

Her Spouse Won't Work, Wife Writes

Outsider Would Have More Influence With Him, Jane Says.

Put your problems in a letter to Jane Jordan, who will answer your questions in this column daily.

DEAR JANE JORDAN—

What is the reason some men won't work? What would you do if you were married to one of these won't-work men, he the father of two darling little children, and you had to hear various excuses every day in the year for eight years? Our two children are going to come to real want because my health is going fast from trying to carry the load of both father and mother. I urge him to find work if it is only cutting lawns for people, for it would add a few pennies for food. But he positively will not do one bit of labor.

After eight years of begging, praying and hoping, I at last have decided that it is in vain. I rush out and call those who advertise for men in our papers. I spend hard-earned nickels to get in touch with a job for him. Time and again, kind voices have said, "Tell him to come in. We will be glad to hire anyone if it means helping children." But all my pleading and urging has been futile. He just will not work.

Friends say to step out and get a divorce and try to find happiness again, but I have always tried to stand firm in right, and I'm afraid that would not be the thing to do.

I would be afraid to trust another man and I don't know any men anyway. I believe it will be best for me to find a housekeeping position for some old lady somewhere and try in that way to make a decent home for our children. What would you do?

WORRIED MOTHER.

ANSWER—I wonder what would happen if the man had to work in order to eat? Would he starve rather than work? You've tried pleading and pushing, convincing and cajoling without results. Now you might try the more practical method of simply pushing him out to sink or swim on his own responsibility.

While I cannot blame you for your anxieties about a jobless husband, I suspect that you've taken the wrong method of getting anything out of him. You've treated him exactly as a mother treats an erring child. You've answered ads, you've called employers, you've been at him morning, noon and night in your efforts to energize him, but have deprived him of nothing in your power to give. The more you try, the bolder he gets.

It would not surprise me if his mother had the same trouble with him and that she used the same methods you use with the same lack of success. Perhaps he married to get away from her constant prodding. When you took up where she left off, he reverted back to his boyhood and refused to budge.

This is only a guess. I may be wrong. I know I'm not wrong in assuming that his irresponsible attitude toward work started in youth. He learned early how to get even with people by refusing to do things their way. I feel certain that he holds some grudge against you that he pays off by flatly refusing to take any work you find for him.

Somebody else would have more influence in persuading him to find an occupation than you have. Consult someone skilled in getting at the bottom of such situations. Many times the opinion of almost any outsider will carry more weight than the family's. If the man knew how much happier he would be succeeding at something than simulating a mule he might make the effort. If you will send your name and address I will suggest someone who may be able to help you.

JANE JORDAN.

Phi Beta Alumnae To Hold Luncheon

The annual alumnae founders' day luncheon of Phi Beta, national sorority of music and drama, is to be held tonight at Mrs. Peeser's home, 4302 N. Illinois St. Mrs. Grace Ann Mattern, Chicago, national honorary president, is to be guest speaker.

Miss Helen Coffey is to entertain with whistling solos and Mrs. Betty Madison is to sing.

Procter Club Meets

Guests attended the Procter Club final meeting of the year today in the new Marian College on Spring Mill Road.

Point Bag Sets Off Simple Costume



The trim simplicity of this spring costume is adequately complemented with the point bag from a local shop. It adds finesse for street and afternoon wear and is the aristocrat of needwork art. An intricately woven floral design of many colors is outlined on a gray beige background. The white toya off-the-face hat boasts a bouquet of flowers and the inevitable streamers of the season.

PLAYS SAFE BY DISCARD

Today's Contract Problem

South has the contract for four hearts. After East wins the opening lead with the ace and returns a spade, can South avoid losing another spade, a trump, and a diamond?

♠ 765	♥ 972	♦ 843	♣ 108
♠ 4	♥ 4	♦ 4	♣ 4
♠ 92	♥ 92	♦ 92	♣ 92
♠ 943	♥ 943	♦ 943	♣ 943
♠ 1052	♥ 1052	♦ 1052	♣ 1052
♠ 10876	♥ 10876	♦ 10876	♣ 10876

None vul. Opener—A3. Solution in next issue.

Solution to Previous Problem

By W. E. M'KENNEY

ONE reason why most good bridge players insist upon four of partner's bid suit to justify a raise, unless he has rebid, is that, if partner has bid on a four-card suit, a raise with three gives declarer a

Mind Your Manners

Test your knowledge of correct social usages by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. Should a woman who is seated at a restaurant table rise when another woman who is passing stops to speak to her?
2. What is the usual amount of a tip in restaurant?
3. Should the tip be larger at a table with a cloth on it than at a bare-topped table?
4. Is it permissible to use a tooth pick in public?
5. Is curling one's feet around the legs of the chair a correct way to sit?

What would you do if—
You were having a "Dutch treat" lunch with two or three friends in a tea room and it came time to pay the bill—
A. Ask for separate checks?
B. Have one person pay the whole bill and settle with him later.
C. Have each person contribute his share before paying the waiter.

Answers

1. Not unless she is very young and the one who is passing is much older.
2. Ten per cent of the bill. Larger if the bill is very small.
3. Yes.
4. No!
5. No. Neither is it graceful!

Best "What Would You Do?" solution—(B) or (A). Avoid discussion of the bill at table. (Copyright, 1937, NEA Service, Inc.)

Add Cool Touch To Garden With Blue Blossoms

Blue is a favorite color in the garden, and pure blue one of the rarest tones of nature. The annual border needs its blues to balance the color scale and to add a cool touch during the hot months of summer.

An excellent blue is the Chinese forget-me-not, *Cynoglossum amabile*, listed as a biennial but blooming as an annual from sowing early in the fall. It has deep and intense blue flower clusters produced in great profusion, making a brilliant patch in the garden as well as a fine subject for cutting.

An old standby is the bachelor button or *Centauria cyanus*, which has fringed blue flowers produced in great profusion with good stems for cutting.

The annual larkspurs give some fine blues although all have more or less purple in them. They are one of the most valuable of the annuals.

Queen, Wallis Lean to Blue

LONDON, May 11.—Queen Elizabeth and Wallis Warfield share one thing in common—they both like blue. That color dominates their summer wardrobes recently completed in London and Paris.

The Queen's 40 summer costumes, furnished by a London dressmaking establishment, range in color from pale sky blue to deep midnight blue. Most of her day clothes follow the same pattern, crepe dresses worn with loose flowing coats, heavily trimmed with fur, and straw hats with flower trimmings.

She selected small patterned printed silks and a few tailored sports clothes. Only for evening wear does her majesty step out of the role of a simple wife and mother and go in for elaborate creations. Even then she follows the taste of her austere mother-in-law, Queen Mary, and dictates that rich brocades and laces by cut with old-fashioned, modest high necks with puffed sleeves.

The more modern Duchess of Kent, on the other hand, sets London styles with startling evening creations with low cut, decollete, swirling skirts, and wears bizarre, jeweled ornaments in her hair.

Indiana Officials' Wives to Entertain

Wives of the elected State officials are to give a luncheon and bridge party June 1 at Hollywood Hill for Mrs. M. Clifford Townsend. Each of the wives is to bring one guest.

Mrs. William F. Dudine, chairman, is being assisted by Mrs. Posey T. Kime.

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Quarrels Often Are Habitual

Most Childish 'Spats' Without Real Grievance.

By OLIVE ROBERTS BARTON

Quarrels among children in the family are largely a matter of habit. A child becomes so accustomed to taking exception to every move made by the others that about half the time he fusses without one thing to fuss about. Children do get jealous of each other, of course, and they are also greatly afraid of being imposed upon. What is more common than to hear Johnny growl, "Send Bob this time. I went last. He never takes his turn?"

But by and large, most of them have no real grievance. Their little spats are mostly on top. The child who has a real hurt, and who is actually unhappy, is usually silent about it, or else he tries to cover up by behavior entirely unrelated to his trouble. Whatever the cause may be for the every-few-minutes wrangling, a mother gets nervous just the same.

Warring Unnoticed

She may become so accustomed to the continual warring that she doesn't actually notice it, but merely wonders why she herself is so irritable and tired. Without any word to her family, she might begin in her own quiet way, to observe the chief causes of battle.

In most cases she is likely to discover that habit and chip-carrying are all there is to the matter. If this is true and she suspects no imposition, or teasing or overbearing behavior on the part of any of them, then the situation calls for no uncertain measures.

Frankly and flatly she must put the problem up to the youngsters themselves. "I won't have this screaming and quarrelling one minute longer," she should say.

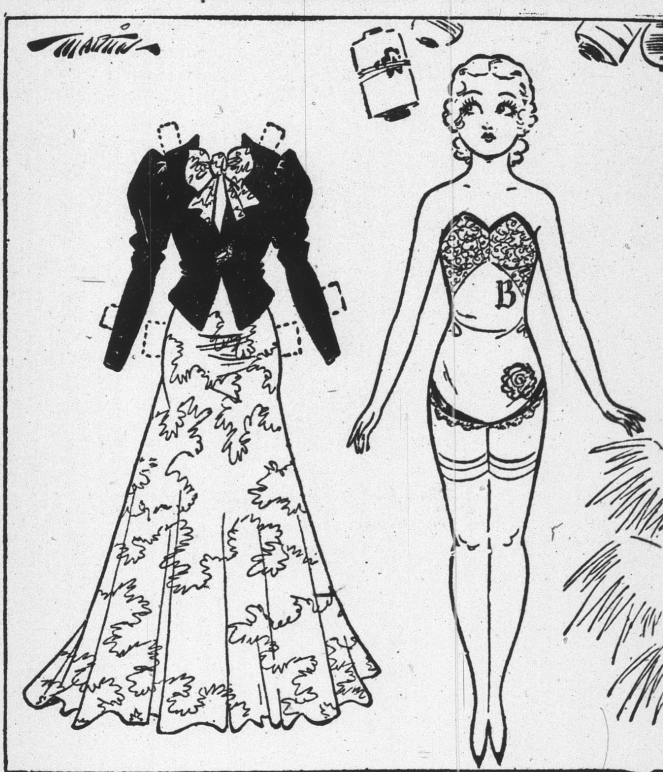
Problem Child Is Exception. If they see that she means what she says, they are going to try their small axes with amazing speed. It is strange how enforced good behavior reacts on the thought and actions of the disciplined. These children will be feeling more kindly to one another in a little while, their small grudges forgotten.

If the mother finds that one child is the source of most of the trouble, the storm center so to speak, then her safest move is to study him as a problem.

He may need some very special handling to overcome his bullying, which is stepchild to some unhappy complexity in himself, and needs wisdom and patience to overcome.

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Boots Likes Dinner Ensemble



Of course Boots loves her whole new wardrobe, but really, she's a bit partial to the gown that appears today... her dinner ensemble. Most girls do like very pretty dinner dresses, and Boots, star character in the comic strip "Boots and Her Buddies," is no exception. Cut out and color this gown, and try it on your Boots' paper doll. Next, Boots' riding, camping and hiking outfits will appear.

Sleek and Slender Juliana Captures Coronation Crowds

By United Press

LONDON, May 11.—Crown Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, and her bridegroom, Prince Bernhard, whom she now calls "Benno," captured the imagination of coronation crowds today. They remembered the Princess as a roly-poly, shy, old-fashioned bride at the wedding of Princess Marina and the Duke of Kent.

Today, they saw a slender, chic, modern young woman who could no longer be called stout.

The Crown Princess wore a heavy crepe dress with a light blue woolen coat, smartly tailored, and edged with crimson frogging on the shoulder and yoke. She had a tiny peaked skull cap of openwork, pale blue straw perched jauntily on the back of her head. Jeweled ear rings dangled from her uncovered ears. Her shoes, purse and gloves were of navy blue.

Juliana apparently is continuing her reducing exercises and dieting, for she appeared from five to 10 pounds slimmer today than when she visited Paris a month ago.

London still remembers the time she held up boat reporters and photographers to smoke a forbidden cigarette before descending the gangplank attired in a matronly costume, with her long hair piled in a

Strawberry Blitz Torte Luring Dish

Here's a Recipe That Men Will Fall for in Springtime.

By MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX

Kindly advice to women who live alone and don't like it—learn how to make a strawberry blitz torte. It tastes as sweet as wedding bells in June.

Strawberry Blitz Torte (6 servings)

One and one-third cups sifted cake flour, 1 1/2 teaspoon combination baking powder, 1/2 cup butter, 1/2 cup sugar, 4 egg yolks, unbeaten, 8 tablespoons milk—4 egg whites, 1 cup sugar, 1 quart perfect May strawberries, crushed and sweetened.

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and sift together three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating very thoroughly after adding each. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Spread in two 8-inch greased layer pans.

Beat egg whites until foamy throughout. Add sugar, 2 tablespoons at a time, beating after each addition until sugar is thoroughly blended. After all sugar is added, continue beating until mixture will stand in peaks. Spread in equal amounts on top of each layer. Bake layers in slow oven (325 degrees F.) for 25 minutes, then increase the heat to moderate (350 degrees F.) and bake 30 minutes longer. When cool, spread with crushed sweetened strawberries. Cut in wedges for servings.

Gather ye rosebuds while ye may and make jelly while strawberries are cheap in the market. Summer will fade but breakfast toast goes on forever.

Zella Ann Grossman To Be Wed on June 5

Miss Zella Ann Grossman, daughter of Mrs. Dora A. Grossman, has chosen June 5 for the date of her marriage to Gordon Harold Raison, Detroit.

The ceremony is to take place at the home of the Rev. C. C. Bonnell. A reception at Mrs. Grossman's home is to follow.

Miss Marie Jeffries entertained at her home last night with a personal shower in Miss Grossman's honor.

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