

HOMEMAKERS MAKE THE NEWS

With this issue we present the first of our weekly pages of news for the homemaker. Here the housewife and mother will find stories and information about her profession, homemaking. It will prove interesting not only to her, but also to her daughters, the homemakers of the future. Dad is invited to steal a glance any time he wishes. More than likely he'll find out something about women that he never knew before!—The Editor.)

Mother Will Win Race with Son

AP Newsfeatures
Pittsburgh—A pretty 27-year-old mother is racing with her two-month-old son to see who walks first.

The odds are that Mrs. Robert Kovach will win over chubby Tommy who was born June 7, a few months after his mother was stricken by infantile paralysis.

Mrs. Kovach was stricken in February shortly after coming to nearby McKeesport from Philadelphia with her engineer husband and two-year-old daughter, Lynn. Says she:

"We weren't even unpacked and my husband had to batch it ever since."

Mrs. Kovach went to Pittsburgh Municipal hospital where she spent long hours on a rocking bed to aid her circulation and breathing. Then Tommy was born. He weighed a hefty seven pounds, two ounces, and now tips the scale at a healthy 10 1/2 pounds.

She has responded so well to treatment that she's in a wheel chair at the D. T. Watson home in Leedsdale. Her son keeps her company and is the delight of the staff. Officials say Mrs. Kovach will need braces for early steps but eventually is expected to walk unsupported.

Home Hints

By Ruth Current
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It isn't necessary to iron everything. In many homes, especially during the busy summer season, the ironing of sheets, dish towels and much underwear and children's clothing is considered quite unnecessary. Thorough drying and careful folding is all that's needed.

Laundry Basket Buying: You can save yourself much future ironing by wise buying of garments and household textiles. Choose such fabrics as jersey, seersucker and corduroy for children's clothes. When nylon fits the purpose, be sure to choose it. Nylon is used for many things besides hosiery and women's underwear now—children's rompers and men's shirts, among others. It's worth the extra cost.

Good equipment helps: In ironing, as in most other jobs requiring skill, it's hard to do a good job quickly and easily unless you have good equipment to help you out. A good iron, ironing board and high chair will pay for themselves over the years in terms of time and energy saved. Give sit-down (continued on page two)

Ear, Ear! I Love You, My Dear

By CYNTHIA LOWRY
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Faye Emerson and Elliot Roosevelt made their first post-divorce appearance together recently in a New York night club and spent much of their time kissing each other on the ear.

Obviously, when a couple with the stature of Miss E. and Mr. R. start ear-smooching in night clubs one may presume there is a trend which may soon turn into a fad.

I have researched handy books and magazines carefully and find no references at all to ear-kissing, in or out of night clubs. I am advised that some native tribes show affection by nose-rubbing, but I find nothing, but nothing, about ear-kissing.

Absence of references, pro or con, in standard books of etiquette indicates that Miss Emerson and Mr. Roosevelt are trail blazing, so it behooves us to observe and study carefully their precedent.

According to one observer—and sometimes I think night club observers aren't the most reliable in the world—Miss Emerson was kissed on the left ear 17 times by Mr. Roosevelt. Miss Emerson, according to this same fellow's score card, kissed Mr. Roosevelt 17 times on his RIGHT ear. As I understand correct seating at night club banquets, Mr. Roosevelt should have been sitting on Miss Emerson's right, which would make it rather difficult for him to reach around to hit her on the left ear. It would also be difficult for Miss Emerson to reach Mr. Roosevelt's right ear. Anyway, it is pretty obviously a special technique and in the half-light of a night club the necessary bobbing and shifting of heads must have made the scene resemble a French ceremony involving presentation of the Legion of Honor medal.

Enough then, of technique, except to comment that it must have been pretty interesting when it kept our observer counting kisses while his companion of the evening undoubtedly just sat there and boiled with rage.

Now we will speculate on the social significance of ear-kissing, which will probably be taken up by the magazines, adopted by the college crowd and finally, by safe society, although not necessarily in that order.

It is fairly obvious that ear-kissing is a salute reserved for rather special occasions. Miss Emerson and Mr. Roosevelt said they had not yet reconciled, so I should judge that an ear-kiss is a little more friendly than a handshake but not quite as hearty as a peck on the cheek.

As a matter of fact, it ought to come in quite handy at cocktail parties. If used frequently, ear-

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kissing eliminates the necessity for much conversation and—more important—making introductions.

The evening following the ear-kissing premiere, Miss Emerson demonstrated on her television show a new one-car earring. She made no comment on it in connection with kissing, but it is still highly significant. It is apparent Miss Emerson is indicating that ears carrying earrings should never be kissed. I feel sure some types of earrings, like pendants and those with sharp wings would offer a handicap to the kisser, if not outright danger of injury. But if the kissers were routinely equipped with one earring, worn, of course, on the RIGHT ear, there would be no problem.

Speaking of trends, as we were, another more serious one than ear-kissing has come to my attention. A movie star of note was seen coming out of the Ritz Hotel in Paris the other day barefooted. Goodness only knows what this will start.

Monkey Dances with Snake

RANGOON — (AP) — Chico is 18 inches of performing Burmese monkey. When he goes into his roadside dance he does it with a three-foot cobra. Rest periods he strokes the snake laying its head on its hairy paws. His Chinese owner won't say how he involved Chico in this unusual monkey business which pays dividends.

Johnny's Best Friend Is The Policeman

By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE
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A policeman can be one of your child's best friends. It all depends on the attitude of the parent, says the National Kindergarten Association.

One of the first lessons to teach a child, says the Association, is to consider a policeman a real friend and one in whom he can place confidence.

Here's what happened to one lad of five who had been taught this way:

His mother took him to a fair and somehow he became separated from her. People began to notice the child when they saw him walk up one aisle and down another, evidently searching for someone. He appeared to be perfectly calm and composed.

When he came near the door where one of the observers stood, he was asked: "Looking for someone?"

He turned his face toward his questioner with an expression of complete trust and answered, "Yes, I'm looking for a policeman."

"A policeman?" he was asked.

"Yes'm," he nodded his curly head. "I lost Mommy, so I'm looking for a policeman to find my Mommy for me."

The inquiring lady took over from there. With his small hand in hers they made their way to the first aid station, which was located in a large tent.

The woman did not expect to find his "Mommy" at the station, but there she was; and the little fellow took it as a matter of course. What surprised the observer most was to see the mother so perfectly calm and confident. She told the observer and several interested policemen and others, she knew her child was safe, because he would remember just what to do.

She had taught her child to have confidence in the police and, because she knew that when they (continued on page two)

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