

dirty and dangerous, as they cannot be kept hygienic. So also are "weekly" curls for the same reason.

But habits and customs and mass imitation have won a stranglehold on an age of futile humanity.

When we were young the old Empress of China, a painted idol with nails an inch long, was considered a barbarian (she was far otherwise). Now Western Europe emulates her appearance in every detail—bar her exquisite elegance and guile. A few years ago even a princess of the Royal blood hid her cigarette case in a pochette. Now apparently no women enjoy "a whiff" with greater zest than hospital matrons.

In this matter of make-up we learn from a private nurse that she has just spent her last penny on a beauty-culture course, as her wealthy patients consider it an additional asset.

We fear the Hospital Matrons' Association is "up against it." Indeed, they must go canny in attempting to enforce Miss Cox-Davies' moral code—and, after all, as long as paint and patches are not "obvious" the death penalty need not be enforced.

We present the portraits of three senior pilots of Swedish Air Lines, Ernst Roll, Sven Ahblom and Hjalmar Bosson, who brought their babies to be christened at a church near Stockholm Aerodrome. Is it not fine for these babies to have such splendid motherly fathers? It would appear their future is in safe keeping—as we hope the lives of these brave men may be. We are indebted to "Swedish Air Lines" for permission to reproduce this photograph.

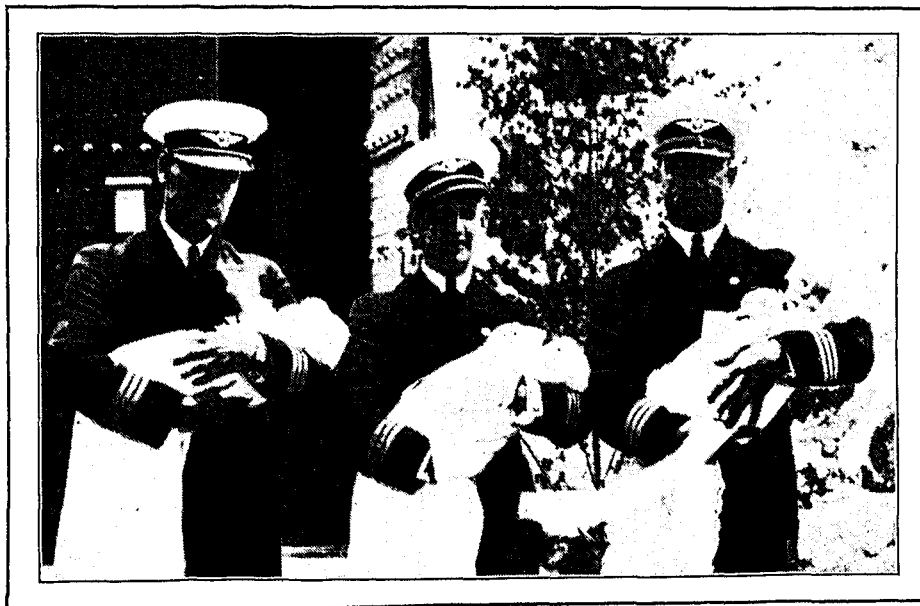
At the recent meeting of National Baby Week the Council made a special effort to bring fathers into the child welfare movement.

The project has received the approval of Queen Mary, patron of the week, who, in a message of congratulation to the council, says:—"I have learned with pleasure of the efforts which are being made to focus public attention on the father-craft side of the movement. That aspect, which is too often neglected, is of ever-increasing importance. I earnestly hope that the council will meet with a full measure of success in their work, which will always command my sympathy and support."

The council's idea is that the father should find out about the local health services, and see that his family make the fullest use of all the expert help that is provided through the maternity and child welfare and school medical services.

Registered men nurses attending the New York Fair are invited to make their headquarters, while in the city, at the Bellevue Men Nurses' Registry.

During the New York Fair, the Mothers' Milk Bureau of the Children's Welfare Federation of New York City will welcome nurses and other professional persons at their demonstrations of the routines followed at the Mothers' Milk Bureau, including expressing mothers' milk, pasteurising, and preserving it for the use of premature and sick babies. These demonstrations will be held at the laboratory of the Mothers' Milk Bureau, 435, Ninth Avenue (at 34th Street), daily from 9-11 a.m., and from 6-8 p.m.



HAPPY BABES WITH SPLENDID FATHERS.

The wives of workers of the Sleeping Cars Trust of the Yaroslavsky Railway (Russia) have thought of an ingenious way of adding to the comfort of mothers and children travelling for long distances. On their initiative a carriage on a train running between Moscow and Vladivostock has

been fitted up as a nursery. A compartment big enough to hold 20 to 30 children has been furnished with gay children's furniture and the walls decorated with drawings from fairy tales. Inside the compartment are facilities for games of all sorts, many toys, a magic lantern, radio, etc.

A medical aid centre under the charge of two trained nurses has also been provided, and is available for all passengers on the train.

For mothers travelling with tiny infants two capacious compartments with suspended beds and all requisites for babies have been fitted up. Another compartment contains facilities for washing, drying and ironing clothes. There are also shower-baths for children, a cooking stove, thermos flasks, and a refrigerator. Children up to the age of ten can spend the entire day—from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.—in the common nursery.

A peep at the map will make us realize the immense distance of place from place in Russia, and the boor such facilities for comfort must be.

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