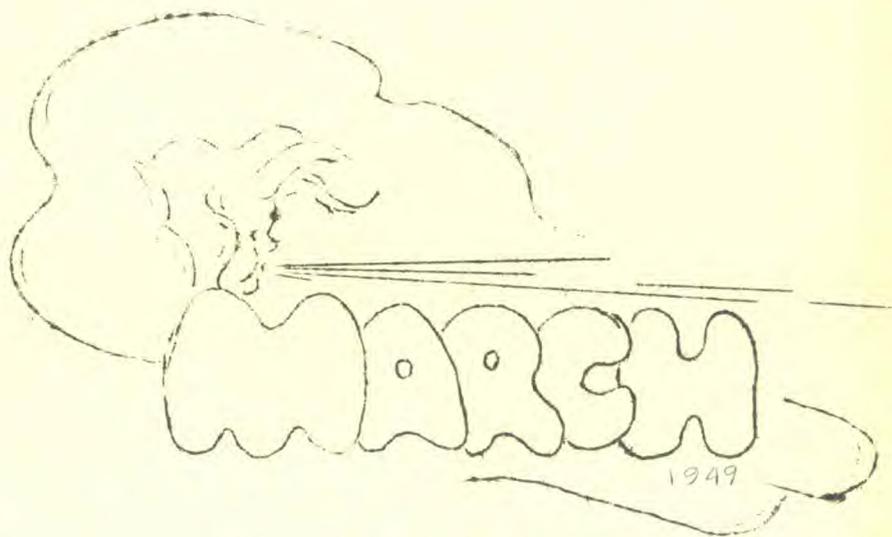


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"TRUE COURTESY IS A FINE THOUGHTFULNESS
FOR THE FEELINGS OF OTHERS"

It hung in a school room, this little motto, in one of our colleges. Year after year it was there, breathing the philosophy of that teacher. She was the friend of the student, the solace of the discouraged, and the champion of those who were in trouble. She was the incarnation of her motto. It hung there, a reminder to student and faculty that true courtesy is more than a book of rules to be followed. True courtesy consists of far more than just appearing refined.

"A fine thoughtfulness for the feelings of others," then, would prompt acts of unselfishness, acts of love. True courtesy is willingness to help others with no thought of receiving anything in return.

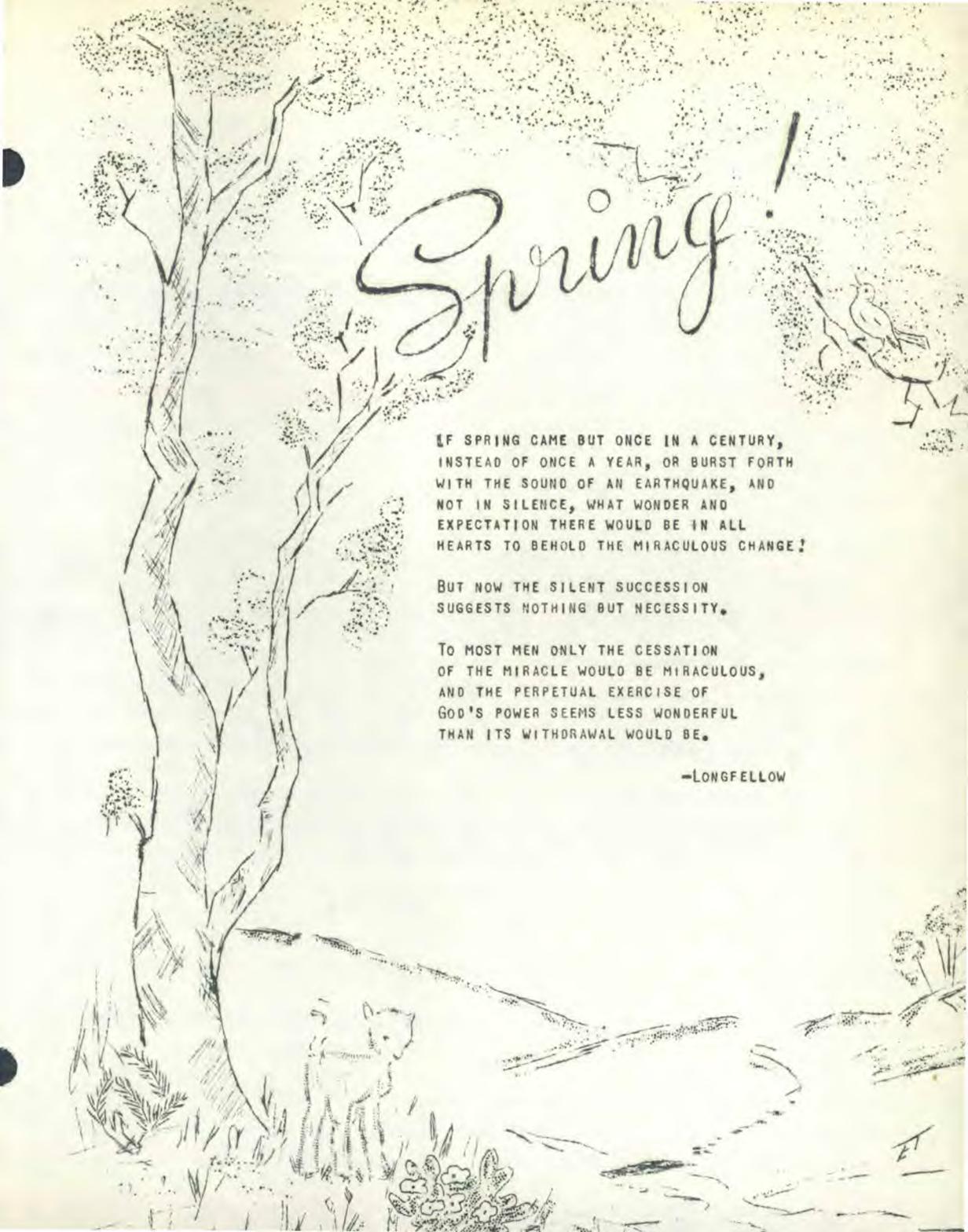
But aren't we courteous? We hold the water fountain for our neighbor. We step aside and let him pass first through the door. We say "thank you," "I beg your pardon," and "if you please." But how do we act when we both reach for the same last bargain at a sale? Or when there is a very unpleasant task to be done in the office--you or I have to do it?

ARE YOU SUPERIOR ?

By H. M. Tippet,
Associate Book Editor for the Review
and Herald Publishing Association.

Some people are superior. They know it, and admit it. In fact, they can prove it. Socially, they modestly disclaim lineage from the Mayflower, but point with pride to a family tree in which lurk no simian forebears. Intellectually, they know the score in every controversy, from what the president ought to do down to the time the five o'clock mail goes out. Culturally, they know which fork to use, thank goodness, and they never snore in their sleep, or if they do the tempo is even and melodious. Professionally, they are models of efficiency, especially in offering alibis for bungling an assignment. Physically, they radiate the conscious charm of their streamlined contours, and commiserate those whose calories always go to waist. Morally, they are transparent pools of self-approval, and the curfew need not ring tonight. Religiously, they tithe rue, mint, anise, and cummin, and fast at appropriate intervals. The Bible has a name for them.

Some people are superior. The lovely thing about them is that they don't seem to realize it. There is a gracious air of friendliness and kindness about them that makes the lowly and less privileged rise up and call them blessed. They often perform some noble bit of conspicuous service and then go home and eat with Zacchaeus lest public acclaim spoil their witness. They love the atmosphere of sterling silver and Irish table linen, as do you and I, and they rejoice with those who can afford them. But they hasten home from the daily task to kiss the hands of a mother who has made life beautiful with pewter dishes and Woolwo:th napkins. They are grateful for an educational heritage that obliged them to earn while they learned, their daily toil for sustenance barely furnishing their midnight oil for study. As neighbors they are lovable; as artisans they seek the highest skill. In their Bibles this text is underlined: "Seekest thou great things for thyself? seek them not." But, fortunate to relate, life's noblest responsibilities seek them, for they have drunk from the Holy Grail and served King Arthur in the Happy Isles.



Spring!

IF SPRING CAME BUT ONCE IN A CENTURY,
INSTEAD OF ONCE A YEAR, OR BURST FORTH
WITH THE SOUND OF AN EARTHQUAKE, AND
NOT IN SILENCE, WHAT WONDER AND
EXPECTATION THERE WOULD BE IN ALL
HEARTS TO BEHOLD THE MIRACULOUS CHANGE!

BUT NOW THE SILENT SUCCESSION
SUGGESTS NOTHING BUT NECESSITY.

TO MOST MEN ONLY THE CESSATION
OF THE MIRACLE WOULD BE MIRACULOUS,
AND THE PERPETUAL EXERCISE OF
GOD'S POWER SEEMS LESS WONDERFUL
THAN ITS WITHDRAWAL WOULD BE.

-LONGFELLOW

An Open Letter from the President

Dear Girls:

It's fun being president of your club, and really I'm enjoying so much this task you've given me. I shall ever treasure the many precious friendships formed as a result of our club. It's grand to know that so many girls, working in these offices, are sharing a common friendship, a common aim, and a common desire to take part in our mission projects, our gifts to departing friends, and our remembrances to those who are ill. It's grand, too, to share our ideas, our news, and our stories by means of the KEYNOTE. Did you know that our KEYNOTE is financed by the girls who are members? I want all of you to continue sharing this little paper, so consider this note a personal invitation to you to join with us as Keepers of the Keys.

There are enticing things planned for the future. I peeked in on one of the committee meetings of the third floor and temperance girls, and things sound very interesting. Watch for the April meeting; it will feature a special friend of mine—a dramatic entertainer.

Here's hoping I'll see every one of you at our next meeting.

Sincerely,

Arabella J. Moore, President
Keepers of the Keys.

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* Mrs. H. Koger has announced the engagement of her *
* daughter Ruby to Mr. Roy Parsons. Ruby works in Home *
* Study and plans to continue working after her marriage *
* in September. Roy is a pre-med student at Washington *
* Missionary College. Best wishes to this couple from *
* the whole Keeper Family. *
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FOR STENOGRAPHER - REPORTERS

By Roger Altman
(With Profuse Apologies to Kipling)

If you can keep your head when up above you
The words come tumbling like an avalanche;
If you can hold your pen with steady fingers,
And never feel like shaking in your boots;
If, unperturbed, without an extra quiver,
The purple outlines leap upon the page,
While with a smile serene and beatific,
You breast the foaming waves of righteous rage;
If you can sort the adjectives and adverbs,
If you can check the person and the tense;
If, when the preacher opens up the throttle,
You breeze along although the speed's intense;
If proper names of strange and fearful mixture
Spout like a geyser from his glib moustache,
While with a steadily increasing gusto
The cataracts of language pour and dash;
If with all this he has a brogue like custard,
And yet you always "savvy vat he shpeek,"--

Here, take the pen and ink, I've got the palsy,
You are the one and only shorthand sheik!

Our "Keepers" and Soulwinning

Louise C. Kleuser
Associate Secretary, Ministerial Association

Busy as each "Keeper" may be, our true objective here at the headquarters of our work is a personal interest in the promotion of God's kingdom. Stimulated by the Missionary Volunteer motto, "Share Your Faith," a larger group of our young women employed in our affiliated institutions have joined my evening classes at the Seminary. These earnest and alert workers were desirous of gaining skill in winning others to our message. The spirit of soulwinning caught fire in their lives, and they are well demonstrating their ability.

Perhaps the missionary experiences of Lydia Schander and Myrtle McGee are more outstanding. I attended some of their Bible studies conducted at Dr. Heald's office and am in close touch with the effective plans of these active Missionary Volunteers. Lydia has been leading out in teaching the Bible lessons, although an occasional guest teacher has also been invited. She and Myrtle seem to have the ability of utilizing a host of other young people to help them in gripping this new interest for our message. They do so many nice things to properly impress prospective Adventists that there is true happiness in obeying all God's commandments. The girls are very clever hostesses and their social touches are skillfully applied. Several young men recently took their full stand for our truth, and other young people continue to decide favorably for Adventism. Lydia and Myrtle and their assistants are a wonderful soulwinning team.

Mary Neufeld is modest about revealing her missionary plans which have been carried on without interruption for several years. On one of her "free" afternoons, each week she distributes our message-filled literature. At present Mary is visiting about 30 homes a week in Takoma Park and is making many friends for our work. Besides this interest Mary has been giving her Sabbaths and Sunday evenings for five months to the developing interest in Frederick, Maryland, assisting Elders Eckenroth and Anderson.

Frances Sampson and a friend have been giving Bible Readings to an elderly Quaker couple. Twenty years ago they bought a "Bible Readings." Not until last year's Ingathering contact revived the interest in our faith did we know that the good seed sown by the colporteur many years ago was still germinating. The couple have been attending our church services. Frances and her friend are hoping soon to see these dear people rejoicing in our full message. (The only way we discover what Frances does is when she asks for a little counsel.)

Wanda Tate and her husband have begun a series of Bible Readings with a young couple living in Takoma Park. The young wife is in need of refreshing her mind on Adventist doctrines but the husband is not yet one of our faith. We understand that Wanda leads out in these studies.

These faithful "Keepers" and their helpers have been building up the Missionary Volunteer meetings and the youth division of the Sabbath School. On recent Sabbaths new young Sabbathkeepers beamingly found their way to our classes. Perhaps the most helpful phase of this soulwinning interest is the reaction in the lives of all who have had a part in instructing and encouraging those who are now taking their stand for the truth. All who are making God's kingdom first in their lives experience the keenest of all joys. This growing interest in soulwinning augers well for our cause at headquarters.

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"Gratitude is a fruit of great cultivation;
you do not find it among gross people."

--Samuel Johnson.

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"Nothing so needs reforming as other people's
habits."

--Mark Twain.

HOW CORRECT ARE YOU?

When you have answered the following questions to the best of your ability, turn to the last page for the answers.

1. Which choice is correct in these sentences?
 - a. She bought nothing (beside, besides) the dress.
 - b. Their pet dog died (with, of) distemper.
 - c. I (claim, maintain) that such a trip is unnecessary.
 - d. A good stenographer is (liable, likely) to be promoted.
 - e. I'll let you know (whether, if) I can come at that time.

2. What errors occur in these sentences?
 - a. This data is hardly important enough to be included in the report.
 - b. I don't remember of hearing about his refusal.
 - c. I have no doubt but that she knows of my considering the transfer.
 - d. Due to the icy roads we were late to the party.
 - e. I cannot help but think that this is the better of the two offers.
 - f. Be sure and collect this amount at the time.

3. Is each sentence correctly punctuated?
 - a. We must consider all the offers, then we can make our decision.
 - b. My left ear which was frozen, is now completely healed.
 - c. He is coming back (he thinks he is) before next Thursday.
 - d. Did you know that she said, "I'll never tell?"
 - e. She is very careful in all her work; for example she copied this letter because it contained a single erasure.
 - f. I shall not be here since she is to preside at the meeting.
 - g. Jane where Alice had the boss' approval.
(No we're not stuttering; it's a good sentence)

LETTER OF INTEREST

A believer in the adage that bouquets should be given while they can be appreciated, Thelma Wellman wrote Dr. George W. Crane of her sincere appreciation for his speech delivered in Constitution Hall, January 6. Dr. Crane, author, philosopher, teacher, considered Thelma's letter worthy of a personal answer. Below is a copy of Dr. Crane's letter to Thelma:

"Dear Miss Wellman:

"Thank you for your unusually interesting and clever letter plus the generous praise that you expressed for my address for the American Temperance Society at Constitution Hall.

"In the past 10 years I've received a million letters from followers of my daily newspaper column, including those from very educated people such as professors and the like, but there haven't been a dozen that stood out so distinctively for the interesting literary style which yours demonstrates, so I wish you would really think about writing as a literary hobby, because someday it might even become your vocation.

"Your poem, 'The Laughing Mask' I think is admirable. And I say this having minored in English for my Ph. D. at Northwestern.

"I'm sending you a set of various medico-psychological bulletins and rating scales, some of which deal with the problems I discussed at Constitution Hall, and others deal with writing. I'm including the one on HOW TO WRITE SALABLE COPY because you ought to be putting your talent into wider use in that field.

"More power to you!

"Cordially yours,

[Signed] G. W. Crane."

K E E P E R C L I P P I N G S

Louise Meyer has just returned from a seven-week trip through the North Pacific Union and the California conferences. Her trip home had to be re-routed because of the snowstorms, but she was fortunate not to run into any storms throughout her long journey. She says that the prettiest trip she had was through the Gallatin National Forest adjoining Yellowstone Park. There she saw animals in their natural surroundings and in a snow setting.

For several months the Statistical Department staff has been working hard on the Yearbook. With their fingers crossed, they promise to have it ready "before very long." The Yearbook has had an increase of thirty pages this year, so it will have approximately 522 pages.

Barbara Britton attended the funeral of her grandmother February 8 at Rockhall, Maryland.

Saturday night, February 26, Louise Meyer and Mary Ogle left for a trip to Jackson, Mississippi, where they attended a three-day meeting of the Sabbath School Department Advisory Committee. Before returning to Takoma Park they plan to spend a few days seeing the sights and drinking in the atmosphere of New Orleans.

Vivian Ross recently enjoyed a week-end visit from her parents, of Pocomoke, Maryland.

The Purchasing Department has a new member -- one with long whiskers, green eyes, and pointed ears. It is Mr. F. B. Kitty, better known as "Shipping Expense" or "Dreamboat." Mr. Kitty has been adopted by the Purchasing family to aid in the elimination of mice of all sizes and pedigrees.

Between quarters at the Seminary, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith plan to visit their homes in Rhode Island.

The afternoon of February 15, Mrs. Lynn Wood entertained the Seminary women at her home. Plans were laid for organizing a club.

Mrs. Scharffenberg received a birthday present of a beautiful bouquet of gladioli from the workers at the Temperance Department.

Kay Thomas entertained ten guests at a party on February 26.

Margie Osborne and her husband went to their homes in Altoona, Pennsylvania, the week-end of February 20 and 21.

Pauline Klady took a trip to West Virginia with her sister and brother-in-law to visit another sister. When they arrived they

were surprised to find another sister from Ohio there.

On February 11, Edna Edeburn, former Keeper, sailed for South America from New York. She will join Sara Williams, another ex-Keeper, in Buenos Aires. Mary Scott went with Miss Edeburn to New York.

On a recent week end, Gertrude Von Tenspolde went to New York to meet some friends arriving from South America.

June Frame spent a few days in Collegedale, where her mother underwent surgery. June reports that her mother is doing well.

Vera Baker now shares an apartment with her mother, who has come from Harrison, Arkansas.

Evelyn Wells is recovering from dental surgery involving an impacted wisdom tooth.

Genevieve Melendy's interest in flower books and catalogues would imply that she is getting ready to do some real farming this spring.

The Takoma Park Chapter of the Union College Alumni Association held its annual banquet at the Review and Herald dining hall on the evening of February 21.

There was excitement at the Purchasing Department a few days ago when a typical man of the West walked in and flashed a sparkling smile matching his Stetson hat, cowboy boots, and bright tie. He had stopped by to see Clara Mae Hardin, who is from the same home town, Carvel, Colorado.

The members of the White Publications are enjoying beautiful new surroundings with redecorated walls and modern desks.

Anyone willing to send The Review and Herald to a poor family who cannot afford to subscribe to the church paper is asked to call Miss Kleuser in the Ministerial Department.

HAIL! AND FAREWELL!

Thursday evening, February 3, was a big date for the Department of Education folk, when they gathered in Mrs. Arabella Moore's apartment to make authentic the welcome of new members, and to bid farewell to Maurice and Virginia Moyer, who are going out to the Gold Coast, West Africa, to work in the Bekwai Training School.

Games, readings, and music gave an informal setting for Mrs. Moore's speech of welcome to Mrs. Keld J. Reynolds (who maintained a home at La Sierra until recently, when her son Richard finished his work there), to Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Mathews, who joined the "family" in November, and to Ena Manuel and Frances Slate, the newest recruits to the department's secretarial staff.

Mrs. Moore had to use a bit of restraint in welcoming these newcomers to "the best department in the General Conference," because some of the "in-laws" work in other departments of the office.

Doctor Reynolds did the honors in "speeding the departing guests," and presented the Moyers with a year's subscription to The National Geographic Magazine.

Fruit punch and raspberry fluff by Arabella, and two kinds of cookies by T. Rose, were devoured with evident relish.

The guests departed feeling that it had been good to be there.

WHO AND WHERE THE KEEPERS ARE

New additions and changes in the departmental staffs will be published each month under this title.

Frances Slate . . . Ed. Mrs. Folger Maintenance
Ena Manuel. . . . Ed. Patricia Bunch. . . Home Miss.

KEEPERS' MEETING

"Everytime you mail a letter, check a book out of the library, or turn on a light you pay your respects to America's most practical inventor, Benjamin Franklin." These were the opening words of Dr. Charles E. Weniger, Dean of the Theological Seminary, on Sunday night, February 27. Dr. Weniger told of the achievements of this great man in science, in writing, in publishing, and then gave us a view of the real greatness of the man, for Benjamin Franklin wanted to be remembered, not as one of the great of this country, but merely as a printer.

The first part of the program was given to the showing of two secretarial films, after which the Keepers learned just a little more about certain other Keepers in the get-acquainted game which seems quite popular at our meetings. This game revealed the prowess of one girl as a--h'm, I don't know just what you would call her-- at twelve years of age she pulled off a cow's tail. Another Keeper was an associate editor of a newspaper put out entirely by women. Who were they? If you were at the meeting you know, if not, come next time--we want you to be with us.

ROADS

"Answer soul of mine--which way
Hast thou made a road today?
Hast thou followed Love's sure chain
Over hill and over plain?
Whichsoever choice thou'st made
There another road is laid--
Not a transcient, fading trail
But a path that shall not fail.
Evermore some foot shall stray

O'er the road thou mad'st today,
Ah, let each of us beware
How his thoughts and motives bear
Every road that we shall choose
Other pilgrim feet will use.
Some will follow where we lead
Long as life shapes life, indeed;
Have a brother's care and pray
God to make thy road each day."

The Laughing Mask

With grace he wears his cap and bells,
The laughing mask conceals his pride,
His friends condemn, his foes deride,
His careless mien defies, repels.

But once I saw this laughing Pan
Whose mask no friend had sought to lift,
And anguish tore a jagged rift
That bared the heart of suffering man.

Now when the chorus lifts and swells,
I jeer no more at cap and bells.

---Thelma Wellman

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Answers

1. Multiple choice

- a. Besides: beside means 'by the side of.'
- b. Of (idiomatic)
- c. Maintain: claim means 'to demand as a right.'
- d. Likely: liable implies the possibility of an undesirable happening. It also means 'responsible.'
- e. Whether: use whether after verbs of saying, knowing, wondering, etc.

2. Detecting errors

- a. These data are
- b. Omit of. (Remember is a transitive verb)
- c. Omit but. But that is the negative of that; with no doubt it makes a double negative.
- d. Because of the icy roads Due is an adjective. It is correctly used in this sentence: Our lateness was due to the icy roads.
- e. I cannot help thinking, ... Since but means 'only,' cannot help but contains a double negative.
- f. Be sure to collect The use of and makes a double predicate.

3. Punctuation

- a. We must consider all the offers; then we can make our decision.
- b. My left ear, which was frozen, is now completely healed.
- c. Correct. (When a complete sentence is included within a parenthesis inside a sentence, both the capital letter at the beginning and the end punctuation mark, unless it is a question mark, are omitted.)
- d. Did you know that she said, "I'll never tell"?
- e. She is very careful in all her work; for example, she copied this letter because it contained a single erasure.
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