

State College Hints for Farm Homemakers

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It has been said that turkey, duck or chicken can have a glossy coat if there's a sprinkling of sugar after the usual rubbing with butter, salt and pepper before roasting. Some one should have thought of that when there was plenty of sugar available but, after all, a little sprinkling won't drain the precious supply, now will it? You may like it.

Cakes made with honey sometimes seem less light and fluffy than those made with sugar. Age them, and they become moist and flavorful.

The coffee you buy now is probably in a paper bag. Think nothing of it. Better be glad you were able to get any at all. Its predicted that by Christmas time all available coffee will be packed in bags. Just transfer it to an old coffee tin or a glass jar with a metal screw top.

The very unfortunate homemaker who "stocks up" will be mighty sorry in a month from now that the coffee tastes as if it's been poured through someone's sock! And that's exactly what will happen to hoard

coffee goes stale on the shelf

and with that thought in mind, these hints should be observed religiously:

- (1) Buy coffee as your rationing book permits. Don't fuss.
- (2) Buy the right kind for your coffee maker. The wrong type means needless waste.
- (3) Measure coffee accurately.
- (4) Store no more than you think you'll need.
- (5) Serve it as soon as it's made, if possible.
- (6) Save all leftover coffee. Use in cooking. It is especially delicious in cakes, cookies and pudding. It's called mecha.

Keep these points in mind for the months ahead and remember that rationing means that everyone will get a share of what there is. Remember, too, that cargo ships, for mercy's sake, are now taking war materials to our fighting boys. Let's forget our coffee nerves!

PEANUTS

Although peanut yields in Martin County are fair this year, the quality is varying widely and the hay is poor because of excessive rains, says John I. Earls, assistant farm agent.

Compost Will Enrich 1943 Victory Garden

Every farm family, and as many as may urban families as possible, will need to grow a Victory Garden in 1943 to supply home food needs and free commercial vegetables for the armed forces and industrial war workers. H. R. Niswonger, Extension horticulturist of N. C. State College, says now is the time to begin to prepare for next year's Victory Garden. "Compost is an excellent garden fertilizer," the Extension worker declared. "The compost pile should be prepared now because it will require from four to six months for the material to decompose and be ready for use."

Niswonger's suggestions for making compost are: Use straw, old hay, grass clippings, weeds, and leaves from hardwood trees. Pile out in the open. Spread out a layer one foot thick of convenient size. Sprinkle one quart of commercial fertilizer to every five feet of diameter of the layer. Also add a sprinkle of lime and a small amount of animal manure to each layer.

Repeat this procedure putting the next layers and fertilizers on top of the first until the pile is as large as desired. Leave the center lower than the edge of each layer so the rain water will not run off, but will saturate the material to be decomposed. During dry weather the compost pile should be watered occasionally.

The horticulturist recommends the use of a 4-8-4 or 4-10-6 commercial fertilizer. The compost should be thoroughly mixed with the soil before planting time.

Niswonger also suggests that soil for the 1943 Victory Garden be plowed or spaded between now and February 1st in order that winter freezes will aid in pulverizing the soil.

INSPECTION

Free and mandatory inspection and market news service on four Old Belt and one Middle Belt tobacco market have been announced, the service including markets at Roxboro, Mebane and Burlington.

New Orleans is said to consume more coffee per capita than any other metropolitan area in the U. S. Cooks there use two tablespoons to the cup, and many children begin drinking coffee when they are 10 years old or younger.

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State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

Q. What is a good recipe for making sausage?

A: Extension Service Folder No. 48, which is free upon request to the Agricultural Editor, N. C. State College, suggests the following recipe for making sausage: Use 50 pounds of pork, three-fourths of which should be lean meat and one-fourth fat. Mix 1 pound of fine table salt, 2 1-2 ounces of finely ground pepper, and 3 ounces of sage, and spread evenly over the meat. Stir the meat well before chopping.

Q: How much shelf space is needed for storing home-canned foods?

A: Twelve-inch boards are recommended for shelves for small containers. This width accommodates 2 rows of glass jars or tin cans, or 3 rows of bottles or jelly glasses. Wider shelves (18 inches or more) will be needed for stone jars and for shallow containers. For pint or quart jars, you will need 19 feet per 100 jars, stored two rows to the shelf. For half-gallon jars, provide 20 feet of shelf space per 100 jars, stored two rows to the shelf. For No. 2 1-2 tin cans, provide 9 feet for each 100 cans, stacked two deep and stored two rows to the shelf. For pint glasses, bottles, you will need 9 feet of shelf space per 100 bottles, stored 3 rows to the shelf.

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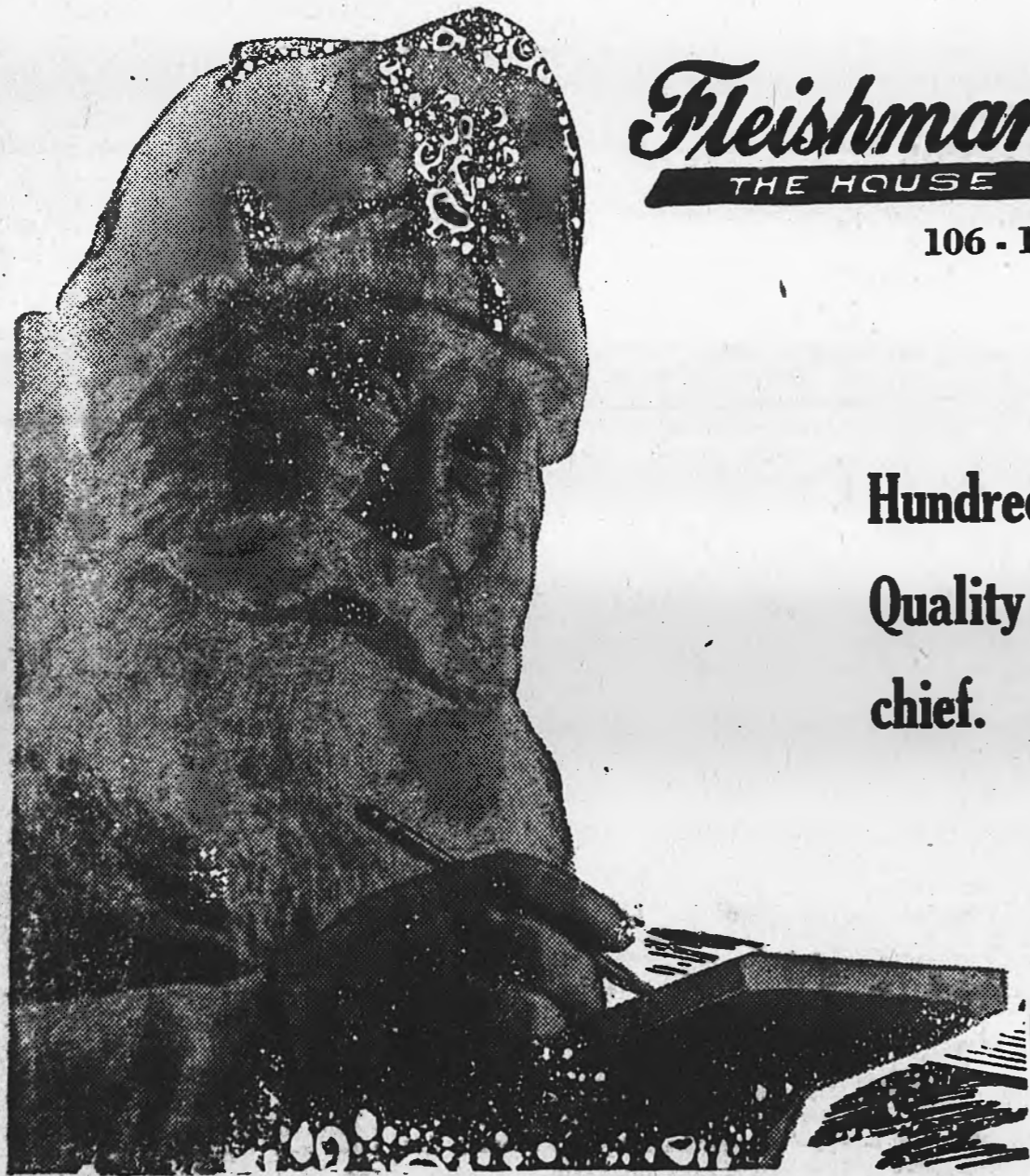
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