

TWO IN ONE

By Marjorie Elaine Porter

There comes to all of us (meaning women) at times, that beautiful state of mind, when we promise ourselves with utmost sincerity, that "this spring we will economize."

How virtuous we feel, when in going over the budget, we say, with a sweet, wily smile, "Now Nicodemus dear, I mean what I say, if anybody in this house gets new clothes this spring, it's going to be you."

We put down only the things that are "absolutely necessary" on the "family wants" list, and cross off anything that hints of self-indulgence. Nicodemus looks over the list:

"Rubbers, rubbers, rubbers! Holy Cats! Howers, howers, howers! You've got what are you afraid of—a flood? You've got the rubbers down here for everybody but the dog."

"Those are necessary for all of us. I decided to invest in an extra pair of shoes and new rubbers instead of a spring hat."

"On you! Well you'll be a hot dog for a hat!"

"Nicodemus, don't try to be witty. I'm really serious. I have a hat I bought last summer. I'm going to color it—green, I think, and then get a little bunch of flowers. I know exactly what I want, and put it in front. I think I can get a bunch for about 25 cents."

"Why don't you use dandelions—the yard'll soon be full of 'em."

"Don't you understand, Nicodemus. I'm trying to economize? Why is it that you're always and forever shouting about bills and the money your wife wastes for clothes, until I really try to save, then you think it's a joke."

"It is."

"What fair?"

"Listen, we go through this thing every year. You're always dragging some heck of a hat out of the ash can. I haven't forgotten the last time you tried to "economize." First, you were going to color the hat yourself, then you thought you might spoil it, so you took it to some exclusive joint where they soaked you plenty. Then you said about three bucks for a dinky bunch of flowers, and the first time you wore the hat out in the rain, the dye ran, and you came home like a cock-eyed Easter egg. If that's economy, I'm a feather bed!"

"All right! If you're in the mood for reminiscing, I might recall the time you tried to economize by pressing your own trousers, and left the iron attached, while you went out to the ball game! My plans to economize may not always work out right, but my intentions are good."

"Every time you break out with good intentions," grins Nicodemus, "I get a heart attack. What's it going to cost me this time?"

"Well, I wasn't going to mention it, but I did see a hat, the one I was going to try to copy, but you're right, I would make a mess of it. It would be more economical to pay the ten dollars outright, and get the new hat, wouldn't it?"

By Carol Dwellay

"Oh—so you're from Horner's Corners? Well, well, that's my old home town," says the lady-whom-you-have-just-met. Every one looks at you admiringly, the new lady most of all, for having had the good taste to be a native of Horner's Corners, or whatever the town may be. You preen yourself a bit, and fancy yourself an assured social success. But the new lady isn't through with you yet.

"Tell me," she gushes, "is Angelo still in business? Dear old pirate. How I used to tremble at the sight of that fierce moustache!"

Public Opinion turns back to you, interest shining in its dear little face. You are stymied, and hopelessly and irretrievably stymied, and panic seizes you in its ugly grip.

"Angelo?" you mutter to yourself, casting your mind's eye over all the dear old pirates with fierce moustaches that you ever knew in business, but it's Angelo himself weren't in business or if they were, they weren't dear. You turn to the new-lady and smile, apologetically, deciding to make a wistful stab at it, for the sake of Public Opinion. You decide that Angelo must run a restaurant, and speak accordingly.

"Oh yes," you burble, fabely, "he's still there, big as life and twice as natural. And he's serving the most delightful fish dishes now that I ever hope to taste."

"Fish?" She couldn't look more amazed if Angelo himself appeared, waving a fish in each hand. "Why what on earth! DON'T tell me Angelo's serving fish now! When did it all happen, and what happened to the florist and landscape business?"

You gulp in sweet relief, and look pityingly at her for a change. But she isn't interested in the fate of the dear old pirate any longer, and willfully carries on her own train of thought or to the just put him in complete charge when we landscaped our place out on Billdue Boulevard. You probably know the place well. Why my dear, we may have lived right near one another. Unfortunately, you never came nearer to Billdue Boulevard than when driving through to show off the "nice" part of town to visiting firemen. But there's no need of saying so to her, so you nod amiably, and hope she'll go on under her own steam. She does.

"Clara Goon told me about Angelo," she continues, dreamily. "Did you ever know anyone like that? Her voice rises as you remain silent. "Don't you?"

Under her piercing gaze you are forced to admit that you don't know Clara Goon. She smiles, consolingly, as though you had admitted that you couldn't read. "Well, Clara's so busy with all her committees and social life, she isn't a hard person to know intimately."

Everyone looks approvingly at the new-lady, for having been fortunate enough to know Clara Goon. She turns to you with the determined attitude of one trying to amuse a dull-witted child. "Well, you probably know some very dear friends of hers, probably her best friends, since we moved. I mean Reggie and Adeline Mawkish."

You will. You have never even HEARD of the Mawshishes, and despite your valiant retorts, she knows it. She turns to the new-lady. We're proper enough to predict that before the new-lady is through with you, Public Opinion will decide that you are from the wrong side of the tracks in Horner's Corners, and don't know any person or any place worthwhile in the entire city. Some may even suspect that you don't live there at all, and are nothing but an imposter.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, on the 25th day of April, A. D. 1938.

Present, Hon. James H. Lynch, Judge of Probate.

In re Matter of the Estate of Mary J. Dupont, Deceased.

Clara Anderson, administrator of said estate, and petitioner praying for the discharge and allowance thereof, the nomination and allowance of the heirs of said deceased, assignment of the same, and the discharge and discharge of said administrator.

It is Ordered, that the 23rd day of May, A. D. 1938, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, that public notice of this order, for three successive days, be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive days, in the Birmingham Eccentric, newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

JAMES H. LYNCH,
Judge of Probate.

(A True Copy)
FLORENCE DOTY,
Probate Register.

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At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, on the 25th day of April, A. D. 1938.

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In re Matter of the Estate of John A. Black, Deceased.

Clara H. Black having filed a petition praying that an Instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the will and testament of said estate, be granted to the petitioner, the executor named said Will, or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That said 21st day of May, A. D. 1938, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof, be given by publication of a copy hereof, for three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County, and that applicant cause a copy of this notice to be served personally on the trustees and devisees at their last known addresses, at said address within ten days before the date of the first publication hereof.

JAMES H. LYNCH,
Judge of Probate.

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FLORENCE DOTY,
Register of Probate.

What Your City Commission Is Doing

April 25, 1938

Bills were approved in the amount of \$15,412.61.

A petition was received from residents on Oakland Avenue, between Ferndale and the new highway, requesting an amendment to the zoning ordinance, and referred to the city manager with instructions to investigate the possibilities of multiple family construction on the lot in question.

The Commission called a hearing for Monday, May 16th to consider an amendment to the zoning ordinance to permit the construction of multiple family dwellings on that part of the Southwest corner of Woodward and Vine roads, heretofore zoned for single family dwellings.

Ordinance No. 239, amending part of the building code, and prohibiting the construction of septic tanks in the city where access may be had to a sanitary or storm sewer, was adopted.

In connection with the construction of sewers to the new disposal plant, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign an agreement with the Birmingham Golf Club giving the city an easement over certain of that property, the manager was authorized to purchase the necessary pipe forms and a concrete mixer for use under the WPA project, and bids were awarded to the H. H. Dickinson Company of Detroit for pipe, and to the McCaul Coal Company of Ferndale for cement. The Mayor was authorized to make application to the RFC for aid in constructing the plant.

Commissioner Moody reported the program contemplated by the Recreation Committee for the summer of 1938, and the treasurer was authorized to appropriate \$300 towards that program. Water for the swimming pool will also be donated by the city.

IRENE E. HANLEY,
City Clerk.

AMUSEMENT PARK ANNOUNCES OPENING

Walled Lake Amusement Park announces Saturday, the date for the gala opening of southeastern Michigan's popular playland. The park will be in full operation daily thereafter during the summer months. Continuing its policy of offering the best in recreational features and picnic facilities, the Park management started work on improvement at the close of last summer's season and during the months since intervening a large crew of ride engineers, scenic painters, landscape artists, carpenters and other workmen have been kept busy making additions, alterations and repairs to have everything in readiness for the opening.

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