

Men, Don't Marry Flappers, Warns Husband of Nine

Missouri Says the Way to Win a Woman Is to Camp on Trail So Rivals Won't Have Chance.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., May 3.—Weathering many tempests on the sea of matrimony, William L. Tillman, 78-year-old farmer, has ended his cruises and now is living peacefully with his ninth wife. The divorce courts of Missouri and North Carolina have three favored the aged tiller with their verdicts. Five of his former wives are dead.

"The best way to win a wife," Tillman declares, "is to pay all your attentions to the job of wooing, be with her as much as possible so your rival won't have a chance."

There isn't a woman on earth he couldn't win if he wanted her. That's his unequivocal assertion regarding affairs of heart.

"Nothing is impossible in the world of affection. All women are different," the gray-whiskered king of marriages states. "Many women merely want love, not marriage. Most of them love 'cave-man' stuff. Many of them want to marry and raise children. By studying the psychology of the woman you want to win, you'll find the love-making methods to which she is most susceptible. They'll all fall if you know how to go after 'em."

Killed a Man. So ardent was Tillman's love for one of his former wives that he killed a man who tampered with his affections. Admitting the killing, for which he is said to have served a short term in prison, Tillman didn't care "to talk about that."

"I paid the penalty, so it makes no difference to anyone now," he declared. "I gave the 'other man' fair warning."

And take it from the love liar's own assertion that he'll marry again if his present wife ever dies.

"What's the use of staying single," he queries. "Sure I'd marry again. There's no joke about that."

"I'd have to have somebody to cut wood for," he chuckled. "I am feeling like a man again."

With his wife, formerly Mrs. Sarah Tunc, who now is 76, Tillman resides on a farm in Butler county, several miles from here. He was born October 11, 1842, in North Carolina, served through the civil war with the union forces and was mustered out from Company 5, 110th Illinois infantry, at the close of the struggle between the states.

Divorced Three Times. Here is the list of wives with whom he has shared the trials and tribulations, the defeats and the victories of his varied career in the marriage market:

At the age of 23 he married Miss Rachel C. Lowry in August, 1865. She died in January, 1875. Eight months later he married Mary M. Canady. After four years of happiness she passed out.

In January, 1881, Tillman embarked again on the sea of matrimony, this time with Adeline Cavender. She died in 1895.

His first divorce was obtained from his fourth wife, nee Margaret Parker, whom he married in 1896.

Because his fifth wife, originally Mamie Shannon, "couldn't get along with the old rooster," he was divorced again in 1903.

Then for seven years he found bliss in the companionship of Mrs. Sophia T. Higgins, a widow, who died in 1910.

The seventh mate "made life very miserable," and Tillman secured a divorce from her in 1912, after having been married to her in 1911. She was a widow, Mrs. Harriet Ray, and the mother of several children by her first husband.

Again, in 1915, he plunged, this time taking as his mate Mrs. Alice Witt, who died a year later.

Has Never Had Children. Tillman denied the story told by other old settlers that he had been the husband of two additional wives not given in the list.

"I wouldn't be ashamed of it if it were true," he asserted. "I don't want to record that pretty well and I don't want to exaggerate it."

The age of a woman as compared with that of the man to whom she is married has nothing to do with the success of wedded life, declares the sage of nearly a dozen love feasts.

"It all depends on the man," he says. "Young fellows should never marry a flapper if they expect to know wedded bliss. Some wives have to be treated like babies; all of them should be petted. If they are not petted—well, they'll find a way out."

Tillman happens not to be the father of any children.

The Bee's Short Story

WHEN CONSTANCE CONCENTRATED

By A. H. DREHER.

Harrington sat at his flat-top mahogany desk gazing at the girl at the typewriter desk.

From his vantage point he had a one-quarter view that took in the back and side of an exquisitely curved neck, a well-rounded velvety cheek, a shell-pink ear and a mob of crinkly blond hair.

Why, Constance Phillips was positively beautiful! Strange he never had noticed it before.

Harrington's duties as vocational director, or "efficiency expert," of the Barker-Hopkins corporation, required deep thought. Seated at his desk, sometimes for hours at a time, his mind was so concentrated on his work that he lost all consciousness of his surroundings. At such times he concentrated his gaze as well as his mind, and he had formed a habit of gazing at the back of his stenographer's neck.

She was a comfortable person to have in the office. Never a move or a sound interrupted him when he was concentrating on a difficult problem. She seemed to divine his very thoughts. If she were typing when he laid aside his routine work to un-

dertake the solution of a knotty problem she automatically, apparently, became as silent as a mouse.

Could she feel his gaze—read his thoughts? What a cad she must think he was!

Living in the same section of the city as Constance, it had been his custom to drive her home in his motor. On the evening of his startling discovery that she was a beautiful girl, as they drove along, side by side, Harrington found himself wishing she were less perfect—that there might be some flaw that would entice him in the necessary temerity to voice his feelings.

Suddenly he was aware that she had spoken.

"I beg your pardon," he responded in an inane way.

"I said, were you ever in love, Mr. Harrington?" she repeated.

It came like thunder out of a clear sky. Had she been reading his thoughts?

"You must pardon me, Mr. Harrington," and her voice held a sus-

picion of a chuckle, "but really you looked as if you were." Surely she must have been reading his thoughts. It was uncanny.

"I have no brother," she went on, "and I feel so confident that I can trust you—like a brother, and—"

"If there is anything I can do," he invited encouragingly, "anything in the world."

"If you were in love—" she faltered.

"If it will help you, let's say I am," "With the most wonderful man," she continued.

"An impossible hypothesis," he interrupted.

"Well, then, if you were in love with a wonderful girl, would you think her immodest if she should propose?"

"On the contrary, I should regard it as a great honor," he averred, "inasmuch as it would be at the expense of her confusion."

"Perhaps—if you loved her, but oh my! I'm getting all tangled up in your words."

"I thought because you were an efficiency expert and knew all about psychology, you could tell me how to make him understand."

"You really want my advice?" Harrington asked soberly and hoping she would deny that she was in love. "And the man doesn't—"

"But he does," she said very emphatically.

"Of course he would," Harrington commented bitterly.

Supposing he didn't love you or didn't know he did?"

"He?"

"I can't state a hypothetical case. What I mean is, if a girl loves a man and he doesn't know it, would it be proper for her to propose?"

"Not right off the bat like that," his smile utterly confused her.

"Why, I never—I never did. Do you think—"

"It might be well to prepare the lucky fellow for the good news. Can you imagine a man getting away with this—this—sudden stuff?"

"Oh dear! I wish I hadn't started this. I thought because you were an efficiency expert and knew all about psychology, you could tell me how to make him understand."

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"But he doesn't know that I—that I care for him. He is so—impossible. I'm afraid he never will—unless I can make him understand."

"Nothing is impossible," Harrington asserted. "If only he himself had believed it before it was too late."

"But, you must believe the thing you wish to accomplish is possible."

"He tried to hide the bitterness in his voice as he explained some of the principles of psychology and told her about the power of affirmations frequently repeated."

"I think you are wonderful," she exclaimed when she got out of the car in front of her home. "I shall affirm every minute that he loves me, and it can't help but come true."

Watching her trip up the walk to the veranda, Harrington formulated an affirmation for himself.

"Harrington, you're a fool," he affirmed it over and over again. Not that he needed to repeat the formula to convince himself.

Day after day the truth of his affirmation grew upon him. He had

been a fool. Not many was worthy of constance, but—well, he regarded himself as no less worthy than any man.

Then one evening while driving through the park on their way home from work, she laid her hand on his arm as they were passing a pond upon which a flock of swans were gracefully sailing.

"I'd love to stop here for a minute," she suggested.

He parked his car and they got out. For several minutes they stood silently gazing at the swans.

"You never ask how I am succeeding with my affirmation," she said. "I've been wondering," he admitted. "I'm beginning to believe I went to the wrong expert."

"Then you are losing hope?" he wanted to know, eagerly.

"Where there's no hope, all is lost," she smiled wistfully.

"I hope," he said, trying to hide his eagerness. "I hope—"

"Then all is not lost," she amended.

"Is it possible?" he asked wonder-

ingly. "I believe my affirmation is succeeding," she declared.

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Community Club Advocates Flour Mill For Ogallala

Ogallala, Neb., May 3.—(Special.)—The Keith County Community club is making an effort to secure a flour mill at Ogallala. Accurate figures for the past five years show that enough high grade wheat was raised within 15 miles of Ogallala to support a mill with a capacity of 1,000 barrels of flour a day. With no large mill within 200 miles of Ogallala it is believed that the club will have no trouble in securing a large mill here.

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