

My Typewriter Talks

by Rev. Charles H. Gilbert

Christmas is gone, but not the memories nor reminders of it. For many Christmas greetings could well be answered just on the basis of friendly touches.

For instance, a greeting came addressed to Mrs. C. V. Gilbert, and I think last year also, with the name of Pfeiffer enclosed. I wondered who by that name was unaware that my wife had died back in 1967. Perhaps I should straighten out that mistake. And so I wrote to that name at the address given.

A most kind and friendly letter came in reply explaining the mix-up. "My mother," writes the daughter, Bernice Pfeiffer Thomas, "is 83 and lives here in our home, and she relates back to when she courted my father." A family named Gilbert made a home for him and they were very good to my mother also. The sons of these people, who are still living, send my mother a Christmas card each year, some of the boys names were Smiley, Forrest, Earl, and I think William. Forrest lives in Michigan and this C. V. Gilbert (I thought) was the wife of Earl (who is dead) and the C. stands for Cordia."

Well, I thought this a very friendly letter and I am going to put the family on my mailing list. It all makes one realize how inter-related people are. Even though we may not establish any kinship there is certainly a kinship of interests. All of which reminds me that when I was a boy I got to wondering about my father's family. I was acquainted with many uncles, aunts and cousins on my mother's side of the house with Stowell backgrounds. My father's father I felt I almost knew, because my father's mother lived with us as a much-loved "grandma Gilbert", who in her last years could do little else than sit in her broad-armed rocker and knit. But when I inquired about grandpa Gilbert's folks it was all quite vague. My mother used to tell me that he had some brothers and half brothers but they had moved out west years ago and we never knew what became of them.

And then about 25 years ago I got word from a William H. Gilbert from the neighborhood of Washington, D.C., who was

busy trying to place the family tree together. It happened that I had some writings in journal form that grandfather Hiram Gilbert had penned through many years. There were names in his writings that linked with the family of this Washington, D.C., Gilbert, and "lo and behold" this was a distant cousin with whom now a considerable correspondence is carried on. And out of it has come quite a complete genealogy of the family for nine generations back.

And so it is worthwhile writing a reply to this daughter of a lady who has been sending to my address Christmas cards to "Mrs. C. V. Gilbert". No telling about those Gilberts she mentions who were very kind to her mother.

To turn away from this bit of chance correspondence to things more immediately at hand. The birds! After persistent watching, there is a new leather around here which Catherine has finally identified as the Pine Siskin. It is a bird smaller than most sparrows, and comes in flocks similar to the way the much larger bird, the Evening Grosbeak comes. For this year the Grosbeaks have been with us in large numbers. Some years it is that way, and some years they just don't come. But when they do come, for a time at least they monopolize the feeder and other of our little friends stand off to watch for openings for their chance at the sunflower seeds. These Pine Siskins have white stripes across their little wings, speckled breasts similar to the song sparrow, and come with not too much shyness to the feeder. I would think the sunflower seeds are too big for them, but they and the sparrows keep coming, so they must get something.

We can see how the ubiquitous chickadee fares with the big seed. They love them! Seizing a seed in their bills, they will usually fly to some perch, there to hammer the shells open as they hold it between the toes, devour the inner meat, and fly back for more. Grosbeaks and cardinals with their thick bills almost like a set of teeth, sit there on the feeder and simply deliberately chew the seeds apart, spit out the shells and take another!

All About Pumpkins

We have had a problem this past year—woodchucks raiding the young garden, eating blossoms from the young pumpkin vines. Catherine did so want to grow her own pumpkins from seed labeled New England Pie! But how could a pumpkin develop with the blossoms being eaten off? And we have no desire to kill woodchucks, they like living, too! But if we could somehow bar them from the garden, we knew there was enough other stuff for them to eat. There's clover among the grass! After awhile we had kept the little people from the jungle out of the garden some of the time until a few blossoms had a chance to mature. But it was so late in the season. By the time pumpkins should have been yellow on the vine it was near frost time. What Catherine wanted to know, "Has anyone ever ripened pumpkins indoors? None of our farmer friends knew, because normally no one has to do that."

So Catherine with her creative nature decided to try it. She brought little green pumpkins in to the back porch where the freeze time is long delayed. Some yellow began to show on the green. Finally as a last step she brought a few right into the kitchen, and then

the green began to fade and the gold to show through. Then one day she tried a tiny pumpkin that had got quite yellow. It made a cupful of pumpkin to cook. Lo, it became our delicious pumpkin pudding, enough to each of us a dish!

The rest began to ripen in order. They were the New England pie variety. So we had each of us a bowl and a half of pumpkin pudding for supper! We never bothered much with making pies, for the pumpkin stuff is just as tasty from a bowl as from a crust. And since my diverticulitis is forbidden spices she cooks things without spices. And delicious too, substituting brown sugar and lemon juice and our imagination. Please, Cathy, can I have a second helping? Why not?

Come spring and garden time, we are better prepared to ask the little people to eat other things the dear Father provides and let our special plantings grow to maturity.

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Children on Bicycles Should Obey Own 'Rules of the Road'

Youngsters who own bikes—and especially those who ride them back and forth to school—should be provided with a "safety code" by their parents, advises the American Automobile Association.

The AAA says that as the number of cars on the road increases, the number of bicycle mishaps also soars. In 1963, 573 deaths resulted from these accidents—in 1969, there were 820.

A recent study by the National Safety Council found that the bicycle-motor vehicle accident rate is about 50% higher among youngsters from 10 to 14 years old than below the age of 10.

A bicycle driver should: Think of himself as a driver, and responsible for his own safety and the safety of others on the road. Signal for turns and slowing and stopping with the

same hand motions that car drivers use. Learn and obey all traffic signals as well as the directions of officers guiding traffic. Always keep both hands

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