

Modern Etiquette  
By Roberta Lee

Q. I see more and more paper napkins being provided at meals in other people's homes. Is this really proper?

A. While at one time this was considered out of the question, today for all informal entertaining, paper napkins are perfectly proper — and very practical, too. I might add.

Q. Is it considered poor form for a woman, at her second marriage, to have three or four bridesmaids?

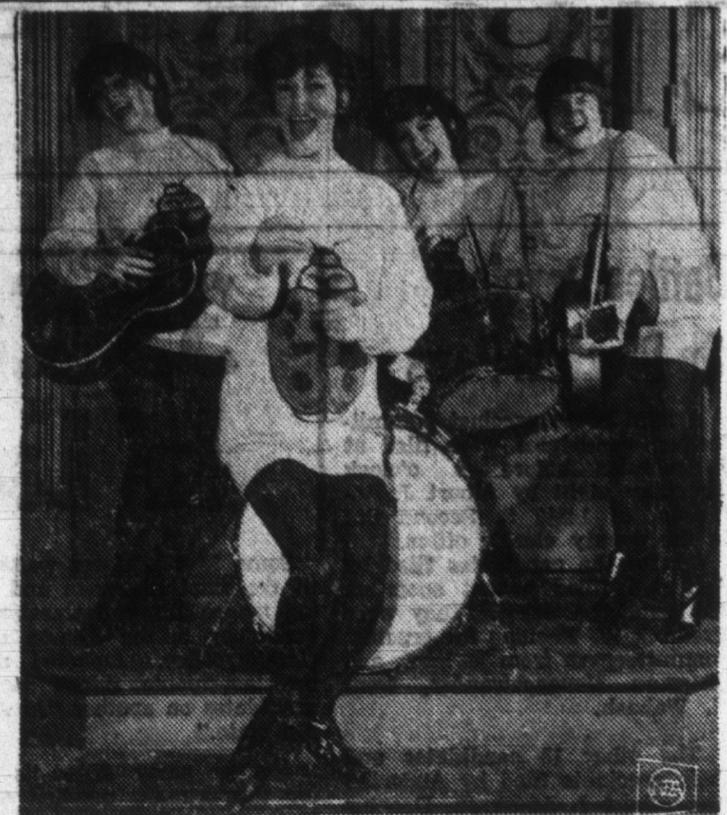
A. Yes. The second marriage should be as simple and informal as possible, and the bride should have but one attendant.

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\$5 Million Contract  
To Huntington Firm

PHILADELPHIA (UPI)—The

Army Electronics Material Agency Thursday awarded a \$5,983,734 contract to Model Engineering and Manufacturing Corp., Huntington, Ind., for production and delivery of a lightweight portable radio set to be used by the Army for man-pack and vehicular operation.

Intensive Survey  
On Social SecurityBy JOSEPH D. HUTNYAN  
United Press International

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A new debate is in progress concerning the future of the nation's Social Security programs.

The outcome could be a drastic shakeup of current programs, or simply some patchup amendments.

The matter is being decided by a 14-member group, meeting behind closed doors.

Known as the Advisory Council on Social Security, it is in the midst of the most comprehensive survey of the national welfare system in over 15 years.

The council was appointed under a law requiring periodic reassessment of current programs to aid the retired, disabled and others who qualify for Social Security. It will make its recommendations next January.

Retirement benefits and financing probably will get the

closest scrutiny.

## Challenge Monthly Pay

Critics of Social Security presently are challenging the adequacy of the current maximum \$127 monthly retirement payment, set in 1958. That comes to \$1,524 a year. Since then, the cost of living has gone up 6 per cent.

Some congressmen are advocating an increase this year in Social Security retirement payments. If no action is taken this session of Congress, the advisory council is almost sure to ask for an increase next year.

It also seems likely that if Congress does not approve a program for health insurance for the aged under Social Security—as of now, improbable in 1964—this will be among the primary council recommendations next January.

There has been considerable grumbling in and out of Congress about the solvency of the Social Security system. This is sure to have a high priority in the council discussions.

## Say System Sound

Federal officials claim the over-all system is fiscally sound but they concede that the disability trust fund is paying out more than it is receiving.

The deficit is being made up by income from the second fund which pays for old age and survivors benefits. The income in this fund is increasing faster than expenses.

The council might very well recommend some realignment in the tax rate which would adjust this disparity.

Both funds are supported by payroll taxes, presently running at a rate of 3% per cent of a covered worker's wage up to \$4,800 a year. The employer makes a matching contribution.

## Still in Discussions

Robert M. Ball, commissioner of Social Security and chairman of the council, says the group is still in the discussion stage, and probably will not consider recommendations until the fall.

The council's report will weigh the cost of a specific improvement in the program as well as its desirability, he said in an interview.

"In other words, you have to select priorities. You may come up with things that are desirable, but you might withhold such recommendations because of the cost aspects."

Other issues before the council include:

**Wage Base:** The first \$4,800 of a person's annual income is the maximum that can be used for figuring retirement benefits. One technique for raising the monthly pension would be to raise this limit.

**Outside Income:** Present law permits a person drawing Social Security to earn up to \$1,200 without his benefit check being cut. Social Security experts generally believe this group is the best off because of the extra money coming in. The advisory council may recommend some liberalization here, but it is believed the need is more pressing among other groups.

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