

BACHELOR WEEK END HOST

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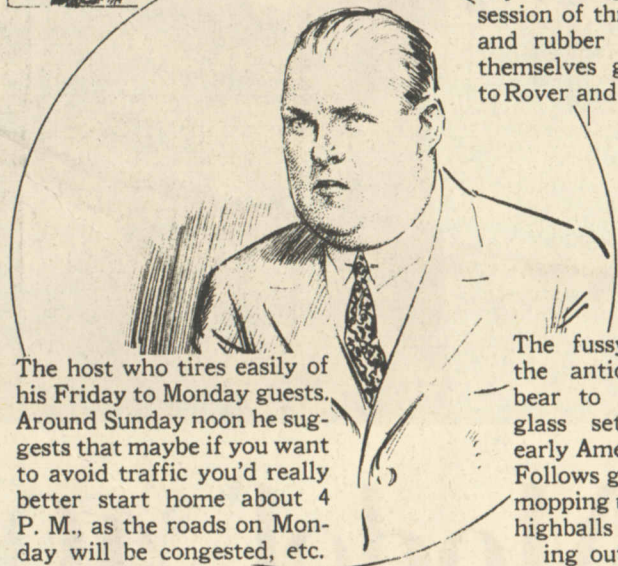
Never spend a week end with a bachelor who is building something. Because Sunday will be largely given over to climbing up and down makeshift ladders and walking planks, while he begs you to "go carefully along this loose board, and you can see where the lavatory to the garage apartment will be placed."



The radio-minded host with the favorite broadcasts. Demands absolute and undivided attention during Vic and Sade, Fibber Maggee, and the Lady Esther hour.



People who week end with a bachelor who loves dogs should realize that Friday night to Monday morning will be one long session of throwing rubber balls and rubber bones and making themselves generally agreeable to Rover and Prince and Mugsey.



The host who tires easily of his Friday to Monday guests. Around Sunday noon he suggests that maybe if you want to avoid traffic you'd really better start home about 4 P. M., as the roads on Monday will be congested, etc.

The fussy host with the antiques. Can't bear to have a wet glass set down on early American maple. Follows guests around mopping up the spilled highballs and handing out coasters.

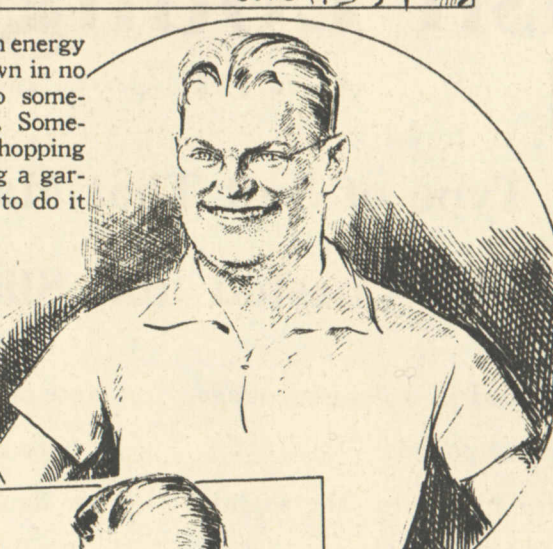


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The conventional host with the strict ideas. Has no use for a guest in the wrong sports clothes. Serves one cocktail (weak) before dinner and a glass of mineral water before retiring, to round out an evening in which shifting market values and defaulting carrier bonds are his principal topics.

This host has so much energy he will wear you down in no time. Wants to do something every moment. Something healthy like chopping up wood, or weeding a garden, and wants you to do it with him.



"I'm afraid you'll have to be down to breakfast not later than 8:15, because Irma and Ingeborg have to start for church at 9:00." Showing the bachelor host who is under the thumb of his servants. He can stand anything but their displeasure.



The liberty hall host. Has a servant who comes to cook dinner, when she can get there. Other meals are just a lark for the guests themselves. The cocktail hour lasts indefinitely, with people dropping in from near by, and there are never enough beds for comfort.

Budgeting Your Life

\$18 a Week Proves an Ample Income

By VIRGINIA WILLIAMS

IN LAST Sunday's edition of the Graphic Section I started to tell you how a business girl could live on \$18 a week and at the same time dress in a becoming manner and have her rightful share of fun and contentment.

You will recall that I explained the whole secret of living and dressing on that sum as depending upon the proper budgeting of the income. I described the method that I had used so successfully, the parceling out of the contents of the weekly pay envelope to a series of other envelopes bearing labels such as "Clothes," "Food at Home," and the like. My concluding paragraphs of last week were devoted to the subject of hats. Now let us go to the other extreme and consider the subject of shoes.

Do you have happy feet? Or do you have the kind which look reproachfully at you after a day spent in high-heeled torture chambers? I am cursed with the last-named kind, and so I know all the stages.

I can't say that I have economized on shoes. Perhaps you are one of those who like to stick to the same type of footwear for every day, as do I. My choice of shoes have, and probably always will, cost \$8.75, and for the service they give (are you hard on shoes?—I am) they are worth the money.

For dress I bought inexpensive numbers for about \$3.50. They lasted as long as any shoe you wear as little as you do the go-to-party kind. And the most expensive footwear is copied by the shops which specialize in this type of merchandise. I hope you won't buy shoes which call attention to your feet, because, unlike hats, cheap shoes can always be spotted, even by the amateur. You know better than any one else how to arrange the budget for "extras," but for standard the backbone of your wardrobe should be:

- 1 pair of black patent leather or kid dress slippers.
- 1 pair of black suede or fabric for your winter things.
- 1 pair semi-sports for every day.
- 1 pair of silver or gold sandals for evening.

About the galosh problem. Last year I started in May with the envelope, putting away a bit each week, and by the time winter had frozen me into submission I had \$5. That went for a pair of those velvet jobbies, and I would write a testimonial for them any day.

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Now about dress clothes. It's lucky that they don't change so quickly as other styles, because you can get away with one evening dress for at least a couple



There are a lot of little tricks a girl can do with clothes at home that will give them a completely new appearance.

of years. And for a new touch get a lei of artificial flowers. They are very attractive, and flowers are so kind to every one.

Now let us consider your head. Naturally you would like a complete new paint job, so I will start at the top. One of the best shampoos is the old castle soap. One bar of frightening proportions may be purchased at any corner drug store for 10 cents. Slice the soap, only about a cupful, into water, which by now should be heating slowly. Let the soap dissolve, and there you have it—a supershampoo for one dime. You all have your own rinses, so we won't go into that.

While your hair dries, dig up

the manicure set. Hands are so much in evidence at all times that you simply can't let them go even one night without some attention. A good nail cream put on just before the light goes out will keep your nails in excellent condition.

The contributions in the "Face" envelope were not as heavy as in other departments, because until I could go in for it in a big way I decided to make myself do with the bare necessities. One eye open for sales again in the newspapers. And that eye gets only zinc oxide for its lashes, because what was good enough for my grandmother—well, you know the rest. But back to the map—buy huge jars of cold cream for \$2, and, though they take up a lot of space, they will last three times as long as the ordinary kind.

Cleanliness is next to godliness, and you might just as well get next to it while you can. The things you can't wash you should send to a good cleaner, as you are taking unheard-of chances if you send them to a cheaper shop.

You will note at this point, with pleasure, no doubt, that I have allowed \$1.20 for amusement. And you may say to yourself, "WHAT, please, can you do on one dollar and twenty cents?" If you are as smart as I think you are you won't wonder long. A book (one of the current newbies) from a rental library will amount to 18 cents a week, and even if it takes you a week to read a book, you haven't a thing to lose. There must be a neighborhood movie, and at the most they seldom cost more than 30 cents. If you are not fond of cooking, then it would be amusement and pleasure for you to have dinner out once a week, to the tune of 50 cents—no more, because what is the sense of putting all your eggs in one biscuit? You can subscribe to lots of magazines for as little as 4 cents a week, and they provide a splendid way to keep yourself attuned to what is going on. The art galleries are free on Sundays, and tell me, when else could you go? If you will watch your newspaper you will find plenty of places to go to where there are no admissions charged. And what is so grand as a walk in the park on a lovely day?

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Now, last but by all means not least, comes the home. For home you should have not just a roost. A dingy hall room, after a difficult day, is almost too much for your weary mind to take, whereas, if the surroundings are pleasant and you are physically and mentally at ease, the possibilities of inspiration are great. Sunny chintz draperies can bring out the finer things in the mind of a business girl.



A smart evening dress will be good for several years.

(Tribune Studio photos.)



Careful cleaning keeps outfit fresh a long time.

My first step was to find a roommate. And find her I did. She was as congenial as any one could wish her to be, and at the same time she was as interested in that for which I was striving as I was in her ambitions.

But, getting down to the facts, finding a roommate is a life saver financially as well as mentally. We had a furnished apartment, for which the tariff was \$40 monthly. And, though it was not sumptuous, it was a very comfortable spot. Of course, when we looked at it the first time we were disappointed in what could be had for the price, but we determined to make a home of it, and that we did—with the help of the five-and-dime stores. The furniture doubtless will be pretty depressing on first sight, but don't let it get you. Slip covers that aren't at all bad are available for as low as \$1.98. If you have a dining table it is a golden thought to put candles atop it for daytime wear, and when they are lighted for dinner they really lend an air of gardenias and soft music to your surroundings.

When you are picking this mansion de luxe, choose it for its proximity to your business, so that you can walk to work. It will do you no end of good. This is just another of those little places where you can save \$1.20 a week when the weather holds—and think what that would do toward a new pair of spats!

We allowed \$6 a week for food, which is really all you need, as we tried it on unlimited terms for a week, and our food bill wasn't even that much—that was the week we didn't invite any one for dinner. Here again is where your favorite store comes into play—that is, if it has a grocery department. Go to that section and ask to talk to an order taker. Tell her just exactly what the situation is, how much you can afford to spend on food, and put yourself across well enough so that she will be ready to do anything for you. Then you can make arrangements about calling her before 11 in the morning, and she will have the things together in time to make the morning delivery. In that way you won't have to worry about trying to get away from business in time to buy something on the way home.



Home meals, well planned, can be kept within a \$6 budget without depriving yourself of anything really necessary to health and pleasure.