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What Age Is the Age To Marry? Dorothy Dix Finds 30s Perfect

The Tastes and Habits of the Very Young Are Too Unformed to Make Marriage Safe, While Those of the Very Old Are Too Rigid - Best Time to Marry is in Thirties, When Tastes Have Jelled and Life Has Not Lost its Glamour

A great many people ask me when is the right age to marry. Boys and girls want to know if 18 and 19 are too young to marry. Middle-aged and elderly people want to know if 60 and 70 are too old to marry.

Statistics show that there are more divorces among young married couples than among older ones. There are many reasons for this. The first is of course, that the tastes of a boy and girl are unformed and the person or the thing they are crazy about one year, they are tired of the next.

For another reason marriage, like everything else, has to be adequately financed in order to be a success. Few boys are born with a golden spoon in their mouths big enough to feed a family with.

When the cupboard is empty and the rent overdue and their clothes are shabby and there is no money for any sort of pleasure or amusement or even decent living, romance peters out and the boy and girl husband and wife begin to fight and only too often wind up by parting and going back to mother.

Nature does its little bit, too, toward wrecking the very young marriage. For nothing is more fallacious than the idea that if a girl and boy marry they will grow into one. Almost always they grow apart instead of together, because one outgrows the other.

Nor are the very young able to adapt themselves to each other. They haven't lived long enough to learn how to give and take, nor acquired the art of handling others with gloves and gum-shoeing around other peoples' peculiarities.

Above all things, young people require their playtime and being married doesn't alter this fact. It merely makes it disastrous. The boy and girl husband and wife want to dance. They want to step out of an evening. They want to have gay flirtations with other youngsters.

Of course, there are some young marriages that turn out happily, but they are rare as hen's teeth and few of us have ever seen one.

But if the very young take a long shot at happiness when they marry, so do the old, because it is not only our arteries that harden with age, it's our characteristics. There comes a time when our opinions are as stiff as our knees, and we can no more change our little ways than we could turn a double somersault.

And it is especially dangerous nowadays, may fatal, for the elderly to marry out of their own-age class because never has the gulf between age and youth been so impassable as it is today. Practically everything that the younger generation does shocks the older generation and runs up its blood pressure, and every idea of the older generation bores the younger generation to tears and causes them to scoff.

The safest time to marry is around the 30s. Then the heart still beats high. Romance has not lost its glamour. Men's and women's tastes and habits are formed. They know what they want in life partners. Life has taught them suavity and forbearance. They are ready to settle down and put their heads and their hearts and their backs into making marriage a go.

And they generally succeed. DOROTHY DIX.



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VEGETABLE VOICES

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The POTATOES all started to cry. Each spud had a tear in his eye. For it rained day and night Gave the farmers a fright, Then the price of potatoes was high.

Said the CABBAGE as it gazed 'round the bed, "All my friends have deserted and fled, But I'll stay out longer And grow that much stronger, Jack Frost cannot hurt my hard head."

It is not necessary to plant dahlias very early, because their blossoms are particularly welcome at the end of the summer, when they are at their best.

His refusal to join in the games of others is because then he is only one of the crowd, whereas in his dream world, to which he can retire in thought, and which is of his own making, he can always play the part of hero.

PLANT PERENNIALS

Plant perennials. Each spring when they come up, they are old friends come back to you. There is a pure joy, a breathless interest in wandering around your garden in early spring that cannot be surpassed.

And even tho' you move and another woman has the comfort of your perennials, that still is to be desired. I am in a new place this spring, and a row of daffodils another woman planted has cheered me so much.

SOW SWEET PEAS EARLY

The first flowers to go in will be the Sweet Peas. For good results these must be planted just as soon as it is possible to get a spade in the ground. Usually there are one or two days in early April when it is possible to work up the soil in the warmest part of the garden and this is the time and place for these flowers.

Here is a cake with two lovely daffodil shades right in the batter—a most decorative and flavoured food.

FOR THE WOMAN READER

I chanced to pass one morn A tiny cup of rain Held fast within a roadside rut. And, as I cast a downward glance, It offered me— The sky and dawn! —Samuel N. Baker

IRON OUT GREASE SPOTS Grease spots may be removed from clothes if you work patiently and with a great deal of care. Place a clean blotter under the spot and another clean one on top of the place where the spot is.

IF CHILDREN WON'T PLAY The child who does not want to play may suffer from a strong inferiority complex. Perhaps he is the youngest of the family, has been over-indulged by his parents while his brothers and sisters or school-mates, resenting his superiority, continually try to "put him in his place."

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Daffodil Cake Smart For Spring Tea Party

Cheap Eggs Encourage Cooks to Try Their Highest Art.

Angel and Daffodil Cakes—a perfect combination for Spring-time. And this spring brings greater promise of good things than many a past season has.

The housewife who has been counting her pennies all winter and refraining from making a perfect eight egg cake is able to go ahead and try her art. There will be no gasp of horror at the sight of a ten egg cake. It costs only a few cents to make now, and this is just the season to treat the family to wonderful sponge and angel cakes.

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DAFFODIL CAKE

I cup sifted cake flour 1-2 teaspoon salt 1 1-4 cups sifted sugar 1-2 teaspoon orange extract 1 1-4 cups (10 to 12) egg whites 1 teaspoon cream of tartar 1-2 teaspoon vanilla 4 egg yolks, beaten until thick and lemon colored

Sift flour once, measure, and sift four more times. Beat egg whites and salt with flat wire whisk. When foamy, add cream of tartar and continue beating until stiff enough to hold up in peaks, but not dry. Fold in sugar carefully, 2 tablespoons at a time. Sift small quantity of flour over mixture, fold in carefully, continue until all flour is used. Divide mixture into two parts. To one add

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new clothes on than this spring's. Just allow yourself to accumulate a neat spare tire about your daphnragham and see how squat you look in a spring suit.

Take off that spare is the first and soundest advice. Eat less food is the only sane way to do it. Go on liquids for breakfast and lunch and then eat sparingly of dinner.

The second best thing to do is to get the right foundation garments. Don't make the mistake of thinking you can drag in your hips until you look slender when you aren't. You will simply bulge over the top and be fatter than you really are right where you need it least. So get a garment that really fits.

And remember that a well-built foundation garment fitted perfectly, gives you good lines no matter how stout you are.

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THE COOK'S CORNER

Modern Pound Cake

1 cup shortening 1 1/2 cups sugar 5 eggs 1 teaspoon vanilla 2 cups flour 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon baking powder 2 tablespoons water 1/2 teaspoon mace Cream shortening, sugar and egg yolks together. Sift dry ingredients together and add to first mixture. Add flavoring, water and beaten egg whites. Beat cake thoroughly. Bake in a well-greased and floured loaf cake pan at 350 degrees F. for one hour. For an unusual fruit cake add one cup each of split almonds, candied citron, white raisins and candied pineapple to this cake batter and bake at 325 degrees F. for one hour and 30 minutes.

Tea Biscuits

2 cups flour 4 teaspoons baking powder 1/4 teaspoon salt 2 to 3 tablespoons fat 2-3 cup milk Sift flour, baking powder and salt into the fat with a knife or cookie cutter. Add milk gradually to form a soft dough. This should be done with as little mixing as possible. Turn out on slightly floured board, roll 1/4-inch thick. Cut with floured biscuit cutter; place on greased or floured pan; bake in hot oven 15 to 20 minutes. Temperature 400 degrees to 425 degrees F.

(Note: If sour milk is used, reduce the baking powder to 1 teaspoon in 1 cup flour; add soda in the proportion of 1/4 teaspoon to 1 cup sour milk.)

would even be welcomed at a smoker, but" she added with a smile, "we would be wise enough and nice enough not to go."

"Women form about five per cent. of the entire medical profession in the United States, for at present no college is allowed to accept more than five per cent women in its medical course, so that no college can be overwhelmingly feminine. Though this might be said to be a limitation," Dr. Larrimore said, "it merely keeps things evened up." Dr. Larrimore is interested in pathology and is attached to the Flushing Hospital, and also to the hospital in Greenwich Conn.

CURES FOR THE BLUES

- (Sidney Smith, the Witty Canon) 1—Live as well as you dare. 2—Go into the shower-bath. 3—Amusing books. 4—Be as busy as you can. 5—See as much as you can of those friends who respect and like you. 6—Compare your lot with that of other people. 7—Be as much as you can in the open air without fatigue. 8—Don't be too severe upon yourself.



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Where you could spot Shaw instantly, anywhere, by his lean, tall, fidgety figure with its shock of white hair and flowing beard, you never could pick Mrs. Shaw from a group of middle-aged clubwomen or tourists. Undistinguished in Dress She is of medium height, rather stout and placid looking, wears her very thick gray hair bobbed, has a calm, pleasant face, moves rather slowly, and has mild blue eyes that look through pince nez glasses. She

Supporter of Women's Rights She was an ardent feminist then among those who led the fight in London against women giving up their independence for marriage. An accomplished linguist, she had translated several French plays, was interested in economics, and was one of the active group of Socialists that gathered at Beatrice and Sidney Webbs. (Continued on page 9)

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