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## DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

### Fatal Mistake

#### Bride Who Plans To Live With In-Laws Warned Divorce Likely To Follow

DEAR MISS DIX: Everyone says that it is not good for a young married couple to live with their in-laws. We are going to live with my husband's mother for about six months until he is out of college and gets a position. His mother says that she will be glad to have us. She seems like a very nice woman. At least I never had an argument with her.

Do you think it wise for us to stay with his mother for a while, or try to find an apartment? L. T.



ANSWER: It is a fatal mistake for any young married couple to go to live with their in-laws, whether they are his or hers. Any bride and groom who are foolish enough to do this had just as well have a divorce coupon attached to their marriage license. This sounds like a sweeping assertion, but if you will think of all the wrecked marriages at whose autopsies you have assisted you will realize that it is nothing but the simple truth.

### DELICATE ADJUSTMENTS

Human nature being what it is, living with Mama and Papa is bound to work out that way. For when a girl and boy get married, they are starting on a great experiment. They are undertaking to get acquainted with each other, to adjust themselves to each other, and whether they make a success or a failure of it depends upon their being left alone to do it, with no interference from the outside.

This is an impossibility if they are living with their in-laws. If there were no on-lookers, John's and Mary's little spats would end in a kiss and no harm done, but with Mother and Father taking sides in the quarrel it becomes a major issue that ends in the breaking up of another marriage.

Add to this the fact that Mother can't help feeling that her son's bride should make herself a doorman for him to walk over, and that Father resents his darling daughter's husband not being a millionaire, and that both of the parents feel called upon to give them advice on every subject in the world and to regulate their every act, and you will not wonder why divorce is so common. You will be surprised that it isn't universal.

If middle-aged couples want to live with their in-laws, let them do it. By that time they have learned to give and take and to get along with other people. But it is too dangerous a risk for the young and inexperienced to undertake. Probably no other one thing in the world causes more unhappiness than sons and daughters bringing their wives and husbands home to live with their parents. In-laws just don't mix. Don't try it!

DEAR MISS DIX: I am a girl of 28 and am very much in love with a fellow of the same age. I have been going with him for six months, but he keeps telling me that we are only good friends and that I shouldn't get any notions. Probably no other one thing in the world causes more unhappiness than sons and daughters bringing their wives and husbands home to live with their parents. In-laws just don't mix. Don't try it!

Please tell me what to do. Shall I tell him I love him? Every time he comes to see me he keeps reminding me that we are only friends and that I should get out with other men. Why does he keep saying we are only friends?

ANSWER: When the lad harps on the "only friends" theme, he is just ringing the alarm bell to warn you that he is not in love with you and has no intention of asking you to marry him. He feels that he is doing the honorable thing in telling you not to cherish any vain hopes about his coming across with a wedding ring.

But I think that when he insists so much upon the fact that you are merely friends that he is wishing to keep his courage up and trying to convince himself that he doesn't think as much of you as he really does. Probably he doesn't want to marry, or he may not be in a position to marry, and he doesn't want to give you any hold upon him, but, all the same, he keeps coming to see you, which he wouldn't do so if he didn't really care for you.

My advice to you is not to tell him that you love him, for that will scare him off. Just go on being good friends with him and some day he will abandon the "only friends" myth for being Friend Husband.

## The Stars Say—

By Genevieve Kemble

For Saturday, October 30

A LIVELY state of affairs, with all efforts speeded up to exciting and constructive climax either in new propositions or projects, in travel, change, pleasant contacts and agreements. The pursuit of pleasure for weekends, holidays might also thrive under a happy stimulus of sidereal forces. However, it would be wise carefully to study and plan all performances, since there is a tricky undertone, calling for alertness and discretion. Look for the hidden factor, then act with finesse and strategy.

### For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is, may prepare for a lively and eventful year with much stirring on new projects or in fresh fields of operation. The creative forces and faculties are under excellent stimuli for productive work although there are suspicious or tricky undertones to cope with, and in a peremptory

## Cook's Corner

CHEESE NIPPIES

1/2 cup shortening  
2 drops tabasco sauce  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon paprika  
5/8 cups oven-popped rice cereal  
1/4 cup dry grated cheese (3 oz.)  
Melt shortening in large shallow pan; add seasonings; stir in rice cereal. Add grated cheese; mix thoroughly. Place in moderate oven (350F.) stirring occasionally, for about 15 minutes.  
Yield: 5/8 cups Cheese Nippies

and drastic manner. Study carefully underlying factors, look for pitfalls and "catches," then proceed on a direct and forthright plan, although using tact and finesse. Subtlety and strategy might pay better than strife or friction. Similar tactics should also prevail in personal complications. A child born on this day will be earnest, energetic and clever, but might also find it expedient to resort to the "easiest way."

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## Second Chance

By Rosamond Dujardin

Lisbeth could never remember the next few moments very well. Fortunately everyone's attention was riveted on Gay, and no one noticed the stunned bewilderment in her daughter's face. Even Jon stared at the lovely woman across the table. And by the time his attention returned to Lisbeth she had her expressions under control. Vaguely, through that first thick haze of astonishment, she had heard Carter Everton exclaim, "A very pleasant coincidence, Mrs. Frazier! One that makes me look forward to this vacation more than ever."

Then Jon was asking, eagerly and puzzlement warring in his direct gray gaze, "But Lisbeth, you're coming too, of course? Why didn't you tell me?"

Lisbeth managed a faint smile made her voice casual. "But I'm not going. Jon, Gay and I don't always take vacations together. And it didn't occur to me that you'd be sailing at the same time."

She hated Gay for making her lie. For making her lie to Jon, of all people. Lisbeth of Cassy's party was lost on the beach. Afterward, she recalled that there had been a table of contract, that she had danced with Jon, and with others, to the music of Cassy's radio. She remembered nothing her mother and Carter Everton, sitting on a deep couch utterly absorbed in each other.

After what seemed to Lisbeth like an eternity, she and Gay were at home. Gay stripped off her mink coat as though nothing had happened. But her eyes were apprehensive. She said, "It was a lovely party wasn't it?"

Lisbeth's face was stony. "What are you going to do?" Gay went into her bedroom and Lisbeth followed her. Gay hung her coat on a padded hanger. But it was away. She sat on the side of her bed. She said, "I'm going to Bermuda. Is there anything reprehensible about that?"

"It was meeting Jon's father that made you decide, why?" Lisbeth demanded. "What are you planning?" Gay's eyes blazed suddenly. Her voice was brittle with fury. "I won't be pinned down like that! I want to take a trip. I will!" "As abruptly as it had risen, her rage receded. Leaving her crumpled, leaving her small and shaken and pathetic. There were tears on her lashes. Her voice trembled. "Heaven knows, I need a rest, a holiday, a holiday. I've been under a terrific strain for weeks. And cruises are always more amusing, if one knows someone on shipboard. Tonight, when I heard the Evertons were going, it just suddenly occurred to me that Bermuda was what I needed. So I decided quite on the spur of the moment..."

## Living & Leisure

THE WOMAN'S REALM

### SUCCESS

I shall never be an artist. And wire my laurels there— But you'd really smile to see the way That I can write a chair!

I shall never print a poem, Or a story, or a book— But if you'll come to visit us, I'll prove that I can cook!

I shall never sing in opera. No musician's plaudits win— But I'd awfully like to have you See the rug that I "drew in."

I shall never win in business, I wasn't what I chose— But some folks say I have a knack Of making stylish clothes!

I shall never be an actress, With a home in Hollywood— But you'd surely love my children, Cause they're all so sweet and good!

I shall never do campaigning. Never lead a public life— But you ought to hear John telling me I'm a most successful wife!

—Constance Vivian Frazier. CLOTHES ADVICE FOR CAREER GIRL

Tips which are guiding one young career-beginner in her choice of office clothes may prove as helpful to others who are also tethered to a restricted budget. These tips were gleaned by Vanita Jo Hardin, of Dallas, Tex., award winner of a magazine's fashion design contest. While touring on a traveling fellowship, she held interviews with hundreds of experienced career girls.

Vanita, who is heading for a fashion design career, says the girls she interviewed took 100 per cent for neutral-colored simple suits and classic dresses. These choices are liked best for office wear when hard-surfaced fabrics, such as gabardine, are used. Reasons? They stand up under rigorous wear and are resistant to soil, reports Vanita Jo.

Her "forum" told her that skirt lines must be critically chosen. Reasons? Too straight a skirt it apt to cup in back after prolonged sitting at a desk. Too-full skirts spill over chair sides dragging hemlines on the floor, which means quicker soiling and more frequent trips to the cleaners. Choices recommended are moderately-flared skirts or those with some back fullness.

This "forum" aired other problems as follows: Because a suit's skirt tends to wear out faster than the jacket, an alternate skirt which can be assembled with the jacket is good business. It will double the life of the suit. Best scene-shifters for "background" suits and dresses are inexpensive scarfs and detachable starched collar and cuff sets.

Better than splurging on high-priced accessories which may have limited usefulness is a fur scarf. A good fur scarf is much less expensive than a good fur coat and a scarf can be used to dress up an untrimmed coat or to lend an elegant touch to a suit.

One small-brimmed hat used for wear with office togs is a good plan. This gives a finished, well-groomed look that an up-and-comer should have. Simple shoes with medium heels are a favored compromise between flat-heeled moccasins which may look too collegiate in an office, and spike heels which are apt to be uncomfortable for day-long wear.

SHOULD FORGET FAVOURS DONE By her own admission she is always "doing things" for people. And they are always proving ungrateful. Her trouble, of course, is that when she does a favour she doesn't abide by the rules. Those rules are: 1. Keep your effort from seeming as though it is a favour. Even though it is really a lot of trouble, take pains to make it seem as though it's nothing. 2. Keep quiet about it. Don't go around mentioning casually how you fixed things up for Old Joe or put a good word in for Susie. 3. Don't expect dividends from the favour—even in the form of gratefulness from the person who accepted it. 4. Don't remind the person of the favour at some future date, when you think he may have forgotten it. 5. Don't allow yourself to take a superior or condescending attitude toward the person, simply because you were in a position to do him a favour. You can build and strengthen friendships on favours—but only if you abide by the rules. If you don't abide by them, you'll probably end up by making enemies instead of friends. Because you're not doing anybody a real favour when you put him in a position where he has to feel grateful to you.

## That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M. D.

### EARLY AND LATE RISING AFTER OPERATION

Just as Government health authorities had reached their limits in accommodation for mental patients, the shock method of treatment—insulin, metrazol and electric shock—is now in general use. This method involves getting the patient out of bed and on his feet for a few minutes the same day as the operation, and for longer periods each day thereafter. Some months ago I spoke of a surgeon who had his hernia patients drive their car to the hospital Monday, undergo the operation, and drive their car home Thursday or Friday. While hernia is a simple operation with no pus complications, even dangerous operations now are performed wherein the patient remains only days, instead of weeks, in hospital.

In "Surgery, Gynecology and Obstetrics," Drs. Newton W. Cornwall and David T. W. Lin compare 266 cases of surgical operation, in which the patients were allowed to be on their feet at an early date, with 221 similar cases in which the patients were kept off their feet for a considerable time after operation. The method used where the patient is allowed up early is as follows: The patient is permitted to rise 24 hours after the operation, regardless of its type. He is raised to high Fowler's position (head to foot raised), his legs are swung over the side of the bed, and he is assisted to stand and to a convenient chair. He remains there 15 minutes and then returns to bed.

The next day he does this twice, and thereafter the number of times he gets up and the length of his walks are increased until he can walk to the bathroom unassisted on the fifth to seventh day. In appendicitis and thyroid cases, patients are allowed to go home on the fifth to seventh day, and others the seventh to the tenth day after operation.

Why is this early rising after operation considered best even where plenty of beds are available? There is more room for the heart and lungs to work, establishing a better circulation of pure blood, the muscles do not lose strength or size from lack of use, the patient is able to pass his urine and wastes from the bowel much the easier than when he is lying down. On the average, the early-rising patients are out of the hospital four days sooner, and have less than half as many complications following the operation than late-rising patients.

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## Better English

D. C. Williams

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ANSWERS 1. Say, "The price they ask is exorbitant." 2. Pronounce the o as in grow, not as in loss. 3. Oppulence. 4. Acting merely for reward; influenced by desire for gain. "The girl's mother hopes for a mercenary marriage." 5. Laborious.

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## Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Is it correct for a man, when traveling with his wife, to register at a hotel as "Mr. R. M. Smith and wife?" A. No; the register should be signed, "Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Smith," adding the name of the city and state.

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## Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

The Saucepan If the bottom of the saucepan is burnt, don't try to scrape it. Put a little salt in it, add enough water to wet the salt, then let it stand until the next morning. Repeat this process if necessary.

Children's Coats Instead of making buttonholes in the child's coat, why not substitute loops of silk rubber cord, which are much easier for the child to manage than buttonholes.

Peeling Fruit Always use a sharp silver knife for peeling fruit, as steel is very liable to blacken the fruit.

## Sore Throat

of colds. Rub VapoRub on throat, chest. Melt some in mouth, too!

## How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I make a good luncheon salad? A. A delicious luncheon salad of hearts of lettuce with Roquefort dressing. Mash one small section of Roquefort cheese and add it to ordinary French dressing just before using.

Q. How can I revive the colors in an Oriental rug? A. By going over it with a cloth dampened in a vinegar and water solution.

Q. How can I toughen the straw of new brooms? A. By dipping them in boiling hot suds before using.

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