

At Our House Cana Conference And Wrestling Set Issue

By MARY TINLEY DALY

There will be a Cana conference at St. Paul's this evening, announced the priest at Mass this morning.

On the way home from church Jane Scanlon overtook you. Will you and your husband go to the conference with us?

"We'll be glad to," I said. "Sounds interesting."

After the Head of the House had had a party break, I told him about it.

"I don't think you know all the answers," I asked.

"I ought to—after 22 years, I'm staying home," he picked up the Sunday sports section of the paper.

"And you've learned how to please your wife in those 22 years?"

"Oh, well," he grumbled. "All right, I'll go—but remember that wrestling match I got tickets for next Wednesday night."

"Yes, dear," I gulped. "I remember."

The very thought of watching two men twist arms and gouge each other's eyes made my flesh crawl. . . but I'd like to go to that conference.

THE CONFERENCE was not held in the church. It was in the school assembly room. Couples drifted in looking embarrassed and sat down stiffly. Ash trays were passed around, cigarettes lit, and everybody became slightly more relaxed. Some people began eating peanuts.

An elderly priest came in, leaned comfortably against a table and began to talk casually.

"Glad to see so many men here," he began. "I see you let

yourself be dragged. Fact is, he went on, "I have yet to see a good marriage in the real meaning of the phrase. Most marriages are merely good people married. The potentialities of happiness and fulfillment have not been realized, and evidently you people are anxious to realize those potentialities. Urban marriages have many disadvantages. For instance, the man comes home from work tired and edgy . . ."

All of the women in the room looked accusingly at their spouses.

"And he comes home to a woman who's a pretty tired old bag . . ."

The accusing looks gave way to open grins.

PLENTY OF PROBLEMS were discussed, frankly and openly and with no embarrassment. They were problems that older couples had solved, in a more or less satisfactory manner, by the trial-and-error method; younger couples attending these conferences may be able to speed the learning process. The talk was so practical and the problems discussed so universal that everybody gave full attention. It dealt with life as it is.

Halfway through the session a recess was called. We all walked around, talked with other couples, and the air of restraint that had prevailed at first was soon gone.

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Baby Bonuses Needed in U.S., PTA Meet Told

Cleveland—(NC)—A University of Chicago professor told the National Congress of Parents and Teachers here that heads of large families should be made eligible for governmental and other aid.

He indicted the two-child family, made fashionable by the birth controllers as "socially unhealthy."

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"If the universities of Princeton, Yale and Harvard, and the colleges of Wellesley, Smith and Vassar," he explained, "were to limit their enrollment to children of former students, and if all such children were to attend those institutions, their enrollment would drop to one-half the present size in 50 years, and to a quarter in 100 years."

"IF ALL HIGHER educational institutions were to limit enrollment to children of former college students," he added, "broader enrollment would decrease almost as rapidly. And I do not make an exception of the Catholic colleges."

Professor Havighurst declared that "the need for individual acceptance of responsibility for having children is matched by a need for social measures to assist parents who have large families."

"Such measures as government-paid family allowances in addition to a basic salary paid by the employer, and substantial income tax exemption for children should be developed in this country, as indeed they have been in England," he declared.

Professor Havighurst urged that this assistance be devised to assist two classes, saying: "Those who have too few children now, but can do a good job of child-rearing, should be encouraged to have more children, and those with very large families should be assisted to do a better job of providing for the health and education of their children."

"Family life is the source of the greatest human happiness," he declared. "This happiness is the simplest and least costly kind, and it cannot be purchased with money. But it can be increased if we recognize and uphold the essential values of family life and if we get and keep control of the process of social change so as to make it give us what is needed to make family life perform its essential functions."

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A CHINATOWN ANNIVERSARY



Bounding out two years' work among the Chinese in Boston, Maryknoll Sisters are pictured with some children at their Tyler Street Mission house in Chinatown. Sister Anne Elise is at the piano, and Sister St. Therese helps in the singing of "God Bless America." (NC Photos.)

Babies Seem Same How Social Agency Cares For Unwed Mother, Child

By MARIE WEIDMAN
Rochester Catholic Charities

Babies all SEEM alike in hospital nurseries — red, wrinkled, hungry, and mostly wet. The similarity ends here, however, since each infant is a wonderful individual possessing the personality and soul intended for him by the Infinite Creator from the beginning of time. The baby is also given two parents who, according to their own understanding and light, want their new arrival, will cherish it and take joy in its slow but marvelous development into an adult who will praise and worship Almighty God.

There are a few in many a hospital nursery though, who do not have the blessing of so proud, anxious parents to care for them. They are either the unwanted children of the children of unmarried mothers for whom Society, as a whole must care for and protect, since they too have a part, albeit incommensurable to us, in the Divine Plan.

Today, social agencies try to care for the unmarried mother and her child, and providing she is willing to release it legally, will do their utmost to place the child in an adoptive home suitable to the child's personality, heredity and potentialities.

AFTER THE UNWED mother has, of her own accord, decided to give her child up for possible adoption, the social worker places the infant in a temporary boarding home for a period of observation. Regular visits by the staff pediatrician chart the child's physical progress, supplemented by clinic visits for routine x-rays of heart and lungs. As the mysterious chemistry of growth continues within the baby, it comes more and more apparent just what kind of child will develop and what kind of person ally he is likely to possess.

Meanwhile the social worker, is studying the mother's background, her education, her type of employment and personality, insofar as that is possible. We try to know her as thoroughly as we can so that, in so doing we may know her child, in order to insure the most advantageous placement for it. We examine the mother's background, her family's capabilities, how much edu-

cation her brothers and sisters have had, and how they have adjusted to their life situations. This sometimes alas is all too slow. A thorough and thoughtful study may not always be entirely possible due to circumstances governing individual cases but in every case the agency makes use of its every facility to obtain a complete dossier on the mother.

IT IS OUR POLICY to place children in adoption homes as soon as possible after birth, at the age of six months, thanks to modern scientific methods, we are able to test the baby's mental capacity. This is done by skilled psychologists who understand children and who have studied intensively their growth processes. We recognize that these tests are relative and know their conclusions are not irrevocable, yet they do tell us a great deal about the infant and for the most part are one of our most reliable norms for judging the trends of infant intellectual progress.

If a child is found to be of low mentality or if there is a significant hereditary disease in the child's background, he is judged not to be adoptable. Present day practices indicate that any mentally normal child is adoptable. Even physically deformed, lame or disfigured children are adoptable, providing understanding adoptive parents can be found. Physical handicap need not bar the path to a happy home for the child so formed by God.

When this entire process is completed, the baby is ready to be shown to the adoptive parents. Only those who have adopted a child know the joy of holding THEIR child for the first time, knowing that he will be theirs hereafter.

NEXT WEEK The Adoptive Parents.

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Teen Talks

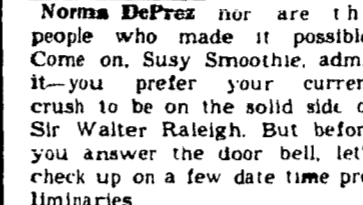
Age of Chivalry
Courtin' a-la-Cream
Good Time Had by All

By NORMA L. DEPREZ

Pardon me, Jivesters, your manners are showing. It's just eight and the front door bell is ringing. It is H a n k t h e heartbeat, and he is right on time. Ask him in and we'll put the spotlight on date decorum.

The age of chivalry? No, it is not dead.

Norma DePrez nor are the people who made it possible. Come on, Susy Smoothie, admit it—you prefer your current crush to be on the solid side of Sir Walter Raleigh. But before you answer the door bell, let's check up on a few date time preliminaries.



MAYBE YOU HAVE been going with Hank since last football season, or perhaps this is your first date, but whether he's old or new, blind date or truck, he won't like to be kept waiting while you decide between the blue cashmere sweater or the black frock. He said he would call for you at eight (and fellows it is up to you to be there on time) so be on hand to greet him.

Introductions to the family usually follow, so be on your toes. You can depend on Dad to start the conversational ball rolling, but try not to be too annoyed when your kid brother insists on carrying it over the goal line for a touchdown.

Show your family every courtesy and consideration, especially when mother mentions curfew time. If the date deadline is twelve or one, meet it and make the most of it.

You may be captain of the football squad, or all American track star, but mind your manners. Those little things, such as standing when your date or older people enter a room, whipping off your frock or frap cap when you come into the house, or helping Susy on with her coat, make lasting impressions on the family.

WELL GUYS AND GALS, you're ready to launch your dream boat, but wait a minute you forgot something. No, not you Susy, I see you have your compact lipstick and a clean hanky tucked neatly away in your purse.

It's Hank I am thinking of you forgot to tell your date how sweet she looks. Yes, I know you were thinking that that shade of blue is tops on her, but why keep it to yourself? Sincere flattery won't get tangled up into a "line" if it's straight from the heart. And Hank don't forget to open the car door or hold her chair until she is seated.

Susy may be the all American girl who eats Wheaties for breakfast, but when it comes to dating, she thrives on courtesy a-la-cream and sugar.

DESTINATION UNDECIDED? Perhaps you didn't make a date for a definite destination, but don't let your girl make all the decisions. Suggest a few places, and let her make her choice that way she can judge your financial status, and plan accordingly.

Gals, if your date is blushing around the bill fold, after the movies, mention the cake you

baked and the cake in the refrigerator at home. You can warm up the recorder, and roll back the rug for merriment minus monetary blues.

Good table manners are a must. Emily Post says, elbows off the table and more important avoid loud chatter and risqué songs. Keep conversation down to a college yell. Not everyone in Happy Herbie's Hamburger Haven is interested in your last chem grade.

FEMME FATALES, when the shine on your nose is competing with Frankie Lane's latest hit, make-up repairs are in order, but the table is no place for a complete overhaul. Hair combing, nose powdering, and the lipstick touchup should be confined to the "Powder Room."

Look, there are Betty and Bob over there. Why you haven't seen them since the last class reunion, and there is Pete dating your old classmate. It is good to see the crowd, but don't turn into that queer species of animal known as a "table-hopper."

A quick "Hello, how are you?" is in order, but this is no time for all the latest news and views. No matter how rugged your Romeo is, he will not enjoy waiting while you flit from table to table.

A good time will be had by all, if you remember your best date decorum.

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ADOPT THIS YOUTH
Victor Maniu, twenty years old, has three years before priesthood in his course at the Seminary of Cluj, Romania. With Russia dominating that country, we shall need many wonderful priests, ready for martyrdom. Won't you adopt Victor and give the three hundred dollars needed? Write for "Hail, Flowers of the Martyrs"

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NO THORNS
Read St. Therese's beautiful poem, "THE UNPETALLED ROSE." Everyone who gives a little for the Shrine Chapel of the Little Flower, which we shall build in Lebanon, north of the Holy Land, for the conversion of Russia, receives a copy with her picture.

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