

Woman's Realm Social and Personal Fashions Literature

Hobbies Of Local Citizens

By Uncle Joe

The true hobbyist loves his hobby with lavish affection, no matter what pattern it follows or how insane it may appear to his fellow men.

During my last trip to Florida I made the acquaintance of a fellow who actually collected rejection slips and had them mounted in albums to confirm the fact that he was a writer. At Jacksonville I met a girl who collects hairs from the tails of famous horses.

Some hobbies are as startling and unusual as flying discs; but so long as the hobbyist keeps within the bounds of common sense he never should be ridiculed even though he has a flair for trying his hand at building a machine with perpetual motion — and, "believe it or not," inventiveness has led many a person actually to attempt what most inventors claim is impossible.

Among the unusual hobbies I have run down is the art of impersonating other people as well as being able to ape birds and beasts. The character behind all this fun-provoking burlesque is Walter MacLeod, of Lorne Valley, who earns his daily shekels as a carpenter.

Walter can do more than merely impersonate another; he actually can make himself look, talk and walk like anyone he chooses to ape. I have known him to step outside his own home, adjust his hat at a new angle, pull his height up a few inches, change the entire expression on his face, then knock on the door and ask his father if Walter was at home. The ruse never failed to fool the old man. Walter could play the same trick on any member of the family or any of his neighbors without ever giving away his identity.

I never shall forget that night a masquerade dance was being held in Cardigan hall. It was during the era of prohibition and prohibition officers; and as Walter and I drew near the dance hall we heard some of the local boys whooping it up in a near-by shed. Every now and then the sound of bottle and glass came distinctly to our ears.

Without a moment's hesitation my friend stepped from the car and in the voice of the local constable demanded to know what in tarantula was going on. It was a very dark night and the boys, not being able to see well, rushed pell-mell through the door and windows, almost breaking their necks in an attempt to get away.

On another occasion, Walter led his neighbor a merry chase around

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DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

Lonely People

Great Majority Have Only Themselves To Blame

DEAR MISS DIX: Why are lonely people lonely? If they are women who are unmarried, they think they are lonely because they are old maids. If they are married people, they think it is because their husbands and children don't understand them. If they are poor people, they think it is because they lack money. If they are rich, they think they are lonely because nothing is worth while. If they could only shuffle themselves around in each other's places, would they be less lonely? Why don't they get together and console each other?

A READER

ANSWER: I think loneliness is a state of mind and not a condition of life, and that the lonely would be lonely under any circumstances. They are what the psychologists call "anti-social" and they lack something. They are not, as the phrase goes, good mixers. They have no aloofness about them that is like a barrier of ice that separates them from their kind.

This trait of character manifests itself often very early in life. You see even small children who have already developed the lone-wolf chum. They come and go to school alone. They never have any intimate friends are always the center of the school games, while other children are always getting married does not predestine a woman to loneliness so much wasted brine, for we all know plenty of old maids whose and pleasures that they consider it a positive treat to get an hour off in which to commune with their own souls.

Nor need any married woman be lonely just because her husband doesn't come up to all of her romantic dreams, for there are several millions of other people among whom she can find congenial company, to say nothing of her children. Nor is age nor the lack of money a cause of loneliness. Many of the most popular people I know are long past their youth and have little of this world's goods, and yet they are so human, so kind, so interested in every one else's joys and sorrows, such little brothers and sisters to all the world, as Kipling says, that the feet of their admirers wears a pathway to their doors.

Of course, there are solitary souls who dwell apart and who have nothing in common with their fellow creatures. These have no desire for companionship and ask only to be let alone.

SHUT THEMSELVES IN SHELLS

The great majority of people who complain of loneliness have only themselves to blame, and their loneliness is the result of selfishness and vanity. There are those who for some unknown reason think themselves so desirable that every one should run after them and seek their society. They never make advances in acquaintanceship. They don't meet you even halfway. They shut themselves up in their shells and expect you to work patiently and faithfully until you have pulled them out of them.

That sort of person is always lonely because not many of us are willing to take the trouble to cultivate such an unpromising prospect. Another large class of people, who are always walling and beating upon their breasts because they are lonely, are those who are not willing to pay the price of society. It takes time and money and effort to cultivate friends. To have people desire your companionship you have to make yourself pleasant and agreeable and entertaining. You have to sacrifice a lot of your tastes and opinions and self-peddle a lot of your theories, and they will not do this.

They go to parties, but give none. They try to dominate every gathering they are in. They never learn to dance or play a good game of contract. They are eternally starting arguments on every subject. They talk about themselves and their affairs endlessly. And the result is naturally that they are left alone.

And, finally, people are lonely because they have no resources within

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The Key to.....



Successful Entertaining

KING COLE TEA COFFEE

Household Scrapbook

By Roberts Lee

Screens
A better method than using a brush for painting screens is to cover a small block of wood with an old piece of carpet, tacking it securely to the edges of the block, and dipping this into the paint and rubbing over the mesh.

Vegetables
Fresher the wilted vegetables by adding a slice of lemon to a pan of water and letting the vegetables soak for about thirty minutes. This is particularly effective for lettuce, parsley and spinach.

The Garden
As soon as possible after a heavy rain, cultivate the garden, as the water packs down the surface soil which then becomes crusted and cracked in the hot sun.

Morning Smile

Mr. and Mrs. Parr were playing golf. As he drove off the fourth tee, Mr. Parr sliced badly, and the ball hit a woman who was also out golfing with her husband.

The husband, very angry, walked over to Mr. Parr.

"Why don't you watch what you are doing?" he asked. "You hit my wife."

"Sorry, old man," said Mr. Parr. "Here's a ball. Take a shot at mine."

That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M. D.

ITCHING—PRURITIS—CAUSED BY EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCES

As medical students, we formed the opinion that half of all skin diseases were eczema, and that most of them could be cured by mercury or arsenic. We didn't know much about the causes of skin diseases, so also can they interfere with the normal action of the heart, lungs, blood circulation, intestines, so also can they interfere with the normal action of the organ, which is just as much an organ as the heart or stomach.

The fact that the skin is an organ, and therefore a part of the body as a whole, means that the skin specialist of today treats the patient as a whole, besides prescribing the special or specific treatment for the disease of the skin.

There are some individuals who are allergic to certain substances which affect the skin directly or indirectly, and others in whom nervous system and the emotions cause or aggravate certain symptoms.

One of the symptoms now known to be caused by the emotions is pruritis, itching—not itching due to some cause such as itching of the lower opening of the bowels which can be caused by a fungus organism, hemorrhoids or other irritations.

In "Medical Clinics of North America," Dr. S. Williams Becker, Chief of Skin Diseases, Chicago Memorial Hospital, states that where the patient complains of itching all over the body, there is usually no skin condition present except where the patient has caused scratches and redness by scratching.

The first thought in treating general itching of the skin is to look for some general ailment of the body such as exhaustion, blood pressure disturbances, gout, and gall bladder disturbances, and infection of the teeth, tonsils, gums and large intestine.

While the physician treats the itching with solutions of baking soda, phenol or application of ointment, he carefully investigates the condition of the large intestine by means of X-ray, special diets, the electro-cardiograph, examination of the contents of the stomach and of the stool, and other laboratory methods.

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Modern Etiquette

By Roberts Lee

Q. When at an affair where the hostess has overlooked introductions, should a man introduce himself first, or the woman?

A. It would be better for the woman to introduce herself first.

Q. Is it obligatory that a woman keep her hat on when attending a card party?

A. She, of course, always removes her hat if the party is in a private home. If the card party is in a public place, she may either remove it or keep it on.

Q. For how long a time should the bread and butter plates be left on the dinner table?

A. Until it is time to serve the dessert.

How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. Is it true that thunder will sour milk, as commonly believed?

A. No. There are bacteria in milk which feed on the sugar, causing it to acidulate. Just before an electric storm the air usually becomes warmer, causing these bacteria to multiply more rapidly.

Q. When chocolate has a gray coating during the hot days, is it

Ellen's Diary

By an Island Farmer's Wife

"The fields could do with some heat again," we said at breakfast this morning when we spoke of the weather. Grand-daughter came then to join us, to sit comfortably at table in the place that once was her father's. But not to remain. To enjoy tastes of this or that of our fare and on a sudden recollection to leave us with the remark: "I'm going home to get breakfast with my father and mother!" Usually James and I sit opposite in our old familiar places though now there are the occasions when our board seems over-large for us, and then it is that one or the other moves his or her plate nearer, and seeking thus to bridge those unfortunate years when our family was present, we find our food more tasteful.

The farmers came early to their lumbering today, but we suppose, by the knowledge that the interval between end of cropping and haying is made up of fleeting days—this time that is invariably given over at Alderlea to any work of repair at the buildings. This evening the logs were hauled to the mill. The dampness had cleared by then and the sun, in a last flood of it, lay rich on the hills.

Here the house-wife was engrossed in hanging glass-curtains about the windows of the front door—those at either side of it and the shaped ones above which form a beautiful fan, and about which we consider those patient and artistic builders of a long gone day. Making in a way we have, which if time be valued may be only a questionable virtue, we made our hangings from the less-worn parts of pairs of discarded curtains that not long ago were the pride of Jeanie's living-room windows. A sheer silk material it is, in a warm cream shade, and it admits the light and folds, and allows one, through its changing beauty of pond and tree and fields without. . . . A piece of wheat, silkily green now and holding its own shadow, a grain which has not been grown in the neighborhood for years, has moved of late into our view.

It was while we were taken up with the hanging of our curtains, and after a silence that was suspicious, that Jeanie came in to inquire about a corner in the room of her grand-daughter. Since she is allowed to spend her time pretty much as she fancies, and in either house, she has the responsibility of two feminine minds. We came outdoors with her mother to call . . . and call. But there was no reply. We hope to see her to appear sunnily around a corner with a kitten, or with her hands full of daisies or clovers or others of her treasures. But no smaller maid came to answer our calls. Instead, we found that strange emptiness of desertion. Short time ago we had heard her voice and the place around a corner was empty and still. Even the bird-song was hushed.

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an indication that it is spoiled? The usually indicates that some of the fat has melted and come to the surface.

Q. How can I remove mildew from water? Pure Vaseline jelly into mildewed leather until it is quite absorbed; then polish carefully with chamol leather.

Better English

D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "The condition of his affairs were satisfactory."

A. "Condition" is the correct pronunciation of "amateur."

2. Which one of these words is misspelled? Fallacy, filial, fiancee.

A. "Fiancee" does the word "ignominy" mean?

3. What is a word beginning with tra that means "existing for a short time only"?

ANSWERS

1. Say "was satisfactory." Condition is the singular subject. 2. Pronounce "amateur" as in ask. Unstressed, oo as in moon, accent second syllable. 3. Filial. 4. Public disgrace or dishonor. "Fiancee" begins in mistakes, and ends in ignominy." Fambler. 5. Transitory.

Cook's Corner

LEMON MINT PIE

A good handful of mint leaves
1 cup boiling water
2 tablespoons gelatin
1/2 cup cold water
1/2 cup hot water
Juice of 3 lemons
Juice of 1 large orange
1 cup sugar
Green coloring
Bruise about as much mint leaves as can be grasped in the hand. Place in a bowl and pour over them 1 cup boiling water. Let them steep while other ingredients are being prepared. To the gelatin add the cold water and dissolve in the 1/2 cup hot water. Add lemon juice and orange juice. Add sugar and the water from the mint leaves which should be squeezed as dry as possible. Add a little green coloring. Freeze.

Living & Leisure THE WOMAN'S REALM

RELAX

Relax and let the muscles rest. Relax and all that's wrong forgot! Relax, though people are oppressed! And tyranny is still a threat.

Relax and put the mind at ease. Dismiss the worries of the day. Forget the quarrels overseas. Relax! How easy that to say!

Yet thoughts will come by day and night
And ears pick up the brawling word
And those who tell the news must write
The second war may breed the third.

Oh, when will come the day of peace
To end the fears that fret and tax?
And when will all the hatreds cease
That man and nations may relax?

—Edgar A. Guest.

An old tennis racket makes a splendid racket beater; it is light and strong, does not damage, and is easy to use.

If your mayonnaise looks too pale for the special salad you are making, a few drops of butter colouring will make it more attractive. Good for lemon filling too.

Allow your meat loaf to chill in the refrigerator overnight before cooking. It will retain its shape and the flavour will be better.

Be sure to mark your dishes before you send food to social affairs. Just write the name in bright nail polish. This will be a great help to those who are responsible for the dishes. The polish will not peel or rub off, but may be cleaned with polish remover.

Back fullness, crisp rolling folds.

The Stars Say—

By Genevieve Kemble

For Friday, July 1

CONFLICTING configurations are noted in this day's sidereal operations. While there are indications of progress and worthwhile gain in important objectives, yet a show of hostility, bad judgment and aggressive or rash action could nullify desired results. Rash judgment, haste, misrepresentation or false tactics could undermine firm foundations already laid. The personal element, in which business tactics or aims may be complicated by forcing the issue or through pursuit of pleasure. Over-liberal or extravagant measures could offset real prospects. Stick to sound business routines and postpone display or dubious acts.

For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is are urged to make careful analysis and study of some excellent openings for gain, advancement and aid from important sources, mainly by a shrewd and practical course of action rather than snap judgment. Wild ideas or plans, or a downright effort to misrepresent distort or bring undue pressure to bear. Haste anger or forced issues could spoil excellent prospects. Or an attempt to gain prestige or advantage by the use of pleasure or stratagems or other dubious tactics could undermine promising circumstances. Beware of hidden or baitful lures and baits. Keep straight. A child born on this day may work against its own best interests by an urge to trickiness, duplicity, forced issues or other unprincipled or expeditious conduct.

slim panels, spreading collars and unusual pockets, are among the latest style trends featured by the husband and wife team of designers, William and Zelma Segal. Characteristic of the collection for autumn-winter 1949-50 is the unusual fine interpretation of trimming. Beading, braiding velvet piping cut on the bias and intricately manipulated, as well as exquisite stitching, give that individual cut-trier touch to lovely ensembles. Beading of all kinds in a wide variety of patterns has been utilized by Mr. Segal to point up the fine fabric on which it appears. His favorite Chinese motif is in evidence and other striking patterns lend loveliness to smart frocks and ensembles. The latter in wool in two and three piece styles have lined jackets and one piece dresses or blouses and skirts.

DAILY HOUSEHOLD HINT

A good coat of polishing wax on window sills will make it much easier to keep them clean.

Put adhesive-backed mokeskin on the bottom of new vases, book-ends, candle sticks, etc. before setting them on polished tables. Cut the mokeskin the exact size of the articles, peel off the muslin backing and stick the mokeskin in place, leaving the soft, furry side out, to touch the wood.

Spray your pantries with nicotine solution, or dust them with sulphur to prevent plant lice.



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