

MORE N. Y. HOMES SEEK CHILDREN NOW THAN CHILDREN SEEK HOMES

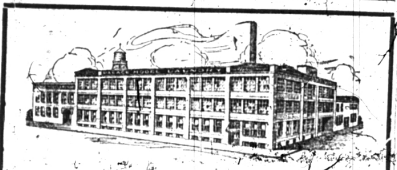
A steady stream of applicants at the office of Miss Sophie Van Sinden, Secretary of the State Placing Department of Child-Charities Association in New York, tells of an increased demand for children. In recent years the supply of foster parents has grown until the problem of finding enough children for childless homes has become less of a problem. "There are several reasons for the increased demand," Miss Van Sinden explains. "A good deal of

as if they were rather out of look around for children to adopt. Another reason for the increased demand is that we have swept the country ten or twelve years ago. The advent of the birth control movement and the doctrines have taken away much of the fear of risk in adopting children. We are less awed by theories of heredity and place more confidence in the power of proper environment. These factors have told especially in the city, according to Miss Van Sinden, where the children have steadily increased. Country homes, in general, are considered preferable, but the country is conservative, whereas the city, seeing and hearing so much more readily convinced of its probable success.

Every child to be placed is physically examined and psychologically tested. Its background is studied thoroughly and its conduct is observed closely during its temporary stay in a boarding home, before final placement. The wide range of choice has brought a noticeable change in the standards of foster homes selected. In the early days of organized child-placing work, nearly three-quarters of the foster fathers were skilled, semi-skilled or unskilled laborers. Nowadays this in business and office work predominate.

have appointed themselves guardians since he has a mania for putting everything in his pocket that he can lay his hands on. More troubles than they have bargained for, however, develop when the shell-shocked "Stoody" comes to the lodgings with a baby carriage and several quarts of priceless jewelry. It is then that the police get a hand in the affairs of the three dead men according to the official records, and begin to straighten out affairs.

When Miss Helen Casselvier of Paris walked on the street with a long string of pearls hanging down her back, a thief cut them off and escaped. Oscar Carlson of St. Louis was struck and knocked down by a brick which had fallen three stories, but he was not badly hurt.



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Tomorrow May Be Too Late Thos. H. Cobb

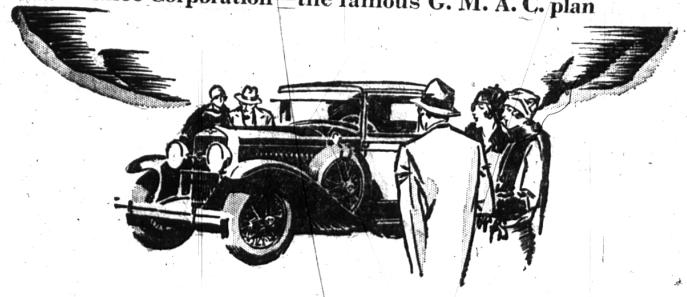
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