# Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

THE PUBLISHED EXTRACT of the diary of Kay Nelson, a lovely lady, gives an interesting insight into a woman's way of filling a hope chest.

In June, Miss Nelson bought a pair of white Bermuda shorts and a grey checked shirt for $14.98. In July, she bought a grey flannel skirt to go with the shirt. ($35). In August, she bought shoes and a handbag to go with the blouse and skirt ($90).

In October, she bought a fashionable black dress to go with the shoes and handbag. ($260). In November, she bought a platinum mink stole to go with the dress ($1,000).

In December, for Christmas, she's trying to promote a grey convertible ($4,600) to go with the mink stole.

For ten minutes, I racked my brain trying to think of whom Miss Nelson reminded me. Suddenly, in a blinding flash, it came to me. My own wife, Phyllis!

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# The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

....**Adrienne S.**—I want to go back home . . . I'm lonely.

**Leon S.**—She'll forget it when we raise a family.

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**Adrienne S.**—My husband I have been married for nearly a year and we haven't been very happy. The main trouble is that we are very lonely.

When we got married we moved out of our home town to a large city quite far away. At first I was thrilled by city life, but now I find I miss my family and friends terribly.

We have found that people in this city are very unfriendly. I try to make friends with some of our neighbors, but they are so cold. They hardly greet you. I have begged Leon to bring people from his office to our home for dinner, but he is just a social dud. He can't seem to make contact with anyone. I would like to go back home, even if we have to take a cut in our income.

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**Leon S.**—It's so silly to talk about a "cut in our income" when Adrienne knows perfectly well that there just aren't any jobs in my field in our home town. I not only couldn't make as much money, but I would have to figure out a new way of earning a living. I have spent quite a lot of time and money to get the training I need for the work I do. It would mean that the whole thing would be chucked out of the window.

I guess it's true that I am a "social dud." I know I'm either too quiet or too talkative. The people in my office were friendly at first, but our relations petered out very quickly.

I figure that once we start raising a family Adrienne will be kept busy enough and will forget her loneliness.

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**The Council:** Neither of the solutions suggested by the two partners holds much promise of satisfaction for the other.

Certainly, Leon needs to do the work he is trained to do and which nets him a better income if he is to be reasonably happy. But Adrienne can't sit around waiting for a family to keep her company if she is to be reasonably happy. Friends are always needed.

This couple should recognize that people in cities are not at all unfriendly, but they have different habits of sociability. They do not usually make friends with neighbors because they have so many of them and they live so close that they run the risk of having their private lives infringed on.

Friendships are often made at the place of work, but here too there is a tendency to be careful about intruding on the privacy of another. Usually, invitations to outside-of-the-office sociability are made cautiously, each party carefully feeling out whether social overtures are desired. If he wishes to be friendly with some person or persons in his office, Leon should gradually move the talk in the direction of personal interests and if all works well, he should give or get an invitation to visit or go out with another couple.

However, such contacts will probably not be enough for an out-of-towner living away from family and childhood friends. Adrienne and Leon should make up their minds to find friendships through church and community groups. Here they will meet a large group of individuals of their own inclinations and they will find them open, friendly and eager to know newcomers.

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## Government Makes Money on Money

Washington – (UPI) – The government makes money by making money.

It will make a profit of $40 million on the coins it turns out in the fiscal year that starts July 1, according to the testimony of treasury officials which was made public today.

The profit results from the fact that the metal which goes into the coins cost less than their face value.

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New York –(UPI)– We can only conclude that the line of least resistance in the stock market remains upward, says Bache and Co.

Technically, the action of the stock market has been highly favorable for prices move up, consolidate their position and then follow through on the upside again, according to Van Alstyne, Noel and Co.

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Value line looks for a new high record in the paper industry in 1959, and higher sales earnings, and dividends for most building companies.

Public Service Electric and Gas should have a sharp improvement in earnings in 1959 and 1960 after little change since 1955, says Shearson, Hammill and Co.

**Cost Financing**

The Treasury may announce terms of cash financing next Thursday or Friday, say Wall Street bond men.

Chrysler's per share earnings currently should be running at a high rate, according to W. E. Hutton and Co.

Fitch says Servel presents a unique situation because the company owns a tax loss equal to better than $11 a common share.

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# Mrs. Duncan's Fate In Hands of Jury

Ventura, Calif. –(UPI)– Eight women and four men began deliberations today on the fate of Elizabeth Duncan, 54-year-old matron accused of hiring two killers to murder her pregnant daughter-in-law.

Final arguments in the four-week-old trial were completed Friday but presiding Judge Charles F. Blackstock, 83, let the jurors go home for the week end.

In final arguments, the jurors were given a choice of believing that the matronly defendant hired Luis Moya, 22, and Augustine Baldonado, 25, last November with an offer of $6,000 to kill her son's wife, Olga, or, accepting a theory by Defense Attorney S. Ward Sullivan that the confessed killers had kidnaped Olga, a 30-year-old Canadian born nurse, to hold her for ransom from her attorney-husband Frank, 30.

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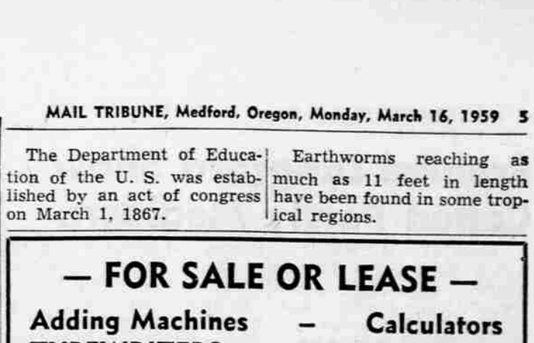

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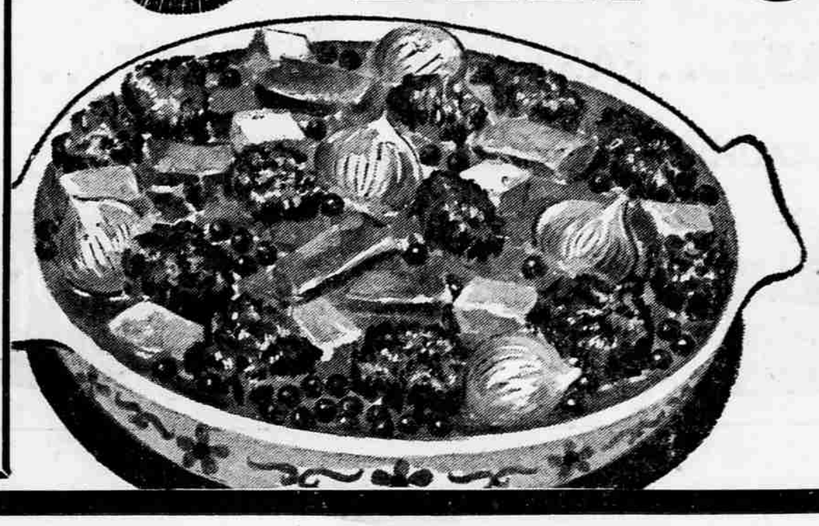

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