

Nuggets of Fun and Nostalgia for Treasure Valley Golden-Agers

# Wise Advice from a Farmer 's Wife



• Whenever you return a borrowed pie pan, make sure it's got a warm pie in it.

• Invite lots of folks to supper. You can always add more water to the soup.

• There's no such thing as woman's work on a farm. There's just work.

• Make home a happy place for the children. Everybody returns to their happy place.

• Always keep a small light on in the kitchen window at night.

• If your man gets his truck stuck in the field, don't go in after him. Throw him a rope and pull him out with the tractor.

- Keep the kerosene lamp away from the milk cow's leg.
- It's a whole lot easier to get breakfast from a chicken than a pig.
- Always pat the chickens when you take their eggs.
- It's easy to clean an empty house, but hard to live in one. (Continued on page 2)

### MARRIAGE ADVICE FROM 1886

Let your love be stronger than your hate or anger.

Learn the wisdom of compromise, for it is better to bend a little than to break.

Believe the best rather than the worst.

People have a way of living up or down to your opinion of them.

Remember that true friendship is the basis for any lasting relationship.

The person you choose to marry is deserving of the courtesies and kindness you bestow on your friends.

By Jane Wells

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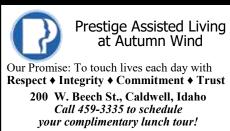


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#### Wise Advice from a Farmer's Wife (Continued from page 1)



• All children spill milk. Learn to smile and wipe it up.

• Homemade's always better'n store bought.

• A tongue's like a knife. The sharper it is the deeper it cuts.

- A good neighbor always knows when to visit and when to leave.
- Always light birthday candles from the middle outward.
- Nothin' gets the frustrations out better'n splittn' wood.
- The longer dress hem, the more trusting the husband.
- Enjoy doing your children's laundry. Some day they'll be gone.
- You'll never catch a runnin' chicken but if you throw seed around the back door you'll have a skillet full by supper.
- Biscuits brown better with a little butter brushed on 'em.
- Check your shoelaces before runnin' to help somebody.
- Visit old people who can't get out. Some day you'll be one.
- The softer you talk, the closer folks'll listen.
- The colder the outhouse, the warmer the bed.





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# WHY ENGLISH IS HARD TO LEARN

We'll begin with *box*; the plural is *boxes*, But the plural of ox is *oxen*, not *oxes*. One fowl is a *goose*, and two are called *geese*, Yet the plural of *moose* is never called *meese*.

You may find a lone *mouse* or a house full of *mice*; But the plural of *house* is *houses*, not *hice*. The plural of *man* is always *men*, But the plural of *pan* is never *pen*.

If I speak of a *foot*, and you show me two *feet*, And I give you a *book*, would a pair be a *beek*? If one is a *tooth* and a whole set are *teeth*, Why shouldn't two *booths* be called *beeth*?

If the singular's *this* and the plural is *these*, Should the plural of *kiss* be ever called *keese*?

We speak of a *brother* and also of *brethren*, But though we say *mother*, we never say *methren*. Then the masculine pronouns are *he*, *his*, and *him*; But imagine the feminine . . . *she*, *shis*, and *shim*!



A man is incomplete until he is married, then he is finished. - Zsa Zsa Gabor

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## Here's My Opinion - Comments from 65 Years Ago

 "I'll tell you one thing, if things keep going the way they are, it's going to be impossible to buy a week's groceries for \$20."

• "I'm afraid to send my kids to the movies any more. Ever since they let Clark Gable get by with saying 'damn' in 'Gone With The Wind,' it seems every new movie has either "hell" or "damn" in it.

 "Have you seen the new cars coming out next year? It won't be long before \$5000 will only buy a used one."

 "If cigarettes keep going up in price, I'm going to quit. A quarter a pack is ridiculous."

• "Did you hear the post office is thinking about charging a dime just to mail a letter?"

 "If they raise the minimum wage to \$1, nobody will be able to hire outside help at the store."

• "When I first started driving, who would have thought gas would someday cost 29 cents a gallon. Guess we'd be better off leaving the car in the garage."  "Kids today are impossible. Those ducktail haircuts make it impossible to stay groomed. Next thing you know, boys will be wearing their hair as long as the girls."

• "If they think I'll pay 50 cents for a hair cut, forget it."

 "I read the other day where some scientist thinks it's possible to put a man on the moon by the end of the of the century. They even have some fellows they call astronauts preparing for it down in Texas."

 "Did you see where some baseball player just signed a contract for \$75,000 a year just to play ball? It wouldn't surprise me if someday they'll be making more than the president."

• "I never thought I'd see the day all our kitchen appliances would be electric. They are even making electric typewriters now."

 "It's too bad things are so tough nowadays. I see where a few married women are having to work to make ends meet."  "It won't be long before young couples are going to have to hire someone to watch their kids so they can both work."

 "Marriage doesn't mean a thing any more; those Hollywood stars seem to be getting divorced at the drop of a hat."

 "I'm just afraid the Volkswagen car is going to open the door to a whole lot of foreign business."

 "Thank goodness I won't live to see the day when the Government takes half our income in taxes. I sometimes wonder if we are electing the best people to congress."

 "The drive-in restaurant is convenient in nice weather, but I seriously doubt they will ever catch on."

 "There is no sense going to Lincoln or Omaha anymore for a weekend. It costs nearly \$15 a night to stay in a hotel."

 "No one can afford to be sick any more; \$35 a day in the hospital is too rich for my blood."



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# Would you like it gift-wrapped?



The lingerie store where my aunt works was crowded with shoppers selecting Valentine's Day gifts for their wives.

A young businessman came to the register with a lacy black negligee. My aunt noticed that the next

customer, an elderly farmer, was holding a long red flannel nightgown and kept glancing at the younger man's sexier choice.

When it was his turn, the farmer placed the nightgown on the counter. "Would you have anything in black flannel?"



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# **Milestones**



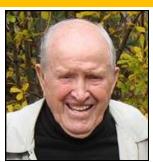
Frann Richardson Feb 20, 1918-102 years Nampa Park Place



Peggy Nelson Feb 29, 1920—100 years Nampa Sunnyridge



Ruby Gray Feb 24, 1925-95 years Nampa Park Place



Tommy Thompson Feb 1, 1919—101 years Nampa



Leonard Wolff Jan 13, 1923-97 years Caldwell Senior Center

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Ed Krajnik Feb 28, 1921–99 years Nampa Senior Center



Lucille Tabor Feb 6, 1924-96 years Nampa Sunnyridge



Herb Carlson Jan 20, 1925-95 years Nampa

## **Still Getting Around**

At the senior center a group of seniors were playing cards and talking about all their ailments.



"My arms have gotten so weak I can hardly lift this cup of coffee," said one.

"Yes, I know," said another. "My cataracts are so bad I can't even see my coffee."

"What? Speak up! What? I can't hear you!" said a third senior.

"I can't turn my head because of the arthritis in my neck," said another, to which several nodded weakly in agreement.

"My blood pressure pills make me so dizzy I can hardly walk!" exclaimed another.

"I forget where I am, and where I'm going," said an elderly gent.

"I guess that's the price we pay for getting old," winced an old man as he slowly shook his head.

The others nodded in agreement. "Well, count your blessings," said one woman cheerfully. "Thank goodness we

can all still drive!"



Love your enemies, it will drive them crazy and keep them awake at night.



### Her Four Husbands

The local news station was interviewing an 80-year-old lady who had just gotten married for the fourth time. The interviewer asked her questions about her life, about what it felt like to be marrying again at 80, and then about her new husband's occupation.

"Ĥe's a funeral director," she answered.

"Interesting," the newsman thought. He then asked her what her first three husbands did for a living.



She paused for a few moments, needing time to reflect on all those years. Then she explained that she had first married a banker when she was in her 20's, then a circus ringmaster in her 40's, and a preacher in her 60's, and now - in her 80's - a funeral director.

The interviewer looked at her, quite astonished, and asked why she had married four men with such diverse careers.

She smiled and explained, "I married one for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go."





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## Will You Marry Me?

A widower and a widow had known one another for a number of years. One day they were at lunch at the Senior Center. They were at the same table across from one another.

As the meal went on, he made a few admiring glances at her and finally gathered up his courage to ask her, "Will you marry me?"



After a few seconds of careful consideration, she answered. "Yes. Yes, I will." The meal ended and with a few more pleasant exchanges, and they went home.

The next morning, he was troubled. "Did she say yes or did she say no?" He couldn't remember. Try as he would, he just could not recall. Not even a faint memory.

With trepidation, he went to the telephone and called her. First, he explained to her that he didn't remember as well as he used to. Then he talked about the lovely time they had. As he gained a little more courage, he then inquired of her, "When I asked if you would marry me, did you say 'Yes' or did you say 'No?"

He was delighted to hear her say, "Why, I said, Yes, yes I will,' and I meant it with all my heart." Then she continued, "And I am so glad that you called, because I couldn't remember who had asked me."

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A MIND



## How are you doing on those Resolutions?

We are a month in to the New Year and you are well on your way to completing all of your resolutions, right? No?! You "missed the plane" on those? Well here is a message of encouragement for you?

#### Good Morning, and Welcome to Flight # 2020.

We are prepared to take off into the New Year. Please make sure your Attitude and Blessings are secured and locked in an upright position.

All self destructive devices should be turned off at this time. All negativity, hurt and discouragement should be put away.

Should we lose Altitude under pressure during the flight, reach up and pull down a Prayer. Prayers will automatically be activated by Faith. Once your Faith is activated you can assist other passengers.

There will be NO BAGGAGE allowed on this flight. The Captain has cleared us for takeoff. Destination GREATNESS.

Hang on guys, it might be a bumpy ride but we will all get through it together!

#### I have two tickets to the Super Bowl, 50 Yard Line, Box seats.

I paid \$3,500 each but didn't realize when I bought them last year that it was going to be on the same day as my Wedding. If interested, I'm looking for someone to take my place. It's at St. Michael's Church at 3 pm. The bride's name is Nicole.

**Milestones** 



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