

Don'ts From the "Go-Roll-Your-Hoop" And "Don't-Be-a-Goop" Era in 1901

"Lee's Vest Pocket Question Settler," authored by Prof. James A. Heaton, A.M., and published by Laird and Lee, Chicago, is truly a vest pocket sized little "question settler." And the one we have out of our vest pocket at the moment, hot off the press in 1901 (a revised edition).

Much smaller than a small sized business envelope, this doughty little ("dictionary" to me) all 286 tiny pages of it, might not make a prize-winning quiz kid out of you — but if you want to know "Woman's Chances of Marrying" (circa 1901-revised edition), a table on the last page refers to any female above 35 (and only goes to 35 as "maiden") — and from 30 to 35 she might be one of the lucky 12 out of 100 to marry.

Wanted learn golf? (See 261-286.) Metric System? Lawn Tennis? Billiards? Football? Boat Racing? Bicycling? This book will try anything!

Part of Page 68, all of 69 and all but two lines on 70 are devoted to the word "don't." No wonder they were gentlemen and ladies then!

DON'T'S

Don't forget to keep to the right, whether riding or walking. Don't elbow people. OR if you do it unwillingly, excuse yourself. Don't stare at people or laugh at their peculiarities. Don't allow a lady you escort to carry a package. Don't carry your cane or umbrella so as to render it dangerous. Don't smoke whenever and wherever it may inconvenience ladies.

Don't expectorate on the sidewalk or in street cars; go to the gutter. Don't give your arm, in the daytime, to a lady who is not your mother, wife or sister, or an elderly or invalid lady. Don't bow to a lady before she recognizes you herself by a smile or bow. Don't salute a lady with a gesture of the hand, but by taking off your hat.

Don't apologize when you shake hands with your gloves on.

Don't forget to render all necessary services to ladies in need of them. Don't presume on a service thus rendered to force your acquaintance.

Don't be in haste to introduce. Find out first if it's mutually agreeable.

Don't rush for a seat in a car or theater. — against every law of politeness. Don't occupy more space in a car than you are entitled to.

Don't talk at a theater or concert while the performance is going on. Don't leave a public performance, except between the acts or when it is over.

Don't take two ladies upon your arms, except for their protection.

Don't wear your overcoat or overshoes, or take your umbrella into the parlor. Don't stare around the room. Don't ask questions about the price of the furniture.

Don't offer to shake hands with a lady; the offer must come from her.

Don't handle, unasked — the bric-a-brac about the room.

Don't be in a hurry to get to a seat. Don't fall to rise whenever a lady enters the room. Don't be distant. Don't be effusive. Be cordial.

Don't stretch yourself anywhere except in your own apartment. Don't be fidgeting or balancing upon your chair. Don't introduce ladies to gentlemen; but gentlemen to ladies.

Don't play or sing unless bidden by your hostess.

Don't be always touching people when addressing them. Don't talk in a loud, hoarse voice. Don't speak to anyone across the room. Don't whisper in company.

Don't boast of the big people you know to the people who don't know them. Don't make fun of anyone, except in the mildest form. Better avoid it altogether. Don't tell stories of a doubtful character. Don't interrupt; don't contradict; don't be quarrelsome.

Don't tell long stories, even when asked to. Avoid "chestnuts." Don't be inattentive when other people are talking.

Don't moisten your thumb when dealing cards. Don't be noisy — Don't read a book — or even a newspaper in company. Don't keep looking at your watch as if bored. Don't pretend to go . . . and then stay. Avoid prolonged good-byes. Don't stay too long anywhere.

Don't keep other people waiting; be there in time. Don't lie back in your chair or place your elbows on the table. Don't seat yourself until all the ladies are seated. Don't sit sideways — but straight to the table.

Don't use your napkin as a bib; let it fall across your lap. Don't

bend your head for each mouthful. Sit erect. Don't cut your knife to carry food to your mouth. Don't use your fork as if it were a pitchfork. Don't introduce your spoon point first — but sideways — into your mouth.

Don't make any noise with your mouth when eating. Don't speak with your mouth full. Or even half full. Don't begin a sentence until you have finished swallowing.

Don't use slangy words. They are vulgar. Don't use profane words. They are sinful.

Don't drink a glassful at one gulp.

Don't bring your glass higher than your lips; then incline it gradually. Don't have your elbows away from your body when eating or drinking. Don't ever spit a bone or other substance upon your plate. Or the floor.

Don't use anything but your fork to bring or take away any solid food. Don't wipe your face with your napkin. It is for the lips and beard only.

Don't forget to see that all the ladies are served before you. Don't neglect the ladies to your right and left. Don't look worried if any small accident should happen.

Don't use toothpicks, except behind your hand — and sparingly. Don't leave your fork and knife on your plate when sent for a second supply. Don't pile up all the side dishes on your plate when it is to be removed.

Don't come to the table half-dressed, half-washed, half-combed. Don't over eat. Don't leave the table before the others. Don't let one day pass without a thorough cleansing of your person.

Don't sit to your evening meal before a complete toilet.

Don't cleanse your nails, your nose, your ears in public. Don't use hair dye, hair oil or pomades.

Don't wear evening dress in the daytime.

Don't wear jewelry of a gaudy nature; or not genuine. Don't overdress or walk affectedly. Don't wear slippers or dressing gown or smoking-jacket out of your own room.

Don't sink your hand in your trousers' pockets.

Don't whistle in public places. Nor inside of houses either.

Don't use your fingers or fists to beat a tattoo upon floor, desk or window panes.

Don't bring a smell of spirits or tobacco into the presence of ladies.

Don't chew. OR if you must chew — expectorate discreetly.

Don't drink spirits. OR if you must drink — don't do it during business hours.

Don't examine other people's papers or letters scattered on their desks.

(The word after "DON'T" on the page is "DON JUAN," definition, "a mythical hero — possibly because he follows all the above 'don'ts' — M.R.)

WASHABLE WOOLENS

Sportswear manufacturers are using more and more washable woolsens in their fashion collections because washability in such an important factor in the average woman's shopping habits these days. It's wise to keep an eye out for washable labels and guarantees when buying woolen sportswear to make sure that it will require only simple, inexpensive upkeep.

WOM at Merrill

MERRILL — Blanche Fies, senior regent, presided at a regular meeting of Merrill Chapter No. 18 Women of the Moose, November 2. Ollie Wilson, the library committee chairman, presented her chapter night program, which featured movies of a style show.

Rose Van Meter, deputy grand regent of Oregon, gave a report on her recent trip to the state convention in Portland. Others attending from Merrill were Susan Williams, Louisa Icenbice and Dovie Reeder.

Rose Bailey reported that the next Friendship committee meeting would be at her home November 12, when Christmas boxes will be packed for the boys in service. The Academy of Friendship will sponsor a bazaar November 26 and 27; location to be announced later. Each co-worker is asked to donate at least one article for the bazaar.

Al Dollarhide-Beulah Sallee Nuptials in Payette, Idaho

Of interest to local friends is the recently announced wedding of two former Klamath residents, Beulah Augusta Sallee of Payette, Idaho, and J. A. (Al) Dollarhide of El Cerrito, California, who were married October 26 in a double-ring, candlelight ceremony in Payette.

The Rev. R. E. Cull, pastor of Assembly of God Church, officiated as the couple exchanged vows before 480 guests, after which a reception followed in the church parlors.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford D. Sallee, Payette, was a local and Grants Pass resident for a number of years before returning to Idaho to make her home. The bridegroom is well known here having completed local grade and high schools prior to attending Armstrong College in Berkeley.

He was affiliated with Ewauna Box Company for 13 years before serving with the Navy during World War II; and took an active interest in semi-pro-baseball while living here.

Relatives of the bridegroom attending the ceremony were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Dollarhide, Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin J. Smith (sister) and daughters Helen, Merrily and Maureen, Grants Pass; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald D. White (sister) and son, Jeffrey, Mountain View, California; and from Klamath Falls, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Loftsgaard (aunt); and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Henry (cousin).

The newlyweds will make their home at 557 Norvell Street, El Cerrito, California.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

LANGELL VALLEY — Nora Spillane gave a lovely birthday party at the Lorella Community Hall Friday evening in honor of Margaret Anne Colwell who was celebrating her birthday.

Games were played and a social evening enjoyed, before the pretty birthday cake was cut and served with other party refreshments.

Present for the evening were Bob Colwell, Margaret Anne, Dan and John; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Steber, Rickie, Bobby, Billie and Betty Lou; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Scott, Kenny, Wayne, and Donna; Mrs. Gilbert Faustico and Dorothy; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sohn; Mrs. Rose Stalmaker, Rosamary and Raymond; Anita Vaden, Ruth Fleischer, Janice Hazeltine, Mrs. Jake Warner and Barbara; Mrs. Jack Weimer and John; and the Maurice Spillane family.

Scout Troop Fetes Members

WEED — Nineteen Girl Scouts of Troop No. 2, played trick-or-treat with a surprise party for a member of their troop, Friday night, October 29. Linda Tonkin, in bed with a dislocated hip-joint, was the honored and surprised member. She will be in a cast for the next six months. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Tonkin.

Gifts were presented to Linda from the troop and all enjoyed songs and entertainment at the party. Linda surprised the girls with nut cups, she had made, filled with candies.

Following the short party for Linda the troop returned to the meeting place and continued the regular meeting in the Halloween-decorated hall. Treats were cakes given by two mothers, Mrs. Vera Hayes and Mrs. Alfred Linville.

Members of the troop are Carol Georges, Judy Perry, Brenda Bar-

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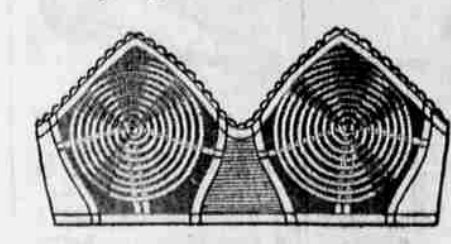


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