

From My Narrow Little Window

By
THE HOOISER OBSERVER

Happy, Though Married--Rule Two.

(Rule 2)

Do you know this is getting interesting.

I feel like a real-for-sure magazine department editor, for I am already getting letters addressed to "The Hoosier Observer" and they tell some real heart experiences, too. And these I consider of more real value to me, than any observation I can make of my own.

That little observation I made on the above subject, which was my elaboration of the first rule of six for marital happiness laid down by one of our United Press correspondents, hit a heart-spot of somebody. She signed herself, "Frome one who knows a few things."

"She"--of course it was a "she"--began her letter, after calling me "My Dear Hoosier Observer," by mis-quoting my subject when she said, "Happy Through Marriage." She further said: "Maybe their a few, but I doubt it."

Now, what do you think of that? Doesn't it get your goat--that pessimistic dash. It does mine, and I have almost given up my plan of elaborating on the rest of the five rules; especially as I constantly fear "kidding," but the telegraph editor who put me up to the job, has consented to stand by me, teeth and toe-nail in case of any real, face-to-face opposition. So here goes!

But let me first tell more that that "Woman - Who - Knows-a-FewThings" said. She also said: "My idea of being happy is to be contented 'now' (underscored). Don't wait till you get married or divorced."

Now, why, for the love of innocent girlhood, didn't she say what she was, so all those young ones could profit thereby? Was she unhealthily married and then divorced? I think so, because after telling the best way of mating "as the doves in springtime," etc., etc., she says: "I respect the real old maid, the kind I can call real aunts--that are sixty and then some--that left their chance go by and not waiting on one as many do! For the last ten years I have had old maid S. S. teacher. One day the wind blew her way and off she was."

Now, what do you think of that, girls? Does she mean to say that the most of us old maids never had a chance, and are "ladies-in-waiting"? Shocking, and don't tell anybody. She evidently wishes she had let the chance go by; and if she mated in the spring, why isn't she happy? However, she relieved the situation from any personal fling, as far as "The Observer" is concerned by saying that "The old maid who talks about perfunctory and insipid kisses and calls herself a disinterested party, 'Maybe' an old maid but I doubt it." Now, let me say, my dear "Woman-Who-Knows-a-Few-Things," if you have any doubts come and I will part my hair so that you can see the gray hairs. Glad they don't show every day, and glad my "observation" rang true. She closed her letter by telling of what I suppose was a maid who married and nearly starved herself and husband to death because she couldn't cook properly, and her "pasture" was not therefore as rich as she had at home when "mother cooked." Girls, that cooking hint is one the U. P. correspondent missed in his "rule of six." Don't forget it. Hurry back, "Woman - Who - Knows-a-Few Things" but let us see who you are, next time.

Now, telegraph editor, get your weapons of defense. I am going to elaborate on:

Rule 2--Wife, don't interrupt your husband while he is reading the evening paper.

H'm! Since I wrote the first so well that "The-Woman-Who-Knows-a-Few-Things" doubts that I am not an old maid, let me frankly state, as I do not want to sell in under false pretenses, that I am also not a husband but that I am a wage-earner, and can therefore tell what I like when I go home in the evening, tired and weary, wet and worn, and disgusted with the world and the people and--everything; and I just imagine that a husband would feel just a little that way, too, except of course he would have more to worry over, having more responsibility.

Well, now, we go home as I say. We may dig in the ditch, we may

work in the store; we may cure the physical, mental and moral ills of the public; we may gather the news and give it to the public; we may butcher, bake or make candles; but we get tired and we all wind up at the same place--home, if we have one, and usually make a bee-line for it! That is, if it is a happy one, and that is what I am writing about.

In our work we have had to keep up a strain to meet competition; if our bodies are not tired, our nerves and our brains are. You know you have to "keep sweet" on the outside anyhow; you have to laugh over and over again at the stale jokes everywhere you go, as though they were as new as new; you have to make a pretense of guffaw-guffawing right out in public, if you want to be considered a "good fellow." Your work may confine you in just one narrow, little circle of the world, and consequently when evening comes you want to read the paper and find out what is happening somewhere else. You grab up your paper and skidoo--go home and relax, and not laugh or smile only when you just want to.

Light and warmth radiate from the house; the children rush out to meet you; open the door and skirmish in your pockets for bags of goodies before you have a chance to unload your bundles. Of course, you don't scold them, but you wish they could wait a while. You take off your wet clothes; your shoes you exchange for the warm slippers by the fireside and put on a house suit. Of course you did not forget to give the wife a kiss, as was mentioned in one of rule first's requirements, although I did forget to mention it sooner in this. This should have come up ahead of the skirmishing of the children. Then--while the good supper things are sizzling on the kitchen stove and the delicious odors permeate the living room, you sit down and you read a while--just lost yourself in the big things of the wide world.

Now, wife, here is where you shine, conspicuous for your quietness. You are, surely, confined to the little world of your home; you long for a word from the outside, but more for a word from him who is all the world to you; but don't, don't say a word until he lets off steam in relaxing and in quietly reading the paper; don't trouble him with all the little trivial things until he gets ready.

Now, what will probably result if you do, and neither will get any benefit from the jabbering--is about like this: (minus the chills of annoyance that chase up and down the man's spine, to say nothing of the real cross words that he will fling out in the meantime, if he is not just the model you read about, and wife's heartache if he doesn't look up or answer)

He (reading)--"The attitude of the entire allies toward Greece--"

She--"Honey, what do you think? I have gone up again and--O excuse me; you are reading."

He--"from which country they are endeavoring to get a definite--"

She--"These doughnuts are not fit to eat. I skinned on the lard--it is two cents higher than--"

He--"guarantee for the safety of the French, British and Serbian troops--"

She--"Dear, Mrs. Sickem was over here today--and brought her new coat along. It is just grand. My old one looks so shabby. I just must have a new one this year. Can't I have--"

He--"What, O I guess so. Let's see; where was I?--and the whole military policy in the near east, including--"

She--"Well, what are they doing in the war, anyhow? I just want you to boost for that peace bill that J. H. Houseman is advocating anyhow. The way they are killing off people in the east is something dreadful. If you can do the least thing to stop them, for pity's sake--"

He--"The Dardanelles, will, it is believed to be made clear before the end of the present--"

She--"And then, too, Jimmy has worn out his shoes and needs new ones. He spattered around in the water today and I am afraid he will get the croup tonight and that spout needs fixing and the chimney is stopped up and the woman didn't bring the wash home tonight and we are short on table cloths and I had to use a soiled one, so please don't notice it tonight.

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