

Today's Home Plays Leading Role In Family Affairs

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WOMEN'S EDITOR

Your home, the hub about which the wheel of your life revolves, is the most important thing today. It is here that the family gathers to gether, childhood memories are formed, friends are entertained and most of the homemaker's time is spent.

When you say "come in" you are giving those standing on the threshold of your home a hospitable welcome. The house should repeat this friendly welcome and it is the hall that sets the standard, whether it be in a "mungalow built for two" or in a stately mansion. Here is where the atmosphere of a friendly welcome, dignity and poise is established.

Halls like anything else, are of all types, sizes and shapes. In decorating, simple designs and light colors are desirable in a small hall whereas larger halls are lovely with bold floral patterns and deep tones in bright colors.

Modern treatment of interior decoration features the optimum in comfortable design and good taste which results in good effect. From the welcoming hall, the living room is entered. This room which serves for so many purposes must be adaptable to many different uses. To decorate such a room successfully, many things are required—careful thought, a deep insight into the individual and the particular needs of the family group.

CASUAL LIVING

The trend of casual living is starting to show its effect on the trend of decoration these days, but you must remember that the room should be interesting and have character too. It is a room which is used by two, sometimes three, generations, and shared with all the members of the family and friends. The hobbies, tastes and interests of the family as a whole should be reflected in its decoration, color schemes, furnishings, settings and general arrangement.

A wide choice is possible when no particular style or period has to be considered. Casual, informal rooms, where everyone is at ease, are highly prized. A detail which should certainly influence your choice is the atmosphere you wish to obtain and in which you wish to live.

Light, warm colors lend themselves to friendly rooms, warm tones harmonize with dark woodwork and the cooler tints are more appropriate with light woodwork. These are a few points to remember when trying to achieve a distinctive interior. Today we select the interiors that will best reflect the mood and color requirements of the room, according to our own individual preference.

OLD FURNISHINGS

If you have some prized antique or a beautiful bit of inherited furniture, try to create an atmosphere of harmony with it and your other pieces. With mixing and matching, and harmony your keynote, a setting that shows your personality and judgment will be created.

An American advertising consultant once stated that "the average homemaker has created not the home beautiful but the house terrible." The report goes on to state that women who are sure they have created tasteful interiors are really living in "shudderingly" bad homes and income had little to do with it!

It is the homemaker's duty to herself, her family and her friends to create a pleasant home, whatever the income. A home of which she is proud and a home which the family is proud to come home to, should be her goal. Through these articles it is our sincere wish that you, Mrs. Homemaker of Prince Edward Island, may find a few useful hints and tips to create an aura of friendliness and loveliness in your own home.

WOMEN

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Happenings

Independence Day—Ceylon.

Mrs. Lorne Reid, Church Street, was hostess to her bridge club on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. W. P. Callaghan left Thursday morning for Montreal where she will visit her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Wood.

Mrs. Keith Pickard was hostess to her bridge club Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Robert Palmer returned home Friday from Toronto where she had spent a week.

Mrs. Jean MacFarlane, Fitzroy Street, will be hostess to her bridge club this evening.

The hostesses at the Summer-side Curling Club tonight will be Mrs. Alex Horne, Mrs. M. J. Scobell, Mrs. Greg Mulholland, Mrs. Ralph Silliphant, Mrs. Mark Gaudet, and Mrs. Evelyn MacAlpine.

Miss Lorna Ellis, Summerside, left Thursday for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Chester Haen, Rinebeck, New York State.

Mrs. Roland MacArthur entertained at bridge on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ballem are entertaining friends from Charlottetown this evening at their apartment on Granville Street.

Mrs. Harold Schurman returned home from Fredericton, N. B., where she spent a few days with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Richardson.

LAKE VERDE W. I.

Mrs. Owen Callaghan was hostess to the members of the Lake Verde Women's Institute at her home on Tuesday, January 24, 1956.

Mrs. Michael Dalton, president, opened the meeting with the Creed. Nine members answered the roll call.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed. Sick committee reported five sick calls. Bills amounting to \$10.91 were presented and paid. Mrs. Ivan Redmond was appointed treasurer. Collector appointed to \$1.75.

Members decided to send \$5 to March of Dimes. Mrs. Ivan Redmond and Mrs. Michael Dalton were appointed on sick committee.

Mrs. William Shea invited the members to her home for the February meeting. Roll call to be answered by exchange of Valentines. The meeting then adjourned. Mrs. Callaghan, assisted by Mrs. William Shea served a delicious lunch after which a game of cards was enjoyed. Mrs. Owen Callaghan winning the prize.

CARD PARTY

A card party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kelly on January 4, 1956. The prize winners were: Ladies, Miss Anna Curley, Gents, Mr. Earle Quinn, Consonation, Mrs. Emmett Wesner. Mr. Owen Callaghan was the winner of a flashlight. Mrs. Kelly served served lunch assisted by members of the Institute.

MOTHERS' AUXILIARY

The Mothers' Auxiliary of the Basileia Cubs and Scouts held their regular meeting for January on Tuesday, Jan. 17 in the Holy Name Hall. The meeting opened with prayer led by the president, Mrs. Allan MacKinnon.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The treasurer reported all bills paid and a balance in the bank. Twenty-two members answered roll call by each paying their dues.

All committees reported and new ones were appointed. Mrs. Len Connolly and Mrs. Frank Campbell, were appointed to work with Mrs. Mulhally on the serving committee.

Mrs. Alphonus MacQuaid, Mrs. Neill MacNevin and Mrs. James Dorsey were appointed as hostesses for the next meeting.

A discussion on how to increase the funds took place and it was decided to have the boys collect hangers and take them to the hall.



Top Designers Decree Spring Fashions To Be Breezily Feminine

NAVY SPELLS spring—especially when it's touched with white, like this princess style in silk faille,

designed by Mollie Parnis. AIRY ELEGANCE characterizes this sequin-spattered charmer of

orange and white print from Adele Simpson's collection. Cotton chiffon fabric looks sheer as finest silk.

BODICE shirring, back panel, add to liquid look of chiffon sheath by Nettie Rosenstein.

KEEP IN TRIM

Skin Blemishes Need Not Get Teen-Ager Down

By Ida Jean Kain

Skin blemishes of some sort plague close to 90 percent of our teen-agers. If acne is your besetting trouble, take a healthy approach to the problem. Realize that acne is a self-limited condition. That is, after a certain period, it gradually disappears in most cases.

In the meantime, you can help yourself best by keeping your skin hygienically clean. In fact, thorough cleansing your face with soap and water probably does more than any other one thing to improve the condition. It's important to avoid soaps with a high fat content. Dermatologists recommend soap containing hexachlorophene, an antiseptic ingredient found in the deodorant type soaps.

At night lather your face well, gently massaging the soap in with your fingertips. Then rinse off all traces of soap. Do a thorough job of rinsing, that's important too. Finish by splashing cold water over your face. It's an excellent plan to wash away the grime of the day when you come home from school.

All grease, dirt and cosmetics should be removed at least twice daily.

Let that word "clean" apply to everything that touches your face. Use a clean handkerchief, a clean powder puff and compact pad. You girls should try to avoid powdering over old make-up. Keep your hair and scalp clean too, for skin troubles can start there. Don't rub your hands on your face, and don't pick at the pimples, ever.

Often times skin improves in the summer months. It's the sunshine. Exposure to direct sunlight, or to

an ultraviolet sunlamp is known to be beneficial.

It is often necessary to eliminate certain foods from the diet. If you skin tends to break out chocolate is the one food above all to avoid. That goes for chocolate in all forms — chocolate candy, cakes, cookies, puddings, frosting, sauces, ice cream, hot chocolate and cocoa. Nuts, including peanuts and pecan butter can aggravate the acne. Or soft drinks may be taboo for you. Take the healthy attitude, "anything for a clear skin," and you won't want the foods that are trouble makers for you. Skin specialists warn against taking iodine or bromide medications.

Eat plenty of fruits and vegetables, lean meats and whole grains. Drink three glasses of milk, but not chocolate milk. If the fat in the milk causes trouble, or boosts calories too high, switch to skim milk or buttermilk. Buttermilk is often surprisingly helpful in complexion troubles. The food pattern that banishes bulges can improve your skin too.

About all, be healthy minded about your problem. If you dwell on it until everything seems wrong, it can get you down. Concentrate on your assets, let the real you shine through. Then it won't be long before someone will notice your wonderful smile and your friendly good humor. There need be no blemishes on your personality! And when you forget yourself and stop fussing, chances are your skin will improve too.

for the next meeting. It was also decided to have a Penny Auction in the Holy Name Hall on January 31. Mrs. Lawlor was appointed chairman of this with Mrs. Arsenault and Mrs. Dorsey as co-workers.

Mrs. George Chandler will convene the program for the next meeting. The meeting adjourned and refreshments were served by Mrs. Blanchard, Mrs. Arsenault and Mrs. James Dart.

OPPOSE LOTTERIES

TORONTO (CP) — Professor Donald V. Wade of Knox College said Wednesday night that the Presbyterian Church in Canada will fight every proposal to extend organized gambling or to make lotteries for any purpose legal. Even if government approval is given to lotteries, he said, they would be considered evil by the Presbyterian Church.

Mary Haworth

Wonders If Man Is Interested In Marriage

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: What is the chance of a man getting married again, who has been a widower for more than 20 years? I am sure that he has had plenty of opportunities to marry, as he has money and prestige. He is past 60 now.

I am a widow; and this man is being very nice to me, getting very friendly. Do you suppose he has marriage in mind? Or what? I am not sure how moral he is; I have heard some gossip, which I believe is true.

I am lonely, an honest and simple person, and I don't want to get hurt. I hope that from your wisdom you can help me. . . . K.A.

MAN'S UNCERTAIN

DEAR K. A.: The gist of your query seems to be—are the man's intentions honorable? And what are your chances of marrying him? Well, to the first part of the question, my answer is—he hasn't made up his mind as yet.

Your intuition says he's not to be trusted. I gather—if he were to judge by your reflective reference to gossip (about him) that you believe. It seems he is sizing you up, in a predatory way; wondering how pure and firm your principles are. Sensing this, you are nervous by on the defensive, but hopeful, too. (Hopeful because you would be receptive to a good marriage offer, as the heaven-sent cure of your loneliness).

As to your chances of marrying the man, they are probably proportionate to your real self-confidence; that is, your self-esteem and expectancy of good fortune always; plus, of course, the strength of your desire (if any) to be this particular man's wife.

EMOTIONAL STASIS

Unfortunately, the overtone (or undertone) of your letter is timid and despondent, as if you habitually fear the worst and shrink into a shell. So your chances of charming this chap aren't very great, unless you begin right now to develop a sturdy, sunny, calm and courageous character and the disposition to be constructively self-reliant in all circumstances.

For help in this endeavor, study Dr. John Schindler's book: "How to Live 365 Days a Year" (Prentice-Hall). The author, a famous mid-western physician, tells with humor and sense how to develop emotional stasis, which means the same as maturity—namely, the ability to react to situations in ways that are beneficial. In short, he tells how to conduct our-

ELLEN'S DIARY

Can Spring Be Far Behind?

This week brought nice spells of sunshine again to Island places, to wash the farmhands with its gold and to spark a responsive bright chord in folks' hearts. We hailed its return happily, watched it flow, seeping into the depth of the valley, jewelling the wavelets on the millpond, warming the hillsides. It gave us once more the glory of the sunset with the days commencing to linger now as though a little loath to leave the brightness and enter the dim aisles of the dusk. And we enjoyed the solemn stillness which bears them then through the fading shades of the afterglow into the quiet and rest of the night.

This week we found again a wishing-star to ask in make-believe from the recesses of a woman's heart those wishes nameless and unspoken but still very dear. The moon too we had, as it climbed above a roof and dissolved the dimness of night.

And the winter days hurry by. This week January yielded place to February. And we said, "Can you believe it! Next month is March!" And we smiled to recall "If winter comes, can spring be far behind?"

Nevertheless knew we were enjoying the winter's lovely sculpturings and tracteries about; the inspiration of its dawns, the hush and reverence of its dusks... the snowy paths and the quiet even-

ings about the fire. "Shall we have a prolonged winter?" That question we left to the legendary Groundhog to settle this week. Not without a certain concern in regard to our supplies of feed for the stock.

"They used to say in the old days that the M's never knew how long a winter was," James recalled at supper this evening. "They were prosperous farmers and always had plenty of feed on hand to see the stock through, no matter how long it lasted."

At Alderlea the stock make daily inroads on the contents of loft and bin. And at another barn of the place, we saw armfuls of the fragrant hay being strewn in the yard for the flock of sheep, and tucked to a manger for some youngsters of cattle wintering there. And we watched them as along a narrow trail they hurried down a slope to drink at the millstream which steals along the front meadow there... It is there in shadowy pools beneath the Alders that Jamie and Gage and other lads of the neighborhood wet lines, with bated breath, in the season of angling and smile engaging young smiles over the takings.

So we enjoy our days among the familiar scenes of the farming, walking trustfully along those roads of life that are ours. "One road is yours, and one is mine To walk each day in gloom or shine.

One road is east, the other west And we must search to find the best.

Perhaps today the road will wind about the heart of someone kind. Tomorrow swings around the bend. One road is yours and one is mine. To walk and trust in God's design."

Until Monday—Diary—Good-night....

MORNING SMILE

"What about the \$8 you owe me?"

"Quite all right, old chap. It's your birthday next Sunday, and I'm going to bring it to you with my congratulations."

"You just bring the money and I'll congratulate myself."

HOUSEHOLD HINT

Hard wax of the type used on automobiles will impart a rich luster and hard finish to furniture. If the furniture is soiled, use the cleaning preparation recommended for automobiles before applying the wax.



Bridal At Marathon, Ontario

A pretty wedding was solemnized at Trinity United Church, Marathon, Ontario, when Miss Euola Mae Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rueban Moore, Murray River, P.E.I., became the bride of Mr. Frank Taylor MacKenzie, son of Mr. and Mrs. George MacKenzie, Mt. Stewart, P.E.I. Rev. H. A. Valis officiated. Mrs. George W. Linton was organist.

Given in marriage by Mr. Ellison MacKenzie, brother of the groom, the bride chose a ballerina-length gown of Chantilly lace and net over satin with a lace bolero. Her fingertip veil of tulle illusion misted from a bandeau of seed pearls. Her only ornament was a single strand of pearls with matching earrings, the gift of the groom.

She carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums and roses with streamers of rosettes.

Mrs. Ellison MacKenzie was matron of honor. She wore a pale blue tulle gown of ballerina-length with matching bolero, mits and head-dress. Her bouquet was of mixed baby mums.

Mr. Elwood MacKenzie, brother of the groom, was best man and the ushers were Mr. Elmer Coffin and Mr. Ivan Leard.

A reception followed for thirty guests at the Everest Hotel. The table was decorated with fern and a three-tiered wedding cake with a miniature bride and groom. Mr. Michael Holowka proposed the toast to the bride.

For motoring to Duluth, Minn., and Winnipeg, Manitoba, the bride wore a brown suit with tan accessories and a corsage of red roses.

The couple will reside in Marathon where the groom is employed by Marathon Paper Mill Ltd., and the bride is on the staff of the Wilson Memorial Hospital.

COOK'S CORNER



MOTHER'S CORN CAKE

1 cup light brown sugar
1 cup flour
1 cup corn meal
1 tsp. baking soda
1 egg
1/2 cup butter
1 cup buttermilk

Combine dry ingredients; cut in butter. Add beaten egg and buttermilk. Temp. 350 deg. for 25 min.

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Words Of The Wise

Better be three hours too soon than one minute too late. —(William Shakespeare)

COUNT LIQUOR SPENDING

TORONTO (CP) — Per capita spending on liquor in Canada in 1954 was \$52.73 compared to donations of \$34.23 to the four leading Protestant churches, the board of evangelism and social services of the United Church of Canada said Thursday. In a leaflet distributed to all United Church members, the board said more than one dollar is spent on liquor and tobacco in Canada for every three dollars spent on food.

Bright White Headlines

A shimmering dome of white satin is just the thing to bring a touch of brightness to a mid-winter scene. This type of hat is ideal for wear above fur coats and is equally attractive when gracing a cloth topper or a mid-season suit. The one pictured was inspired by that master couturier, Balenciaga and has a slightly cooie look which is quickly offset by a large rhinestone clip on one side. It is also available in black or pomegranate red.

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