

Household ScrapBook

By Roberta Lee

Soften Putty

To soften putty in window frames, mix together two pounds of salad oil, 1-2-pound tin and one gallon hot water. Stir all together and apply while still warm to the putty on both sides of the glass. Let remain for twelve hours, when the glass can be removed without cutting.

Odorless Gasoline Cleanser

Add a few drops of oil of sassafras to each quart of cleaning fluid used for cleaning dresses. This will deodorize the fluid and entirely remove any disagreeable odor from the garment after the cleaning.

Guard Against Moths

To preserve fur robes against moths, dissolve 1-2-ounce of camphor in one pint of alcohol and spray the robes with this before putting up.

The Stars Say - -

By Genevieve Kemble

For Tomorrow

The mentality is still immersed in the realm of the bizarre, fantastic, imaginative or eccentric, albeit with much predisposition toward the constructive, inventive, experimental and creative. In varied lines of endeavor. Bold and daring ideas may illuminate and cite to spectacular heights of ingenuity and skill. Emotions as well as intellect being involved, there is prospect of definite opposition or want of approbation from elders or old institutions.

It is probable that those exceptional souls who are destined to be swayed and swayed by the eccentricities of genius may have to be content to find their rewards and gratifications in the realm of their own novel or spectacular inventions, emotional urges and stimuli, as there is sign of some very concrete opposition or criticism from those of more objective or materialistic vision. Extraordinary talents, ideas, plans, unique experience of strange phenomena, weird insight into the bizarre or speculative, may draw down the criticism of the sordid-minded or unimaginative. However, genius brings peculiar compensations.

A child born on this day may be conspicuously gifted with novel, strange and eccentric ideas, talents, aspirations and ideals, provoking the sallies of the sordid and purely objective-minded.

ELLEN'S DIARY

By an Island Farmer's Wife

The fields on the opposite side of our valley, where the slope rises up and back of the gray-gabled mill is green again. And the pond, mirroring at times for us trees and hill-side and drifting white cloud of day awaits now the opening gold of the cowpale. How eagerly we gather these, among the early wildflowers of the year! And are disappointed to find that taken out of their habitat, their fresh beauty soon withers and is gone.

As is his custom ever since the April day we had the new window inserted in the room above the kitchen to look out over the pond, James, on rising takes his weather bearings for the day there. He spoke of it at milking-time in the stable. Then through the open door we could see a mist damp on the hills. And no sun to give life and lift to the sparrows wings on first jaunts about the barnyard.

James was a bit late keeping our appointment, he having stopped a minute to attend to the comfort of a new pair of lambskins . . . a white and a black, dark as night — a ewe. And which will she love better? We wondered as we came by, the lad or the lass. And smiled, recalling a question we had asked with some curiosity of an Indian mother in the long ago.

She was young and slight and attractive. Of an impassive countenance and yet we knew as capable of every depth of feeling as are women of every race. On a reservation she lived and with companions we had come to her door to ask for a drink of water that hot summer day. A neat frame-house it was and others similar in form and make were here and there about the wide acres.

She waited on the threshold while we drank, a plump boy-baby of about a year in her arms. A small girl, sturdy and cute and likeable half-hidden behind the folds of her skirt. All regarded us casually without any sign of curiosity or a flicker of interest in their eyes. We admired the children . . . and by their appearance knew she was a good mother.

"And which do you like better?" we asked, a bit carelessly we confessed in the light of her reply. "I like both." A smile lit her eyes and very slowly spread across her features. And she hugged the fellow in her arms more closely. "I like both," she said. "But of course," she added, "I like my boy better." While for long years we never had a chance to prove or disprove her comment, we can nevertheless question it now that a little girl—a subtly alluring bit of femininity as are the summer waxes—"A little damper" we offered, "As," he said, "and by the look of the pond there'll be no clearing for a spell. Oh, it's just as well—it's a bit too early yet to begin the cropping."

"There's a time to reap and a time to sow" Ellen, and a farmer needn't fash himself over either. But," he chuckled, "it's just as well to be ready for them."

Until tomorrow . . . Diary . . . Good-night . . .

DOROTHY DIX'S COLUMN—

Deserted Wife

Her Children Come Before Romance

DEAR MISS DIX: I was married at 16, had my first child at 17, followed by one almost every year until I was expecting my sixth at 25. Then my husband said he couldn't stand the responsibility any more, and left us. He went back to live with his mother in another state. I am now 29, the children are from 4 to 12. About a year ago I met a man two years younger than I. He seemed very understanding and mature. We got along very well, and soon were seeing each other four or five times a week.



Muriel Nissen

He said he loved me, and I know I loved him. However, he wanted me to marry him and leave the children. He felt he couldn't accept their care. Naturally, I wouldn't think of deserting my family; for one thing there's no one but me to care for them. My friend says he still would like to come to see me once or twice a week, but I feel if I continue seeing him I'll learn to care more.

TINA

ANSWER: You have certainly had a hard life, Tina, and it is greatly to your credit that you have done such a splendid job of caring for your large family. Added to your maternal worries, you haven't been very fortunate in meeting decent men. Your husband proved to be nothing but a contemptible coward, and his mother must be nearly as bad to let him stay away from the family he deserted.

NEW BEAU NO IMPROVEMENT

Your present young man is no better. Knowing that he would never accept the obligations of a ready-made family, he won your trust and love only to treat you as shabbily as your husband did. I'm afraid your prospects for second marriage are not too good, anyway. Few men are willing to take the responsibility of so large a family.

With the two unfortunate experiences you've had, your future dealings with men should be very carefully handled. You are, apparently, an overtrusting soul, and to avoid another wound, you'll have to toughen up a bit. Your immediate happiness lies with your children. Bringing them up right is a full-time job, and leaves little room for romance. Of course, they'll be grown while you are still a comparatively young woman; then, and only then, will be the time for you to look around for another husband. The experience of maturity will, I hope, lead you to a better choice than you have made up to now.

By all means stop seeing your young man. He has no serious intentions toward you, and further dating will only end in more disaster for you. Try to get an objective view of your life. Profit by the mistakes you have made and work toward a happier, more wholesome future.

You could use some first-hand advice and I suggest you see your clergyman, or someone at the Family Service Association, whose address you will find in the telephone book of your nearest large city. Apparently you have no family, aside from the children, and to face the world and your many responsibilities with no one to help is a sorry state. There are, however, many counseling agencies who can lend a helping hand, and I urge you to make use of them.

DEAR MISS DIX: I am an 18-year-old senior and go on dates frequently. My father believes I should get out of the car immediately upon arriving home, and go into the house. He says the neighbors will talk about me if I sit in the car too long. While I can partly see his point, I feel there's no harm in staying outside for ten or twenty minutes.

DISCOURAGED DAUGHTER

ANSWER: While gladly conceding that romance must have its moments, I must also agree with your father that a parked car is not the best place for them. However, if Dad expects you to heed his advice, he must be ready to offer an alternative to the parked car. What's the matter with the family living room? Or inviting the young man in for a snack in the kitchen? Your family should co-operate with you to the extent of having some place available for you to entertain the boy.

Regrettable as it is, neighbors will talk—and not always kindly. It's best not to give them material for gossip, but conduct yourself in a manner above reproach.

DEAR MISS DIX: I've met a very nice man whose wife died

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Cook's Corner

Chocolate Lace Cake

1 1-3 cups cake flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 1-4 cup sugar, 1-2 cup light corn syrup, 1-2 cup shortening, 2 eggs, 1-2 cup milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1-2 square unsweetened chocolate, 2 teaspoons powdered sugar.

Sift flour; measure; add baking powder, salt; sift again. Gradually add sugar and 1-4 cup of the corn syrup to the shortening; cream until fluffy. Separate eggs; add yolks; beat well. Add sifted ingredients alternately with milk; stirring only enough to blend; add vanilla and chocolate melted and cooled. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry. Gradually add remaining corn syrup; beat until stiff. Fold into batter. Pour mixture into greased pan 8 x 8 x 2 inches, and bake in slow oven, 325 degrees F. for 45 minutes. Cool. Place lace paper dolly on cake, sift powdered sugar over dolly, then remove dolly carefully. Be sure dolly has an open pattern.

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. When a young man and girl have been going together regularly, is it proper for her to give him a birthday gift, even though there has not yet been a similar occasion for him to give her a present?

A. Under these circumstances, there is no reason why she shouldn't give him a gift.

Q. Is it considered good form for a family to insert "please omit flowers" in a funeral notice?

A. Yes, certainly, if this is the family's desire. And the request should be respected and their motive not questioned.

Q. Should the knife or the fork be used when eating celery and radishes?

A. No; celery and radishes are always taken with the fingers.

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Garden Topics

By GORDON LINDSAY SMITH

Flowers Among Vegetables

Few vegetables look well among the flowers, but there are a lot of flowers that not only decorate a vegetable garden but are best grown there. Gladioli, sweet peas and others that are used for cutting or bouquets can be grown most easily and in quantity among the vegetables. Plants with really wonderful bloom but plain foliage should go there. A more pleasing picture will result where these flowers are grown along the edge of the vegetable plot or just in front. If they are very big they can go along the back fence. Usually a prize vegetable garden attracts visitors just as much as the flower plots so if we want to make it really showy we can select from the seed catalogue some of the taller and bushier annual flowers and use these as hedges between the main divisions of vegetables.

A great many experienced gardeners now grow practically all

Better English

By G. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "In compliance to your request, we shall send the more heavier of the two articles."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "ghoul"?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Disbelief, dwarf, Mastiff, Migrain.

4. What does the word "jurisdiction" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with ca that means "rhythm"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "In compliance with your request. We shall send the (omit more) heavier of the two articles."
2. Pronounce gool, oo as in tool.
3. Migraine. 4. Right or power to exercise judicial authority. "The case was transferred to the jurisdiction of a higher court."
5. Cadence.

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Morning Smile

Might Not

The teacher of the village school was leaving and was being presented with a clock and a purse. The minister, who was presenting these, said, "The contents of the purse will in time disappear but this clock will never go."

His Number's Up

"It seems to me, Mary, that you're marrying very hastily. What is the policeman's name?" "I don't know his name, but I've got his number."

Hats Off

There was no church on the aerodrome, so an empty hangar was equipped with chairs and a hastily constructed platform to fill the need until such time as better arrangements could be made. As the airman filed in through the



R4567

by Anne Adams

door on the first Sunday, one dreamy individual failed to remove his cap.

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Late Now

"The fortune-teller said romance will come to me rather late in life. V."

"How nice for you, dear. That means it could happen any day now."

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How Can I . . .

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I treat a smashed finger to prevent an ugly discoloration of the nail?

A. Hold the hand up for at least an hour so that the blood drains out of the finger. This will prevent the blood from congealing at the smashed place and causing a discoloration of the nail.

Q. Does pouring fat into the kitchen sink tend to clog it?

A. Yes; this is a sure way to cause a plumbing bill. One should keep an old can on hand to receive that extra fat that one wishes to throw away. The can, when full, is easily disposed of.

Q. How can I remove the shell more easily from a hard-boiled egg?

A. Crack the egg firmly down on a table, and roll back and forth, a few times. The shell almost falls off and the egg will be smooth.

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