



# TOT TALK

If the story told us by Foy Keene the other day is an old one, it's so old we've forgotten ever hearing it before.

It seems a preacher, following his morning service, went home with a family for dinner. In this instance it was a family that possessed little in the way of worldly goods.

There was food aplenty, at least for the Sabbath, but the silver wasn't sterling and the china was as inferior as it was limited. In a million different ways they were just poor folks, struggling to get

along.

No poor family ever lacks for a dog, and this one had the run of the house. He barked and growled at the parson during the course of the meal, and no amount of threats by the host and hostess and their considerable assortment of young-uns could hush him up.

"What's bothering him?" the preacher asked, as he gobbled up everything within arm's reach.

One of the kids promptly provided the well stuffed minister with a ready answer. "You're eating out of his plate," the tot explained.

## So Collards Grew In Palace Garden

Housewives shopping local vegetable counters recently have had an unusual item to purchase or pass up. Right there on the sign it said collards from the Tryon Palace gardens.

Of course, if you wanted a piece of streak or lean-streak of fat to go in the pot, too, you had to buy some plain old pig at the meat counter.

So far as we know, Governor Tryon didn't raise his own hogs. Even if he did, we doubt seriously that there'll be a pig sty on the Palace grounds any time soon.

It's nice to know that the Governor was a collard eater. All the time we thought he was one of them high toned English gents who preferred tea to pot likker.

Now that we've discovered that they cooked collards in the Palace, we hope some historian will find out how the Governor's wife got rid of the smell.

## Earns High Grades

Alma L. Ringgold, a New Bern pianist and organist who teaches as well as she plays, is currently attending the summer session of the St. Louis Institute of Music.

Incidentally, Alma received a grade of 99 1/4 on a recent Topical Survey completed for the Art Publication Society in St. Louis.

Commenting, the Society's board of examiners said, "The comprehensive knowledge of general theory displayed in your answers to the Survey questions is fully appreciated. But still more gratifying to us is the evidence we find in your paper that you are accustomed to the terminology employed in our text, and that you are in agreement with the progressive series

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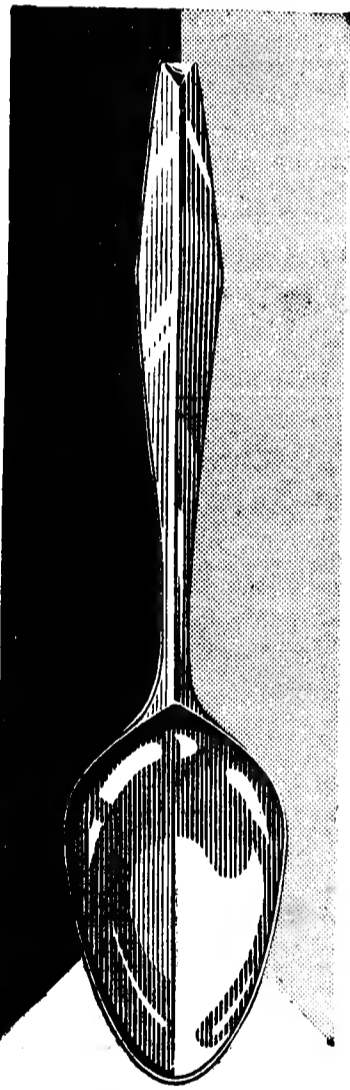
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