Confidence



Readers desiring a personal reply can address Miss Flo, in care of this newspaper

MOTHERS AREN'T ALWAYS CAPABLE OF SELECTING THE IDEAL MATE FOR THEIR CHILDREN

My son is engaged to marry a young girl who works in his office. He thinks he loves her but ,I'm sure he is only infatuated with her pretty face. I think she is frivolous, irresponsible, and foolish—and I know that she canont possibly make my son happy. They have nothing in common. She is gay and fun loving—he is intellectual and serious. Then too, the fact that they are not of the same social status makes me fearful for the outcome of the marriage.

Wont' you please tell me how to part them before it is too late?

A Mother.

How do you know that the girl of whom you so disapprove will not fill every need of your son's soul? The girl he loves might be all that you think she is—but, you see, a husband or a wife is so absolutely a matter of personal taste that she could still be the most precious thing in the world to him, filling his days with romance and happiness. On the other hand, he might be bored to death with the nice sweet domestic woman you would choose for him.

You admit that your son is "intellectual and serious." Then, certainly, he ought to know the kind of a wife he wants. It is very serious to break off a marriage and parents can well give more careful consideration to all the facts before attemping it. The fact that a young girl is gay and frivolous and loves good times is not sufficient reason for a mother to disapprove of the marriage. Nor does the fact that they are not of the same social status make a great deal of difference. If there ever was any prejudice against working women the world is getting over it very bravely. Any nice, sweet girl who has the independence of spirit that makes her hustle out and earn her own living, instead of forcing a poor old father or her brother or her family to support her, who has the intelligence and grit to hold down a position, is a fit wife for any man from the President down.

It is the most natural thing in the world for parents to really believe that they are in better position to judge what sort of a husband or wife their child should have. They feel that their experience and knowledge of life qualifies them to select the ideal partner. Believing they can bring a calm, cool uninfluenced judgment to bear on the matter, they are quite apt to forget that the faults they find so intolerable in a boy or girl are not faults at all. Young and old do not look at things from the same view point. They haven't the same ideals, nor do they judge things by the same standard. Especially is this true now when the present generation accepts as commonplace many of the things their parents condemn as criminal breaches of manners and morals.

Having children marry out of their class, out of their religion, marry a poor man, or frivolous girl, means nothing at all, for others that have no apparent points of friction fail. This makes it more and more impossible for parents to decide, with any degree of certainty, what sort of wives and husbands will really make their children happy.

As for breaking off the match, the only successful tactics are diplomatic ones, and the use of them depends upon the personality of the individuals. Sometimes absence does the trick, and the engagement can be broken off by separating the couple. Sometimes too much of each other's company wil do the good work—a little ridicule is always effective, but the one sure way to make the match is to forbid the boy or girl to see each other and keep nagging them about it.

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ORPHAN'S COURT

Court met in regular session, there being present their Honors, Judges West, Harper and Shawn, and the following business was transacted:

Norwood Melvin, administrator of Frederick N. Melvin, deceased, filed his first and final account of administration and distribution, which was examined by the Court, approved and passed.

Edward E. Nuttle, administrator of Grace Elvira Bullock, filed inventory and appraisement of the personal estate, which was examined and approved.

Edward E. Nuttle, administrator of the personal estate of James C. Gambrill, deceased, filed inventory and appraisement of the personal estate of said deceased, which was approved.

The last will and testament of William R. Dean, having been filed and duly proved was admitted to probate. William R. Thomas the executor named in said will qualified by filing an approved bond. Notice to cerditors was ordered and Linwood F. Todd and H. C. Todd were named as appraisers and approved.

On application, letters of administration on the personal estate of Martha E. Cheezum, deceased, were granted unto Effie L. Davis and Clayton N. Cheezum. Bond filed and approved. Notice to creditors ordered and W. R. Dulin and James E. Cheezum were named as appraisers and approved.

Sylvester J. Fogwell, administrator of B. Ernest Reed, deceased, filed his first and partial account of administration, which was examined, approved and ordered to be recorded.

Laura H. Dean, one of the administrators of Joseph P. Patchett, deceased, filed an additional inventory of the personal estate of said deceased, which was approved.

Genevieve C. Roe, administratrix of Frederick P. Roe, deceased, filed inventory and appraisement of the personal estate of said deceased, which was examined by the Court, and approved.

meline Brauchle, administratrix of Charles W. Bradley, deceased, filed her first and final account of administration and distribution, which were examined, passed nad ordered recorded.

The last will and testament of Elizabeth Pennewell, deceased, was filed in this Court by T. Pliny Fisher, custodian, and by order of Court will stand for probate Tuesday, April 27, 1926, at lven o'clock a. m.

Leonard F. Covey, administrator of Thomas J. Williams, deceased, filed his first and final account of administration and distribution, which were examined by the Court, approved and ordered recorded.

W. Elbert Liden, administrator of William E. Liden, deceased, filed releases from Mary L. Liden, Nellie L. Robinson, Edith L. Thawley, Charley E. Liden, S. Walter Liden, Mary L. Closson and W. Elbert Liden, distributees.

Edward E. Nuttle, administrator of Bertha E. Potts, deceased, filed inventory and appraisement of the personal estate of said deceased, which was approved and ordered recorded.

She—Why aren't you having as many breach of promise suits as you used to?

He—I had "For Display Purposes Only" engraved on my frat pin.

Girl at the Zoo—These monkeys look so horrid. Jack, darling, please hold my hand.

Her escort—Just a minute. Let's go over and look at the elephants.

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