

Life Mates Find Beauty Is Handicap

BY MARTHA LEE

If a young man is contemplating matrimony as an institution wherein is to be found peace of mind and soul, happiness and contentment, let him not choose his mate with the eye. The other senses are much more reliable.

And the same holds for the girl who is about to take unto herself a husband.

If standards were possible, it would be found that great beauties and handsome men have established a prepossessing record for short-lived marital careers.

Physical beauty may be a boon before marriage, but after marriage it is, excepting in rare cases, the cause of constant warfare.

Beauty Has Drawbacks

A woman who is attractive physically has, besides all the usual little household demons, that past-master at starting quarrels, jealousy. If a man pays just courtesy to a beautiful woman he is suspected of paying more than ordinary courtesy. If he does not pay the accepted amount of attention to her, it is because he feels he can not offer her the usual civilities without being suspected of all sorts of intrigues by her husband.

Consider, too, the fact this woman has become an addict to flattery. Ever since she can remember she has been told how beautiful, charming, impenetrable, bewitching, and other adjectives applied only to beautiful women and first novels, she is. Most beautiful women are concealed.

Now, in a woman, the vice sometimes is excused on the grounds that she is a woman and can't help it.

Accused of Conceit

But a handsome man has twice as hard a row to hoe. He has to fight down a mountain of prejudices. If a beautiful woman is concealed, what must a handsome man be?

And, if it is hard on the husband of a beautiful woman to see her admired and sought after, what must it be for an ordinary woman, who has a Greek god for a husband? Because women are much more ruthless in their dealings with other women than men are to each other.

A wife who is eating her heart out wants to know what to do about her stunning husband.

Dear Miss Lee—I have been married only seven months and I am so unhappy I do not know what to do. When I was married I expected to be awfully happy, because I married a man I adore. But I have awakened to the realization that I am not the only one who feels that way about him.

I am just an ordinary looking girl, not particularly pretty. I dress well, and am more apt to come under the classification of chic than beautiful. But my husband is a knockout. He is the kind of handsome fellow that makes girls turn around on the street and look again. Every place we go he is the center of feminine attention. Besides being so good to look at, he is charming and likable. I am just about eaten up with jealousy.

She Is Very Unhappy

Men say he is conceited and too fond of himself to be a good husband. When I act jealous, which I can not keep from doing, he tells me I am silly and foolish. I am not. I am not jealous of him. But I am so unhappy. What shall I do?

A JANE THAT'S PLAIN.

My dear, you do not seem to realize that all this is probably as trying to him as it is to you. He has had to forfeit lot on account of his unusual appearance. He has the contempt, in a slight degree at least, of the more rugged of his male acquaintances.

He constantly is fighting the appearance of being concealed in the eyes of those men.

Use Humorous Sense

He probably is not considered the most representative type of male beauty. If all he does is listen to a lot of conversation it can't be so awfully bad. I can understand your being riled by seeing him constantly surrounded by admiring females, but why let it be the bane of your existence?

Rescue your sense of humor and give it a good airing. There is nothing funnier than a flock of adulating women.

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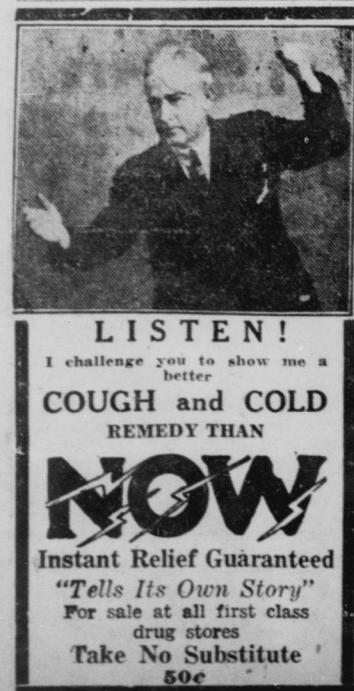
Miss Eleanor Lutz has been elected president of Beta chapter, Phi Delta Theta sorority. Other officers are: Vice-president, Miss Fannie Fattig; secretary, Miss Mary Alice Burch; treasurer, Miss Claire B. Schachter; sergeant-at-arms, Miss Kathryn Stull, and chaplain, Miss Mary Hall.

Club Hears Lecturer

Fritz Kuntz, lecturer and traveler, addressed the Woman's Rotary Club today at the first luncheon meeting of the year. The luncheon was held at the Columbia Club for members of the club and their guests. Mrs. Marie M. Bowen, president, presided at the meeting.

City Girls Pledged

Among Indianapolis girls who have been pledged to sororities at Franklin college are Miss Clarabelle Flowers and Miss Celeste Jordan. Pi Beta Phi, and Miss Geraldine James, Delta Delta Delta.



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