

ETIQUETTE OF OLD NOT SO BAD TODAY

Volume Of Polite Behavior
Published In 1663 Still
Has Valuable Pointers
For Modern Youth.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—While the modern American idea of correct manners still is a far cry from that of Beau Brummel, and despite the many attacks on the conduct of the modern youth, a desire to know and to do what is "good form" is becoming more general with the people of this country. This is evidenced by the sale of books on etiquette.

Until recent years it was considered by Mr. Average Citizen foppish or effeminate to attempt to follow the rules laid down by authors of books on etiquette. And in many cases he was perfectly right. The dictates of the etiquette arbiters were often stilted and artificial.

It is more and more becoming understood that the rules of etiquette are simply those of courtesy and thoughtfulness. A man no longer holds a cigar or cigar in his mouth while talking with a woman. This is not because he would be violating the laws of etiquette, but because he does not wish to show her discourtesy.

Judging from some of the earliest books on good behavior it is apparent that the fundamentals remain the same. In fact, the earliest volumes are not as filled with affections as some published during the period between 1890 and 1900. Below are given some extracts from a book entitled, "Youths Behavior, or Decency in Conversation Amongst Men," published in England in 1663.

"Sing not within thy mouth, humming to thy self, unless thou be alone, in such sort as thou canst not be heard by others. Strike not up a drum with thy fingers, or thy feet." This shows that even at this early date there were pests similar to those which all too often infest the modern movie theater, or other places of public entertainment.

Another particularly pertinent bit of advice which might be observed by many thoughtless persons who handle themselves in peanuts or candies while viewing some especially tense motion picture is, "Rub not thy teeth or crash them, nor make any thing crack in such manner that thou disquiet any body."

"It is an unclean thing to stretch thine arms at length, and writhe thy hither and thither." From this it may be inferred that rhythmic dancing had not attained its present vogue.

Everyone knows some one who profits by the following: "In dining, or seeing, make not a noise, if it be possible, and not forth any sigh, in such wise as others observe thee, without occasion."

And When In Church.
And this to the restless and uneasy church-goer: "Hearing thy Master, or likewise the preacher, wriggle not thy self, as seeming unable to contain thy self within thy skin, making shew thy self to be the knowing and sufficient person, to the mispleasure of others."

For those who bite their nails the following is set forth: "Gnaw not thy nails in the presence of others, nor bite them with thy teeth."

From the following one feels that the author must indeed have had a vision of the modern flapper: "Neither shake thy head, feet, or legs; Rowl not thine eyes. Lift not one of thine eye-brows higher than thine other. Wry not thy mouth. Take heed that with thy stippie thou

bedew not his face with whom thou speakest, and to that end approach not too nigh him."

"When thou sittest, put not uncleanly one leg on the other, but keep them firm and settled, and joynt thy feet even, cross them not one on the other."

"Take heed thou beest not a flatterer; for such an one sheweth to have little opinion of the judgment of him whom he flattereth, holding him for a simple fellow. Play not with him, who takeest no pleasure therein."

While many of the dictates laid down in this early volume still hold good, the progress of civilization and of modern invention has brought new problems. Some of the present everyday questions are: "When leaving a street car or bus does a man precede or follow a woman?" "Where should a woman sit in a motor or carriage having a driver?" "Should one always be announced when calling on a person living in an apartment house?" "When a person calls another on the telephone who should terminate the conversation?" "When calling for a young lady to take her automobile horn to announce one's arrival?" Our forefathers had no need to struggle with such problems.

Fashions Change.
Then, of course, there are certain changing fashions in etiquette as in everything else. A few years ago a person who did not make his party call within ten days or two weeks was likely not to be included in the list of guests at the next party given by the hostess.

Formerly it was considered the correct thing in many localities, but in the most fashionable society this custom is rapidly becoming passe. A young man who wished to propose marriage to a young woman to ask permission of her father, to do so. The youth of today who did this would doubtless find that while he had made a good impression on the father he in all probability had ruined his chances with the daughter. The modern girl prefers to be given an opportunity to make her decision before the matter is brought before her parents.

The maiden of olden days according to fiction and history was timid and shy, and when walking down the street, clung to the arm of her escort. Today it is not considered good form for a young woman to take a man's arm in the daytime, unless to cross a crowded street or to be helped over a rough piece of road, or under other impeding circumstances. Most young girls would scorn to yield that much of their independence.

Chaperons are another passing institution. That is, the watchful middle-aged chaperon is disappearing. In the present day it is generally difficult to distinguish the chaperons from the rest of the party, since the duties of chaperone are usually entrusted to young married couples who are no older than the other guests and who enter just as eagerly and heartily into the festivities. This is another sign of the independence and freedom of the present generation.

Other signs of changing times are the suggestions for parties. In a book published in 1902 we find the following: "With the bicycle comes the bicycle tea. In the large cities these teas have been given for charity and have been great successes. But there is no reason why any girl may not give an attractive bicycle tea and make it very original. Sandwiches in the shape of tennis rackets, with an olive steak in the center for a ball, are among the generally suggested dishes in the shape of a wheel and a saddle might easily be cut. Bicycle lanterns which resemble glow-worms, should furnish decoration. If possible, a bicycle tea should be given out of doors, where, out of costumes would not be incongruous."

Who knows, but that in 1948 suggestions for mah jongg or bridge parties may seem just as absurd?

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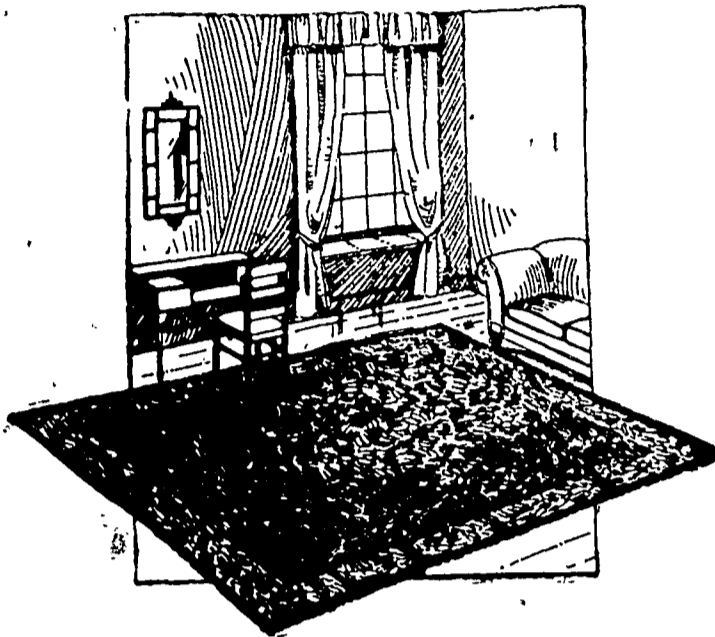
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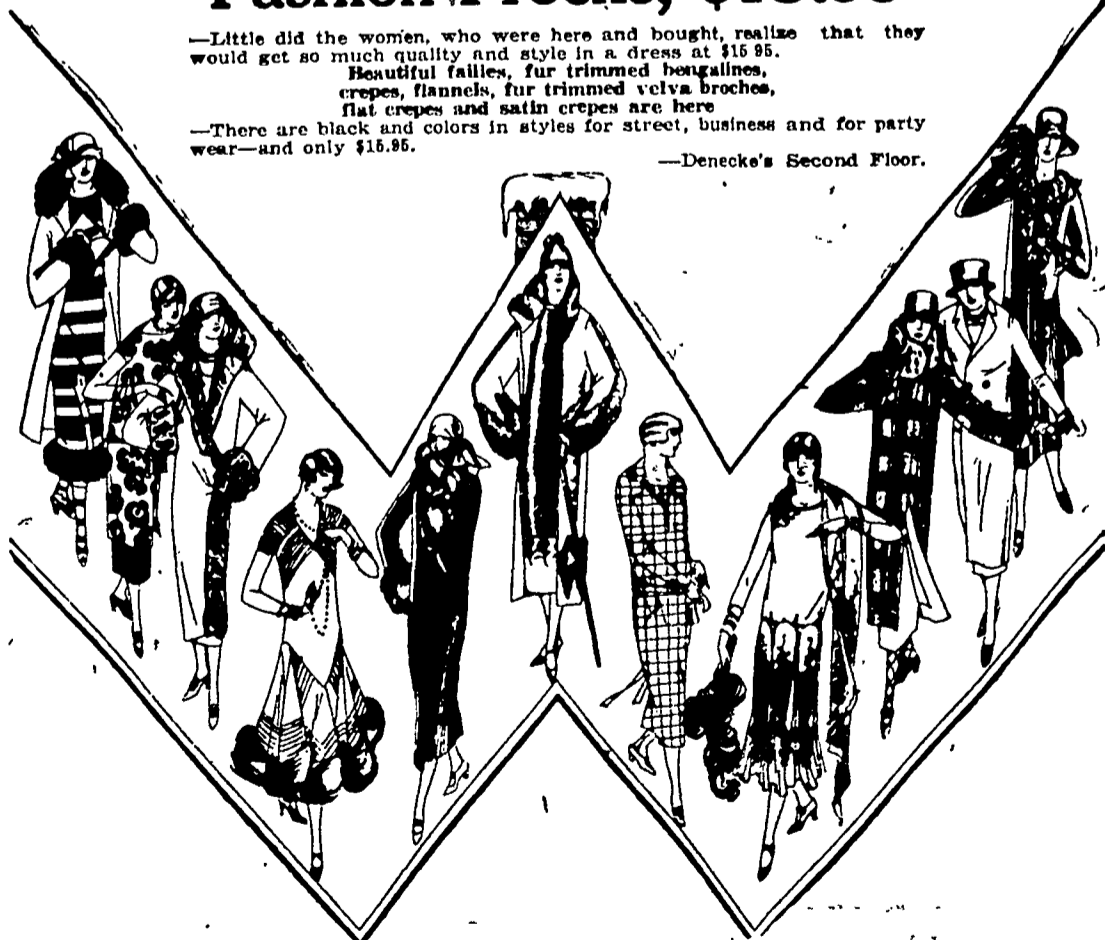
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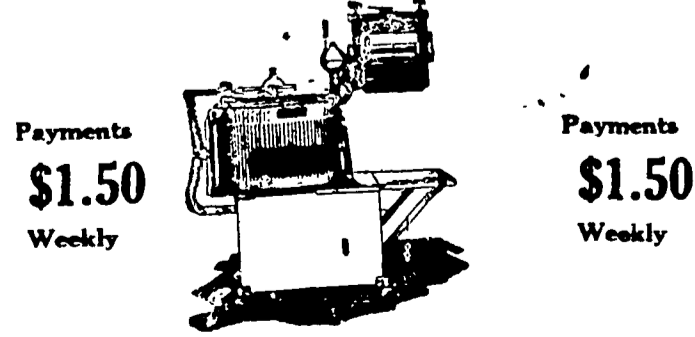


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