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# THE TIMES-STAR FEATURE PAGE

## Dorothy Dix

Tolerance Necessary for Ideal Friendship—“Sweet Sixteen,” Who Talks Herself Out of Being Popular—The Wife Who Married Too Young.

DEAR MISS DIX—Would you mind telling me just what is your idea of friendship? I consider it a give-and-take proposition, and there are times when I give much more than I take, yet I get more pleasure from the giving. But to be a little more concrete: I have several friends who have all the qualities one would desire in the ideal friend, one offered when I sorely needed it to let me have a sum of money and in so doing I knew that he was making a great sacrifice. I, of course, refused. On the other hand, I have another friend who has a heart of gold, yet he is careless and irresponsible; I lend him my car sometimes, and he does not always bring it back in the same condition that he received it. My folks say that I love him for just making a good thing of me, yet I find that I love him for just what he is—his big, careless irresponsible self. What do you think?  
D. M. A.

ANSWER:  
I think that you have a fine and noble concept of friendship. The only way we can get any pleasure out of our friends is by accepting them as they are, instead of trying to make them over according to some little standardized pattern of our own.

As a matter of fact, the thing that kills friendship oftener than anything else is the effort people make to force their friends to conform to all their ways and prejudices. Their friends must think as they think, must live as they live, must read the books they read, and play the same political ticket, must hold their own religious beliefs, and play the same kind of bridge that they play.

Most of us get tired of their petty tyranny and rebel against it. The friendship that we have to buy with our personal liberty comes at too high a price, and so we drift away from those whom we really love, and an affection that might have beautified our lives is lost.

You will invariably find that people who complain that they have no friends are men and women of the rigid reformer type, who feel they have a right to police the lives of those with whom they associate.

Cassius said to Brutus: “A friend should bear with a friend's infirmities.” He may even do more. He may love him the more and be more tender to him because of certain weaknesses that call forth in us a sympathy and a protective quality that we do not give to the strong.

The thing that makes friendship so rich is that we can love a dozen different people for a dozen different qualities. We can admire and lean on John because he is so competent and strong, and we love James because he is a Peter Pan who will never grow up and realize a man's responsibilities. We can love Bill because he is witty and brilliant and cynical, and Percy because his head and heart are full of beautiful dreams, and he is as confiding as a child.

But you already know all of this and more, for you have the gift of friendship, which, believe me, is God's benediction on a man.  
DOROTHY DIX

DEAR DOROTHY DIX—I am a 16-year-old girl, good-looking and well dressed, but I talk an awful lot, and never stop to think before I speak. But here's my tale of woe. I can't seem to make a hit with the boys. Do you think my talking too much has anything to do with it?  
SWEET SIXTEEN.

ANSWER:  
I should say yes, because, if you chatter all the time without putting any thought into what you are saying, you must be such a bore that you can't wonder that anybody flees from you. Believe me, my dear child, there is no one else in the world so tired as the woman who just rambles. Conversation, to be agreeable, is a give-and-take proposition. It is not a one-woman game. Everybody must be drawn into it, and take part in it.

Nobody wants to listen to the individuals who monologue along, no matter what experiences they have had, no matter how famous they may be. Consider, then, how a little 16-year-old girl, who is such a chatterbox that nobody can shut her up, must get upon the nerves of those who are afflicted with her society.

When you are older you will learn a very cynical fact, and that is that the general public hasn't the faintest interest in our private affairs, and doesn't want to hear a thing about where we spent the summer, or what a peachy fellow we met, or the wonderful hay ride we took. Nor does it want to hear about our ailments, or our operations, or our cooks, or our husbands, or our wives, or our children, or our men servants, or our maid servants, or anything else that concerns us.

On the contrary, it wants to tell us all the thrilling details of its own private history, and if we listen with an ascribed expression, and ask a few questions that show an intelligent interest, we get the reputation of being sympathizers.

As for your speaking without thinking, and saying the first thing that pops in your head, that is folly beyond compare. It savors of idiocy. Correct that fault immediately. Otherwise, it will lead you into every sort of embarrassing predicament.

And cultivate the habit of silence and meditation. Nothing will do more to make you attractive in men's eyes, or to fit you to become a more desirable wife.  
DOROTHY DIX

DEAR MISS DIX—I am a woman of 24, with three small children. My husband is a fine man, kind and good and tender, a good provider, a model husband and father.

But I married when I was only 17, and now I'm not satisfied. Many a night I cry myself to sleep over my mistake in marriage. My husband does not suspect how I feel. I make a happy home for him, prepare a good dinner, have the children dolled up when he returns from work, and greet him with a smile, but my heart is dull as rust.  
HELEN.

ANSWER:  
Yours is the common tragedy of those who marry too young. The man who fired the fancy of the schoolgirl doesn't appeal to the woman of 24. He may be all that is good and kind, but as an old colored woman said, “She's done lost her taste for him.” And you can't argue with tastes. You can't change liking into love again. You can't bring lukewarm affection up to the boiling point once more. You can't put back into matrimony the thrill after it has once been lost.

But there is no use in crying over spilled milk. What you did, you did, and it is clearly your duty to carry on, and make the best of the bargain you have made. You are in honor bound to make happy the husband who has done his part so well. You have no right to punish him for your mistake. And you have no obligation to your children. No woman has a right to consider her happiness when it conflicts with her children's good.

My advice to you is to think as little as you can about your dissatisfaction with your life. Don't brood over what might have been, for that way madness lies. And above all, shut your heart against other men. You can keep them out if you are on guard, and that will save you the worst suffering. And remember that if you do your duty, you will have for your comfort the peace that passes all understanding.  
DOROTHY DIX.  
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## FASHION FANCIES



By Miss Lisbeth  
THE coat dress—old and practical—is a great favorite with women generally. And so many of these dresses use a bit of fur for trimming. The one illustrated has a collar, cuffs and hem banding in front of rabbit fur. It is also trimmed with leather. The material is sandalwood crepe cordone. The skirt has a front fullness and a row of small buttons running from neck to hem in front carries out the coat effect.

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## LITTLE JOE JUDGING FROM STYLES WOMEN THINK ALL MEN ARE FROM MISSOURI



## “Furfural” May Develop Into Giant Industry

By DAVID DIEZ.  
AMERICAN chemists give promise of developing a new industry destined to grow to the proportions of the famous coal-tar industry which gave Germany its commercial supremacy in the days before the war and enabled Germany to hold out at least a “car longer” in the war than she might have otherwise.  
This new industry, according to Carl S. Miner, famous American chemist and director of the Mineral Laboratories of Chicago, is the furfural industry.  
The importance of furfural was recognized by the executive committee of the Tenth Exposition of Chemical Industries at New York, who had it included in the Court of Achievement at the exposition. This court included the recent important achievements in the world of chemistry.  
Like the coal-tar industry, the furfural industry is destined to grow out of the chemist's hatred of waste. Saying “waste” to a chemist is like saying a red flag in front of a bull.  
The chemist's ambition is to convert “waste” into “by-products.”  
The coal-tar industry illustrates this. The coke ovens, which produce the coke, are also a source of many valuable by-products. These ovens were developed and perfected. Now in addition to obtaining the coke, the gas given off in the process is saved and used for heating purposes. In addition, the volatile matter the coke is saved and dissolved in to form a tar-like liquid, the so-called coal-tar.  
Processes of distillation this is an in component parts and put through chemical processes that yield drugs, high explosives and many substances which did not even exist before.  
Miner believes that the same thing can be done with furfural.  
Furfural also resulted from the chemist's desire to utilize waste. Furfural is an oily liquid, white in color. Its chemical make-up is carbon, hydrogen and oxygen. It is an aldehyde, that is, a chemical compound, which is intermediate between an alcohol and an acid.  
Chemists didn't start out to find furfural. Instead they started out to find a way of utilizing the oat hulls which were left over from milling processes during the manufacture of rolled oats as a breakfast food.  
Hundreds of tons of hulls were being left over daily and in danger of going to waste. They could not be used successfully as a fuel and they proved of little value as a cattle feed because they were only fifty per cent digestible.  
Chemists set out to find a way of making these hulls more digestible. Various methods were tried out, including an acid method. This method produced considerable furfural which interfered altogether with the use of the hulls as cattle food.  
While studying methods for removing the furfural, it occurred to the chemists that sufficient furfural could be manufactured in this way to make it worth while to use the oat hulls as a raw material from which to carry on the commercial manufacture of furfural.  
This is now being done by a relatively simple process in which the hulls are treated with acid and steam in large containers called rotary digesters. The liquid resulting in the digesters is then distilled to remove the furfural.  
Furfural is of use to the industrial world in exactly the same way that coal-tar is. In its original state, it is of little value. Its value lies in what can be done with it.  
It is now being used in the manufacture of varnishes and resins, in the manufacture of germicides and preservative compounds, and in the manufacture of dyes.  
Miner believes that furfural offers the same field to the students of synthetic chemistry that coal-tar did. He believes that an endless number of valuable dyes, drugs and the like may be the outcome of further study in this field.

## ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS

By OLIVE ROBERTS BARTON  
THREE RIDDLES.  
“Let's ask riddles,” said Nancy. “They're more fun than a box of monkeys.”  
“Do you know any?” asked Mister Dodger. “Does anyone else know a riddle?”  
“I know one,” said Nick. “How do you get the gold out of honey?”  
“But nobody could guess that, and I don't suppose you can either, so I shall tell you.” By spelling it with an “m” instead of an “h.”  
Really the Twins were having a fine time in High Jinks Land.  
To Be Continued.

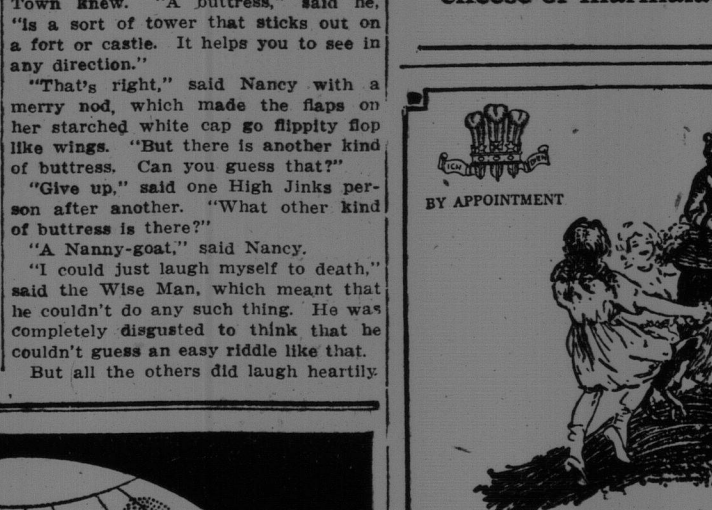
## A Thought

This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth and honoreth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.—Matt. 23:29.  
HYPOCRISY is oftenest clothed in the garb of religion.—Hosea 6:10.

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WHEN a woman bleaches her hair she wants to keep it dark.

## Family Menus

MENU HINT.  
Breakfast.  
Orange Juice.  
Rolled Oats with Whole Milk.  
Toasted Rolls with Raspberry Jam.  
Luncheon.  
Cream of Potato Soup.  
Salted Walnuts.  
Fruit Salad.  
Dinner.  
Roast Liver.  
Buttered Carrots and Peas.  
Head Lettuce with French Dressing.  
Pineapple Delight.  
Coffee.

## TODAY'S RECIPES.

Potato Surprise—One and one-half cups cold mashed potato, one egg (well beaten), one cup milk, seasoning to suit. Mix beaten egg thoroughly with potatoes. Add milk and place in greased baking dish. Cover with bread crumbs and bake until brown on top. Cheese may be added to this dish with very good results.  
Pineapple Delight—One cup sliced pineapple, one cup diced marshmallows, one cup chopped nuts, one egg (well beaten). A few marshmallows cherries chopped and added give a nice flavor and color. Mix all ingredients and let stand in the whipped cream an hour or two before serving. Is nice served with salted wafers.  
Roast Liver—Wash liver thoroughly and parboil for 15 minutes in water to which salt and one whole clove have been added. Then remove tough membrane and skin from liver and put through meat grinder alternately with the tough end of the steak or any other scraps of beef which happen to be left. Broil about five slices of bacon very crisp. Drain and break into small bits and mix with ground meat. Add three-quarters cup bread crumbs, one egg well beaten, one teaspoon salt, a little pepper, and enough mix to mold into oblong loaf. Place in iron skillet with three slices of bacon over the top. Surround with thick slices of onion which have been parboiled for five minutes.

## They Won't Let Mary Grow Up—And So She Doesn't

By JACK JUNGMEYER.  
Vital, exuberant youth, when left to its own semi-savage, semi-barbaric devices, dramatizes itself with the baroque zest and melodramatic swag which Mary Pickford delightfully captures in “Little Annie Rooney.”  
From the popular standpoint this is the ideal role for Mary—the tempestuous hoyden daughter of a New York cop, who with scrapping fists and melting heart dominates her East Side environment. Eternal youth, shaking impudent curls in the face of a sardonic world.  
“Little Annie Rooney” is from an original screen story cut precisely to Mary's measure, containing all the elements which have combined to give Miss Pickford film immortality, and directed by William Beaudine, whose talents exactly fit this type of production.  
Its simple comedy is swift and hilarious and acrobatic. Its pathos is poignantly modulated to enhance the laughs. And there is something supremely fine and artistic in the collusion of the Irish girl and a Yiddish neighbor boy as they gallantly face battle, trouble, sorrow and sacrifice.  
Most of Mary Pickford's constant admirers demand her in childish roles. For those “Little Annie Rooney” is a by-request presentation. And Mary, whose sustained youthfulness is the marvel of a million ladies, may thank these insistent patrons for keeping back the encroachment of age.  
We are made by the roles we play. And folk simply won't let Mary grow up.

minutes. Pour over all one-half cup of liquid in which liver was parboiled and place in oven to roast. From time to time baste with liquid and add more if necessary. Bake about one-half hour in moderate oven.

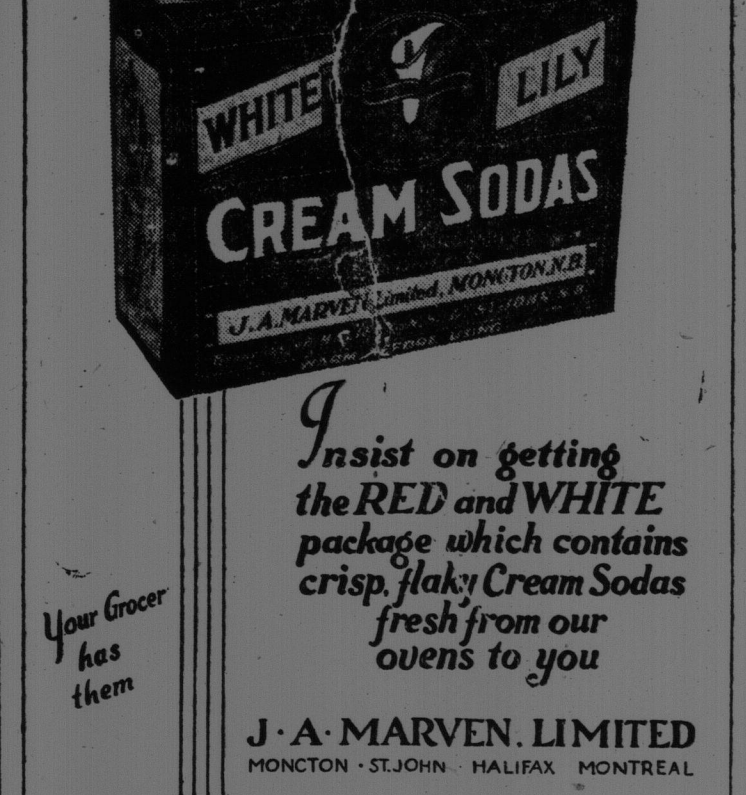
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