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Dear Friends:

Just about an hour ago I came back from Lucile's and Russell's garden where the members of my Thursday Club had a May morning breakfast. Everyone has said "Goodbye" now after a little visit here at my house, so it's a nice time to sit down in the library and write a letter to you.

Through the years I've much enjoyed the twice-monthly meetings of our Thursday Club. We relax in this as a purely social get-together, and don't attempt any elaborate projects. Twice a year we entertain our husbands at a dinner, but aside from this we just meet to visit and catch up on our handwork.

Almost without fail we meet in the afternoon, but this year when it was my turn to entertain I thought it would be a nice surprise to let them come here, and then tell them that we'd have our morning coffee on the terrace in Lucile's and Russell's garden. I surely hoped for good weather, and it would be hard to imagine a more beautiful spring morning than the one I awakened to at six o'clock. It was just made to order for breakfast in the garden.

I'm not able to get up and down the steps at Lucile's house, so she and Margery said that they'd take charge of all the arrangements. Our new Monroe table and chairs accommodated ten, and we seated an additional four at a cardtable. A tray was fixed for me, so we made a total of fifteen.

The girls served a delicious fruit compote made by combining fresh pineapple, frozen yellow peaches, frozen white peaches and strawberries. It was icy cold and tasted very refreshing. Then they brought out platters of assorted sweet rolls, and with those we had lime marmalade and plenty of coffee. It wasn't really breakfast, you see - just a morning

Our spring gardens reached their full beauty much earlier than we had anticipated. Between unseasonably hot weather and several days of strong winds, our Tulips sprang into quick bloom almost overnight. Now the Iris is blooming and in no time at all the Peonies will be blooming. It looks as though Memorial Day will find us without the things we've always depended upon in the past. However, if it turns cool and if we get badly needed rain, no doubt there will be something left by the end of

May for the trips we always make to family lots.

I think of Bertha Field frequently these days for she is gone at the season when she always spends all of the morning, afternoon and early evening hours in her garden. Her brother's health has not permitted her to leave Oregon, and it's typical of Bertha just to stay and help no matter what needs doing at home. We hope that she won't need to be away many weeks longer.

This past month a very happy surprise came to my sister Jessie. She has done much in the field of education here in our state of Iowa, and this recognition was given to her for the work she did years ago when she was County Superintendent of Schools in Page County and started the 4-H

At a banquet a special award was given to Jessie which read:

"In appreciation, Jessie Field Shambaugh, a gift has been made to the "Teacher Appreciation" fund of the Iowa State Educational Association in your honor. This means that your name will be permanently inscribed in the 'Book of Memories' as one of the Iowa teachers for whom the Memorial Headquarters building, Salisbury House, is especially dedicated. Your friends who have requested this honor for you are the Clarinda Junior College Normal Training Department teachers and Future Teachers."

Miss Harriet Woods, head of this department of the college, was also honored

Abigail and Wayne were very happy to have a visit with Clark Morrison, Abigail's brother (baby Clark is named for him). He lives in Phoenix, Arizona now and hadn't been here for two years, so he flew back to see the family, and particularly to see his little namesake. Abigail and Wayne drove to Omaha to meet his midnight plane, but it was a trip in vain for the plane was grounded and he had to continue by train - and consequently lost a day of his visit. This morning they took him back up to the Omaha Airport, and he expected to be in Phoenix by late afternoon.

Emily is very eager for summer vacation to begin, and this is also true of Martin and Juliana. I won't see Kristin until tomorrow night, but without asking her I'm sure that she feels the same way.

Our May family birthday dinner is to take place this weekend, and we hope to get some group pictures to share with you. All of my girls are helping to prepare the food, and we look forward to a happy time. We only wish that Donald and Mary Beth, as well as Frederick and his family could be here for family din-ners, but I think that Mart and I are very fortunate to have five of our seven children close enough to come.

There are so many advantages to having a big family, and passing on clothes is certainly one of them! Many of Kristin's and Juliana's things have gone first to Mary Leanna in Rhode Island; then they came back here for Emily and Alison, and after this, if they've survived such strenuous wear, many of them go on to Russell's little nieces. Martin's clothes move down the hill for Clark to grow into, so it's plain to be seen that we don't have much in the line of children's clothing to go into various drives

Frederick Fischer, sister Helen's husband (our Frederick was named for him) plans to take a trip East before long to visit his daughter, Mary Chapin and her family. James Chapin, Mary's husband, is having an exhibition of his paintings covering a period of many years at Trenton, N. J. in the State Museum, and how we wish that all of us could make the trip to see it. We're hoping that while Frederick is there he can get pictures of the whole family, for we're par-ticularly anxious to see how much Elliott and Jared have grown.

Shenandoah is a hard town to find your way around in if you're not familiar with our winding streets, so for the benefit of our new friends I think I should tell you again that you'll find the Driftmier family home at 201 East Summit — this is about one-half block east of the high school. There are turquoise colored jars in front of the house - and we're on the north side of the street. Margery lives right up Summit with only one house between our two properties. This is a diagonal intersection, and she lives on the corner. The front of her house is on Clarinda Avenue, and the number is 300.

Lucile and Russell live at 116 East Clarinda Avenue - about one-half block down the hill from Margery -I just stopped to count and there are three houses between Margery and Lucile. Howard and Mae live in a small rear house directly next door (across the alley) from Lucile and Russell. After they build their new home on a winding drive in the south section of Shenandoah it will take a map to find them!

Abigail, Wayne and their children live at 207 University Avenue — this street runs on the north side of the high school. They are next to the corner of Page and University and on the north side of the street. You'll notice play equipment in the front yard.

Mart has just come up from the office for dinner, so I must see what I can find that won't take much time to fix. I'm afraid that morning coffees mean a slimmer noon meal than usual!

Until July.-Leanna

PLANTING GUIDE FOR YOUR BORDER

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A CURE FOR THE BLUES

bu Pansy M. Barnes

Dandelions in the lawn, dust in the curtains, the hens won't lay, the clothes-line breaks and the news on the radio and in the papers is depressing! Well, let's sit down in the shade and do something cheerful. Something that will help us and our neighbors too. Spring planting is over but we can plan a wonderful border now and put it out this fall.

It is 55 feet across the back of the lot. There are no trees to interfere. The soil isn't too good. If we could get Farmer Jones to bring us a big load of barn-yard manure that would be just fine. But if he won't we can go to a seed store and get some big bags of peat-moss and some sheep manure. The fire place pit must have some good wood ashes in it. These will provide lime and potash. I suppose we should have some superphosphate. Plants can't bloom with-out that. We'll get a bag of that at the seed store too.

White fences always look nice. Let's build one about five feet tall. We can get it done and painted before time to plant. Nothing looks better on a white fence than red climbing roses. Paul's Scarlet is gorgeous now but why not plant Blaze, the everblooming Paul's Scarlet, and have red roses all summer. Set them six feet apart. Nine should be the right number. When we set them out late this fall we will cut them back about six inches and be sure to put a whole pail of water in each hole. Then after they are planted, each one will be entirely covered with soil so that no part of the top is visible. After the ground freezes put two feet of leaves over all.

Between the Blaze we will set nine of the white everblooming Prosperity rose. We will plant them exactly as we did the Blaze, but next summer Blaze can climb but Prosperity will be kept at exactly two feet. Each will be a great mass of white loveliness

Between and just below the climbing roses we will set eighteen fall blooming white Mt. Everest hardy

Alternately below the asters, the cheerful Red Floribunda Roses, Chatter, will glow - all eighteen of them.

It wouldn't be a border without mums, so we will plant seventeen white cushion ones, alternately below the Chatter roses.

We just must have some flowers to greet the spring, so let's get our order in early for tulips. These we will place in groups, putting three double white peony-flowering ones in the center, and five Red Emperor circling them. The tulips will be at least six inches apart. Over the top of each

one will be eight inches of soil. Planted this way, they will not divide so soon and need replanting. Under each and everyone we will put a teacup of sand and several tablespoons of bone meal. As soon as the tulip foliage is brown next spring, we will remove it and plant lots and lots of white petunias.

For this border, 55 feet by 6 feet, we will need:

- (1) 9 Blaze Roses
- (2) 9 Prosperity Roses
- (3) 18 Mt. Everest Asters
- (4) 18 Chatter Roses
- (5) 17 White Cushion Mums
- (6) 54 Peony Flowered Tulips (double white)
- (7) 90 Red Emperor Tulips

After the ground freezes in the fall, the mums should have a light mulch, such as old perennial tops. The roses, asters, and tulips can have leaves over them. If the leaves are left on next spring they will conserve moisture, keep down weeds and as they rot, furnish plant food.

TO GIVE AWAY

by Gladys Niece Templeton

This seems to be the year for luxuriant plants and flowers; there is growth and color everywhere. Passers-by comment on the beauty and profusion of tulips, lilacs, spirea and other early blossoms, but seem surprised when they are given bouquets to carry away with them. Such a reaction is thought-provoking.

Is it uncommon for folks to share their flowers? Is it not well to pick the lilacs, tulips, spirea, lilies and other blossoms? Is it not beneficial to the plant or bulb to pick the bloom or divide the clump? My advise was to do exactly this and through the years all such growth has benefitted and increased by so doing.

Beyond the pleasure of seeing blossoms in one's own flower border is to fill the hands of others with bouquets . . to share each clump with those who have none.

Yes indeed, it is more pleasant to gather portions of those perfect blossoms-TO GIVE AWAY.

THE COVER PICTURE

Three generations of Driftmiers! Grandfather Driftmier with his son Wayne, and Wayne's son, Clark Field Driftmier. In spite of our large family we have only two members who could furnish this combination - the one you're looking at, and a cover picture that we used a couple of years ago of Grandfather Driftmier, his son Frederick, and Frederick's son, David Lloyd Driftmier. A few months from now we'll know if there's any chance of getting a third combination!

THEY SOFTLY WALK

They are not gone who pass Beyond the clasp of hand, Out from the strong embrace. They are but come so close We need not grope with hands, Nor look to see, nor try To catch the sound of feet. They have put off their shoes Softly to walk by day Within our thoughts, to tread At night our dream-led paths Of sleep. They are not lost who find The sunset gate, the goal Of all their faithful years. Not lost are they who reach The summit of their climbs. The peak above the clouds And storms. They are not lost Who find the light of sun And stars and God. -Hugh Robert Orr

IT RAINED TODAY

It rained today. I grumbled 'till I saw the grass Eagerly drink of this fine brew, And tall trees swayed in dancing rhyme

As they reached out for rain drops too.

It rained today. I stayed inside all snug and warm. I used the hours, and they are few, For writing friends. I tried to say, "I think of you, I really do."

It rained today. The long dry Earth drank all she could and blessed each drop. And then it cleared. The high grass stood,

And flowers bloomed; And small birds sang; The world smelled good! By Phyllis Pasqualetti

NATURE'S CREED

I believe in the brook as it wanders From hillside into glade;

I believe in the breeze as it whispers When evening's shadows fade. I believe in the roar of the river

As it dashes from high cascade; I believe in the cry of the tempest

'Mid the thunder's cannonade. I believe in the light of shining stars, I believe in the sun and the moon;

I believe in the flash of lightning, I believe in the night-bird's croon.

I believe in the faith of the flowers, I believe in the rock and sod,

For in all of these appeareth clear The handiwork of God.

-Anonymous

RAINBOW

There was a double rainbow Across our hill tonight. It arched the clouded Heavens And framed in sparkling light. Green grass against a lilac hedge, Cascade of flowering tree-Outlined in sky, God's covenant, Revealed to you and me. -Alta Carson

FREDERICK TELLS OF THE EARLY HISTORY OF BRISTOL CHURCH

Dear Friends:

A few days ago there was a knock at the door, and there, much to my surprise, was a Western Union Telegraph boy. Here in Bristol the telegrams are usually delivered by telephone, and so I thought that the message must be something extraordinary. You can't imagine how pleased I was to discover that our church had received a personal telegram from the President. Here is what the message said:

"My congratulations go to all members of the First Congregational Church of Bristol on its two hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary. Founded nearly a century before the signing of the Declaration of Independence, your church stands as a reminder of the colonists' concern with religious issues. I hope your celebration will emphasize this fact in the early history of our country. Dwight D. Eisenhower."

The telegram arrived just before the Sunday service of worship, and I made no mention of it to anyone until I had an opportunity to read it to the congregation from the pulpit. Of course we were all very thrilled and very proud. Twenty-five years ago at the time of the two hundred and fiftieth celebration of the church a message was read from President Herbert Hoover.

In preparation for our two hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary I have been reading many old papers and records dealing with the history of the church. Since most of you receiving this letter live in the Middle West, you might be interested to learn that for many years our church here in Bristol, Rhode Island considered Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Indiana and other western states as missionary territory. The women of this church used to send boxes and barrels of clothing, blankets, and books to missionaries and teachers in Polk City, Iowa and many other frontier towns. Through the years young men from this church have migrated to the West, and now I, a native Iowan, have come from the West to be the minister of one of the oldest churches in the East.

Believe it or not, the old wooden frame house in which our church first held services back in the year 1680 is still being used as a family dwelling. It is no longer in the possession of our church people, but it stands at the entrance to our town right on the edge of the harbor as a constant reminder to us of the sacrificial efforts made by the founders of our church. At a time when every family in the town was clearing the wilderness and building homes the people worked together to build a large church. Nearly a half century later they built another church, and then sixty-five years later they built the church we are still using today. In some of the old church minutes I learned that when the present church was built each famiy in the parish was asked to contribute one-third of its total wealth toward the cost of the building. Farmers with property valued at \$10,000 were asked to give at least \$3,000. I wonder what would happen in some of our communities today if we were to be asked to make such large sacrifices for our church?

In the old days it was not thought necessary to have the church heated. One was expected to have religious fervor enough to endure even the cold of a New England winter, but the women of the family were allowed to carry foot-stoves to church. These were filled with coals from the fireplace of some parishoner having a home near the church building. Around the little foot-stoves clustered the children trying to imagine themselves comfortable. After many years the records show that stoves were placed in the church building. In one of the early buildings of our church, the stove was a small one placed near the door. Since that one little stove could not make much of an effect in the cold of winter, it was customary to carry bricks to church, heating them on the stove at intervals during the exceedingly long services. One good lady who sat well forward continued to bring her warming bricks to church long after the winter season had passed, and the story is told of how, after she thought her brick had been on the stove long enough, she wrapped it carefully in a cloth and then hurriedly carried it to her pew lest it burn her fingers. We can imagine the amusement of those who saw her and knew that there was no fire in the stove.

For many years our church here in Bristol was supported by the town and all church business had to be decided in open town meeting. At one point in the history of the church there was considerable difficulty about the refusal of the chuch members to accept a certain clergyman as their pastor and the insistence of the town government that he serve as pastor. It was not until the middle of the eighteenth century that the town ceased to have some authority in the business of the church.

One night this past week we had a rather unusual meeting in our church when we had as a speaker an expert on lawn care. Several of our church members had their lawns completely covered with salt water during the hurricane of last summer and they met in the church to share their ideas about steps being taken to save their lawns. What interesting stories some of them had to tell. One man told how thousands of angleworms left his lawn right after the hurricane, climbing up the side of his house, up the steps to the front porch, and so covered all of his walks and his driveway that it was like walking on ice to use them. He wanted to know what he could do to make the soil inviting enough to encourage angleworms to return to it.

You may be interested to learn that here in Rhode Island considerable attention is being given to the possibility of building an enormous breakwater right across the entire bay as a precaution against any further hurricane floods. There are those who believe that in the past twenty-five years something has happened to make the repeated appearance of hurricanes a common thing here in New England. Frankly I do not put much stock in such thinking, and I do not think that the expenditure of millions of dollars for a hurricane flood block would be money well spent. The possibilities of our having another hurricane wind on a high flood tide are most remote. You see, the last hurricane would not have had such tremendously high seas if it had not struck our shores just as the tide was at the flood. Some of my friends who have their place of business right at the water's edge believe as I do and have completely rebuilt and re-established themselves since the last storm.

We went to Springfield, Massachusetts one day this past week to do some house-hunting. The plan is that when I become the Minister of the South Church in Springfield, the church will provide us with a parsonage other than the one it now owns. Betty and I have never had to give any thought to the purchase of a house before, and so the house-hunting we did the other day was quite a novel experience. We learned that when one is looking for a new house in the city many things have to be taken into consideration that are of no concern what-so-ever in a small town. For example, in Springfield we shall have to think about the proximity of the house to a bus line. I never realized how important city parks are until we did this bit of house-hunting. In areas where lawns and gardens are small, it is quite necessary for the children's sake that we live not too far from a public park. We were encouaged with what we saw, and hope that before too many weeks have passed we shall have the house problem settled.

Sometimes I become a little frightened when I think of the prospect of leaving our present work and home in Bristol for the bigger work and a new home in Springfield. When we are so happy here and so secure, it would be the easiest thing in the world for us to decide to stay where we are, but somehow I feel I should accept this opportunity for greater service.

The next time one of your children or, perhaps even you yourself, have an opportunity to leave the security of your home for the prospects of a bigger work and a greater opportunity, think twice before you decide against it. Remember, the progress of the world has been made by those who never thought in terms of a security that this world can provide.

Sincerely, Frederick

LET THERE BE LIGHT

Gertrude M. Robinson

When one small candle is your light, The path is dark ahead, You falter then, and heart and mind Are filled with fear and dread. The blackness seems to hold you back, It shuts out all your view, Yet when you take a forward step, Your light goes forward too.

BRIDE'S SPECIAL EDITION Unique program for bridal shower

Mabel Nair Brown

This program is planned about the illustrations of a popular magazine. It can be as long or as short as desired — depending upon the number of "articles" or "pages" used. Each page is really a tableau, or scene, enacted on stage (stage might be a wide doorway, if party is held in a home). The EDITOR of the magazine can be a narrator for certain scenes if one is needed, and can explain the "contents", title etc at the beginning.

Here are suggested pages you might include in your bride's special edition.

COVER PAGE: A lovely bride posed before a dark curtain as back-

drop-THE COVER GIRL.

LOVE STORY: This love story might act the scene's illustrating your bride's own special story — childhood, courtship etc. Or it can just illustrate a typical love story, perhaps with a humorous angle pointed at a lover's quarrel and reconciliation.

LOVE SONG. Editor announces that the special June edition carries an illustrated love song. Popular love song might be sung while others act

it out on stage.

POETRY DEPARTMENT, OR PAGE — This can be one poem or musical reading, or perhaps several short poems appropriate to occasion may be read. This would be a grand spot to have an original poem written in honor of the honored bride read by one of her friends.

HOME DEPARTMENT: This page will feature household helps or hints to the bride and some humorous recipes. Perhaps this could be a "recipes from the readers" page with each guest reading recipe which she has copied off on a file card for the bride. There are many humorous recipes on such subjects as "preserving a husband", "Cupid's wedding cake" etc. which would add fun to the party.

FASHION HINTS: This could be humorous illustrations of what not to wear (as curlers at breakfast table, cold cream to bed etc), as well as suggested clothes for kitchen work,

gardening etc.

HOME FURNISHINGS: Here is the "page" where gifts can be brought in and displayed — someone might do a running commentary on use of gifts etc — this could be very funny take off on instructions to the bride.

FOODS DEPARTMENT: This is the refreshment course as the final page in the magazine. Perhaps a pretty wedding cake might be displayed, then cut, and served.

SUGGESTIONS: The mapkins might be folded in book fashion with the magazine title which you decide upon, written across the front cover. Or tiny booklets to represent the magazine might be made for favors. The covers of these might be humorous ads cut from magazines. Inside might be a few pertinate facts connected with the bride you are honoring.

If cake is served with the refreshments, sheet cakes might be cut in rectangular pieces and these decorated to represent an open book.



Martin Strom is ready for vacation. He enjoys showing visitors the way to Lucile's and Wayne's gardens.

GOALS FOR PARENTS

By Myrtle E. Felkner

June seems hardly the time to be setting goals for ourselves. To many the warm summer months ahead are a time of relaxation and a certain freedom from routine. To others the months are so full of necessary gardening, canning, freezing and helping our husbands with farm duties that we can't imagine how we could squeeze in another goal.

Nevertheless, we must. When the weeks have sped by and the children are going back to school in the fall, we don't want to review the summer with the wistful feeling that we have missed out on something important. These three months can be filled with companionable hours of accomplishment for you and your children. Your youngsters are growing physically all summer long; make it your goal to see that they grow mentally, spiritually, and socially as well.

This doesn't mean, of course, that you must supervise every activity. Far from it! Children need privacy, too, in which to play, to work, or simply to put their own decisions to the test. But parents must see to it that the opportunities to do these things

are available.

I resolve that our five-year-old shall have swimming lessons this summer. The cost to me will be a daily trip to town for a few weeks. But we expect rich rewards in the happiness of our child. More practically, it seems foolhardy NOT to see that she acquires this skill. There are seven ponds on our farm; I want to lessen my own apprehension as well as to increase Barbara's self-confidence.

I resolve to take Barbara and her best little friend to the timber this spring. The peace and beauty of the timber, the profusion of wild flowers, the chatter of squirrels and the flash of the redbird . . . all this I want for them. To make it possible for two little girls to feel the miracle of spring is worth a great many weeds in the garden.

I resolve to take my children to vacation Bible School and to Sunday School. I will neglect no opportunity to stimulate their love for Christ and for His church.

I resolve to make a real effort to secure playmates for the children this summer. For a rural parent, this is never easy. In our case the nearest youngsters the age of ours are miles distant. I am anxious, however, that Barbara shall not lose in a brief summer all that she has gained in social growth in a year at school.

We hope to take the children to the mountains this summer. The work may be pressing and funds may be low, but somehow it seems important for us to embark on a family adventure. In our case it is the mountains, for Paul and I are ever attracted to them. What a thrill we anticipate as the girls see them for the first time!

We want to take a short train ride this summer, perhaps up to Grandma's. Our modern children both have numerous passenger hours in our small airplane; their fondest hope is to ride on a puffy train like the beloved Smokey Pokey of children's literature!

I resolve to share some good books with the girls this summer. Row upon row await our selection at the library; the quiet evening hours are at hand.

If your children show creative talents, do help them to develop such ability this summer. Perhaps your child draws or paints. His father might make a very simple easle. Cut large sheets of paper to be tacked to the easle (old wallpaper will do!) and see what fun your small artist will have reproducing the sights about him.

The needs in your family may be quite different from ours. Our goals, however, are similar: the growth of our children in all ways and the strengthening of family ties.

"WHERE AIN'T GOD?"

He was just a little lad,
And on the Sabbath Day
Was wandering home from Sunday
School.

And dawdling on the way.
He scuffed his shoes into the grass:
He found a caterpillar:
He found a fluffy milk-weed pod,
And blew out all the "filler"
A bird's nest in a tree o'erhead
So wisely placed and high,
Was just another wonder
That caught his eager eye.

A neighbor watched his zig-zag course, And hailed him from the lawn; Asked him where he had been that day,

day,
And what was going on.

"Oh, I've been to Sunday School,"
(He carefully turned a sod,
And found a snail beneath it);

"I've learned a lot of God."

"M'm, a very fine way," the neighbor said.

"For a boy to spend his time; If you'll tell me where God is, I'll give you a brand new dime."

Quick as a flash his answer came!
Nor were his accents faint;
"I'll give you a dollar, Mister,
If you'll tell me where God ain't."
—Author Unknown

LETTER FROM LUCILE

Hello, Good Friends:

Many, many times every month I open a letter that begins. "There's a big basket of ironing waiting for me, I'm going to sit down here first and write to you or I'll never get it done." So this morning I'll begin my letter to you in exactly the same way: there's a big basket of ironing waiting for me, but—!

It's ten o'clock on a windy spring morning. I've just finished trying, by telephone, to get ahold of a carpenter who can come and install some new steps leading from the back porch to the terrace. So far I've had no luck in reaching him, and this means that I'll keep right on trying until I finally run him down — because those steps just cannot be put off any longer.

As I've said before, when you live in an old house there is always SOMETHING to be done. When we first moved here nine years ago we tackled such jobs as new steps, railings, plumbing, roof, etc., and every year since then we've tackled something that was really urgent on the interior. While we were concentrating on the interior, the outside was weathering quietly away! Now it is time for another paint job for the entire exterior of the house, plus replacing what I had foolishly thought of as "new steps", and a dozen other things.

I know that it's in poor taste to apologize, but I'm going to come right out and say frankly that I've wished every single day that you folks who come here to visit our garden had a more trim house to look at! Our old back porch is really an eyesore, and don't think we're unaware of it. And I might just as well go ahead and say that this back porch is a point on which Russell and I firmly disagree!

Russell thinks, and with excellent reason, that it's not worth spending a cent on for paint, screens, and a new floor. I'm sure it isn't. But I like that old back porch! Everytime he threatens to rip it off I simply rise up and defend it with every power at my command. Eventually, of course, at a day that I fear is very close at hand, it's just going to fall off — no one will have to rip it off. But until that day I guess that you friends who come here will simply have to put up with looking at it. At least while I'm sitting on it I can't be outside looking at it!

Next year when you come to see our garden you will find the house freshly painted and new shutters installed. I hope that you'll keep that in mind THIS summer when you notice how badly it needs paint.

Eventually we expect to remove our sagging front porch and build a new entrance hall across the front. This will give us a place to enter the house without stepping directly into the living room, and it will also give us space for a badly needed first floor coat closet. Eventaully, too, the area occupied by the decrepit back porch will be incorporated into a remodeled kitchen, a kitchen, with windows



Four little cousins, Kristin Johnson, Juliana Verness, Emily and Alison Driftmier will spend many happy hours together this summer.

across the south wall so that I'll be able to enjoy our garden while I'm washing dishes and stirring something on the stove.

But if you've done any remodeling at all you can guess quickly enough that two projects of this scope will run into a pretty, pretty penny, so we are just sitting tight at the present time and trying to keep up with the worst of what needs to be done. At least it gives us something to think about all the time! Russell has wondered very frequently what people have to keep them stirred up if they live in a gleaming new house where everything is exactly right. If anyone does, I'd love to hear about it.

Since I last wrote to you, we've had a very pleasant weekend in Kansas City — our first trip beyond Red Oak (24 miles distant!) in more than a year. We drove down with our good friends, Dr. Robert Powell and his wife, Elaine, (better known to you as "Elaine's Molded Salad"!), and took a roundabout route so that we could see more of Missouri on a gorgeous spring day.

When our highway approached Bethany we turned out of our way so that the others could see the courthouse, a building I first saw five years ago and have never forgotten. I still think that this is a very handsome piece of architecture, and anyone who is on a planning committee for a new courthouse wouldn't be wasting his time if he went to take a look at the Bethany courthouse.

We also noticed some extremely handsome new schools in the towns that we passed through on our road to Independence, and I knew how you people must feel whose children are fortunate enough to be enrolled in such buildings. Schools cost money—a lot of money—but can you think of a better investment for the future? It seems to me a great mistake to let

them reach the state of condemnation before action is taken, and I'm hoping that these next few years ahead of us will see barn doors locked before the horse disappears.

We stopped overnight at a lovely new motel in Independence, and I realized for the first time what kind of places Mother and Dad were describing when they returned from trips. It certainly is hard to imagine greater comfort than such a motel offers to weary travelers of today. Russell and I looked around and marveled, because we were contrasting it with the motels we'd known back in the thirties when it was still an infant industry. My! the changes that these last fifteen years have brought.

On Sunday we had the pleasure of driving with friends through Kansas City — I didn't check on the mileage, but I'm certain that we must have covered a good 45 or 50 miles through Kansas City and its suburbs. It is hard to imagine a more magnificient sight the world over than the Nelson Art Gallery with its impressive and beautiful setting. And we marveled too at the size and beauty of Swope Park. I'm sure that you friends who live in Kansas City are proud of your town, and you have good reason to be. It is a far cry from the jampacked industrial cities of the East.

Our Shenandoah schools will be closed for summer vacation by the time you read this, and probably Juliana and Kristin will be together for their first wonderful visit. We don't know yet if Kathy Bunch, whom Juliana visited in Phoenix last summer, will be able to pay a return visit to us, but we're still hoping. We do know that in July, Susan Sayre is coming from Montclair, N. J. to spend a month on the farm with Kristin, but during that month we want both of the girls to come here and have a good visit. All in all, it should be a happy summer for twelve-year olds.

Dad Verness weathered two operations in good shape and seems to be recuperating as well as can be expected. Naturally, it's a slow process for one who is a semi-invalid because of a heart condition. But when it's all said and done, I simply marvel at the strength of the human heart. Dad Verness came a fraction of an inch from dying a year ago at the time of his first heart attack, and yet he managed to pull through two sessions in the operating room. So doctors are right when they say that the heart is a "tough organ" and has incredible recuperative powers.

My watch says that it's time to tackle the telephone again on this search for the carpenter, so I must gather together the pages of my letter and put them into an envelope to take down to the printers. After this it will be time to set the table and put some food on for a hungry family, so I must run this very instant.

Goodbye until next month-Lucile

The trouble with flattery is that the dosage must be increased regularly to get the same effect and eventually you run out of adjectives.

FROM MY DESK

By Leanna

QUES: "We own an attractive fiveroom house in town that we expect to live in when we retire from the farm, but in the meantime it is being rented to a young couple with three children. They keep the inside in good condition and pay their rent promptly, but we are sick about the yard. Never once has it been mowed and they let all kinds of trash accumulate. I'm sure this annoys the neighbors because it is a nice section of town, and we're embarrassed to own property that has such a disgraceful looking yard by the end of summer. We've talked to them about this and gotten nowhere. We don't want to ask them to move for with three children they'd find it hard to rent another home. Would you suggest that we simply go in ourselves and clean it up?"-Kans.

ANS: It seems to me that this could be done without hard feelings if you go at it in the right way. I'd tell them that since you expect to live there eventually you want to start good plantings, and this spring I'd set out shrubs, trees and even put up a trellis for climbing roses. Taking care of this new stock will give you every reason to go there and keep up the yard. And who knows? They may get so interested in your plantings that they'll turn over a new leaf and cooperate in keeping up a nice yard!

QUES: "Three years ago our only son divorced his wife and last year married a nice young women. His former wife and two little girls live here in our small town - she works as a surgical nurse and has a competent woman take care of the children. I have tried to help as much as I could and once a week have them over for supper. Now my son tells me that his wife resents this bitterly and that it's causing trouble between them - she's even said that she won't come here anymore if we continue to see the first wife and children. I feel so troubled that I don't know where to turn. I don't want to be the cause of difficulty in this second marriage. but at the same time I feel that I owe a great deal to these little girls who are growing up without a father and who need their grandfather. Can you suggest anything?"-Ia.

ANS: Obviously your son's second wife is a very immature young woman and thus it will be hard to talk with her, but I truly believe that your only course of action is to explain to her quietly and patiently that your grandchildren need your concern and interest. Try to get her to understand that they need their grandfather particularly, and that she is in no way threatened by your desire to help the children. Don't lose your temper regardless of what she may say. If you have an understanding minister I would suggest that he talk with her too, and certainly you should make crystal clear to your son exactly how you feel.

QUES: "I've been married for ten years and in all this time I've cooked



This picture was taken in Redlands, Calif., last February. My sister Jessie Shambaugh is sitting beside me and behind us are my sister Sue's three daughters Margery Sayre, Mary Lombard and Frances Harnden. Margery lives in New Jersery and Mary in Redlands and Frances in Crestline, California.—Leanna.

countless meals for my husband's sister and her family who live near us, but never once have we been asked to have a meal in their home. She's as good as gold and is always willing to help in any emergency, and yet she never seems to stop and think that we might appreciate eating a meal at their home. I've just about decided that I'm all through with holding up my end of family get-togethers that all take place right here. What do you think?"—Minn.

ANS: Your letter is too long to print in full, so I must explain to our readers that the sister-in-law considers herself a poor cook and housekeeper, but she does love gardening and has really created a very nice yard for her brother's family. She has also kept the children while her brother and his wife took trips, and otherwise has proven to be a really thoughtful sister. This is why I say to our Minnesota writer that in the long run she'll be better off if she continues to cook the meals when the families get together. I believe she'd live to regret it if she followed any other course of action.

QUES: "We have an only daughter, Leanna, who will finish her first year at college this spring, and I can't tell you how we've looked forward to summer vacation when she would be with us again. Now she writes and tells us that she has a wonderful job lined up in a national park and doesn't expect to spend the summer with us. I'm not a bit well and really feel that she owes us some consideration. Don't you think we'd be justified in telling her that she must not take the job?"—Mo.

ANS: You won't like my answer, but I'll say it anyway. Don't order your daughter to come home. She'll resent this bitterly and you will not have the happy summer that you anticipate. Young people must be freed to live their own lives. Be happy that she's ambitious enough to want to work and be more independent.

QUES: "How long does it take to pound good table manners into children? My boys, eight and ten, actually embarrass me when we go out, and I've simply tried everything to improve them. I don't know what to do next."—Nebr.

ANS: One of these days you'll discover that you have sons with good table manners. It takes a long time, but if they've had the right example set and good training, they'll behave nicely at the table in spite of themsevles!

QUES: "How much do you think can be expected from small children at church, Leanna? My husband and I have many heated arguments on this and it's gotten to where I hate to see Sunday come - an awful thing to say, I know, but that's just the way it is. We have a little girl three years old, and boys four and six. Our services last for about an hour and 15 minutes, and my husband demands that the children sit absolutely still for that time. If they shuffle around or whisper he whips them when we get home. I think that he is expecting too much. It pleases him when people say that they've never seen such quiet, well-behaved children in church, but it doesn't please me because I know what's happened at home. I wish you'd give this very troubled mother some advice."-Nebr.

ANS: First let we say that I feel sorry for you because I don't believe that your husband is going to be affected in any way by anything I can say.

I have always felt that the turning point in what can be demanded of a child at church comes when they enter school and learn the discipline of sitting still and giving their attention to something. However, if you have ever visited the primary grades you know that there is always a lot of moving around — their day is never set up so that they spend an hour and 15 minutes just sitting in one spot.

I think that a child of six can be expected to behave very well at church if he sits without any other child close to him. The minute you put two six-year olds together at church, or in your case, line up the three together, you're going to have shuffling around and confusion from all of them, including the oldest child.

I feel that it is cruel to expect little children only three and four to remain motionless and silent for a long service. This is contrary to all child nature. I think that the parents have a real obligation to take along books, crayons for coloring, etc., things that can be done quietly and without bothering anyone. I've never yet seen any grown-up fussed and irritated if the children in the pew in front of him were quietly coloring or turning the pages of a story book.

In your case I think it is pitiful that the children are whipped after church because they're going to grow up with a life-long hatred for everything concerned with church. It will have only the unhappiest of memories for them, and I'm afraid they'll avoid church like the plague after they are grown and gone from their father's authority.

Do discuss this with your minister and ask him to speak to your husband, Perhaps if he tells your husband that it doesn't bother him or anyone else if little children have something to keep them quietly occupied, he won't be so harsh and demanding.

TIED UP FOR FATHER'S DAY

By Mildred Schmidt

So you wish there were something different you could give Dad for Father's Day. When I say "how about a necktie?" you will think that is not very different. But it will be a new joy to him and a new sewing adventure for you if you start a more varied necktie wardrobe for him with a tie you have made yourself.

When we say necktie, we usually think of the two basic types, the bow tie and the four-in-hand tie, a term used to donate the kind of tie which is tied with a slipknot. There are excellent patterns on the market for both types and they will give the basic instructions for the construction. What I want to do here is give a few tricks which will help make tie craft an easy, interesting experience for you.

The bow is relatively simple to make and is most economical from the standpoint of material needed. You will need to purchase a clip for the ready-tied bow tie.

The four-in-hand ties may be made with a very professional finish by using the quarter tie blocks, which may be found in most large department stores in the yard goods department. These are manufactured with the pattern printed in three sections all ready for cutting and assembling. They come in fine tie silk and usually sell at about one dollar. Quite often one can find them on sale at a great reduction because stores have to clear the stock. Tie-making has become a lost art because of so little publicity in sewing manuals. This is surprising since it is neither a time consuming or tedious sewing task for even an inexperienced seamstress.

Any cotton, rayon, nylon, or wool material suitable in weight, pattern and texture can be used effectively for making neckties and will be more economical than the purchase of the tie blocks. A browsing trip through the store's necktie departments will reveal that the ready-mades are being manufactured in most every conceivable fabric. Particularily striking was the new showing this early spring of embossed plain colored rayon and nylon ties. The Surrah rayon lends itself particularily well to tie making at home because of its fine texture and it may be found in many suitable small patterns as well as in plain colors.

For two ties you will need only fiveeights yard of thirty-nine inch material. Do not make the mistake of buying only half this amount for one tie. There is no way of discounting the fact that the front top piece of the tie pattern takes eighteen inches in length when laid on the bias as it must be. However, since the entire pattern takes up only a scant twenty inches in width you may want to plan your tie making in pairs. If you wish to make only one tie alike you will still find it economical and you undoubtedly will discover uses for the other twenty inches of material.

Perhaps you will have the pleasure



Don Schmidt and sons Alan, Raymond and Stephen wearing ties made by Mrs. Schmidt.

of making from the tie scraps a bow tie for yourself to wear with your "little boy blouse." You may want to make "his and her" gift tie sets for your friend and relative couples. And how about making Father-Son tie sets for Dad and his offspring? Or try your hand at monogramming plain ties to make them really personalized.

Only a few of the fascinating aspects of tie craft have been mentioned, but you may be interested already and want to know what other basic materials are required. Rayon crepe in white or blending soft pastels is suitable for the tie interfacing particularily in the four-in-hand tie. You will find that some ready-mades do not contain this facing and are hemmed at the lower edge. However, it is much easier to achieve a neat finish by using the facing and it greatly enhances the tie's value and durability.

The same is true in connection with the tie interlining. You will find that a small investment in the best grade of interlining, which is hymo or tailor's canvas, will pay off in smooth tieing over a long period of time. The hymo lining will still be in good condition after several years and the wearer has grown just plain tired of that tie.

If your husband has some of those "tired" ties why don't you ask his permission now to let you rip up one or two. It will be the best lesson in tie craft you will have for as you rip you will see exactly how a tie is constructed.

If you have a steam iron it will be a great help in tie-making. Always press up and down, never crosswise on a tie. A standard rule of a good seamstress, "press as you go", is even more essential here than in normal sewing to help you achieve a really professional finish on your tie creation.

Tie making is also a craft which is especially suitable and rewarding to a woman who "loves to sew" but doesn't have a sewing machine to use. All the finishing work is necessarily done by hand and the primary construction of a necktie adapts itself equally well to fine hand sewing or machine stitching.

Once you start to make a necktie, the chances are that you won't be able to put it down until your work is completed and you are ready to tie it on your favorite fellow, Dad, on his very own day.

BULLETIN BANTER

By Lynda Schlomann

In our kitchen we have a bulletin board hung on the north wall near our door so that on our way in or out it will catch the eye. On it we put pictures that pertain to the month, jokes that appeal to us, poems, or anything else we wish to share with each other.

Dental appointment cards, invitations, cards or special letters we've received, names of shut-in friends or birthdays we want to remember — all of these find their niches there.

These six sayings are among those that some member of our family has put up from time to time.

- I had no shoes and I complained, until I met a man who had no feet.
- If bitterness has crept into the heart in the friction of the busy day's unguarded moments, be sure it steals away with the setting sun. Twilight is God's interval for peace making.
- 3. If you owe a debt, pay it.
- If you owe a grudge, forget it.

 4. Blessed are they whose daily tasks are a labor of love. Their willing hands and happy hearts translate duty into privilege.

 Worry is like a rocking chair. It will give you something to do but it won't get you anywhere.

 Never stand on your dignity. There is nothing in the world so slippery.

The memories these quotations bring back when you read them over bring a smile with them too. One for the quarrel you had, another for your teen-age sons, one for the ten year old daughter who is quite dramaitc at times, one just a compliment brought out by a sudden surge of special love for your family, and one for the time when bills, sickness and troubles piled up.

Our bulletin board has lifted our downcast spirits, caused us to smile when we were ready for tears, and supplied silent teaching and small sermons instead of nagging, and expressed appreciation that possibly would not have been expressed otherwise.

Even the three year old is bulletin conscious and we find her handiwork there at times. We never laugh unless her efforts were meant to be humorous, and it's touching to see her pleasure in supplying a cut-out catalog doll or a piece of scrap paper on which she's "written" a note.

I'll give you one guess who put up this silent reproach for the man of the house to read!

"Love is a thing which enables a women to sing while she mops up the floor after her husband has walked across it in his barn boots."

The words that have made me the happiest were the ones that met my eyes when I returned home from the Elizabeth Kenny Institute at St. Paul after a seven weeks brush with polio.

"WELCOME HOME, MOTHER! Blessed is she who dusts away doubt and fear and sweeps the cobwebs of confusion; for her faith will triumph over all adversity."

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BAKED POTATOES WITH HAM

6 baked potatoes 1/4 cup butter 2 or 3 Tbls. hot milk 1 tsp. salt 1/4 tsp. pepper

1 cup cooked ham, finely diced

1 cup grated cheese

Cut a slice from top of baked potatoes. Scoop out centers. Mash, add butter, hot milk and seasonings. Beat until fluffy. Add ham and cheese. Mix well. Pile lightly into shells and place in oven to brown and melt cheese.

CREOLE GREEN BEANS

2 cups canned beans
1/4 cup diced onion
1/4 cup diced green pepper
4 Tbls. butter
1 tsp. flour
1/2 tsp. salt
Dash of pepper
1 cup stewed tomatoes

Saute beans, onoin, and green pepper in butter, covered, until vegetables are tender. Mix flour and seasonings with tomatoes, add to beans, and cook slowly, uncovered, 5 minutes. Serves 4-6.

CORN FRITTERS

Beat 3 egg yolks well. Add 13/4 cups drained, canned whole kernel corn. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Stir in 1/4 cup sifted flour until well blended. Lastly fold in 3 stiffly beaten egg whites. Put 1/3 cup shortening in a skillet. When hot, drop in batter by spoonfuls. Fry on both sides until brown. Serve hot with syrup. These are very good for breakfast or lunch.

MOTHER'S PRESSED CHICKEN

(A good way to use roosters)
Cook fowl until tender. Remove from bones and cut in small pieces.
Season 2 cups of rich broth with salt and pepper (remove some of the fat if the broth is too greasy). Heat and then add 1 envelope of gelatine that has been dissolved in 1/4 cup cold water. Combine broth and chicken. If wished, a small amount of finely diced celery and sweet pickle can be added. Mold in loaf pan that has been lined with waxed paper. When firm this can be sliced and used as main dish for meat, or for sandwiches.



THROW DAD'S HAT IN THE RING

By Edwyna Payton Fenton

Even Father will be glad to eat his hat, when it comes in this treat. For Father's Day let's make him feel important — bake a special cake for him, and use it for the table centerpiece, too.

I've used my old-time Gold Cake for the recipe — one rich in butter and eggs. There's nothing too good for

Father on HIS day.

Make the cake and the frosting just as you would for an ordinary cake. Cut a round piece of card board two inches wider than the cake — to make the brim. Set one layer on the cardboard circle. Spread the top of that layer with commercial orange marmalade (store bought if you have none of your own making). Top with the second layer.

If the shade of the frosting is not deep enough from the orange to have the yellowish shade of straw, add a small amount of yellow food coloring. Spread the card board brim with a thin layer of the frosting, then frost the cake, saving out a small amount of the frosting to make the hat band. To this amount, add a half square of melted chocolate, and enough additional powdered sugar to make it of correct consistency for use in a cake frosting decorator or paper cone. Rough up the frosting with a fork to make it look like straw.

Gold Cake

21/2 cups sifted cake flour 21/2 teaspoons baking powder 3/4 cup butter

11/4 cups sugar

8 egg yolks, beaten until thick and lemon colored

3/4 cup milk

11/2 teaspoon lemon juice

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder, and sift together 3 times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks and beat well. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time. Beat after each addition until smooth. Add lemon juice. Bake in 2 greased 9 inch layer cake pans in 350° oven for 25 minutes.

Orange Butter Frosting

4 tablespoons butter Grated rind of 1 orange

4 tablespoons orange juice, heated Dash of salt 3 cups powdered sugar, sifted or

enough for correct consistency

Cream butter. Add part of the sugar and cream this. Add the rest of the ingredients and beat well.

HURRY-UP MEAL

1/2 cup sliced onion

2 Tbls. bacon drippings-or shorten-

ing

3/4 cup catsup 1/4 cup chili sauce

1/4 cup sugar

2 Tbls. Worcestershire sauce

1 Tbls. vinegar

1/2 tsp. salt

Dash of pepper

1 can of luncheon meat

11/3 cups of cooked rice

Cook onion in hot fat until tender. Add all remaining ingredients aside from luncheon meat and rice. Cut meat in sticks and add to sauce and then bring to boiling point. Place hot rice in center of chop plate and then surround with the meat and sauce. Will serve six people — with not a scrap left over! Comparitively inexpensive and very good.

MOLDED SALMON SALAD

(Make this up for Sunday supper guests)

1 envelope plain gelatine

1/4 cup cold water

1/4 cup vinegar

1 Tbls. sugar

3/4 tsp. salt 1 Tbls. prepared mustard

1 1-pound can salmon

1 cup finely diced celery 1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped

Soften gelatine in cold water and vinegar. Place over boiling water and stir until dissolved. Add sugar, salt and mustard; stir until blended. Cool. Stir drained, flaked salmon into mixture, plus celery. Fold in whipped cream. Turn into one large mold or 6 individual molds and chill until firm. Delicious with following Cucumber Cream Dressing:

Cream Dressing:
1/2 cup well drained, chopped cucumber

1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped

1/2 tsp. salt

1 Tbls. vinegar

Do not peel cucumber; wash and chop very fine and then drain well. Combine all ingredients.

This is ideal for the main dish on Sunday night, or to serve with sandwiches and coffee after an evening with friends.

COFFEE PUNCH

1 qt. freshly made coffee, chilled 1 qt. chocolate ice cream

1/2 tsp. Kitchen-Klatter almond flavoring

Few grains salt

1/2 pint whipping cream 1/4 tsp. grated nutmeg

Chill coffee in refrigerator. To prepare punch, pour coffee into cold punch bowl, add half of the chocolate ice cream, few grains of salt and stir until partially melted. Whip cream until stiff, add flavoring and blend. Fold in whipped cream and remainder of the ice cream. Sprinkle lightly with nutmeg. Makes 12 servings.

TODAY'S TAPERS FOR TO-MORROW'S TRADITIONS

BuEvelyn Witter

Because I am a sentimentalist, I hit on the idea which has made our wedding anniversaries bright with tradition.

It all started by my saving everything I could from my bridal showers, our wedding, and from our reception. Among the "everythings" were the candles and tapers that were used at all these important affairs.

Shortly after we were married, when I was cleaning a cupboard, I came upon these candles. Some were bent, some broken, others cracked and chipped. They were all a dirty white. Of course my first impulse was to throw them out. Before I got to the trash can my sentimentality welled up within me, and I just couldn't dispose of these precious wedding souvenirs.

So with a box of useless looking tapers in my hand I stood wondering what I could possibly do with them. Naturally the old idea of melting down candles and making several big ones out of the bits and pieces of tallow was the first thing I thought

If I could mold them in some form that would symbolize what they really stood for . . . a form that would symbolize our marriage, they would be well worth keeping. Suddenly the potted geranium on the kitchen window sill gave me the final idea. The flower pot was very close to the shape of a wedding bell!

So I washed the candles and dried them well. Then I broke all the tapers into pieces and put them in the top of a double boiler. When the candles were melted I poured the tallow into a line of little closed bottomed flower pots, in which I had first placed string wicks. The wicks at the bottom were long because when the candles were done the bottom of the pot would form the top of the candle to carry out the wedding bell theme.

Now we burn our wedding tapers on our wedding anniversaries. How much more they mean than any fancy ones we could buy for these occasions! They burn brightly with memories, romance, and love.

With careful management we figure we'll have our special anniversary candles for years to come.

If you are to be married soon do save the candles from all the nuptial events. Today's tapers make precious traditions for tomorrow!

TO SALT DOWN BUTTER

Wrap each "pat" of butter (1/2 or 1 pound) in heavy waxed paper. Put in stone jar. Alternate layers of butter and salt. Use salt for top layer. This keeps out air. Cover jar with board. Set in cold place. Butter does not absorb the salt. It will keep a long time. Each pat of butter may be put in the jar and covered with salt just as it is churned.



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APPLE MACAROON PIE

1 unbaked pie shell

4 cups thinly sliced apples

1/2 cup sugar

1 Tbls. flour

1/2 tsp. cinnamon

1/2 tsp. salt

2 Tbls. butter

Line 9-inch pan with pastry. Arrange apples in pan. Combine sugar with flour, cinnamon and salt. Sprinkle over apples and dot with butter. Bake in a 425 degree oven for 20 minutes. Add coconut topping, lower heat to 350 degrees and bake 30 minutes longer.

For coconut topping combine 1 beaten egg, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 cup shredded coconut, 1/4 cup milk. Spread this over top of the partially baked pie and then follow baking instructions given above.

CHEESE WALNUTS

Moisten cream cheese slightly with salad dressing and mold into balls. Place half of a walnut on each side of each ball and flatten slightly like an old-fashioned walnut cream. Serve with salads. These are simply delicious and I guarantee will make a hit.-Margery.

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HEART WITH DRESSING

When cooking heart, boil in seasoned water a little while, remove, use the water in preparing a sage-bread dressing, and cover the heart with the dressing and bake. The heart is not so dry cooked this way and more ten-

ANISE COOKIES

6 eggs, separated

1 cup powdered sugar

1 cup sifted flour

3 tsps. anise seed

Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon-colored. Beat egg whites until stiff and combine the two mixtures. Gradually beat in the powdered sugar, mix lightly. Sift the flour and add; then stir in the anise seed. Drop from the tip of a teaspoon, about 1 inch apart, on a greased cookie sheet. Put pans into ice box over night. Bake the next morning in a slow oven (300° F.) for 12 minutes.

A RURAL PROJECT BECOMES A BUSINESS

By Hallie M. Barrow

When a proud 4-H Club or F.F.A. member leads their prize winning animal out of the ring, this question is often asked around the ringside: will this boy or girl continue to live on a farm after high school graduation? Will our next generation of farmers be one of the best educated and trained groups of workers in our land because of this wonderful rural club work training? Or, will these farm boys and girls rush to the city? One hates to think that after years of 4-H Club work and F.F.A. activities, vocational agriculture, experience as rural leaders etc., that these young folks will leave the farm and start training to be office workers in a large city.

Do not become over-alarmed about this condition. Many of our well trained farm youth do make a farm life their career. Many more progress into county and home agents, the wide field of Home Ec jobs and phases of agricultural journalism and many other professions where a farm background is necessary. This is the story of a farm boy, Kenneth Moore, who will not only continue with his F.F.A. project as his life business but who has also converted his parents to making his project their main business too.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arba Moore, live on a 137 acre farm near Princeton, Missouri. Like most farm families, when their son entered 4-H Club work, the whole family cooperated in every way aside from giving moral support. In fact, his parents who had never had such opportunities, learned right along with Kenneth. When Kenneth started to high school, he became very interested in his vocational agriculture classes. So did his father. The teacher took a great deal of interest in the father and son and their farm . . . they were so eager to improve the farm and followed out implicity his suggestions. Mr. Moore had been raising hogs, sheep, poultry and dairying. The instructor thought purebred dairy cattle would pay more. So a purebred Guernsey cow was purchased for Kenneth's dairy project. They replaced their hogs with purebred Hampshiers, The vocational agriculture class laid out a contour plan for their fields. Management of sheep was entirely changed so lambs would hit the early market. Purebred cows were added until the herd numbered about twenty. The whole farm had been changed because of Kenneth's club work. Then, it happened.

In the spring of 1949, the Moore family visited a pheasant farm. Kenneth purchased 125 day old pheasant chicks as one of his projects. He had good success but was too sure of a market for his birds. Friends were invited to eat some of the delicious roast pheasant, mostly breast meat, and then they wanted dressed pheasants to serve and ever since, the Moores have increased their pheasant



Mrs. Arba Moore and a tray of eggs ready for the incubator.

flocks many times and can not begin to supply the demand for eggs, day old chicks and dressed birds. At first, most of the profits went into overhead. Pheasants have to be raised in captivity and wire enclosures erected. Incubators and brooders were bought to take care of the extra thousands added each spring. Broilers and roasting sized birds were dressed and kept in their large home freezer to meet demands. When fanciers and buyers came for eggs, chicks or breeding stock, they often asked Kenneth if he had other game birds to sell?

Gradually, other varieties of pheasants were added as well as turkeys, ducks, geese and bantams. Five ponds were made to accommodate the waterfowl. What started as a side line proved to be the best paying project on the farm and soon was taking up most of the time of father, mother and son. General farming was abandoned in favor of pheasant and waterfowl. A three-way partnership was formed and now there are 20 breeds of ducks, 12 of geese, 18 of bantams, 3 of pheasants besides turkeys and chickens, some 55 breeds in all.

His father is particularly interested in exhibiting at poultry shows. Had you told him ten years ago that he would be showing fancy fowls very successfully, he would have vehemently denied such a career. But after helping his son prepare his first 4-H Club calf entry, he found he had a great interest and a flair for showmanship. The Sunday we visited their farm last fall, he had just returned from the Kansas State Fair at Hutchison, Kansas where he had over two hundred entries. He really needed extra space in his truck for the accumulated ribbons and prizes he had won . . . 47 first, 45 seconds, many special prizes and trophies.

His mother is what you would call a very active partner. She collects and marks eggs from many pens, keeps them all separate and dated. The pheasants and most of the waterfowl do not lay in nests and eggs must be gathered once an hour. She keeps 8 incubators going all during the hatching season, tends to much of the book work and correspondence and dresses fowls of all kinds for orders and a big supply in the freezer. They ship dressed birds to many states and Mrs. Moore perfected her own way of safe arrival of the frozen birds. After dressing, they are immediately cooled, packed into the usual freezing sacks, as much air as possible pushed out, sealed and frozen. Before putting the bird into the mail, wet newspapers are cut in strips and packed around the frozen bird in an oiled, lined shipping box. Then the package is put back in the freezer overnight and mailed out next morning. With this frozen shredded paper packed thickly around the frozen bird. she says she has never had any trouble with orders reaching customers, regardless of how far it must travel. When we asked if some of the larger dressed fowls were capons, Mrs. Moore said they were not. She felt no need of raising capons as the Broad-Breasted Cornish hens dressed out to make an even more attractive package than capons. Some of their dressed turkeys, pheasants, ducks and geese are sent to the packing plant at Lamoni, Iowa, which specializes in smoking poultry.

Kenneth is now in service and his parents are carrying on until he returns. There is no question of a doubt what this ex-service man will do. In every letter home he is asking about his "birds" and how anxious he is to return. So a rural club project has set this young man up in a good business and persuaded his parents to drop their usual farm line and go into partnership with him.

FOR THE CHILDREN

- If you wanted to give a striking gift to a friend, what would you buy? Ans. A clock.
- 2. What is it that has five sharp corners? Ans. A star.
 3. When do the leaves begin to
- When do the leaves begin to turn? Ans. The day before examinations.
- What is every child doing at the same time on Christmas? Ans. Growing older.
- 5. When is a farmer cruel to his corn? Ans. When he pulls its ears.
- 6. What is found in the middle of America and Australia? Ans. The letter "r".
- 7. What fruit has the name of two trees? Ans. Pineapple.
- 8. If you should throw a white stone into the Red Sea, what would happen? Ans. It would get wet.
- Why do birds fly south in the winter? Ans. Because it is too far to hop.

How can one learn to play the plane in no time? Ans. By omitting the rhythm.

How many soft-boiled eggs can you eat on an empty stomach? Ans. One—after that the stomach isn't empty.

Who was the first great race runner? Ans. Adam: he was first in the human race.

DOROTHY, BUSY WITH SPRING WORK, FINDS TIME FOR A LETTER

Dear Friends:

I just got home from taking Kristin to the bus. It is a beautiful morning and she could have walked, but she was so interested in helping her Daddy plant a Flowering Crab tree in the front yard that the time slipped away from her and I had to take her so she wouldn't miss it. When I have finished writing this letter I'm going out into the yard and plant a row of Hydrangeas along the north side of the house.

We have a long rock walk leading from our front gate to the house. Frank and his sister Ruth put this walk in years ago. Last fall I planted tulips along both sides of it and in front of the porch. All are not in bloom yet but this morning, just for fun, I counted the ones that were in bloom and there are 140. It really is a beautiful sight. We also have 25 daffodils in bloom. When Bernie first came home to stay and care for her parents, she had a lattice arch put across the walk and planted a Paul's Scarlet rose on each side of it. The last few years this has just been magnificent. Yesterday we discovered that the roses had apparently winter killed and we are just sick about it. We are going to have to replant at once.

There have been a lot of people here this last week hunting mushrooms in the timber. Kristin and I have gone hunting for them, too, and have found enough for several meals. We all three like them so much.

We had a nice visit with the folks a couple of weeks ago. It was Frank's birthday, so Mother and Dad and Martin came for the day. Also on that same day the Chariton Saddle Club had their first scheduled trail ride of the season and came out here. The day before, Frank took our team to town so that they could bring the chuck wagon for the little children to ride in and also the adults who don't ride horseback. We had a don't ride horseback. covered dish dinner with lots and lots of good food. It was such a beautiful day that we sat on the front porch all afternoon. I think that Mother and Dad really enjoyed themselves. It had been years and years since they had seen that many beautiful horses at one time. After dinner the younger boys put on quite a show playing games on horseback on the meadow in front of the house.

For our April Saddle Club meeting the two couples whose turn it was to entertain, rented the skating rink for the evening and we had lots of fun. Many of the people hadn't been on skates for years and years, in fact one man told me it was the first time he had skated since 1919. This was hard to believe because he was such a good skater. Some had never had skates on but they were good sports and tried it. Of course there were lots of tumbles and lots of stiff and sore muscles the next day but everyone had a good time.

We have had several rainy days this past month and I took advantage of them by getting a little sewing



Juliana & Kristin ready for church on Mother's Day.

Kristin and her little friend Lois Jean have been wanting dresses alike, so I told Mrs. Hutchison I would smock them if she wanted to put Lois Jean's together. The girls picked out the material, gold squaw cloth, and I smocked them in bright green. They have a little round collar, are sleeveless, and have very full gathered skirts. Lois Jean's is finished and Kristin is very anxious that I finish hers so they can wear them to school for the first time on Thursday. Kristin's is all smocked and ready to be made. The forecast is for rain to-morrow, Tuesday, so perhaps I can get it done. The garden, yard, and the field work I do take up almost all of my time when the weather is nice, consequently that is why I say I have to wait for a rainy day to sew. Frank's sister, Edna, had a birthday

this month and I made her a skirt as a gift. It is red and black figured squaw cloth made real full with the three tiers. I knew she had a black blouse she could wear with it, and when Uncle August and Aunt Delia gave me some money and asked me to pick out their gift for Edna I got her a string of red and black wooden beads that exactly matched the skirt and a pair of black earrings. Altogether it makes a stunning outfit. Kristin is counting the days until school will be out and Juliana comes up for her first visit of the summer. Kristin has a small bedroom and a single bed. In the past they have always insisted on sleeping together in that single bed. I don't see how they can get any sleep. Last Saturday I decided, since she will have someone here most of the summer, we were going to have to do something about the sleeping arrangements. She was finally persuaded to part with one bookcase, her easel, her small table and two chairs. We rearranged the

rest of the furniture and made room

to move in a studio couch that had

been in another room. Now my prob-

lem is to find some place to put the things that we took out of her room.

By the time you read this letter the rhubarb season will probably be over but I'm going to give you a recipe for the most delicious rhubarb pie that Frank and I have ever eaten and I want you to tuck it away and try it next spring. Aunt Delia found this recipe in a little farm paper that she takes so perhaps many of you already have it, but for those of you who don't, here it is:

RHUBARB CUSTARD PIE

2 c. diced rhubarb 2 egg yolks Almost 1 c. sugar 1 c. sweet cream 1/8 t. salt

2 T. conrstarch

1 unbaked pie shell

(You will notice I said almost 1 cup of sugar. In the recipe the amount of sugar wasn't given so Delia guessed at it. This was the amount that she used in the pie she brought us and as far as we were concerned it was perfect).

Cover the rhubarb with boiling water and let stand until you are ready to use it. Mix together the beaten egg yolks, sugar, salt and sweet cream, in which the cornstarch has been dissolved. Drain rhubarb and mix it with above ingredients. Turn into an unbaked pie shell and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) until filling is firmly set. Cover with a meringue made from two egg whites, beaten stiff, with four tablespoons sugar added. Brown meringue in a 475 degree oven for about 7 minutes or until lightly browned.

I must close now and dash into the post office with this so it can go to Shenandoah on the morning train. Until next month . . .

Sincerely, Dorothy

BIRD FRIENDS

Complete these rhymes with the names of bird friends.

- 1. Is he a bird or beast or fowl
 This solemn, wide-eyed, speckled
- Soon after the sun has chased the dark
 He sings from a fence post, the
- meadow - - .

 3. This big, bold fellow must have
- his say,
 The noisy, beautiful, bright blue
- In gilded cages it's customary To find a friendly, tame - - - -
- 5. In early summer he's at his best, Our favorite songster, - - - - red breast.
- 6. A flash of gold from a treecrowned knoll Shows we've found the home of an - - - - .
- A scolding twitter from a wooded glen
 Is the voice of tiny Miss Jenny
- 8. Hidden deep in the tangled brush Is a nest, well built by two brown
- Owl;
 Lark;
 Jay;
 Canary;
 Robin;
 Oriole;
 Wren;
 Thrush,
 Grace Stoner Clark.

A BRIDAL SHOWER

By Mildred Dooley Cathcart

An umbrella is most appropriate for a "shower" so make your invitation in the form of an umbrella. These may be made double and cut from heavy white construction paper. Draw in the various lines with black ink and decorate with tiny designs. Write the details on the inside.

You may use umbrellas when decorating, too. Pretty pastel parasols that are so common this year may be hung right side up in arch ways or door ways. Tiny flowers may hang from each of the ribs of the umbrella. Vases of flowers may be placed underneath small umbrellas.

Games

UMBRELLA RACE: Use plain white paper plates and mark lines on them to resemble an umbrella. Run a cord through the "plate umbrella" so that the contestants may tie them on their heads. Then each player is given a large spoon and five ping pong balls. The person who can get the most balls picked up with the spoon, and placed on the plate on her head, is winner.

SAVING FOR A RAINY DAY: Divide the players into teams, and mark off a line for the toss. At a reasonable distance, place a can to represent the bank. Each player is given five coins to toss at the bank. The team which puts the most coins in the can has saved the most for a "rainy day" and is winner. Small banks for "pin money" would make good prizes.

A Love Story

The blanks are to be filled in with abbreviations of states.

A handsome - fell in love with a --- whom he attended when she was - and who was sweeter than any flower of the ---. He asked her hand in marriage but her wished her to marry his war time friend, the ——, who was rich but who looked as if he had come out of the ____. So he put the doctor off by saying he would ---- the matter But the lover pressed him and said, "—— why will you not give —— an answer?" The father, being a Yankee, answered his question by asking another, "___ - you support her?" and added bluntly that he feared his daughter would have to ---- for a living, should she marry so poor a The young man replied, "Alman. thought I am poor - no man a penny." When he met his sweetheart next Sunday morning at early and told her of his interview she said, "I could love you no —— had you all the wealth of ——." So they were married at - o'clock, and her husband got --- in his profession, and there is -- to keep them

from being happy.

Answer. 1-MD. 2-Miss, 3-Ill, 4-Del.
5-Pa. 6-Col. 1-Ark. 8-Conn. 9-Ore. 10Wyo. 11-Me. 12-Kan. 13-Wash. 14-Iowa.
15-Mass. 16-Mo. 17-Ind. 18-Tenn. 19-

Ariz. 20-O.

RAINY DAY COOKING: A new bride spends many a rainy day in her kitchen. This bride is trying out some new recipes for her husband. Can you identify these culinary items correctly. Write Column A on paper and then scramble Column B. The players are to match the items in column A with the definitions in Column B.

- 1. Souffle—Beaten with eggs and baked in oven until puffed up.
 - 2. Eclair-Small filled cakes.
- 3. Canapes—Small pieces of bread spread with fish or meat.
- 4. Rarebit—Melted cheese over toast.
- 5. Mousse-Whipped cream, flavored and frozen.
- 6. Croutons—Small pieces of toast used in soups.
 - 7. Consomme—Strong clear soup.
- 8. Julienne—Clear soup with vegetables cut into thin strips.
 - 9. Anchovies-Herring-like fish.
- 10. Cavier-Roes of large fish.
- 11. Crullers—Sweet cake fried in boiling lard.
- 12. Penuche-Candy.

Gifts For The Bride

We must carry out the "shower" theme in presenting the gifts to the bride so an umbrella is a MUST. If you are especially artistic—and energetic—you might fashion an umbrella of crepe paper. But here is a much easier way that appeals to me. First, you will use a large table to hold the gifts. Cover the table with pastel colored cloth that will carry out your color scheme, (a plain white will do). The umbrella will be in the center with the gifts scattered about.

And no doubt the easiest way to decorate an umbrella is to secure a clear plastic one or one in the soft pastel color of your decorating scheme. Around the edge of the umbrella, ruffles are merely the scalloped borders of paper lace doilies held fast with scotch tape. Around the center of the umbrella, form a double scallop of ribbon and catch each scallop with a tiny flower. Add a perky nosegay of flowers and ribbon at the top of the parasol. Wrap the handle with matching ribbon and a gay bow. Cover the metal part or wires with strips of crepe paper.

Table Decorations and Refreshments

Perhaps you or one of your friends will have a vase which looks like an umbrella standing upside down. Mine happens to be a copper one although I have seen several in pastel pottery. If you have one of these you might use it for holding the flowers in the center of your table. If not, use a round low bowl that looks like an opened umbrella. Make a "cane shaped" handle of wire, cover it with matching crepe paper and anchor it in the bowl amid the flowers. At your local dime stores you will find very small paper umbrellas to be used as favors and place cards. Dennison's Crepe Paper tells an easy way to make little umbrellas for nut cups. You merely cut a circular piece of colored paper, then cut out a "V" shaped piece. When the edges are drawn together and pasted this circular piece takes on the shape of an umbrella. You may use colored straws for the handles. Fit this umbrella



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over your little nut cups. Round napkins tend to carry out the umbrella idea.

You will plan your refreshments to suit your own particular shower. However, the frosted cup cakes may have the outline of an umbrella on top. Round cookeis may be frosted to look like tiny umbrellas if you draw the ribbing or wires in with frosting and perhaps add tiny scalloped edges.

You will think of many more ideas, when you begin planning your shower.

COUNTERATTACK

Upon minutes observation
I noticed signs of infiltration.
The enemy attacked last night . . .
Today my garden is a sight!

The string beans suffered a bombard-

(At least a week's bean-crop retardment!)

Cut worms mined the sweet corn

Now I must wait for more to grow!

Declaring war on pests and weeds, In re-turned soil, I've sewed more seeds

And trust my allies, sun and rain, To make my garden live again!
—Mildred Hoskinson

of you.

accident.

like mail.

GOOD NEIGHBORS

By Gertrude Hayzlett

First thing, I want to report on the progress of the wheel chair robes

and afghans we are making for use

to every one of you who sent yarn

or money to buy yarn. Every bit helped. I sent a card to all whose names were with the packages. A few did not have names so I hope the ones who sent them will read this.

As fast as yarn came in, I sorted it according to what it was best suited for, and sent it to some one who would knit or crochet it. We still have a few who offered to work to whom I have not had yarn to send,

but nearly every day a little yarn comes in and I'm sure in time there

will be enough to supply all who want

to help. If you have some, send it to me at 685 Thayer Ave., Los Angles

24, Calif. And again, thanks to each

Some urgent calls for cheer have

Viola Sleeper, a former Iowa girl

who went to Virginia to live, was bad-

ly injured in a car accident. She lost

her arm above the elbow besides

breaking her leg and her jaws and several other injuries. Her mother

went back to take care of her after

will reach her at 9411 Chesapeake St.,

Norfolk 3, Va. Viola will be 21 in August and gets pretty blue since the

Mrs. Letha Dunn, c/o Curry Nursing

Home, Arrowsmith, Ill., is 50 and has had multiple sclerosis for 20 years.

She is almost completely paralyzed. Can move only her head. Has to lie

flat on her back all the time. Loves

to get mail, but is not able to answer.

has been in a wheelchair since she

had a stroke eleven years ago. Would

Bonnie Adams, Box 87, Cayuga,

Indiana, is a shutin, able to use only

her hands. She has been working on

a scrapbook project and needs some

help. From used greeting cards she

makes scrapbooks and other novelties

that she sends to hospitals and also to

Children's Homes in Korea. She has

plenty of Christmas cards, but would

like all sorts of everyday cards, also nice poems. Cut the writing from all

cards. And be sure your package has

enough postage on. Bonnie tries to

include a hankie with each book she

sends, and needs more hankies. She

also makes pretty bean bags from

scraps of outing flannel, especially

Charlene Schoenholz, Bruning, Ne-

braska, is eleven. She has been in

bed the last 2 or 3 months with rheumatic fever and gets so tired of bed.

There are 3 smaller children in the

family. Do send something for Char-

lene to play with while she has to

white and red, and needs that.

Mrs. R. E. Barnes, Sidney, Iowa,

she gets out of the hospital.

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It is wise to place the bottom layer ing a frame for the cake.

If a tube pan has been used in baking, the openings are covered with light-weight cardboard circles, the frosting applied over the cardboard for a smooth unbroken surface. Cakes without color may be given character by the use of top ornaments, edible or merely decorative, available in dime stores or at stationers' shops. A wee bride and bridegroom, graceful garlands, shapes appropriate for the occasion, add their bit and may be placed to suit the decorator's whim. Top ornaments should be glued to a cardboard foundation, placed on the cake and frosting applied up to them. Other decorations should be pressed gently into place before the icing has had time to set or harden. - Con-

QUANTITY SERVINGS

(For 100)

nics coming up we are frequently asked how much salad to prepare when a crowd is to be fed. The following amounts give you a good guide.

Chicken salad	22	qts.
Potato salad	24	qts.
Vegetable salad	24	qts.
Fruit salad	18	qts.



This picture was taken the day Dale and Mabel Brown opened their store at Ogden, Iowa. I think they call it "The Golden Rule Store". In front of them are the flowers their son Carroll and daughter Reg na sent to them. Many other lovely bouquets were received. received.

WEDDING CAKE POINTERS

The traditional wedding cake is usually a white butter cake or an angel food, baked in two or more graduated layers. Tiers, in the homemade cake, are wisely kept at a minimum; it is far better to have two plump, uniform ones than several thin, tipsy ones. The cake is iced in white and decorated as simply or elaborately as seems fitting.

on a heavy cardboard circle, slightly larger than the cake layer. When the cake has been iced and decorated it may be placed on the cake plate and the cardboard gently pulled from beneath; or simply left and skillfully hidden with a delicate tracery of dainty green leaves and flowers, form-

tributed

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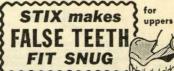
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By Evelyn Witter

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