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Should Tipping Be

IN A RECENT ISSUE, *Family Weekly* published an article, "Let's Abolish Tipping," written by a waitress, Mary Fenwick. We asked readers for their comments on this age-old, but controversial custom. A cross-section of these comments, selected from thousands of reader letters, is presented here.

The trouble with tipping is that it's inconsistent. If we tip a waitress who brings our food, why not tip the cook who prepared it? A redcap gets tipped for carrying a bag 10 feet, or a washroom attendant for handing us a towel, but how about the young grocery boy at the supermarket who staggers out to our car once a week with a load of canned goods? If we tip a doorman for opening a door once, why not the bus driver who does it daily? If tipping is fair, why don't we tip the poor schoolteacher and the minister and all our other underpaid public servants? Why? Because people who give real service have too much pride in their work to stoop to begging.—Mrs. John Renken, Jefferson City, Mo.

The outstretched palm has become symbolic today, with America on the giving end. I believe our foreign aid program has become an extension of the tipping philosophy: a bribe to get someone to do something he should have done in the first place. I have in mind an acquaintance with a notorious reputation as a big spender. Everywhere he's greeted with that sickening, false-face, unctuous reception by people who benefit from his largess. This he mistakenly interprets as prestige for himself.

Tipping is no guarantee of service. It's a form of charity which, at first, is happily given and gratefully received, but often ends up being grudgingly given and not received but demanded.—Jack Anderson, Staff Member, U. S. Senate Committee on Appropriations, Washington, D. C.

I'm an organist. I play in restaurants and cocktail lounges and, frankly, I'd just as soon do without tips. It's like this: I consider myself well-paid, so what's the difference if I play a request number or the next song on my music rack?

One night, a party of four was seated near the organ, and I led with my chin. I asked if they had a request. They ignored me, but one muttered, "He's just looking for a tip." Another time, a young mother asked me to play a Walt Disney number for her little daughter. I did and she offered me a dollar, but I told her to use it to buy her girl the same song book I was using. Later the manager told me how appreciative they were. I felt good the whole evening.

I enjoy making people happy. So instead of "just looking for a tip," I try to offer my services, as Mary Fenwick put it, "from the heart—not in hope of a handout."—Herb Ruffner, Jacksonville, Fla.

Early this year, I had the good fortune (or misfortune) to win a television contest offering a two week, all-expense vacation for two at a plush resort hotel. My husband and I were plummeted back to earth when we realized "spending money" was not included in our winnings.

We wrote the hotel, asking if tips were part of the prize. They were not. In fact, we were told that 15 percent of what our vacation was worth would be considered a "fair gratuity."

We had to get a refund on our plane

tickets and travel by bus so we would have enough money to tip the hotel people for our "two glorious weeks."—Mrs. J. S., Grand Rapids, Mich.

As one who has seen both sides, I'm particularly impatient with those who defend tipping as "reasonable pay for services performed." The services are usually unsolicited and unnecessary.

When I worked as a bellboy, I often felt more of a nuisance than a help. After a guest had carried his suitcase more than a city block from the parking lot to the hotel, I'd carry it a few feet to his room. I'd open a window he'd later close, adjust a blind he'd readjust, and draw a pitcher of water he wouldn't drink. It was silly.

On the other end now, I'd cheerfully pay twice the usual tip to be left alone.—Theodore Clevenger, Jr., Department of Speech, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Fla.

As entertainers, my wife and I travel a great deal. Years ago we discovered we could save at least two dollars a night—roughly \$200 a year—simply by staying in motels instead of hotels, and avoiding the tips in and out for the doorman, up and down for the bellboy, and here and there for special services—Bobo, "Modern Miracles of Magic," Texarkana, Tex.

Being a member of the Armed Forces, I've traveled on railroads throughout the country. Once a group of us were being shipped from San Francisco to New Orleans. We had the same car and crew all the way. Shortly after starting, the group leader was called aside and told it was "customary" for men on troop movements to chip in \$150 apiece for the porter. There were 40 men in that car, so the porter collected \$60. If he made two trips per week, he got \$120, in addition



Abolished?

to his railroad salary. Those GIs were paid \$78 a month. Quite a difference.—S/Sgt. Earl E. Johnson, Ent Air Force Base, Colo.

I'm a district sales manager for a cosmetics firm and, in traveling, tipping has become a financial problem as well as a social nuisance. Tips are hard to include in expense reports, because there are no receipts. I usually have to tip 15 to 20 percent to avoid embarrassment in public, but can include only about 10 percent on my expense account because any more looks like padding.

Frankly, I wish someone would devise an acceptable tipping system—including tips in the cost of service, for instance, as suggested in your article. Meanwhile, the only way to get service—with no tips expected—is to travel by bus or plane, eat in cafeterias, and sleep in motels.—Mrs. Henrietta L. Wolf, York, Pa.

The suggestion that the tip "be included in a fixed service charge" has much merit and, in fact, this idea has been in effect in Europe for years. Trouble is, it doesn't work—not after Americans get through with it.

On a recent trip there I found that we were expected to tip in addition to the 10 to 20 percent added to hotel and restaurant bills for service. Seems free-spending Americans, wanting to make a big impression or get that extra service, pay the service charge and start tipping on top of that. The Europeans love it!—H. F. M., Jefferson City, Mo.

I work as a waitress Summers and teach school Winters, so I can look at this from both sides of the table. I think it would be a disastrous thing if tipping were abolished.

Waitresses are quite human, and they try to do better work if they know their customers appreciate it. Most of them don't make big salaries. Many of them could not afford to work as waitresses without tips. I don't look on it as begging alms, because

that extra tip for extra service may be the means of buying extra food and clothing for children waiting at home.—Ola Feighner, White Cloud, Mich.

I'm a chambermaid in a hotel. It's all heavy work and hardly any tips, especially considering all the conventions they hold. Most of the guests ignore us, and with the small salary we make (about \$30 a week) it doesn't leave us much for expenses. Speaking for a few of us, however, we would just as soon have better wages, say at least \$1 an hour, then when a guest checked out without tipping we wouldn't feel so bad.—Miss Cecilia Quinn, Atlantic City, N. J.

I don't believe tipping should be abolished. Many times I have sat in restaurants and writhed inwardly to see a large and loud group at another table run a poor little waitress ragged, then leave a tip that hardly amounted to 10 cents per person. As she sighed and pocketed this munificent sum, I could only reflect that the more demanding patrons are usually the worst tipsters.

On the other hand, people who feel they are under duress to tip, regardless of the quality of service, are as much to blame. They need more backbone to tell a waitress occasionally that the absence of a tip is because of absence of service. It's the "automatic" feature of tipping that has degraded it, because an earned tip is a legitimate reward for legitimate labor.—Mrs. R. S., LeMars, Iowa.

I've been a bartender for 20 years. I know of many restaurants that get high prices for food but pay their help very little in wages. The public is expected to pay the difference. I've cashed hundreds of checks for restaurant help and, believe me, if it wasn't for their tips they'd starve.—Harold G. Brunk, Davenport, Iowa.

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