

Homemaking—

Dirty Basement Is Not Only a Fire Hazard but Embarrassment As Well

EXCEPT IN HOMES where the cellar has been made into a playroom, the basement is likely to be "out-of-sight, out-of-mind." Mrs. Jones, returning from it with a jar of pickles and a glass of jelly, has to wash her hands the minute she comes upstairs because the dust lies so heavy on the preserve shelves that it makes the very spider webs sag.

With the coal in one corner and the ashes in another it isn't surprising that the average cellar is not a place to take company, unless the homemaker takes pride in every nook of her house.

Even a dingy ordinary cellar can be neat and clean with a little regular care. Line the preserve shelves with washable oilcloth, and wipe them with a sudsy cloth once a month. If it is not possible to build cabinets, at least enclose the shelves with curtains. These can be slipped over thin rods so that you can slide them along at will.

Cellars with cement floors and a drain hole should be scrubbed with hot suds frequently. This sounds hard, but isn't when the scrubbing is done with a large stiff brush attached to a long handle. The scrubbing should be saved for a sunny day, when doors and windows leading to the cellar can be opened and the floor will dry quickly.

Tidy arrangement of the things that are kept in the cellar will help, too. Wood should be stacked, not just thrown down. Tools can be hung up where they will be visible—and handy. A dirty, cluttered cellar is not only an embarrassment but a fire hazard as well.

Good Meals for Good Morale

BREAKFAST: Apple sauce, oatmeal, raisin toast, coffee, milk.

LUNCHEON: Creamed eggs on toast, chopped lettuce sandwiches, stewed fruit, tea, milk.

DINNER: Tomato juice, hot beef sandwiches, leaf lettuce, country style, prune and cream cheese pie, coffee, milk.

Today's Recipe

LEAF LETTUCE, COUNTRY STYLE
(Serves 4 to 6)

One large head garden lettuce, four or five slices bacon, 1/2 cup vinegar, 2 teaspoons sugar, 1 teaspoon salt, pepper.

Wash and dry the lettuce and tear it into pieces. Dice the bacon and cook it in a frying pan until it is crisp and brown. Add the vinegar and seasonings and bring to the boiling point. Add the lettuce and toss in the hot vinegar until it has wilted. Serve immediately.

The Question Box

Q—My three small children rather strenuously object to having their hair washed. How often is it really necessary to wash a child's hair, particularly in winter?

A—To keep in proper condition and assure healthy, attractive hair in later life, a child's hair should be washed once a week, winter and summer. Use liquid soap (which you can prepare at home by heating soap shavings—from pure mild soap—and water until the soap is dissolved), or some other good mild shampoo.



DEAR JANE JORDAN—I have written you several times and you have helped me so much. I feel sure you can help again. I am a young woman just past 30 and have been married for six years to a man 20 years my senior, but the fact that he is older doesn't make the least difference to me. He is a wonderful provider, buys me lovely clothes, wants me to have more help in the home and doesn't go away without me.

I am happy except for one thing. When we have guests for dinner he just sits and looks into the eyes of my women friends. He never says much, he just looks. It doesn't seem to make much difference whether they are ugly or beautiful. We go to a large church and he will sit and look at one woman in the choir for a long time; he just stares.

He doesn't pay any attention to me in front of guests and it makes me feel bad. I sometimes think he would step out if he did go out more. I just feel like walking out.

Answer—As long as your husband does nothing but look at other women you have nothing to worry about. His attitude toward you is kindly and generous. Apparently he loves you very much, even though he still looks that other women exist and feels some curiosity about them. Since he does nothing about it, doesn't it indicate that his relationship with you is more important to him than the adorning of his ego with another conquest?

On your part, you may exaggerate the importance of his observation of other women. It may be that you over-react to it because it stirs an old feeling of insecurity in you which dates back to your childhood. The fact that you chose a man so much older than yourself suggests that you are in search of a father substitute. You would like to be his well-beloved only child and if he even looks at another you feel like running away.

What you have in reality is a more mature relationship in which you must accept the faults of a man along with his virtues. Perhaps it will help you to regard yourself as a mature woman able to look after her own interests and able to meet the competition. After all you are past 30 and should have outgrown the childish need to have love lavished upon you continuously. Some risks exist in every relationship and one has to deal with them courageously.

JANE JORDAN.

Cookie Replaces World War I's Doughnut



France, 1917: Helen Purviance, then a Salvation Army Ensign, greets, at the entrance to a dug-out, one of the A. E. F. members for whom she made the first doughnuts.

New York, 1942: Helen Purviance, now a Brigadier, passes around one of the Salvation Army's new cookie jars to a soldier and a Coast Guardsman at a U. S. O. Club.

Soldiers Like Cookies Better, Says Salvation Army Worker

By MARGUERITE YOUNG
Times Special Writer

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—It's doughnuts to doughboys no longer—it's the good old-fashioned American cookie now. And nobody's more pleased about that than the woman who made an international name with the doughnuts in 1917.

Indeed, Brigadier Helen Purviance of the Salvation Army is pushing the cookies herself, this time. As assistant in command of the Salvation Army's field and candidates' department for 11 eastern states headquartered here, she feeds volunteers into the U. S. O. One thing she gets from them before they go is assurance that they fully appreciate the cookie.

"Over there 24 years ago," explains the firm-featured blond Brigadier, "the doughnut was an emergency article. We put it together with whatever ingredients and kitchen equipment were at hand—it was a quickie, as they say about a movie.

"But here, with our fine kitchens and good ingredients, of course we have cookies.

"A cookie takes a boy's thoughts back to home and family like nothing else. And that's one thing we're striving for. So I say, give them cookies. And see that they're home-made by mothers, sisters and sweethearts whenever possible."

As Ensign Helen Purviance, formerly of Huntington, Ind., she whipped up the first batch of doughnuts for A. E. F. members at Montier-Sur-Saulx, France, in August, 1917.

It's Cookies Everywhere
In touch with Salvationists who operate 42 U. S. O. clubs in 26 states as part of the national inter-faith wartime welfare plan, Brigadier Purviance has first-hand information about what service recruits ask for. It's cookies, she says, North, South, East, West.

So she instituted the cookie jar in service men's centers. Volunteer women's committees in the camp areas keep them filled. Members operate on a schedule, supplying so many dozens cookies on specified days.

The cookies vary from place to place. In New England it's the Boston cookie or the Cape Cod oatmeal cookie. Maryland and Virginia hold out for peanut cookies. Farther south and in the West there are molasses cookies.

"Maybe," the Brigadier surmises, still looking ahead, "this war will give us a new symbol of American food—a new cookie of such satisfying taste and quality that word of it will pass around among the boys and it will attain lasting culinary fame. One thing I know. It will be more tempting than the doughnut."

Bazaar Will Benefit The Red Cross

Arrangements have been completed for a public bazaar, to be sponsored by the St. George Progressive Club for the benefit of the Red Cross Sunday from 1 to 9 p. m. at the clubhouse, 28th St. and Sherman Drive. The club recently purchased a \$1000 defense bond.

Committees include Mesdames Betty Risk, Elizabeth Freije, Helen Ferris and Miss Evelyn Ferris, general arrangements; John C. Ka-four and James Ferris, publicity, and Miss Alice Messalam, decorations.

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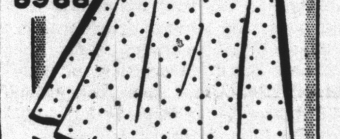


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Lutheran Dinner

A 6:15 p. m. dinner meeting will be held tomorrow at the Young Women's Christian Association building by the Lutheran Business and Professional Women's Club. There will be a social hour at 7:30 p. m.

Omega Kappa Meets

Members of Beta Chapter, Omega Kappa Sorority, will meet at 8 p. m. today in the Marott Hotel.

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Dr. Nagel Will Lecture at Tea

An illustrated lecture entitled "The Birth of Old Glory" will be given by Dr. Harvey H. Nagel at the Colonial Tea and Patriotic Party, to be sponsored by the Indianapolis Indorsers of Photoplays Friday in Block's auditorium.

Mrs. William R. Shirley, president of the Indianapolis Council of Parent-Teacher Associations, will give the prayer and Mrs. David Ross will lead the pledging of allegiance to the flag.

Special patriotic selections will be played by the Brass Choir of Technical High School and songs will be sung by the mothers' chorus of School 58, directed by Mrs. Helen Thomas Martin.

Mrs. Ross and Mrs. A. J. Hueber will preside at the tea table.

Shortridge P. T. A. Nominates Officers

The following ticket of officers was nominated last night at a meeting of the Shortridge High School Parent-Teacher Association in the school's cafeteria:

Mrs. John Mueller, president; Mrs. Nathan Swaim, first vice president; Mrs. Edward L. Mitchell, second vice president; Paul Seehausen, third vice president; Mrs. William S. Horn, treasurer, and Mrs. Louis Reiter, recording secretary.

Members of the nominating committee were Mrs. Matthew Winters, chairman; Mesdames Reiter, R. L. Dubois, Louis D. Belden, William W. Seagle and Harold Plummer. The election will be at the March 17 meeting.

Amica Club Hears Two Talks Today

Following a 12:30 p. m. luncheon meeting of the Amica Club today, Mrs. William Howell, guest speaker, was to talk on "Muriel Lester" and Mrs. Thurman Washburn was to discuss "First Things Come First."

A report on the Indianapolis Council of Women was to be given by Mrs. Bert Everhart. Hostesses for the event were to be Mrs. Lewis Shott and Mrs. Robert Shank.

Sub Debs to Meet

The Alethea Chapter, Sub Deb Federation, will be entertained at a Valentine party at 7:30 p. m. today in the home of Miss Donna Hamlyn, County Line Road, East.

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Priorities Too Late to Affect The Spring Fashion Picture; Block's Salutes 'Women at Work'

By ROSEMARY REDDING

There are no drastic changes in women's clothes this season. It was half expected what with all the talk of Uncle Sam reeding this and that material to use in the war effort.

It is true, women will be feeling the pinch of priorities next fall but for the spring and summer, at least, they are to have the pretty clothes that are so dear to a woman's heart.

At least the fashions being paraded in Block's shows this week would indicate that. Store employees were given a preview last night and the show is being staged for the public at 2:30 and 5:45 p. m. today and 5:45 p. m. tomorrow.

As Miss Frances Hawkes, the fashion director pointed out, "The moment in time has come when the hand that rocks the cradle also 'serves' the world. War brides, women in industry, professional women, civilian defense workers—each has a job to do. Block's salutes 'women at work.'"

The show throughout was keyed to double duty lives; war work and the home for some and jobs and war work for others. Practicality was the keynote. But anything given up on side of sophistication and extra prettiness tipped the scales to the side of quality and brightness.

Color Is Riot

This is certainly a season for color, which should be placed right up there at the top among morale builders. Navy, of course, is the spring color with plenty of those practical blacks with white touches. But more than ever before, color is riot—in an attractive way. The names of them even are colored by the way women are thinking. There are freedom blues, "all clear" red and Sam Brown tan and inspired by the "good neighbors" are Argentine wheat, Chili bean brown, Panama straw and Peruvian pink.

The Suit's the Thing

And there just isn't any considering spring a suit season this year. It is. Women in defense work will serve and live in suits. Fashion's theme song for a long time has been a classic suit with two sets of accessories, one for spectator wear and another to dress it up. It is being sung louder and lustier with three, four and even five different sets to go with one basic suit.

The serviceable gabardine seems to be first choice in fabrics with crepes for dressier suits. It is up to milady to choose between the long or short jacket but she prob-

ably will want a pleated skirt (or at least one with front fullness) to be in style.

On Hand

Many of the suits shown last night were worn with the gauntlet-type gloves worn over the suit cuff. The three-quarter length sleeve in the dressy picture called for a glove length to meet the sleeve. The manufacturers of cotton gloves appear to have answered the American woman's cry for glove fabrics which approximate those lovely double-woven ones imported before the war. More than often, gloves, in those "luscious" South American colors, are THE accent for a costume.

Coats and Dresses

Although coats and dresses appear to be running second to suits, there were several modeled in last night's show. The dressy coats were fitted. One eye catcher was in "all clear" red corduroy worn with a navy felt hat, trimmed in red, copied from the commands. Prints dominated the dress picture.

The Hat Picture

Miss Hawkes had these words for women head first in a whirl of activity: "There are clean-cut little caps for your functional suits; gay little dabs of flowers, feathers and veils for your morale-lifting moments; dashing felts with feathers for luncheon with a man in uniform and clouds of violets atop your curls for little dinners with men in the service." And if violets stand for anything, they spell spring 1942 for they make whole hats, trim hats and "sprout" from suit lapels.

Bags Are Larger

Walk and save your furs seems to be the practice these days. This means sensible shoes. Low heels are on the march because they are more comfortable for hiking about. The emphasis is on polished calf. Calf shows up again in handbags in the bright as well as the dark colors. They are extra size with extra compartments. Fulle, patent,

Shades of '76

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Times Special

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—"Henceforth only four shades of hosiery will be permitted."

So rules the War Production Board. Not long ago the hosiery makers ruled the same way.

Striking a patriotic note, not only in the conserving of dyes, etc., the manufacturers will call the shades: Life, Liberty, Pursuit and Happiness.

Card Party Set

The Ladies' Society of the Indianapolis Saengerbund will give a card party at 2 p. m. tomorrow in the Saengerbund Hall, 49 1/2 S. Delaware St.

To Play Bridge

Mrs. Kilbourne Fontaine will be hostess at a meeting of the Hoosier Athletic Club women's auction bridge section at 2 p. m. Friday in the Pheasant room of the club.

and corse are favored for dress. Lucite and metal are still touches but priorities may remove them before long. Metals seem to be still available for jewelry with big bold pins, set with colored stones, appearing frequently on lapels. Loops of pearls and colored beads appear to grow even longer.

For Quick Changes

In line with the stress placed on accessories, Block's fashion director pointed out, "Quick changes are such an important part of a busy woman's life that she keeps several fresh white and pastel collar and cuff sets at hand. Sometimes all she has time for is a rapid change from pique to orgrandy and lace to take her from the office to dinner. White revers are much in demand because they make a dark tailored suit look fresh and feminine and immaculate dickeres are inseparable from sweaters."

For "off duty dalliance" were shown dinner dresses, invariably with that covered up look. The shirtwaister, long a daytime favorite, has moved right into the nighttime scene as well.

That's the picture on the clothes "front."

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