

Better English

By D. G. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I have a fascination for Mary Smith, because she favors my mother in looks."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "derivative"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Opposition, oppomum, oppoment, oppression.
4. What does the word "discrepancy" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with "ll" that means "deceiving; unreal"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "I am fascinated by Mary Smith, because she resembles my mother." 2. Pronounce derivative, e as in me unstressed, first i as in ride (not as in it), accent second syllable. 3. Oppomum. 4. State of being at variance; disagreeing. "There is no real discrepancy between your figures and mine." 5. Illusory.

TOKYO. (Reuters)—Russia Saturday donated 3,650,000 yen (\$10,000) to the Japanese Red Cross to

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. When Mrs. Gordon has been introduced to a person and that person persists in addressing her as "Mrs. Gorman," should Mrs. Gordon correct her?
A. The error can be passed unnoticed for a time or two, but if the person persists, one may say, "If you please, my name is Gordon."

Q. If someone starts to tell you a joke you have already heard, should you stop him?
A. Only if you are his sole listener. If you are in a crowd of people, it would be the height of rudeness to break in on his story.

Q. Would it be proper for a young girl to ask a young man, who has never previously "dated" her, to attend her school dance with her?
A. Yes, this is quite all right, although it would be better if the man has already indicated some friendliness toward her.

aid victims of the recent flood disaster in Japan's southern islands of Kyushu.

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

The new moon of July hangs close now, barely above the silhouette of the top-most boughs of the lawn-trees, to invite, we think, our wishes. Then what shall we wish? That a brisk Genie might appear with a band of helpers to have the barn-rafters in place, the roof boarded and all shingled in no time—and a huge forkful of hay poised for a moment before a high door, to swing in presently, and to the accompaniment smiles on every side, drop to the snow below?

No indeed, this would not be a first wish! For think of all the joys of the days of building we should thereby miss! The daily progress of the work under Mr. D's supervision and skill—the "brick upon brick" of it, we like to watch as it matures according to plan; the yearning at mealtimes; the often amusing replies to our greeting of morning: "And how are things in...?"

Should we rather wish, now that the season is upon us, that in some giant magic endeavour the Genie would harvest our hay? It will be, we know, for us a long chore before every last wisp of it is tucked safely into our barns. Yet here too, we should lose every delight of the undertaking. Nothing but the scent of it should we have had to enjoy... No sight of James at the mowing, nor his intent regarding earth and sky. We should miss even that bitter-sweet period of regret we experience when we see the mowers lay low the first green swaths.

What scenes come to mind at a sight of James at the mowing! The March predictions and April's, with odd tokens of winter still lingering: "Don't seem to me, Ellen, there's much promise of hay on the fields!" Then as day by day familiar duties of the season return to us, a first sign of soft green comes to the fields, which spreads to the scent of the stirrings of Spring.

The new of the season! What a long time before the haying! Thus and so we shall do in the wide interval. But in a pleasant round the days slip until one mid-morning with some surprise one catches sight of waves of shadow over the haylands, the sun touching with its gold the satiny ripples. And James comments presently: "Guess we'll have to get more help on at the wedding—the next thing we know the haying will be here!" Then for us, a surety perhaps for the extra food we shall need to prepare—for the haying is a hungry pastime! a host of daisies, golden-hearted, white-petalled surprises us upon the hillsides. Too soon, in the wake of their appearance remindful signs of the mowing are borne to us... a sight of the machines being moved to first scenes of it—or as today James and Jamie edging the hayknives, should we wish all these items we have known and been a part of for long years away from us? Give them over at a sigh to the magic of a Genie? Perish the thought!

Then what shall we wish? We should echo James' perennial wish: "For health and strength" remembering that with these, though there be no pot of gold at the foot of our rainbows, we are rich indeed; we should wish for peace world-over, so that the young lives of soldiering-lads might be spared to loved ones and homes; we should wish children to enjoy as we did the joys of childhood in a happy world where wars and battles were tales almost lost in the past.

And we would wish that at least for this night, calm, mystic in its moonlight, beautiful, there may be no suffering, no sorrow abroad, but for all the restful balm of sleep with pleasant excursions down some lovely lane of dreams! Until tomorrow—Diary—Good-night....

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Clean Concrete

To clean and freshen a concrete cellar floor, or outdoor pavements and driveways, scrub with soap and water, or turn on the hose. Then, while the concrete is still wet, sprinkle dry cement powder over it. After 10 minutes, sweep the excess powder off with a stiff broom.

Bathrub Mat

An attractive, durable and efficient bathrub mat can be made by tying a number of jar rubbers together with strong thread. Let them overlap to make the mat strong, and bind them together until you end up with a rectangular mat.

Iodine Stains

To remove iodine stains from the hands, rub the stained areas with a slice of lemon or a slice of raw potato.

DOROTHY DIX'S COLUMN

Dating And Teen-Agers

Question Might Be Discussed At Parents-Faculty Meeting

DEAR MISS DIX: My problem is not a complicated one, but I do need help. I'm 16, and have been living with my stepmother since I was 10. She's very good to me, but I'm not allowed to date, even in groups. I can't get into activities at school because she believes that boys cannot be trusted. Occasionally I'm permitted to visit a friend on Sunday afternoon, and that's the extent of my social life. I'm a sophomore in high school, and naturally there's quite a bit of fun going on at school. I can't even enter into conversations any more because I don't know what my classmates are talking about.

VERA T.

PRIVILEGES OF TEEN-AGERS

ANSWER: So many problems of this type come to me, that I'm going to answer yours, Vera, with a general solution in the form of an appeal. Practically all dating difficulties come during high-school years, and I think it would be a fine thing if faculty members would come to the aid of girls whose parents don't realize the necessity of a well-rounded social life for teenagers.

I realize thoroughly that teachers are overworked as it is, but the need for some sort of service along these lines is so acute that it might be attended to somewhere along the line. As a suggestion for its undertaking, I would propose a general meeting at the beginning of the school year, with every effort made to get all parents present. A competent speaker, either of the faculty or a guest, should outline the social needs of the high school group, describe the activities offered to meet these requirements, tell of the chaperonage provided; then invite questions on teen-age dating problems.

Even those parents who don't need this specific help will be interested in the program, and those who are uncertain just what privileges to allow their sons and daughters will be helped immeasurably. Parents have confidence in the teaching staffs of their schools—as they should have—and would permit participation in activities under faculty supervision.

Adolescents need a social life; they need competitive sports, and they need association with members of the opposite sex.

DEAR MISS DIX: I am very much in love with a married man, and am a little mixed up. He's younger than his wife and very good looking. They don't get along so he feels justified in going out with me. He wants to divorce his wife and marry me, but I'm skeptical about going through with it. He has no children.

BEWILDERED

ANSWER: And well you might be skeptical. Your friend seems to need small justification to break one of the Ten Commandments. If he is so morally weak now, you won't accomplish the miracle of building his character.

DEAR MISS DIX: I am 15 years old and have been writing to a boy of 17 for the past year. Our letters have been friendly until recently when he began to get serious. I have never met him and prefer to keep our correspondence on a friendly basis. Should I continue writing or forget the whole affair?

CLAIRE

ANSWER: Why not get your mother's opinion on the matter? I think it would be better to drop the correspondence, but if the boy agrees to go back to friendly letters, you might give him another chance.

The Stars Say --

By Genevieve Kemble

On this day the Moon enters Capricorn, which augurs well for real estate dealings and affairs pertaining to the home and hearth. In all such matters, however, rely on your own judgement without depending on the advice of others. This is especially true where finances are concerned.

The evening hours show beneficial vibrations for cultural activities, romance, courtship, love and marriage. There is a possibility that you may be approached for a favor during this period but, before granting it, consider carefully whether you can afford to do so.

For Birthday

If tomorrow is your birthday, you have great cause for optimism during the year ahead. You may have had some disillusionment in the months just past because of promises which did not materialize, and a sense of frustration over plans and projects which went wrong, but you are now entering upon a new cycle in which you should meet a person who not only understands your ambitions but enjoys co-operating with you.

During October, a family dispute may put you under some tension, but if you will put aside your innate self-assertiveness and use diplomacy and patience, the situation can be quickly resolved. Year's end should find you offered an unusual opportunity which, properly sized and handled could make 1954 a banner year for you.

A child born on this day will be imaginative, romantic and joyous in spirit.

Cook's Corner

Ripped Strawberry-Vanilla Ice Cream

2 eggs
1 cup soalted milk
1 tsp vanilla
Salt
¼ cups sugar
½ cup corn syrup
1 cup cream whipped
½ cup chopped toasted Brazil nuts
¼ crushed sweetened straw berries or raspberries

In top of double boiler, beat eggs, gradually add milk. Cook over hot water till mixture coats spoon. Stir in vanilla, salt, sugar and corn syrup. Chill thoroughly. Fold in whipped cream. Freeze in refrigerator tray until almost firm. Turn into bowl, beat well. Fold in nuts, pour back into tray. With a spoon whirl strawberry puree through ice cream mixture. Freeze until firm. Makes about 1 qt.

How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. Is it possible to lay new concrete successfully right on top of an old concrete surface?

A. Yes; but be sure, first, to get the old surface perfectly clean with soap and water, and have it thoroughly wet when the new concrete is applied.

Q. How can I treat urine stains on non-washable cloth?
A. Sponge the spot with lukewarm soapy water, and then with a cloth dipped in clear cold water. Flush the spot with a solution of one-fifth ammonia and four-fifths water, which should be followed by wiping with another cold water cloth.

Q. How can I prevent hankies and other small articles doubling back over the wringer rollers?

A. Squeeze some of the water out of the front end of the hanky with your fingers first, then feed it through the wringer.

Morning Smile

Generosity

An actress came off the stage after a successful first night, and was surprised when the manager handed her a beautiful bouquet and a packet of marigold seeds.

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BABY'S OWN TABLETS

That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

MANY CANCER PATIENTS AFTER OPERATION LIVE AS LONG AS THOSE WITHOUT CANCER

For those of us who become discouraged as we realize that, despite the millions spent on cancer research, we do not yet know the cause of cancer, it would be well to study the results obtained in the treatment of cancer by our present methods of radium, X-rays and surgery. We could then learn that cancer treated early is not necessarily a fatal disease.

In "Western Journal of Surgery and Obstetrics," Portland, Ore., Drs. C. F. Dixon and C. A. Pitchford state that brief reports on 32 patients between the ages of 40 and 70 years with cancer are presented to illustrate the long periods of survival that not infrequently follow radical or thorough treatment of cancer.

The 18 patients with cancer of the colon (large intestine) survived for from 12 to 42 years after the original operation for removal of the part of the colon affected and the five with cancer of the stomach for from 19 to 28 years. The two patients with cancer of the mouth survived for 29 years and 15 years respectively; the patient with cancer of the breast, for 26 years; the one with cancer of the kidney for 14 years, and the five with multiple cancers for from 13 to 41 years.

Statistical studies at the Mayo Clinic on patients who had cancer of the colon, breast or stomach and who had submitted to radical surgical management suggest that after the initial survival period of five to seven years, the survival rates reach a level or plateau parallel to the survival of the general population.

As we think of the above results obtained by our present methods of treatment, especially surgery, and realize that patients with cancer who have undergone the treatment and survived for five to seven years after treatment has ended have a life span equal to that of others who have not had cancer, it must be admitted that progress toward conquering cancer

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