

VACATION TIME SHOULD BE SEPARATION TIME, SAYS M'LISS

If You've Arrived at the Stage Where Your Husband's Bald Spot Annoys You, You Stand in Need of Change

IF AT this time of the year the young man is deeply immersed in that sentimental state, brought about by having lightly turned his fancy to thoughts of love earlier in the season, and if the young woman wears triumphantly on her head the tangible result of spring bonnet concentration, the married woman also is about to take action on a certain mental attitude that to the exclusion of all else has been dominating her thoughts with the oncoming of warm weather.

Vacation time! Getting away! The very words spell liberation. Be he ever so ardent and lover-like, be he here and a god to her nine months of the year, with the advent of June, July and August her spouse becomes an impediment, a thing to be disposed of, safely and humanely, of course, but to be sloughed none the less.

But surely you don't approve of husbands and wives taking separate vacations. "I hear some one murmur in shocked and awed tones.

But surely I do. Just as surely as I believe that no matter how deeply two people love each other there comes a time when distance is bound to lend a much-needed enchantment and absence to stimulate the growth of fondness in the heart.

This is not deplorable. Nor is it abnormal. It's only very, very human and natural. The need of change (no pun is meant) is a universal need. One gets tired of house, city work and possessions. Likewise one gets tired of one's husband. Indeed, it would seem that the objects of one's deepest affections are the very first to be wearied of when this enervating season rolls around.

But do you think it fair for me to leave Henry in the sweltering city for six or eight weeks while I go away to the cool shore, and he can only get a paltry two weeks? Who would tend to his laundry and mend his socks and see that his eggs were boiled two minutes, as he likes them, and not three or four? He'd die without me," is the plaint of one woman.

Fear not, deluded one. Give him a chance—also a change.

If when you broach the subject of a vacation he murmurs fondly: "I don't see how I'm to do without you, but you

and the kiddies had better run off to the mountains before the heat becomes too intense and you all come down with something," regard him affectionately and tell him with lowered lash that he guesses the truth that you are onto his game; that he is so sweet and self-sacrificing. Impress upon him that you consent to go away from him for this interminable length of time only on condition that he write you immediately should the least little wrong thing happen to him, and that you know you're going to be fearfully unhappy, but you'll do it for the children's sake.

And then put your ear on his heart and hear it pound for joy; for no man, no matter how much married or how domesticated he may be, can ever down the desire to be "one of the boys" again when the opportunity is supplied him.

"Now I'll be able to accept that weekend invitation to go fishing with Davis," is the thought that flashes over his brain, "and I won't have to come home to dinner, and can stay late at the club and work up on tennis. My game's become terribly slack. And I'll have a chance to smoke a few pipes with good old Duncan and listen to his queer philosophy." Innocent enough diversion, he plans, but diversions which the exigencies of married life have always denied him.

With the separation of a few weeks all the petty annoyances that threatened to disrupt the peace of the home vanish. It may be that you are getting a bit peevish at the way your Henry wears his hair. Perhaps the little bald spot is commencing to get on your nerves. Maybe a mistake in grammar that he would never fail to make or a persistent request for ham and cabbage dinners is beginning to irk.

Separation is the cure-all. After a six weeks' absence that little bald spot will have been metamorphosed into the most adorably kissable little spot in the world. And your own peccadilloes, which possibly have irritated your spouse almost beyond endurance, will have become mysteriously the most attractive feminine attributes in the world—until this time next year, at any rate. Such is the power of "getting away."

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SEEN IN THE SHOPS



SMART FROCK WITH STRAIGHT LINES

IN CONTRAST to the very bouffant effects, which threaten to be overdone, are the straight lines of this girlish frock. It is made of jorast, a lustrous satin-finished fabric combined with Georgette crepe for the collar, muff pockets and sleeves, the latter being self-colored, gray, the same as the jorast. Picoated bands of jorast form an attractive finish for the full sleeves which terminate with picoated frills. The collar, which has a hemstitched border, is further enhanced by a bit of needlework. Embroidered buttons arranged in groups down the deep yoke and belt. The latter holds in the fullness, which is gathered into the yoke and falls in rich folds to the hem of the skirt, which is finished by three rows of cording. In various colors. Price \$32.50. The unusually attractive hat is of ciel imported woven grass with a flesh hem fitting. A self-colored taffeta cord encircles the crown, which is effectively ornamented with a rose flower embroidered on it. It may be ordered in various color combinations at \$14.

The name of the shop where these articles may be purchased will be supplied by the Editor of the Woman's Page, EVENING LEDGER, 608 Chestnut street. The request must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and must mention the date on which the article appeared.

GOOD FORM

Good form queries should be addressed to Deborah Rush, writes on one side of the paper, and signed with full name and address, though initials ONLY will be published upon request. This column will appear in Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's Evening Ledger.

It must be remembered that most of the queries in this column are answered according to general rules of etiquette and in some cases to local customs as well. For instance, in this city it is not considered good form for a woman to take a man's arm when walking with him. Some 20 or 40 years ago it was the proper thing to do, but now it is not done.

How to Eat Sandwiches: Kindly tell me the proper way to eat sandwiches, especially club sandwiches, that, as you are, and the fork in the right hand after cutting meat or other foods with the left hand. Write to Deborah Rush, 608 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, for a list of them.

Authors of Proverbs: "Can you tell me the authors of the accompanying proverb? 'He who runs with the hare and hunt with the hounds' and 'He wants to have a finger in the pie'?" Write to Deborah Rush, 608 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, for a list of them.

Concerning an Indiana School: "About 25 years ago a publication issued at Terre Haute, Ind. devoted several pages to Coates College, with pictures and a general write-up of that institution, which has been discontinued for 20 or more years. I attended Coates College about 1890-92 and I should like a remembrance of days long gone by. I am asking only for the loan of such articles or pictures and will return them in perfect condition as they are received. Will those who have known Coates College kindly look through their memory boxes? I shall be most grateful to such persons and also thank the Corner."

Deluged With Letters: "The woman who wrote about the hearing apparatus made vulcanized rubber says she is deluged with letters and it would be impossible to answer them all. She said in her letter, which was printed, the rubber could be purchased at any rubber store. We shall forward to more queries to the correspondent who told us of the vulcanized rubber, but hold ourselves ready to communicate by mail with the afflicted who desire to profit by her knowledge of the matter in hand."

Wants to Pursue Acquaintances: "Dear Deborah Rush: Coming in from Baltimore to New York, I met a girl I would like to get acquainted with. Will you please let me know if she would be interested in my acquaintance? If so, would you kindly let me know how to contact her?"

If You Love: "Flowers You Should Know The Century Flower Shop 11th Below Chestnut St."

BOARDING HOUSE LIST FOR GUIDANCE OF GIRLS WHO WANT "HOMES"

Registration Bureau, Backed by Philanthropic Men and Women, Undertakes to Solve Problem

MISS MORRIS EXPLAINS Miss Gillette, Bishop Rhinelander and His Secretary Also Interested in Plan

If a working girl were asked to give her idea of heaven she'd say it was eight hours work of clean boarding houses, where she could iron her shirts, receive her ailing friends and entertain her beau in peace. There wouldn't be an odor of cabbage around her Utopia.

It is to do away with these and worse evils that the Curtis Publishing Company, together with Miss Mary Gillette of the Travelers' Aid Society, and Edwin Lane, Bishop Rhinelander's secretary, are doing some of the work of classification.

The latter is a system of investigating boarding houses in Philadelphia unless the neighbors insist, and there is no law to prevent any one from starting a boarding house. It requires no license to be a boarding house keeper in Philadelphia.

"In this way many of the disorderly houses that exist in certain districts before the police started to close them up now exist in the form of boarding houses. No boarding house is safe unless it is investigated. A girl comes here from out of town, or lives here alone, and how can she tell what sort of a place she is getting into?"

The Travelers' Aid Society makes a list of approved places, but since boarding houses in this city may change character over night, constant investigation is imperative. Philadelphia has more boarding houses than any other city in the United States. New York has 1 place an average of 56 girls in houses in a month. All employers should be sufficiently interested in their employees to know how and where they live. There are boarding houses for girls from \$1 a week up to \$10 a week; surely every girl would be willing to live in a place like that.

With this information at hand it is possible for the bureau to do a tremendous work. Our plan is very much like the system now in practice in New York. The list of approved boarding houses is sent to every department store, factory and corporation in Philadelphia. They pay so much a year for the use of it. Then as long as we guarantee to keep each boarding house filled the landlady pays a percentage of her profits. Naturally, it is a mutual affair, for a boarding house mistress likes to feel that her tenants are desirable, just as much as her tenants desire the same of her.

Herding girls together in two-by-four apartments, forbidding any light laundry work, treating them in the cold weather, forcing them to seek warmth and shelter in a nearby movie or cafe when their beau calls—all these things are the trials that send the girls away from a boarding house in disgust.

"Every girl has the home instinct," declares Miss Morris. "No matter how little they are, they want privacy, and they want a room to themselves. If it's only a hall room, it's theirs, and they want to have it to themselves. The committee in charge, including Bishop Rhinelander, Mrs. Louis Madeira, Mrs. Charles Stringer of the Boarding House Association; Mrs. Martha Falconer, of the Girls' Reformatory; Miss Pratt, of Alcott House; Mrs. Samuel Peiss and Father O'Donnell, of the Catholic Children's Bureau, are enthusiastic over the plan. How it works out remains to be seen, but the worthiness of the object fairly guarantees success."

Egg Salad: Cover the eggs with boiling water and reduce the heat to one cooking. Boil the eggs for 25 to 28 minutes over the simmer burner of the gas stove. When the eggs are done, cover them with cold water. Prepare mayonnaise, when thick, add four or five sardines that have been skinned, boned and pounded to a paste. Cut the egg lengthwise, lay on chilled lettuce and serve the dressing.

Pickling Brine: A "universal" pickle—that is, a pickling liquid that may be used with nearly all kinds of vegetables and fruits—is made like this: A cupful of sugar added to four quarts of vinegar, two dozen whole black peppers and a handful of cloves, a few blades of mace and 18 whole allspice. Boil all the ingredients for five minutes and pour over the fruit.

Safe Milk for Infants and Invalids: HORLICK'S THE ORIGINAL MALTED MILK. Rich milk, malted grain, in powder form. For infants, invalids and growing children. Pure nutrition, upbuilding the whole body. Invigorates nursing mothers and the aged. More nutritious than tea, coffee, etc. Instantly prepared. Requires no cooking. Substitutes Cost You Same Price.

Mildew Stains: Mildew on garments is easily removed. Wet the article with soft water, rubbing it well with white soap, then with powdered chalk. Place it on the grass in the sunshine and be sure to keep it damp with soft water, repeating the process the next day. The mildew will not be noticeable after this.

Full English Sport Oxfords: A light slender-in-effect last, with broad low heel for walking. In a good choice of materials—gunmetal, tan Russia or white buckskin.

Clafin, 1107 Chestnut: Closed all day Tuesday, Decoration Day.

STOVEPIPE THE SERVANT OF HEALTH WHO SHOULD NOT BE DISCARDED

By WILLIAM A. BRADY, M. D. Doctor Brady will answer all slanted letters pertaining to health. If your question is of general interest, it will be answered through this column, if not, an addressed envelope is enclosed. Doctor Brady will not prescribe. Address: Dr. William Brady, care of the Evening Ledger.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS: The Shrinking of Fibroids: Is it possible to shrink or reduce fibroids by medicinal and electric treatment? I have some pain, but never any hemorrhaging. Answer—Yes, in some instances, it seems that fibroid tumors, sometimes undergo natural evolution at the time of the menopause. But such treatment is of doubtful value in a minority of the cases treated. It is only a poor alternative for surgery.

Fish Wives Still on the Job: I am told to avoid stretching, for fear the cord will be wrapped around the baby's neck. Answer—Stretch all you like and never mind what the old fishwives say. That is pure imagination.

The Daily Menu: When the spring and summer months come, the system requires a change of diet just as the body requires a change of environment. Lighter foods are needed to relieve the strain on the digestive organs just as much as lighter clothes are worn to relieve the heat of the body. This brings the housekeeper to the question of proper food values.

A Fruit Dessert: Cut a grapefruit in half and remove the tough rind and part of the pulp. Chop the pulp up finely and add it to mashed and sweetened strawberries. Re-fill the grapefruit rinds with this mixture, and set on the ice before serving.

White Boot: A Distinctive White Boot at a remarkably low price \$4.50. From dressy White Kid Pumps to the smartest sport effects in town you will find your choice in Whites in these two big shops almost unlimited and Moderately Priced.

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MEMORIAL DAY: Reopening of Wilmington's Famous Amusement Resorts SHELLPOT AND BRANDYWINE SPRINGS PARKS.

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ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. WHITE MOUNTAINS, N. H. BRETTON WOODS: WHITE MOUNTAINS, N. H. GOLF MOTORING HORSEBACK RIDING: In the very shadow of Mount Washington. THE MOUNT PLEASANT: C. J. DUNPHY, Manager. THE MOUNT WASHINGTON: JAMES E. HENRY, Park Manager, 506 Ford Building, Wilmington, Del.

WILDWOOD, N. J. HOTEL BRIGHTON: Ocean City's best hotel. ST. CHARLES: Formerly Starling, Cor. 11th & Chestnut. THE OCEANIC: 11th and Water St. SWARTHMORE, Pa. STRATH HAVEN INN: Swarthmore, Pa.

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