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Humor Necessary Adjunct to Marriage

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Says We All Must Learn to Laugh

University of Florida May Be Doing World Better Turn Than it Thought When it Established Course in Humor

The University of Florida has added to its curriculum a course designed to develop a sense of humor. Its purpose as set forth by the instructor in charge of this particular branch of the higher education, is "to teach the student to view life from the standpoint of the spectators at a comedy; to perceive the comic elements in situations and in people without being upset by them and, above all, to recognize the comic elements in himself."

Fine! Grand. Marvelous! If anything ever filled a long-felt want it is this scientific effort to supply the world with more and better merriment and if this college can develop the funny bones of its students it will deserve to outrank those centers of culture that turn out graduates with abnormal biceps and leg muscles, or whatever it is you play football with. One can even imagine a young man with a laugh that is hung on a hair-trigger being in more demand as a bond salesman than a quarterback or left tackle.

Whether or not developing a sense of humor in the young and teaching boys and girls when, how and where to laugh has been undertaken in a missionary spirit, we do not know. But certainly no other one thing will do more to dispel the prevailing gloom and cheer up humanity. Just to envision a state of society in which trained funsters catch the point of your jokes on the fly instead of having to hand them handed to them on a platter with a diagram showing how they are worked, and in which people chuckle over your pet stories instead of wearing a painted look as one who wonders what it is all about, is to catch a glimpse of the millennium.

Furthermore, consider from what innumerable follies the students in the School of Humor will be saved! They will never take themselves too seriously. They will never make tragedies out of misadventures. They will never be pompous asses. They will never be tedious bores. They will never make themselves ridiculous by being cut-ups and think themselves the life of the party when they are really killing it. Some one has said that we miss the best joke in the world because we can't see ourselves as we really are. They'll get that one and it will hand them a laugh that will save them.

But the School of Humor will do its great and perfect work in preparing young people for marriage. It is the first real, genuine, bona fide, blown-in-the-bottle remedy that has ever been offered for the cure of the divorce evil. Because there are so many things in marriage that you have either got to laugh off or see a lawyer about, and it is only those who can see the funny side of it who can stand it.

Take what we call the disillusion of marriage, for instance. The inevitable hour in which the man discovers that the beautiful and glamorous creature he has married and whom he never suspected of having a single fault concealed about her angelic person, takes off her complexion at night and puts up her hair in pins and has a temper that makes him say yes, ma'am to her. And when the bride finds out that the hero of her childish dreams has as many funny little ways as any old maid and gets into a tantrum if she leaves the top of the toothpaste tube and says things when his collar button rolls under the bureau that no man should say before a lady.

Well, then, when this critical hour arrives nothing but a sense of humor can save the situation. Husbands and wives can start a domestic feud that will last to their dying day, or they can look at each other and say "the joke is on me," and make the best of each other and live happy ever afterward.

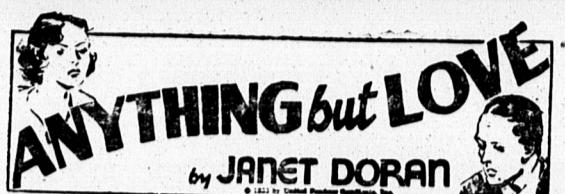
Think what a prize in the matrimonial lottery would be a husband who would regard the housekeeping bills with a humorous eye and who would jest over the biscuits when they were tough and the coffee when it was weak and who would be tickled pink at hearing that mama was coming for a nice long visit!

And wouldn't any man think that he had got a wife whose price was above rubies if only she would laugh off his little faults and weaknesses instead of making tragedies of them, and turn the time he got lit when he went to a stag party, or guessed wrong on a stock deal into a funny story instead of a standing grievance and a matter for tears?

A hearty laugh would end any quarrel and settle any domestic dispute. Let's hope the School of Humor will teach its pupils how to get the humorous slant on marriage. Heaven knows it is the funniest comedy in the world. DOROTHY DIX.

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ANYTHING but LOVE by JANET DORAN

CHAPTER XIX
Caroline was in the kitchen, putting finishing touches on the supper when Alma and Johnny reached her little home. Johnny remained in the living room while Alma went out into the kitchen to help.

As the two girls dined up the creamed chicken on toast, Caroline dropped a bombshell. "He's leaving in the morning, Alma. Didn't say where he was going. I was dying to ask, but didn't dare."

"Johnny?" Alma said blankly. "Leaving Burntwood? What for, Caroline?"

"I'll be," Caroline said decisively. "If you'd let me tell him the truth about you and Sig, and your idea about going to work, he'd change his mind."

"Don't you do it!" Alma flared. "I'll never share another confidence with you, Caroline, if you do! After the way he's acted, I don't choose to tell him. Let him think what he pleases!"

"Okay!" Caroline shrugged. "If that's the way you feel about it, wild horses won't drag a word out of me. But, just the same, if I liked a man as you seem to like Johnny, I'd certainly explain a few things to him before he goes away."

"Nothing I could say would help Caroline," Alma sighed. "He insists on keeping me at arm's length, and won't explain why. Well, I can be just as cagey as he! Anyway, let's not talk about it any more."

Supper progressed in leisurely fashion, with the talk confined to trivialities. It seemed to Alma that Johnny was being very deliberate in staying away from personal matters. It seemed ages and ages ago that they had been so close together. She thought, looking across the candle-light table, "It's almost as if we were strangers—as if he had never held me in his arms, kissed me."

"Well help with the dishes, Caroline," Johnny said, breaking in on Alma's train of thought. "Nonsense!" said Caroline. "I wouldn't trust either of you. You'd break the cups, and smash the saucer, and then where'd I be? Run along into the living room, children and amuse yourselves while I clear up."

It seemed however that she could not force Alma and Johnny into a tete-a-tete. Johnny determinedly picked up a plate, a sauce dish, and a cup and saucer piled them carefully together, and started for the kitchen.

"We can all three clean up, and talk as we do it," he said lightly. "It's more sociable." Alma bit her lip, and hastily began clearing the table. Caroline made light, bantering conversation, and the awkward moment passed.

After the dishes were done, she suggested turning on the radio and dancing, but Alma pleaded that she was tired. Johnny sat staring moodily at the fire, with an inscrutable expression on his face. Finally, in desperation, Caroline made an excuse to go upstairs for a moment, and the time lengthened.

The HOUSEWIFE and HER ACTIVITIES

THE COMMON TASKS
The common tasks are beautiful if we have eyes to see their shining ministry.
The plowman with his share deep in the loam;
The carpenter whose skilled hands build a home;
The gardener working with reluctant sod,
Faithful to his partnership with God—
There are the artisans of life. And, oh, a woman with her eyes and cheeks aglow!

Watching a kettle, tending a scarlet flame,
Guarding a little child—there is no name
For this great ministry. But eyes are dull
That do not see within the common tasks
The simple answer to the thing God asks
Of any child, a pride within His breast:
That at our given work we do our best.
—Grace Noll Crowell in "Good Housekeeping."

TABLOID
For taking the shine off clothes, nothing is permanent except the following: Take a piece of clean sandpaper and rub very lightly over the shiny parts. The shine will disappear at each rub and a new nap will be raised.
WHEN YOU ARE MAKING A FROCK OF VELVET
When a velvet frock is being made up great care must be taken not to mark the velvet by pinning the pattern to it. It is better to use a few fine needles as they will not leave

Today's Short Wave Radio Program

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30
BERLIN
5 p.m.—Friedrich List, a German Fighter. DJD 25.4 m., 11.77 meg.
ROME
6 p.m.—News in English. Operatic Selection. Italian Federation of Business and Professional Women. Pianist De Anduaga Andolfi. 2RO's "Mail Bag." 2RO, 31.1 m., 9.63 meg.
LONDON
6 30 p.m.—"The Beggar Student." A Comic Opera. GSP, 19.6 m., 15.31 meg.; GSD, 25.5 m., 11.75 meg.; GSC, 31.3 m., 9.58 meg.
MOSCOW
7 p.m.—Review of the Week. Russian Lesson. RAN, 31.2 m., 9.6 meg.
PARIS
7 15 p.m.—Theatrical Program. TPA-4, 25.6 m., 11.72 meg.
CARACAS
8 45 p.m.—Amateur Hour. YV2RC, 51.7 m., 9.8 meg.
LONDON
9 p.m.—"St. Andrew's Day, 1936." A Scottish Concert. GSD, 25.5 m., 11.75 meg.; GSC, 31.3 m., 9.58 meg.
TORONTO
9 p.m.—"Melodie Springs"—string orchestra, direction Alexander Chuhaldin. CRXC, 49.2 m., 6.09 meg.; CJRO, 48.7 m., 6.15 meg.; CJRX, 25.6 m., 11.72 meg.
BERLIN
9 15 p.m.—Concert of Light Music. DJD, 25.4 m., 11.77 meg.

any marks. If pins are used they should be the finest and sharpest obtainable. When velvet has to be tacked, a silk thread should be used. Cotton thread is apt to leave a slight mark that cannot easily be removed. If a velvet frock is accidentally creased in the making it should be carefully steamed and then hung in a warm dry room until the pile is smoothly raised again.

BELTS ARE USED TO DRESS UP DRESSES

Belts are the most interesting accessories this year. Fashionists agree that the right belt can make even the cheapest dress look expensive and exclusive. For afternoon those wide, soft, crushable silver or gold kid types are perfect. For evening, there are all kinds of wide jeweled affairs, some that lace instead of buckle.

LIQUID SKIN CLEANSERS ARE VERY POPULAR

Within the past year, liquid skin cleansers have become more and more popular. Busy women like them because it takes less time to get them on. Girls with oily skin find liquid cleansing most satisfactory. Liquid nourishing creams eliminate the business of going to bed looking greasy and liquid foundations do away with that "caked" made-up look.

KING APPROVES HYMN "GOD BLESS PRINCE OF WALES"

The King on returning from South Wales gave his approval to the singing of "God bless the Prince of Wales."

In a further gesture of friendliness toward the principality, His Majesty consented to the singing of the hymn, following the National Anthem, at any Welsh gathering where it was customary to do so in the past when the title of Prince of Wales had a holder.

TABLE SETTING

Silver to be used first is placed farthest from the plate, gradually using the outside pieces as the meal progresses. Knives are placed at the right cutting edges toward the plate. Forks are placed at the left. The handles of all the silver should be one inch from the edge of the table. It is not considered good taste for more than three knives, forks or spoons to be placed on the table at one time. Should this be the case extra silver should accompany the course for which it is used.

NEIGHBORLY GOSSIP

Empty the carpet sweeper on a dampened newspaper to prevent dust from flying.
A piece of rubber tubing over the ends of the sink faucets is a great protection against chipping pieces

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THE COOK'S CORNER

WHITE BREAD IN SMALL QUANTITIES.

One cup liquid, 1-4 yeast cake, 1 teaspoon butter, 1 teaspoon sugar, 3-4 teaspoon salt, three cups flour. The liquid may consist of water, milk or potato water. Scald the liquid, cool to blood heat. Break up the yeast cake in a small quantity of liquid then add to the whole. Add sugar and butter to the warm liquid. Next add sufficient flour to make a thick batter and beat vigorously. Add enough flour to make a soft dough as possible. Keep the dough as soft as possible. Put in a warm place until double its size. Shape into loaves and place in a greased pan, and let rise until half its size again, or until it is up to the top of the pan. Bake in a moderate oven thirty minutes.

THIN WOOL STOCKINGS WILL GLORIFY ANKLES

Women have revived the old home-spun fashion of wearing wool stockings. Through many a winter they suffered cold ankles rather than sacrificed trimness to bulky warmth. But the modern woollens, unlike their predecessors are considered by the early exponents of the vogue to pay proper tribute to the ankle.

ARRANGING MUMS

A glass vase filled with bronze chrysanthemums can be dull almost to ugliness, but a garden basket filled with a cheery array of mums in mixed colors may be beautiful.

Let your container have character and quality of its own, and let it be opaque to hide the stems—a brown rush basket with a thin lining or a copper jug.

MOCK MINCE PIE

1-2 cup rolled soda biscuits
1-2 cups granulated sugar
1 cup light molasses
1-3 cup lemon juice
1 cup chopped seedless raisins
1-2 cup soft butter
2 eggs well beaten
1-2 teaspoon ground allspice
1-2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1-2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1-2 teaspoon salt
Mix ingredients in order given.

A Morning Smile

THE DIFFERENCE

The village blacksmith had taken his ten-year-old son across his knees and was making vigorous contact between a stoutly-soled cleat and the seat of the youngster's knickers. Just then the parson popped up and started to admonish him. "If you are powerful you should also be merciful!" said the good man, "and always allow for the spirit of youth. The day is already waning; see to it that the sun descend not upon your wrath."

"You've got it all wrong, rector," said the horny-handed one. "It's not the sun that's going down on my wrath. It's my wrath wot's going down on the son."

Bake as double crust pies at 425 degrees F. for 15 minutes, reduce temperature to 350 degrees F. for 25 to 30 minutes to finish cooking. Make two pies, or one dozen individual pies.

We found dark molasses was too strong. If you wish to use it, use half dark molasses with half corn syrup.
The subject for our lecture demonstrations this week is "Study Scotch Omelette and Flavor in Meat Cookery." Lectures are given in our auditorium, 55 Adelaide Street east, on Monday at 6 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday at 2:30 p.m., and in our North Toronto auditorium, 255 Yonge Street, on Monday and Thursday at 8 p.m., Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. The subject for next week is "Recipes for the Bachelor Girl."

Fashions' Latest For Chic Dressers

Just two major parts to the slip on top. It has the comfortable set-in sleeves. The neck is finished with applied bands that offer schemes for contrast. The trousers are two-piece. Several pajamas could easily be made in a single day. Think of the saving in cost!
A deep wine-red flannel striped in white is smart as pictured. The neck band is plain wine. They are so comfortable to lounge in as well as for sleeping.

Another scheme that is very popular with boys is cocoa brown with yellow pin dots and plain yellow trim.
Cotton broadcloth, percale prints, wool-finished cottons, crepe silks, etc., are still more fabrics for your choice.

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