

# Woman's Realm of Social and Personal Fashions Literature

## Happenings Of The Week

Britain's Queen prides herself on tipping no more about how things are going in the war than the ordinary citizen. She made a rule not to avail herself of the opportunities that come her way of acquiring secret military knowledge. At Buckingham Palace in London, the King has a full-size detailed map of North Africa but the Queen has a medicine one. The Queen, of course, cannot help noticing the King's spirits and his personal reactions, and lately she has observed that he is happy and full of optimism.

Queen Elizabeth and the Duchess of Kent, visiting a detailed service's handicraft exhibition saw several scarves they wished to buy. The best they could do, however, was to ask to have them sent—because both the Queen and Duchess had forgotten to bring their ration books.

Mrs. H. J. Gordon, Regent of the Prince Edward Chapter, I. O. D. E. is making a good recovery, following an operation for appendicitis in the P. E. I. Hospital last Monday.

Mrs. W. J. P. MacMillan was hostess yesterday afternoon at a most enjoyable bridge party at the Charlottetown.

Mrs. Gordon Macdonald is visiting in Halifax, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles Lowry.

Young King Peter of Yugoslavia is planning to return to London soon from Cairo to wed Princess Alexandra of Greece, possibly by November 15, informed Yugoslav circles say.

The critical illness of Mrs. E. S. B. is causing her family and friends deepest concern. Mrs. G. Mahon of Halifax arrived Wednesday to be with her mother.

Miss Edith Rogers was among the hostesses entertaining this week for her friends on Friday and Saturday afternoons.

Her Royal Highness Princess Alice, accompanied by Miss Vera Grenfell, lady-in-waiting, visited the headquarters of the Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, B. St. Louis street, in Quebec City Monday. Her Royal Highness was received by the president of the Guild, Mrs. Lorenzo Evans, and inspected the work being done. This Guild is very well known to Charlottetown members of the Queen Mary Needlework Guild as Mrs. Evans who is a personal friend of the Honorary President, Mrs. A. A. Bartlett has sent work here for several years to be added to the box forwarded annually from here to the Queen Mother in England.

Mr. and Mrs. A. I. MacLean and Mrs. H. D. Biden of Amherst were among the motor visitors this week returning home yesterday.

Mrs. Hillard Muttart of Summerside spent the week at the Charlottetown renewing friendships and attending the Fox Show.

The Sunday Express reports that when Princess Elizabeth comes of age as a royal personage on the 18th birthday next April, she will probably have her own "household" for which the King and Queen now are considering suitable candidates.

Mrs. (Dr.) J. P. Lantz entertained at a smart two table bridge at her home Wednesday afternoon.

## 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 the 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 there any law governing the size of butter pats as served in restaurants? The size varies in size at different places and in some places you can get two or three pats at one sitting.

A. According to the regulations of the Board restaurants must serve one butter pat, weighing one-third of an ounce, with each meal. Please forward specific information regarding the size and number of butter pats you received and the cases will be investigated.

Q. The price of grapefruit at the fruit store I patronize seems to me to be excessive. How can I know if it is under the ceiling?

A. The dealer must display a card showing the size and price of the grapefruit. If this is not being done and you have reason to question the price, please report to the nearest office of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

Q. My landlord has given me written notice to vacate his premises in one year's time. I have not agreed to the terms. I now want to know—can I give him a month's notice to vacate?

A. No. You have acknowledged in writing the agreement to vacate at the end of one year. You must give him a month's notice to pay the rental to the end of the term.

Q. I want to buy some suit for my mincebutch but my butcher informs me that he cannot supply any because of regulations. Is this correct?

A. No. There are no regulations prohibiting the sale of suit. Your butcher can secure it but should however, be most conservative in its use since fashions of all kinds are vital war material.

Q. In about a month, I am going to rent my farm. Do I have to complete any rentals forms of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board?

A. No. Landlords are required to file for agricultural purposes are exempt from the rentals regulations.

## Dorothy Dix Says—

COUPLE WORKING SAME HOURS WON'T SOLVE HOME PROBLEMS

Woman's Constant Energy, Loving Thought And Care Needed For Husband And Children

DEAR MISS DIX—Why do not the corporations that employ married women try to hire the wives of their men workers and put them in the same plants and on the same shifts as their husbands. My wife and I are both war workers and have one child. She works in a plant three miles from our home, while I have six blocks to go to my work. She works a swing shift and works only on one shift, and this makes it necessary for someone to look after our child sometimes sixteen hours a day. I cannot help thinking how much easier it would be for both of us if she worked in the same plant as I do and on the same shift.

This would eliminate distrust as to what the other spouse is doing, and make the problem of maintaining a decent home existence possible. The situation in plants is growing worse daily and something should be done about it.

DEFENSE WORKER.

WAR WORK DEFEATS NATURAL LAW

ANSWER—The trouble with dealing with the problem is that when you take wives and mothers out of what we used to call their sacred sphere and put them to work on jobs outside of their homes, you run up against one of the immutable laws of Nature that is never changed. And that is that no person can be in two places at the same time, no matter how much their services are needed in both places.

No doubt it might do much to assuage the jealousy, and thereby ease the friction between husbands and wives, if they worked the same hours, in the same shop, at the same machine, and could keep an eye on each other and see that the Mrs. wasn't making eyes at her cook-looking boss, and that Mr. was coming straight home from work instead of sneaking around to the tavern with his pretty blond helper.

So far, so good, but that wouldn't settle the home proposition for either one of them, for no house is a home without a woman in it who gives to it the best of her intelligence and energy and loving thought. The man who works in a factory or in a precision machine, with every nerve and fiber stretched to the breaking point.

She is spent in mind and body. Irritable. Ready to fight or cry. Craving some relaxation, some excitement, something to take her thoughts off of the treadmill to which she must go back after a few hours of sudden sleep.

Nor can a woman, staggering under the crushing burden that domesticity and war work put upon her, possibly make a comfortable and cheery and soothing home in which to work on one shift and rest after his strenuous labors and go back refreshed to his task.

So it is no wonder that both the husbands and wives who are war workers, who have more money than they ever had before to spend and less home comforts; who see each other at their worst, when they are probably the least of themselves; every word is the fighting word, and when they crave some stimulus to take them out of themselves, fall easy victims to the human he and she wolves who are on the prowl seeking whom they might devour.

Nor would putting husbands and wives to work in the same factories and giving them the same shifts solve the problem of the children who are left behind when their mothers go to work outside of the home. You can't rear children to be decent men and women on a six hour schedule. It takes all of a mother's time, and then some. That is the job she is qualified for and for which God is going to hold her responsible and if she fails in it, she can't shift her crime by calling her patriotism.

DEAR MISS DIX—I am a man 60 years old, active, in the best of health, have a good home and no children. Since my wife died three years ago I have lived alone, doing my own cooking and housework.

Lately, at church, I have met a middle-aged widow. She has a small income and lives in a rented room. She seems easy to get along with, is of the domestic type and likes to putter around the kitchen and garden. She is the type of woman who can do a lot of good for the world and come and keep house for me. She thinks we would have companionship and live a happier life.

So far as I am concerned romance and marriage are out. I made that clear to her and she is satisfied. The arrangement looks good except for the question of propriety. What are your views?

HAZARDOUS TO WIFE AWAY WIDOWS TEARS

ANSWER—I think you must be about 60 years old instead of 60 if you don't see that the widow has designs upon you, and that before you know it you will be walking in the church aisle with her. Some day you will find her weeping and she will sob out "that world is so un-un-unkind to say the horrid things about her ill-living with you without being married—when everybody knows how noble and good you are, and that she can't help it if she has fallen in love with you." And by the time you have comforted her she will have landed you in a second marriage. Wiping away a widow's tears is the most hazardous occupation in which a man ever engages.

But suppose the widow has marked you for her own? Maybe it is a dispensation of Providence in your behalf without your knowing it. Certainly if she is all you say she is, domestic and amiable and a good company, she will brighten up your home and make you more comfortable than you are now.

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## THE COOK'S CORNER

LIVER STUFFED EGGS

3 hard cooked eggs  
1 cup minced, cooked liver  
3 tablespoons onion sauce  
Salt and Pepper to taste.  
2 cups medium white sauce (hot)  
Shell eggs and cut in half. Remove yolks and mix with liver blended with onion sauce. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Fill whites with the yolk mixture and reheat in the white sauce. Serve on toast. Serves four.

Eggs may be placed in a casserole, covered with the sauce, sprinkled with some of the crumbled egg yolk and reheated in a moderate, 350 degrees F. oven.

Eggs Soviet

3-4 cup condensed tomato juice  
1 cup dry bread crumbs  
1 cup cooked peas or string beans  
1 teaspoon grated onion  
1-2 teaspoon salt dash of pepper  
1-2 cup grated cheese  
4 eggs

Mix water and soup. Add crumbs, vegetables and peas and cheese. Pour into a greased baking dish, make four depressions in the sauce and break an egg into each depression. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 375 degrees F., until egg is set. Serve sprinkled with grated cheese. Serves four.

Corn Fudding

2 cups canned corn  
1 teaspoon sugar  
1 cup soft bread crumbs  
2 tablespoons chopped green pepper OR  
2 tablespoons home-canned red pepper, if available  
Salt and pepper to taste.  
2 cups hot milk  
2 eggs  
2 tablespoons melted butter.

Mix corn, sugar, bread crumbs, red or green pepper and seasonings with hot milk. Add well beaten eggs and melted butter. Pour into a greased "sauce" dish, set in a pan of hot water and bake in a moderate oven, 350 degrees F., until set, about one hour. Serves six.

NICE AS HOSTESS

The only President of the United States who never married, James Buchanan (1857-1868), introduced a young girl as his official White House hostess and sat back to enjoy watching her take Washington by storm. Harriet Lane was the daughter of President Buchanan's favourite sister; her parents had died while she was a child and Uncle James had been her guardian ever since. She started her career as hostess in London where she presided at the American Embassy while her uncle carried out the diplomatic duties as American Minister to Great Britain. She gained honours on her own; in fact, she became such a favourite of Queen Victoria that she was given the rank of Minister's Wife. Buchanan's administration was a sad and stormy one, preceding as it did the actual outbreak between the North and South. In fact, Harriet Lane herself brilliant, beautiful and popular amid her uncle's appointment politics, and often it was her own wit and wisdom that averted trying situations and embarrassing moments.

## Living & Leisure The Woman's Realm

Be useful where thou livest, that thou wait and wish thy pleasing presence may.

Finish out men's wants and will. And meet them there. All worldly joys go less. Than the one joy of doing kindness.—George Herbert.

A DEAN'S IDEA

Suggestion from Dr. Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury: "After the war every home should have a hatchway in which all the dirty dishes could be placed in a wire basket to be picked up three times a day by a public servant taken to a municipal dishwashing department and returned clean."

HINTS ON ETIQUETTE

When you are telling a story don't put all the inconsequential details in, arguing with yourself whether the incident happened 2 o'clock or 4, or whether it was Friday or Saturday. Nobody cares, and its a tax on the listeners' patience. They simply want to hear the story.

To mothers of small babies, removing stains is as much a part of the routine as feeding the child, for babies seem to get a silly kind of pleasure out of dribbling and licking the egg spoon a resounding wallop. If you're on the job, and quit about it, however, most of the resultant stains can be removed very easily. Fruit stains should be treated immediately. Pour boiling water (from a 3-foot height) through stains on cottons and linens and if this doesn't work use a chlorine bleach and rinse out the bleach thoroughly. Sponge fruit stains on woollens, silks and rayons with warm water, bleach with hydrogen peroxide, and rinse at once. Cold liver oil stains should be laundered immediately in rich suds. If a brown stain remains bleach this out with hydrogen peroxide and rinse out the bleach at once. Spots of mineral oil stains with a non-inflammable cleaning fluid then launder as usual according to fabric. Egg-stained cotton or linen should be soaked in cold water and washed. If the garment is made of rayon or wool and there are not partial to soaking, sponge the stain with cold water or a non-inflammable cleaning fluid, and dry.

FOOT STEPPING OUT

NEW YORK—When the pretty girl steps out to dance, she is newly dressed. High or low, ruffled or plain, your neckline may be draped or criss-crossed or have the Van Dyke points. Any variation of classic or popular trim is acceptable, but it must be one that is right for you. That is why trying on a dress with a tricky neckline is the only test your mirror is your best friend.

ADD WOMAN'S PAGE WASH FRUITS CAREFULLY

Fruits and vegetables are wonderful foods and they are indispensable for a balanced diet. In spite of this, they are likely to transmit harmful germs unless certain precautions are taken in their preparation and use, says a bulletin issued by the City Health Department.

Fruits and vegetables are exposed to all sorts of contamination through dust, insects, the many handlings to which they are subjected. Certain fertilizers may adversely affect some foods which grow quickly. Insecticides sprayed on fruits or vegetables or on trees or plants bearing them may leave traces or poison on them. Grapes usually contain more of such than apples, peaches or pears.

The most prevalent danger and probably the most serious, results from unskillful handling. All fruits and vegetables are handled when gathered and packed and again when sold, sometimes very often.

All vegetables should be washed carefully, preferably in running water. Potatoes, beets and carrots should be brushed. It is not necessary to peel them as the peels, when well washed, are quite clean.

Fruits also require the same precautions. Apples, pears, tomatoes and grapes should all be washed in running water. It is also essential to wash the outside of melons before serving, as well as oranges, grapefruit and lemons before eating or extracting juice therefrom.

STOVE CARE

The porcelain or enamel part of a stove should never be washed while they are hot, for the water may cause them to crack or chip. A gritty cleanser should never be used as this scratches the surface and will eventually lead to stains which cannot be removed. Warm soapy water will do the job and the surface should be wiped dry after washing.

SWEATER SALVAGE

Did you ever think of turning an old sweater into a special machine-made scarf, cap and mittens set for a youngster? Sweaters in bright or pastel shades make the gayest sets; but the more sombre colours are just as warm and they can be enlivened with gay flowers embroidered in wool or bits of applique cut from an old summer felt. Applique does a grand darners of "making" tiny moth holes.

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## A Morning Smile

ON GUARD

He was notoriously mean, and would always get his medical advice free if the doctor wasn't on his guard. One day he met him in the street. "Hallo, doctor," he said. "Nice weather, isn't it? Going to the cricket tomorrow or are you too busy?" By the way I wanted to ask you—what would you give a chap for a sore throat?" "Nothing," said the doctor. "I do not happen to want a sore throat, thank you."

PLATFORM WANTED

Teens: "Miss Coy, I'm a candidate for your hand."

Miss Coy: "Very well. How much of an allowance do you promise to allot me a month?" "I'll be the boss of the house or the boy? Who is to do the cooking, how many days shall I have off each week and what your attitude toward members of my family who may want to live with you? In short what is your program?"

## Needlecraft For The Home

A GOOD LITTLE DRESS That Will Serve You Endlessly

A very flattering before and after five dress with a crisp little white collar and youthful lines. Whether you're at work at the canteen, or on a date, this dress will be up to the occasion and will do it's very best by you. It really has everything a young figure deserves. Styling is done in the French style for sizes 11 to 19. Size 15 requires 3 yds. 36-in fabric with 1-4 yd. contrasting fabric. Pattern is hand-cut to United States Standards and measurements and includes chart with step by step instruction.

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ADD WOMAN'S PAGE SOFT CLOTHES BEST FOR HOME-SEWERS

NEW YORK—If you have joined the increasing ranks of home-sewers, you'd better not attempt the tailored type of suit. Try your amateur hand on soft clothes. They are not only easier to make but are right in line with the times. When you're hunting around for fabrics, remember that wool jersey in vivid colors is a style survival. This fabric has been reinstated. Some jerseys uphold all quality standards, others are not quite so good because of a necessary wartime change in the type of yarn used. Because almost any color that is wanted is still to be had in wool, vivid colors are important in these jerseys. Purple, Mexican pine, gold, blues and aquas as well as the pale neutrals in the Southern pastels are featured.



NEW WRENWRIG! It looks like a sailor hat and acts like a sailor hat, and it's really a sailor wearing it. This natty new number is properly entitled a Wren-wrig because it will soon be piped as "Rig of the day" for all Canadian Wrens on duty. Of stiffened navy blue flannel so dark it almost looks black the beret adds that extra something to the uniform of navy blue jacket and skirts, which is also going through some streamlining at present and will soon be issued in smarter style. The usual black silk hat ribbon or talle-band will be worn on the sailor hat with the gold letters "H. M. C. S." Ready within the next month or two it will be worn on duty by all Wren ratings. Commissioned Wren officers and Petty Officers will wear tricorne. In summer months, the cap will adopt a white cover just like the naval ratings' caps.



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