

GIRLS WHO WORK ARE PROSPEROUS; BUY BEST, MERCHANTS ASSERT

We have all heard about the high cost of living, but it takes Richmond merchants to tell us that despite the fact, local working girls are more prosperous than ever before.

Does the average girl buy the best material or the cheapest? Do they pay cash or on the installment plan? These were two of the questions asked and in every case department store proprietors said, "The best material to be had is bought by the girls and they usually pay cash."

This, according to the store officials, is contrary to the practice of several years ago. It was then the general policy of the wage earning girl to purchase as low priced goods as possible, and more often than not, to pay for the material on the installment plan.

Asks for "Very Best." Today when the purchaser is seeking a new dress, coat, or suit, she asks for the best instead of the medium priced. Not only that, but realizing that when she buys on the installment plan she often pays several dollars more than when bought with cash, she saves her money until able to pay cash.

One dealer said, "If the girls would use their heads when making a purchase they could often get real material at a saving, and dress just as well as they do now on about 75 per cent of the present cost. In fact the best dressed girls are not by any means the ones that blindly buy the highest priced goods without thinking."

Have Many Bank Books. Despite the fact that it is commonly thought that the working girl is not getting enough to live upon and pay the high prices demanded for clothes, a local dealer said that he thought she was saving more money than she ever did before.

He based his belief upon the number of bank books left on the counters by the feminine shoppers. "There is hardly a day goes by that I don't find a bank book somewhere in the store which belongs to a young lady customer. It proves that they are not only buying, but are also saving."

Jacksonburg, Ind.

JACKSONBURG, Ind.—Miss Izona left Saturday to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Richard Gardner of Mayze. Guy Gills, said to be the smallest Red Man in the United States has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Scales. Mesdames Amanda White, Sally Carr and son Herby of Cambridge, were supper guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Martin and son Harry. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Morris and daughter visited her brother, Earl Wickerson of Pershing. Everyone is busy digging and hauling potatoes to market. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Martin, Miss Margaret Hood, and James Doherty attended church at Richmond Sunday. Miss Izona Whitton, Clara Smith and nephew Howard Toot, of Crawfordsville, called on Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Whitton Thursday. Mrs. Laura Stanton and son Cleo, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Odum and sons motored to Muncie Sunday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Conn.

Five Minutes with Our Presidents

By JAMES MORGAN



FRANKLIN PIERCE

Franklin Pierce was elected in a more sweeping victory than any other President has had since Monroe. He had the mandate and the opportunity to be president of the whole Union. With all his good qualities of head and heart, he was not broad enough to be more than the servant of a section, "of those who placed me here," as he expressed it.

The new president's appointment of Jefferson Davis to be secretary of war identified his administration at the outset with the aggressive faction in the south. Under its counsels Pierce not only surrendered to the ambitions of the slave power for expansion over the north and west, but also for its expansion into foreign lands.

Slavery was in its last throes everywhere. Great Britain had abolished it in her West Indian islands, Mexico had abolished it next door to our own slave states. Even Spain was tending toward the freeing of the slaves in Cuba when the American ministers to Great Britain, France and Spain met in Belgium and issued the "Ostend manifesto." That shameful document proclaimed the threat that if the Spanish government should refuse to sell us Cuba we would take the island by force.

At the same time Congress at home was repealing the Missouri Compromise and wiping out the dead line against slavery, which had been drawn a quarter of a century before. This threw open Kansas to a wild scramble between settlers who wished the new territory to be free and those who wished it to be slave.

Then and there the Civil War began. "Porter ruffians," as the North called the settlers, who rushed in from Missouri and other slave states, and settlers no less rough in their fighting who poured in from the free states, quickly turned that primeval into "Bleeding Kansas." Rival territorial governments were set up by the two factions, and Pierce threw the weight of the Federal power on the side of those who were desperately striving to create another slave state.

The whole country was drawn into the struggle, and the Republican party sprang into life. At the election in the middle of his term, Pierce saw the Democratic representation in the house cut down one-half and the opposition sweep in with a big majority. In spite of that warning, the president became a candidate for re-nomination because he was very much in need of vindication. The selfish power that had used him had used him up, and it ungratefully turned to a new name, less tarnished in its service.

The rest is the meager, but pathetic

story of a discarded president. The charm of a kindly nature continued to hold till the last the affection of friends, but public popularity was gone.

The Civil War, breaking out only four years after his retirement, served to deepen the shadows of Pierce's record. In January, 1869, he wrote to Jefferson Davis the encouraging prophecy that if the conflict should come, "the fighting would be not only along the Mason and Dixon line, but within our own borders and in our own states." In other words, that the North would not be united.

A few days after the firing on Sumter he made a speech in which he took the stand for the Union. Unquestionably he had always been loyal to it in his heart. He had sacrificed even his good name in an honest but misguided effort to save it from the horror of fraternal strife. But to its salutary war he could give little faith and only a perfunctory support.

In the hot passions aroused by Lincoln's assassination an indignant crowd marched to Pierce's house in Concord with a noisy demand that he hang out the Stars and Stripes. The self-respecting dignity of his refusal to admit that his loyalty to the flag needed such proof awed the zealous into silence, and the eloquence of his sincere expression of sympathy with those who mourned the stricken chief sent them away with softened emotions toward the speaker. Though he lived four years more, that is the closing entry in the public life of Franklin Pierce.

Milton, Ind.

MILTON, Ind.—The Jolly 24 held an all day meeting last week with Mrs. Ozro Daily. Those present were Mrs. Harry Caldwell, Miss Mary Caldwell, Mrs. Ross Doddridge, Miss Mary Sills, Mrs. Walter Highams, Miss Dorothy Hoshour, Mrs. William Huddleston, Mrs. George Waggoner, Mrs. Earl Gehring, Mrs. Homer Bertsch, Mrs. William Vessel, Miss Blanche Coyne. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Gehring. Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Dallas and family and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Strayer and sons of Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Lichty of Pershing, and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Trine spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Trine and family. Mrs. Charles Otte and daughters, of Chicago, and Mr. and Mrs. Ora Clevenger and daughters, of Richmond, were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Brown and daughter, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Luke Gentile and son, Robert, of Richmond, spent Sunday with Mrs. John Brown and son. Mr. and Mrs. Shuman Jones of Richmond were guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Jones Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams and Mrs. Elmo Highams spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Hussey near Hagerstown. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jones of Muncie visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Alice Jones and E. H. Jones were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Jones at Richmond, Saturday. Mrs. Frank Doty, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Doty and son Fred, spent Sunday and Monday at Indianapolis with Mrs. Angeline Warren and Mrs. Stanley and family. Mrs. L. H. Warren and daughter Elizabeth left Sunday for Santa Barbara, Calif. Mr. Warren joined them at St. Louis. Mrs. Oscar Kerlin and

daughter, Janet, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ferguson at Cambridge City. Albert Anderson and William Anderson went to West Virginia last week to buy coal. Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Kerr, and Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Swearinger spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hess and Mrs. John Ferguson. Mrs. Albert Anderson and Mrs. William Anderson and daughter were guests of Mrs. Eliza White of Richmond, Sunday. Mrs. Mary Jones, Mrs. Harry Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Jones and family, of Richmond, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Jones Sunday. Mr. Albert Anderson and Mrs. William Anderson attended the funeral of Leander Anderson at Williamsburg. Mr. and Mrs. Will Flannigan of Connersville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Miller Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Lute Lantz entertained Sunday. Edwin Griffith and sisters, Dorothy and Elizabeth, of Indianapolis, and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Dewey of Connersville. Miss Ruby Moore spent Sunday at Richmond with Miss Emily Wilker. Mr. and Mrs. John Severn and family, who have been visiting Mrs. Julia Ball, left Saturday for their home in Dayton. The Dorcas club of the Christian Bible school met Friday afternoon with Mrs. James Neper. Seventeen members were present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Harrison Hicks. The 500 club will meet with Mrs. James Doddridge Wednesday afternoon. Harry Gause was at Bloomington last week. Mrs. Emerson Gause and children are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gause. Miss Bertie Frazer, who is assistant librarian in the normal school at Duluth, Minn., came home last week to spend her vacation with relatives and friends. At a called meeting of the Eastern Star Thursday night, Mrs. L. H. Warren, Miss Helen Hicks of Mt. Auburn, and Mr. and Mrs. William Hussey of near Hagerstown, were made members. Refreshments were served after the initiations, by the social committee composed of Mrs. Harry Manlove, Mrs. Malinda Barton, Mrs. Albert Anderson, Miss Amelia Knauff and Miss Kate Hoshour. Mrs. Harry North of Bluffton, Miss Belden and Mrs. Vigan were guests at the recent Eastern Star initiations. Mr. and Mrs. William Wallace, Mrs. Oliver Beeson, Willard Williams, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Kneso and family had a co-operative dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Warren at Saratoga, Indiana, Sunday. The company was in honor of Mr. Williams' 71st birthday. Mrs. Park Lantz of Potoskey, Mich., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Highams Sunday. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Highams and guest motored to Centerville to visit their aunt, Mrs. Amanda Lantz. The young people of Milton held a farewell party for Miss Elizabeth Warren in Grange hall Friday evening. All report a fine time. Mr. and

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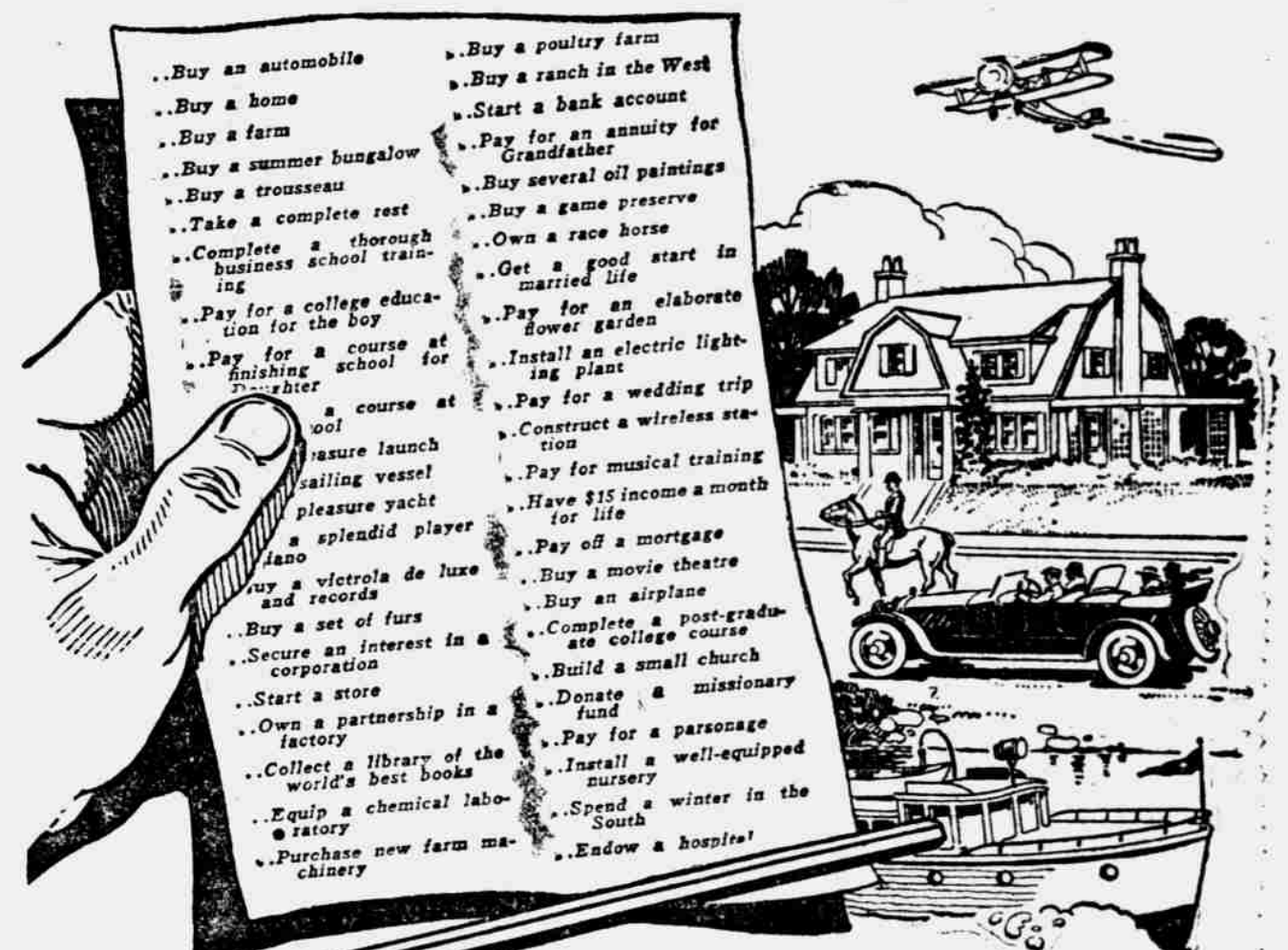
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