

The use of "i" is but one more example of cultural mutation, one that should be suppressed lest its deleterious effect spread to bring about, for example, "eliphant" and "Sartwill."

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The Dryden Papers

Over the past 22 months, the Milton S. Eisenhower Library of the Johns Hopkins University has been collecting and collating the papers of the late Hugh L. Dryden (1898-1965), who was aerodynamicist at the National Bureau of Standards from 1919 to 1947, director of the old National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics from 1947 to 1958, and deputy director of NASA from 1958 to 1965.

His papers have been located at Johns Hopkins at the request of Mrs. Dryden because Dryden received his Ph.D. in mathematics and physics from Johns Hopkins in 1919, when he was 20 years old.

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Those who wish to contribute their Dryden materials to the Hugh L. Dryden Papers should send their materials to the address below.

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