard crabs and not as many soft crabs as usual. I suppose soft crabs have dropped off because of so much demand for peelers for fishing. There has been a great demand for peelers at Kent Island Narrows and Chester during the past weeks that they are bringing from $1.25 to $1.50 a dozen which is a good price.

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Mr. Will Adams of the McGee-Durm packing company of Baltimore has visited the Eastern Shore on a fishing trip and to see the prospects for the coming oyster season as to Maryand oysters. He predicts a very good season. Mr. Adams is a veteran of the oyster business and his opinion is dependable. Of all reports from all oysters that I've heard of in the vicinity of Chester River and Eastern Bay the oysters are going to be fat the first of September. They are at the present time white and gills are curly, good indications of fat oysters.

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The packing houses are cleaning and getting ready for the oyster season when the whistle blows the first of September. A good many of the shuckers are returning to their posts. The tongers are cleaning their boats and will be ready. It looks as though we are going to have a fairly good season because business in general in the country is on the rise.

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We want all watermen interested in the dredging of Kent Island Narrows to turn out at the meeting there today at 10:15 a. m. to offer their opinions and comments.

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The proposed dredging of Macum's Creek would be a fine idea as we have no harbor in Chester River until we get beyond Hail Point. This could not be done unless there was a public landing in Macum's Creek and I think our generous county commissioners might purchase the landing from the railroad if this can be bought at a reasonable sum. I feel sure this suggestion will meet with the watermen's approval.

# Let me tell you

New York, N. Y.
August 5, 1938.

Balenciaga, one of the rising fashion designers, decrees dolman sleeves for our dresses this fall. Matelasse is coming in for black daytime silk and rayon mixture with raised Matelasse flowers in shining finish on a dull grolnd. The elaborate all over figures are most fitting for the severe cut of the dresses. The Persians are influencing our afternon and evening fabrics—heavy brocades, metal cloths, beadings and jeweled buttons indicate we are in for a winter of tinsel.

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More suggestions for host or hostess gifts: The attractively boxed Castile soap shaped like a huge golf ball, in lavendar or pine scents, a heavy cord attached to hang around the neck while in the shower. Also Cool-ogne—a clear green cooling menthol liquid boxed like a huge ice-cube with clear cellophane and a green ribbon bow .

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The World's Fair is certainly influencing fashion. One store is featuring dirndls in gala prints—there are ten different designs: "Liberty Seal", "Flags", "Transportation", 'Foreign Visitors", "Amusement", "Perisphere and Trylon", "Hall of Fashion", "New York Skyscrapers", "Exhibition Building", and "New York World's Fair". However, this influence is not confined to dresses—there are bracelets, clips, hankies, belts, scarfs and hat pins. I am told the men too may soon buy neckties, belts, watch fobs and even shirts of these motifs.

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Veiling is definitely out for fall. High crowns accenuated by stiff bows, towering plumes and birds is the French decision. There is also stress on toques, turbans and berets, shirred pleated and embroidered. Perhaps our grandmothers can give us a bit of coaching on the care of plumes. We shall need it if this early forerunner continues.

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Now is the time to replenish your bedding and linen supplies. All the stores are featuring their stock at greatly reduced prices. Whether the need be formal or every-day table linens, bathroom towels, sheets, wool blankets or beautiful soft down comfortables, the saving is worth braving the city heat for a day's shopping.

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Bridge Enthusiasts! There is a new improved solitaire bridge board on the market—Bridg-Omatic. A dial shows every play eliminating pushing and pulling of little slides and reduces the bidding and game to a minimum of motions. It is an aid to advanced player as well as the beginner.

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I am always at your disposal for information regarding your warddrobe and household problems. Send all inquiries in to the Queen Anne's Record--Observer. Until next week:

—MARION CHAPELL.

## RADIANT LIVING

**GOD'S MIDNIGHT CITY**

By Rev. C. M. Griffeth
Methodist Pastor
of Deal's Island

The other evening when in the city I saw those tall office buildings so crowded together that they reached high into the sky . Every window of those tall sfructures was aflame with light. It was the city of man— manmade.

Tonight as we go into the fields and look up into the sky we shall see another city, the 'City of God"—Godmade. This city also is all slit, with a flaming light in every window.

Does not the city of man look puny compared with the glorious city of God that fills the midnight heavens? Can you gaze thoughtfully at the stars without being impressed with the vastness of the universe and with the intelligence of the God that brought such a universe into existence? Do not those rays of light, streaming night after night from the windows of God's city, say to us in the words of the poet: "It is not all of life to live nor all of death to die"?

God's city above tells me that there is something more to creation than the mere little earth upon which we live. God's city tells me that it is something more to life than this little short existence of consciousness which we experience here in the flesh.

Just as the stars tell me that there is a vast creation beyond the narrow confines of this little planet called "earth", so do they convince me that there is a life beyond the narrow confines of earthly existence.

At the observatory there is a telescope that brings the windows of God's city closer to me. In the Bible I find another telescope that enables me to see through these windows of created matter an dcatch a vision of a life that is beyond, a life which is glorious—coeternal with God Himself!