

# Many people spoil their nails by the wrong kind of care

**What causes rough cuticle and hangnails**  
**How to have smooth, even cuticle, perfect nails**

ONLY a bit of cuticle one-twelfth of an inch wide covers each delicate nail root. You can see from the diagram what a tiny protection this is.

Yet the nail root is very sensitive. When it is injured, the nail which grows from it and the cuticle which covers it are spoiled.

Some people actually cut the fine rim of cuticle which protects the nail root! Sometime, see for yourself the injury cuticle cutting does—Look through a magnifying glass at a cuticle that has been manicured with scissors or knife.

**What the magnifying glass reveals**

You will see that there are many little raw places where more than the dead skin has been cut. The live cuticle itself, the real protection of the nail root, has been actually cut away.

In the little places where it has been cut, this live skin grows especially fast. It grows up much faster than the rest of the cuticle. In this way an uneven edge is formed. This ragged edge splits and forms rough places and hangnails.

When cuticle is neglected, it sticks tight to the nail. The growing nail pulls it up unevenly to form an ugly line. The cuticle dies, dries up and becomes a horny white rim. Then it splits in places and forms rough edges and hard hangnails that catch on things.

**A smooth oval margin to each nail**

It is easy to keep your nails always in exquisite condition without cutting or over-rough pushing back. It is only a matter of a few minutes' care.



The delicate nail root is only one-twelfth inch below the cuticle. People injure it by cutting the cuticle.

the end of the orange stick, dip it into the bottle and work it around the base of your nails. The surplus cuticle is softened, removed. Then carefully wash the hands with soap and water, pushing the cuticle back when drying them.

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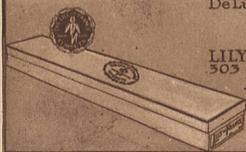
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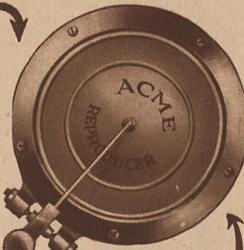
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