

Better English

By B. C. Williams

- 1. What is wrong with this sentence? "We made fifty dollars over and above expenses."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "venal"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Engrosser, oppressor, carouser, conspirator
4. What does the word "vesture" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with "in" that means "to make afraid"?

ANSWERS

- 1. Say, "We earned fifty dollars more than expenses."
2. Pronounce venal, e as in we, a unstressed, 3. Oppressor.
4. Dress; apparel.
5. Intimidate.

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Will you please give me the names commonly given to the most generally celebrated wedding anniversaries?

A. First year, cotton. Second year, paper. Fifth year, wooden. Tenth year, tin. Twelfth year, silk and fine linen. Fifteenth year, crystal. Twentieth year, china. Twenty-fifth year, silver. Thirtieth year, pearl. Fortieth year, ruby. Fiftieth year, golden. Seventy-fifth year, diamond.

Q. Will you please settle this question for us? When a man is walking along the street with two women, does he walk between them?

A. No; he always walks on the outside of the two women.

Q. Is it proper to unfold a napkin completely when placing it on the lap?

A. No; one fold should always be left in the napkin.

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That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

IS PAIN CAUSED BY INFECTION OR INJURY?

I have written before about my own three attacks of sciatica and low back pain suffered years ago. The first attack was due to infected teeth, the removal of which gave immediate relief from pain.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Drying Sweaters

The most efficient method of drying a sweater after washing it is to make a hammock of a piece of mosquito netting or other thin material; hang this hammock out in the sun and lay the sweater on it.

Water Bugs

The annoyance of water bugs can be eliminated by pouring a small quantity of kerosene, or a weak solution of turpentine (3 parts water to 1 part turpentine), down the drain pipe, once or twice a week.

New Clothesline

Soak the new clothesline in boiling water for a half hour before using it. This will prevent its stretching and tangling, and will prolong its life.

Morning Smile

Not Exactly

Employer (interviewing applicant for job): "Know anything about electricity?"

Applicant: "Yes, sir."

Employer: "What's an armature?"

Applicant: "A chap who boxes for nothin'!"

The Red Light

"Oh, there," shouted the policeman, "where's your rear-light?"

The Stars Say

By Genevieve Kemble

For Tuesday, May 30

SPECTACULAR events are in the making this day. Matters of major consequence gain in thrilling advance by the utilizing of particular stratagem with bold strokes of ingenuity and daring.

For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is are assured some unlooked for or curious advancement, from association with those of financial backing and worth.

A child born on this day while shrewd and calculating could make unwise decisions by snap judgments. Wise direction in early life could avert blunders.

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

We found violets, shy white ones subtly fragrant with the scent of remembered years, and blue ones, treasures for small hands to gather, along the sheltered path to the spring in the field "across the creek" this morning.

We came there close to noon to day on an invitation from granddaughter who in spite of a small engine driving the pump at the time to offer us an abundance of water, felt she must go to the spring "for a nice cold drink."

The spring, overgrown, now that it is only rarely disturbed by human footfall, is in a sequestered place, guarded and sheltered by a steep cliff, at the base of which, through clefts in the rock, the water flows crystal-clear and cold.

After our absence at the home of our girlhood by the Strait, and returned to Alderlea, seated between the two farmers on the stony, cool night of week-end, we came back to our week-day round this morning - feeding the sitting hens, that granddaughter is sure will find a surprise in their hatching and going on then to place her own layings beneath a broody turkey.

We must make some plantings in the garden this afternoon - lettuce, rich in vitamin A, particularly, but B and C, and they tell us K, and E, besides a worthy mineral content. Radishes too, for small ones to search out and savor, and onions a preferred dish of James' when as green cuttings they accompany a dinner of ham.

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PARKDALE SCHOOL, GRADE 1



Back Row (left to right): Jeanette Condy, Elaine Wood, Emily Wood, Catherine Murphy, Audrey Bevan, Josephine MacGaughey, Audrey Sherran, Gloria MacIntyre, Janet Douglas. Front Row (left to right): Betty Bowles, Helene Walters, Nancy MacNearney, Phyllis Thompson, Ann Duffy, Jackie Hynes, Sterling Gallant, Lloyd Shaw, Paul Bradley.

Are There Any More At Home Like Her?



Her smile alone would have been enough to have won for Ruby Mann, 18-year-old stenographer, of Grimsby, Ont., title of Blossom Queen of Niagara peninsula, at dance held on Wednesday in Grimsby. Selected from nine entrants in beauty contest, she is shown here, against appropriate background with two former queens, Ellen McClenahan, left, of Burlington, 1949 title holder, and Betty Jane Pike, of Toronto. Also included in day's celebrations was a carnival, which featured parade, floats and bands.

Royal Titles Bring Knotty Problems Princess Elizabeth's Baby Won't Be H.R.H.

Special Decree Needed

By Arthur Kettleton

LONDON, England, — The impending birth of a second baby to Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh is likely to bring forward for examination a thirty-year-old anomaly regarding British royal children. I.e., the happy event may precipitate an amendment of the several rules concerning the hereditary titles of British Royalty.

Though the new arrival in our Royal Family will be a child of the Heir Presumptive, it does not follow that the baby will automatically inherit the style His (or Her) Royal Highness, and special decree will be needed before the newborn can be called a Prince or Princess.

This curious circumstance arises as a result of an odd omission by the late King George V.

In 1947, when Europe's Royal Houses were beginning to totter, his late Majesty drew attention to the effect this might have on the line of succession to the British Throne in years to come. He also pointed out that circumstances might arise in which persons little-known in Britain might lawfully claim to be British Princes or Princesses.

Indeed one lesser light attached to a European Royal Family was known to be selling British titles, on the strength of his remote relationship to Queen Victoria. His correspondence bore the British Crown insignia and the letters H. R. H. were printed in front of his name.

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But his late Majesty and his advisers, sticklers for thorough attention to detail though they were, failed to foresee that one day the Crown would probably go to a Princess, and that any sons of hers would be very near to the Throne.

Consequently, the new decree made no mention of the offspring of daughters of the Sovereign. The omission is not hard to understand, because in 1947 the line of succession seemed well-defined, it passed first to the Prince of Wales, (Duke of Windsor), and then to his brothers in turn.

TRANSPARENT FISH

Brill, a species of Atlantic coast flatfish are sometimes called "window panes" because of their transparent appearance.

DOROTHY DIX SAYS -

Spoiling

Children's Lives Can Be Ruined By Overindulgence

DEAR MISS DIX: What can a grandmother do who sees two fine and lovable grandchildren being utterly ruined in their rearing? These children are never made to obey or to treat their parents or any one else with even common politeness. No restraints whatever are laid upon them. Are the young parents of today too lazy to put themselves out a little to rear their children properly? I thank Heaven daily that I don't have to live in the house with these children, much as I love them.

A PERPLEXED GRANDMOTHER

ANSWER: There is nothing that you can do in the matter, because if parents have not enough sense of responsibility to rear their children properly, no one can substitute for them or undo the harm that they have done. No one can interfere until the hard hand of the law gives the children the discipline and teaches them obedience that their fathers and mothers should have inculcated in them in the cradle.

UNPARDONABLE SIN

Whatever the reason that parents spoil children, they commit against them the unpardonable sin because they wreck their lives in the very beginning. It seems a cruel thing to say, but it is nothing less than the solemn, awful truth that almost every man and woman who is a failure in the world, almost every unhappy man and woman is the result of some mother's spoiling.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: I am a widower of 36. I have a little boy of 8 and have been advised by well-meaning friends that I should remarry for the sake of the boy, as he is at an age when he especially needs a mother. I am hopelessly and helplessly in love with a girl of 22. Do you think that the difference in our ages is too great for her happiness? I love her so unselfishly that I put her good before my own. There is a woman of my own age who I feel sure would marry me if I asked her, but the only reason I could see for marrying her would be that she would make a good mother for my boy.

S. O. S.

ANSWER: Whether fourteen years is too great a difference between the ages of a husband and wife depends altogether upon the temperament of the man and woman. If you are young for your age; if you enjoy going about and doing things, and if the girl is old for her age; if she is sedate and serious-minded, then the matter of years is not to be considered.

But if you are old and settled in all of your habits, and if the girl is gay and high-spirited and pleasure-loving, then the difference between your ages is entirely too great.

Of course, in marrying, a widower should primarily consider his child's advantage, but because a woman is 36 does not necessarily insure her being a better stepmother than the one at 22. Is this girl fond of children? Does the child take to her, because children, like dogs, have a sure instinct about those who really love them. Will she be willing to stay at home and make a home for him instead of always gadding about? Watch how she handles the child and you can

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