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## Happenings Of The Week

The blitz on London was at its height and the King and Queen arrived one night at King's Cross station to leave on a journey north. As they boarded the royal train, enemy planes roared overhead and there was a terrific burst of A.A. fire. With some concern, the stationmaster (Mr. Harry Ireland) said to the King: "You know what's going on, I hope you don't mind."

"No," replied the King, quietly. "I don't mind." He and the Queen declined to take shelter and went on their journey. Bombs were dropped, but neither the royal train nor the station was hit. This has been disclosed by Mr. Ireland, who has returned after 49 years' L.N.E.R. service.

There was a happy family reunion over the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Grant when their son, Lieut. Donald Grant, R.C.N.V.R., arrived from active service in Ceylon and their daughter, Miss Jean of the Wrens came on a short leave from Ottawa before being transferred elsewhere.

Regretful farewells are being said to Dr. S.A. Hill, Mrs. Hill and four interesting children who are leaving next week to take up their permanent residence in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Chandler left Wednesday on a holiday visit to Moncton, N.B.

Miss Eleanor Bourke and Miss Billie Bourke are the tea hostesses at the Tennis Club this afternoon.

Mrs. A.H. Meuld is visiting with members of her family in Malone, N.Y.

Mrs. George Moran accompanied by her daughter Miss Mary Moran left Monday for Sydney to attend the Memorial Day services which took place in the Sacred Heart Church in Sydney on Wednesday morning.

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## Dorothy Dix Says—

### LOVE MAIN IDEA IN MARRIAGE WITH MEN; GIRLS MORE SORDID

#### Domestic Women Rate Far Below Office Workers In Matrimonial Market

DEAR MISS DIX—Does the average man marry for love? A group of us girls have been debating that question. Some say that at least seventy-five per cent of the men marry for love and companionship, while the other twenty-five per cent marry for various reasons, and that probably only nine out of every ten marry for love. What do you think about this?  
—THE DISPUTING SIX.

**MEN MARRY FOR LOVE**  
ANSWER—I think that practically all men marry for love, or at least for what they think is love when they escort a girl to the altar. Otherwise they would not burden themselves with the support of the ladies who are privileged to write "Mrs." before their names.

In the old days, when daughters were tied to their mothers' aprons and a man had no chance to talk to a girl without a chaperon listening in, he had to marry the little sweetie who had caught his fancy in order to get all the feminine society he desired without making himself liable for the support of a family.

And if the modern young man marries just to get a home, he uses singularly little judgment and acumen in picking out his bride. For it is a matter of common knowledge that the domestic girls, who know how to cook and make edible bread and drinkable coffee and treat a steak tenderly and with the reverence it deserves instead of turning it into something that resembles a shoe sole more than anything else, are not the top-notchers in the matrimonial market.

Instead of this, the girls who get wedding rings the oftener are those who have gone from the school room into an office and whose only culinary knowledge is how to use a corkscrew and a can-opener. So, we are bound to conclude that men marry for love and love alone.

As a matter of fact, girls are much more sordid about marriage than boys are. Girls marry for many reasons besides love. They often marry for homes and to get a man to support them. Innumerable of them marry just because they are bored and want a new experience, or because the other girls are getting married and they are copycats who have to have a wedding because Sally and Mammie are having weddings, and they marry by the thousands for no other reason than that they don't want to be old maids. And they marry because they are tired of Mother bawling them and think they would like to boss a husband for a change.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX—For ten years I have enjoyed a happy and contented life with my husband, but a few weeks ago I met a married man with whom I fell instantly in love and who apparently is just as much in love with me. He has a wife who stopped loving him years ago and centered all of her love and attention on their children. I feel that this man is entitled to some happiness since he has had so little.

Now the problem is how will this change the relationship between my husband and me? He is too fine a person to hurt, yet I want to see this man as much as possible. I hate the deceit and secretiveness that goes with a thing like this but how can you stop love? WORRIED.

### PHILANDERING WIFE HEADS FOR TROUBLE

ANSWER—Maybe you can't stop love, but you can certainly cut double-crossing your good husband and romancing about him and letting your thoughts clothe him with a thousand imaginary charms and fascinations, you will find out that your fancy for him is going to burn down your house of happiness and safety if you don't watch out. So you had better get busy dousing it with a little of the cold water of duty and principle and commensuring.

You are not the first middle-aged woman who has gone haywire because she was tied up with domesticity and the monotony of her life and let her mind wander to a man who didn't keep her on her tiptoes by making her jealous, and who thought that she fell in love with a stranger. Many of them have thrown away good homes and good husbands in order to have a little sentimental fling, and spend the balance of their lives repenting.

Just face your problem with a little intelligence. Realize that you haven't any mission to comfort any man who has fallen out of love with his wife, no matter if he is unhappy. That's his little red wagon. You attend to your own. Also, realize that the answer to your question about how this affair will change the relationship between you and your husband is divorce. And maybe you will be left without either a husband or a lover, because your boy friend may not intend giving up his wife and his children to marry you.

Believe me, lady, philandering wives come to no good end.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX—What does a girl do if she doesn't like her engagement ring? I love my fiance very much, but I don't like my engagement ring and I don't know how to tell him.  
—HELEN.

**GIRL SHOULD SELECT OWN ENGAGEMENT RING**  
ANSWER: You certainly are up against a difficult proposition, for you see men are very sentimental about their engagement rings, and they expect their girls to feel the same way and to think that there is something holy and sacred in the little ring that is the pledge of love; and not to view it with a critic's eye and be disappointed in it because of the size of the diamond, or because the setting isn't the newest thing, or because, somehow, it isn't just what they wanted.

So it is going to take a lot of nerve to tell Bill, or whatever his name is, that you are disappointed in the ring that he picked out with such love and sincere romantic thoughts and that you want to swap it off for some other kind. And it is going to take enough diplomacy to qualify you to sit at the Peace Conference after the war to tell him that you do not like his taste without hurting his feelings.

On the other hand, the big moment in a girl's life is when she gets her engagement ring, and half of her pleasure in being engaged is in having a ring that she is proud of and that she can flaunt in the faces of the disengaged girls.

So on the whole, considering that you probably have to wear your engagement ring for the balance of your life, I think you had better stick to the ring Bill is telling him that while you think his taste is perfect and the ring is adorable still, somehow, you would like to change it for one that you have seen and that just happens to hit your fancy. It is to meet situations like this that has made Emily Post advise all young engaged couples to go together to buy the ring and let the girl select it in the first place.

### A Help to Those Who Are Past Middle Age

When men and women get past middle age their energy and activity, in many instances, begin to decline, and their general vitality is on the wane.

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HEALTH LEAGUE OF CANADA

MONTREAL, Que., June 18 — Mutual exchange of medical certificates of health before marriage, and even before a definite engagement, has been recommended by the Cardinal Archbishop of Quebec and the Archbishops and Bishops of the ecclesiastical provinces of Quebec, Montreal and Ottawa in a joint decree.

However, the obligations of justice and charity must still prevail when two people pledge their mutual fidelity and unite themselves for life and in a certain sense for eternity.

Roman Catholic clergy are instructed however, that they must, when interviewing brides and bridegrooms before marriage, ask whether health certificates have been exchanged, and if not, for what reason.

Young people are urged to exchange the certificates "in the interests of your earthly happiness, as well as your spiritual welfare."

Preparation for marriage by a life of "genuine Christian conduct, serious study and solid piety," is counselled. "Courtship, a kind of novitiate for married life, should be serious, truthfully loyal and chaste," the Church holds.

"Prudent company-keeping along the lines of Christian modesty is necessary in order for the prospective bride and groom to know each other," it is stated. The decree quoted Pope Pius XI: "So that they will not have to deplore for the rest of their lives the sorrows arising from an indiscreet marriage, those about to enter wedlock should carefully deliberate in choosing the person with whom henceforth they will have to live always."

On the subject of the health certificates, it is further stated: "How many unions have brought unhappiness to innocent parties, because they were unable to fulfill the rights and duties incumbent on married life."

### A Morning Smile

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Said little Bertie: "Daddy and Mummy are always finding fault with me, and between the two I'm never doing anything right."

"How's that?" asked his chum "Mummy won't let me stand on my head, and Daddy fusses because I wear out my shoes so fast."

SIRENS

Mr. Smith: "Mr. Jones, the sirens have gone!"

Mr. Jones: "Oh, I'm not a bit surprised. They'd pinch anything in this street!"

## Living & Leisure in the Woman's Realm

**PERCALE, DIMITY**  
Don't overlook the possibilities afforded by figured percale, dimity, gingham, pique, seersucker, organza, and dotted Swiss. Charming patterns and colors are available in all these fabrics. The edges may be fringed or hemmed, or bias tape or rickrack used for a finish—even tiny ball fringes. Decorate the corners of rickrack-trimmed mats, cloths, or runners with casual bowknots of the braid with long, flowing ends. Use smaller bowknot for one corner of each napkin. Quietly be more inexpensive, and good looking.

**SHORT CIRCUIT**  
Forks should never be used for reaching for the toast in an electric toaster. There is danger of a short circuit. Try a small brush for cleaning out crumbs. Clean the outside with a soapy cloth, but never place the toaster in water. If this is done it is "good-bye" to a now, almost irreplaceable friend.

**NAVY SHEER WITH WHITE ACCESSORIES**  
NEW YORK—A navy sheer with white or accessories of color is to the wardrobe what blue and butter is to the board. It's a type that can turn up anywhere and look right, if it is simply made. Topped by a cartwheel or a small hat, it stands the acid test of criticism. This being the open season for cartwheels, why not roll one out for a pleasant change. The cartwheel gives a nose protection against flatterings shadows that usually cast flattering shadows that flatter and also carry out the Gibson girl illusion.

The navy or black sheer is a hardy perennial, but what of it? It is capable of several variations and of individual interpretation. What's better still, it is an all-round good friend. It has a long route. Have it with long or short sleeves, but have it, if you care to be assured of having the right dress.

The four railway systems in the United Kingdom total 20,000 miles of track.

**HORSES' MANES**  
At a saving of 1,800,000 pounds W. P. B. allocated all raw horse hair exclusively for the manufacture of mattresses and parachute pads for armed services; converted furniture will have to wait till war's end.

**TENDER VEGETABLES**  
Eggplants are very tender, as are peppers and tomatoes, and a watchful eye should be kept on them if they are placed in the ground before all danger of a late frost is past.

**SWEET PEPPERS HAVE LOTS OF VITAMINS A AND C**

Sweet peppers, the large mild flavored kind that turn from green to red as they ripen, are among the richest garden vegetables in vitamins A and C.

They are easily grown in Victory gardens and show up as much as possible both raw and cooked. They are excellent in bowl salads, or buy them in bags to cook them; one of the best ways to stuff them with chopped meat or meat substitute.

Start your plants in seed boxes from seed sown outdoors, after the ground warms up, but it is better to start plants indoors or buy them in the market. They are very tender, and should not be set outdoors until it is safe for tomatoes.

Space the plants 18 inches apart in the row and give them frequent cultivation. They like a rich, heavy soil, but thrive in light soils, if given plenty of water. The pepper is one plant which keeps a bath now and then; it can be washed off with the hose and will thrive the better for it.

They grow rapidly and once they begin to bear they continue to produce fruit until the plants are ready to be pulled in the fall. A dozen plants will usually be sufficient for a family of four. They have a long season during which they are in good condition; the color changes from green to red and the vitamin A content increases with this change.

The red peppers are highly decorative.

The only insect likely to attack

peppers is a flea beetle, which can be discouraged by spraying or dusting with nicotine sulphate. There are no diseases likely to bother them.

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