

Hints for the Home

by Nancy Hart

Colored Kitchen Wear Makes Cooking Bright

You can buy pots and pans of colored enamel, and if you wish to give a really colorful tone to your kitchen you can emphasize it with paraphernalia of this kind.

Take, for instance, a kitchen finished in brown stained wood—and some kitchens are, because the stained wood is so much easier to keep clean than white enamel. You can do much to give attractiveness to such a room by using yellow curtains at the windows, yellow painted chairs—and yellow enameled ware.

Red enameled ware looks very well in a cream or yellow kitchen. Then red and white checked gingham curtains at the windows would be in place, and red and white washable rugs where you have a comfortable rocking chair for the maid's moments of rest.

These colored enamel dishes are as easily kept clean as the white ones. They are really made in very lovely colors, too.

Green you might use in a gray-walled kitchen, which should, like any gray-walled room, be sunny and bright. Green would also be attractive in a blue-walled kitchen with white woodwork. And if you go in for colored woodwork green could be used in the kitchen with green-painted woodwork.

Here is a delicious pie crust that any one can make. It has a rich "caramel-like" taste. Crumble 12 Graham crackers fine and mix with 1/2 cup butter, 1/2 cup sugar. Grease pan and pat in pie crust. With a very sweet filling, use 1/3 cup butter, 1 tablespoon sugar.

Blueberry Muffins—Add a half cup of blueberries—fresh, in season, but in the winter drained canned blueberries—to the batter.

Cereal Muffins—Add a half cup of cooked left over cereal to the batter.

Corn Muffins—Mix and sift one cup of flour, a half cup of corn meal, three teaspoons of baking powder, one tablespoon of sugar, a saltspoon of salt. Add gradually three-quarters of a cup of milk, one beaten egg, and one tablespoon of melted fat. Bake in hot oven for twenty-five minutes.

Over 6,000 pounds of pasture grasses and lespedeza seed have been ordered by Harnett County farmers in the last few days.

The fellow who is always looking for a place to light seldom ever makes a good landing

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

by REV. SAMUEL D. PRICE, D.D.

International Sunday School Lesson for March 13

JESUS COMFORTS HIS DISCIPLES

John 14:1-18
Rev. Samuel D. Price, D.D.

We are still in the upper room where the Passover was celebrated. Then the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was instituted—after Judas left to complete his act of selling Jesus for thirty pieces of silver. Before they went out into the night Jesus made the most celebrated after dinner address of all time. For the full content read John 14, 15, and 16, and follow this with a study of what in reality is the prayer of our Lord, as recorded in John 14. All these messages are rich in spiritual teaching and afford comfort in times of most severe need. Do not confine your study to the limited lesson text indicated above. There is much about heaven in direct teaching in our chapter.

All the disciples were greatly disturbed in mind for they were aware of some momentous event that was about to take place. In the midst of this company Jesus stands with perfect mental and spiritual poise. It is a serious mistake to think that one who is highly spiritual cannot face the affairs of life in a most practical manner. Because of His personal equanimity there is a sublime challenge in the opening words: "Let not your heart be troubled." Reason for this confidence on the part of the disciples was grounded in dual faith—in both the Father and the Son. His very being is a pledge that all that He had taught about the future state was so.

Though he was about to go away in physical person He would always be intimately with them as a Spirit. They could talk to Him just as really as during the past three years. They would be able through Him to work even greater spiritual miracles for the good of man. There would be a wondrous compensation to His going away in the flesh as they would experience the active presence of the Holy Spirit.

County Agent Taylor—of Edgecombe County found 28 round worms in one eight weeks old pig that weighed ten pounds. The clinic was held by Dr. A. A. Husman of the State Veterinarian's office.

Farmers of Clay County have organized a county board of agriculture to make plans for better farming in that county

Hog cholera is making heavy inroads in the swine herds of Bertie County. The county agent vaccinated 252 animals for nine owners last week.

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

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Washington, D. C., March 9.—This is as good a time as any to present a picture of how the "state of the nation" looks as seen from here. What follows is an abstract of national opinion on the economic situation, chiefly, but also touching the political situation, as expressed by more than 1,800 representative business men in confidential letters to W. M. Kiplinger, one of the best-posted sources of information at the capital.

The tone of the letters is generally constructive. There is an absence of the hopelessness and "all-gone" feeling of two months ago. And the conclusions drawn from them are these:

Sentiment and confidence have improved in the past few weeks, in spite of the fact that very definite signs of business improvement appear. Credit generally is not much easier, but there are confident expectations that it soon will be easier. Recent Government moves to bolster business are regarded—hopefully, without any strong belief that political measures alone will help business.

The writers of these letters largely agree that President Hoover's standing with the public is slightly better, with his chance of re-election improving, but still questionable.

Local relief situations are satisfactory in most communities, but alarming in a few big cities, where relief fund crisis are expected in April and May. Federal aid for this situation is disliked, but state aid is expected in the worst spots, and a demand for economy.

Even those who profess dry sympathies report that anti-prohibition sentiment is growing everywhere. The general expectation as to business is that there will be no permanent general recovery until fall, when the new crops come in, though there will be improvement in spots before then and nothing worse than has already been expected. The most hopeful factor reported is the declaration by Henry Ford that he will shortly be running to capacity on a new car.

Merchants' stocks are greatly depleted everywhere and the decks cleared for rapid action whenever the public mind changes and people begin to buy again. The opinion is general that the middle and upper classes could spend more and cause a big improvement if they did so. These people are in a position to change suddenly, and may do so. The wage earners and lower economic groups are up against it, however, and no increase is expected in their purchasing power for a year or two. Unemployment has diminished in a few localities, but there is not much improvement in the nation as a whole.

There is general agreement that the farmers are the heaviest sufferers of any single class, in the matter of diminished purchasing power, although actual want and privation are less in the farming districts than in the cities. Many believe that permanent improvement must await better prices for farm products, which are so low as to be shocking. Retail prices, however, continue too high, in the judgment of most of the reporters.

Much criticism of the banks is expressed. There are too many small banks, and they have placed too much reliance on investment advice from large city banks. There has been too much competition among banks for business, causing lax banking methods and failures. So these reports run, but they do not generally expect a solution of business troubles mainly through the credit route. Many borrowers admit that they have had too much credit in the past. The expectation, however, that the banks will soon be able to relax their credit tightness will create a better feeling and make business less hazardous, almost all agree.

Politically, even Democrats concede that there is an improvement in Mr. Hoover's position. It is recognized that he has received more than his share of criticism and now there is a reaction beginning. His recent appointments of Dawes, Mellon, Mills and Cardozo are commented upon favorably. But even his ardent friends do not give him at this time better than a 50-50 chance for reelection. In the East Hoover sentiment is dominant, and on the Pacific Coast it seems very strong, while the Mississippi Valley, from Ohio to the Rockies, is generally "sour" on Hoover.

The Democratic candidates for the Presidential nomination most generally mentioned by the 1,800 business men are, in this order: Baker, Roosevelt, Ritchie, Garner, Smith.


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