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—THE WOMAN'S REALM—

TODAY

We shall do so much in the years to come, But what have we done to-day? We shall give our gold in a princely sum, But what did we give to-day? N. Waterman.

ARRESTING NEW SILHOUETTE

One of the most arresting of the new silhouettes in a recent fashion show was the fitted torso, called "middle" in daytime costumes and "chiseled" when applied to formal. The middle was at its best in a town costume made with a black wool jersey top that came well over the hips and hugged the throat in a high collar, and a beige velvet skirt. It was in its most extreme mood in a white pure silk tulle; at its base—almost mid-thigh level—the chiseled torso was finished with a band of mink, below which the skirt spread in full gathers dipping into a moderate train.

The short boxy jacket was another of the good daytime features. Its virtue was in its youthful lines. It was developed in fur, black Persian and ocelot, as well as in woolsens and corduroy. The right jacket-front had a spray of black bead embroidery that was school on the skirt of its black wool companion dress.

HELPFUL TIPS ABOUT CARE OF CURTAINS

If you are about to take down summer curtains and put them away, here's a suggestion which might prove helpful to you. Put the curtains away just as they are dried after coming from the washing machine and do not starch them until just before they are to be put up again. Starch may attract insects. It also damages fabrics if left in for a long period. This warning applies with equal strength to shirts and all other washables which are starched.

A BRIGHT TOUCH

Sometimes a gaily patterned cloth for the dresser or kitchen table will brighten up the whole atmosphere of the room, even if

the furnishings are more or less old-fashioned.

Agnes Sorel of the French court is credited with being the first woman to use the diamond as a personal adornment. She wore one in a necklace about 1444.

SHEETS OR BLANKETS SHOULD TUCK IN WELL

There's nothing more uncomfortable on a chilly night than to have the sheets or blankets on the bed "part company" with your feet. Remember when buying sheets to get them at least one yard longer and wider than the mattress. Then they'll tuck in well. Meanwhile, if you need to make a sheet longer, sew on strips of old sheeting, or new pre-shrunk muslin. And when it comes to adding on to blankets, choose cloth, good parts of a worn blanket, or even sheeting will do.

MAKING LAUNDRY SOAP

3 lbs. lukewarm melted grease, 1 lb. can of lye, 1 quart cold water, 3 tablespoons borax, 1 1/2 cup ammonia, 2 tablespoons sugar, 1 teaspoon salt, 1-2 cup cold water. Dissolve lye in quart of cold water and let stand until lye ceases hissing. Add fat slowly, stirring constantly. Mix all the other ingredients together. Continue to stir until the whole is thick and creamy. Line a wooden box or pan with 2 strips of cloth, leaving ends hanging over opposite sides. Pour in the soap, and before it gets hard mark into pieces the size you wish. Break pieces apart and pile them to insure a free circulation of air about them. A crock is the best thing to use.

HINT FOR MOTHERS

A baby's thumb-sucking habit, which a mother fears will push teeth back and ruin the shape of her mouth, should be reckoned with as an escape from boredom. Or as a source of fun when she is left to her own resources. A baby will obligingly take out her thumb to make way for something more pleasant to taste. Or she will cheerfully swap thumb-in-mouth pleasure for the more novel ex-



Morning Smile

CONSTABULAR WISDOM

A constable who had stopped a motorist for dangerous driving, and who was taking down the particulars kept putting the point of his pencil in his mouth.

YOU'RE A SWEETHEART

Fred was showing his sweetheart the old family album, and pointed out a particular photograph of which he was very proud. It depicted him as a small boy dressed in a sailor's suit, sitting on his uncle's knee.

DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

Compromise in Marriage

Bargaining Motif May Be Answer To Nuptial Incompatibility

Inasmuch as all life is a series of compromises, is it not strange that we have not been shrewd enough to introduce the bargaining motif into marriage? Of course, you may say that divorce is nothing but horse trading, and that when we swap an old husband or wife for a new one, it is in the hope that we will get one nearer to our heart's desire.

TRADING ON PEEVE RESTRAIN

Then the question arises, what to do about it? The good sports take it. The quitters renege on it. But the great majority start on a 30 or 40-year civil war. Yet there is an easy way out, if they would only make it. It is by compromise. By exchanging their pet peeves. Simple, isn't it? And it would be efficacious, for most of the things that husbands and wives spat over are not matters of principle, but just differences in tastes and habits that rub them the wrong way. Scattering cigarette ashes on the floor and making bad coffee have broken up more homes than all the sirens and wolves.

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Is it rude for a woman to accept a seat from a man in a public conveyance without thanking him?
A. It is very rude to do so. The distinguishing mark of a well-bred person, man or woman, is the gracious manner in which she acknowledges any courtesy.

Cook's Corner

TOMATO CHEESE DRESSING
(Keeps well and excellent for raw vegetables.)
1 tablespoon fat
2 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1/2 cup tomato juice
2 cups grated cheese
1 egg well beaten
1/4 teaspoon salt
Melt fat in the top of a double boiler, add flour and seasonings and blend. Add tomato juice and cheese. Cook, stirring constantly, until the mixture is smooth and creamy. Add beaten egg and continue cooking about 1 minute longer. Remove from heat and cool.

BOILED HONEY DRESSING
(A good all-purpose dressing)
1 teaspoon mustard
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon cayenne
4 tablespoons flour
1 cup milk
3 tablespoons honey
1 egg yolk
1/4 cup vinegar
1 tablespoon butter
Mix dry ingredients in top of double boiler, add milk, honey and slightly beaten egg yolk. Stir well. Cook over hot water until thickened. Add vinegar and butter. Mix well until smooth. Yield: 1 1/3 cups.

COTTAGE CHEESE DRESSING
(Specially for fruit salads)
1 cup cottage cheese
4 tablespoons juice from canned fruit
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon salt
Mix all ingredients together and beat until smooth with a rotary beater. Yield: 1 1/4 cups.

CUCUMBER CREAM
(Use with tomato, lettuce meat or fish salads)
1/2 cup cottage cheese
1/2 cup grated cucumber (drained)
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons vinegar
Dash of pepper and dry mustard
Mix all ingredients and beat well. Serve on sliced tomatoes or plain lettuce salad. Yield: about 1 cup.

ELLEN MISSED How to Grow Christmas Flowers in Your Home

What's the matter with the paper? Nothing now, seems quite the same. As we turn the printed pages Seeking a familiar name. We can find our "Jiggs and Maggie" "Cappie Stubbs and 'Tippie" too. But the name we daily watch for Has disappeared from view. Now I know the Poets Corner "Born Too Soon" and "Out Our Way."

Better English

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I do not take any stock in his promises."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "oboe" (musical instrument)?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Courtesy, secrecy, hypocrisy, fantasy.
4. What does the word "complacency" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with "na" that means "to slacken"?

How Can I!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I clean a violin bow?
A. Wet a small piece of flannel in cold water and rub on a little soap. Double the flannel over the bow and gently rub back and forth until clean. Rinse the flannel and rub again. Then wipe with a dry cloth. Do not resin for an hour or two.

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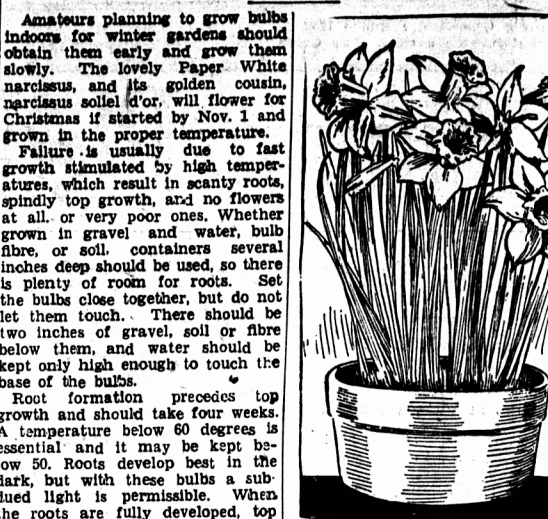
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Amateurs planning to grow bulbs indoors for winter gardens should obtain them early and grow them slowly. The variety Paper White narcissus, and its golden cousin, narcissus solleyi, will flower for Christmas if started by Nov. 1 and grown in the proper temperature.

Root formation precedes top growth and should take four weeks. A temperature below 60 degrees is essential and it may be kept below 50. Roots develop best in the dark, but with these bulbs a subdued light is permissible. When the roots are fully developed, top growth will begin, and at this stage the bulbs can be given more light though it is well to keep them out of direct sun until flower stalks begin to develop. Then give them all the light possible.

Best flowers will result if a temperature of 65 degrees is never exceeded. Be careful to keep the plants away from steam pipes and radiators or living rooms heated above 70 degrees. They should be near windows where there is light and temperatures are lower. An enclosed porch or sunporch where ventilation can be given, and temperatures kept down to the best place for the winter garden. By arranging shelves in front of the windows, an attractive display is made, and favorable conditions provided.

Large bulbs of Dutch hyacinths can be grown in water in special glasses, which support the bulb just above the water, in which their roots develop. It takes 10 to 12 weeks for the roots to develop in a dark place, in cool temperature. When roots fill the glass, and top growth begins, acustom the plant gradually to light, and grow them slowly in a temperature under 65 degrees.

All the bulbs which have been mentioned can be grown in soil, and usually produce better flowers. In addition, daffodils, tulips and amaryllis can be grown. The soil should be what florists call good "potting" soil. Two parts of your best top garden soil, one part sand and one part of peat moss will make a good substitute. Add more sand if the top soil is heavy, thoroughly mix, and run through a 1/2-inch mesh screen.

Place each bulb so that its point is half an inch below the surface. Now it is necessary to allow the bulb to make roots; and for this purpose the pot must be placed in a dark and cool place, where it can not freeze or dry out too much. A cold frame, where it can be covered with leaves, ashes or sand will do.

When placed in this storage the pot should be thoroughly soaked, and no further watering should be necessary. If stored in an indoor cellar or closet the soil should be prevented from drying out excessively. Root action will follow and when top growth begins the pot may be brought indoors or kept in the storage place and so retarded until wanted.

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Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Pot Lifters
Circular-shaped lifters for hot pots are preferable to square shapes, as the corners will not get into the food. Several thicknesses cut from discarded overalls, then bound with tape, will make a serviceable pot lifter.

The Scissors
If the blades of the scissors are loose try pressing a hot poker on each side of the rivet which holds them. The rivet will expand and fit the hole, which tightens the blades.

Cake Tins
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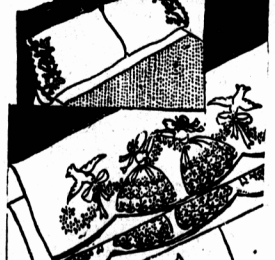
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