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Comes again Mother's Day, and every one of us likes to remember our own mother and be grateful that a special day has been set aside to honor her.

We like to remember the miniature pies and cakes, she made for us on baking day—the Kingerbread Men she cut out of cookie dough—the pienies she organized, cooked for and went along on. And the birthday parties with all the trimmings that took so much time in planning.

all the trimmings that took so much time in planning. She played house and "made believe" and re-sewed doll-dresses that had been ruined by small hands. And she read stories to us by the hour. We recall the myriad of tiny ruffles she sewed on some extra-pretty dress for a weding, a confirmation or a program. And the costumes she made for Halloween and for the times we appears as clowns, angels or land recitals.



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WE HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN, either, that she nursed us through childhood illnesses that were much worse then, before the advent of wonder drugs. She coaxed and bribed us to take medicine, sat up nights with us and amused us through long convalesterit periods.

She bothered to take us on trips, too, dragging us around to historical places, when it would have been much easier to farm us out and enjoy an unencumbered holiday with father. And she sat on the piano bench with us for endless hours, encouraging any spark of talent that might be there, fearful that it be lost if not developed.

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AND WHEN SHE WAS DOING all these things, she was giving up adult pleasures that might have been hers, or working about housework that, full to waif. But we didn't know that, for a bit of love went into everythings she did for us, covering the sacrifice of her time and energy, which was patiently to be the same with the teen-age period with all its uns and downs—a time when we acted very much like our own teen-age daughters are acting new her valuable advice—for we already knew Www. Was worken of that we worked the work that work that she must have worriest, the same was the work of the w

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AND SO WE ARE HAPPY that in the year 1908 Miss Anna it must be a solid base from years of Philadelphia began the movement to set aside a pears we have a solid base from years we have a solid base from years.

Jarvis of Philadelphia began the movement to set aside a special day for mothers.

Yes, we are grateful, too, that on this day we can still wear a red flower instead of a white one, for it means that there is yet time to pay back in some tiny measure the unlimited love and devotion that a good mother bestowed on her children.

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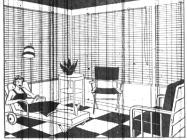
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