

Our Pioneer Women

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The sweet girl who used to disrobe by the window in a perfect glare of light was of great educational value, for she it was who got the bachelor population of these United States used to lingerie.



Meet the brave girl who first resolved not to say, "Wilfred, take me home," during a matinee of the problem play when the dialogue waxed frank and open. Nowadays a healthy girl will up and leave if the play is too refined, but in the old days it was the other way 'round.



A San Francisco beauty of the late sixties—the first California girl on record to boost the California sunshine and the climate in general. She it was who first told about the blankets they sleep under at night—even in the warmest weather.



An early American stenog who, having loosed the home ties and given the lie to the old belief that woman's place was in the home, went after a job and became the vanguard of America's tired business girls. Her family warned her continually to beware of letting the boss entice her to a hug and a kiss, and the boss' wife was sure she sat in his lap and typed letters.



It was tough going in the days gone by for the girl who rouged and used make-up, and, O, the nasty things the neighbors used to say about her. Nevertheless, she paved the way for the rose-tinted cheeks and ruby lips of the girl of today.



A pioneer suffragette, all fixed up in her best willow plumes, about to march to victory in the "Votes for Women" parade.



And here we have the young lady who, for the first time in history, told it about that she had never yet walked home from an auto ride. Some believed it and some didn't.



Here's to the memory of the first girl who thought it would be pretty cute to change hats in the group snapshot.



The early American glorified girl as typified by a Florodora sextet. These hardy pioneers did a lot to make America chorus-girl conscious.



Squaw "Up-and-at-Em," granddaughter of Pocahontas, who originated the sparkling line, "I certainly have everything on but the kitchen stove!"