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By Annabelle Worthington



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Outrageous Laws Which Permit a Man of 70 to Marry a Child of 13—Straight Talk to Husbands Who Take Wives' Love for Granted

Dear Miss Dix—One of my wife's relatives, a deaf mute, well over 70 years of age, has just married a school child 13 years old. Due to the youth of the child her father was obliged to secure the marriage license. The child lived with her parents on a lonely creek in a remote and backward district. My wife and I met this family some months ago and were considering the matter of offering to rear her and provide some opportunity for her education and culture when this marriage occurred. The threescore-and-ten-and-more bridegroom raises a small garden, a few chickens and likewise does some net fishing. The child wife is ignorant of the seriousness of the step she has taken and romps at tag and other childish games with her sister.

I have stated the facts in this case without bias or prejudice and I should like to know what you think of it. RELATIVE.

Answer: I think it is perfectly horrible and that it is almost unbelievable that such a thing is possible in a civilized country. A year or so ago we were all throwing fits of righteous indignation over lurid stories about child marriages in India, yet in eleven of our own States girls of 12 are permitted to marry. That is a bitter shame upon us that makes our disgrace worse than India's because girls there mature much earlier than they do with us and a girl of 12 in this country is no older in reality than a girl of 8 would be in India.

It is hard to even imagine the callousness and the depths of ignorance in which any parents are steeped who would be willing to turn over their little girl child to any man and especially to one who was deaf and dumb and foxy with age. The mind simply refuses to believe such an atrocity possible, but since it can take place and has taken place, the law should prevent the possibility of the repetition of such a crime. Let us trust that this poor little child shall not be sacrificed in vain and that the crime that has been committed against her ignorance, her youth and her helplessness will so arouse the public that laws will be passed protecting other girl children from those who would exploit them.

I do not believe that any law could be passed that would do more to promote human happiness than one which would raise the age limit at which girls and boys could marry to at least 18 or 19 for the girls and 20 or 21 for the boys and thus protect them from rushing into the ill-advised unions that, nine times out of ten, end either in divorce or dragging out a lifetime of sordid misery.

No sane person but who must realize that the adolescent girl and boy, feeling the first thrill of sex attraction, their heads against their own ignorance and lack of knowledge and experience of life. They are in love with love and they imagine the nearest boy or girl to be the he or she of their dreams. They think a passing fancy is a deathless passion, but they are too young really to know what love is, too immature to know what they want in a mate. They are still growing boys and girls with tastes and desires that change from day to day, and when they rush into matrimony it is a tragedy.

For they are taking upon themselves burdens their young shoulders are too weak to bear. They are assuming responsibilities for which they are not ready. Their tastes change and by the time they are men and women ready to marry they are disillusioned with the wives and husbands they have, out of love with them and bitterly regretful of the mistake they have made.

Look about you at the child wives. The girls not yet 20 tied down to boy husbands with whom they quarrel. Poor, overworked, dragged out, their youth and their beauty gone too soon, with fretful little children that they are too young to know how to take care of or manage hanging on to their skirts, while they look enviously on the girls of their own age who are enjoying the playtime of life that is their due. Girls who are gay and carefree and having pretty clothes and going to parties and having good times.

Look at the boy husbands. Stoop-shouldered, care-burdened, anxious-eyed, sold by their own folly into slavery, no chance ever to get ahead in the world because every cent they make has to go to the support of their families, so discouraged they haven't even the courage to put up a fight. Hopelessly handicapped by a too-early marriage.

No letters that come to this department are sadder than those that begin: "I made the mistake of marrying too early. I thought I was in love, but I know now that I was such a child I didn't know what love was. But now I have found my real mate when it is too late." Or else these letters tell of a wife or a husband from whom a man or a woman is estranged by the inevitable process of growth. A foolish boy, who has developed into a fine intelligent man, but who finds himself tied down to a wife who at 25 is just as silly and ignorant as she was at 15 or 16. Or a woman who has developed a brain and soul and is bored to death by the stupid boy she married because he had curly hair and was a peachy dancer.

So many of these early marriages doom so many men and women to drag with them through life the festering corpse of a dead love to which they are chained.

Of course, now and then a boy-and-girl marriage turns out happily, but this does not happen once in a blue moon, and those who are predestined mates could well afford to wait a year or two to save the thousands of tragedies of too-early marriages. DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Miss Dix—I am married to a young professional man, have two children, do all my housework, am a good cook and do everything I can to make my husband happy, but my problem is that I perish for the little attentions that are so precious to a domestic woman. He takes everything for granted, never kisses me in the morning when departing for the office or upon his return in the evenings, never notices whether I am sad or glad, never says let's go to a movie or to church, never remembers birthdays or Christmas, never confides in me about his work. Why does a man expect so much of a wife and give so little? Is there anything I can do to change him? M. E. B.

Answer: Not unless you can back him up against the wall and make him read this, and then he will doubtless say that I don't know what I am talking about.

But I do, and would like to take all of these stupid, blind, self-conceited husbands by the shoulders and shake a little sense into them, and ask them what they think their wives married them for, and what they consider their wives are getting out of marriage, and how long they think their wives are going to stand being treated like vacuum cleaners, or some other useful hase of the situation for a little while machinery?

Their wives didn't marry them for money, or else they would have hunted up somebody who had more. They didn't marry them for a living because any intelligent woman can make a living easier in an office or store than she can in a kitchen and nursery.

No. What a woman marries for is love. Companionship. Tenderness.

Etiquette

By Roberts Lee

Q. How soon after dining in a woman's home should one make a call?

A. Within two weeks.

Q. Why should an invitation to a week-end party be answered promptly?

A. So that if one is unable to enjoy the offered hospitality, it may be extended to some other more fortunate guest.

Q. Is it permissible for a man to request a girl whom he is escorting, if she becomes too loud?

A. Yes, and she deserves to be reproved.

Bill Defeated

(Canadian Press)

LONDON, April 21—By a vote of 166 to 137, a majority of 29 votes, the House of Commons this afternoon declined to grant first reading to a private bill designed to prohibit the importation of goods made by forced labor in foreign countries. Commander O. Locker-Lampson, Conservative, who sought leave to present the bill, made it clear the measure was aimed at imports from Soviet Russia.

ST. LOUISANAS FACE TOUGH TASK

ST. LOUIS, Mass., April 22—(U. P.) red men here have been asked to select the ten most prominent women in St. Louis. The referendum is being conducted by the Women's Advertising Club. Only men have asked to vote.

OESTRA RYD, Sweden, April 21. (U. P.)—An ancient stone ax shap-pled like a bear's head has just been found near here. Although many centuries old it still is in good condition. The relic has been turned over to the government historical museum.



For The Cook

MINI GRAPEFRUIT

Prepare the grapefruit in the usual manner, removing the tough portion in the centre and separating the pulp from the skin around the end-tire circumference. Place one after dinner mint in the centre of each half grapefruit, chill thoroughly, and serve. This is very good for the dessert course.

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- Grade IX—1, Alma Rayner; 2, Mary Monaghan; 3, Sterling Wood.
- Grade VIII—1, Ralph Rayner; 2, Keith Jenkins; 3, Marion Wood; 4, Russel Farquharson.
- Grade IV (a)—1, Vivian Munn.
- Grade IV (b)—1, Beatrice Jenkins; 2, Muriel Munn; 3, Kenneth Jenkins.
- Grade III (a)—1, Wilfred Driscoll; 2, Eileen Ings.
- Grade III (b)—1, Winston Wood; 2, Evelyn Munn; 3, Kathleen Rayner.
- Grade II—1, Robert Driscoll; 2, Jean Wood.
- Grade I—1, George Jenkins; 2, Miriam Ings.

Charlotte Drake—Teacher.

HEN'S CRAW HID NUGGETS

HILLSBORO, Ore., April 21. (U. P.)—It seems that its well to look into the craw when dressing a hen.

Mrs. M. A. Swearingen did and found three nuggets. The hen was one of many that had been allowed to roam over the countryside, outside the regular enclosure.

A Morning Smile

A story that recalls the old "Heads I win, tails you lose" yarn, was recently told by Sir Marlay Samson, formerly recorder of Swansea.

It concerned an Irishman who went to a lawyer with a case. The latter naturally asked for a retainer, but the Irishman pleaded poverty, and finally the lawyer said he would take the case on a contingent fee.

It was settled, but the contingent fee part of the agreement bothered the client. He confided his ignorance to his friend Paddy, and asked for an explanation.

"An' it is the meanin' of a contingent fee that yer after knowin'?" Sure, I'll tell ye. A contingent fee means that if he lose the case the lawyer gets nothin'. If ye win you git nothin'!"

OREGON FARMS DECREASE

SALEM, Ore., April 20—Oregon farms which increased by 5,000 from 1920 to 1925, showed a drop of 800 during the past five years. There are 55,152 farms in the state.

Style Chats

WITH ALMA ARCHER

Myriads of amusing little "nothings" in fashion are contributing this season to the chic of those women who choose the subtle rather than the obvious in the mode.

Wide patent leather belts see night lights, day suits wear grosgrain jacket stiffened to the immaculateness of a butler's kitchen coat, a shaved, modern stiletto heel appears on trimmed opera pumps for tailored clothes, Blanchini's Peau d'Ange (dull, heavy, soapy satin) is best box office draw for hat trimming, long evening wraps make crepe de chine debut, matching gloves and belt accent white or black costumes, white butcher's cuffs in pique or organdie appear, taffeta evening slippers, raffia belts and collars in four-fold slave idea, snowshoe clips replace buttons, horse collars of fur—and even nightgowns have their packets.



HEAVENS, SALLY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

WASHING A DIRTY SPOT OUT OF THIS RUG. IT'S SO LIGHT, EVERY MARK SHOWS...



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Paris Styles

By MARY KNIGHT
United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS, April 22—(U. P.)—Chiffon and sequins have come to a novel agreement for the skirt of an evening gown that is very full and cut on the bias to make it swing and swirl like a bell when the wearer is dancing.

The chiffon is printed in large lovely pink roses on a black background. The sequins agreed to let the roses stay soft and pink and untouched if they would agree to let all the black spaces behind them go sequin. The accord was quickly drawn up and manufacturers went to work. It is a little hard to realize at first and the surprise comes in the cape accompanying and on which background and flowers have completely changed places. The spaces are in chiffon and the roses in colored sequins!

When an evening coat is extremely small and fits the hips like a glove, it is a signal for the sleeves to do everything in their power to grow suddenly large. They pattern themselves after the old leg o' mutton sleeves and no matter how great is their swell from shoulder, or elbow to cuff, they nearly always fit the wrist with glove-like snugness.

Where dotted materials are used for the trim to the skirt, cuffs and collars the dots are cut out and overlapped as you string out a dozen or so dimes, nickels or quarters, one just over-touching the other. A model of this trim from Jenny is called "Eclipse" and is done in black and white dots. The skirt is black with white dots and the coat is of white with black dots. An all-over tucked blouse of white georgette makes the third piece of the ensemble.

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