

# WOMEN'S INTERESTS

## Who Gives Up The Most

By DOROTHY DIX

The Blue Pencil Club of Brooklyn recently discussed this burning topic: Does the husband or the wife give up the most in matrimony? Among the very clever opinions contributed to the debate was one by a lawyer, who said:

"The round of matrimony is divided into three great daily eras—the first, when the contracting parties are together; the second, when they are apart; the third, when they are resting up for the first era to start again the next day.

"The first era should mean the glories, the joys, the sweets of life, the veritable bursting forth of heavenly benedictions; and so it does—in some cases.

"The second era should mean heart-hunger, longing and pain induced by separation. I know it means that; if I didn't I would that any one embraced all the beauties that era one should. The third era is unquestionably the greatest of all. To those who are truly ideal it means preparation for the day to come. To those who are not it means relief and succor from the day that has gone.

"Should the man in matrimony give up his rights to a club? As a headquarters—yes; as a place for relaxation—no. His rights to friends? As an obsession—yes; as a means to keep ripened the sweetness of existence—no. His rights to smoking? To the detriment of his wife's health—yes; because it is bad for the lace curtains—no.

"Should he give up his rights to free speech? If it is dominating, abusive and unjust—yes; if it is in self-defense—no. His rights to spend his own money? If he does not provide justly—yes; if he is left after paying the bills—no. His rights to flirtations? If it is with the other man's wife—yes; if with his own wife—no.

"Should he give up his rights to pinche or bridge parties? If he doesn't win—yes; if he includes wifely in the game—no. His rights to exercising after business hours? If it is to the corner—yes; if it is with the baby—no.

"I can well imagine that the average old bachelor is positive that were he to enter portals of matrimony he would be passing through the gates of doom. And no wonder! Look around you as you pass up and down the great thoroughfares of this great city. See the high-heeled, hideously painted, powder-dabbed, short-skirted, outlandishly garbed individuals, who with perfumed breaths and nicotine stained fingers do the peacock promenade, adroitly disguising the fact that they are the daughters of our most respected families.

"Then he takes home to the family album to gaze upon the sweetest lovely picture of mother there looking forth at you. Can't you see that our wary old bachelor determines he doesn't want to marry one of the pages of our modern fashion books, and make her the mother of his children?

"No one can say, as a broad, sweeping proposition, whether it is the man or the woman as a class, who are chief contributing causes to matrimonial infelicities. It is my experience as a lawyer that each case has a different story to tell; that no two are exactly alike.

"It is a mistake to ask for expert opinion from a married man or woman, a father or a mother, on such questions as this, on how to rear children, on marriage and divorce. If one may judge by the volumes of matter written on such subjects it would appear that those who are best equipped to analyze, digest and solve any and all domestic problems are the old maids and sour, crusty old bachelors. I therefore submit this question to them for answer.

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By MAY MANTON



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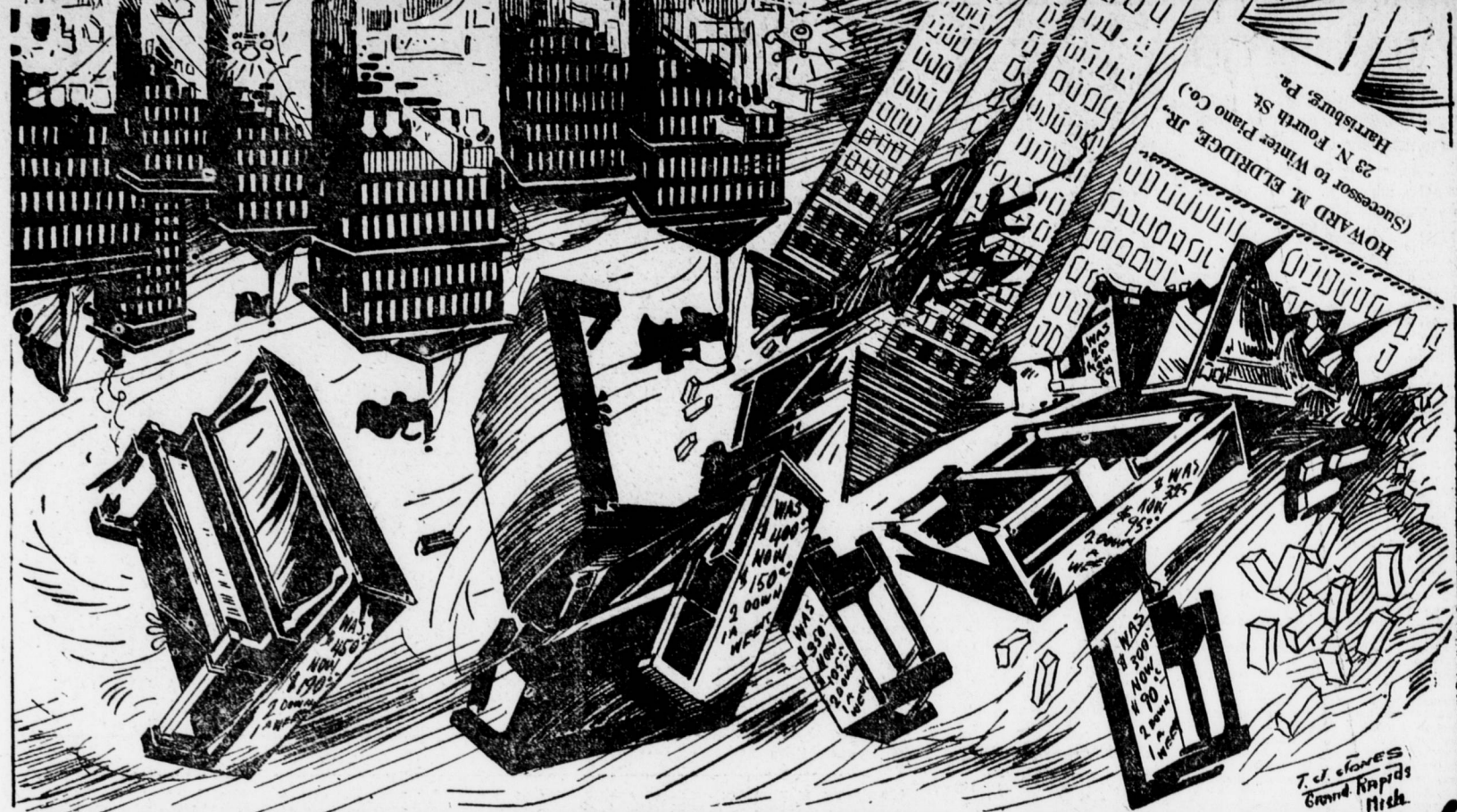
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