

Woman's Realm Social and Personal Fashions Literature

Happenings of The Week

Queen Elizabeth got lost in the fog 100 yards from Buckingham Palace Friday night. A police search party found her stranded in the Royal limousine right in the centre of the Mall. She and her party couldn't find their way home. Like a wonder. Visibility was one yard. Hundreds of thousands of the Queen's loyal subjects had the same trouble, only some of them never did get home.

It was a pea souper thick enough to set the ancients muttering in their puns. One of the blindest chillest fogs that had smothered London in years. The Queen was driving home from a dinner at the Middle Temple and had passed through Admiralty Arch into the Mall when the going got too thick. The combined services of a police squad, a police inspector and the Queen's chauffeur and her private detective finally guided the car through the Palace gates.

Princess Elizabeth is to name the first Tudor one aircraft to fly for B. O. A. C. which will be put on the London-Montreal run. At London airport on January 21st, the Princess will break a bottle of champagne on the nose of the four-engine liner, naming it "Elizabeth of England." It will be the first time that a member of Britain's Royal Family has named a civil aircraft.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Crockett whose marriage took place Wednesday leave this morning on a visit to Toronto.

Miss Lily Seaman and Miss Nellie Seaman leave Monday to spend Christmas week with their sister, Miss Bessie Seaman in Saint John, N. B.

Miss Beryl DeBlais and Miss Audrey DeBlais arrived home last evening from McGill, Montreal, to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noel H. DeBlais.

Miss Dorothea Stewart was hostess at a tea and recipe shower in honor of her friend Miss Olive Johnston who is being widely entertained prior to her marriage in the near future to Mr. H. A. Caruthers of Guelph, Ont.

Prior to her marriage last evening to Mr. A. K. Ballen, Miss Joan Taylor was the centre of many joyous gatherings among her young friends. Over the weekend her sister-in-law, Mrs. Earle Taylor entertained for her at a miscellaneous shower of lovely gifts.

Last Saturday afternoon Miss Barbara Nash entertained at her home for Miss Taylor who was the recipient of many attractive gifts to mark the happy occasion. Refreshments were served at the tea hour.

Other hostesses entertaining for the young bride were her sisters-in-law the Misses Margaret and Ora Ballen.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulton B. Coffin have returned home to Savage Harbor after an enjoyable trip to New York and Boston.

Opl. Douglas George of the R. C. M. P. and Mrs. George were guests this week of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. George, Sackville, N. B.

The marriage is taking place in Saint John in the near future of Miss Elizabeth Bains, elder daughter of Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Littlejohns, formerly of Charlottetown, to Mr. William Harold Thompson of Regina, Sask.

Regretful farewells were said this week to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Shepherd, son Ian and daughter Roma, who are leaving this morning for New York. From there the family will sail for their home in Demerara, British Guiana after a very delightful holiday spent in Charlottetown the guests of Mrs. Shepherd's brother, Mr. Louis Sedler and Mrs. Sadler, Brighton.

The continued illness of Mrs. A. Bruce in the P. E. I. Hospital is much regretted.

Princess Elizabeth will be president of the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society for the Royal Welsh Show at Caermerthen next year. It is announced.

Mrs. George Walters and Miss Alfreda Pickard were hostesses Thursday evening at Mrs. Walters' attractive home, honoring Miss Norma Downs whose marriage takes place next week to Mr. John A. MacLewen. During an evening of bridge, the bride to be was very pleasantly surprised with the pretty gifts showered on her, all accompanied by happiest good wishes. A dainty supper followed.

Miss Lois Miller is arriving from Montreal tonight to spend the Christmas season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Miller.

Mr. K. M. Martin, K.C. and Mrs. Martin have their daughter Miss Elizabeth and son Donald home for the holidays, the former from Mr. Allison and later from Acadia.

Miss Isabel Jamieson is spending the holiday season with her brother-in-law, Mr. Fred C. Johnson, American Consul at Fredericton, N.B., and Mrs. Johnson.

The Royal Family will tour South Africa from the Rand gold fields to the back country of Swaziland during its 66-day visit in 1947. A report on the trip's itinerary, has disclosed. After arriving in South Africa aboard the new battleship H.M.S. Vanguard, the King and Queen and the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret will embark on a busy round of official luncheons and receptions.

On Feb. 21, the King will open Parliament and from Feb. 17 to April 24 there will be 15 official luncheons and dinners. The King will attend 15 ceremonies where addresses will be presented and the "presentation of dignitaries" will occur 49 times. Fifty places will be visited, excluding trips to the high commission territories and Rhodesia.

Highlights of the tour for the Princesses will include the opening of a new graving dock at East London by Princess Elizabeth and a Government House ball for "young people."

Mrs. W. D. Gillis has returned home from a holiday visit to Boston and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewen MacKinnon left Tuesday for Montreal to spend the Christmas season with their son, Mr. Charles McKinnon, and Mrs. McKinnon.

Miss Agnes McQuaid of the Library staff left by plane Monday to spend her holidays with her brothers in Baltimore, Md.

Apparently everyone but Buckingham Palace this week knew that Princess Elizabeth, 20-year-old heiress presumptive to the throne of Great Britain, would marry her big, blonde, handsome cousin, Prince Phillip of Greece, sometime next year.

Palace officials clung to their ambiguous denial that "no engagement had been announced,"—but no one said it had. The engagement probably won't be announced until after the royal family returns from its tour of South Africa in the spring of 1947.

Sources which usually know about royal affairs said that a tentative deal had even been discussed. The royal tour ends in April and the engagement should be announced during the summer. This would mean that the wedding—certain to be the biggest social event of the year—would take place late in the fall.

One of the reasons there is no immediate announcement is that Prince Phillip is awaiting naturalization as a Briton, for which he applies under priority status as an officer in the Royal Navy. Citizenship probably will be granted in several months. It is believed that Phillip would receive a British courtesy title.

Such a course would meet objections in some quarters to an alliance with a member of the present ruling dynasty in Greece. The objections could hardly apply to a British citizen bearing a British title who had renounced his claim to succession to the Greek throne. Leftist elements in Britain have criticized the reported match for some time. They say it would be a good thing if Princess Elizabeth would see less of royalty and more of the hard-working people of the country.

The story of the romance, as related by a well-informed source, makes it a real love affair. That story is easy to believe, since Phillip is probably the best looking member of royalty in Europe and a younger edition of his handsome uncle, Admiral Viscount Mountbatten, former supreme commander in Southeast Asia. The young couple had their first date about two years ago but his name was not prominently mentioned than any of the princess's many escorts—all of whom were highly eligible. Princess Elizabeth has been seen dining and dancing in public with the Duke of Rutland, the rich Earl of Euston and half a dozen titled young Guards officers.

ABSOLUTELY "Sedentary work," said the college professor, "tends to lessen the endurance." "In other words," the student butted in, "the more one sits the less one can stand." "Exactly," retorted the professor, "and if one lies a great deal one's standing is lost completely."

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DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

It's More Than Housing

Lack of Privacy And Space Contributes to Divorce and Juvenile Delinquency

The housing situation has passed the point where it is just a matter of physical comfort and taste and what you can afford. It has become a great moral issue, for there is no denying that the increase in crime is mainly due to our not having enough room in which to live without treading on our fellow creatures' toes.

In the days when there were the wide open spaces between houses, and no malevolent friend had thought up a kitchenette and a one room and bath apartment as a suitable habitat for a family with children, there were few murders, and divorce was so uncommon it was a scandal. But now when we are crowded together like animals in a cattle car, we act like wild beasts. We shove and push and grab and trample and gore each other just because we are fed up with our families and friends and neighbors that we can't stand them another minute.

One of the primal needs of humanity is a certain amount of privacy. Take that away from us and we go berserk. We have to get away from our nearest and dearest now and then to keep us from wanting to murder them. We have to be able to go somewhere alone where we can work off our gripes by having a good cry or kicking the furniture to make us endureable. And it was an evil day when the devil inspired some architect to devise the two-family house and, worse still, to put up apartment buildings.

CAUSES JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Just see how this all ties in with the crime wave. Take juvenile delinquency, which is our great problem. What's at the bottom of that? Isn't it children who are thrown on the street for amusement and to work off their surplus energy because they had no place in which to play in a little two-by-four flat? When boys grow up in houses that had big attics and honest-to-God basements, where there were barrels of apples and tools with which to build things and stages where they could put on shows, you never heard of youngsters, who belonged to decent families, stealing automobiles and destroying the neighbors' property.

And why do so many young girls go astray and get into trouble? Isn't it because they live in little crowded apartments where every room opens into another room, and they can't have a boy come to see them at home without the whole family listening in on every word that is said and rehashing it at the breakfast table the next morning? Isn't that why the little bobby-soxer meets her dates on the street and gets to know boys she should never have known? And isn't the reason so many girls are old maids is because there wasn't a door behind which a boy could pop the question?

And doesn't the whole divorce problem center right in the little crowded homes where husbands and wives are forced to live so close together they get on each other's nerves? There is no spot in the domicile—it would be sardonic to call it a home—that the man supports that he can call his own. No quiet place he can retire to when he is tired where he can rest and gather himself together. Not even a closet where the husband and wife can find privacy in a box, without having to apologise to the situation and keep them from rubbing each other with their little faults. So it is no wonder when they can stand this close-up view of their mates no longer that so many husbands and wives get divorces.

It all boils down into saying that what we need more than anything else to promote the happiness and well-being of our people are more and bigger houses. But we have a fat chance of getting them!

Living & Leisure — THE WOMAN'S REALM —

CHRISTMAS GLEANINGS

C-Roush sweet, candles red Holly hanging overhead R-oguish children, all agree I-mpatient for their Christmas tree S-miles, and goodwill everywhere T-remendous secrets, in the air M-lnce pie, turkey, Christmas cake, A-ll ready for their dreadful fate. S-santa Claus, knowing and wise T-winkles in his kindly eyes I-n little homes, as well as great M-uch ado, from morn till late E-everyone, sending cards to say "A Merry Christmas."

LEAD POISONING

Eating lunch at the factory work-bench is dangerous, according to a warning from the Industrial Health Division of the Department of National Health and Welfare. Workers, carelessly placing food on the work-bench, may add some such dangerous metallic substance as

lead to their diet and, say the health authorities, lead poisoning is far too common an industrial disease. Care is also urged in measures for ventilating plants to clear air of lead dust and lead fumes.

The many women absorbed in industries devoted to the manufacture of fine dinnerware make a valuable contribution to their state, because of their steady, delicate hands and their artistic skills.

It is better for health reasons for a young person to be overweight than underweight, but putting on weight is a more serious matter for older people.

The third finger left hand was selected for the wedding and engagement rings because ancient people believed a vein from that finger ran directly to the heart.

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Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Leo

Q. When it is necessary to curtail expenses of Christmas gifts, what is the best course to pursue with a friend with whom you have been exchanging gifts?

A. Write a nice letter, about two or three weeks in advance, wishing your friend a Merry Christmas.

Q. Should a woman hiring a maid give her an horset picture of the work involved, the time off she can expect, etc.?

A. Yes.

Q. Is it good taste to say, "I want you to know my friend?"

A. No. Friendship should be implied—not pointed out.

Better English

D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "Where are you going to go now?"

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "lair" (a place in which to lie or rest)?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Indefable, illegitimate, impassable.

4. What does the word "equable" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with "a" that means "greediness after wealth"?

ANSWERS 1. Omit to go. Merely say, "Where are you going now?" 2. Pronounce "lair" as in case 3. Indefinable. 4. Uniform; tranquil. The author has an equable style. 5. Avarice.

Cook's Corner

Bohemian Christmas Cookies

Yolks of 2 hard-boiled eggs 1/3 cup shortening 1/3 cup sugar Yolks of 2 eggs 1 tablespoon milk Flour to stiffen 3 tablespoons finely chopped blanched almonds 1 egg white

1 egg white (hard) through ricer, and cream with shortening. Add sugar, cream again; stir in uncooked egg yolk and milk and sifted flour. Dough should be stiff enough to roll. Cut small round shapes with cookie cutters. Brush with beaten egg white and sprinkle with almonds. Bake in slow oven.

THE STARS SAY—

By GENEVIEVE KEMBLE For Sunday, December 22

SUNDAY'S horoscope is a decidedly critical and challenging one, with a basis of the sudden, startling and unexpected. The day is more dramatic and thrilling, yet a slight misjudgment or mistake might exact unpredictable penalties. Unforeseen and baffling events having far-reaching climax, call for poise, perfect control, and the tenacity of the emotions and impulses.

On the Birthday Those whose birthday it is may prepare for a year of exciting and sudden events, with radical upsets or changes, difficult to foresee or anticipate. Disruption and abrupt change may have long-range consequences, therefore all decisions should be based on profound and long-sighted values, and not grasped on foundations of the emotional, erratic, or temperamental. Be "slow but sure" before running head on to a crisis. Physical engagements under a full moon, astral indications. Keep poised and calm.

A child born on this day may be emotional, temperamental and apt to jump at conclusions which is a dangerous, impulsive and unwise basis for future success. Rigid self-control should be inculcated, with reason and not emotion as being "in the saddle."

For Monday, December 23 Monday's astrological forecast encourages an energetic attack on well-organized plans in the development of propositions and objectives of more than passing importance. Under a full moon, astral indications. Highly stimulated and constructive plan of action there should be wise co-operation from superiors, elders and influential persons, with the idea of placing finance and security on a sound basis for future progress and good fortune. New endeavors for such benign purpose are under splendid auspices.

Birthday Forecast Those whose birthday it is may look for a very constructive year, in which new and important projects and plans are in line for the generous support and approbation from influential persons. Seek these well-organized and productive ideas sustained by hard work, determination, ingenuity and skill. Such plans should have far vision, with the determination to put the future and its fortune on a solid foundation for long-range growth and expansion. A child born on this day will have excellent creative energy and initiative for carving for itself a practical and interesting career, winning support from high places.

Ellen's Diary

By an Island Farmer's Wife

We were able to return to our accustomed place in the old kitchen at Alderlea this morning, but not before several of the morning hours had vanished, and the hands on the clock were moving along matter-of-factly towards a last warning for the beginning of the dinner preparations. James had breakfasted at the house across the lane, where he had dined and supped yesterday. "On a farm a bachelor's life is an ideal life" I have heard James elaborate on this statement with conviction and a wistful note in his voice time and time again. "All he has to do is to cook for himself—and Ellen would you put a bit of hot in this tea? or run down for the mail, hurry now! or get that separator up, do you think I've got all day to wait here—and what would that amount to: cooking for only one person? Alone yes, that would be a great way to live. A person would only need to grow half as much stuff, and a fellow could come and go, as he liked?" I have often wondered where it was that James wished to "go". I found that out yesterday and this morning.

When his housekeeper got the miseries affording him an excellent opportunity to practice his theories indoors, which would not be as extensive as housework she would only include the assembling of the meal, he quietly put on his cap, picked up his mittens or gloves, and with an alert eye on the clock, so as to be certain he would be well within time, and with brisk steps, he set out for the house across the lane, the nearest dwelling presided over by a woman! Which proved as usual the soundness of his judgment.

On his own cooking he might not have had the physical endurance to stand the hardship of the work, he and Jock saw fit to combine today. Their morning was taken up busily with the Saturday cleaning and bedding in stables and sties. But with all of this and dinner past they went back to the stump field, as James said "to have a spell cutting suckers" there. These of course are the small shoots that persist in growing luxuriantly about the base of the maple stumps, and if left undisturbed combine to delay the clearing of the land, which of all his endeavours is a first and lasting love of James'. There are times and seasons to attend to this cutting, and the moon's phases are mixed up with it in (to me) a more or less vague way in a leafy time of year. James mentioned this at dinner. "This isn't the best time of year to be at the work but it is easier to see what we're doing now". So they whetted and shouldered axes and with Pard scampering ahead in high glee, they were off along the frozen fields in the direction of the woodlands.

The high wind continuing since last evening blew gustily about the

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How Can I!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I make an inexpensive bassinet? A. A clothes basket can be made into an inexpensive bassinet for the baby. Pad and line the basket, and then supply it with a mattress. The mattress may be a large-sized pillow.

Q. How can I whip cream without a cream whipper? A. Use the double boiler. Put a little ice and salt in the lower section and the cream in the upper; then whip with the egg beater.

Q. What is most essential in serving fancy drinks of any kind? A. To garnish them with slices of fruit that are in season.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Leo

Porcelain Never use a sharp instrument for scraping a washbowl, range, or other porcelain or enamel-covered article. Such an implement is liable to chip or break off the covering.

Plate Glass Clouded plate glass can be satisfactorily cleaned by rubbing briskly with alcohol.

The First Course If the first dinner course is a cold one, save time by having it on the table before the meal is to be served.

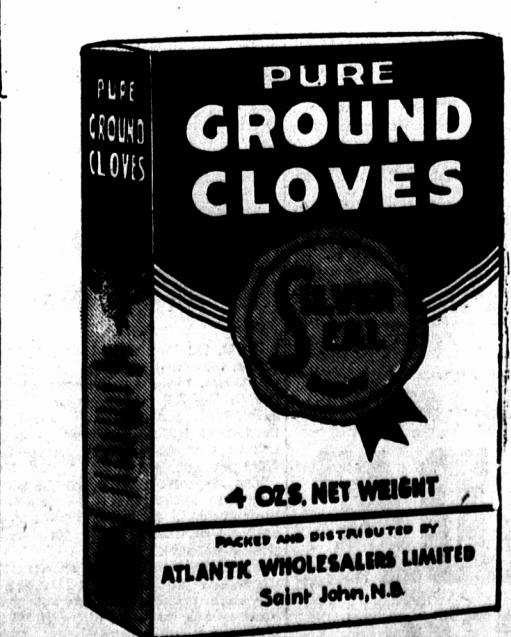


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