Keep Your Eyes on the Pipe—the World's Biggest

THESE pretty girls in a tobacco field at South Boston, Va., are carrying the biggest pipe in the world, made for the National Tobacco festival in their town. It is 18 feet long and two of the girls could get into the bowl.

THE PANCAKE

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

HE SAYS, when I bring home a hat,
"Where in the world did you buy that?"
"At So-and-So's,
And goodness knows
It's long enough since I have had one!"
"The one you have is not a bad one,
But that's O. K.
But, anyway,
Your friends will ask you, with that hat on,
If it was made that way, or sat on."

"Well, that's the very latest style
They're wearing now, so you can smile."
He says, "No doubt,
Yes, laugh right out.
What puzzles me, I can't see through it,
Why do it just because they do it?"
"Well, that's the thing
In style this spring—"
"What I can't see, why spend good money
For anything to just look funny?"

We never do have spats
Except on one thing, and that's hats.
You might as well
Not try to tell
A man why anything's good-looking,
For all he thinks about is cooking.
I'm mad tonight
Enough to fight.
He said, "Ah, now I see the riddle.
Is this the pancake, or the griddle?"

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LOVE APPLE NOW DESIRABLE FOOD

Once the Tomato Was Put Aside as Dangerous.

By EDITH M. BARBER

IT WAS an old-fashioned custom to cultivate the tomato plant merely for the color which it gave to the garden. The "love apples" were valued for their decorative qualities rather than for their contribution to the table. It was only the brave who dared eat the fruit which for some unknown reason was considered not only indigestible, but actually dangerous. It was blamed for causing rheumatism, cancer and all sorts of ills.

Today the cycle has turned. Not only is the tomato esteemed highly as a staple food, but it might almost be called a remedy in certain cases where an extra vitamin supply is desired.

Perhaps its most important asset, however, is the fact that almost everyone likes both the flavor and the texture, whether raw or cooked. We eat tomatoes because we are fond of them and incidentally they are "good for us." Many of us could eat them every day in salad form, and in their local season when they are not only at their best, but at their lowest price we do.

And, of course, there is nothing better than fried tomatoes unless it is baked tomatoes. Like most other vegetables they should have a short cooking. The length of time depends upon the ripeness. For frying, they should be dipped in seasoned flour after they are sliced and then cooked with a very little fat until they are golden brown on each side.

For baking, the tomatoes may be halved and very well seasoned. They need only about ten minutes in a hot oven.

Fresh tomatoes may, of course, be stewed or scalloped. They may be combined with other vegetables such as corn, onion, green pepper and squash. This mixture of vegetables fried in olive oil or bacon fat makes a good luncheon dish for home or picnic.

Fried Tomatoes Michael

8-10 tomatoes
Flour, salt, pepper
1 tablespoon butter or bacon fat
¼ teaspoon soda
1 tablespoon sugar
½ cup cream

Scald and skin tomatoes, slice and dip into flour which has been seasoned with salt and pepper. Saute in butter or bacon fat and when browned on both sides, break up with a spoon and add soda, sugar and cream. Season with more salt and pepper if necessary. Reheat and serve.

Vegetable Goulash.

2 onions
2 green peppers
8 tomatoes
1 marrow squash
3 ears of corn
¼ cup salad oil
Salt, pepper

Slice the onions and green peppers. Scald, skin and slice tomatoes. Pare and cut squash and remove kernels from ears of corn. Heat the salad oil, add onions, green peppers, corn and squash and cook five minutes. Add tomatoes and cook until they are soft. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Stuffed Tomatoes.

6 tomatoes
2 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon minced onion
½ cup leftover meat or fish
½ cup soft bread crumbs
Salt, pepper
1 egg, slightly beaten
Browned bread crumbs

Wipe and remove thin slice from the stem end of the tomatoes. Remove seeds and pulp and drain off most of the liquid. Cook onion in butter, add meat or fish, bread crumbs and salt and pepper to taste. Cook five minutes. Remove from fire, add egg and tomato to pulp and stuff tomatoes. Place in buttered pan, sprinkle with buttered bread crumbs and bake fifteen minutes in a hot oven, 400 degrees Fahrenheit.

Macaroni and Tomatoes.

2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespooons flour
Pepper
Salt
½ teaspoon celery salt
1 tablespoon minced onion
2 cups hot strained tomatoes
Grated cheese
1 cup boiled macaroni pieces

Melt butter, add flour and seasonings, and when blended add minced onion and strained tomatoes. Cook until smooth and add macaroni. Pour into greased baking dish, sprinkle with grated cheese and bake in a moderate oven, 375 degrees Fahrenheit, fifteen to twenty minutes.

Tomatoes Anchovy.

1 package cream cheese
2 teaspoons anchovy paste
1 teaspoon lemon juice
3 tomatoes
Watercress

Cream cheese, anchovy paste and lemon juice together. Peel tomatoes, cut in half, spread with cheese mixture. Serve on bed of watercress as a first course or as a salad. French dressing may be passed.

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Household Hints

By BETTY WELLS

"IN MY old home, we always used to set two extra places at the table for every meal—for guests who might drop in," said a once famous hostess we met at a tea party the other day. "And that's the one thing that troubles me about this modern way of housekeeping in such tiny quarters. How could a young homemaker set two extra places in some of these little dinettes?"

We felt like reminding that gracious lady that she had five servants as well as those two extra places at the table. Not everybody had so much help, even in her heyday, and so the little homes of today, tailored to actual needs rather than lavish hospitality, look pretty good to the person who has to do the work without any help. But they can have their own brand of charm and attractiveness if they're carefully furnished and carefully kept.

Take the dinette one reader wrote us about "It's part of a three-room apartment we're living in now, but

Not Everybody, Even in the Good Old Days, Had a Retinue of Servants.

whatever we get for it will later be used in a Cape Cod house we plan on building. The dinette is the main problem—it has wide plank floors, knotty pine walls and a corner cabinet. I'm puzzled about what rug, curtains and furniture to get for it. What would you suggest?"

Of course maple would be the most obvious thing and certainly a very nice solution. The problem is probably a table that will do now in a small dinette yet be suitable later in a full sized dining room. A Molly Pitcher table might be the best solution—that's one of those straight legged tables with very deep drop leaves. If you don't find just what you want in that style, there are always many types of gate-leg tables that expand.

You wouldn't absolutely have to have a rug in this room . . . the wide plank floors could be kept waxed and would be pleasantly in the mood of the room. But if you'd prefer a rug, a plain blue or twist weave with a red wool fringe all around would be very nice.

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When They Outgrow Playpen.

Nothing could be sweeter than a very new baby, all red and wrinkled and wobbly. And anybody who says they're a howling nuisance is a fabricator. A wee tiny baby is a lamb and never causes anybody any trouble as long as he's well. In fact, a baby doesn't really become a handful until he outgrows playpen and learns to climb out of his crib. Then hold your breath!

Here are some suggestions for making a house safe for babies. The mother of four passed the tips on to us in the cause of safety. She uses insulated staples to fasten her lamp cords to the baseboard and wall right up to the point where they have to join the lamp base proper. She places the lamp and that part of cord well back on the table so it is out of reach of the children. All breakable bibelots she

Nothing Could Be Sweeter Than a New Baby, Red, Wrinkled and Wobbly.

keeps pushed back on tables and chests or too high up to be reached. She has hook and eye fasteners on her dressing table skirt to keep the children out of her cosmetic drawers. Any other drawers that toddlers can open are kept locked if they hold anything dangerous or fragile therein. Scissors and knives are kept in certain high and safe places and any grown-up person who fails to return them to their places has to pay a fine. Waste baskets on the floor are banished altogether and in their places our friend uses attractive covered pottery jars and covered baskets that look presentable enough to stand on top of piano, chests and desks to hold trash. The trick with book shelves is to put the books on the lower shelves in tightly so that the little fingers can't pull them out. In the kitchen form the habit of keeping handles of pots and pans turned in when they're on the stove so toddlers can't reach them. It goes without saying, of course, that all cleaning powders, poisons and drugs must be kept entirely inaccessible to small children.

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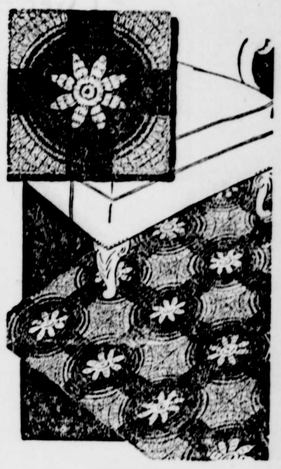
A Crocheted Rug Is a Lifetime Joy



Pattern 5855

This rug that you can so easily crochet yourself will be a lifetime joy. See if it isn't! Do the stunning medallions separately — they're just 8¼ inch squares—and keep joining them till you've a rug the desired size. If you like, make each flower center a different color, keeping the background uniform. Rug wool or candlewicking make for a sturdy durable rug, or otherwise useless rags will also serve the purpose. In pattern 5855 you will find instructions for making the rug shown; an illustration of it and of all stitches used; material requirements; color suggestions, a photograph of the actual square.

Send 15 cents in stamps or coins (coins preferred) for this pattern to The Sewing Circle Household Arts Dept., 259 W. Fourteenth St., New York, N. Y.

Please write your name, address and pattern number plainly.

Household Questions

Improving Canned Grapefruit.—The flavor of canned grapefruit can be improved by aerating it, that is, pouring it from one container into another several times.

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Removing Hair From Upholstery.—Dog hair is rather difficult to brush off car seats, upholstered furniture, etc., but it can be readily removed by rubbing the surface of the cloth with coarse sandpaper.

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For Bathroom Curtains.—Terry cloth or toweling makes excellent bathroom curtains, easy to wash, requiring no ironing.

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Hanging Mirrors. — Hang the mirror where it adds to the size as well as attractiveness of the room. A couple of well-hung mirrors can do wonders to the small living room.

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Bedtime Story by Thornton W. Burgess

BLACKY THE CROW IS AS EXCITED AS SAMMY JAY

WHEN Sammy Jay came flying out of the Green Forest screaming at the top of his lungs and so excited that he couldn't talk straight, everybody said that he had gone crazy. You see, he was too excited to tell what the trouble was. At last his cousin, Blacky the Crow,

He Caught Himself Just in Time and Flew to the Top of the Nearest Pine Tree.

managed to get him calmed down so that he could tell him all about it. When he heard the story which Sammy had to tell of the stranger he had seen deep in the Green Forest he looked very much as the other little people did when they heard Sammy screaming foolishly.

You see, it was very hard for Blacky to really believe that Sammy had seen what he had said he had. Not that he thought Sammy was telling a wrong story! Oh, my, no! Sammy was too much in earnest. What Blacky thought was that he had seen a lot more than he really had. You see, Blacky had lived a long time in the Green Forest and he never had seen or heard of such a stranger as Sammy told about.

He asked Sammy just where he had seen the stranger, and Sammy told him that it was way deep in the Green Forest, beyond the pond built by Paddy the Beaver. Now, Blacky believes that the only way to make sure of things is to see them, and not be content with the word of some one else. So he suddenly made up his mind that he would visit the place where Sammy Jay had seen the stranger. He invited Sammy to go along with him, but Sammy refused. It was very plain to see that Sammy was afraid of the stranger. Blacky chuckled to himself as he flew over the pond of Paddy the Beaver and so deep into the Green Forest.

"The idea," said Blacky, "of there being a stranger as big as Farmer Brown's Boy and wearing a black fur coat! Nobody like that ever has lived in the Green Forest. I guess I'd know if they had. Sammy must have eaten something and had a very bad dream, or else there is something the matter with his eyes."

He was talking to himself in this way as he flew along, all the time keeping a sharp watch for the stranger, when, without any warning, the stranger himself stepped out from behind a tree almost under Blacky. It startled Blacky so that he let out a frightened "Caw! Caw!" and nearly turned a somersault in the air. He caught himself just in time and flew to the top of the nearest pine tree, where he could look down and see all that was going on.

Everything was just as Sammy had said. The stranger did wear a black fur coat, he was as big as Farmer Brown's boy, and he did have great feet and the biggest claws Blacky had ever seen. Blacky felt just as if he ought to peck himself to make sure that he was awake. Of course he knew he was, but he just couldn't make it seem so.

Now, Blacky sometimes gets as excited as Sammy Jay, and this was one of the times. He started back for the Green Meadows as fast as he could fly, and all the way he was cawing at the top of his lungs. Sammy Jay heard him long before he saw him and Sammy grinned. "He found him!" thought Sammy. "Now he knows that I told the truth. My, but he sounds just as crazy as I ever did."

And then as Blacky came in sight Sammy once more grew excited, too, and began to scream questions at the top of his lungs, until it was hard to say who was screaming the loudest, Sammy or his big cousin, Blacky the Crow.

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"One thing about Sunday broadcasting," says pious Prudence, "a husband can sleep through church services without embarrassing his wife and the minister."

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Sable Kolinsky

Sable dyed kolinsky is a real success now and comes in beautiful dark brown. In the body of this three-quarter length swagger coat, which is elegant enough for evening wear, the skins are used vertically, with a horizontal working of the sleeves.

FIRST-AID TO AILING HOUSE

By ROGER B. WHITMAN

WOOD FLOORS ON CONCRETE

ONE very common complaint that I hear is the bulging and warping of wood floors that are laid on concrete floors in cellars. A cellar floor is usually laid directly on the earth, and inevitably contains moisture. The surface may appear dry, but even so, there is a continuous passage of moisture through the floor and into the air of the cellar. When anything is laid on the concrete, evaporation is prevented; moisture collects, and wood, linoleum, rugs or anything similar will suffer. A wood floor laid on concrete is particularly likely to rot. In absorbing moisture, wood swells and buckles.

Any covering for a concrete cellar floor should be waterproof and of a material that will not rot. Asphalt, either in the form of tiles or as a sheet, is satisfactory; for moisture cannot injure it. Asphalt tiles can be had in many different colors, and form a most attractive floor. They are laid in asphalt cement, which is also used in laying asphalt in sheet form.

When a wood floor is to be laid on concrete, one method is to cement it down with a layer of the same kind of asphalt cement; "mastic" is its usual name. This is becoming a very common method of laying a wood floor on concrete, and is a complete protection against rotting.

Also, there is a pleasant springiness to the floor. A less perfect method, but one that has many advantages, is to cover the concrete with sheets of heavy waterproof felt, with the edges overlapping. Two-by-fours are put down on this, and the wood flooring laid on top. This may not give complete protection against rotting, but it is far better than to lay the wood directly on the concrete.

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Dickens' Home Is Museum

The house where Charles Dickens lived in London more than 100 years ago, is now a museum, containing the most comprehensive Dickens library in the world.

THE LANGUAGE OF YOUR HAND

By Leicester K. Davis

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OCCASIONALLY one meets men and women whose greatest mental zest is found in anything which holds an element of risk. Such seem to possess the gambler's instinct, in business as well as social life. Such persons are often successful despite the dangers which their natures court; but just as often they find themselves on the "losing end of the game."

The Finger of Speculative Mentality

Even the most casual survey of this type of fourth finger will impress you with the extreme length and crookedness which are its most pronounced characteristics. The length of this type is exaggerated by its leanness and the peculiar knottiness of the knuckles. The joints are set at decided angles, which gives the entire finger a distorted appearance. This is most noticeable with the hand extended wide, when the entire finger falls far away from the third finger.

The nail tip is long and pointed with an extremely long and sharply convexed nail, which is often covered with small ridges running the full depth of the nail. Under backward pressure the finger is found to be stiffly resilient.

You need have no hesitancy in placing the owner of such a fourth finger as one who is at least a gambler at heart, and who enjoys nothing better than activities governed largely by chance.

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Love, Honor and Obey

MANNERS OF THE MOMENT

By JEAN

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It's partly the fault of these big loose powder compacts. But I'm sorry to admit, it's partly the fault of us gals who forget. It seems that complaints have been coming in by the ton that men don't like powder showers. Especially do they resent them when they are on their way home for a nice cozy little dinner with the wife. The wife sees powder on the lapels, burns the lamb chops and goes off to the movie alone.

I'd hate to feel responsible for a marital rift. So I have vowed never to open my loose powder compact over a man again. Nor will I do it anywhere unless there is at least a good ten feet of space on either side of me in which I can shake my little puff. Of course if my nose gets shiny . . . oh, well, I've vowed now, and I'll stick to it.

Sitting Under a Shower of Face Powder Is No Fun.

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Chinese Gone Modern

Moderns are now raiding the rich storehouse of the Celestial empire for decoration ideas. Often modernization of old Chinese-European styles is accomplished with a coat of paint. Chinese Chippendale chairs become quite new and fresh when painted flat white.

Kitchen in Blue

A soft and pleasing color combination for a kitchen includes walls and ceiling in powder blue semi-gloss paint.

Ranch Living Room

The coloring for the living room in a recently remodeled ranch house, was taken from the large Oriental rug, the background of which is a navy blue. The walls are painted a warm shade of gray. The ceiling is finished in a deep blue. Draperies are golden damask.

Sea-Going Bathroom

In a modern bathroom the decorative treatment above the tile wainscoting suggests an underwater scene.

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