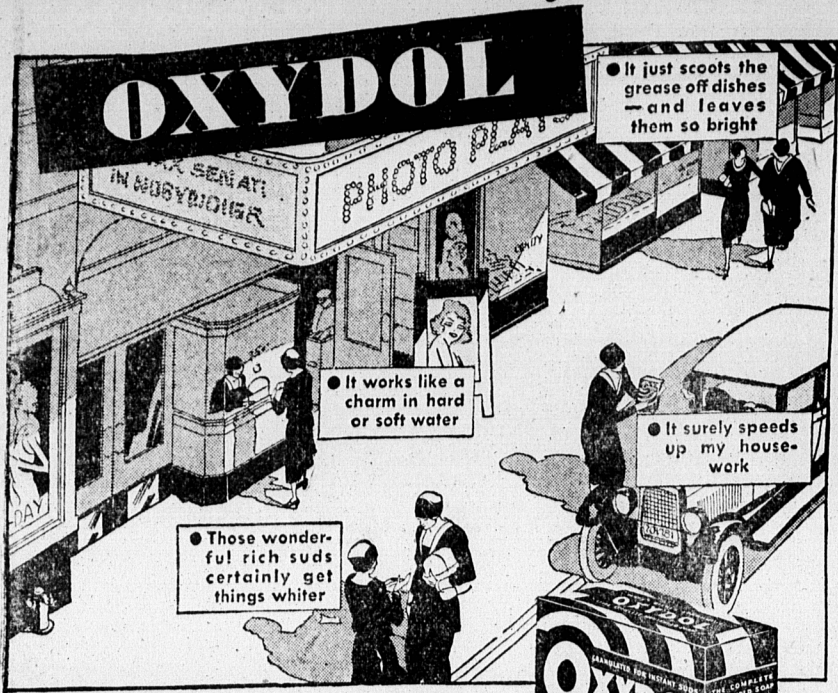


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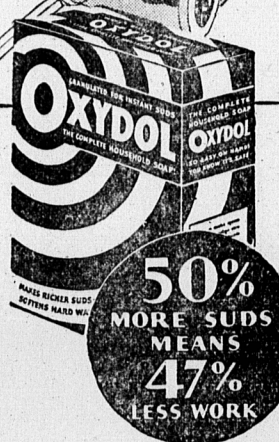
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Can Marriage Make Over People? **Dorothy Dix** Finds All Hope of Reform Vain

Men and Women Who Marry in the Fond Hope That Their Partners Will Improve After Marriage Risk Their Whole Life's Happiness, for Matrimony Works No Miracles, Says Dorothy Dix

There is no question that I am asked oftener than whether a man or woman will change after marriage. A girl will write me that she is in love with a drunkard and she wants to know if he will continue to drink after marriage. Or she will say that she is thinking of marrying a young man who has no trade or profession and who has never had any regular employment, and she asks if he will go to work and become an industrious man and a good provider for his family as soon as he is married.



A young man will write me that he is in love with a foolish, frivolous, flighty girl, who is crazy about going on wild parties and jazzing and smoking and drinking, and he wants to know if she will change when she is married and make a settled, domestic wife. Or he will say that he is engaged to an extravagant girl who spends on clothes everything she can lay her hands on, and he asks if I think she will make a thrifty and economical wife for a poor man.

Both men and women, engaged to be married, will write me that they can never agree about anything or on any subject and that they argue and quarrel continually before marriage, yet they want to know if after marriage they will live together in peace and harmony.

These questions are so foolish that they would be amusing if they were not so tragic, for they show how many people still cling to the superstitious belief that there is some magic in the marriage ceremony that has power to alter the entire natures of men and women and make them over into different beings.

These deluded ones see clearly enough the faults and weaknesses of those whom they are tentatively thinking of taking as husbands and wives, and they would not consider marrying them as they are. No woman wants a drunkard or a loafer for a husband. No man wants a pleasure-mad woman or a spender for a wife. No man or woman looks forward to passing the remainder of life in a perpetual fight.

If they knew that the man and woman of whose habits and characters they disapprove would continue to be after marriage what they are before marriage they would not consider entering into life contract with them. But they put their faith in the idiotic belief that there is some sort of conjure in the words muttered over them at the altar that changes the bride and bridegroom from what they are into what they should be.

And on this fallacious belief they risk their whole life's happiness. Generally with disastrous results. For matrimony works no miracles. What a man and woman were before marriage they are after marriage. Only more so. For the great majority of people marriage means a letting down of the bars and the throwing off of restraint and the privilege of being themselves without having to camouflage graces and virtues that are foreign to them.

The drunkard finds that matrimony has not quenched his thirst, but augmented it, because he has more cares to drown in drink. The lazy good-for-nothing is just as disinclined to work after marriage as before and has as little shame in letting his wife support him as he had in letting his mother support him.

The girl who lived on thrills and excitement before marriage is bored to death with her husband and children. She whose god was fashion continues to worship at the same shrine as long as she lives.

And the couple who could not get along before marriage discover about a million additional things after marriage over which they can spat because they are brought into daily and hourly conflict over every detail of the life they share together.

Occasionally—once in a blue moon—there is an exception to this rule. There has been a drunkard now and then who reformed after he got married. There has been a female Simon Legree who has made a loafing husband go to work. There has been a wild woman who has had enough of night clubs and became domestic and stayed contented at her home fireside. There have been extravagant girls who became tight fisted when it was their own money they were spending instead of papa's, and there have been men and women who disagreed before marriage, who signed a peace pact when they got married and thereafter respected each other's taboos.

But these exceptions are so few and far apart that they are not worth taking into consideration in figuring on the advisability of marrying a man or woman who does not come up to your ideal on the off chance that marriage will change him or her from what he or she is into the kind of husband or wife you want. We may be the darling of the gods and have that sort of miracle worked in our behalf. The chances are that we are not and no supernatural intervention will save a fool from the results of his folly.

And, after all, what right have we to marry, expecting our husbands and wives to change their characters to please us? It is up to us in the first place to take them or leave them as they are.

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Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Should a woman inquire the identity of a stranger who has rendered her a service?
A. Not unless she wishes to send a reward.

Q. Should an usher at a church wedding offer his arm to a woman guest?
A. Yes, whether he is acquainted with her or not.

Q. How should the table be set for a Sunday-night supper?
A. With doilies and scarf or centerpiece of lace, candles, and fruit or flowers in the center of the table.

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