

# Woman's Realm/Social and Personal/Fashions/Literature



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## ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

At this house "in the road" from Alderlea and nearer to the other farm, voices in spirited conversation the cut for our rising, led us off into this brand new day. "Is this the morning?" we overheard the younger lad question his father. "Yes," Rob replied rather sleepily. "Then, let's get up!" was the suggestion. We found today, a second one that kept Jamie home from school, that there is an affinity between the two boys which makes them mostly companionable and co-operative in their work or play, though a difference in age of more than five years, puts Jamie in a responsible position indeed as regards the care of the younger fellow as well as in the example he must set to this alert imitator.

It is surprising to note the degree of respect Jamie receives. "Milk or water?" at a mealtime brought a glance at Jamie's glass and the satisfied reply "Just what he's having!" And towards dusk "Now dear, pick up your toys" brought no active response but a contented "Jamie's not picking up his."

On the whole it has been a delightful day, the sun beaming in brightly on many a project that served to keep them busy. "Give them something like to do—but give them something!" has been a workable notion of James and ours through the years, believing that a busy child is always a happy one. Their enterprises occupied much of the space in kitchen and pantry—two rooms connected by a wide doorway. At times in our house-work and in these restricted quarters, we became entangled in yards of "lines" which provided imaginary power for this or that venture; we stepped respectfully about and over structures fashioned with tinker-top gearing, that were indeed "fearfully and wonderfully made"; shins were barked on wheel-barrows and a kiddie car; we stepped and slipped upon chalks and crayons, pencils, and pieces of plasticine, aids to modern education, that would have been a matter of envy to the children of our generation. And we sat down to wipe the perspiration off a brow that likes a nice measure of law and order in her surroundings, on a Christmas

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## Morning Smile

Voice of the Young

A young business man returned home tired out from a hard day at the office to find his two children rushing madly about the house and creating a general disturbance. He gave them both a scolding and sent them off to bed as soon as they had eaten their supper.

The next morning he found this note pinned to his bedroom door: "Be good to your children, and they will be good to you. Yours truly, God."

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## Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

### Puddings

Bolled or steamed puddings are very liable to break if they are turned out as soon as taken from the saucepan. Allow them to stand for a few minutes to let some of the steam evaporate, and you will not experience this trouble.

### Suede Shoes

Suede shoes and purses can be cleaned with a dry rubber sponge. This brushes off the dust and raises the nap of the material, making it look like new.

### Soiled Candle

A candle that has become soiled can be cleaned by wiping over it with a cloth dampened with alcohol. This will not harm the alu-

## DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

### Childless Couple

#### Does Pair's Lack Of Offspring Destroy Chance Of Happiness?

DEAR MISS DIX: We are a married couple in our 30's. Have a little home and farm which we have worked together and paid for. We are much devoted to each other and very happy. But we have no children and our friends and acquaintances continually tell us that our home can never be a real home and that we can never be happy without children. Now we like children, but we do not miss them, and as God has not seen fit to send us any we are content and thought we were happy until people stirred us all up. Do you think it true that childless people cannot be happy?

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ANSWER: What's the matter with your common sense that you have to let somebody on the outside tell you that you are not happy when you are happy and get you all hot and bothered over it?

It is the silliest thing I ever heard of. For how can any one else in the world know how you feel about things or what your desire or what would make you happy? Taste is absolutely individual and the thing that one person enjoys bores another to tears and what one person yearns after most the other would have on a bet. Believe me my dear lady, you will never be happy until you make up your mind that you are not going to let what people say influence you one hair's breadth.

As to whether a married couple are made unhappy or not by the lack of children, it depends entirely upon the individuals. There are some men and women who have the paternal and maternal instinct so highly developed in them that they are miserable without little arms around their necks, but there are plenty of other people who can take children or leave 'em, so to speak, and be equally happy, and not a few couples who regard children as brats and nuisances.

Many of the very happiest marriages are childless. If a man and woman love each other, they are drawn closer together by the lack of children because they have only each other on whom to bestow their affection. They become better pals because, not having any children to take care of, the wife is free to give all of her time to her husband.

So you see there is no reason to let your neighbors make you think that you are going to be unhappy because you haven't any children. Especially when you are not.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: I am 22 years old and have been married three years to a man of the same age. We have a darling baby 2 years old. Ever since the baby came my husband goes out once in a while and most always stays out all night. He seems to get a restless fit ever so often and then we start fighting. He says he has never been with any girl since he met me, but while he is out I keep thinking such awful things about him that it is driving me mad. He says he loves me and he gives me all his money, but if he loved me, would he go out, knowing how badly I feel about it? My parents are dead, but I could stay with my sister and try to find a position. She would mind my baby for me.

C.C.L.

ANSWER: Yours is another of the tragedies of too-early marriage. When a boy of 19 gets married before he has had any play-time, he almost invariably tires of the bondage of wedlock as soon as the novelty of it has worn off.

He doesn't want to be tied down with a wife and baby; he wants to be out among other youngsters having a good time. It's a perfectly normal state of mind. It is just because he is still a boy and craves the pleasures that belong to his time of life.

If you are a very wise young woman, you will try to realize that it is not because your husband has ceased to love you that he wants

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## A Country Garden

By Mrs. Gordon Macmillan

The seed catalogues have arrived and Spring seems nearer while we read and plan our gardens for the Summer. It is wiser to choose familiar plants and shrubs than too many new untried plants, but for interesting experiences it is necessary to have a number of new seeds and bulbs.

Beginning with the annuals, I like the fragrant Sweet Peas, and always choose the varieties listed with fragrance rather than size and this is what I like to order. Gigantic—Five blooms to a spray are usual, while seven and even eight are not uncommon with this vigorous growing new variety. Flowers are large, densely frilled and have a fragrance sweeter and more powerful than any other variety we know. Fragrant Stocks I love but do not grow very well in the garden. I seem to have better Stocks in the garden room in the Winter, in other gardens I have seen some beautiful plants.

The sweet scented nigonette is next on my order and it is sown for its fragrance alone, as the plant does not add very much to the garden picture. Nasturtiums follow and then the Sweet Alyssum as a border edging for all the garden. Alyssum, the long lasting fragrant easily grown annual I like very much. The seed may be sown early and late where it is needed and it will last until heavy frost.

A magazine conducted a report on the favorite annuals of its readers, and Petunias led with seven out of ten, this is a wonderful record. Zinnias, Marigolds, Asters, Snagdragons, and Larkspur followed in the top six.

The reason for the esteem of these annuals is first, their summer long production of abundant bloom—even from late spring until frost, if you make repeat sowings of some of them. All are inexpensive and easy to grow under a variety of garden conditions.

All are adaptable to many garden uses, including fill in work among perennials, replacements, mass planting, borders—even rock gardens and summer window boxes. Considered as a unit, they offer a choice of height from a

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## Better English

By D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "This hat is a new creation."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "handsome"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Ignominy, icing, illegitimacy, illegible.
4. What does the word "abovise" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with ho that means "the killing of one human being by another"?

ANSWERS

1. Omit new. Creation is the presentation of a new conception.
2. Pronounce handsome with the d being silent. 3. Icing. 4. To set free, or release as from some obligation, or from the consequences of guilt. "He was absolved from all blame in the transaction." 5. Homicide.

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## That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

### HEARING AIDS

Just why so many people are willing to put on glasses to improve or correct vision and are unwilling to use aids to improve their hearing is somewhat hard to understand. Fortunately, once a hard-of-hearing individual has been suitably fitted with a hearing aid, he gets so much more out of life that he becomes willing to use his hearing anywhere and always. Unfortunately, however, when he pays a good price for a hearing aid which does not give satisfaction in improving his hearing, nor in the necessary wear and tear, he is apt to discard the hearing aid and never try another one.

Just where the bird's nests for lack of satisfaction is hard to say, but persistence on the part of the patient is always needed, and, in the great majority of cases, a well-fitted hearing aid that overcomes his hearing difficulty keeps out noise, is comfortable to wear and not expensive to maintain, is obtainable by patients on the part of the physician and hearing expert or the patient himself.

In "Annals of Ear, Nose, and Throat," Dr. Gordon Berry, Worcester, Mass., states that since the war the use and production of hearing devices have advanced sharply. With a well-fitted instrument, a gain of 40 to 50 decibels is now possible in contrast to 30-decibel improvement, considered excellent after an operation which produced a new method of sending sound to the brain. A decibel is the smallest sound that can be heard by the human ear.

Because of the noises that occur in war, the Army has studied loss of hearing and best methods of restoring all or part of it. They have been able to teach the management of a new hearing aid in four to six weeks by army and VA methods. The owner learns to read lips and listens to instruments and the spoken voice (with and without background noise) and voices on the telephone. General conversations are carried on during active sports, social gatherings and dancing.

Civilians should have their hearing tested and ears examined by a specialist who can then prescribe the type of hearing aid with the amount and kind of aid necessary to bring the hearing to its best possible condition.

For those who want help in choosing a suitable aid for their particular needs, a self-addressed envelope should be sent to the headquarters of American Hearing Association, 817 Fourteenth St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

### HOPEFUL OF CURE

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## How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I remedy scorched linen?

A. When a piece of linen is scorched while ironing, make a paste of raw starch and water immediately, cover the scorched place with this paste, and place in the sun for about two hours.

Q. How can I use about half the amount of sugar when stewing fruit?

A. By sweetening the fruit after it has been cooked, rather than during the cooking process.

Q. How can I clean satin slippers?

A. Put three or four drops of lemon juice in a little alcohol, and apply to the slippers with a soft white cloth.

## Cook's Corner

### MINCEMEAT FRUIT BARS

- 1 cup mincemeat
  - 1/2 cup granulated sugar
  - 1 egg, beaten
  - 1 cup all-purpose flour
  - 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
  - 2 tablespoons milk
  - 1 teaspoon vanilla
  - 1 cup chopped nuts, optional
- Beat sugar into well beaten egg. Sift and measure flour; sift again with baking powder and salt. Add sifted dry ingredients to egg mixture, alternately with milk, to which vanilla has been added. Fold in mincemeat and nuts.
- Bake in well greased shallow 9 x 9 inch pan at 350° for 30 minutes.

## The Stars Say --

By Genevieve Kamblo

### For Wednesday, February 1

THE auguries for this day point to a spectacular and dramatic crisis, which may reach "new highs" in the recognition or practical demonstration of some special skill, ingenuity, novelty, or other event in which exceptional talents, hard work and study finally come up for public notice and rewards. There may be hidden dangers and crafty designs on such efforts, unless special wariness be directed at escaping intrigue and particular enemies. However, a stroke of good luck may solidify all ambitious efforts.

### For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is may look for a year of sensational adventures, or experiences, in which rewards for ingenuity, exceptional skills, discoveries in new fields.

## Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. How does a young married woman introduce her mother to another person?

A. She must be sure to give her mother's name, saying, "This is my mother, Mrs. Jones," so that the other person will know what to call her in speaking to her.

Q. What refreshments should be served at a reception that follows the christening of a child?

A. The menu is the usual one, for an afternoon informal tea, with refreshments served in buffet style.

Q. Is a girl ever privileged to announce her own engagement?

A. Only to her family and close friends. Public announcement is made by her parents or closest relatives.

A wealth of progressive ideas or techniques may arouse public interests and rewards. At the same time, such will arouse enmity, craft and the attention of designing and intriguing persons intending to undermine, divert or minimize these brilliant efforts, so be on guard and a stroke of good fortune may crown all worthy efforts, bringing personal joy and rewards in their train. It is a period of climatic rewards for merit and sincerity.

A child born on this day is endowed with exceptional creative ideas and skill, and while assured public support, private gain and happiness, should also be on guard against duplicity, and secret attacks.

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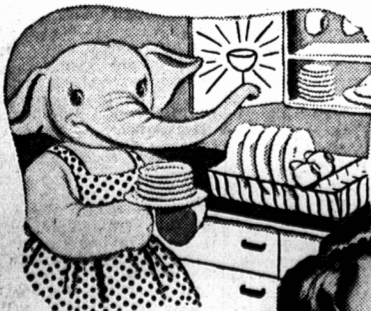
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