



Reading for women and all the family



"When a Girl Marries"

By ANN LISLE

A New, Romantic Serial Dealing With the Absorbing Problems of a Girl Wife

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"You could march with them, you know, Jim. You've done your share," cried Neal abruptly.

Jim's face changed. The glimpse I had of it showed warmth and kindness—then it was hidden from me, for he rose, shaking off little Phoebe's encircling arms as if unconscious of them, and limped over to the window. Below, on the street, the band was playing the "Marsellaise." Jim stood drawn to attention. I wondered if he was proud because of Nell's reminder that he had been part of the great struggle or sad because he could never again share in it.

Then suddenly I knew the answer to my own question. The tragedy lay in this:

He had done his share—and it was over. Had he not said to me once in a long-ago moment of bitterness, "I'm finished—done?"

I crossed the room and laid my hand on his shoulder—lightly, so that he need give no sign of knowing it was there in case even my touch was an intrusion.

But Jim lifted his hand and laid it across mine. For a moment we shared life to the uttermost, his lameness and all that it meant were ours—ours to meet together—no merely his. Then Jim spoke but not to me:

"Phoebe, I came across a topaz chain of mother's the other day. I'd like you to have it. I'll get it for you now."

As he limped into the bedroom I blessed that bit of jewelry of which I hadn't even heard before—blessed it because it gave my boy what he so needed—the chance to be alone.

Phoebe's voice floated after him in tones of great delight:

"Mother's chain! I'll love it, Jimmie—how could you and Anne are to let me have it?"

And while I was thinking what a dear child she was to credit me with having a part in the gift, the telephone rang.

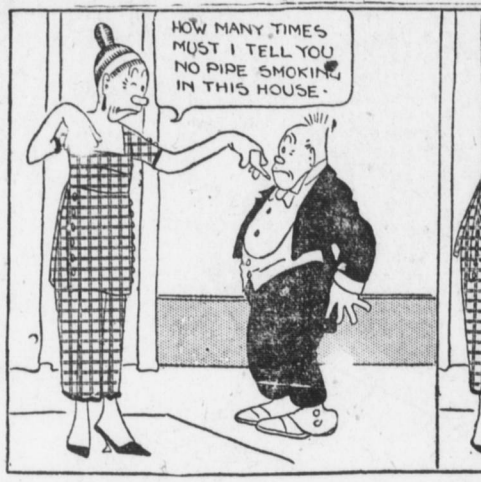
"Hello—is this Mr. James Harrison's apartment?" came the query.

Evy's voice! Of course she must know mine too. But of that she gave no sign, asking merely to speak to Mr. Hyland. Oh, how I longed to say: "He's not here, but I could bring myself to lie, and saying instead that I would call him. I turned to summon Neal. At the same time the scene that greeted me my hand fairly flew to cover the transmitter and shut out Evelyn Mason.

Neal was sitting on the couch, his head hunched down between his shoulders. He looked only at me and not a boy of twenty-two. Phoebe's glance swung back from the door through which Jim had gone, and turned to Neal.

She flashed across the room to his

Bringing Up Father



LITTLE TALKS BY BEATRICE FAIRFAX

A mother who has an affectionate relationship with her son is doomed to suffer, sooner or later.

The day when he falls in love is sure to mean misery for her, even though the son should remain as constant as the sun to herself and the girl he loved were a seraph with glistening wings.

There's no escaping the wrench that this brings. It's more inevitable than the pangs of birth, or than those of death, even.

But what does remain within the control of mothers is their way of meeting this experience. And the mother who loves her son in the right way is going to let jealousy get the better of her at this critical point in their lives. She may believe that she's submitting to being displaced but she's bent on doing it with grace and sportsmanship.

The hardest thing mothers have to realize, and the thing some mothers never realize at all, is that their son's relations with girls or young women don't properly concern them.

If they have conscientiously discharged every duty of motherhood up to the time when a youth can reasonably think of himself as a lover, there is absolutely nothing else they can do except withdraw from the stage and watch for the appearance of the starchy young creature who is going to play leading role in that next act.

A mother may enjoy persuading herself that her son needs her advice and aid in choosing a girl to fall in love with. But she is making a very serious mistake if she acts on this idea.

Mother's Candidate.

She may attempt positive influence, which takes the form of inviting the colorless daughter of well-connected friends to visit at the house. And the son may set his feet and make himself agreeable to the unattractive young lady for a week at a time. But he isn't likely to fall into the marriage trap so unobtrusively baited, and he is likely to feel some resentment toward his mother for her officiousness.

Other mothers, with a talent for intrigue, try negative influence. That is, they make a point of defeating every love-project that they know their sons to entertain. After expert working in the dark to discover the young man's intentions, they devise schemes either to separate the man and the girl, or cause a disagreement between them.

There are mothers who seem utterly without conscience, from the extent to which they meddle in their son's love-affairs. Their device would be that they love their sons too much to see them get entangled with the wrong girl, and that it's a great deal kinder and more benevolent to do one's meddling secretly than openly.

And so skillful are these maternal schemers, and so confiding are their sons that—I say it with some regret—they almost never get found out.

Love Must Be Free.

If a son isn't able to choose his own beloved wisely, I can't see that his mother can help the situation any. He's grown up. He's the product of her training. Now let him act independently and freely. Artificially chosen beloveds aren't

MAKING THE MOST OF OUR CHILDREN



A Series of Plain Talks to Parents

By Ray C. Beery, A.B., M.A.
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Prevention of a habit is better than a cure. And after a tendency once becomes a habit, the sooner an attempt is made to break it, the better.

But very often parents ask for methods to help their children who are well up in their teens.

For example, one mother writes to me:

"Our daughter is now eighteen years old and is extremely self-conscious. Can you give me any helpful suggestions at this late date?"

Apart from the ordinary cause of self-consciousness, we have in this case the habit already developed of acquiring the habit of self-consciousness of embarrassment in any particular situation. But at the same time certain other causes play their part. For example, to talk about the peculiarity, unless in an exceedingly tactful way, would make matters worse. To eat a heavy meal or especially to eat meat or take any quantity of warm tea or coffee at or before a formal gathering of any sort might cause the girl's face to become flushed, and this would tend to make her still more embarrassed. To pay attention to your daughter for any reason would tend to embarrass her. To have unfamiliar guests before her, without others familiar to her who can carry on the conversation, would be an unpleasant experience for her.

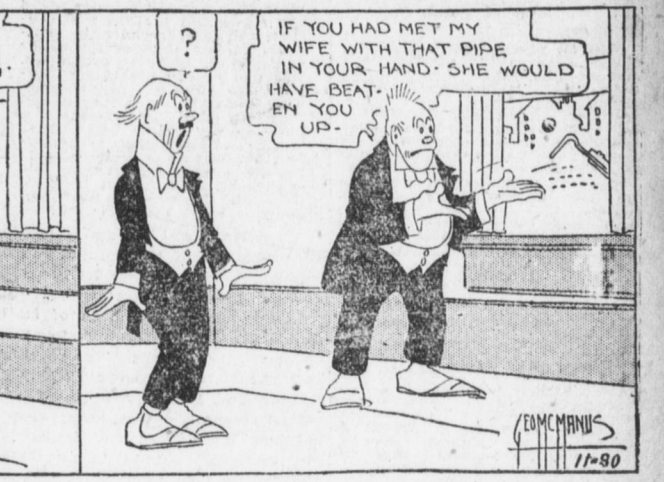
Sometimes a girl of this age feels that her apparel is not standard in some particular and this causes embarrassment. Often-times a girl feels self-conscious because she can't think of anything interesting to say to bear her share in the conversation. She hears someone else tell an interesting story and she feels that she would get along all right, too, if only she had as much experience as the other girl and knew so many stories. Girls often are not given enough opportunity to mingle in company with the result that, when they do have an opportunity, they do not feel so much at ease as those who are in company more.

The thing for you to do is to study each of these possible causes and see to it that each is removed so far as it is possible.

It is not enough that your daughter be given opportunity to practice being in company; the experience must be pleasant. If an experience in company seems very unpleasant, it is possibly that the next experience will be harder instead of easier.

It would be a good idea if your daughter could enter some and actively of some sort—something that would be absolutely interesting so

By McManus



take out, strain the liquor, add vinegar and then make a gravy by adding to the liquor, fat rubbed with an equal quantity of flour. Add the gingerbread crumbs to the gravy. Pour this gravy over the rabbit, simmer awhile and serve.

Rabbit and Tripe

Clean and wash a rabbit. Cut a pound of tripe into small pieces about 2 inches square. Peel and slice 2 Spanish onions and cook these with the rabbit and tripe in plenty of water for one and one-half hours. Have ready a very hot dish, and when the tripe and rabbit are thoroughly cooked, dish up by placing the rabbit in the center with the tripe arranged all around it. Drain off the liquor from the onions and save it. Melt two tablespoons of fat, rub with two tablespoons flour, add two cups of milk, one-half teaspoon of salt and one-fourth teaspoon pepper. Add onions and stir thoroughly. Pour over the rabbit and serve hot.

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ARE BLONDES DECEITFUL?

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I am a blonde 27 years old and have been on very friendly terms with a man three years my senior for two years. I am sure we would become more than friends to each other if it weren't for one thing—my being a blonde. He is a very nice fellow, but constantly been warning him that a union between us would end disastrously as blondes always prove neckless. Although I have never in word or deed deceived my friend, I am afraid he will finally be influenced by his friends. Now, Miss Fairfax, is there anything I can do or say which will convince him that all blondes are not deceitful and fickle?

JESSIE.

Is it possible that this young man's entire acquaintance is bronette with the exception of yourself? And is there no blonde among the members of his own family? He doubtless already places deep confidence in one or more blondes and there should be no difficulty in leading him to see how absurd this blonde-and-bronette division of human beings is.

But there is another aspect of your problem. Can you yourself find a man who is so easily influenced by his friends? If he has known you for two years, you are a very responsible and sympathetic always, what further proof can you be expected to supply that the next experience will be harder instead of easier.

ANIMALS AND LIGHT

It is well known that many animals are very sensitive to different degrees of illumination here a direct more light and other less. Many larvae hatched on the floor of the sea are attracted to the light, which is the best thing they can do for nutritive and other reasons.

Still more frequent is the case of animals which show marked light-sensitiveness only when some unusual conditions have intervened, such as perturbations in the water or foulness of water.

They retreat in the direction of the light conditions they are accustomed to. They make for stronger or weaker light, as the case may be, and the degree of illumination here a directing influence in a sense. But it is not the degree of illumination in itself that is significant; it is the avoidance of concomitant unpropitious conditions.

Rabbit Receipts

Many farmers are now including rabbits among their livestock. For supplementing the meat supply of our country these little animals are very valuable. They may well take the place of other meat occasionally, suggests the United States Food Administration.

Roast Rabbit

1 rabbit, 3 tablespoons fat, salt, 3 sliced onions dash of thyme, 3 whole allspice, 2 black peppers, 1 clove, 1 clovegarlic, 1/2 bay leaf. Dress and clean rabbit. Grease and salt thoroughly. Place in roasting pan with onion and seasonings. Roast quickly, basting frequently. When tender remove from oven. Make a gravy by adding flour and liquid to hot pan. Simmer for a few minutes and serve with rabbit.

Jugged Rabbit

Fourquarters of rabbit, 2 tablespoons fat, dash of thyme, 1 sliced onion, grated rind of 1 lemon, 1 bay leaf, water, salt, 3 tablespoons vinegar, 1 cup gingerbread crumbs. Cut rabbit into pieces, place in saucepan with fat, thyme, sliced onion, lemon rind and bay leaf. Add enough water to cover rabbit an inch from the top, salt, cover and stew. When rabbit is nearly done,

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