

# Your Health and Its Care

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## SHOULD AN EPILEPTIC MARRY?

Fine young man is subject to epileptic attacks or spells, slight ones—he does not fall or have a general fit or convulsion but he is out for several minutes. A niece of his and a cousin both have similar spells. The young man received a medical discharge from the army a year ago. He claims it started when he had a sunstroke. He has become engaged to marry. Is his condition hereditary? Would his children be likely to have epilepsy? (Mrs. A. L.)

Did his niece and cousin have sunstroke too? No, ma'am sunstroke does not cause any form of epilepsy.

Further than to say that bad inheritance is mainly responsible for epilepsy, in the opinion of many medical authorities, I can only add that no specific cause of epilepsy is known.

Not epilepsy itself but the neuropathic or psychopathic defect of which it is a manifestation runs in the family. In one member of the family this may be manifest as epilepsy; in another as feeble-mindedness; in another as insanity or inebriety or drug addiction or migraine or just some kind of moral depravity or delinquency.

Where an individual has epileptic fits (convulsions) which began in early life (childhood or adolescence) marriage should be forbidden. In mild cases—so-called petit mal (spasms of consciousness but no spasms or convulsions)—marriage may be permitted if the facts are fully revealed to the prospective husband or wife.

In this instance the family history is unfavorable—children born to this young man would

be too likely to be feeble-minded, epileptic or otherwise defective. If he marries at all it should be only to a woman who, for some reason is incapable of bearing children anyway. It is unjust for such a person to marry with the intention or understanding that there shall be no children, if the partner is fit to be a parent.

As a matter of fact no doctor, no authority can say positively that offspring of such a marriage will be defective in any way. Of course one or more children of an epileptic may be perfectly normal. But I have tried to answer the correspondent's query by giving what I believe is the consensus of medical opinion today.

### QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

**What a Case of Croup?**  
Son, 6, has had what we call croup every winter since he was two. It strikes suddenly, at night, sometimes late in the afternoon. (Mrs. H. W.)  
**Answer**—See that he has comfortably warm clothing or covers, but cool air to breathe at night. If the weather is too cold for open bedroom window, insert screen of unbleached muslin in window. That will exclude wind, snow, rain, but admit desirable fresh air and moisture. Send stamped envelope bearing your address for pamphlet "Croup Does Still Happen."

**How-Legs**  
Can a woman have how-legs straightened if she is past thirty? (G. A. T.)  
**Answer**—By surgery, yes. In fact how-legs can be straightened only by surgery, if the patient is over six years of age. The bent bone must be broken or partly broken under general anesthesia, reset in correct position, retained in plaster splints for six weeks or more.

**Allergic Asthma**  
Mrs. A. has suffered from asthma for years. We sent for your Allergy pamphlet when she was in the midst of an attack. She found relief in a few days. Since then, when threatened the latest the potassium agent, and it has enabled her to enjoy asthma-free days for the first time in many months. She asked me to express her appreciation. (C. S. A.)  
**Answer**—Thank you. On request (no clipping, please) I'll send any reader the pamphlet titled "Allergy" or the pamphlet "The Calcium Shortage"—for calcium deficiency probably contributes to the occurrence of spasmodic bronchial asthma in many cases. If you ask for more than one pamphlet include ten cents for each additional one. (Copyright 1944, John F. Dille Co.)

## Delivery of Aachen Ultimatum



Carrying surrender-or-die ultimatum to Nazi garrison, holding out in center of besieged German city of Aachen are (left to right), Lieutenant William Bohene of New York City, interpreter; Pvt. Kenneth Kadin of La Grange, Ill., who carries flag of truce; and Lieutenant Cedric Latley of Enosburg Falls, Vt., commander of party. Photo by Andrew Lopez, NEA-Acme photographer for War Picture Pool.

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11:00 p. m.—Talks, CBS, Biltmore Hotel Orch, NBC.

## Lt. Thomas Hensler Pilot of B-25 Now In Mediterranean

At a 12th AAF B-25 Base—Second Lt. Thomas J. Hensler, 22, of Medford, Ore., has been assigned to a combat-seasoned medium bombardment group it is announced from headquarters of the 12th air force in Italy. Now serving as a pilot in a B-25 Mitchell group in the Mediterranean theater, he went overseas in August, 1943.

Lt. Hensler is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hensler, 1124 West Main street, Medford, Ore. His wife, Betty, resides at 1360 Umattilla street, Albany, Ore. The allied landings in southern France were supported by bombers from Lt. Hensler's Mitchell group. After beginning his combat career in Tunisia with close support missions for the British 8th army this group, cited by the president as a distinguished unit, helped drive the enemy out of Sicily and up to northern Italy.

The turkey crop in Kansas this year is the smallest since 1937 being only 93 per cent of 958,000 raised in 1943.

**TONITE KMED 8:30 pm**  
**BOB HOPE**  
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By **CLUYAS WILLIAMS**

## WILLKIE FUNERAL SET FOR TUESDAY

Rushville, Ind., Oct. 16—(U.P.) With eight of the late Wendell L. Willkie's farm tenants acting as pallbearers, the body of the 1940 republican candidate will be borne to its grave in East Hill cemetery east of Rushville tomorrow after services at 3 p. m. in the Wyatt Memorial chapel, it was announced today.

Willkie's widow, Mrs. Edith Willkie and their son, Lt. (jg) Phillip Willkie, accompanied by 20 friends, arrived this morning from New York in a special car on the Pennsylvania railroad passenger train Spirit of St. Louis. Services for the Indiana lawyer who had risen to a position of world eminence had been delayed to permit Lt. Willkie to attend.

Dr. George Arthur Frantz of the Second Presbyterian church, Indianapolis, and Rev. C. V. Reeder of the First Presbyterian church, Rushville, will conduct the service.

## Training For Business

### Babson Forecasts Revolution In Education

By Roger W. Babson  
Babson Park Mass., Oct. 13—(Special Correspondence)—Education is the one industry in which almost no improvement has been made during the past fifty, or perhaps, one hundred years. It is true that better schoolhouses have been built and the teachers are being better paid. Whether or not these teachers are as well succeeding in winning the hearts and bettering the lives of their students is debatable. Certainly, the educational standards have been declining, while the educational expenses have been increasing. For instance, forty years ago the communities from which I drew employees required those who took the secretarial course to type 50 words a minute before graduating. This requirement has slowly been reduced so that today a girl can graduate from a secretarial course by doing 35 words a minute.

### Thoughts Per Minute Are Most Important

However, employers are not so much interested in the "words per minute," which one can do, as in the "thoughts per minute." The subjects which are not being taught in school are the important subjects. As a result, most employers believe that education today is as backward as was the electrical industry 200 years ago, in Franklin's day, when electricity could be obtained only by flying a kite in the skies. School superintendents have yet to learn that the important things of life are the unseen and spiritual—not class recitations, written examinations and memory tests.

With a set of Encyclopedia Britannica on his desk plus the ability to read, write and figure, the businessman has, for practical purposes, all the information available to any college graduate. The important question is whether he has those intangible assets, such as character, industry initiative, courage and persistence. These are what our homes and schools should teach.

### High School Marks Are Not Paramount

I have been able to get satisfactory statistics on every industry except the educational industry. Therefore, I cannot prove the students receiving the highest marks in school do not turn out to be the most useful and successful citizens. Certainly, character, industry, initiative, courage and persistence are of infinitely more value than the ability to get high marks. In fact, I believe that those who have these qualities will make a success in life whether or not they ever see the inside of a college; while young people lacking these qualities could never amount to anything with a dozen Ph.Ds.

## THREE JEHOVAHS SENT TO PRISON

Portland, Oct. 16—Three members of Jehovah's Witnesses Saturday were sentenced to McNeill island by United States District Judge Claude McColloch for selective service violation.

Their attorney, Dellmore Lessard, who has defended 25 or 30 members of this religious group, said these men "became martyrs" to the members of their faith, and when they serve out their terms come back for resentencing. More and more Jehovah's Witnesses are being indicted at every session of the grand jury, the attorney stated, and nearly all are appearing in court again at the conclusion

of their sentences. "Whatever the answer to the problem may be," he said, "it should be one that won't make martyrs of them."  
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## STRANGE AS IT SEEMS By ERNEST HIX



MONKEYS ARE THE ONLY ANIMALS THAT CAN CATCH COLD FROM HUMANS.

EDWARD PRYSON (WESTON) CHAMPION WALKER, BET AGAINST LINCOLN IN 1860—HE FLED OFF BY WALKING FROM BOSTON TO WASHINGTON, 978 MILES, IN TEN CONSECUTIVE DAYS!

## Crossword Puzzle

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE  
ACROSS  
1—Place to swim  
2—Mountain gap  
3— and open  
12—Additional  
13—Danish coin  
14—Risk region in Andes  
15—Staple food of Great Britain  
16—One who repiles  
18—Mus  
20—Treated for publication  
21—Away from wind  
22—At another time  
23—In the mode  
24—Church collection  
30—Tea  
DOWN  
4—Saucy  
5—Mixture  
6—Kind  
7—Leader of British Eighth Army  
8—Center  
9—Unrefined earth  
10—Tardiness  
11—Short dashes  
12—Small boat  
13—Arrow poison  
14—Comb wool  
15—Himel  
16—Sign of zodiac  
17—Behind in place  
18—Beast of burden  
19—Tired up  
20—Punda  
21—Beliefs  
22—A radical  
23—Yes  
24—Maid  
25—Ball on machinist's hammer  
26—Fiasco  
27—Tamarisk salt tree  
28—Flows away  
29—Household god  
30—Dish  
31—Mitre entrance  
32—Buddy color (pl.)  
33—Cavil  
34—High note

## BARNEY GOOGLE and SNUFFY SMITH



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