

DOROTHY DIX'S COLUMN

Household Chores

Child Should Learn To Do His Share

DEAR MISS DIX: Three years ago I married a man with two children, and we are very happy except for the younger daughter. She is so careless and lazy that it drives me crazy. All I ask her to do is make her bed and keep her room tidy, but she just won't.



Muriel Nissen

For the last few months I have had to go to work part time to help out. One morning a week I leave before the children go to school, and when I get home at five I find the table still covered with the remains of lunch. I am very fond of the children, and I know they are of me. I give them as good a home as I can and we would be very happy except for that one thing. Am I expecting too much of her? She is 11.

ANSWER: You are certainly not expecting too much of a child of 11, but perhaps the trouble lies in your approach to her tasks. Also, does her older sister perform household duties? A youngster this small cannot be expected to remember each day's work unless it is presented with a reason.

TELL HER WHY

At her age, household chores are naturally placed after both school and playtime activities. In themselves, of course, they are very boring, but if she knows just why she must do each task, and how necessary it is for the well being of the entire family, she has a purpose to fulfill which may provide the necessary motive for accomplishing her work.

The aftermath is also important. Do you praise and compliment her for successful (or sometimes even half-successful) completion of a job? Eleven is the age for learning, and no incentive is as strong as praise for propelling lagging arms and legs. Routine tasks do not easily become automatic at this tender age, but with continued perseverance on your part, the child's attitude toward work will improve.

Children differ, of course, in their attitude toward helping at home. Some girls take to it more naturally than others, and the laggards must get extra encouragement. Rewards for the job well done, praise and affection liberally bestowed, less faultfinding and more patience will accomplish the desired end.

DEAR MISS DIX: My husband and I have one big difference of opinion. He says he married me only to look after the children, and stay at home. He goes out three times a week. I believe he could look after them one night a month so I could go to a movie. XXX.

ANSWER: Treat your husband to a bit of reading. In the form of the marriage service that united you. Therein he will find that he undertook certain responsibilities as a husband. At that time he acquired a partner, not just a housekeeper. Leaving you alone while he goes out for entertainment is not part of the bargain. An occasional baby-sitter, or relative, could give you some time out together, and the family responsibilities surely should be sufficiently shared by hubby to enable you to go out once in a while. His outlook is pretty selfish.

DEAR MISS DIX: Mine is a "neighborhood" problem. We have a big shady yard, an ideal place for the children to play. My two youngsters, 5 and 3, have all sorts of play equipment such as swings, sandbox, etc. Our neighborhood is full of children but only one other family has swings, so usually my yard is full. I don't mind it as I like my youngsters to be at home, but the visitors literally take over the place. My own children, however, are never permitted in other people's homes, or yards. Now I have told outsiders that unless my two can visit them, the neighbors' children cannot come into our yard. My husband thinks I'm wrong. Am I?

ANSWER: Your feeling of annoyance is perfectly natural and understandable, but the situation you outline is a commonplace one that doesn't offer much in the way of alternate solutions. Since the welfare of your own youngsters is your chief concern, you are better off continuing, even at the cost of patience, your system of permitting the neighbors' offspring to share the pleasures of your yard. Make them respect your property and the rights of its owners, but don't shut them off. Acting as hosts, as your children do, will increase their social adaptability, and will give them a love and respect for their own home that the visitors will never have.

Parents make a big mistake by not opening their homes to the guests of their children, and they pay dearly in later life when sons and daughters continue to seek their fun outside. Your forbearance now will be rewarded later.

Miss Nissen cannot reply personally to readers but will answer problems of general interest through this column.

Morning Smile

Does It Matter?

A scientist was giving a lecture to members of a local society. "My calculations lead me to believe that the end of the world will come in three hundred and fifteen million years."

A little man sitting in the front row jumped up in alarm. "How many years did you say?" "Three hundred and fifteen million," replied the scientist. "The little man gave a sigh of relief."

lief. "Thank goodness for that!" he said. "I thought you said fifteen million."

Classified

A policeman walked into a church while a wedding was in progress. "Is a man called Dashington-Blinks being married here today?" he asked the vergor. "He's being married now," was the reply.

"Well, I have a warrant for his arrest." "Friends of the bridegroom on the right-hand side of the church, please."

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Queen Elizabeth II is shown in the first formal portrait studies to be taken since her accession to the throne. She is wearing a gown of ivory brocade woven with gold and turquoise thread and with turquoise velvet neckpiece. The necklace was given the Queen as a wedding present by the Nizam of Hyderabad, the circlet of diamonds and pearls, arranged in a pattern of cross pattie and the shamrock, rose and thistle, has been worn by the queens of England since Queen Victoria. This is a royal command portrait by Dorothy Wilding.



The Duke of Edinburgh is wearing the frock coat of an Elder Brother of Trinity House, with gold wire lace on the sleeves and buttons mounted with the crest of Trinity House. His aiguillette, with shoulder straps, denote his position as a personal ADC to the late king. The Duke's medals are, left to right: 1939-45 Star, Atlantic Star, Africa Star, Burma Star with Pacific rosette, Italy Star, War Medal and Palm Leaf; Coronation Medal, Greek Order of the Phoenix and French Croix de Guerre with Palm Leaf. He is also wearing the Garter ribbon and star. This royal command portrait is by Baron.

A Country Garden

By Mrs. Gordon MacMillan

"The sound of summer in everywhere—in the passing breeze, in the hedge, in the broad-branching trees, in the grass as it swinges, all the myriad particles that together make the summer, are in motion."

The sap moves the trees, the pollen is pushed out from grass and flower, and yet again these acres and acres of leaves and square miles of grass blades—for they would cover acres of leaves and square miles of grass blades if reckoned edge on edge—are drawing their strength from the atmosphere. Exceedingly minute as these vibrations must be, their numbers perhaps may give them a volume almost reaching in the aggregate to the power of the ear. Besides the quivering leaf, the swinging grass, the fluttering bird's wing, and the thousand oval membranes which innumerable insects whirl about, a faint resonance seems to come from the very earth itself. The fervour of the sunbeams descending in a tidal flood rings on the strung harp of the earth."

Summer is the time to enjoy the garden and home, forgetting the tiresome unimportant tasks that can be left until another day. Mornings and evenings are especially lovely now and it is a joy to share the garden with others who love gardens. "He who joy would win, must share it. Happiness were born a twin."

Visitors to the garden enjoy the Tuberous Begonias that are at their best, very bright and colorful. No other plant is so valuable for summer bloom in shady places and they will do very well in sun if carefully watered, beginning to bloom in June if planted early. They continue for six months. Early carry many huge flowers in a wide range of pastel and bright colors, from pure white to yellow, salmon and deep rich crimson. The enormous flowers, are held well above the foliage.

That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

A NEW DRUG TO RELIEVE PAIN AND MUSCLE SPASM

A new drug, used specifically to dilate blood vessels to increase circulation of the blood, has been found to afford relief from muscle pain and spasms in acute poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis). The discovery was made by two Philadelphia physicians, Drs. A. C. LaBocetta and K. E. Dawson, who report their experience in The Journal of the American Medical Association.

I had been reading about Priscoline for some months and some weeks ago a friend told me it was helping the circulation in his left leg; his right leg had been amputated because of diabetes. The effect of Priscoline is to dilate the blood vessels and increase the blood supply to the feet and hands.

All of the 71 patients selected for study by Drs. LaBocetta and Dawson, they noted, had "marked symptoms of pain and muscle spasm." Every patient in the study had stiffness of the neck, back or hamstring muscles (the muscles at back of upper leg) that bend the knee.

"Forty-five of the 71 patients treated with Priscoline showed a desirable response. Nineteen of this group obtained complete relief of muscle pain and spasm and 25 obtained partial relief." No effect was obtained in the remaining 26 patients. "The purpose of the study, made at the Philadelphia Hospital for Contagious Diseases in 1950, was to investigate the ability of Priscoline to relieve the painful symptoms of acute poliomyelitis in

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Leo

Q. Is there any polite way I can tell certain guests not to put their feet on my good furniture? So many of them persist in sitting with their feet tucked under them, and their shoes on my chairs.

A. About the most tactful thing I can suggest is that you provide yourself with a couple of footstools. With more of a helpful manner than a critical one, you can then say, "Oh, I'm so sorry you had no footstool!"

Q. What would be a suitable breakfast menu following a small, simple wedding? A. Fruit (chilled melon, grapefruit, orange or tomato juice), eggs with bacon or sausage, muffins, hot buttered toast, marmalade and jam, and coffee.

Cook's Corner

BACON OMELET

1/2 cup diced bacon, 1 cup mashed potatoes, 2 tablespoons milk, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 4 well-beaten egg yolks, 4 well-beaten egg whites.

Fry bacon in heavy skillet; remove and pour off excess bacon fat. Fry onion, green pepper, and mushrooms in the same fat. Sprinkle rice around chops. Season with salt and pepper. Cover. Cook over low heat until chops are tender, about 1 hour. Remove chops and arrange on warm platter. Fill centre with rice mixture. Serves 6.

PORK CHOP SKILLET DINNER

6 shoulder pork chops, 2 tablespoons chopped onion, 1 green pepper, sliced in rings, 2 1/2 cups canned tomatoes, 1-3 cup rice, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper.

Brown chops in hot fat. Pour off and save any excess fat. Add onion, green pepper, and tomatoes. Sprinkle rice around chops. Season with salt and pepper. Cover. Cook over low heat until chops are tender, about 1 hour. Remove chops and arrange on warm platter. Fill centre with rice mixture. Serves 6.

Anne Adams Patterns

WEEK'S SEW-THRIFTY

DOUBLE VALUE for your sewing time! Summer's most practical, coolest Wrap-on — make it also in a brief version for a cover-up apron that really protects your skin from the sun. It's air-conditioned. Check that diagram — couldn't be easier, faster sewing. Pattern R4803: Misses' Sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20; 40. Size 16 takes 3 1/2 yards 35-inch fabric.

This pattern easy to use, simple to sew, is tested for fit. Has complete illustrated instructions for laboring, time-consuming procedure of the hot packs.

The value of hot packs in loosening up spasm and relieving pain was taught to the world by Sister Kenny. This method of these two research physicians affords adequate relief of symptoms, making sleep and rest possible and allows physical therapy — using electricity, massage, hot baths — to be pushed more vigorously. Their results show that about 27 of such patients may be treated with Priscoline alone and another 36 per cent can obtain some relief with Priscoline. However, patients who obtained only some relief were further relieved of pain and spasm when hot packs were used together with Priscoline.

How Can I

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I make liver and cucumber salad? A. Use one and one-half pounds broiled and chopped liver, one medium sized cucumber, diced; one onion, diced, and mayonnaise. Chill the broiled liver, cut into small pieces, mix with the other ingredients and serve on a lettuce leaf.

Q. How can I treat linens that have become very badly mildewed? A. The stains can be removed by using a solution of four tablespoons of peroxide to one quart of water. Use enough of the solution to cover the garment, and boil gently for an hour or so until the stains are gone.

Q. How can I stop hiccoughs? A. Moisten some granulated sugar with vinegar and eat it when suffering from hiccoughs. It usually proves an effective remedy.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Leo

Sticky Card Table

Sometimes the leather-top card table becomes sticky and the cards will not slip well. If this happens, sprinkle talcum powder over the top and wipe off. This not only overcomes the stickiness, but acts as a whitener for the cards as well.

Molasses

Before measuring molasses, grease the measuring cup or dip it full of flour and empty it. Either method will enable every drop of molasses to come out of the cup without sticking.

Scorched Spots

Usually lemon juice and salt will remove scorch from white clothes. Hang the clothes in the sun until stain disappears.

Better English

By V. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "As I take it, there is quite a little business to be completed."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "Gaelic"? 3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Simultaneous, sinister, significance, silhouette. 4. What does the word "indomitable" mean? 5. What is a word beginning with la that means "lewd; lustful"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "As I understand, there is (omit quite) a little business to be completed." "Quite" means wholly or entirely. 2. Pronounce as though spelled gay-lick. 3. Silhouette. 4. Not to be subdued. "Their indomitable spirit won the victory." 5. Lascivious.

Hair Today May Be Gone Tomorrow, So 'Problem Heads' Switch To Wigs

By RICHARD KLEINER

NEA Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK — (NEA) — If your new wig costs more, blame it on Adolf Hitler. Indirectly, it's all his fault.

Hitler started World War II. During the war, American GIs took American ideas with them wherever they went. They went to Europe and soon European women were wearing their hair shorter, the way the GIs liked it.

The continent, particularly the Balkans, had always been the big long hair supplier. Nowadays, there's very little of the real thing cultivated on Europe's female heads. So the long hair buyers have to go to remote villages, run contests with prizes for the best hair in each district and pay higher prices. These factors come out in wig costs here.

That's the sad story unfolded by Paul Fieischer the fourth Fieischer generation to be in the hair goods business. To illustrate the current market value of beautiful long hair, he pulled out a carton about the size of a shirt box.

"Inside," he said, tapping it with a significant forefinger, "is about \$7000 worth of hair."

He opened it, and displayed hanks of hair, all neatly grouped in lengths and shades. There was glistering black and pure platinum, lush-looking shades of red and auburn and titian and some snow white.

Fieischer looked almost reverent as he folded the hair carefully and stowed it back in the box. "Fate," he said, in a hushed voice, "is nature's masterpiece, but few of us appreciate it. Compare it to a diamond — if you close your eyes and feel a diamond, what is it? Just a sharp stone. But hair! Touch it, and you can feel its beauty. It's almost flesh-like."

But American women tease, abuse, wave, tint, dye, cut and otherwise mess up their hair. They ruin its texture.

There are some exceptions, and Fieischer's eyes sparkled as he talked about Ethel Thorsen, a television actress. He says she has the most beautiful hair in America.

In case she—or anybody else—loses it, or wants to augment it with switches, curls, bangs, top knots, bangs, pony tails or chignons, Fieischer stands ready to help. He calls people with sparse or non-existent hair "problem heads."

He can give a male "problem head" a new set of hair for some-where between \$75 and \$250, de-

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

"Then let's make it the next day," a housewife said recently as with us and others she set a date for an event to be held in the afternoon. She laughed then a merry little laugh and offered: "What's a day one way or another, anyway, in the life of a woman?" And another remarked seriously: "Anne, you never know... for days can be different. Now yesterday was, I might say, as a whole chapter in an interesting book to me, so many things happened—and so good it all was. But today was well, it was just routine, quite ordinary and unexciting."

And an elderly woman with kindly composed expression and pretty silvery hair commented: "Yes, indeed, a day can make a great difference in a person's life when you stop to consider it a moment. All the wide gulf exists between day and day, between sunshine and rain. Why, I've seen things made and unmade, countries overrun, thrones fall, great nations defeated in less time than that; I've seen mine, and the whole world that had been fairly stable and satisfying only yesterday, come to chaos overnight. And, ah, me, the uncertainty and sorrow then, where all had been so peaceful and happy. You needn't tell me she smiled, "that a day more or less means so little!"

With us then, was today as a whole chapter in this Island farmer's life? Ay, indeed... interesting, quiet and lovely without disturbing incident to scar its summer hours. Unless it was that a conscience which no matter how much we may try to disregard its reminding whispers, spoke shame to us this evening when the farmers returned in the blessedly cool and fading afterglow from the haying at Alderlea to the milking to find cows but neither "whip nor stitch" of a hungry calf bawling at the gate of the pasture!

And James said curiously, "And where were you all evening, Ellen, that you couldn't take stock of their whereabouts?" And hand in hand with the lads of the place we went searching the pasture—down to the wide shadowed stream adorned now with the subtle glow of parting day; up then to the high knoll over-looking a little sylvan valley, winding along fields of the farm to find on its heights a star!

"Right over our heads—look hard!" Gage said, "And there it is!" "Wish I may, wish I might, have the wish I wish tonight," Jamie quoted, laughing softly intrigued by the magic of the flooding twilight about. And then on a far rise of farm-lane, dark figures appeared against the deep back-drop of night. Jamie called, his voice echoing on the quiet air. And again hand in hand, the two staggered against the wind, through the scented pasture we walked up the incline to meet the lost returning. "After this Ellen," James said, "do try to have the cows and calves rounded up before we come home from the haying!"

There was bewitching tangle of blue vetch along a path of this morning... farmers on their

fields at the haying, mowing, stacking, gathering into barns—making hay while shone the sun. And from Alderlea, skipping lightly by the fields between, the sound of James too, at the cutting. Into the mows of the new barn the savings went this afternoon, the work quickened by the arrival of Mr. G. From the house on the hill to swell the ranks of the workers. In widened quarters there but still adequate to hold much of this year's bounty of haylands... A step on the star now—James... and all, to our rest.

Until tomorrow... Diary... Good-night....

Valedictorian



Miss Katherine Joan Aylward

(above), who graduated with high honors from the Notre Dame Academy, and gave the valedictory address at the graduation exercises. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Aylward, Charlottetown, R. R. 1, and Southport.

The Stars Say

By Genevieve Kemble

For Tomorrow

THE astral indications are strong for a continuation of a surprising, unplanned and sudden turn of events, in which the emotions, emotions and affairs generally may bring a complete about-face for adventures, romances and experiences quite thrilling and outside the ordinary and conventional mode of life. Travel, geographically or in the realm of ideas, discoveries or inventions, might enhance home, social or philosophical progress or joys.

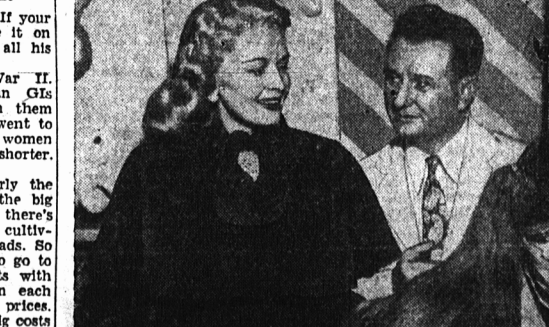
For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it may find themselves beginning a complete about-face in life, with unusual experiences, changed outlook and contacts, and feelings and emotions thrilling to the impetus of new environs and ties, stimulating and radical. There is promise of a new day in sensations—specular, heart-warming. Be ready for quick action when the bell of destiny strikes this high keynote of propitious fate.

A child born on this day may enjoy a life of surprise and adventures with much to add verve to exceptional experiences.

Until tomorrow... Diary... Good-night....

WIGMAKER AND EXHIBITS: Paul Fieischer makes "hair pieces" like those in foreground for "problem heads", but not for Ethel Thorsen. He thinks she has most beautiful hair in U.S.



"She can be demure Monday solenne Tuesday, femme fatale Wednesday," says Fieischer. "She can style it herself, or send it back here to be restyled and cleaned."

One top Broadway star has three hair pieces. One is auburn, one is brunette, one white. She changes them as her mood dictates. Her hair is a "problem head" — she just doesn't have time to keep her own hair freshly styled, so she just slips on her coiffure like a hat.

Fieischer's business extends to such small items as widow's peaks, which cost about \$25, and "streaks" of blonde, white or copper hair — jazz up an otherwise undistinguished head of hair.

There's no danger of any of these hirsute falsies blowing off, like they always do in the movies. Men's top-pers are held fast with two-way plaster, and women's are snugly ensconced with elastic.

If you're blonde, you'll be delighted to know that blonde hair is more expensive than brunette. It's rarer.