



Cook's Corner

BAKED EGGS AND CHEESE

1 cup cheese, cut in cubes.
4 eggs.
1 cup stale bread cut in cubes.
1 can tomato soup.
1/2 teaspoon dry mustard.
1/2 teaspoon pepper.
Butter a casserole and put in layers of bread and cheese cubes. Sprinkle with the mustard, salt and pepper.
Beat eggs slightly. Add tomato soup and pour over bread and cheese. Dot with butter. Bake in a slow oven for 25-30 minutes. Serve as soon as taken from oven.

—Mrs. M. MacINNIS
St. Peter's W. I.

Household Scrapbook

By Robert Lee

Window Shades

Wall paper cleaner will clean ordinary window shades satisfactorily. Holland shades should be stretched tightly on floor or table and laced down, then scrubbed with hot suds and brush. Rinse with brush and warm water. When almost dry, iron them.

The Umbrella

Rub the ribs of the umbrella with Vaseline jelly occasionally and it will prevent rust from loosening and forcing out the small wires.

Lemons

When lemons have become dry and hard from standing, cover them with boiling water for a few seconds and they will be restored.

Better English

By D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "His is the most complete outfit I have ever seen."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "negligee"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Improprity, impressario, impostor, impertinence.
4. What does the word "demonstrative" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with pro that means "abundance"?

ANSWERS

1. The outfit cannot be "most complete." It is complete, that ends it. It can, however, be "the most nearly complete outfit." 2. Pronounce neg-lee-za, as in ste-preferred accent on last syllable. 3. Impressario. 4. Expressing much; displaying feeling or sentiment. "Her enthusiasm caused her to be very demonstrative." 5. Profusion.

run of spades and had to give up a good diamond. Thereupon, West shrewdly exited with a heart, and South finally had to concede two club tricks. The upshot was that he took only one spade, two hearts and three diamonds, and so suffered a three-trick defeat.

Now the question: "under the circumstances, was the spade queen a bad play at the first trick?" Ordinarily, the answer to this would be an emphatic Yes, because a duck in dummy would assure South of two spade tricks, but in this particular instance, playing a non-vulnerable game contract, a South's first-trick decision was correct. The additional chance that the play of the spade queen might give him for repeated diamond finesse, outweighed the specific safety factor in the spade suit alone.

It must be noted, of course, that if South played low from dummy at trick 1, East would certainly not have to put up the spade king, just to see it slaughtered by the ace!

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

"Once the blessed St. Patrick's Day comes—Then," Pat, friend of ours said the other evening, "it won't be long 'till ye'll be after seein' the lambs a-play in the pastures. . . . A snow-flurry or two—an shure there's naught to them, no last at all, at all; a high wind in the chimney, rain an' he twinkled 'some mud, an' a tint av patience, an' some mornin'—God's mornin' they'll be, Ellen!—the swallows will be back a-buildin' their wee mud nests up under the barn eaves."

And now, St. Patrick's Day has come and gone and and despite winter's loitering, from a rise which is indeed not a mount of optimism, but is substantiated by the courses of sun, moon, and stars we may look over the rim of the here and now into the very face of the spring. . . . What winsome scenes of an old Isle the yesterday pictured, for have we not on Island farmlands known too something of the rich green of those far-away meadows?

And felt the hush of a summer daybreak in farm-places, with their little or larger cottages and barns tucked in the lee of a hill. If we have not enjoyed the heat and scent of the peat fires—"the best in the wur-r-rid," Pat declares—we know the delight of the maple and spruce which cooks our pots, boils our kettles and warms us in always pleasant companionship about our hearths.

And knowing how delightful these things are, we sometimes catch ourself wishing that James would suspend for a time his farming so that we two should go to prove for ourselves the enchantment of those old lands across the sea; see the green and silvers—and the fairies of Ireland, the purple and granite of Scotland and her Isles, hear the music and content of Wales and be awed by the history, and beauty, and majesty of England.

But how could James go with the seedtime ahead? The new green months of the year which winter-cleaned, lovely, and alluring in their promise, he enjoys the best of all. Who should in his stead measure in steps that patch of field to be seeded? Or mix the clovers and timothy in a reverent rite of the season? Or walk behind the seeder drawn by the team? Since a chap of fourteen, James has never been absent from Alderlea at the seedtime.

All the quaint loveliness, the history, the charm and glory and grandeur of the old lands, James would not exchange for these, we are confident one day of the cropping on the fields at Alderlea. "Pretty? Yes, it is," James put on his reading glasses this evening to admire with the little fellow some scene pictured in a magazine. "Did you ever see prettier?" "Oh, yes," James smiled. "Where?" "Out on the farm." "Like what?" "Like . . . oh there are so many," James replied. "The new green on the pastures and covering the red of the seeded grain-lands; clover in blossoms; live-stock on pasture . . . dear me, he is hooked, 'it would take me all night to name them!"

And moonlight through the branches of a hillside apple tree! Until tomorrow . . . Diary
--- Good-night . . .

Lenten Meditation

from the columns of the Times, London
CHRISTIAN FORGIVENESS

God declares his almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Perhaps no one phrase could express more clearly the resolution wrought by Christianity in men's thought of God and their scale of moral values. We believe, says the Creed, in God the Father Almighty; but the characteristic attribute of omnipotence is not compulsion but forgiving mercy.

For the new Testament that was axiomatic; to the twentieth century it sounds a paradox. Yet to an age hag-ridden—like the present—with the lust for power and the fears which that engenders, the words come with the force of a revelation which could liberate it from its evil dreams. Thinkers today commonly take for granted that all power tends to corrupt, and that absolute power corrupts absolutely; and this seems to be the verdict of experience. Lord Radcliffe, indeed, in his notable broadcast lectures, argued persuasively against Action's dictum. Yet to whatever extent it may be true, it is because men's exercise of power acknowledges no need for the divine mercy and is therefore merciless towards other men. Power, in this sense, is the antithesis of that power of God

which is revealed in Christ. In the parable of the Pharisee and the Publican our Lord says bare the source of this corruption. There is nothing to show that the Pharisee was not more outwardly virtuous than the publican, who may well have been thoroughly disreputable. Yet this proud and self-sufficient virtue has far less in common with the Christian character than that of the sinner conscious of his need. The Pharisee was one of those people satirically described in the Gospels as "righteous persons who need no repentance."

This attitude is endemic in the modern world, but it is fatal, as events are demonstrating, alike to freedom and to the hope of peace. Without a sense of dependence on God's mercy, democratic institutions are unwelcome. If men are not aware of their own frailty they will tend to regard those who disagree with them not merely as intellectually misguided but as morally perverted and unnatural. Tolerance depends on the recognition that while everyone must contend for the right, as it is given him to see the right, yet all alike are sinners in the sight of God and all alike need his forgiveness. So

Contract Bridge

By Josephine Culbertson

THE BEST PLAY

A "regular reader" asks a pertinent question about the following hand.

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

♠ Q4
♥ A J 8 5
♦ 7 6 3
♣ 5 4 3 2

♠ K 8 3
♥ Q 10 9 4
♦ K 9 2
♣ J 9 8

♠ A 10 6
♥ K 7
♦ A Q J 10 8
♣ K 7 6

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
2 NT Pass 3 NT Pass
Pass Pass

South might have started off with one notrump, rather than stretch as he did to bid two no-trump on the second round, but that is not our concern in this case—the question referred to is in the play.

West opened the spade five, and South, hoping for two entries in dummy for repeated diamond finesse, put up the spade queen. When East covered with the king, South had only the spade stopper instead of two. Now, when he led the heart seven to the ace and tried the diamond finesse, it held, but he could not drop the diamond king, and when East got in with that card, a spade return let West run the entire suit. Moreover, South was squeezed on the ace!

Morning Smile

"This," said the guide at Niagara, "is the greatest falls in the world, and if the ladies will be silent for a moment you will be able to hear the thunder of the water."

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. When a host or hostess is taking six or eight persons to a restaurant, should the dinner be ordered in advance, or would it be better to let each person choose his own course?

A. It is much simpler to order in advance. To have the waiter serve six or eight separate dinners would be very inconvenient.

Q. Is it obligatory to make calls on the bride and bridegroom?

A. Yes; all those who received invitations to the wedding should call on the bride in her new home, even if they haven't attended the wedding.

Q. If candles are not to be lighted, is it all right to have them on the table?

A. Yes; candles are considered an ornamental part of the dinner or supper table setting.

That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

THE PERIODIC PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

You cannot blame a healthy man or woman, enjoying good health, if he objects to the periodic physical examination ordered by his employer. However, a complete physical check-up may detect small defects which, discovered early, save the patient weeks or months of pain and certainly a physical examination causes no discomfort.

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How Can I . . .

By Anne Ashby

Q. How can I avoid having blackheads and greasy skin?

A. Make a toilet water by mixing together 2 drams powdered borax, 1 ounce glycerin and 19 fluid ounces orange-flower water. Shake well before applying.

Q. How can I clean a white felt hat?

A. Mix a rather stiff paste of powdered magnesia and water; brush it well in, leave it on till dry and then brush off.

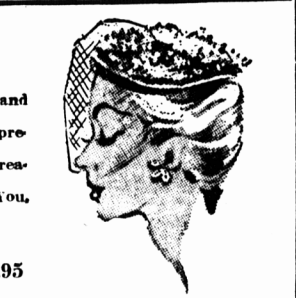
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