

BERKELEY QUESTIONS by Gaius Stern (8), \_\_/\_\_/95

1. Most history students have heard of the War of the Spanish Succession, though few people know much about it. However, about 150 years later, a second war broke out -- on the pretext of the Spanish succession because France did not wish to allow a German candidate to accept the Spanish throne. The result was total disaster for France, although the German prince voluntarily withdrew his candidacy before the war even began. For ten, what was this war which resulted in the loss of Alsace-Lorraine to Germany?

\FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR\

2. This deity of mythology was driven from his throne and according to some versions, fell to Italy where he sponsored a Golden Age. Other versions say he was tossed down into Tartarus with the rest of the titans. FTP, who was this father of Zeus who lost his throne to a revolution which his own wife and mother helped sponsor?

\CRONUS or SATURN\

3. It makes a complete revolution around the sun in 88 days, and as a result, some have claimed that its "day" is longer than its "year." Either way it is damn hot all year -- or all day round. FTP, what planet is closest to the sun?

\MERCURY\

4. This author retained his college rivalry long after graduation and inserted it into one of his most famous novels. He downridged Yale since he himself went to Princeton, and so did one of his characters, Nick Carraway. FTP, who was this author of The Great Gatsby?

\F Scott FITZGERALD\

5. This is probably the only nation to have a Hapsburg monarch, since Austria and Hungary have long since abolished theirs. Itself only 61 square miles, it is situated between Switzerland and Austria and relies on the former to handle its international relations. FTP, what is this tiny principality whose capital is Vaduz?

\LIECHTENSTEIN\

6. Do you remember mathematical formulas? What is measured by the formula:  $9\pi R^2 \times H \times \frac{1}{3}$  ?

\SURFACE AREA OF A CONE\

7. Long before South Carolina, a secessionist movement stirred among New England merchants who were disgruntled with the Embargo Act of 1812. Some northern states refused to supply the federal government with militia and in Dec. 1812 summoned a convention to consider how to deal with the undesired war with England and the issue of states' rights. FTP, what was this motley assembly which met in Connecticut but was quickly forgotten when the War of 1812 ended?

\HARTFORD CONVENTION\

8. An attempt has been made to link Arminius, liberator of Roman Germany with this hero of Germanic myth. The link is tenuous, but supposedly the dragon Fafnir represents the Romans and their family bloodbaths bear similarities. FTP, who was this great Germanic hero who pledged himself to Brunhild and wielded a great sword?

\SIGFRIED or SIGURD\

9. Although he bears a French sounding name, this man was a stout proponent of retaining the union and played it cool during his country's recent constitutional crisis to downplay the opposition's chances. Nevertheless, the close secessionist vote in Quebec was probably a scare to him. FTP, who is this Canadian Prime Minister?

\\Jacques CRETEN\\

10. You might consider him the Galen of his age, or even the Hippocrates. Court physician to the first Stuart, he made great improvements to the study of anatomy, chiefly the discovery of circulation in the human body. FTP, who was this English doctor whose observations have earned him credit in Graves' Anatomy?

\\HARVEY\\

11. After Fritz Lang fled Germany to escape Hitler, the Nazis found an adequate replacement as their chief media propagandist. This filmmaker made a documentary of a huge Nazi rally at Berchtesgarden for which she still prides her abilities as a filmmaker. FTP, who was this director who's Triumph of the Will is still considered a masterpiece, but not in the way it was intended?

\\Elsie RIFENSTAHL\\

12. His reign was said to be the Golden Age of Medieval France, seeing the completion of Gothic cathedrals at Reims, Amiens, and Chartres and the Arthurian romances of Chretien de Troyes. For the first eight years of his 44 year reign, his mother Blanche of Castile was his regent, but after this he became enamoured with the idea of a Crusade and made an ill-planned and ill-fated attack on Egypt which resulted in a humiliating defeat. FTP, name this French monarch canonized in 1297, despite his vigorous assertion of royal rights even over those of the church, only 27 years after his death.

\\LOUIS IX (accept ST. LOUIS if player signals before last sentence, otherwise prompt for more information)\\

13. This 19th composer crippled his left hand which halted his career as a pianist. That and the fact that he went crazy and killed himself. He had married the daughter of another prominent musician and Clara, his wife, was in her own right one of the best pianists of her day. FTP, who was this German Romantic composer of the 19th century?

\\Robert SCHUMAN\\

14. Alexander the Great named a city in India after his dog, but perhaps the best known dog of mythology lived in Ithaca, where at the ripe old age of 20 he recognized his homecoming master and wagged his tail before dying. FTP, who was this dog of Odysseus who shared his name with a 100 eyed giant?

\\ARGUS\\

15. It is a particle that participates in gravitational and weak interactions. It may also participate in electromagnetic interactions such as  $e^-$  and  $e^+$  to the  $+ \text{power}$ ; but it does not directly participate in strong interactions. FTP, what is this class of particles which includes muons?

\\LEPTONS\\

16. Known as the "Pearl of the Occident," this capital of the Jalisco state is a major tourist center and also a warehouse and wholesale distributing center for Southwestern Mexico. The second largest city in Mexico, it is not Alcopaulco or Vera Cruz, but it boasts some of Mexico's cultural finest. Downtown there are several cathedrals built as long ago as 1571 and the Degollado Theater is modeled after La Scala. FTP, name this city whose namesake in Spain is an insignificant city in a province bearing the same name.

\\GUADALAJARA\\

17. Based on the slogan, "Business, not politics" this plan provided for a reorganization of the German Reichsbank under Allied supervision. Reparation payments of 1 million gold marks were to be made in annual increments increasing to 2,500,000 in 1929. In the meantime, Germany was to receive a foreign loan of 800,000,000 gold marks. FTP, what was this 1924 plan proposed by a future Vice-President of the United States?

\DAWES PLAN\

18. Deriving from a historical region of India centering on the eastern part of the Madhya Pradesh state, the name for this very ancient continent was proposed by the Austrian geologist, F.E. Seuss. In 1859, strata closely resembling Indian samples were found in Australia, and similar discoveries followed in the Falkland Islands, Madagascar, and New Zealand. The similarities of these strata suggested that 150 million years ago, a Southern hemispherical continent, existed, which is now given FTP what name?

\GONDWANALAND\

19. This English astronomer travelled to St Helena where he planned to lay the foundations of the astronomy of the southern sky. He also observed a transit of Mercury across the sun and made a close calculation for the astronomical unit. Elected a fellow of the Royal Society, his visit to Newton resulted in the publication of *Principia*. FTP, who was this astronomer interested in comets who did not discover any of the bodies which bear his name?

\Edmund HALLEY (pronounced Hahl ee)\

20. In this play, it is hard to tell who is the hero. Supposedly it is the duke, but he behaves rather poorly, and in the end is scorned the hand of the woman whom he sought. Angelo, the Jerry Falwell of the city, certainly receives his comeuppance when he tries to seduce the upright Isabel -- Angelo, a man who has deserted his own wife. But since no one is killed and most ends either happy or unclearly, the play is considered a comedy. FTP, name this Shakespeare dark comedy whose title implies reciprocity.

\MEASURE FOR MEASURE\