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THREE GENERATIONS IN HOME

Soothing Effects of Parents and Grandparents on Hot Tempers of Young Married Couples.

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Young married people often quarrel. "You love for three months; quarrel for three years, live together for thirty, and then the children begin the same quarrel," says Taine. This is why I have once said that the ideal family consists of three generations—grandparents, parents and children.

Young married people always have a little to complain, one about the other. They generally complain to their male or female friends, respectively. In most cases this is very deplorable, for a friend is more apt to pour oil into the flames than to act as a peacemaker.

Too Much Happiness.

Young couples are often suffering from a surfeit of happiness and the remedy of this is in the child, but it is certainly also in the grandparent. Solitude a deux in happiness has its drawback—the too close intimacy. The intimacy is fortunately broken by the child, but more fortunately still by the older people, who are not yet too old and with whom you can talk, exchange views and ideas, together with whom you have pleasures which do not enter into your relations with the child.

Grandfather and grandmother act like light conductors for the too close intimacy, which makes happiness monotonous. "Contradict me once in a while that I may feel that we are two," said an Orestes to a Pythias, who was too much of an Achaetes. Generally young couples contradict one another too much, but some times they do not contract enough. In both cases advice are welcome. In the first case they conciliate in the second they bring in varieties. In the first case they establish harmony in the second they add a new instrument to the concert.

One grows when you feel that you are not autonomous, that you do not belong to yourself. This is a heavy burden. I do not deny this. You always feel the inconvenience of a thing, the absence of which you would deplore if it were not there. Such is the character of the human heart. But everybody has his duties, even grandparents, and if their children have the duty of being respectful, the grandparents have the duty of being discrete. They must preserve moderation and give to the children a certain amount of autonomy in time and space. They are counsellors, confidential advisers, protectors and preservers, but must often be content with being witnesses. A really wise man is a man who knows as well when to be absent as when to be present, when to shut his eyes as well as when to open them.

Surveillance a Good Thing.

The art of life consists partially in knowing how to place yourself in a relation to circumstances which in a general way force us to be what we want to be and prevent us from doing what we accidentally wish to do. In a general way you may feel a desire to be unfaithful to your wife or to your husband. It is in this latter case that the surveillance by older people is disagreeable to us. You must then immediately tell yourself that the day will come when you will be happy to have done, with a little help, that which harmonizes with your general tendency and will, though you would willingly have listened to your first accidental impulse, and you will congratulate yourself because of the obstacle that came in the way of your accidental desire. Although I have some sympathy with the wife who is unfaithful to her husband because of the mad infatuation of a moment and who loves her husband no less for that, I do not advise those who are inclined towards unfaithfulness to consider that even the dream of unfaithfulness leaves no pleasant memories behind. As there is nothing more exquisite about love than the dream of it and the memories it leaves behind, it is sufficient to have dreamed of a lover and remember your dream, for unfaithfulness itself leaves nothing but sad and disturbing memories.

Beneficial to Children.

Early marriage and the presence of the grandparents, if useful to the young couple, are still more beneficial to the children. Early marriage diminishes the difference in age and sentiments between parents and children. It is this difference that Montaigne wants to make very great that the son may not become the rival of his father on the battlefield, in business, in the pursuit of honor, that the father may be ready to retire when the activity of the son begins. It is no longer suitable in our days. As for rivalry, twenty years difference in age is sufficient that it may not become dangerous to the father, and on the other side it is an excellent thing for the son of twenty to have a father of forty, be-

cause the father will then at the same time be able to fill the place of a friend, a comrade, an advisor and protector who will be in full vigor, while if he were sixty his strength would already be on the decline and his way of thinking quite different from that of his son.

Montaigne never thinks of bringing up children by their parents and in this regard a great difference in age between father and son, mother and daughter is a very serious drawback. When you are 20 and 10, respectively, you still understand one another, but when you are 40 or 45 and 10, understanding is difficult, not to say impossible. Education partly consists in living over again your own childhood in your children, giving them the benefit of your experiences, in becoming a child once more to understand how to guide and advise a child. You may be able to live your childhood over again until you are 30, at 40 it is difficult, at 50 impossible. I know this from my own experience as a teacher. At 22 I was a very good teacher, at 30 I was excellent, at 40 I was a poor success, at 50 I would have been a miserable failure. It is necessary for a child to have happy and light-hearted parents who understand and take part in its joys and pleasures. All good men have had good parents and neurotics are only those who have had melancholy parents.

Jolly Parents Secure.

There are almost no more gay and jolly parents nowadays; they are all nearly 40 or 50. It is a disaster to a generation to have had parents whose joy of living was a thing of the past. The child who sees only its parents is cheated of part of its life. It sees only one side of life and the slight of human life as a whole is an excellent and very essential element in education. A child must have before its eyes infancy personified by its brothers or sisters, youth and middle age by its mother and father, ripe and old age by its grandparents.

I had a father and a mother who were far too old for me, and old grandfather and grandmother, though my grandfather's soul had remained young. I felt very well that I missed something. The gap was filled by my uncle, a splendid young man, only 20 years older than I, who came to live with us. We became great friends, for he was a good natured and jolly fellow. He taught me something of life and also a good many games. He was just old enough to have been my father and thanks to him my register was now complete. I found in him something of the father I ought to have had as far as age is concerned, while in my father I found a grandfather and in my real grandfather a great grandfather.

This was very convenient. A child should have an opportunity to observe life in all its phases. There is no better preparation for life itself.

Key to the Situation—Bee Advertising.

ECHOES OF THE ANTE-ROOM

Secret Societies Now Engaged in Electing Officers for Year.

SOCIAL EVENTS ARE PLANNED

With the Winter Season Comes Announcements of Many Pleasant Affairs Among the Various Lodges in Omaha.

Tuesday evening Clan Gordon No. 62, Order of Scottish Clans, held a very important meeting. One man was initiated and the following officers elected for 1912: Chief, James Cameron; taniat, John McTaggart; chaplain, John French; secretary, James C. Lindsay; financial secretary, George A. Dunn; treasurer, William J. Hislop; hercules, William Rennie; Alexander McKee; seneschal, W. E. Callan; warden, James Mann; sentinels, Mat Leitch; physician, Dr. C. C. Morrison; trustees, Tom Johnson, Hugh Suttie, D. Linn; piper, George W. McDougall; standard bearer, William Hampton.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Omaha lodge, No. 7, will have four candidates for the second degree next Friday evening.

G. Steffler fell off of an eight-foot step ladder in the Odd Fellows' hall last Tuesday morning and suffered painful injuries which will keep him at home for several days.

Beacon lodge No. 2, will put on the first degree work next Tuesday evening.

The officers of the sovereign grand lodge, acting under the instructions of the last sovereign grand lodge communication, are making preparations to plant this branch of Odd Fellowship in England next year.

Dannebrog lodge, No. 216, will have four candidates for the second degree next Friday evening.

South Omaha lodge, No. 116, will have work in the first degree tomorrow night.

District Deputy Grand Master Clark visited the lodges last week and is making preparations for installing the new officers early in January.

Ivy Rebekah lodge, No. 23, will give a dance next Thursday evening.

Royal Neighbors Elect Officers.

Pony camp No. 10, Royal Neighbors of America, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Grand, Mrs. Ada Brady; vice grand, Mrs. Adella De Vol; past oracle, Mrs. Ella Barlow; recorder, Mrs. Olive Grimes; receiver, Mrs. Marie Gross; chancellor, Mrs. Mary Hewitt; marshal, Mrs. Adella Wiley; inner sentinel, Mrs. Mary Koesters; outer sentinel, Mrs. Libbie Stuart; manager, Mrs. Elizabeth King; physicians, Drs. Rex Pinto and Jacob; assistant, recorder, Mrs. Laura Parker.

Alpha Camp Election.

The following officers were elected at Pocanobias, will give a progressive high

Barlight's hall by Alpha camp No. 1, Woodmen of the World: Counsel commander, Michael Keiser; advisor lieutenant, A. C. Winters; banker, George S. Mack; clerk, Charles Unitt; escort, Alfred Sinclair; watchman, A. J. Bruggeman; sentry, W. B. Church; Emerson Dawson was elected member of the board of managers for three years and all camp physicians were elected camp examiners.

Eagles Choose Officers.

The local branch of the Fraternal Order of Eagles held an election Thursday night in which the following officers were chosen: Worthy president, W. E. Stockham; worthy vice president, Henry Tesch; secretary, C. S. Huntington; treasurer, T. Costanzo; chaplain, R. Tsagorohok; trustees, P. O. Schroeder, J. G. Gross, K. S. Fisher; inside guard, Sophus Bangs; outside guard, William Husten.

Royal Neighbors.

The Royal Neighbors of Omaha and vicinity will hold an important union meeting in Woodmen hall No. 1, Fifteenth and Douglas streets, Tuesday afternoon, December 12, beginning at 1:30 o'clock. The national lecturer of the Royal Neighbors society, Mrs. Grisinger, will deliver an address. The supreme oracle and state officers also are expected to be present.

Robert Burns' Birthday.

In commemoration of the birth of Bobbie Burns, Clan Gordon, No. 62, will hold a celebration on the evening of January 25. For the occasion they have engaged the Royal Welch Ladies choir of twenty voices. The choir is led by the wife of an ex-magor of Cardiff, Wales, a very wealthy woman.

Fraternal Union of America.

Mondamin lodge, No. 11 is making preparations for a Christmas dancing party on December 18 at Frenner hall, Twenty-fourth and Parker streets. The hall will be prettily trimmed in Christmas green and a real Santa Claus will be there.

Nebraska National Guards.

The Omaha battalion of infantry of the Nebraska National Guards will give a dancing party next Friday evening at the new armory, at Twentieth and Harney streets. The battalion will hold a stag party at the armory December 22.

Maccabees Dance.

The Ladies of the Maccabees of the World will give a dancing party Thursday evening at Myrtle hall, also a class initiation Friday afternoon, December 15, at 2 o'clock, Fifteenth and Douglas.

Custer Post Election.

George A. Custer post, Grand Army of the Republic, will conduct their annual election of officers Tuesday evening.

Progressive High-Five.

Minnehaha council No. 4, Degree of Pocanobias, will give a progressive high

five party and dances at Barlight's hall Saturday evening. Hand painted china prizes will be awarded.

Lecturer is Coming.

Mrs. Susie Greenleaf, the national lecturer of the Royal Neighbors, will be here this week and will hold a meeting in Modern Woodmen of America hall to discuss the raising of rates.

Circle to Elect Officers.

The Gettysburg circle will meet on Wednesday afternoon at Fraternal hall for election of officers. The meeting will be called at 2 o'clock.

Election Announced.

Lillian Lambe No. 1, Pythian Sisters, will hold its yearly election of officers Monday evening at Myrtle hall.

Barristers' Banquet to Be Held Saturday

Omaha Bar association's last banquet of the year will be held at the Loyal next Saturday evening at 6 o'clock, according to announcement of Frank L. Weaver, president of the association. The banquet will be complimentary to all members whose dues are paid. Judge Howard Kennedy of the equity and juvenile divisions of the district court will speak on the new law-library plan, Arthur Wakeley will speak of his impressions during his European tour last summer and other members of the bar will give impromptu addresses. Members who will attend should notify President Weaver or Charles E. Foster, secretary of the association before Friday evening, December 15.

Hold that Driver Assumed All Risks

Answer to Floyd E. Doherty's \$25,000 personal injury damage suit against the Omaha Speedway company and others was filed by the Speedway company in district court, Doherty, a racer, was severely and probably permanently injured during the automobile race last summer. He was driving about sixty miles an hour before a race when Joseph G. Zimmer and H. H. Marquardt tried to cross the track in a car. He struck them. He sued them and the Speedway company, alleging negligence and carelessness, one of the specific charges being that the track was not oiled and dust prevented his seeing the other car.

The Speedway company's answer gets up the defense that Doherty knew the danger when he drove on the track and assumed the risk. Zimmer and Marquardt have not yet filed their answers.

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MOVEMENT IS GAINING FORCE

Religious Campaign Participated In by All Denominations.

EXPERTS COME HERE IN MARCH

George G. Wallace Attends Meeting of Committee of Ninety-Seven at St. Louis and Returns with Much Information.

George G. Wallace is home from St. Louis where he attended a meeting of the committee of ninety-seven, Men and Religion Forward Movement. Mr. Wallace also took occasion to look into the methods of conducting the eight-day campaign in St. Louis, similar to the campaign which will be conducted in Omaha the last week in March, and will report to the committee, having charge of the Omaha movement at its next meeting.

Mr. Wallace states that the committee of ninety-seven is enthusiastic over the great growth of interest which men of all classes are showing. Not only are members of Christian churches aroused, but leaders in the Roman Catholic and Jewish churches are co-operating in a number of cities, while leading citizens in many cities who are not members of any church express their confidence in the good that must result from such campaigns.

About one-third of the cities to be visited by the teams who hold from five to eight-day campaigns of direction and instruction have already had their campaigns and reports were received from these. Minneapolis was the first city touched and because of the experimental stage of the movement at that time did not see immediate results as clearly as if the campaign had been conducted later. However, the reports from Minneapolis are extremely interesting.

Mr. Wallace says that Omaha was peculiarly fortunate in having the campaign of so late a date, not only on account of the accumulated force of the movement which will be behind the work when Omaha is reached, but because of the greater experience which the specialists can bring to their work here. Mr. Wallace, after studying the preparations from these, Minneapolis, comes back much encouraged with the situation here and feels that the leading church men of Omaha and the churches are into the work here as heartily as anywhere in the country.

CASH REGISTER STOLEN BY INDUSTRIOUS THIEF

Charles Jacobson, 645 North Twenty-fourth street, reports that his lunch and pool room was entered through a skylight Friday night and robbed of a cash register containing about \$15. The burglar used a ladder to get on top of the building and then pulled it up and placed it down through the skylight. He got out of the store by unhooking the front door.

Advertisement for C. B. Brown Co. featuring 'Artistic Creations in Whiting Silver' and 'The Mesh Bag You Should Buy'. The ad includes images of silverware, a mesh bag, and cameos, along with detailed text about the company's products and services. The ad is framed by a decorative border of 'Jewelers C.B. Brown' logos.