

# Woman's Realm Social and Personal Fashions Literature

## DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

### Advertising For A Wife

Man Should Seek Mate Among Women He Knows

DEAR MISS DIX: I am thinking of advertising in a matrimonial journal for a wife. What do you think of the plan? E. Z.

ANSWER: All to the bad. Matrimony is full enough of risks without adding another chance to it by getting a mail-order wife that you take sight unseen.

When you are contracting to spend the next 30 or 40 years with a woman, you want to look her over carefully before you sign on the dotted line and find out whether you possibly can about her character and disposition, and tastes and habits, and industry and thrift, and what school of cooking and religion she has been brought up in, if any. For on the knowledge thus gained you must base your guess as to whether you will suit each other and be happy and companionable.

Even when a man has made mud pies with a girl in kindergarten and scrapped with her through grammar school and dated her through high, it is hard enough for him to get a real line upon her. She has little peculiarities and ways and eccentricities of temper and temperament hidden away that he never suspected were concealed about her angelic person, and marriage brings these out as a hot polticee does the measles.

So if a man who has known a girl all her life can't tell just what he is getting when he picks one out for a wife, what earthly chance has a man who marries a woman the first time he ever sees her and whom he recognizes by her having a white carnation pinned on her left shoulder?

It really doesn't matter much what kind of woman a man marries. The thing that is important is getting one that suits him, and the only way to test congeniality is by the application thereof. A man has to sit and talk with a woman by the hour to ascertain whether she is an entertaining companion or a bore. He has to eat her cooking before he can tell whether he is willing to trust his digestion to her or not. And these things cannot be found out in a school of correspondence.

### ON BARGAIN COUNTER

Besides, the mere fact that a woman has to advertise for a husband is indication in itself that she is on the bargain counter and has been passed over by the men in her community.

Some, of course, are women of irreproachable character, all silk and a yard wide, but who didn't happen to be a pretty pattern, or have the right colored hair, or for some reason failed to hit the finicky masculine taste and who, seeing they were leftovers, have taken this way of trying to force themselves on the matrimonial market. But many others who advertise for husbands are adventuresses who prey on the gullible and optimistic who believe their state means that they are beautiful and wealthy ladies who are taking that way of finding mates.

So, Mr. E. Z., if you want to marry, pick out a wife from among the women you have known for a long time. Right around the corner you will find a girl who is just as good-looking, just as intelligent, just as domestic as exists anywhere in the world, and she will have the added advantage of having been reared in the same environment as you and having the same tastes and habits. And you will know what you are getting, which you will not know if you marry a stranger.

DOROTHY DIX

DEAR MISS DIX: I am four years older than the man I am going to marry. He does not know it. Shall I tell him? PERPLEXED

DOROTHY DIX

ANSWER: A woman's age is a secret between herself and her mirror and is nobody else's business, not even her fiance's and she is perfectly justified in refusing to answer if he asks her the direct question.

I once heard a very charming elderly beau get out of this situation in a particularly diplomatic manner. An elderly woman asked him bluntly how old he was, to which he responded: "If you will forgive me for not telling you, I will forgive you for asking me the question."

There are so many things so much more important in marriage than age that I am constantly amazed that people put such stress upon it. There is congeniality of taste, of habits. There is personality. There is sweetness of disposition. There is mutual understanding. There is kindness and helpfulness, a thousand things that matter so much more than whether a woman is four years younger or four years older than a man.

So tell your sweetheart that it is not of his business how old you are and that so far as he is concerned you are just exactly the right age for him. And that you are going to stay that age as long as you live.

DOROTHY DIX

DEAR MISS DIX: I am 16 years old and I don't want to work or help my mother with the housework. What shall I do? I am thinking of running away and getting married. M. G.

ANSWER: Well, if you don't want to work, I would certainly advise you to refrain from getting married. Believe me, that is no soft snap where a girl sits down on a silk cushion and does nothing but feed upon strawberries, sugar and cream. For most women, marriage means a fourteen-hour-a-day job with no holidays and layoffs. But, my dear child, work isn't a curse. It is our greatest blessing. It is what puts interest and pep in existence and justifies our having lived. If you don't want to help your mother, get a good job into which you can put your heart and your back and you will find happiness in it.

DOROTHY DIX

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

## Living & Leisure THE WOMAN'S REALM

### PRESENT IN SPITE

Out at the Stadium you may behold a wrath amid the crowd. A man in commonplace array. Cheering (it seems) though not aloud. He may not seem too strange to you. Provided that you find him. Save that you see right through him to The man who sits behind him!

A wrath for sure, a proper ghost! Translucent too; a dreadful vision!

Sitting amid a living host. Protesting every close decision. Be not appalled, nor turn and fly. From the accursed place. Just smile, because it's only I. All set behind Third Base.

—J. E. M.

Duvelyn and suede cloth trim appears on dressy coats shown in New York fall openings.

Home sewers now can buy ready-made smoking for dress trimming. Saves hours of hand work, and looks about the same.

POCKETS OFFER PLENTY OF VARIETY

New York — Pockets galore make their appearance in the new fall collections. Tradesmen's pockets, into which you dip at a mo-

ment's notice for change; news-boy's pockets — these inconspicuously sit in the sides of skirts, tempting you to strut with your hands in them—a tiny jewel pocket, or perhaps it's for perfume, high above the heart; bold patch pocket on coat; finger-tip pockets so small they become mere decor. But always somewhere—pockets.

Skirts go in for versatility. A basic tube skirt cuts all kinds of

fancy capers. If it is made of worsted, it may have a button-on tunic which, being somewhat fuller than the skirt, lends movement.

OVERSKIRTS WORN EVEN OVER TWEED

New York — A tweed skirt may have a divided overskirt which is tied around the waist, and is reversible besides — one side of the fabric showing a pattern, the other a plain surface. Aprons of taffeta or lace give an evening-dress variation, or perhaps a complete transformation is effected by tying a glamorous tiered nylon net skirt over a simple sheath gown.

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## Barrett-MacDonald Wedding Group



Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Douglas Barrett photographed with their attendants at the Charlottetown Hotel where their wedding reception was held following their marriage at Zion Presbyterian Church. Maid of honor, Miss Garnice DeMone; bridesmaids, Miss Phyllis

Brown and Miss Madelyn Hoyt; flower girl, Miss Wendie MacDonald. The groomsmen were Messrs. Stuart Vesle and Messrs. Robert Macdonald, Donald MacIntyre, Wm. Tedford, Herbert Mason. The bride was formerly Miss Beryl MacDonald, of Charlottetown. —Photo by Garnhum.

## That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M. D.

### TAKE IT EASY

We are beginning to notice how often when two friends are parting how one will say to the other "Goodbye, take it easy." This expression "take it easy" is valuable to heed due to the number of middle-aged men who die suddenly. The reason for these sudden deaths is believed to be coronary thrombosis, a blocking of blood vessels feeding the muscular walls of the heart.

Despite the various forms of heart disease that are causing so many deaths, physicians are advising their patients that they "take it easy" they can live with heart disease for many years, perhaps so long as if they did not have heart disease. They simply have to live at a slower rate, physically and mentally.

As men and women grow older toward and after middle age, with a history of various ailments, mild or severe, there is bound to be changes in the lining of blood vessels that will make it a little harder for the blood to be pumped through them. If under these changes, the man or woman works harder mentally and physically, and in addition has emotional disturbances, lighters and partly close the blood vessels, even more blood pressure will be needed to pump the blood through. Under the strain a break in a blood vessel and the forming of a clot can cause a heart or a brain stroke.

I have referred before to the great surprise reported by medical officers in World War II over the great number of young men who died suddenly from heart and brain strokes. When examining after the fact, although blood vessels in heart and brain had been broken, the clot or obstruction which proved fatal appeared to have been formed only a few hours before their sudden death.

When should healthy young men have coronary thrombosis and apoplexy when heart and blood vessels were apparently normal, and free from disease?

One cause was believed to be some chemical change in the blood brought on by the physical work performed under deep emotional disturbances. The chemical change in the blood caused the obstruction in the blood vessels.

The lesson for all of us is to "take it easy."

### HOW IS YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE?

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## Cook's Corner

MEAT STUFFED LOAF (Very Tasty)

1/2 lb. hamburger  
1 large onion sliced  
2 tablespoons butter or fat  
1 grated carrot  
2 teaspoons salt  
1 teaspoon chili sauce  
Dash of pepper  
1 loaf whole wheat bread  
1 onion grated  
1/2 cup water  
Cook onion in fat until yellowed. Add meat and onion and seasonings. Add carrot and onion. Cut a slice from end of bread and put inside. Scoop out soft center of loaf and crumble, then mix with meat mixture, add grated onion and rice addition. Cook 5 minutes. Put back cut slice and fasten with tooth picks. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for 25 minutes. Slice and serve hot.

## Morning Smile

There's a story of two privates who were puzzled over a dead animal they had found by the roadside. "It has two stripes," said one. "That settles it," said the other. "It's either a skunk or a corporal."

Mother—You were a very tidy boy not to throw your orange peel on the floor of the bus. Where did you put it?

Johnny—In the pocket of the man next to me.

## The Stars Say—

By Genevieve Kemble

For Tuesday, August 30

TUESDAY'S astrological forecast cast a most stimulating and progressive one, encouraging to splendid initiative in launching new and ambitious projects, of enduring and substantial accomplishment. Effort and energies and forces are under high creative impetus, and the aims, aspirations and plans are laid in fields of fresh adventure favoring exceptional accomplishment. Effort will be aided and abetted by high-ups who are disposed to recognize able and skillful work. Pleasant relations in all contacts should be warm and encouraging.

For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is, are encouraged to summon all their energies, faculties, initiative and ambition into putting over major objectives, in which support and substantial cooperation may be expected from those in influential positions or authority. Skill, enterprise, new ideas of a productive and expansive nature should bring substantial aid, and assure pleasant and prosperous relations, business, financial and personal.

A child born on this day, should be bountifully equipped for a successful career, in an enterprising and ambitious way of success and attainment, expansive, and happy in personal and business capacity.

Freezing vegetables does not open them or improve the flavour; vegetables to be put in the freezer should be in a condition ready for eating.

## This Side Of Glory

By Gwen Bristow

Author of "Deep Summer" "The Handsome Read," etc.

When she got there she spent two days in the library reading about explosives and studying the international laws that governed neutral shipments to belligerents. Then, equipped with enough information to talk for hours if need be, she called on Marco Tonelli. Would he, she asked, lend her money on the cotton, taking the chance that the war would last long enough for her to pay it back?

Mr. Tonelli tapped his pencil on his thumb, considering. He was a fat little man with shrewd black eyes and creases in his cheeks left as the tracks of many triumphant smiles. "Now what's all this you've found out about ammunition, Miss Eleanor?" he inquired.

She was ready. "The details of the process are trade secrets, but the general principle is this: the raw cotton is treated with ether and alcohol to break up the fiber. As the ether and alcohol evaporate they leave a sort of jelly, and this is treated with nitrate. When the process of this treatment is fired, it forms an expanding gas — it explodes and there's absolutely nothing left."

He nodded and she went on. "They have plenty of nitrate in Europe, but no cotton except what they can import. At the outbreak of war they had reserves of ammunition, but it's giving out and they are working madly to produce more. I know of one who didn't know gunpowder was made of cotton. Evidently most of the general public doesn't know it either. They'll find out soon."

She in hand, Mr. Tonelli drummed his fingers on his little fat cheeks. "How much cotton have you got, Miss Eleanor?"

"Nine hundred and thirty-two bars," she said.

"Unexcused?"

"Yes, except that we are three hundred dollars behind on storage payments."

"How much do you want to borrow?"

"Thirty thousand dollars."

Mr. Tonelli whistled. "You've got nerve, young woman, haven't you?"

"If it isn't worth sixty by October," said Eleanor, "you may eat my head."

"I don't want to eat your head," said Eleanor, "but this is the time to be counting on the duration of this war. Take it or not?"

"Take it," said Eleanor.

### CHAPTER XVIII

Eleanor and Kester were hopeful again, and happy. Without verbally agreeing not to, they understood that neither of them was to mention Isabel. She had gone away to Washington, Clara Sheramy said, where she was attending to her citizenship status and trying to get some of her property out of Germany — and though Eleanor assured herself that she was no longer troubled about her, she could not help thinking how convenient it would be if Isabel should bewitch a diplomat and get married.

Their son was born in January. Kester romantically insisted upon naming him Philip Larne, in memory of the periwinkle founder of

## Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

### Salt

The following are some of the many uses for salt: It is an excellent throat gargle; also an effective spray for catarrhal infections. It is a very good tooth powder and aids greatly in making the gums more firm. Salt used generously in the water will both cool and rest tired feet.

### Fatty Soap

Remove the drops of fat from the top of the soap by throwing a lettuce leaf into the pot. This will absorb the grease and may be removed as soon as it has served its purpose.

### Stained China

A mixture of salt and bicarbonate of soda will remove all tea and coffee stains from china cups.

### Ardeith whose portrait hung in the hall.

By the time the 1916 crop was in flower, cotton was fourteen cents a pound. That autumn they harvested a crop of one thousand and thirty-two bales, and in October, the month when the Ardeith cotton was usually sold, the price was sixteen cents. They sold what they had to, to pay the bank. About the rest, Eleanor hesitated with a sensation of mentally catching her breath. "Let's hold it till after the Presidential election," she pleaded.

Kester was tired of being a hard-working planter. He wanted something to happen. In the summer, when they were working the cotton, Kester had talked yearningly of going to one of the new preparedness camps; when Eleanor had exclaimed in horror "that he could lead her with the plantation and a newborn baby both to be cared for, he had given up the idea, but she had seen him looking wistfully at the pictures of the camps, like a little boy denied a holiday.

Whatever Kester's shortcomings, he had two virtues she prized above all else: he was never dull, and he never gave her a chance to doubt that he adored her. He told her so often, never more fervently than when Isabel came back to town. They were out riding in Kester's new car and saw her with Violet, standing on the street in the shadow of a billboard flaunting a huge picture of President Wilson and the proclamation "He Kept Us Out of War."

"I didn't know she was here again," said Eleanor.

"She's been here several weeks," said Kester, "but this is the first time I've seen her."

Violet waved, but if Isabel saw them pass she gave no evidence of it. Eleanor looked down at her shoe lacing. "Kester?"

"Yes, honey?"

"Have you talked to her at all since?" she stopped.

"Once."

"Not long after that, I told her I was ashamed of myself. It was a very short interview. You aren't concerned about her, are you?"

She shook her head. "No. Of course not."

(To be continued)

## ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

James was missing from Alderlea over the week-end, enjoying a visit with relatives and friends at the "Anne" country. "You should have been with me, Ellen," he said this morning. "It was a pretty sight to see the waves rolling in, in high long crests of foam on the stretch of beach there." When James returns from an outing which has been all extensive, it is as though he entertains a visitor to the place. As a family we drop every current interest and forgo to listen to him as he gives us delightful word-pictures of his trip.

This recounting does not always follow the particular thread of our curiosity, but is interspersed with comments to the younger farmer, relative to the state of the crops he has viewed on his travels, or it may be he stops to compare some animal that he has seen with one or another of our own, perhaps a recent purchase, whose price in mind has been rather unsettling. Split descriptions then in truth these are. However with patience and odd reminders to him, in Jamie's or grand-daughter's words: "And what then?" he picks up the story again and we are able to glean much from it that is new to us, and gives us food for reflection through the hours ahead.

### How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I make a transparent soap?  
A. To prepare a transparent soap, mix one pound of yellow bar soap, shaved in thin slices, with 1/2-pint of alcohol. Put in a kettle of cold water and let the water boil for ten minutes, stirring the soap all the time. Scent to please, bergamot or rose, and pour into molds.

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## Better English

D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "He gave the book to you and I."  
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "acclimate"?  
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Callisthenes, calamine, caloric.  
4. What does the word "laconic" mean?  
5. What is a word beginning with "h" that means "acting with great force; ardent"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "He gave the book to you and me." 2. Pronounce a-kli-mat first a as in at, i as in lie, second a as in ate, and accent second syllable, not the first. 3. Calamine. 4. Expressing much in few words; brief and pithy. "His sense was strong and his style laconic." — Welwood. 5. Vehement.

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