

Six Facets Of a Woman

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Mister, suppose you inserted the following ad in The Birmingham Eccentric or one of your daily newspapers: "WANTED: woman to run household for busy man; must be willing to become wife; be capable of performing duties of a mother; will be required to act as hostess for husband's business contacts, for friends of self, husband and family; must have a hobby for rainy days; also one for outdoors on fine days; must have sense of community responsibility, willing to serve out that responsibility by working in some community activity. Write Box Xz-222, Birmingham Eccentric."

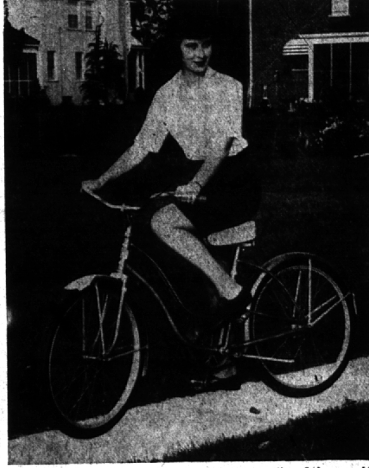
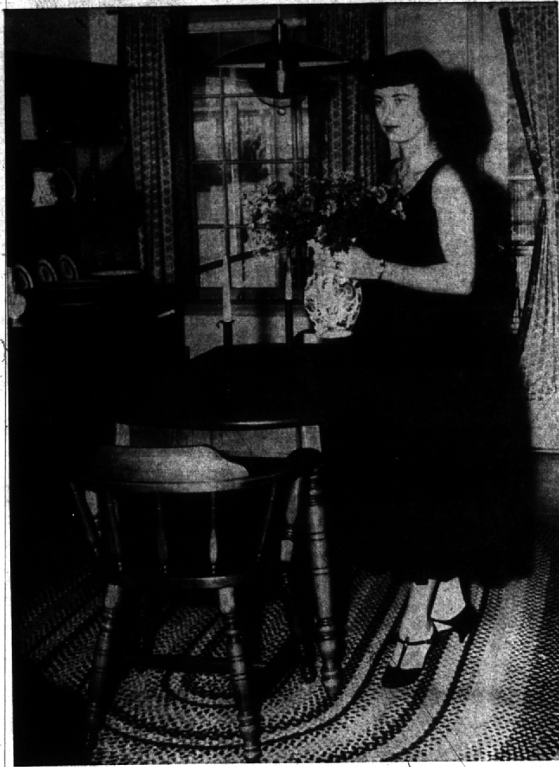
WONDER HOW MANY REPLIES you could get, Mister?

Thousands! Hundreds of thousands! Millions! You shouldn't be surprised at that, either, Mister. Take another look, make another estimate of that helpmeet of yours. You didn't advertise for her, but subconsciously that's the kind of woman you were searching for. And she had prepared herself to meet all six of these full-time jobs wrapped-into-one.

IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE IT for some time, take a closer look at that gal of yours. Notice how she's accomplishing her jobs.

We "borrowed" Geraldine Clemmons to illustrate this six-woman role. (The photo at right shows her in the dress-up part as family hostess.)

She's the wife of William A. Clemmons, who's underwriting manager for an insurance agency in Detroit. They live at 455 S. Williamsbury, Birmingham.

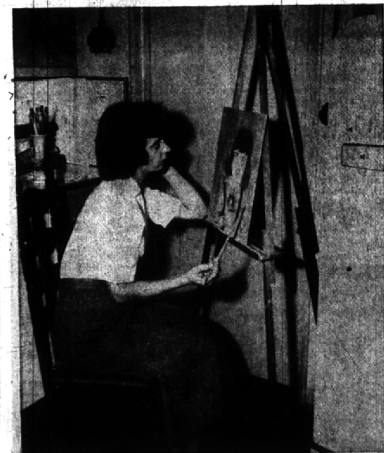


Gerry's mother responsibilities are tested constantly by Cassandra, aged 6, and Mark, aged 2. ABOVE, her mother learns from Cass that something has gone wrong with a toy monkey. Mark looks concerned, too.

Despite the effort which goes into her wife-mother role, Gerry has more energy she must use up. She needs a physical way to express it—and in so doing to relax.

Some women ride horses, some take walks. Others golf or swim. Gerry (ABOVE) gets out her bike and pedals through her neighborhood and the adjoining ones.

A woman also has considerable spare mental energy. She will use this up in a demanding activity far removed from her other roles. Some women are amateur ceram-



icists, some work crossword puzzles. Others rearrange interior decorations. Gerry finds relaxation in oil painting (ABOVE). She keeps easel and canvas handy to her kitchen corner "studio".

But playing these five roles does not completely express a woman's total importance or nature. She must feel a part of the immediate as well as far-flung communities that are the world. She must contribute to it to become a part of it, to feel a full measure of human existence.



A woman may find this in volunteer work for a local or national charity. Or in a church guild. She may serve on a civic committee.

Gerry feels her community responsibility best expressed in political activity. She is Oakland county Democratic committee publicity chairman. She also finds time to assist Democratic county prosecuting at-

torney candidate James P. Lawson in his political campaign. ABOVE, Lawson interrupts Gerry's housework long enough to check over latest campaign details.

Now do you see, Mister, that your little woman is a remarkable six-faceted female?

She surely is! (Photos by Fran Maier)

When one has grown to maturity, and honestly admits the possession of numerous wrong attitudes, does not one then tend to learn how to get rid of them? It may take years, but it's worth the trying. How important, then, for parents prayerfully to seek to guide their children on paths free from wrong attitudes. How good for one had one's own parents done so.

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