Modern Etiquette

by Roberta Lee

1. If in doubt as to the proper implement to use at the table, what should one do?

2. When speaking over the telephone, who ends the call, the person calling or the one called?

3. What is the very height of discourtery in conversation?

4. Is it necessary to answer an invitation to a church wedding?

5. How should the napkin be folded while in use ?

6. When one is late at the theater, what should he do before being seated?

7. Do newcomers in a strange neighborhood wait for first calls, or do they call on their neighbors first?

8. On which side of the plate should the knives and the spoons be p'aced? 9. Who is entitled to the best view seat in an opera or theater box?

10. When a bride is displaying her wedding gifts, is it proper to leave the cards with the presents?

11. How is the announcement of the birth of a child acknowledged?

12. At what hour should a small evening dance begin?

13. If one hasn't much money, is there any way to remember anniversaries without buying expensive gifts?

14. Where are glasses placed at the formal dinner?

15. If one desires entrance to a club, is it all right to ask for membership?

16. Is it proper for a girl to wear her engagement ring before the engagement is announced?

17. How does one chtain the seating arrangement he desires in the public dining room?

18. When a hostess finds that at the last minute, she cannot meet her guests at the station, what should she do?

Answers

1. A good rule is never to use a spoon where a fork may serve the purpose. 2. The one calling. 3. To break into the speech of other persons. 4. No, unless the wedding is to be a small one and the invitations are written by the bride or one of the relatives. 5. In half, across the center. 6. Wait for the first intermission. 7. They wait for the neighbors to make first calls. 8. On the right side. 9. The oldest or most distinguished person. 10. No; all cards should be removed. 11. By a warm sincere note. 12. At nine or ninethirty. 13. A note, an appropriate card, or a few flowers will suffice. 14. To the right of the plate, approximately over the knives. 15. No; one must await an invitation. 16. No. 17. By tipping the head waiter. 18. She should send a taxi for them.

Our Weekly Lesson in English by W. L. Gordon

Words Often Misused

Do not say, "It occurred over 10 years ago." Say, "more than 10 years ago."

Do not say, "My funds had grown smaller." "My funds had become smaller" is preferable.

Do not say, "Not one of the men were working." Say, "was working." "One" is the singular subject.

Do not write, "Everything is alright." The correct form is two words, "all right."

Do not say, "She seldom or ever sings." Say, "seldom if ever."

Do not say, "This medicine is a preventative." Say, "preventive."

Words Often Mispronounced

Forget. Pronounce the o as in "of," not as in "or" nor as in "no." Rivulet. Proncunce the u as in

"unit," not riv-al-let. Consultative. Pronounce kon-sulta-tiv and accent second syllable, not

the third. Logos (the divine creative Word.) Pronounce both o's as in "of," g as in "go," accent first syllable.

first e as in "he," second e as in forebode, prophesy, pressage, prog-

"let." i as in "in," accent second syl- nesticate, portend. lable.

Contest. Accent noun on first syl- strument. lable, verb on last syllable.

Words Often Misspelled Rain (water,), reign (royal authority), rein (the strap of a bridle.) Chiffon; two f's. Faint (lacking strength); feint (pretense.) Coincide; two c's, no s. Meager (scanty);

observe the ea. Relief (noun); relieve (verb.)

Synonyms . Replevin. Pronounce re-plev-in, Augur (verb), predict, foretell,

Device, contrivance, appliance, in-

Competition, contest, rivalry, em-

ulation. Enemy, adversary, foe, opponent, antagonist.

Indicate, signify, denote, disclose, evince, present, reveal.

Void, devoid, destitute.

Word Study

"Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabul-

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heerful holiday message to

You can give her a General Electric Refrigerator for Christmas so easily that your pocketbook will scarcely feel it!

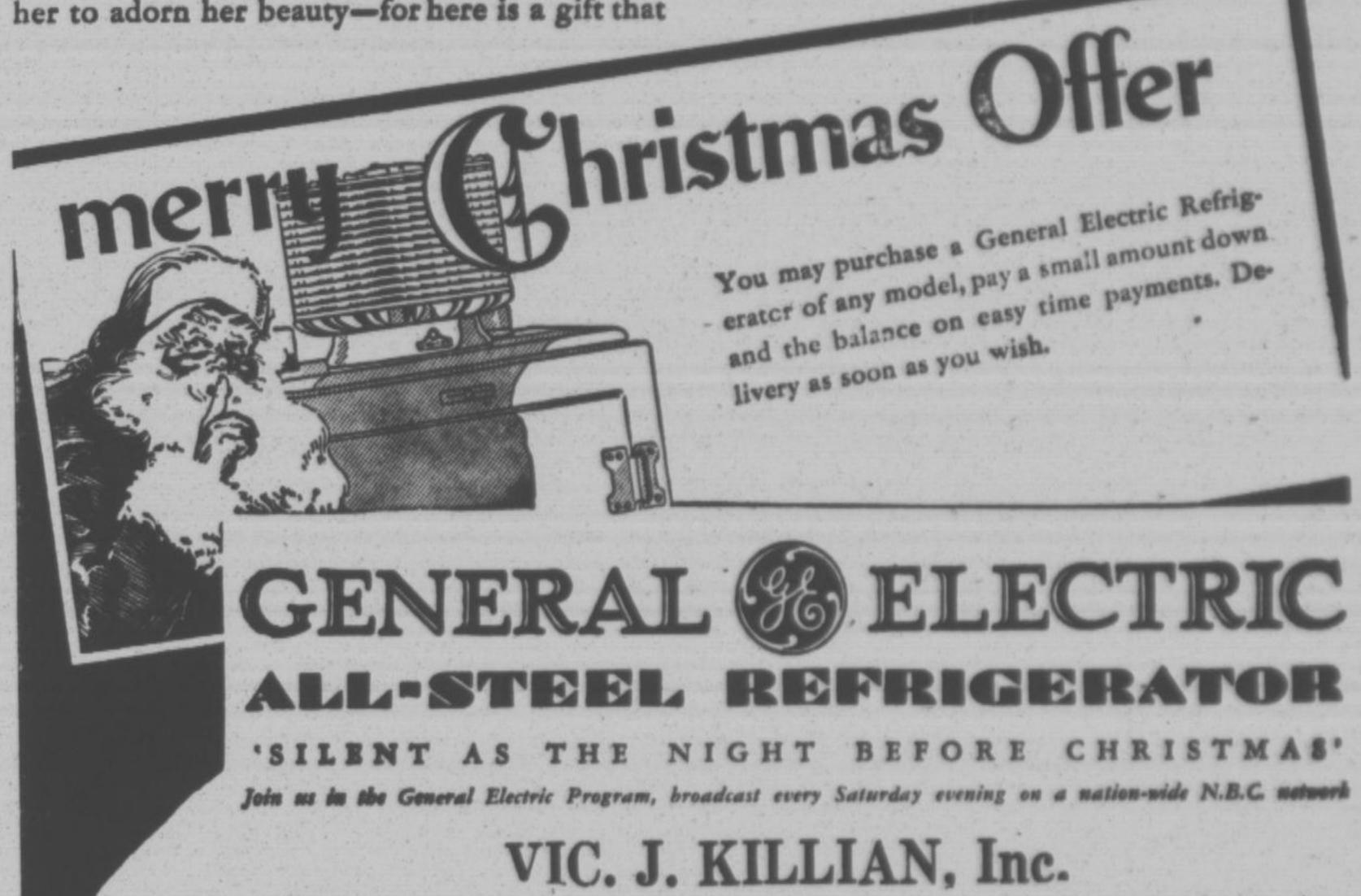
TOICTURE her on Christmas morning—her L delight and surprise—her unspeakable joy -when she finds it standing there-a gift of gleaming beauty, which through the days and months and years to come, will lighten her load of humdrum drudgery - reminding her constantly of the gentle understanding and consideration which prompted the selection of such a gift.

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will adorn her home with beauty, her household hours with luxury, her daily tasks with happiness and joy.

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