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INSTRUCTIVE

## Dorothy Dix

A Flapper Answers the Question Why Men Don't Marry Nowadays—How Much Can a Woman Influence a Man?—The Schoolboy of 18 Who Wants to Take a Wife to College.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX—Why is it that boys who cannot keep a wife in love, much less support them, are asking girls to marry them? I am 19 years old, very attractive looking and make a good salary. Now, this is my argument—and I suppose that of the rest of the girls, too:

I am used to nice things and I won't marry anyone poorer than I am because I have seen how my mother has had to take and scrape to get along, and I am not going to follow in her footsteps, dragging for a husband and children. I won't live at home or with any in-laws, and the average fellow would have to save about ten years to make the first payment on a home, as he has to spend so much taking you around during courtship. And he has got to do that, because no girl wants to stay at home and have other girls giggling at her because her sweetie is too cheap to take her out.

Most women think that a girl should be so tickled to get a husband that she would be willing to sacrifice everything for his little sake alone. But it is time now for the man to start the sacrificing and give the girls a rest.

It seems as if some girls could hardly wait until they get married, but the poor boob doesn't know what they are getting into. Love soon dies, and there is Friend Husband just as he really is, and you can't live on love. Too many have tried it and none survived. Don't you think I am right?

ANSWER: Why, I think that you supply the best answer that has yet been given to the question, Why men don't marry? They can't, under all of the conditions you impose.

Let us begin with that matter of how to which you so feelingly refer in the first paragraph of your letter. It is, without doubt, true that love's young dream has been throttled in many a youth's heart by the price of silk stockings. For figure as he would, he could not make his salary provide bread and butter and chiffon hose and silk undies and all the other luxuries without which life is not worth living to many a modern girl.

Therefore the man stifles his yearning for a wife, as he does for a sports model car or a yacht or some other extravagance that is beyond his reach, and he doesn't pop the question, or if he does the girl turns him down because she has no notion, as you say, of slaving as her mother did.

You further discourage matrimony by making the high cost of loving so great that the man can never save up enough to get married upon. And perhaps you cool off the man's enthusiasm for domesticity a degree or two more by letting him know that you don't intend to be one of the meek, patient wives who find their greatest happiness in making a home and are content to stay put in it.

It seems to me that it is rather a hard bargain that you want to make with men. You demand a husband who shall be able to support you in splendor, to indulge you in extravagance, and who don't seem to offer him much in return.

Believe me, my dear, you are all wrong about this. The women who get the most out of matrimony are not those who take, but those who give. Riches and luxuries do not make happiness, and I have heard many a millionaire say that her best days were those when she was contented stockings and made her own clothes and cooked and washed and helped her ambitious husband get a start in the world.

Don't pity your mother, who has had the full life of bringing up a family and making it comfortable by the work of her own hands. And don't believe that love always dies or that poverty kills love.

But happily, you will change all of your opinions on these subjects when the right man comes along and you fall in love with him. Then chiffon stockings won't seem so necessary to you.

DOROTHY DIX.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX—How much influence, good or bad, do women have over men? How much can a wife influence her husband? To what extent should a husband permit his wife's influence to govern him in his business affairs, and in his support and respect for his parents?

CONFUSED.

ANSWER: Nobody is wise enough to answer these questions. Certainly they are far beyond my poor ability, but I think that woman's influence over men is very much overrated.

Woman's power over men is mainly as an exhilarator. She can speed him up and hurry him on the way he is going, but she can seldom stop him, or make him go in a different direction. If a man is good, a woman's influence can make him better. If he is ambitious, she can stimulate him to greater efforts. If he is bad, she can make him worse, and if he is lazy and shiftless, she can take away from him even what little initiative he has.

But I have never known a woman who could make a bad man good, or put pep into a peepless one, or make a loafer go to work.

Probably, because it is easier to go downhill than to climb up, the influence of bad women seems far greater than that of good women.

The influence of wives runs along these same lines. A wife can influence her husband to make the most of his powers, and to develop his good qualities or his bad to their fullest extent, but there are very few wives whose influence has ever been great enough to reform a drunkard or a rascal.

There are many women with positive financial genius, who are far-seeing and shrewd, and whose advice their husbands would always be wise to take, but a man is foolish to let his wife influence him to go into wild speculation because she wants more money, or to give up some move because she doesn't want to leave her family or friends.

A man is a weakling who lets his wife influence him against his family.

DOROTHY DIX.

DEAR MISS DIX—I am a boy 18 years old, graduating from high school. I would like to go to college, and make a man of myself in the world with me. But my family are very much opposed to this. If I should go without her, life would be empty, and I couldn't fix my mind on my studies. What would you do if you were in my place?

JOE.

ANSWER: I should pray God to give me a little sense, and to save me from doing a fool thing that would wreck my life.

A schoolboy has no business with a wife. He would be a figure of fun that would excite the derision of all sensible people. What you feel, Joe, is just puppy love that you will get over in six months if you will give yourself a chance. Just try to realize that, and put all crazy thoughts of marriage out of your head.

If you really love this girl, don't marry her while you are still a kid. Go to college and study hard, and make a man of yourself. If it is worth some woman's marrying, make her proud to marry you five years hence, instead of sorry she did marry you, as she certainly will be if she marries you now.

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## "Out Where West Begins" Is Blackwood, N.J.



Scenes on the Weber ranch near Blackwood, N. J.

By MARGERY PICKARD

BLACKWOOD—N. J., March 23.—Roads in this locality will be dusty this summer with New Yorkers discovering where the west begins.

For within sight of New York's misty towers a little bit of the old west is flourishing.

Louis J. Weber, Jr., is conducting a ranch here in the manner of the great open spaces, with cattle ranges, cowboys, bronchoses, bison and all the other trappings of the Bill Hart and Tom Mix movies.

Genuine cowhands from western ranches are the hired men on this unique country estate, broncho-busting is one of their avocations, the live stock includes many breeds of horses, deer, elk, buffalo, etc., and there are corals and cook shacks, cowboy laments, round-ups.

The "ranch" is Weber's hobby. He wanted to be a cowboy and couldn't go west to do it, so he brought enough "background" east to be able to realize his ambition right at his doorstep.

The Weber estate is a show-place for the countryside. More than one New Yorker has discovered here that milk comes from cows and not from cans.

## IN NEW YORK SEE SAWING UP and down BROADWAY

"LIKE mother used to make" is a phrase that Broadway cannot entirely shed but from one-time children of the hinterland.

Be they ever so Broadway, there comes a time when a yearning for the "old home dishes" comes upon them.

Now there's George M. Cohan, for instance. To many he has become almost a symbol for Broadway. As a matter of fact he is a son of Rhode Island—Providence, to be exact.

The other night the Rhode Island Society held its annual get-together at the Astor. Cohan presides over this organization. In arranging the menu he saw to it that the Rhode Island folk could go on a veritable debauch of Squantum clam chowder.

And if you don't know what Squantum chowder is, you've never been in Rhode Island. It is a recipe handed down through generations from the Squantum Indians.

WHICH reminds me that the lot of the chef in a big hotel is not an easy one. Thus F. Gullett, the Astor chef, was expected to be able to drag the Squantum powder from his sleeve and have it served in a manner to be immediately recognizable.

Thus, also, a Turkish gathering will put in an order for a pet dish of the homeland; a Jewish gathering will want a kosher repast and an Armenian association will insist upon "stishkebun."

I am told that Scotch dishes are the most difficult to obtain in New York. Scotch are fairly easy to find, but try to locate a fat dish of "haggis!"

WHILE on the subject of chefs, the former royal chef of the Prince of Wales now has charge of the string of Arlington hotels. He is Rudolph de Gorge, and for many years he arranged the table for the British royal family. Through the prince's boyhood, Rudolph arranged the menus and supervised them.

I am told that when the prince last visited America he all but fell into the arms of his old chef and demanded that milk be close at hand when meal-time came.

THE latest thing in art, it seems, is "radio futurism." A novice can decipher it quite as easily as he could a radio code. It runs largely to "wave lengths" on the canvas and is the invention of David Burliuk, not long from Russia.

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GILBERT SWAN.

## ADVENTURES of the TWINS by OLIVE ROBERTS BARTON

THE BURGLAR ALARM RINGS

Mister Rubadub pulled out a watch almost as big as a dinner plate and looked at it.

"Goodness gracious!" he cried. "It's half past a quarter to the year after next almost. And spring's about here. And all those wood folk and meadow people not scrubbed up yet to go to the land-Where-Spring-is-Coming! If we don't watch out, Mister Hare, they will be slipping away without coming to my magic barber-shop first."

The March Hare looked over his spectacles. "They can't," he remarked. "I've got burglar alarms on everyone of their doors. The minute they step out, the alarm rings right here over your towel-rack."

Nancy and Nick were stepping over curiously to gaze at the funny little ball when suddenly it went "Tinkle, tinkle, tinkle, tinkle,"—like an alarm clock.

"There it goes!" cried Mister Rubadub excitedly. "Somebody's trying to slip out without us knowing it. Who is it, I wonder?"

The March Hare went over and looked at the little bell. Below it was an arrow pointer like the hand on a clock, and around it in a circle were names instead of numbers.

Each name belonged to one of the wood or meadow people.

"Aha, it says Mister Ringtail Coon," said the March Hare. "Come, Twins, we'll skip over to his house and head him off. But I must say that I'm surprised. Ringtail Coon usually goes out at night and here it is broad daylight."

"I'll be waiting for him," said Mister Rubadub, sharpening his razor on his razor strap. "Ringtail's the biggest dude in the whole country and likes to be shaved around his nose. And he's very careful about his moustache. It has to be just so."

The Twins followed the March Hare along the path until they came to the little secret bush that marked the place where Scrub-Up Land ends on that side and the meadow begins.

A Thought

Behold, my desire is that the Almighty would answer me, and that mine adversary had written a book—Job 31:25.

PATIENCE and gentleness are power, —Leigh Hunt.

Tired? Take a Flying Trip to Ceylon—

# SUNBEAM TEA

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## FLAPPER FANNY says

When a man makes up his mind he is going to marry he goes right out and marries the girl who made up her mind she was going to marry him before he made up his mind that he was going to marry her.

## Is this your BIRTHDAY

MARCH 23—You are a leader both in your social life and in your business. You have managing powers, and are excellent at working out details. Your married life will be very happy, and will probably be blessed with several children. Learn not to expect too much of people, and curb your tendency to be jealous of others.

Your birth-stone is a bloodstone, which means presence of mind.

Your flower is a violet.

Your lucky color is white.

## Little Joe

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Luncheon

Baked Potatoes Creamed Codfish

Celery Tea

Graham Gems

Blackberry Jelly Tarts

Dinner

Veal Loaf Stuffed Potatoes

Buttered Peas Bread and Butter

Pickled Peaches

Baked Apples Salted Water

Tes

TODAY'S RECIPES

Grape Fruit and Orange Cup—Scrap out pulp and squeeze juice from two grapefruits and two oranges. Sweeten to taste and add a few spoons of cold water.

Boiled Wheat—Buy five pounds of clean wheat at the mill. Trim, a pint at a time, is looked over then put in warm water and simmered gently for several hours. It should be cooked the day before it is to be used and only needs heating in the morning. This is a very healthy and economical way of obtaining the necessary vitamins.

Veal Loaf—One and one-half pounds ground veal, one egg, one cup cracker and toast crumbs, one teaspoon salt, one-third teaspoon pepper, dash of paprika, celery seasoning, sprinkle of nutmeg and milk to make a loaf. Bake one and one-half hours.

Cabbage Salad—Cut one small firm cabbage on slaw cutter, add the following dressing: one-half cup thin cream, one teaspoon salt, one-half teaspoon pepper, one-quarter cup sugar and four or five teaspoons vinegar depending on strength. Beat all together, adding vinegar last.

Baked Apples—Cut seven large, red Baldwin's in halves, taking a thin slice off the bottom to make them stand steady. Arrange in buttered pan, drop a small piece of butter in each cavity, cover with a spoonful of brown sugar, add a little hot water to the pan and bake. When nearly done add a few chopped walnut meats, a stoned date and one-half marshmallow to or on each half. Return to oven until marshmallows are brown. Serve cold with a spoonful of whipped cream on each.

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