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Dorothy Dix

Should She Wish for a Girl Baby if Life is Harder for Women Than Men?—Shall She Marry the Practical Joker or the Serious-Minded Young Man? -- Shall He Drop School to Be His Own Boss?

DEAR DOROTHY DIX—My husband says that it is wicked to wish for a baby girl because the lot of the average woman is far horder than that of the average man. And he says that the majority of girls would prefer to be men if they had their choice. I do not agree with him. What do you think?

PROUD TO BE A WOMAN.



ANSWER:
Your husband is wrong when he says that it is wicked to wish for a baby girl, because God created woman just as much as he did man, and women are just as much a necessity in the world as men are. On the contrary, it is a fine and noble thing to wish for a baby girl, because girls generally get but a cold welcome when they come into this vale of tears. So it is good for one to get the glad hand upon her arrival, and know that she is preferred to the august male of the species.

DOROTHY DIX

From the parental standpoint, the girl baby is, as a general thing, a better bet than the boy. Formerly fathers and mothers wanted sons instead of daughters, because the sons were an asset and the daughters a liability. The sons could support themselves, but the daughters had to be supported. But modern conditions have wiped out even that objection to the girl baby.

Girls become wage-earners now just as boys do, and they bring home far more of their money than the boys do. A boy pays his board at home. The girl turns over her whole pay envelope to mother. It is the girls who furbish up the home, and buy new rugs

Furthermore, it is the daughters that parents can depend upon taking care of them when they are old. It is to the daughter's home that father and mother go when age comes upon them. It is nearly always his wife's parents that some man is supporting, while his sister's husband supports his.

So, just considering their own personal good, parents are justified in praying for daughters.

But when they consider the welfare of the child itself, it is another matter, and your husband is quite right in saying that life is far harder for the average woman than it is for the average man.

It begins with the initial fact that woman must go through the agony of bearing the race, while man goes scot-free, and it runs the gamut to the smallest task that a woman does, which is made the harder simply objective than a man and show more efficiency if she gets as much pay as he would for the same job. And she must work with one hand and protect her good name with the other.

The wife works as hard in the home as the husband does outside of the home. He draws a salary for his labor. She gets nothing but what he doles out to her. We shut our doors in the face of the girl who goes wrong, but we invite her man partner in sin to dinner.

A man can pick out any woman he chooses and try to win her for a wife. No matter how much a woman loves a man, she has to keep silent. She has to marry what she can get, instead of what she wants.

A man can get up and go where he wants to go, live any way that suits him, and no questions are asked. A woman has to carry her credentials in her hand and do the convential thing, or else Mrs. Grundy tears her hair out by the roots.

A man can have a few suits of clothes and be well dressed anywhere. A woman has to spend most of her time and energy on her wardrobe, or A woman has to spend actions and other things that makes this a man's lt is these and a thousand other things that makes this a man's world, and it is no wonder that most girls would choose to be boys if they had any say-so on the subject. And that is why so many of them try to make imitation men of themselves by wearing pants.

DOROTHY DIX.

DEAR MISS DIX—There are two boys who want to marry me. No. 1 is a very nice fellow, but he is a practical joker, and he is always teasing me and making fun of me. He calls me all sorts of funny names and laughs at me about everything I do.

The other boy is very serious-minded, and he says he loves me because I do not use cosmetics and don't flirt and only go to nice parties. Which one should I take?

HELEN.

ANSWER:

No. 2 is the preferred risk. By all means, pass up the practical joker, for if there is one husband more undesirable than another it is the man who makes his wife the butt of all of his funny

stories.

Such a man is willing to crucify his wife for the sake of getting a guffaw of laughter from the crowd. He will drag any little weakness of hers out into the light and hold it up to the ridicule of others. He will take any mistake that she has made and dress it up and embellish it until it makes her seem a perfect fool. And regardless of the hurt to her pride and her dignity, he will show her off in this light to get a glad hand for himself.

I have sat at many a table where the host entertained the company by ridiculing his wife, and as I have watched the poor victim suffering as she tried to smile and be a sport, I have wished that somebody had the courage to take the carving knife to him, or that she was brave enough to throw a soup plate at his head.

Wit has no place in the family circle, and no woman has enough sense of humor to enjoy being made the point of the joke. So whatever else you marry, beware of the village cut-up.

Besides, nobody else in the world is such a bore as the perpetual funny man. It is bad enough to have to meet him occasionally without being married to him.

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DEAR MISS DIX—I'm thinking of quitting school and getting a job. I don't have to do it, as my father is willing to give me the opportunity of acquiring a thorough education. But the point is, if I go to school, it is so long to wait to have a good time and be my own boss. I don't like to be under parental rule. Tell me just what to do.

I entreat you to keep on in school and get the best education that you are capable of taking. If you don't, you will spend the balance of your life regretting it.

Believe me, you are taking a very short-sighted view of the subject, my boy, and you will make a very bad bargain if you throw away a whole lifetime of good for a few parties and a little freedom now.

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In the brief note that you have written me there are ten words that you
have misspelled and that I have corrected. A boy who is as ignorant as
that will have to take a menial job, where the pay will be very small.
Worse still, he can never rise much higher. He can never earn much more
money. And to have even what you call a good time—to have a car, to wear
good clothes, to be able to take the girls out to places of amusement—costs
a lot of money. More than you will ever be able to afford unless you fit
yourself for a good paying job.

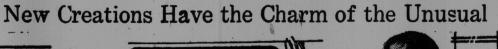
That is putting the matter on the very lowest plane, but it
should make you realize how foolish you will be to blight all of your
prospects for the future for the sake of a little fun now.

So take my advice. Go on to school. Study hard and get an
education that will enable you to take a good place in the world,
instead of a poor one. You won't find that time goes slowly if you
keep busy and put your heart into your work.

DOROTHY DIX.

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Fashion Fancies

PAINTED VERDURE ON SILK

neck and waist are the decorative features. It is a youthful appearing model.

An afternoon frock with wide elaborated as little "different." A panel effect in the bodice section, rather high turnover collar and long sash effect at the side are noticeable, but the decorated flowing sleeves are the really noticeable feature of the dress. A large hat large hat little are noticeable feature of the dress. A large hat large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress. A large hat little are noticeable for the dress as a lure.

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and he was still pacing back and forth, his head lowered, his black garments caught in the wind—a seemingly incredible figure for such a background.

"We're in a nice fix now!" trying to look at Nancy.

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At that minute a man rushed out from a restaurant across the street where he had been baking wheat cakes in a window. His cake turner looked the city of 'Any Place At All' is the oddest city on the moon. Do you wish

One would say, at a glance, that she is to be placed under the heading of "hard-boiled."

tural shade. It has a novel military and over this frock was worn a white cape in lieu of sleeves with smart roll collar and novel pockets trimmed in red. The jacket is hip length, fitting it is constructed of crepc sleeves and inset panel of white de chine. Embroidery on the left is of French dechine. It has a novel military and over this frock was worn a white silk crepe coat.

A display of unusual Ascot and garden en party frocks inspired by characters from the Greek classics were shown in breasted. The skirt has fullness posed at the front.

An interesting style note was the requirements of American women.

throngs of Broadwayites who motor out in an effort to recapture a moment from

"Don't move and I'll fix you," he to go or stay. I can take you away if shouted. "Just a minute." shouted. "Just a minute."

With that he deftly slid his cake turner under Nancy and scraped her up. Then he slid the cake turner under Nancy and scraped him up.

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We'd better ask somebody here if turner under Nancy and scraped her up. Then he slid the cake turner under Nick and scraped him up. Nick and scraped him up.

"Now if you'll just roll down this hill.," he remarked, "I think you'll be as fit as fiddles again. I'll turn you

nothing had happened.

Both of them began to laugh. "This is a queer place all rightee," said Nick.
"The funny part of it is that no matter what happens to you, nothing hurts."
"Oh, look!" said Nancy suddenly,
pointing to a woman across the street.
"What?" said Nick.
But he could see for himself what

In 31st street the fast growing skyline of the needle trades hides and all
but seems to smother a little church.

The other day an errand took me to
the twelfth story of one of the buildings
that house the cloak and suit trade and
its various spawn.

Looking down upon the street I saw
the black dots moving back and forth—
salesmen, models, advertising writers,
artists, errand boys and all the rest.
They moved to the feverish tempo of
the city's symphony!

And upon a flat, square space on the
roof of the church paced a Franciscan
monk, his prayer book in his hand, apparently oblivious to all that went on
around. A half hour later I looked out,
and he was still pacing back and forth,
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said Nick pointing down the street. And even the dogs and cats! For goodness sake, just look, Nancy." Sure enough, men and edible figure for such a background.

"I should say so," said Nancy. "If boys and girls and cats and dogs were all turning into threes and fours and sevens and then back into ones again.

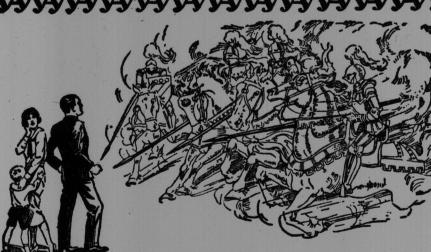
I have often watched the manicure could roll down a hill and get all right "Clock and cats and fours and sevens and then back into ones again." "Maybe there is something wrong the stout "Clock and cats and cats and dogs were all turning into threes and fours and sevens and then back into ones again.

A Thought

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is the basis of beauty. Thous

Use the Want Ad. way Nancy meant. For while he looked, the



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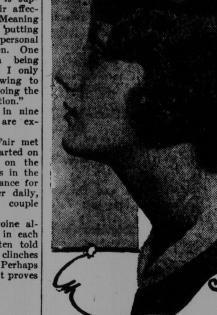
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ceptions.

To wit: One day Elinor Fair met William Boyd as production started on the "The Volga Boatman," on the Cecil DeMille lot. Love scenes in the

Flapper Fanny Says



Main 2417.



always insist that love on the screen doesn't mean anything to them, they regard the person who is supposed to be the object of their affections as so much wood. Meaning they are only interested in putting their acting across and no personal feeling enters into the situation. One actress says: "When I am being kissed by the handsome hero I only wonder if my profile is showing to advantage and whether I am doing the scene to the director's satisfaction."

This is undoubtedly true in nine cases out of ten, but there are exceptions.

Cecil DeMille lot. Love scenes in the picture took on a new significance for them as they worked together daily, and a short time later the couple eloped to Santa Ana.

'Tis true, the hero and heroine almost always have no interest in each other as lovers (tales are often told of stars who yet played in the clinches with convincing realism). Perhaps the Boyds are the exception that proves the rule.

Gertrude Olmstead is honey-mooning with Robert Z. Leonard, following their marriage at El Mirasol, Col.

* * * Leatrice Joy has obtained her final decree of divorce from John Gilbert. * * * Agnes Ayres calls her little girl Maria Engenia Appolonia Reachi. Appolonia is for Pola Negri, who was the child's god-mother; Rudolph Valentino was the godfather. * * * Blanche Sweet owns a mountain in the Sierra Nevadas which she calls "Papoose." * * * Dorothy Dalton (Mrs. Arthur Hammerstein) is devoting a lot of her time to raising flowers on her Long Island estate. * * * Wesley Barry, freckle faced youngster of a few years ago, is now 18 and honeymooning with Julia Wood, a vaudevillian.

INTUMERSAL NEWS STAR DUST

sleeves of one of the newest negli-gee models. Sprays of plaited yel-low georgette fall from the sleeves and form a deep flounce which swings outward in a graceful line when one walks about. The ribbon Wood, a vaudevillian.

UNIVERSAL NEWS

Gene Tunney, heavyweight contender is now in the midst of production in Hollywood on "The Fighting Marine," a Pathe serial that somewhat parallels in story his experiences as a "devil dog" during and after the World War.

Burdette Henny, cheer leader of the University of Southern California, will probably receive a First National contract shortly. With other students he acted as an extra in the filming of football rally scenes in "Forever After." He photographed so well that additional "bits" were invented for him and he will carry through with the picture.

Is this your BIRTHDAY

like to extend their store of knowledge. You are probably clear-sighted, with ed in almost any direction. You have unusual powers of concentration, and a strong will. Not likely to remain permanently crushed, even after a knockdown blow. Affectionate, and a good friend. Many June 21 neonless considerably better off after middle age than before it. And many of them easily attain to very marked social success Your birth-stone is a pearl, which neans health and long life.
Your flower is the honeysuckle. Your lucky colors are light_blue and

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