

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

## DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

### All Hands Round Three Young Matrons Love One Another's Husbands

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: We are three young matrons blessed with a child apiece, beautiful homes, good looks, cars of our own and generous allowances. But we are each in love with the other's husband. We have all been friends all our lives and hate to break up each other's home and though we are willing to part with our husbands we hate to hurt our children. Please advise us concerning our problem.

#### THREE UNHAPPY MOTHERS

ANSWER: I should say that what's the matter with you three spoiled women is too much prosperity. What you need is a good, drastic dose of hard times and it is a pity you missed getting yours. If you had to go into a kitchen and cook and scrub and wash your husbands' shirts and nurse your own babies and walk twenty blocks to save 2 cents a pound on meat, you would have something to think about besides the temperature of your affections and you would be happier women.

The old proverb about the devil finding work for idle hands to do finds its truest illustration in women. Work a woman half to death and she is happy and contented and satisfied with her husband and all is well. Give her plenty of money and nothing to do and she begins to vivisect her emotions and count her heart throbs and pull her husband to pieces to see if he really is the Fairy Prince she thought he was and she soon discovers that her idol has feet of clay.

#### USE HEADS

So use your heads, girls. Try to realize that it is idleness and not love that ails you. Give the old bean a chance, and let it sprout a few home truths, among which will be the fact that you really have no fault to find with your husbands. They are kind, good and generous to you and the only reason you are dissatisfied with them is because the shine and glitter has worn off of your romance and you want a new one with fresh paint on it.

You know your husbands. You know their faults and peculiarities and little ways and some of them get on your nerves. And your friend's husband seems alluring to you and preferable to your own simply because you have never lived with him and don't know his little peculiarities and ways.

But if you swapped husbands you would find that you had merely exchanged one set of faults for another and that one man is as hard to live with as another and that you can get tired of one man as easily as you can of another and in the end you would not have bettered your condition at all.

DEAR MISS DIX: Do you honestly think a daughter should be judged by her mother? I'd hate to be judged by mine. We do not lead the same kind of lives. If there ever was a henpecked husband, my father is one. I could not treat a man that way. My mother and my sisters are very gay. Every night they have parties for which they could be put out of a decent neighborhood and which always winds up in an argument or fight. I never go to any of them. I live with my grandmother, and most people who know me say I am just like her and not like my mother. I have a secret dread that I may be judged by my mother. Is that fair?

#### A DAUGHTER

ANSWER: Of course, it isn't fair, but it is the penalty you must pay for being your mother's daughter. A girl is the result not only of her heredity but also of her environment, and nine times out of ten she is absolutely what her mother has made her. It is her mother who forms her plastic character and fixes her pattern of life. But it is also true that often a girl is so revolted at the way her mother does that she goes to the opposite extreme, as in your case. Because her mother was a virago, she controls her own temper; because her mother ruined her father with her extravagance, she became a saver; because her mother was loose living, it turned her into a prude.

For sometimes our mothers are an example to us and sometimes an awful warning.

DEAR MISS DIX: I am in love with a married man with one child. What shall I do?

#### LOUISE

ANSWER: Do as you would want some other woman to do if she loved your husband. You would want her to let him alone. You would want her to refuse to see him or to think about him or to have anything to do with him. Try that.

DOROTHY DIX cannot reply personally to readers, but will answer problems of general interest through her column.

## ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

In a move which has to do with times and seasons, and is kept within the knowledge of these farmer-shepherds of ours, this was the morning the ewes were taken from the flock and herded to separate pastures in the field across the creek, by the roadside. The insistence of this chore had been discussed of late. "We just got to find time to set those sheep separated!" James had remarked, and granddaughter standing a moment beside him in the yard to view them in a distant meadow, inquired "and why granddaddy?" And looked sad at James' reply: "Your daddy'll find little dead lambs in a snow drift next Winter—if we leave them all there." "Oh," she nodded, "I see."

Into our household, James came after the choring to remind us: "You just might keep an eye to the yard, Ellen, when they come. We'll likely want you to stand at a gate! And oh yes, Ellen," on an after-thought, "be sure you shut the dogs in, so the flock won't be nervous." And the two children, modelling plasticine figures at table at the time looked up with "we will!" and were off in a flash to attend to his bidding.

Because as he said he "felt like staying", Jamie had remained overnight with us, from the harvesting of yesterday, which in granddaughter's mind was an exceedingly pleasant turn of events. "Just think," she had expressed her sentiments last evening, when I came over in the morning, Jamie'll be here! And," she wrinkled up her nose in an inherited gesture to chuckle, "you'll have to remember to make more porridge—enough for the four of us, for I'll be here to breakfast with you!"

Granddaughter's attempts with the plasticine are awkward yet, though with some imagination we bring form and life to her efforts. Jamie does very well with his, displaying an artistic bent for the like. He pleases James with his detailed models of agricultural implements, plows and harrows, hillers and scufflers, and today we were interested in grain-crusher he had fashioned, equipped with tiny belts and driven by a water-wheel which naturally found its power from a neat but sturdy millpond above.

We had viewed the beginning from a distance wondering at the time what his imagination would do. We were recalling in past years other lads' nature fence and dog pen, and pasturing herds, and others too we have known whose subsequent callings were foretold in their youthful activities. "That wouldn't be an engine?" we asked as the machine grew—Jamie has a grandfather and uncles who find joy in the late evening call. But Jamie shook his head, and shewed

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## Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Is it all right for a man to remove his glove to shake hands when being introduced?

A. Yes, if he can do so quickly and without making it obvious. He need not, however, delay the introduction and it is in good form for him to shake hands with his glove on—nor does he have to apologize for it.

Q. What would be the correct way for two unmarried sisters to register at a hotel?

A. They should register, "Miss Jane Wilson, Miss Jean Wilson, Detroit, Mich."

Q. How long before the stated hour should guests arrive to attend a home wedding?

A. About fifteen minutes before the stated hour.

## Morning Smile

AT LAST

Two sisters—apparently all in all to each other—had lived together for many years. Then, when the one was ninety-eight and the other ninety-six, the elder died. The relative who undertook the task of breaking the painful news to the survivor feared the shock would be fatal to her. But the old lady bore up wonderfully. "An' well," she replied, "now I suppose I shall be able to have my tea made as I like it."

## That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M. D.

### HELPING TUBERCULOUS AND HEART PATIENTS TO EARN A LIVING

In the early days of the treatment of tuberculosis it was not unusual for a patient to enter a sanitarium and rest for as long as two years, get "fattened up," return home and in a few months lose this gained weight and have to return to the sanitarium for further treatment.

Today the patient does not have to remain in bed in the sanitarium as long as formerly. His tubercular lung is given mechanical rest by injecting air into the chest, cutting out parts of several ribs, or cutting the nerve that causes the chest muscles to raise ribs. In addition to getting the lung rested, the patient, when able to do so, takes short walks or other exercise and gradually strengthens his heart, lungs, muscles, his whole body in fact.

When he returns home, he carries out the health habits learned in the sanitarium, gradually doing more physical work and in most cases it is not necessary for him to return to the sanitarium.

Several years ago I wrote about a workshop, the Altro Work Shops Inc., where patients from a tubercular sanitarium were given gainful employment when they were considered cured. This workshop has been doing this rehabilitation work for these ex-patients for 33 years. It was started on a non-sectarian basis by the Committee for the Care of the Jewish Tubercular and has amply proven that the patient discharged from a sanitarium can be helped medically, socially, mentally and economically, to take his place as a fully functioning member of the community. He is paid the same rate of wages as in private industry but works only three hours daily at first, gradually increasing the hours.

What has been, and is being done for tubercular patients, is now being done by Altro Shops for heart patients, in the belief that this sheltered workshop may be proved to be useful to the rehabilitation needs of the heart patient. Dr. M. Klapper, in "Industrial Medicine," states that this effort to help heart patients to become useful members of society, after learning how to live with heart disease and work 3 to 4 hours daily, was begun just last year. It is a great piece of work and will be watched by physicians and the public generally with interest.

## Cook's Corner

SALMON MOLD

1 package lemon jelly  
1 pint hot water  
2 tablespoons vinegar  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
4 teaspoons drained horse-radish  
1 cup flaked salmon  
1 cup cooked peas, fresh or canned

1 cup cooked, diced carrots  
Dissolve jelly in hot water. Add vinegar and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Pour small amount of jelly in bottom of loaf pan. Chill until firm. Chill remaining jelly until slightly thickened. Add 1/2 teaspoon salt and horse-radish to salmon and vegetables and mix lightly. Fold into slightly thickened jelly. Turn into loaf pan over firm jelly layer and chill until firm. Unmold and cut into squares. Serve on crisp lettuce and garnish with mayonnaise and parsley. Serves 8.

## How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I join lace so that it will not be noticeable?

A. Try to patch the design over on the same design, carefully whipping one on the other. If this is neatly done, the place where the lace is joined will hardly be detected. Do not make a French seam when joining lace.

Q. How can I make it easier to polish knives?

A. The next time knives are to be polished, try dipping them into boiling water, drying them, and then applying the polish at once while the metal is warm.

Q. How can I remove stains on pl. dishes?

A. Oven-browned stains on these dishes can be easily removed by soaking in a strong solution of borax and water.

## Better English

B. G. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I took you for John when I spoke to you."  
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "carburetor"?  
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Loathsome, ransome, handsome, lisome.  
4. What does the word "braggadocio" mean?  
5. What is a word beginning with le that means "unseemly frivolity"?

ANSWERS  
1. Say, "I mistook you for John."  
2. Pronounce kar-bu-ret-er, the first s as in net, not as in ray, ocean; first syllable 2. Ransom. 4. Empty boasting. "He had a swaggering air of braggadocio." 5. Levity.

## Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

### Waterproof Fabric

Ordinary fabric can be made waterproof by dissolving equal parts of isinglass, alum, and soap separately in water. Then mix the three, and brush the mixture on the wrong side of the cloth.

### Bronze Ornaments

Bronze ornaments should be dusted, then rubbed with a cloth moistened with sweet oil. Polish with a soft cloth until they shine and all stains are removed.

### Furniture Scratches

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IF IT IS Your Birthday

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**The Stars Say—**  
By Genevieve Kemble

For Friday, October 7

IT is probable that a sudden outburst of temperment, an erratic urge, amplified by bad judgment, want of mental control, or rationalizing in a perplexing or strange situation, could create havoc with cherished desires, hopes, and romance. Much is at stake—dependent on sound judgment, grasp of right action in probable openings, with a calm use of reason not emotions in settling matters of long scope and radical importance.

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