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# A Feature Page of Interest to Everyone

INSTRUCTIVE

## Dorothy Dix

**Mothers of Newlyweds, Help the Young Couple to be Happy Though Married by Not Organizing the Usual Homewrecking Crew of Family Interference—You Can Best Help if You Keep Out.**

WHEN the clergyman says the words that make John and Mary husband and wife, their respective families wipe away a furtive tear and pray Heaven that this may be one of the marriages that sticks, and that will not require a divorce lawyer to perform a major surgical operation upon it within the next five years.



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Then, having petitioned for a miracle, they go home and do their best to prevent its taking place, for it is sad to find that the greatest danger that threatens newlyweds is not from without, but from within, and that, if the respective families do not keep out of the divorce cases out of ten it would be the family.

ESPECIALLY mother, who is generally the head of the home-wrecking crew. Of course, mothers don't deliberately start forth to make a breach between her children and their husbands and wives, or to shatter their domestic peace and happiness, but she does it just the same.

It doesn't alter the results that her shins against her children are made blindingly, ignorantly, stupidly, through love and not through hate. You can kill a man just as dead with the gun as you can with the automatic revolver you aimed at his heart.

EVERY mother will tell you that she wants her children's marriages to turn out successfully, yet not one woman in a hundred ever does a solitary thing to help along the good work. And not one mother in a thousand ever refrains from doing the thing that she knows will endanger her children's domestic peace and harmony.

Every woman who has ever been a bride knows how touchy all young married people are, how resentful they are of advice and interference from outsiders, and how suspicious they are of their in-laws. She knows that the only wise and kind thing she can do is to leave the young couple alone, and let them work out their own salvation in their own way.

But does she do that? She does not. Her passion for meddling in other people's affairs is greater than her love for her children, and so at the risk of wrecking her children's marriages she goes blithely on telling them where they get off and where they get on.

SHE knows that it infuriates her daughter-in-law beyond measure for her to go peeping into the garbage can, and for her to tell her how to raise her children, and ask her the price of every garment she has and keep tab on how many times she goes out to play bridge in a week. She knows that she makes her son-in-law hate her when she lectures him for smoking, and when she tells him how bad everything he likes to eat is for his stomach, and when she becomes a back-seat chauffeur who tries to drive the car every time they take a ride.

She knows that most of the quarrels that young married couples have in the first year of marriage are over mother's interference with one or the other, because she has been through that experience herself. But it hasn't taught her a particle of wisdom or made her resolve that she will chew off her tongue rather than make a single suggestion to one of her in-laws.

IT IS because women are so determined to rule or ruin that mothers-in-law are so feared and dreaded, and as proven by the fact that when one does have enough self-control to keep her fingers out of her children's lives, she is invariably loved and honored by her daughters-in-law and her sons-in-law.

Another thing that mothers could do, that they do not do, to help make their children's marriages successful is to step down and out when their boys and girls take unto themselves wives and husbands.

THEY know that there is no other jealousy bitterer or fiercer than that which the young husband and wife feel toward their mothers-in-law. They know that for Mary to tell John that mother says we must do so and so, or for John to throw mother's bread in Mary's teeth, is like waving a red flag before a mad bull.

Yet you never hear of mother's saying to one of her children on his or her wedding eve:

"Now that you are going to be married, your wife or your husband must take first place in your heart and have the first call on your time and thoughts and attention. You must go to your husband or your wife for advice and with your confidences. Not to me. And, for goodness sake, have enough sense and tact never to hold me up as a model, or tell your husband or your wife that I advised you to do a thing. Let him or her think he or she is the oracle. Not mother."

STILL another thing that mother could do, and rarely, if ever, does, to promote the domestic happiness of her children is perpetually to try to "sell" them to those to whom they are married. You don't often hear of mother harping upon Jack's perfection, and telling Mary what a lucky girl she is to have got such a good, kind, moral, industrious man for a husband. Still seldom do you ever hear of mother's singing psalms of praise to Mary, and impressing upon John how blessed he is in having such a pretty, stylish, clever, attractive wife as Mary is.

On the contrary, mother does the very best she can to make John and Mary dissatisfied with their bargain by continually picking flaws in them and pointing out their defects.

Many and many a time it is mother who first implants the seeds of suspicion of her husband in a wife's mind, or who makes her feel that she should have made a more brilliant match and starts her looking out for an ally. Many and many a man would never find out that his wife was extravagant, or that she gadded too much, if his mother didn't tell him so.

AND mother could prevent many and many a divorce if they would positively refuse to let their children tell them their domestic troubles. The knowledge that she can always run back home and be pitted and wept over and "poor-deared" makes many a spoiled, weak, selfish woman throw up her hands and quit in a marriage that she could make a success if she half tried.

I know one mother whose parting advice to her daughters as they started on their bridal tours was, "Be a good wife. Stay at home, mind your own business and don't come to see mother too often." And not one of those women's girls had any matrimonial trouble.

CHILDREN never need their mother's help more than after they are married. What are you doing for yours? Are you helping them to be better husbands and wives? Are you promoting their domestic happiness? Or are you being first aid to the divorce court? DOROTHY DIX.

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## August Interest Centres on Gauzy Frocks and Fur



By MME. LISBETH

FUR coats and gauzy summer dresses may seem to contradict one another, but they are the two outstanding notes of interest in the fashion world today. August sales of fur and fur-trimmed coats are in full swing, and the shop windows are full of samples of the furrier's art.

Torrid weather calls for this frock even while shopping for next winter's coat, so that they are as popular as the coats. Fur was never more used than it is today. Few indeed are the fabric coats that do not bear at least collar and cuffs, and often a fur border is added. Summer coats have been particularly keen in the use of this soft, generally becoming trimming medium.

Above, at left, is one of the new fur coats in a seven-eighths length. It is fashioned of ermine with collar, tuxedo front and cuffs of chinchilla. This coat has a slight ripple to the skirt, deviating slightly from the usual straightline.

At the right is a wraparound model of the most popular fabrics for the more formal of the summer frocks, a charmingly simple little model is pictured. It is a flowered green chiffon afternoon frock, the flowers being in fresh tints. The bodice fits rather snugly but the

scalloped skirt flares. Lace edges the scallops on the skirt and trims the wide cuffs that give distinction to the sleeves. And, by the way, sleeve elaboration is one of the interesting notes of the fall frock fashions. Soft lace forms a collar and tie effect about the V-shaped neckline. A narrow ribbon is tied about a normal waistline and the long ends hang to the bottom of the skirt. Patsy Ruth Miller, of the film, posed.

The short frocks were exemplified strikingly at the recent Saratoga races, where chiffon, georgette, lace, embroidered net and striking prints all contributed to this end, with colorful stripes, plaits, tiers, sashes and lingerie or lace touches at collar and cuffs important details of this theme.

## Fashion Fancies

A TAN AND BLUE DRESS FEAT-  
URES THE OMBRE EFFECT



By MARIE BELMONT  
Here is an interesting dress featuring the ombre effect so popular at present.  
It is of blue and tan, the blue being hidden in the skirt pleating. The tie is of brown ribbon.  
This is a practical as well as a good-looking frock, and it might be wise to have the same model in a number of different color combinations.

## THE RHYMING OPTIMIST

By Aline Michells

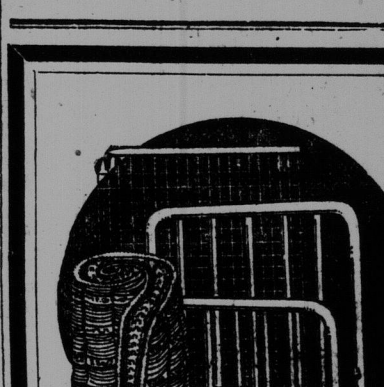
Life's a riddle, few can tell if men live it ill or well, change and chance are ever here, life's a riddle vague and queer, Life's a riddle, no man knows what his portion, joys or woes; no man, seeking, can foresee what his lot next day will be. Yet each goes upon his quest certain, some way, all is best. Is the future dim? It hides joys that wait upon the tide! And the fact he can not see might of all that is to be lands his hope and promise rare; all men's future days are fair! Life's a riddle, this we know as its changes come and go; now a sigh and now a jest, yet still all things for the best.

## A Thought

They loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.—John 12:43.

THOSE who are greedy of praise prove that they are poor in merit.—Pistarch.

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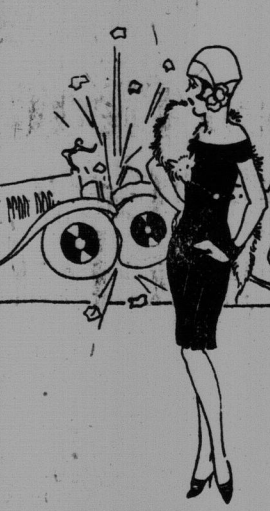
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## Flapper Fanny Says

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## SEE-SAWING ON BROADWAY

THE ingredients of Broadway's minor tragedies are generally equal parts of stupid vanity, unheeding selfishness and blatant egotism.

The annual turn-over of "spotted darlings," both male and female, is as soundly large. They come from the small towns with money supplied by hard earnings from the old home. The young males want to "play the game" and thus increase the considerable army of fops, tin horn sports and parasites.

When the income stops for one reason or another the "spotted darlings" resort to bad checks, petty larceny and jumping bills. The results, if not particularly distressing to the thick-skinned principal are heart-breaking to the "old folks" who invariably come to the rescue.

Similar is the experience of the female "spotted darlings." She feels she can "smack the town over," easily slips into the fast set, seldom achieves success, and, tired and fed up, is found in her room, victim of an overdose of veronal or slips away and is heard of no more.

THE other day a mother and daughter stood before a judge in the Woman's Court.

Both were charged with shoplifting. The mother had "stolen" her child's clothes were shabby, worn. The daughter, who seemed not a day more than 20, was defiant, blasé. Her clothes were flashy, Broadway-wise, modern.

The heartick mother told the story. They had come from a little town in Wisconsin. There the family had lived for many years—humble working folk. The mother had "determined" to give her daughter every advantage. She would have such an education as other

## Menus for the Family

MENU HINT

Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
Cantaloupe	Roast Beef, Brown Gravy	Roast Beef, Brown Gravy
Hot Biscuits	New Potatoes in Cream	New Potatoes in Cream
Coffee	Lettuce and Mayonnaise	Lettuce and Mayonnaise
Butter	Sliced Fresh Pineapple	Sliced Fresh Pineapple
Jelly	Whole Wheat Bread	Whole Wheat Bread
	Pickles	Pickles
	Olives	Olives
	Ice Tea	Ice Tea
	Gingerbread	Gingerbread
	Coffee	Coffee

## TODAY'S RECIPES

**Baking Powder Biscuits**—Two cups flour, four teaspoons baking powder, one teaspoon salt, one cup milk, four tablespoons shortening. Mix dry ingredients. Put butter or shortening with tips of fingers into flour which has been sifted and mixed with dry ingredients. Add milk gradually into this mixture until it becomes as soft as can be handled easily. Roll on a slightly floured board and cut into desired sizes. Bake in medium oven.

**Roast Beef**—Best to use the English cut for this. After washing meat, put in roaster which has been allowed to become quite hot, with a little bacon grease in bottom. Season with salt and pepper. Sprinkle with flour. Cut small onion and place around roast. Put in hot oven, leaving cover off for the first five minutes. Reduce heat and cover, basting every 15 minutes with fat that has cooked out. When roast is about half done, turn over and sprinkle with flour, salt and pepper. Before taking roast out, remove cover to allow other side to brown. At this time add a little water.

**Roast Gravy**—Remove roast, placing roaster over burner, add flour, about four tablespoons, stir until well mixed and brown. Gradually add two cups of boiling water, cook five minutes, season if necessary and strain.

**Potatoes in Cream**—Cut four potatoes in thin slices. Put them into a pan with one-half cup milk, cook until they have absorbed all of the milk. Add salt to taste, plenty of pepper and one-quarter cup of milk. Cook for five minutes.

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