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Clothes—the topic of conversation in the tea room, in the hotel lobby, in the salon, in the office and in every home—is a good subject when talk is light. But we only talk of the newest styles, the new clothes of our neighbors or seldom talk of how well some people keep their clothes looking.

Very likely, you would like to know how to care for your clothes properly. If more of us truly realized the vital importance of the care of our clothing, certainly there would be better looking clothes worn. Not only does it improve the appearance, but it gives longer wear, thus lowering the clothing bill.

When we were children and our mothers taught us to hang up our clothes the moment we took them off, we thought it mean was to keep the room looking neat. But I had a good reason for that. She knew that when we threw our dress across the back of a chair or hung our coats on a nail that they would become all wrinkled and out of shape. This practice, we learned the lesson, but even yet we cannot stress too strongly the statement, "Hang up your clothes."

Shirts should be hung from the waist and Trouser hangers of various styles are good for this. Loosely woven sweaters, skirts with very bias seams and garments of flaxen material which are apt to stretch, are better kept in a box or drawer.

It is well to have a protective covering for garments seldom used, and for outer garments as well, if one lives where dust or coal smoke is much present. Old garments, old sheets or heavy, unbleachable muslin serve the purpose in making savers.

A simple one can be made of good material twice the length of the garments, plus one-half yard for finishing. This may be made into a plain bag with one inch hems at the bottom, turned together, and a small round hole in the bottom of the bag through which to slip the hook of the hanger. The shoulders may be rounded off to give a better appearance.

The clothes closet comes into consideration when we want to care for our clothes properly. A homemaker once said, "The clothes closet in a girl's room exists to accommodate the innermost depths of her character. The genuine girl knows that no box can hide aloveness."

There is a limit as to what should be kept in a clothes closet. Too often it is a dumping place for everything. It is meant for dresses, coats, shoes, hats and night dresses. It should be provided for at home. Orderliness also includes the way in which clothes are hung. A rod across the closet is almost a necessity for the hangers.

Ventilation, light and cleanliness cannot be overemphasized in the clothes closet. The use of a little common

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Care makes the problem a simple one. The illustration shows a good simple
Chemical control. Besides the hanging of clothes, too much cannot be said concerning mend-
less hanging, airing, pressing and the re-
Garments should be well taken care

Oxalic

Cut soap fine and heat in 1 cup of soft

Vinegar—1 tablespoon to 1 gallon of

Accessories should be well taken care
In order that one may look her best. Shos,
gloves, and hats are the common

Plan thoroughly, buy carefully, keep
your clothes in good repair and good con-
dition, and you will have, as a reward,
clothes that will not only look better,
but clothes that will wear longer.

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graduate work at Columbia University,
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Nellie Whittemore Wallace, H. Ec. '22,
is the mother of one small daughter. Her
husband, L. A. Wallace, is the athletic
director at the University of Oklahoma at
Norman. Mrs. Wallace writes that Nancy
Elliott, who graduated from the Home
Economics Division of Iowa State last
year, is achieving success at Norman
and that under her direction the clothing
classes presented an excellent style
show.

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