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Dorothy Dix

A Pitiful Letter From the Child of Divorced Parents—Why Marriage Will Not Reform the Man Who Won't Work—The Spinster Who is Satisfied With Her Lot.

DEAR MISS DIX—I am one of those unfortunate—a child of divorced parents. I have a mother and a near-mother, a father and a near-father. I have two homes, between which I am thrown back and forth like a shuttlecock; and with all of this, I feel that I have no real home and no real parents. I don't seem to belong anywhere or to have anybody who belongs to me.

Miss Dix, we children didn't ask to be brought into the world, and when we are born a whole mother, as to regular, genuine, blown-in-the-bottle parents, instead of synthetic parents that it acquires by second marriages. And the men and women who deprive their children of real homes commit an unforgivable sin against them.

Every child has an inalienable right to be brought up in a quiet, peaceful home. Every child has a right to a whole father and a whole mother, as to regular, genuine, blown-in-the-bottle parents, instead of synthetic parents that it acquires by second marriages. And the men and women who deprive their children of real homes commit an unforgivable sin against them.

In every household where there are quarrelling parents, in every case of divorced parents, the children are the victims. Psychiatrists tell us now that the reason why many men and women fail in life and many more have nervous breakdowns around middle life can be traced back to the fact that they were brought up in homes of discord in which the parents were perpetually wrangling.

One of our leading neurologists has made the statement that he has never known a man or woman who was reared in a happy, cheerful home to have a nervous collapse. That fact should be enough to make high-tempered, selfish, irritable men and women control themselves just to keep their children from having to pay the price of their fighting.

And what happiness can children have in homes where there is a step-father or a step-mother, when they know that there is a real father and a real mother somewhere else? And what home influence can blind a child who spends part of the time with one set of parents and part with another set of parents? And how is a child to feel any reverence for a father or mother on whom it sits in perpetual judgment?

No wonder the children of the divorced cry out against the injustice that has been done them, as Gladys does, or that they become hard and cynical little worldlings, who believe in neither God nor man.

DEAR MISS DIX—I am a woman 30 years old and for five years have been keeping company with a man who says he loves me very much. He is 40 years old. He hasn't any money and only works part of the time, but he wants me to marry him. Would you do it? E. L.

ANSWER: I certainly wouldn't. Any able-bodied man who has reached the age of 40 without settling down to some good steady job isn't worth the powder and lead that it would take to kill him, and any woman is an idiot who marries him.

Such a man is a born loafer and idler. He is lazy to the bone and nothing in this world is ever going to make him work. His habits are formed and he is going to sit on the do-nothing stool the balance of his life.

And to a hustling, thrifty, up-and-coming woman, no other fault on earth is so bad for her to endure as just shiftlessness. Nothing else fills her with such a withering contempt for him. She could forgive him for being an energetic burglar easier than she can for just slumping down and doing nothing.

Many women make the mistake of thinking that they can inspire a lazy man to work and that their sacred influence will put vim and energy into him. They believe that as soon as a man realizes that he has a wife and children to support he will get busy doing it. Fatal error.

Marriage works no miracle in a man, and when a lazy man gets married he just simply folds his hands and lets his wife do the work for him. They believe that as soon as a man realizes that he has a wife and children to support he will get busy doing it. Fatal error.

Believe me, my friend, marriage with such a man will bring you nothing but misery. If a man of 40 isn't making a good living he never will.

He has qualified as a charter member of the Sons of Rest, and no wife can galvanize him into action.

DEAR MISS DIX—Isn't it strange why girls worry about not finding husbands? When I look around and see the husbands whose favorite indoor sports is arguing and the husbands who think that wives were made to work like slaves and the husbands who doll themselves up and go out shelling while the wives stay at home with the babies and the husbands who are gentlemen everywhere except in their own home, I am glad enough I haven't got one.

ANSWER: It is a good thing to know when you are well off, sister, and there is no denying that the lot of the spinster who has a good job and her own latchkey and regular individual pocketbook and nobody with a legal right to boss her or remind her of her faults, is full of peace and happiness, if she only has sense enough to appreciate it.

There are, as you say, husbands who are slave drivers, husbands who are grouches, husbands who are tightwads, husbands who marry in order to get somebody they can pick on, but, thank God, there are not the only brands of husbands.

There are also husbands who are good and kind and generous; husbands who are patient and long suffering and understanding and sympathetic; husbands on whose tenderness a woman can throw herself as she could upon the mercy of Christ. And it is because every girl hopes to get a good husband instead of a bad husband that keeps the marriage bells jingling on and the divorce courts busy.

For you never can tell until after you get him what sort of a husband a man will make.

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Variety Is Spice of Riding Habits Seen at Horse Show



By MME. LISBETH

While there is a certain similarity of costume, between the numerous cuts of riding habits, variety is the spice of the styles, as it is of life.

The one habit that is distinctive is the skirted one that is worn by the women who prefer the side saddle. Above at the left is shown one such habit. The coat is cut with a flare and on strictly tailored lines much as the coats worn with the trousers are. The skirts are shorter than those of years ago, which trailed gracefully in unhygienically on the ground.

Next to the skirted suit is a polo costume. Very trim and neat, with wide strapped belt and no coat to cumber the movements of the rider, you see.

Light suits and dark with trifling differences of cut in both trousers and coat styles are shown at the right of the picture. All were displayed at the National Horse Show recently in New York City.

The soft, slouch hat is worn with all but the skirted suit, which is topped by a stiff, low crowned derby.

STYLE WHIMISIES

Black is the smartest single color worn in Paris. Black coats with lighter fur trimmings, black dresses with metal or other bright embellishments, or all black are having a decided vogue.

Sportswear frocks in both one and two piece styling are fashioned of jersey and crepe elaborated with contrasting fabric trims. The blending of two or three different tones of one color is also noted.

A dress with a somewhat racy name is called a "cocktail" dress. It has a detachable jacket, and when the jacket is removed it is an evening gown.

BEHIND THE SCREEN



MARY BRIAN

MARY BRIAN is one of the most "borrowed" young women in Hollywood. When she is "hired" by a picture company, she is eager to obtain her services. And Famous Players-Lasky are no exception, for they are the borrowing company assumes the player's salary and frequently pays a bonus also.

Becoming exceedingly popular since a company frequently cannot find suitable vehicles for its players and they are idle for months while continuing to draw their weekly pay checks. This, of course, involves considerable expenditure.

While under contract to Paramount Miss Brian has made pictures for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, First National and she is now working on "Her Father Said No," for F. B. O. By playing frequently she is increasing her fan following and also bringing money into the Famous Players coffers.

ELIZABETHAN FRILLS

The Elizabethan influence on modern English fashions is emphasized by Herriot frills on the new winter frocks. Short hair is believed responsible for the vogue of neck ornamentation. It is exemplified by high collars finished with bows or by collars made of strings around the neck. The full bow has come in again on a gigantic scale. With light dresses a black velvet band is worn around the neck and the neck in order to give the bow its full value and fairly stiff tulle is used so that it may stick out as much as Queen Elizabeth's ruff. With gray hair, gray tulle is used.

CORAL RETURNS TO FAVOR

Coral is returning to favor. Last year the smart English women wore jade-jade earrings, necklaces, cigarette holders—This autumn everything favors coral. Long necklaces of small pieces of branch coral of the type grand-mothers loved to wear are in all the leading shops, as well as coral cameo brooches, plaques, coral rings and coral bracelets.

MENUS For the Family

MENU HINT.

The following menu is a little unusual but appetizing and an excellent one for those who are eliminating meat from their diet. If lettuce is not easily obtained cabbage with raw carrot may take the place of it. It is conceded generally by dietitians that the raw vegetables have a very beneficial effect.

American Spaghetti.
Sautéed Potatoes.
Rye Bread and Butter.
Head Lettuce with Cream Dressing.
Sliced Pineapples Sprinkled with Nuts and Whipped Cream.
Hot Malted Milk.

TODAY'S RECIPES.

American Spaghetti — One quart canned tomatoes, six stalks celery (saw lengthwise), two onions, two bay leaves, one-half pound ground round steak, one tablespoon butter, one tablespoon sugar, one-quarter teaspoon mace, one teaspoon salt, one-eighth teaspoon cayenne pepper.
Cook tomatoes, celery, onions and bay leaves one-half hour, strain. Add meat after it has browned in butter. Boil one-quarter hour. Add seasoning and let simmer fifteen minutes. Cook spaghetti in salt water ten minutes. Drain and add to vegetables and meat. Cook slowly ten minutes. More water may be added if a soup is preferred.

Hot Malted Milk — One quart water, one-half cup malted milk, one-half cup sugar, one tablespoon sugar, one-quarter teaspoon salt.
Boil one-minute. Add two and a half cups milk. Let heat (do not boil). Add a quarter teaspoonful vanilla or dash of nutmeg. Serve three.

Escalloped Salsify or Vegetable Oyster

Clean and boil in salt water until tender enough salsify to make three cups. Butter a baking dish. Put in layer of salsify then layer of cracker crumbs until all of salsify is used. Sprinkle with pepper and dot with butter. Add enough milk to almost cover. Bake in hot oven half an hour. Serves five or six persons.

Little Joe

HAVING ONLY A LITTLE AT LEAST LEAVE ME A LOT TO STRIVE FOR

A Thought

The sleep of a laboring man is sweet.—Ecc. 5:12.

SLEEP

SLEEP is man's easiest slave, and doth fulfill all offices of death, except to kill.—Donne.

GAYER FURNITURE

Gayer furniture is being featured in the stately homes of Kensington, color has been introduced this fall in narrow or broad bands of rich marquetrie. In some mosaic work more than a score of colored woods are used. A tallboy of figured walnut brightly enriched with marquetry of ebony, box, walnut, sycamore, stained-wood, tulip, with jade-green bone handles is an instance of the artistic ingenuity that is being applied.

The Rhyming Optimist

Oh, do not fear the way ahead, its steep ascent and length, for still, to meet the path you tread, each day will give you strength. And as you climb to rarer heights on your allotted way, your eyes will glow with new delights, new joys will grace each day. Oh, do not yield to any doubt that creeps like some dim twilight where you must pass; cast questions out, each day will bring you faith. And if, sometimes through doops of night, with anxious steps you grope, recall how dawn makes all things bright; each day will grant you hope, so it has ever been and so will be till worlds decay; whatever needs our heart may know will all be met, each day.

Fashion Fancies.

INTERESTING SEAMING MARKS THIS BANANA-COLORED WOOL CREPE FOR THE SOUTH



Seams that take all manner of unexpected turns are very much in vogue. They appeared in Fall and Winter frocks, and are even more in evidence in the newer models for mid-season and southern wear.

Above is shown a light-weight wool crepe in the smart banana shade, a copy of a French model. The slanting seams of the lower blouse make a V turn at the skirt joining, and then drop straight to the hem. The skirt is slightly circular.

Note the repetition of seams on the sleeves, and the black velvet buttons that add a decorative finish on the full portion of the sleeves above the tight cuffs.

RECORD CHRISTMAS MAIL ON WAY HERE

MONTREAL, Dec. 14—Last and largest of the season, the holiday mail of the Atlantic heading for Canada, will make a record of one single shipment at the Christmas season. This mail is on board the Ascania, Cunard Line, from Southampton via Cherbourg, which is due to arrive at Halifax on Friday next.

The mail consists of 2,101 bags of letters and 2,282 hampers of parcel post. To carry this large mail from the steamer side at Halifax it will be necessary for the Canadian National Railways to have eight cars on hand, and when all are loaded the cars will be sent westward from the Atlantic port as a special train to Montreal for further distribution.

See-Sawing On Broadway

New York is not generally regarded as much of a church town. Yet, upon a Sunday morning, you can find scenes along Fifth Avenue or Madison or Park that would make Broadway envious.

Several there are where the standing-room only sign is out hours before the doors open and where lines gather in front, just as they gather before a popular movie theatre.

There may be a mother church that issues "seat tickets," but I am acquainted with only one—the Park Avenue Baptist church, where Rev. Henry Emerson Fosdick preaches.

Not the least attraction of this church—for this is "his" church. I saw him come in out of a cold, snowy morning, looking for all the world like a venerable farmer.

His ears were padded with warm ear-muffs; his thin, aged hands covered by heavy gloves; his spare, awkward figure muffled in a heavy coat. Beside him came his valet. The moment the oil magnet removed his hat the valet jumped to his task of fixing the very famous Rockefeller hair—rather lack of it.

Visitors from all over the world are drawn by the Fosdick reputation, but few crash the church doors at "le first attempt."

In the basement below a service is held for the overflow and here the Rev. Fosdick appears for a few moments, the general service being given by a substitute pastor.

Those who go through the ministrations of several overflow meetings become the best candidates for admission tickets. It is taken as an indication of their sincerity and interest.

Those who stand in line make at least the overflow, and if they are patient, eventually get into the "lick-et" list and may pass in.

The "little church around the corner" seldom is missed by visitors, particularly those who are interested in romance and thousands who have been wed there come back on pilgrimages, while sons, daughters and grandchildren inhale a bit of its romantic tradition.

One couple made it a practice to visit the church on each anniversary of their wedding. A year or so ago it was noted that they did not come. Inquiries showed that the wife had died. A few weeks later the bereaved husband appeared to find some solace within its walls.

Down the "avenue" just opposite from Wanamaker's, is Grace Church, built in 1846, and the scene of more fashionable weddings, perhaps, than any church in the country.

Here have been performed most of the services by which American society girls acquired titled husbands. The bride wears antiquity and its entire atmosphere is quite of harmony with the modern fashions for brides and granddaughters inhale a bit of its romantic tradition.

GILBERT SWAN

HEALTH SERVICE

Store Worker Must Pay Attention To Diet

This is the second of a series of four articles on the health of the store worker. During the pre-Christmas buying rush the suggestions found here are invaluable both to clerks and customers. Tomorrow: Shoes and Clothing.

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN
Editor Journal of the American Medical Association and of Hygeia, the Health Magazine

INVESTIGATIONS in the 25 stores which co-operated in the Harvard study of mercantile health revealed the fact that from 75 to 90 per cent. of workers do not practice intelligent personal hygiene.

The guide as to diet is usually those foods that appeal to the appetite and a feeling of fullness or satisfaction after eating.

Almost everyone now knows that a satisfactory diet must include sufficient amounts of the basic food substances and of the vitamins necessary for proper nutrition and growth. It is also certain that fluids must be taken in adequate quantities and that the store must make them easily available.

POOR EATING HABITS

In addition to the kinds of food eaten, poor habits of eating are concerned. The food is chewed hastily and insufficiently; it may be taken at irregular hours; candy is munched between meals, sometimes more to offset nervousness than for any food value, and the diet contains insufficient roughage, such as bran and green vegetables.

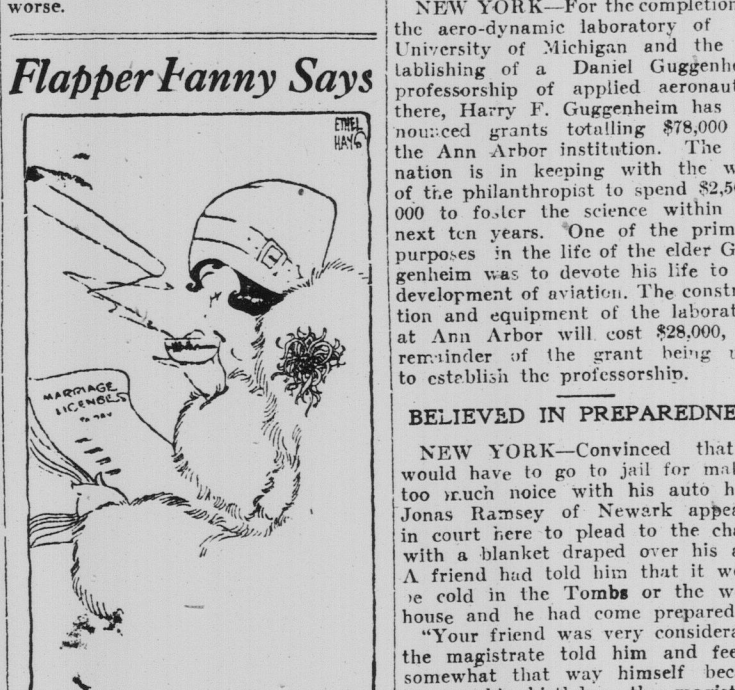
The results of the use of concentrated foods and the sedentary, inactive life cause many to resort to laxative or cathartic drugs.

The constant use of the drugs creates a habit and makes the condition worse.

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PLEASANTVILLE, N. J., citizens of Pleasantville are considering the policy of increasing the number of policemen in the force here from 15 to 25 as the result of a recent crime wave. A movement has been launched by civic clubs and the mayor is said to be considering the cost of the proposed measure. But the more superstitious element of the population are perfectly sure that crime wave is a jinx. "What else can you expect?" one of them asked after reading an account of the latest burglary. "That number 13 will put a jinx on anything."

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS



Maybe it's the marriage rate that indicates this is the Land of the Brave.

BELIEVED IN PREPAREDNESS

NEW YORK—Convinced that he would have to go to jail for making too much noise with his auto horn, Jonas Ramsey of Newark appeared in court here to plead guilty to driving with a blanket draped over his arm. A friend had told him that it would be cold in the Town of the West house and he had come prepared.

"Your friend was very considerate," told him the judge, "and feeling somewhat that way himself because it was his birthday, the magistrate suspended sentence on the offense."

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