

## Childish Fancies Often Source of Unhappiness Long After Wedding Day

BY MARTHA LEE

FOR a great many adults, the act of "putting away childish things" is often one of the most difficult things they have to do throughout the married state.

Dreams, illusions and "childish" fancies of the wife for the husband or the husband for the wife are anything but apropos after fifteen or twenty years of marriage.

If, after that length of time, one or the other haven't glimpsed enough of the "big idea" of living together and of life in general to forget about the skeleton in the closet, they can be assured that reconstruction should begin.

Whether or not a skeleton exists is not the question. It is time enough for a wife or husband to concern his or herself about the matter if the skeleton comes to life and walks.

It is highly idiotic—even juvenile for a wife to fret about a real or imaginary woman who consumed a minimum of her husband's attention if the husband has given her and her children the undivided maximum ever since. Only the moving, living skeleton of persistent inattention and neglect does the hurt. And the same thing is true with the husband.

Dear Martha Lee: I have been married several years and have found that my husband had an affair with a woman several years ago.

I have two children and I want to do the best thing by them. I know that if I leave him they won't be able to live as comfortably as they are now. My husband is too old to me in every way. He never forgets anniversaries or birthdays and is very particular about his children. He is too black and white. I don't believe I can keep on living here now. What would you do? Would you leave? JUST A WIFE.

For you to leave your husband would only be consistent with the usual immaturity of the mature. I feel as though I should tell you that if you do as you threaten you would never deserve another good husband. As far as I can understand, you do have one of those persons known as the good husband. What more do you want? If he made a small misstep, he has quite nobly readjusted himself.

### MARYE and 'MOM' THEIR LETTERS

BY RUTH DEWEY GROVES

Mother Dear:

Don't you know that a woman's first duty to herself and the world is to keep herself looking attractive? Of course we don't go in for holding husbands any more. If a man wants to go, let him. It's a broader view we have now, a bigger reason for taking care of our looks.

We know that all the activities of business revolve about woman. Does that sound fair fetched? Just listen. Why do men do things? To be successful, of course. And why do they want to be successful? To make money. And who do they want to make money for? A woman. And they want that woman to be pretty and well groomed. If she measures up, they like to show her off at parties, and if she doesn't, they'll join a poker club.

A lot of good it will do me to go to bed with the chickens just so I could get up and make some coffee that Alan can make better. He'd go out when I went to bed and he wouldn't be around the next day after breakfast to see the good results.

Anyway, I'm not so sure a man wants to see his wife early in the morning. I don't like to look at Alan before he's shaved and he'd hate to have me crowding the bathroom. And if you think I'd ever sit across the breakfast table from Alan before I'd gotten myself looking decent, you don't know your darling child. What men must have thought of those early-worn women with their boudoir caps and cotton kimons I'd hate to listen to!

No sirree, we wouldn't lift a finger to hold a man when he's through, but we know enough about the male species to credit them with a little esthetic taste, and that's something women did not do once upon a time.

And the way to get on in business has changed too. The other night Alan asked me to doll up in my scantiest evening dress because we were going out with the Driscolls. He's trying to land a contract from Driscoll and if he'd followed father's rule of early to bed, he would have a swell chance, wouldn't he? As it was we hurried a real party after a show and gave the D's a thrill. They're out-of-town people, you know.

He enjoyed it, but she was kind of quiet. She's awfully dowdy, too. You'd think the wife of such a prominent man would have more class. Well, I hope Alan closes the deal. The party cost enough! With all my love,

MARYLIE.



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Corn Oyster

One cup canned corn, one egg, one-third cup flour, salt and pepper. Add flour and egg well beaten and salt and pepper enough to season, to the corn. Drop by spoon onto a hot well buttered griddle or fry in deep fat. Care must be taken not to have them larger than a good sized oyster.

MRS. CARRIE RETMEYER, Cumberland, Ind.

Colonial Tea for Guests

The Monday Afternoon Reading Club members and guests were entertained with a colonial tea. Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Richardson, Colonial appointments were used. Mrs. Richard Griffith and Mrs. Peter McEwen in colonial costume poured tea. They were assisted by Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Edgar Webb and Mrs. William Espy.

Carnelian Luncheon

Mrs. James Sanborn and Mrs. C. A. Tucker were hostesses for the Carnelian Club today at the Colonial tea room. The tables were arranged with spring flowers and flowers were in keeping with Washington's birthday.

Open School Cafeteria

Tri Kappa Sorority of Kokomo opened a cafeteria in connection with a grade school in that city Monday morning and will provide food at cost for pupils. It is understood that many of the children in that district suffer from malnutrition. Tri Kappa members will manage the cafeteria.

Club Luncheon

Mrs. Charles H. Byfield, 3864 N. Chalcedony Club today with a George Washington party. Luncheon was served at small tables decorated with baskets of spring flowers and the ices were in patriotic colors. Cards followed the business meeting. Assisting the hostess were Mrs. W. H. Hanning, Mrs. R. W. Mumford and Mrs. Allen Lewis.

Honors House Guest

Mrs. Joseph Demmer entertained Monday afternoon with a luncheon bridge in honor of her house guest, Mrs. Edward Schritze, Cleveland, Ohio. The tables were arranged with pink roses. The hostess was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Keating.

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Mr. Van de View, the Connoisseur, completely out of breath. Wouldn't miss his mother's party if it meant his certain death, And by way of all the speediest degrees of locomotion He arrives upon the scene to prove his dutiful devotion.

And the party to his mother would have been a sad affair. If she hadn't had the Connoisseur, her loving boy, right there, Who greets her with affection and a very pretty speech On her silken frock, proclaiming it the finest in Palm Beach.

And indeed he gives the gathering a very lively tone With his captivating manners which are his and his alone— With his compliments as fluent to a matron in chiffon, As though a charming debutante in 'teens had had it on.

Interrupting conversation he cannot account amiss When the purpose is to compliment a satin such as this. And as usual, before the dinner party has begun, He is captured the attention of the ladies, every one.

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## Miss Torr Is Bride in Noon Rite

The marriage of Miss Eleanor Torr, daughter of Joseph D. Torr, 1733 N. Meridian St., and Vilas J. Boyle, of this city, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan J. Boyle, LaCross, Wis., took place at noon today at the parish house of St. Peter and Paul Cathedral with Father Elmer Ritter officiating.

Only the immediate family was present. The bride wore a dress of blue lace over blue flat crepe, fashioned with circular skirt and long tight sleeves. A crushed girdle of the lace was caught with a pearl ornament. She wore a large hair-braid hat of darker blue with a shoulder corsage of pink roses and lilies of the valley.

Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast for the family was served at the home of the bride's uncle, Charles Henderson, Hampton Ct. Mr. and Mrs. Boyle left on a wedding trip to Chicago and will be at home after March 1 at 223 E. Thirteenth St. Mr. Boyle is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin where he was a member of Chi Phi fraternity. Mrs. Boyle attended Butler and is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Indiana Woman Successful as Plant Manager

In contrast to the woman who recently declined the vice presidency of the company for which she had worked for many years, because of a prejudice which she believed exists against women in business, Miss Charlotte Pickler, manager of a manufacturing plant in Evansville, says that she believes no job is too big for a woman to tackle.

Miss Pickler manages an underwear factory which turns out 150 garments daily, and employs about 60 girls. She has a close personal interest in each girl and is able to operate each machine in the factory, so she understands their work. She came to Evansville from the Chicago headquarters of the company about a year ago.

## Life's Niceties Hints on Etiquette

1. Who should give his order first, a man or the woman he is entertaining?

2. Is it necessary for him to order the same thing she does?

3. When is it tactful?

The Answers

1. The woman.

2. No.

3. If she seems uncomfortable, it is tactful to order the same thing or at least corresponding courses.

MRS. WHITEHILL FETES DAUGHTER WITH TEA

Mrs. C. E. Whitehill, 3447 Washington Blvd., entertained this afternoon with a tea from 4 to 6 in honor of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ralph Whitehill, who before her marriage was Miss Mary Elizabeth Stephenson, Marquette.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitehill are at home at 4447 N. Delaware St.

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## ANSWERING "WHAT IS CHARM?"



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By United Press

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Hips that will show decided curves will be "worn" by the fashionable woman of 1928.

And with that edict of the modiste's and gown manufacturers, the exit opens for the straight-lined flapper.

Color schemes must be carried through the full costume. Blue will be a favorite, but green or purple ensembles will not be taboo.

For instance, should madly appear in green her headgear must be green, her dress green, and so on even to gloves and purse. It likewise will be fashionable for her to wear a cape of green to flap in the breezes as she goes dashing down the street.

Getting back to the hips, Ralph Moni, president of the Fashion Art League of America, describes the style in this manner:

"All ruffles, draperies and sashes must be gracefully worn over the hip, not at the back or front. This year's fashion requires curves."

Charm and Inefficiency

"Often, charm (or what I had been considering charm) went hand in hand with inefficiency. It vamped the boss and came in late. It smiled and someone else did the work and the worrying. And charm grew to carry something of unfairness, even unscrupulous, about it—getting more than one was entitled to."

"As I pursued charm, I was aware that it led me into dangerous company. Charm seemed very often the ability to get away with murder. With it, one could walk off calmly with another woman's husband or lover and keep an angelic smile.

They would resent wheeling and ogle to get what was rightfully theirs and would have no sense of pride in getting anything to which they were not honestly entitled.

"After all, charm, in its oldest sense, implied magic and sorcery. Like superstition, that has been disproved."

Southern Aristocrat

Isa Glenn, whose unprofessional name is Mrs. Schindel and who is the widow of the late Brig. Gen. S. J. Bayard Schindel, is a southern aristocrat. She was reared to believe that charm was woman's first obligation.

A distinguished cousin of hers was James McNeill Whistler, the artist, who guided and "bossed" her in her early years at school in Paris. She has spent much time in the Philippines and in the Islands of the South Seas where her husband was stationed, and she has had an opportunity to observe all types of women, particularly those who do not have their lives to society and have the time and inclination to charm.

"And I prefer the workers," says she. "I can derive more interest and inspiration from the woman who actually accomplishes something on her own, than from the one who is only trying to please others in order the more to please herself."

"That which we call charm, and is really graciousness, ease and consideration, is a great asset to a woman. It opens doors for her, smooths a rough pathway and makes her a delightful member of society. But it does not hold a job for her, or excuse her from her obligations to others."

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