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Dorothy Dix Says—

YOUNG BOY NOT FIT AS HUSBAND

Slack Girl In Slacks Is Either Too Vain Or Has Inferiority Complex

DEAR MISS DIX: I am engaged to a boy whose mother made him take a Bible oath not to get married until he is 23 years old, or until the war is over. I love him very dearly, but I am just not going to wait for four or five years when there are plenty of other men I could marry. His mother wants him to return to college when he gets out of the army and that would be a couple of years more to wait.

Don't you think his mother is being very unfair to us not to let us marry while our love is still fresh?

P. I. H.

ANSWER: I think the boy's mother shows a lot of good, hard, common sense and knowledge of life in trying to keep her son from marrying before he is 23. Would that there were more mothers like her, for, if there were, we would not have so many boy-and-girl marriages cluttering up the divorce courts.

No boy under 23 is fit for marriage. Up to that time he is still an undeveloped kid whose tastes are continually changing because he is growing and in the maturing process himself, so he does not know what qualities he is going to want in a wife when he is a man. Besides that, unless he happens to be rich, he has no way of supporting a wife and family and has to dump them on his parents or her parents. And that is a poor return to make for the sacrifices a father and mother have made to educate him and to try to give him a start in the world.

Anything that is worth having is worth waiting for and working for, and this goes for marriage, little as you believe it. You say you love this boy, yet you are not going to wait for him for four or five years That shows how little depth your affection for him really has. You don't even trust it yourself. And you are right at that, because puppy love is the frailest thing in the world. A breath of passion will blow it away. A new face will make you forget it, or you will just outgrow it.

You will have a far better chance of happiness if you will wait until your sweetheart has finished his college course and got a start in his career. Remember he won't be exactly senile even after he reaches the vast age of 23.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: Most girls want to win praise and affection from the masculine sex, but we boys can't see even dates when they wear overalls, sweat shirts, bagging sweaters, their hair stringing down and flat-heeled, dirty shoes. It seems to us that if girls want the attention of boys they would want to dress up and use a little make-up. A boy doesn't want to feel as if he were going out with another boy when all the time it is just a girl who has let herself down. We don't expect a girl to be dolled up all the time, but she can at least look halfway decent.

DISILLUSIONED TOMMY.

ANSWER: Well, Tommy, I certainly do agree with you in regard to the girls who go about looking as if they had just been fished out of the garbage can, but I can't explain to you why they do it. I think that a girl who wears slacks and has her shirttail out is either so abnormally vain that she thinks she is a knockout no matter what she has on, or else she has such an inferiority complex that she is desperate and considers that nothing can make her look uglier than she already is.

Clothes do a lot for a girl and she is mighty foolish to throw away her trump card. And certainly when a boy takes her out she owes it to him to look her best.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: I am a girl of 16, desperately in love with a married man with four children. He tells me how sweet and nice I am and other things. He doesn't know that I love him and I feel that if I don't tell him I will go crazy. Shall I tell him, or leave him alone?

MARY B.

ANSWER: Leave him alone. Keep away from him. Don't listen to him when he flatters you. Can't you see that his words mean nothing when he doesn't even tell you that he loves you? He is just a contemptible cad who is amusing himself at your expense.

You are a nice little girl and don't want to break up another woman's home and half-orphan little children, so let this man alone. You will soon get over your schoolgirl crush on him.

Queen Marie Plans Visit to Dominion

LONDON January 24—(CP)—Dowager Queen Marie of Yugoslavia will probably make her new home in Canada if the political situation result in her son Peter, king of the troubled Balkan country, losing his crown, it was learned today.

A source close to the mother of the young monarch said she always had a high regard for Canada. While declining to discuss the possibility that Peter might be ousted as a result of his refusal to agree to a regency, this source said: "If anything happened" to relieve the queen of parental desire to stand by her son in the crisis, she would fulfil her long-standing wish to visit the Dominion.

Queen Marie, 45 year old widow of King Alexander, thus would join such other exiled royalty as the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg and ex-Empress Zita of Austria Hungary who found a comfortable refuge in Canada.

The Yugoslav queen mother told the informant that in any event she definitely intends to visit Canada soon after the war, taking her two other sons, the Princes, Tomislav, 17, and Andrej, 14.

"I have heard so much that is good of Canada that I would like to see the country and our people who have made homes for themselves there," she told the informant. "I understand a considerable number of them live near Hamilton, Ont., and I hope to visit them on the trip."

The English-educated queen, a great-granddaughter of Queen Victoria, takes pride in being able to call herself partly British. Her interest in Canada has been quickened recently through association with boys of an RCAF bomber squadron near her home—a restored 16th century cottage in Huntingdonshire. The queen is a frequent visitor to the squadron and recently helped brighten the crews rest room with a gift of furniture and drapes from her home.

HOW CAN I!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I make a cork fit if it has shrunk and is too loose to keep in the bottle?

A. Place the cork in a pan of boiling water and allow it to remain until the water cools. This will make the cork expand to its regular size and it will fit the bottle snugly.

Q. How can I clean fur collars?

A. By dipping a Turkish towel in a good cleaning fluid and wiping over the collar. Brush it about once a week and it will keep free from dirt.

Q. How can I prevent scorching when roasting meat?

A. Place a dish of water in the oven with the meat and it will prevent scorching.

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

The horses were harnessed and again hitched to the sleighs to continue their work at the hay-hauling after the earlier chores at the stables were completed. It wasn't the most pleasant day to be abroad. Light snow-flurries made all outdoor work a bit trying. But as James pointed out: "That stack is opened, we may as well get it home before the storm comes in earnest." The wind was in the west all day playing merrily with light drifts here and there, from trees and rooves it swirled away across the crust formed by the recent thaw. "Only frost flying" I tried to tell Judy, who begins to notice the weather with deepened interest on a Friday. From her thermometer-reading at a chill house-corner Judy knew it was no frost. But even when, all during the day, it drifted wantonly to quickly fill sleigh-tracks and wrap the partly dismantled stack, tonight a winsome new moon clear and lovely hangs above my hill to the right to light a calm snow-covered land. The work at the hay was finished nearing dusk. "My goodness, Mrs. Ellen" Judy said in alarm "come and see what the barn-door is doing!" It was being slowly taken up by invisible fingers—to Judy—up and up, faster now, to finally swing into place in the barngable. The hay-hauling had been completed—for the present. As if I hadn't been following the work play by play, or round by round, James said, after a most satisfying supper of one of his favorite foods, that had done its part to make him in an expansive mood—and that warranted Judy to whisper to me as we "did" the dishes in the pantry: "Ask him now!"—he said: "Well, Ellen we finished the hay!"

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The supper was of fried-smelts, this evening, sweet and crisp. I heard James remark with satisfaction to Judy: "That's better than chicken!" I think as I consider the matter honestly, I'm partial to both! Those we cooked, were the results of the "kay" Jock and Jeanie made on a recent night to a home beside the Braeside river. For at the farm they visited, its feet washed by the river-waters, the nets had just been drawn. Not such a bountiful harvest of these silvery-fish as was earlier in the season—and doubtless will come again presently with "the moon"—but some to share and be shared again. To those who receive them "a feed of smelts" is only something very delicious. To those who fish them from the depths, it means broken rest, in order to catch the tides. It means hard and tedious work, usually in biting-frost; and wet mittens and clothing. There is the danger too of "slipping in" with only lanterns to light the cold dark water flowing by. But if the work is fraught with hardship and danger, on the river, it is not a lonely work. For up and down its reaches, other lights flicker. Others also brave the frost and cold to draw or perhaps it may be they only obey an injunction spoken in by-gone years: "Cast . . . . the net . . . . and ye shall find . . . . . a multitude of fishes."

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The later chores at the stables were hurried today, to allow extra time for the work at the hay. For James as well as Judy kept a close check on sky and wind. A storm could break at any minute! Jeanie and Judy volunteered and were allowed to take-up rather unfamiliar chores. Straw, and hay was sent tumbling in rolls from loft and mow to feed and bed waiting animals. There's always the feeding and watering and bedding. Pard, one paw sore from a skirmish, dutifully followed cattle to the stream below the mill and then limping hurried them back. Not that they needed much urging, when grain was in the mangers but there's the careless one that wanders and needs to be guided safely to the stable. There was water, clear and sparkling carried from the pumps pail full after pailful. Both pumps were called into play. Judy hustled at the work. "My dear" I threatened once "if you break that pump . . . ." "Mrs. Ellen," she said breathless and laughing "Its to help the pigs get their concentrates!" Many farmwords are new and funny to Judy. At Rob's Karolyn was outdoors, at almost the same chores. I knew, for James told me this evening with an injured air. All the farmers between Alderlea and "the other farm" must have been very busy finishing some work today. For why else would their wives be out in the inclemency of today? James told me. He saw them all, "fairly running" he said. With pails, and baskets to the poultry-houses, with armfuls of wood or merely chasing the cattle to water. He recounted it all tonight looking sadly at me and then into the smoke-rings. What he saw there I cannot say. As he says: "Comfort" probably!

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There was sawing done at the old mill today. "Hear the funny noise!" Judy said as she spread the dish-towels on a convenient porch-rail. It was a "circular" converting slabs from the sawed-lumber into lengths suitable for fuel-wood. I think it reminded James of something because he said "we must get to the woods if its fine tomorrow." The paper from the plant protection service of the Department of Agriculture that has "the rules governing the production and sale of seed-potatoes" came today. If it had been "separation-papers" for James and me he wouldn't have had time to examine the contents! I looked into it. Saw like the dictionary "it changed the subject often" to bewilder me, then put it away to await James' leisure. I suppose, the rules are similar to those of last year and he has those pretty well by heart. All the same, the receipt of this paper brings to mind, that presently before I know it, Spring will be on its way.

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We listened to our Friday evening radio-programs being joined by the folks across the lane. There were other visitors as well. The entertainment was blurred and interrupted at times. A small-battery is about to give up, its life being almost done. "Its those news-casts" Judy said glaring a bit at James. Another battery was connected and those with the best imaginations—and ears!—were able to get the features. We had our knitting. Jeanie, finished her pair of snug mittens, I another finger or two in a pair of gloves, James prefers gloves when he works about the buildings and for harnessing and hitching horses. I'm never certain

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BETTER ENGLISH

D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "It was a painful accident."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "bronchial"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Supervise, authorise, chastise.
4. What does the word "tempestuous" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with fl that means "the heavens"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "It was a painful injury (caused by the accident)." 2. Pronounce brong-ki-al, o as in on, i as in it, a unstressed, accent first syllable. 3. Authorize. 4. Stormy; turbulent. "We encountered some tempestuous weather." 5. Firmament.

MODERN ETIQUETTE

By Roberta Lee

Q. Is it permissible for a guest to ask for a second helping of some dish?

A. Not unless eating with a relative or an intimate friend. The hostess should keep a watch to see that her guests' wishes are fulfilled without the necessity of their asking.

Q. What is an important thing in the early training of a child?

A. Obedience. All children should be taught to obey, or subsequent training will be very difficult.

Q. What should the bridegroom wear at an evening wedding?

A. Full evening dress.

HOUSEHOLD SCRAPBOOK

By Roberta Lee

An Ironing Suggestion

When a starched garment must be ironed immediately, sprinkle it, roll in a damp cloth or paper bag and place in a warm oven for a few minutes to steam. It will then iron icely.

Carrots

When peeling carrots try using a coarse grater instead of a knife. It will take the skins off much quicker and easier than any other method.

Bananas

Never keep bananas in the refrigerator. They will not only flavor every uncovered eatable, but will soon turn black.

A JOB ONLY YOU CAN DO

Price Control Questions and Answers

Questions and Answers on Price Control will appear in The Guardian as a regular feature each day. The questions are those which have reached the Wartime Prices and Trade Board from housewives in this region. The answers are provided by the Board Readers. Persons who have intelligent questions to ask on price control are invited to send them in writing to the Women's Regional Advisory Committee of the War Time Prices and Trade Board.

Q. Is butter coupon 94 valid

A. The valid date of Butter Coupon 94 is January 26th.

Q. Is unsweetened canned fruit rationed?

A. Yes, unsweetened canned fruit is rationed with the exception of 105 oz. containers or larger which are coupon free.

Q. There has been a rumour that small arms ammunition is to come off the ration. Is this true?

A. No, there is to be no change in the regulations concerning small arms ammunition.

Q. When will butter coupon 96 become valid?

A. Butter coupon 95 will become valid February 8th.

Q. Is there a chance that tea and coffee will return to the ration list?

A. No, definitely not.

IF BABY IS CROSS FIND OUT WHY

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MORNING SMILE

A mother was trying to enter her five-year-old pride and joy in a kindergarten whose age requirement was six. "She's very intelligent," informed the mother. "She can easily pass the six-year-old test."

"Say a few words," the skeptical teacher told the young one.

Little Susan, calmly ignoring the teacher's gaze, turned to her mother and asked, "Purely irrelevant words, mater"

SHE WOULD

At a local first-aid class, the question of fainting came up. The instructor explained to the class that the cause of fainting was primarily a fault of circulation and that it could be prevented by getting the head lower than the heart.

"For instance," he said, "if you feel faint, and don't want to call attention to it, just lean down and tie your lace over again.

A woman in front asked.

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THE WOMAN'S REALM

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And which, perhaps, you may have reason
To think on, at another season,
Be not contented with the sight,
But take them down in black and white:
Such a respect is widely shown,
As makes another's sense one's own

—Byron

WINTER WINDS HARD ON SKINS

If the crackly feeling of dry skin is more plaguing as winter wears on, oil it.

Choose your face cream for its richness; for a lanolin content (or other penetrating oil); for homogenized or broken-down particles which make it a good lubricant. Put on your cream before a bath; before going to bed.

Good for quick cosmetic results is the 'steam 'n cream' treatment before you apply make-up. For that softening job, you make a hold your annointed face for a few minutes over a basin of hot running water. A towel held like a tent over your head while you steam your face is a help to keep vapors from escaping.

BOLERO SUITS GAY UP CHARMING BLOUSES

NEW YORK—It may be said that most of the bolero suits in collections — some exteremly sophisticated, others demure—invite inspection of the charming blouses worn beneath them, by being cut or rounded so as to show a discreet softness both at neckline and middriff. One of Rosenstein's news making boleros is merely seamed under the bosom to resemble a bolero.

CREPE PAPER USE

Remember before you go off the deep end into colours which this season are as bold as roadside posters, some will be for you, some against.

Best way to discover which is frien.d and which is foe is to use colour hoops of crepe paper—you can get paper in approximate fashion shades—and try them out in front of a mirror placed in a merciless north light. The test is to see which of these bright colours floods your face with brighter tints, heightenes the pink in your skin, the sparkle in your eyes, the glints in your hair. Reject all coolurs that don't.

BLACKHEADS

Don't squeeze blackheads — dissolve them. Get two ounces of peroxine powder from any drug store and apply gently with wet, hot cloth over the blackheads. They simply dissolve and disappear by this safe simple method.

COOK'S CORNER

CHOCOLATE FUDGE

Two cups sugar, 3 squares unsweetened chocolate, 2-3 cups top milk, few grains salt, 2 tablespoons corn syrup, 1 tablespoon butter, 1 teaspoon vanilla. Place all the ingredients, with the exception of the vanilla, in a saucepan. Heat slowly, stirring constantly, until the sugar is dissolved. Then cook and heat until boiling point is reached. Uncover, and cook without stirring, until a soft ball is formed when a few drops are placed in cold water. Add vanilla, then cool, without stirring, until lukewarm. Beat until creamy, and the mixture loses its sheen. Pour into greased pan, and cut into squares.

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