

Editor Tells Human Side of Fashions

By MARY MORRIS

A MERRY chase the fashion department has led everybody, including itself, this past year!



Mary Morris

What with taking part in a revolution (the hair and hat uprising) . . . keeping folks posted on such monkey-shines as cubit shoes, platforms and spool heels . . . romancing about hoops, pantalettes and camisoles . . . explaining the pedigree of strange animals

like zorino and guanaco—there's never been a dull moment!

That's to say nothing of having dressed thousands of women!

Yep, the old woman who lived in the shoe had little on us. At least HER children were assorted ages and sexes—they weren't ALL grown-up girls clamoring for clothes.

We've planned and helped buy every sort of wardrobe from the "money no object" kinds (we felt like rich kids from just associating with them) to the penny stretching feats like an entire trousseau for \$25.

We'll always treasure the picture of that little bride smiling so happily and looking so sweet in her misty white dress (only cotton but so pretty) and her regular "bride's veil."

WE loved finding a smart outfit for a girl who had a date for Commencement Week with a handsome West Pointer. The girl was a white-haired grandmother of 80, who was traveling 600 miles to do her only grandson proud.

Then there was the lame secretary, who didn't want her boss to know it. We planned dresses with disguising skirlines and diverting necklines and tracked down shoes that had such smart features one didn't notice their corrective soles.

Remember Penny Parker's "TWO WEEKS WITH PAY"?

Hundreds of girls lived with Penny through the romance and excitement of those vacation days in Northern Michigan and bought clothes like those in which Penny scored.

Home for the holiday college girls report to us that our college fashion jury did the trick last

Quilt Editor Turns Tables and Writes to Members

By THE QUILT CLUB EDITOR

DEAR CORNERITES: For a whole year you have been writing to me and now I have decided to start 1939 by turning the tables and writing to you.

On the whole it has been

a glorious year, hasn't it? Our Friday meetings have been happy ones. The biggest quilt show ever held was the high spot of the year, with nearly 2,000 quilts on display and over 88,000 visitors to see them.

Many new quilters have joined the Club and our English and Scotch members seem almost like next-door neighbors, so often do they write to us.

Your Home

Department Has Aided in Planning Thousands of Rooms

By EDITH B. CRUMB

CHALK up some progress for Beauty in the Home Department for 1938. Slowly but surely we are all learning that every home may not be costly, luxurious or even spacious, but that every home, however simple, may be beautiful.

During the past year this department has assisted thousands of homemakers by telephone, by letter and by personal interviews, to create more beautiful backgrounds for living, more pleasing surroundings and more enjoyment of good taste in home furnishings.

The positive side of our work has been done in relation to thousands of individual rooms. Color schemes have been planned for living rooms, bedrooms and kitchens, furniture chosen for many homes where particular living problems had to be solved.

More beauty in your home during 1939, need not necessarily mean more money. It may only call for more careful thought and planning.

With that planning we want to help. New things are not always the answer. Old things rearranged or refreshed may work wonders of beauty and charm in a room.

How these things may be accomplished we are anxious to tell you, both in the every day department on the daily pages of the News and by letter or telephone, or personal appointment. If you will bring us your home furnishing problems.



Edith Crumb

YOU have all been so nice to each other and especially to the shut-ins. You have written cheery cards to them, sent them patches, called on them, taking them jams and jellies to make their trays more tempting.

It is not possible to suggest that now you have finished all of your quilts, you will be ready for a new pattern, for no real quilt maker ever has her quilt-work finished. There are always two or three in the making and before one is finished another is started.

Even so, you will all be happy to know that before the first month of this nice bright New Year is finished, there will be a new quilt pattern leaflet ready for you.

This pattern has the most fascinating name. It is called "Blossom Time." While at first glance it may seem a bit elaborate, you will find it very simple to do, lots of fun, and best of all, it will use up all of the little scraps of material which you have been saving for something very special. In fact, in one flower you may have several different kinds of material.

THE blocks are about seven inches square, the blossoms very plain and in no way intricate to put together.

Please watch the women's pages the latter part of this month for the announcement of this new pattern, "Blossom Time."

Now that I have written to you, I am looking forward to your letters to me. Everybody in the column wants to know what patterns you are working on, how many quilts you made last year, how many you expect to make this year and what is your favorite pattern.

The first Quilt Club Corner meeting of 1939 will be on Friday, Jan. 6. Very best wishes to each and every one of you for the New Year. I wish you peace, happiness and prosperity.

Report to

By FLOR

HAPPY NEW YEAR Corporation of Detroit staff of The Detroit News—together we may do a better 1939.

On this page today you company of homemakers, work for the year from the department staff and a ple during the year to come.

In reviewing the work fashions in everything about except the home itself. Ho fashion in spite of modern

Years ago when the C fraget, false prophets pre become a lost art.

They were wrong. F lengths, in the color of fir simpler and more sensibl modern air—even manners but homes and the home sp

To help you find eas modern living, to help y smoothly, and finally to bigger dividends of happi Years' Resolution of the News.

Hail to Beauty

By LUC

FROM your heads to your toes, Happy New Year! Did you ever stop to think how many those heads and toes might number?

We've been Beauty's middleman to an army you in 1938. Today, before starting on another months, we'd like to blo "assembly" and see you all together—with your coiffures we've helped to "uplift," your na we've tried to manicare, yo postures we've hoped to straight en, your hips and ankles a waists slimmer (we hope) fro the exercises we've worked o your skins normal and cle from the mental scrubbin we've administered, with Kea words clear in your mind.

"Beauty is truth, truth Beauty."

That is all Ye know on earth, and all need to know."

And that's going to be our mo to for 1939—so write to us wi every question, big or little, a we'll do our best to answer the

That "we'll do our best to answer them" is not a purely editorial "we." Most importa