

The Stars Say --

By Genevieve Kucible

For Tomorrow

THE most workaday and practical commitments and plans of the day may get a dynamic "lift" by the surprising advent of the romantic, dramatic, unusual or unpredictable. A sudden spurt, an adroit or thrilling maneuver, may lift affairs from the prosaic, or humdrum, into the realm of the emotional, romantic and breath-taking. Sudden, quick moves, bring excitement, surprise and the unexpected to pervade all relations and contacts.

If It Is Your Birthday

Those whose birthday it is, are justified in anticipating the unusual, strange, unforeseen and unpredictable. In all their relations, activities and contacts, business, domestic, romantic and intellectual — all are tinged by the dynamic, with exciting denouement, novel and vivid as well as radical and far-reaching. Enjoyment, happiness, rare moments of elation and thrill, combine to make an unforgettable adventure into the speculative realm of the unknown. A child born on this day, is promised a life of the unusual, dramatic, adventurous and singular, with all contacts and aspirations, lifted beyond the prosaic and commonplace.

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Better English

By D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I haven't any idea as to whom you mean, but I do know that Tom stood outside of the house for hours." 2. What is the correct pronunciation of "prestige"? 3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Hindrance, hinterland, hippopotamus, hysterical. 4. What does the word "arrogant" mean? 5. What is a word beginning with "a" that means "ardent desire or longing"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "I haven't any idea (omit as to) whom you mean," and say, "Tom stood outside (omit of) the house." 2. Pronounce prestige, first e as in press, second e as in tea, accent second syllable. 3. Hindrance. 4. Unduly proud; overbearing; haughty. "The man is an arrogant fool." 5. Aspiration.

How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I remove the odor from an empty medicine bottle? A. Fill the bottle half full of cold water and add one tablespoon of dry mustard. Shake thoroughly, let stand for half a day, and then rinse carefully in cold water. Q. How can I clean the bricks in the fireplace? A. These bricks can be cleaned very well if they are covered with a paste of powdered pumice stone and ammonia. Leave this on for an hour and then scrub with warm soapsuds. Q. How can I clean jewelry? A. A solution of one-half ammonia and one-half water is excellent for cleaning jewelry. Then polish with a chamois.

DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

Contrary Husband

Mulish Man Should Be Handled Like Donkey

DEAR MISS DIX: I am married to the most stubborn, contrary man on earth. How can you get along with a husband with that kind of disposition? I have tried gentleness, patience, fighting, being mean myself, but nothing does any good.

DISGUSTED WIFE.

ANSWER: Of course, one would like to say that the best way to treat a contrary man is to bat him over the head with a coffee pot, but unfortunately women lack the physical strength to enforce such an argument against contrariness. Besides which, our effete civilization discourages such primitive means of family discipline. All that is left, then, for the woman who is married to a man with a mulish disposition is to treat him as she would any other donkey who hasn't sense enough to do what is right and proper, but who has to be cajoled along the way he should go.



LET HIM SUGGEST IT

Begin by letting him think that he has suggested everything that you want to do. If you want to have the parlor papered in green instead of purple, don't rashly say that you are going to have green or your donkey will put his foot down and declare for purple. On the contrary, gently and insidiously suggest the idea of green paper and when you perceive that the time is right, ask him what color he would prefer to have the parlor papered. He will say green and berate you for not having thought of it yourself.

Avoid all arguments as you would the pestilence. An argument with a contrary man is like a mordant that sets a dye and makes it indelible. If he says black is white, let it go at that and he may forget what opinion he expressed and recognize white for the color it is. But if he once commits himself that black is white, he will stick to it to the end of time.

Of course, the less sense a man has the more amenable to flattery he is and the easier he is to work, so there is nothing for the woman who is married to a contrary man to do but to get busy with the salve and plaster him over daily with fulsome compliments.

If she tells him how big and wise and strong and wonderful he is and how she defers to his judgment in every particular, he will eat out of her hand and she may do with him as she will. Some women can do this, some can't. Some do not think it worth while and, as a matter of fact, it isn't worth any sensible woman's trouble to humor such childish weakness, for such a man makes her very, very tired.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: My husband and I have been married for fifteen years and have two lovely children. I have always been a good and faithful wife and mother, a thrifty and economical housekeeper and have done my duty the best I know how. But in all the time we have been married my husband has never taken me anywhere for pleasure. When he is home he always nags me about how much money I spend. He never gives me any extra money for clothes. I have to pinch the household money for weeks to get a pair of shoes. He always swears at me and calls me terrible names. He has never brought me a gift of any kind. And just these little things mean so much to a woman. What should a wife do under these circumstances?

DISCOURAGED.

ANSWER: I don't know what she can do except qualify, as you are doing, for a place among the saints and martyrs. Many a one has been canonized for less suffering than the women endures who has to go through a lifetime of suffering the insults and neglects of a husband who regrets being tied down by marriage and who takes out on his wife his discontent and his selfish fury at having to spend on his family the money he would like to spend on himself.

If a woman has money of her own, or if she is childless, or if the man has property out of which a decent alimony can be wrung, the wife can, of course, leave a husband who mistreats her. But in a case like yours where there are little children to be considered and where the husband has nothing but his daily wage, to break up the home would only be jumping out of the frying pan into the fire and making a bad matter worse. You could not possibly earn enough to support yourself and your children.

DEAR MISS DIX: My parents are divorced and both of them have married again. I am staying with my mother and stepfather. If I stay with them this summer, I will not be able to wear shorts, to use cosmetics and go to dances, as they are very religious. If I go to my dad and stepmother, I will be able to do whatever I please, but my father drinks. At which place would you advise me to spend the summer? I am a girl of 16.

PUZZLED.

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

Cook's Corner

FROSTED MINT CHOCOLATE

2 squares (2 oz.) unsweetened chocolate 1 cup water 1/2 cup sugar 1/4 teaspoon salt 1 quart milk 1 teaspoon vanilla 1/2 teaspoon peppermint extract 1 cup ice cream

METHOD: Place the chocolate with the water in the top of a double boiler. Heat until the chocolate is melted, then stir and cook over low, direct heat until slightly thickened. Add the sugar and milk and cook for 5 minutes. Chill, then add flavoring, salt and ice cream and beat with a rotary beater until well blended. Serve in tall glasses with or without the addition of another tablespoon of ice cream.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Dull Windows

Window glass that is dull-looking and hasn't been cleaned for a length of time should be rubbed with diluted muriatic acid, one part acid to 10 parts water, and then polished with a cloth moistened with whiting.

Flour Sacks

The lettering can be removed from flour and sugar sacks by soaking in kerosene for several hours and then washing. The sack should be boiled in clear water to remove the odor of the kerosene.

Paint Brushes

Paint brushes can be cleaned by washing them in hot soda water and soft soap.

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

Granddaughter went along to fetch the mail this morning. Of course not entirely alone, but attended by the faithful black dog and a kitten. Kept in sight by her father at his choring about the piggeries, and by James who had voiced his misgivings over the outing as from the cellar he carried baskets of roots to the stock. We came to a verandah where we too could take note of her trip. "Her father gave her permission," James said stopping to shake his head over its hazards. "But she'll soon be five" we commented, "and it's only a step. Surely no harm can come to her." Other children why what tiny ones play on the sidewalk and rears in lawn and village! Only babies you might say, weaving in and out among the traffic. They soon learn to take care of themselves. "Yes," James agreed soberly "and they meet with accidents too! Parents can't be too careful. I never want to send anyone, least of all a child into any danger. Now if she is curious and leans over the edge of the bridge... or a car or truck happens to turn into the lane... the alders are thick there..."

Down the winter short-cut through the old orchard went our small one, slipping quietly between the wires of the enclosing fence, and then on smart resolute steps she continued along the meadow which leads presently to the "gangway" bridge — a little dark-clad figure, a dog and a cat. "Did you warn her to keep to the very middle of the way?" James asked her father. Footsteps as we watched slipped into familiar prints as she made the crossing safely, above where the waters run deep and dark. Then she was hidden around an aldered bend at lane's end. We awaited her re-appearance anxiously. What if a hawk or cat was approaching now, making a quick turn there? But "Here she comes!" James said, a pleased smile spreading... She wore a matching smile and was flushed from her exertion and proud as were of her accomplishment. "And now, since I've brought the mail, I think I should be the one to have the paper! Come in!" she beamed "and let's you and me read the children's story!"

In the sun and mildness of today which gathered Mr. A. and our help again to the threshing, and the hunting at the close which entertains adults and children, dogs and cats, spring calls were heard to issue from the neighboring woodlands. "I can't tell you the name of the bird," James offered "but it's among the first you hear in spring." Another bird — a turkey of the flock, with more endeavour than wisdom presented us with a first egg of the season for the youngsters to exclaim over and hold. "It's no good just looking at it" granddaughter smiled. "I want to hold it!" a sentiment her younger cousin shared. "Speckled!" he said. "We found some just like this only tiny wee ones in a nest down the lane!" Jamie and I, one day last summer. And do you know what came out of them?" he whispered the miracle, "Lit-tle bir-rds!"

Supper was a stirring meal we remember after four decorous small ones with bent heads and folded hands got reverently past the Grace. Two are so close in age that neither can suffer the other to be first in any enterprise, even in being served at table. "But I should be" she explained when this issue appeared "you see it's always 'Ladies first!' " "Well, I don't care, which should be — I should be — I'm going to be!" the other dimpled up in a merry way it is difficult to deny. Their male parents threatened as events unfolded but James arbitrated, following as usual the line of least resistance. "You'll both be first!" he promised. "Your grandmother will see to that! Here, Ellen," he said about to resume a conversation with Mr. A. "You see to it that both of them are served first!" a feat of hands that for peace must be timed to a split second. "Now if this weather just holds" James says, lowering his newspaper "we'll get that stack threshed tomorrow!"

Until tomorrow — Diary — Good-night...

CRESCENT CARNIVAL

FRANCES PARKISON KEYES

(Continued)

"Why, good evening, Olivier! I simply couldn't resist the temptation of coming to see your lovely little house any longer. I can tell that it's charming, just from the first glimpse. And I'm doubly glad to have that, because unfortunately I'm going away tonight and I don't know when I'll be back. You see..."

"You are going away tonight?" he echoed, in a voice that was not regretful and not even curious. "I am sorry that you did not let me know beforehand that I might expect the honor of a visit from you, Mrs. Breckenridge. In fact, there has unfortunately never been a time when I could receive you less suitably. This morning after my housekeeper had served my lunch, she had a chill and collapsed. Then she crawled rather miserably to bed. That is how I happened to be in the door for you myself. In fact, when you rang, I thought you were probably the doctor. Unfortunately I could not reach John Beal. This man is a comparative stranger, named Breaux. But he seems to be unaccountably delayed."

"Then I will come in, just for a minute," Anna had no idea of retreating now. As he reluctantly drew back to let her pass, she swept into the little drawing room. "You have no idea how glad I am that I came," Olivier bowed in his characteristic stiff and distant fashion, and Anna went on, "Especially as I do not know when I shall have another chance to see it. I'm on my way to Boston."

"Indeed? But that is very interesting. Your train leaves early in the evening, doesn't it?" "No, not until eight o'clock. I have plenty of time." "Indeed?" Olivier said. "Excuse me, I think I hear the telephone ringing. I am so sorry that I must answer it myself."

The telephone was in a rear room, probably Olivier's bedroom. Anna thought, as she watched him out of sight. Anna rose with dignity and moved across the little drawing room. There was really no need to wheeze, gasp, cough, choke—Templeton's RAZ-MAH loosens the strangling phlegm—gives you quick comforting relief. Let's you sleep restfully on your back. Recommended by experts for Hay Fever and Bronchitis.

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Morning Smile

A Reylew

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Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. When friends, who have moved into a new home, invite you to an open house, are you obligated to bring a gift?

A. No; this is merely an invitation to visit these friends and see their new home. If, however, you are giving a "house-warming" in their honor, then, of course, you are expected to give a gift. Q. When you have been asked to pass a dish at the table, and you were just about to partake of that dish yourself, is it all right to help yourself first? A. No; this would be very crude

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and ill-bred, unless of course the other person insists that you help yourself first. Q. Is a girl ever permitted to ask a man to dance with her. A. Only if the man is her husband, brother, brother-in-law, cousin, or perhaps an old childhood friend.

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The Neighbors

By George Clark



"Eddie took me to this picture yesterday. I want to show you the scene where he put his arm around me."

That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES DEAL WITH LIFE AND DEATH

A middle-aged man applied for more insurance in a company in which he already had a policy. The insurance agent gave him the rates for his age but was afraid the insurance physician would not pass him because he was 25 to 30 pounds overweight. While many overweight are healthy and live to a good age, this is not usually the case. Insurance companies, surgeons, anaesthetists and general physicians are all agreed that the overweight individuals die sooner, are poorer surgical risks for operation, take anaesthetic poorly, develop diabetes more readily, have more blood vessel and heart diseases and other illnesses than one of normal weight.

A distinguished research worker in nutrition states that his investigations bear out the fact "that the corpulent or overweight persons, owing to their greater susceptibility to harmful organisms and harmful wastes (bowel and kidneys) are more likely to contract disease than are lean persons."

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