

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

In the first days of the governorship of the State of New York, Al. Smith spoke to the assembled inmates of Sing Sing. When he started to address this particular group he was stumped. "My Fellow Citizens," he began, then stopped, remembering that prisoners have no citizenship. Slightly embarrassed, he went on. "My Fellow Convicts," but stopped again, knowing that he had blundered. Starting for the third time, Smith said, "Well, in any case, I'm glad to see so many of you here."

The only difference between luck and pluck is the letter "p". A lot of persons believe that the three greatest words in the English language are these: "Enclosed find cheque."

After an absence of sixty-two years, John McDougal returned to his native home, Bonshaw, in 1949. Now in his ninetieth year, Mr. McDougal still is hale and hearty.

Morning Smile

Had Enough

A visiting politician was asked by the chairman if he would like a drink before making his speech in the village hall.

How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I freshen a dry cocoonant? A. There is quite a difference between the taste of a fresh cocoonant and one that is not, but practically the same delicious flavor can be had by steaming a dry cocoonant for about 45 minutes.

Decorative Doily in Unusual Shape



This unusual doily, fashioned in a hexagon shape, may be crocheted in white or ecru or you might choose to work it in blue, pink, yellow or any of the attractive shades available in mercer thread. The doily measures 15 inches in diameter and the motifs are crocheted together. Directions for making this HEXAGON DOILY are available to you if you will send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the Needlework Dept. of this paper asking for Leaflet No. PC 4131.

A Country Garden

I WISH YOU

Friend o mine, in the year on-coming I wish you a little time for play, And an hour to dream in the eerie gloaming.

Wine of romance and wholesome laughter With a comrade or two to share (And some secret spot of your very own)

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Better English

By D. C. Williams

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The Stars Say --

By Genevieve Kemble

For Tomorrow

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Recitation - Queer Uncle Bill - J. D.

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Recitation - Why the Delay - Kenneth.

Song - Old Santa Claus - Sandra and J. D.

Play - "What Husband's Don't Know."

School Chorus - Christmas Joys.

Intermission

Song - Christmas Day in the Morning - Grades 3 to 10.

Grades 2 and 3.

Recitation - A Piece of News - Christine.

Song - Ring Merry Bells - Grades 7 to 10.

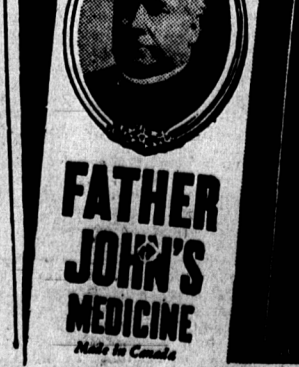
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NEW FISH EXPORT

NEW DELHI-(CP)-"Bombay Duck," a variety of fish found off the Bombay coast, will become a dollar earner when its export to America starts shortly. It will be canned for export to Canada and the United States.

Fight stubborn COLDS successfully!

Why experiment? The value of Father John's Medicine as a nutritive tonic has been proved in more than 90 years of successful use. It builds inner resistance to help the body throw off cold infections. Get a bottle today.



FATHER JOHN'S MEDICINE Made in Canada

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Bottle Shaking Even the task of shaking a bottle has its complications. The correct procedure is to grasp the bottle by the neck, with the bottom up, and give it several vigorous shakes in a horizontal plane.

Soda Ink If you wish to make notes or alterations on blueprints, or auto-graphs, or memos on snapshots, dip a pen into a solution of ordinary bicarbonate of soda, and the result will be gratifying.

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Cook's Corner

MARZIPAN CANDY BALLS

We do not restrict these goodies to the candy classification. When we have them on hand any time we are making up a plate of mixed cookies and cakelets, we like to use a few of these balls to add to the variety.

Yield-Three dozen candy balls. 1/2 pound ready-to-use almond icing 1/2 cup chopped unblanched almonds 1/4 cup well-drained finely cut maraschino or candied cherries 1 tablespoon finely chopped candied or preserved ginger 1 tablespoon finely chopped peel Sifted icing sugar 1 egg-white, slightly beaten (optional) Tinted desiccated coconut (optional)

Soften the almond icing with the fingers and mix in the prepared almonds, cherries, ginger and peel. Mix in sufficient icing sugar to make a paste that can be easily handled—you will need about 3/4-cup icing sugar if you use maraschino cherries, less if you use candied cherries.

Coat hands with icing sugar and roll mixture into small balls. Leave the balls plain, or roll in slightly beaten egg-white then in desiccated coconut; arrange all balls on waxed paper until dry, then store in a tin.

attention and fine feeling for the amenities. Romance may have high purpose and aspiration.

If It Is Your Birthday

Those whose birthday it is may be torn between two objectives, being keyed to high purpose, aspiration and the putting over of practical plans and projects. Thrift and economy should advance serious purpose, although tact, prudence and sympathetic approach are in order. Good will, love and affection may be enduring and far-reaching. There may be substantial gain in investments, finance, sales, as well as in aggressive activities and projects.

A child born on this day while active, energetic, and ambitious is also kindly and sympathetic, with its finer side and aspirations being practically developed.

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Honor Roll.

Grade X-1, Joan Aylward; 2, Patricia Wynne; 3, Patricia MacDonald.

Grade IX-1, Pauline Noonan; 2, Vera Hynes; 3, Marion MacDonald.

Grade VIII-1, Regina Gillis; 2, Nola Marie McCabe; 3, Irma MacDonald.

Grade VII - 1, Mary Claire Smith; 2, Shelagh Molloy; 3, Doreen Bevan.

Grade VI-1, Barbara McQuaid; 2, Annette McQuaid; 3, Bernice Duffy.

Grade V-1, Roberts Lappin; 2, Virginia MacDougall; 3, Carol Clinton.

Grade IV-1, Catherine Atkins; 2, Ann Connolly; 3, Jeanette McGuigan.

Grade III - 1, Marilyn McCallum; 2, Marilyn Clow; 3, Margaret McIntyre.

Grade II-1, Ann McKenna; 2, Sally Stull; 3, Patricia Egan.

Boy's Chorus - Dear Old Santa Claus.

Recitation - Christmas Tree Farm Charlie

Song - Christmas Lullaby - Inabelle and Norma.

Song - Memories of Christmas - Grades 6 to 10.

Recitation - The Shepherds - Norma.

Monologue - Choosing Arthur's Present.

Song - The Best Day of All - Grades 3 to 7.

Christmas Drill - Nine pupils. Solo - Snowflakes - Inabelle.

Closing Chorus - Farewell Christmas.

National Anthem.

LARGE RACE

The population of the whole Arab world, including Egypt, is estimated at 44,000,000.

The Neighbors

By George Clark



"I'm always worried when we leave the children home alone. They take such awful risks."

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

And now we are into the New Year. It is likely that at first we shall stop with pen poised to remind ourselves that now a new number must head our letters, one strange for a time though succeeding months, we shall treat it as an old friend. Yet we shall still remember 1950 kindly—there was we fancied something endearing in that number.

And if there has been some confusion as to whether or not I brought us to, or past the turn of the half century, we definitely now walk therein. What this New Year will bring in the way of blessings to the world, or ills, no one can predict. "It's amazing, Ellen, the things that science has produced and improved just in the matter of a few years," James remarked last night, reaching out a hand from under the covers to turn off a bed-side radio which had been giving us the late news.

"Yes, amazing" he repeated and he must have been smiling there in the dark for he added "and isn't it remarkable, Ellen, how easily humans accept those findings? Not so many years back, we thought it quite a privilege, and nothing short of a miracle, to listen in to a program on head-phones, and we'd walk a distance to hear it. But now people have become too lazy to sit up to hear without any effort at all on their part—they must recline while they listen! I really never thought we should come to this! Certain it is that neither science nor humans will rest on their laurels in this New Year but will go on to make better and indeed more startling discoveries in every phase of life than before."

Yes even a year can bring remarkable discoveries and improvements and we are amazed when we look back along the years we have come to realize that even in our time, tremendous changes have appeared. An article by P. C. Endelman, an eighty-four year old American in Coronet, describes nicely some of the changes he has seen in his life-time, eventful years these have been and full of history, though these scenes could have been paralleled closely by any Islander whose birth-date goes back as far or beyond. But is an interesting tale that bridges in part, past and present.

"When I was born in 1863" he relates "there were more candles burned than kerosene; more men than women teachers in public schools; more meals prepared by fathers or mothers saying grace. And the Civil War was at its height."

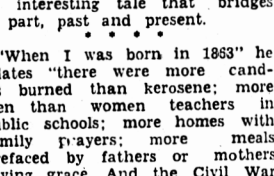
"Small grain was being harvested by cradle; the reaper, the Marsh harvester, the self-binder and the combine were eventualities of the future. Now I have lived long enough to see in the cradle vanish, the Marsh harvester abandoned, the threshers operated by horsepower forgotten, and men on the stack behind the old threshers emancipated. Today, I am older than the electric light, the telephone, the radio, the Diesel engine, the air brake, the safety coupler, the automobile, the airplane, the linotype and the tele-type."

"My hair was beginning to turn grey before the Wright brothers flew at Kitty Hawk, or Henry Ford built his horseless carriage. I had been a voter for years before the caterpillar tractor appeared, before the modern machine gun came into being. I have seen the coming and going of the old wood-burning locomotive, the link-and-pin coupler, the hand brake and the wooden passenger coach... "But, dear dear, James has brought in a parcel of mittens gathered about the stables and piggeries, reminded doubtless by dropping frosty glass, with the remark "You'd better let that be, Ellen. These are in a sad state... and I'll be needing a pair or two in the morning!"

Until tomorrow - - - Diary

Good-night . . .

Simple Sewing, Few Pieces For Child's Robe.



Quick-drying terry cloth makes a perfect robe for a little girl's bedtime routine. Finished with flat fall seams and gay cotton bindings, this simply made bath-robe is practical as well as pretty. For a warmer version, use wool flannel or a bright wool plaid. If you would like the directions for making this CHILD'S BATHROBE, size 8, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the Needlework Dept. of this paper requesting Leaflet No. SS-43.



One and All ENJOY Eastern Bakeries' BUTTER-NUT BREAD

DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

Wife's Job

Creating Home Atmosphere Usually Up To The Woman

DEAR MISS DIX: Does all responsibility of the home environment depend upon the wife? Must a wife never show that things go wrong with her, or that she is sad and depressed? Must she get behind her husband and push him into success without letting him know she does it? Must she see that the children are educated, morally and intellectually? Must she keep herself well dressed and attractive? Must she develop some special social talent so that her husband and children may be proud of her?

ANSWER: You have outlined the work of a superwoman. Of course, all of the responsibility of the home environment should not depend upon the wife. It is just as much the man's business to help make a happy home as it is the woman's to help rear them and develop them mentally, morally and physically just as much as it is Mother's. The husband is just as much obligated to be interested in the wife's work and try to encourage and stimulate her as it is for her to take an interest in his career.

HE PASSES THE BUCK

But in the home it is conditions and not theories that confront us, and the plain unvarnished fact is that he average man passes the buck to his wife. If a woman wants her children to grow up in a peaceful and happy home, she has to make it. Very often she has to ignore the grouchyness of an ill-tempered husband. Sometimes she has to shut her eyes to her husband's philandering, because that is the only way in which she can hold her home together.

She must teach her children the code of morals by which they will live and die, for it is the things that a child learns at its mother's knee that sets the pattern of its conduct as long as it lives. And Mother must keep herself looking attractive in her children's eyes as well as her husband's if she is to hold them. She must be her children's sweetheart, their guide, counselor and friend. She must be teacher, nurse, cook, shopping agent and a thousand other things, and she generally is.

And millions of women take all of this endless work in their stride and just call it a day.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: I am a young girl 18 years old just starting out in the business world. What can I do to improve my business ability? What books should I read on this subject? How should I deal with the people I meet? How can I learn to be poised, industrious and overcome self-consciousness?

ANSWER: I take it from your letter that you are a stenographer and so the book I would most earnestly recommend for your perusal is the dictionary. You have no idea how few stenographers can spell, nor with what a death grip we who hire them hang on to one who does know how to spell and who has some familiarity with words of more than one syllable.

If I had lots of time, as you have, I would take up the study of a foreign language until I could take dictation in it, for thereby would I increase my usefulness and my chances of getting a better salary.

And I would familiarize myself with the business in which my employer was engaged and particularly with the technical terms used in it so he would not have to stop and spell out phrases. I would practice my typing until I could turn out clean and accurate work. Time will cure you of your self-consciousness. Experience will give you poise. And you will be industrious, or not, according to your own will power and desire to succeed. For the rest, the best advice that I can give you is to be friendly with all, but familiar with none.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: What do you think of a young man who has been keeping steady company with a girl for some time, but who dropped her when he found out that she was straight and went to another girl who wasn't so particular? I am very unhappy because I care for him, but don't you think that if he had loved me, he would have had some respect for my standing by my principles?

SALLY

ANSWER: What are you grieving about? You should be down on your knees thanking God for your lucky escape. He did not love you. He was merely amusing himself with you and he had no intention of marrying you, so in any event he would have left you should think that his conduct would have killed any vestige of affection that you may have felt for him.

DOROTHY DIX cannot personally reply to readers, but will answer letters of general interest through her column.

-Needlecraft- FOR THE HOME -

FOR DAUGHTER'S DOLL

Here's a set of doll-clothes that can be made for the Christmas doll—because it is so easy to make! Each item in the wardrobe from jaunty beret down to undies, is cut in just one pattern piece. No. 217. Please order by size for 14, 16, 18 and 20-inch dolls. See pattern for the fabric requirements.

Send 25c for each PATTERN which includes complete sewing guide. Print your Name, Address and Style Number plainly. Be sure to state size you want. Include postal unit, or zone number in your address. Address: Pattern Department, The Charlottetown Guardian.

Pattern No. 217

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HUNG NAM BEACHHEAD, Northeast Korea, Dec. 25 (AP)—United States army engineers have discovered and blown up a big abandoned Red Korean hand grenade factory inside the Hungnam beachhead. It contained brand new Russian manufacturing equipment worth around \$100,000.

217 FOR 14, 16, 18 & 20 IN. DOLLS