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While The Kettle Boils

Dear Friends,

I must confess to one advantage. When I have a grouch, I can "tell the world." This particular grouch, I know, will find many firm supporters on my side. They have the same grouch—so let's get it off our chests.

Why do frock shops and department stores cater almost exclusively for the SW and SSW type of figure? We admit a frock shows to much better advantage on a slim woman, but there are thousands of women whose measures run to W, WX, OS and EOS, and they are wretchedly neglected.

I'm a W myself, and like countless other women I've had the experience of searching through racks of frocks trying to find—like the needle in the haystack—my size of frock. Arms grow weary, eyes ache, but all we get for our pains are a succession of SW and SSW's.

America has the right idea. They realise to-day that the larger woman can look as smart as her slimmer sister, and all their mannequin parades feature their type and size of frock.

On this subject, I would like to add a little word to the elderly women. This is your day. Don't let a few white hairs scare you into tucking yourself away in the background. There are no really old people to-day. Life moves so swiftly, and living is so keen, that the term "old age" has lost its sterner meaning. There are rules, however. You've got to play your part, keeping your mind alert and your personal appearance up to the mark. That is important.

The old fallacy that elderly women should dress exclusively in black and brown has been exploded long ago. Just

try coming out in blue or grey—and see how flattering these colours can be to your white hair. An attractive combination for you is navy blue with old gold—dusty rose, and rich wine colours. They will not only make you look younger, but feel young.

When your frock is being made, ask your dressmaker to raise the waistline and flare your skirt ten inches below the waist. See that the armholes are made loosely. Tightness anywhere should be avoided—also materials that are too tweedy, too shiny, or too clinging. Belts of two-tone that cut the figure should be avoided. Choose instead a belt of the same material as your frock.

Avoid the old-style wrap-round coat that gives such a heavy-droopy look to the figure. The swagger type or an edgeto-edge coat is both smart and suitable.

Hats are most important. They can make or mar your entire appearance, Hats should be chosen to give height and an effect of slenderness. That is the saleswoman's job—to suit you. Try wearing straight or upturned brims—anything but those droopy shapes that never succeed in looking smart, and lend years to your age.

Finally, as a rejuvenator, try experimenting with a new hair style. It's a grand tonic. If you have worn it for years over your ears, sweep it upwards in the new style. It will reveal a pair of ears to you, and enable you to wear those attractive stud ear-rings. Or, if you have always worn your hair dressed on top of your head, try a smooth swathe about your ears. Anything for change. Change is vital. It is new vision. It is life. Don't betray yourself by saying—"I'm getting too old to bother!" There are no old people to-day—you are just dropping out of the race.

Yours cordially,



YOUR GARDEN AND MINE

By Ann Earncliff Brown (No. 50)

Nursery Manners

LL nicely brought up children are taught that it is naughty to pinch, and even the less carefully guarded infant soon learns that it is a dangerous game. Legs and arms shoot out very vigorously in retaliation. In fact nursery pinching in humans has nothing to recommend it. However, if you have from kindliness or prudence suppressed a secret desire to pinch your brothers and sisters, you may very usefully gratify your ambition by pinching out many kinds of plants in your garden. Like the human "pinchee" the nipped plant hits out with the beneficial result that subjects which tend to grow straggly and spindly (where a compact bushy growth is desired) are thus encouraged to make side growths. Chrysanthemums should be pinched back quite soon if you have not already given the young growths their first pinching back. Some varieties of chrysanthemums require a second "stopping," but the gardener can judge best for himself if or when to repeat the pinch. Vigorous types can be made to bush out and

produce trusses of bloom, although the exhibition grower naturally does not sacrifice quality for quantity and will disbud very carefully.

It is impossible to give a list of all flowering plants which benefit by being pinched out but cosmeas, antirrhinums, nemesias and phlox are all much improved by a judicious pinch at this time.

A further impropriety in our nursery life lay in the use of certain unhallowed words. A friend of mine still looks disapprovingly at me when I speak of "bastard trenching," while recently another fastidious female, telling me a story which involved a certain type of tree, paused, then, with embarrassment continued: "You know those elms, er—mongrel elms." As I did not appear to know them she added in a kind of apologetic mumble, "Common people call them 'Bastard Elms."

Well common garden people are quite within the bounds of horticultural etiquette when they refer to either elms or trenching of the particular class as bastard—one more inhibition removed for us by the Good Earth!