

Better English

By B. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence "Only two people applied for the position, and neither of them was adapted to the work."?
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "deduce"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Marmelade, maritime, martyrdom, marionette.
4. What does the word "equivocal" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with "r" that means "deserving of praise"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "Only two persons applied for the position, and neither of them was adapted for the work."
2. Pronounce the u as in use, not as in rule, accent second syllable.
3. Marmalade, 4. Having a doubtful meaning; ambiguous. "It takes a learned man to fathom these equivocal writings." 5. Creditable.

The Stars Say --

By Genevieve Keable

For Tomorrow

A SUDDEN turn of the "Wheel of Fortune" may bring current events to the goal of desired climax, even though there may be angles or twists not quite to the liking. These unexpected events may make changes or revising of ways and means that may accelerate desired objectives. By timely use of strenuous and practical methods, more than the anticipated culminations may materialize, hitting high spots not counted upon, of valued consequence.

If It Is Your Birthday

Those whose birthday it is, may find an unpredictable turn of events combining with a clever and shrewd course of action to produce progressive and substantial high spots, accruing in exceptional advantage. Peculiar circumstances should be manipulated on a practical basis, strenuous and aggressive as well as far-sighted, with influential personages assisting enthusiastically and with friendly collaboration.

A child born on this day is richly blessed with divers powers and faculties, with exceptional talents, ideas and initiative for a successful career.



Cleans GLASS COOKING WARE

COW BRAND BAKING SODA

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

The tune we hummed was one full of the enchantment of our younger years — of day, and Sabbath-school, of faces gone, other days, other scenes. "Co-ount your bless-ings, na-ame them-m one by one, co-ount your bless-ings. . ."

We sang, and quietly granddaughter rode up on her "tryke" to listen. Presently she wrinkled a neat freckled nose in a whimsical smile: "Hah!" she chuckled "I bet I could count them. I can count a long way!" Then she bethought of the errand that had brought her. "You know that line is broken? Yes, every last piece is on the ground. That pretty blanket too. "Oh dear!" she moaned "not right down?" She nodded. "Yes — and if you should want granddaddy to help with the fixing" she added with feminine perspicacity "You'd better call him now because they are just home this minute! And will you sing that again when the line's up? I like it." "Maybe" we promised hurrying off to the task of finding James, who it seems is always retracing or self-effacing in moments of household crises.

It was a truth that "You needn't grieve at me, Ellen, — I didn't do it!" Your common sense should have warned you against spreading too heavily in a wind like this. Run now and bring a hammer and staple! Where will you find them? Oh, in the shed, or the pump-house or the pigery. Or no" calling after us "in the garage!" It was granddaughter however, who knew their whereabouts and carried them to him quickly to hasten the repairs. "And now will you sing about 'counting your blessings'" she begged when once more the sunny breeze of day lifted the washing pieces, waving them like so many clean banners. In spite of momentary delays and annoyances it would be a forlorn, deserted, neglected soul who could not sing: "Count your blessings" on such lovely April days as these.

It was a gentle south wind that blew today, bearing a dark drift of wild geese with echoing calls before it and a parcel of gulls to soar and dip above the dark line of trees that guard the stream below the mill and riverward. And suddenly the sun which invigilated the lawn, hid himself behind a covering of clouds, and the enchanting silence that precedes a gentle rain, was spread about. If one notices, sounds linger then and one may catch echoes. James deserted the fencing to light a heap of ends from the yard-cleaning, placed for safety on a plowed field, and the smoke-scent was not unpleasant, but mingled nicely with the spring fragrances about. . .

"Would you guess what I have in my hand?" granddaughter came in to ask this morning when the preparations for dinner were in progress, her hand enfolding some treasure. "A we egg?" She shook her head. "A caterpillar?" "No." She smiled "I guess I'll have to show you, Look!" and a handful of fresh green grass was disclosed to our view. "Isn't it pretty?" she queried. "And don't you like the smell?" Grass, buds, earth . . . the incense of spring.

On rolls the season, bringing new chores to farm folks, taking away completed the results of their efforts. There is some talk now at Alderlea of getting "busy at that manure-spreading" and at dinner at which after absence were joined by a maid, James guessed that "perhaps by tomorrow, we'll turn the sheep out to their summer pasture."

Cook's Corner

CHOCOLATE CREAM

This mixture is very soft and delicate — we do not thicken it to a high degree, in the first place, and as a final measure fold in whipped cream. Very delicious.

Yield—6 servings.

2 cups milk
Thinly shaved rind of 1/4 orange
2 1/2 tablespoons corn starch
3 tablespoons cocoa
1-3 cup granulated sugar
Few grains salt
1/4 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup whipping cream

Measure milk into upper pan of double boiler and add the orange rind; cover and heat to scalding point over boiling water. Remove orange rind.

Combine the corn starch, cocoa, sugar and salt in a mixing bowl. Gradually stir in the scalded milk. Pour milk mixture back into pan and cook over very low heat or boiling water, stirring constantly, until smoothly thickened; cover and cook over boiling water, stirring occasionally, until no raw flavor of starch remains — about six minutes longer.

Remove from heat and cool thoroughly, but do not chill.

Stir in vanilla.

Measure the cream into a bowl and whip until stiff; add to pudding and fold lightly to combine.

Spoon dessert into individual dessert glasses and chill deeply before serving.

Until tomorrow, Diary, Goodnight.

DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

By James W. Barton, M.D.

That Body Of Yours

TWO THEORIES THAT HAVE WEATHERED ADVERSE CRITICISM

A few years ago it seemed to be definitely established by clinical reports from various parts of the United States and Canada that it was unwise to remove tonsils or adenoids just before the approach of the poliomyelitis season (August, September, October), as so many cases of the most crippling form (bulbar) seem to follow removal of tonsils at this time. Then came reports that exposed pulps of teeth should not be treated or removed just before the polio season. Then came reports from what seemed to be as authoritative sources that removal of infected tonsils at this time did not increase the chances of the child's developing the bulbar paralysis type of polio.

The question is now definitely settled. Removal of infected tonsils a few weeks before the polio season does increase the chances of developing bulbar paralysis, it is reported by the investigators of the National Society for Prevention of Infantile Paralysis. These reports, published by the recognized organization behind prevention of infantile paralysis, should receive full consideration from physicians and parents.

In a recent article we quoted noted authorities as reporting that even scratches or cuts on the skin should be treated by antiseptics to prevent tiny organisms of polio from entering the body.

Another idea has more recently weathered the storm of adverse criticism: the "focal infection" theory, which is that an infection starting in one part of the body (teeth, tonsils, sinuses) causes symptoms, such as rheumatic symptoms, in other parts. For the past few years, the focal infection theory of rheumatism has been attacked by outstanding authorities, but the focal infection theorists are able to report thousands of cases where early removal of infected teeth and tonsils has resulted in a large percentage of cures. The fact that one individual has focal infection and has rheumatic symptoms and another has the same degree of infection and no rheumatic symptoms, is of course, true; focal infection may not be the cause of every case of rheumatism.

Individual with infection and no symptoms may be immunized against this particular infection. Like practically all diseases, however, the earlier infection or other obstacles to recovery are removed, the better the chances of obtaining a cure.

DEAR MISS DIX: I have been married two weeks. I am 25 years old and she is 21. She is the only girl I ever loved. Two days ago a letter came into my hands which she had written to a cousin of hers in another state, in which she said she had married a good man but did not love him. Instead, she was desperately in love with another man. What shall I do? Of course, she has completely and permanently destroyed my faith and confidence in her. I feel I cannot keep my self-respect if I continued to live with her and tolerate her continued infidelity.

E. L. J.

ANSWER: Have you considered the fact that the letter might just be a trouble-maker's prank?

Don't judge your wife until you have talked the whole thing over with her. If she were so desperately in love with someone else, I doubt if she would have married you. Give her a chance. Talk it over frankly, then decide on the issue.

Why Baby Husbands?

Reader Complains That Woman Takes All The Hard Knocks

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: Why should women humor and baby their husbands? Why shouldn't men be treated as grown-up human beings who, if they want a home, wife and babies, should be willing to share some of the cares? Why make a drudge of the wife, while the husband goes out looking for some one prettier? How can a wife keep herself attractive when she lays awake nights thinking how to cut down expenses and worrying about bills? I have a grand husband and sons. None better, but neither are they perfect, and I have had plenty of work raising the boys and overlooking my husband's faults. So I still want to know why it is the wife's duty to take all the hard knocks and still baby the husband?

E. P. B.

ANSWER: Well, maybe your husband has done a few licks of work himself in supporting his family and perhaps you've had a fault or two yourself that he has had to turn blind eye on. Did you ever consider those possibilities?

Marriage isn't a sinecure for men any more than it is for women. Although we never hear anything about the sacrifices that a husband and father is called upon to make, he makes them just the same. It is mother who sobs on our breasts and demands that we mingle our tears with hers while she tells how hard she has to work; how tired down she is by the children; how cantankerous and unreasonable her husband is. Father never mentions what he does, but we might have a sob or two to bestow on him when we think that he also toils, day after day, for his family; that he also is tied down to his hearthstone; that he lives in terror of his wife's nagging.

HE DOES HIS SHARE

It isn't because he is having a grand time in an office or store or factory that makes him punch the timeclock on the dot, sick or well, every morning. It is because the wife and children have to be kept safe and comfortable. It isn't because he prefers to spend the time in a hot office that nails him to his desk. It is because the wife and children need the seashore or the mountains. It isn't because he wouldn't like to spend some of the money he makes on himself that makes him deny himself the luxuries he craves. It is because there is nothing left for him when the family bills are paid.

And the only thing that pays the man for all the sacrifices that marriage demands is for his wife to give him a pat on the head and occasionally pet him a little and tell him he is a good old dog. Also, I recommend the same treatment from husbands to wives. A mutual admiration society makes any marriage a success.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX:

Would you please tell me the requirements necessary to be a successful small town physician's wife? I have eighteen months in which to prepare myself.

ANSWER: A doctor's wife needs all the good qualities to be a successful wife that any other woman needs, and then some. For a doctor's wife has more to do with making or marring her husband's career than the ordinary wife has.

She must be able to smile when she has to take off her hat as she is starting to the theatre or some party that she longs to go to, when her husband is summoned to a sick bed. She must be able to keep dinner waiting until it is ruined without getting peeved when her husband doesn't get home on time. She must be able not to feel herself neglected when her husband spends the few evenings he is at home in study, instead of telling her how beautiful she is.

She must put her jealousy aside and not get green-eyed over every good-looking woman patient. She must keep out of his office unless specifically invited in. She must resist his secrets and not try to worm them out of him. And she must never, never gossip about what she inadvertently learns about his patients.

She must make friends for her husband, for many a woman picks out a physician because she likes his wife, and many another goes to somebody else because she thinks the doctor's wife is snooty. It is a hard life, that of being a doctor's wife, but it is a great one if you don't weaken.

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Morning Smile

Still Lost

An American visiting England for the first time, decided that it would be fun to go for a walking tour in Scotland at Christmas.

For once winter was living up to its name. The snow was coming down hard, and the American was struggling along what had once been a village lane. It was not long before he was completely lost.

Fortunately, however, he came up with an old Scot.

"Say, friend," began the American, "I guess I'm lost."

"Is there a reward out for ye?" asked the Scot cautiously.

"Nope," said the American shortly. "What's the matter?"

"Weel," came the slow reply, "ye're still lost."

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. If a girl is going to be married to a man who has been married previously, is it proper for her to have a big wedding, wear a white gown and veil?

A. Yes, and why not? The fact that the bridegroom has been married before does not alter the fact that this is the girl's first wedding. If, however, she has been married previously, she should not have a big wedding nor wear white.

Q. When you are a guest at a small dinner party, and a dish is served that you particularly dislike, what should you say?

A. It would be very rude if you said anything at all. Instead, the well-bred thing to do is to accept a small portion, and at least pretend to eat it.

Q. Should one ever tip the conductor on a train, or the dining car steward?

A. No; it is not expected.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Fish

To bone a fish, begin at the tail and run a sharp knife under the flesh close to the backbone. With the knife, follow the bone its entire length, making as clean a cut as possible. This removes one half the flesh from the bone. Pick out with the fingers any small bones which may remain.

Silk

Always press silk under a piece of damp muslin, using a moderately hot iron, until the muslin is quite dry. This prevents the silk from cracking or becoming hard.

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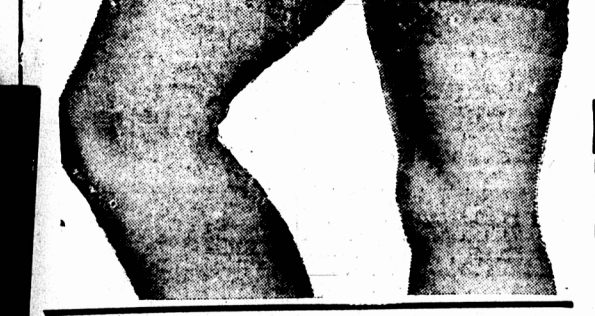
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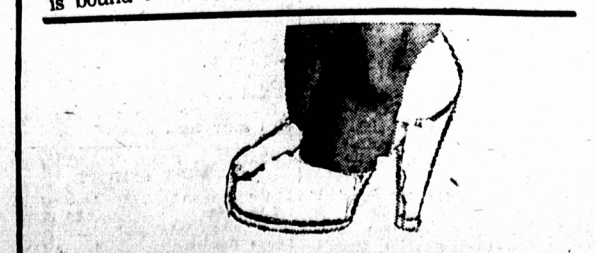
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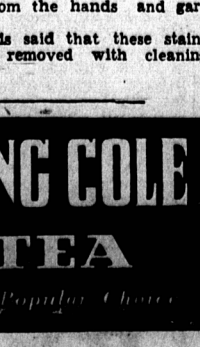
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FRANCES PARKISON KEYES (Continued)

For a moment Stella did not move from the piano. Then, without abruptness, she shut it and rose. "I'm sorry," she said in a strange voice. "I never sang that but once, except on the stage or at rehearsal. I'll sing anything for you that you like, except that, after I have rested my voice a little. But that's a song I'm never going to sing, from affection, again."

Drew was working long hours that summer. He often telephoned around five that he could not get home for dinner—that Patty was to have it without him. These protracted absences gave Mrs. Forrestal more opportunities for uninterrupted conferences with her daughter than Patty would have sought, and she was visiting expansively when one such message came through. She raised her eyebrows questioning. "Does this happen often, Patty?"

"Yes. Two or three times a week. I don't see how he stands it. Because he gets up awfully early, too."

"I don't see how you stand it."

"Stand what? I'm not working sixteen hours a day, like Drew."

"I wasn't speaking of work when I asked you how you stood it. I was speaking of the way you're being neglected. The whole town's talking about it."

Patty's eyes strayed idly from the little sweater on her lap to the small clock on the mantelpiece. Guarded as the glance was, her mother caught it. "Have you an engagement, Patty? Are you looking for anyone I'd be interested in meeting?"

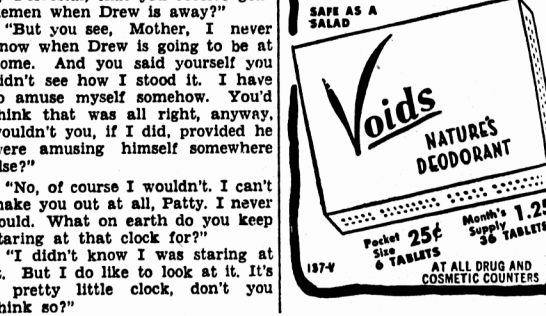
"Not tonight. Perhaps tomorrow night I might introduce a very charming gentleman to you."

"You don't mean to tell me, Patty Forrestal, that you receive gentlemen when Drew is away?"

"But you see, Mother, I never know when Drew is going to be at home. And you said yourself you didn't see how I stood it. I have to amuse myself somehow. You'd think that was all right, anyway, wouldn't you, if I did, provided he were amusing himself somewhere else?"

"No, of course I wouldn't. I can't make you out at all, Patty. I never could. What on earth do you keep staring at that clock for?"

"I didn't know I was staring at it. But I do like to look at it. It's a pretty little clock, don't you think so?"



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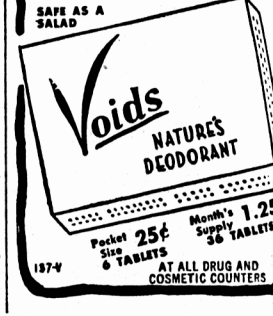
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