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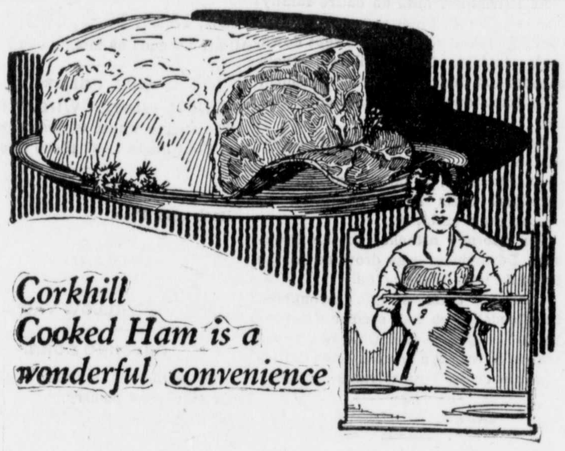
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### *DISLIKED GAME OF "PLAYMATES"*

By DOROTHY N. DONAHUE

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APRIL wasn't the only one that possessed such gorgeous desires. But she was distinctive in that she stuck to them. April wanted a young giant with tender eyes and a strong chin, a scarlet roadster, a drawing room with pearl chandeliers, a great deal of money and a heart of gold; in short, a perfect young gladiator with advantages and a steadfast religion.

She told Colin about her ambitions. Colin was twenty and lived across the street from April. He had played with her all his life; for 15 years in fun, for three in dead seriousness.

He stood with one foot on the threshold of the door, his cap in his hand, the stray look in his eyes, and glowered.

"All right. I hope you find him the very pink of perfection. But he won't be any good. A guy with all that and as good looking as you've disgustingly put him just can't be true-blue. In acquiring the riches and cultivating his beauty he loses all sense of real value and turns cad. You'll find that out."

And Colin was gone.

"Don't be stupid," April called after him, but he didn't hear.

A week later April met the shining knight of her dreams. He came straight from New York.

Gaylord Marchmount liked the shy smile and the dark blue eyes, the softness of the blond hair and the tiny, childish figure.

"Will you ride with me?"

April blushed and rode.

There were many rides. Gaylord was staying on a week or so to straighten things out with Steve Wainwright. He called for April every evening and on the fourth, as April stepped into the car, she looked over and caught Colin peeking out at them. Her eyes shone and her heart sang, "I've found him, Colin. I have found him."

Colin debated whether it would be more sensational to lick Gaylord before a crowd or in private, and let the news leak out afterwards. He decided on the crowd and then went to call on Daisy, whom he hated.

Out in the country with the car spinning along a moonlight illumined road, April lived in a dream.

Gaylord Marchmount removed one hand from the wheel and placed it over April's two white ones.

"Life turns me a crooked deal, little one. Just because I have a name and position that some one covets and because that some one has the money that I covet, I must marry her—Glenna Landford. Ever hear of her? We nearly despise each other, I think, but what must be, must be. I'd be happy as a clam to have you—I wonder if you know I'm going tomorrow and that I think you're the sweetest playmate in the world."

April closed her eyes and relaxed a little and came out of her dream. She wanted to grab his arm and tell him, tearfully, that she didn't know he was only playing a game and that she didn't want to be playmate.

But April was a wise little girl and had just found it out.

"My dear Gay—how silly. Life isn't to blame. It's tradition and a loss of the ability to realize true values. Don't blame the poor old world. It's being—cad. (Oh, if Colin could hear), but I won't preach. We've both been just playing. Let it go at that."

April surprised herself.

They drew up to the door an hour later and Gaylord Marchmount looked at April quizzically.

"Tell me, little playmate, what it is in life you really like."

"Me? Like? Why—I guess sunsets and rainbows, violin music—and, why, just living."

"That's just like you. Do you know, do you want to know what Glenna Langford likes—in life? It's amusing."

"I think I know, Gay. She likes long, slender drawing rooms with pearl chandeliers, scarlet roadsters, lap dogs, bon-bons and men like you."

"Men like me, April? Are you being nice—or not?"

"Not! Men that let an army of ancestors with musty ideas and family traditions push them into a marriage that they hate—men that don't know themselves or what they want, how to get it or how to think straight. Why, you aren't even square enough to play your own game straight. You have a little fun on the side, a bit of amusement with some little light-headed country girl you call 'Playmate' for conscience's sake. That's what she likes and what she's getting. Goodnight, Mr. Marchmount."

After she had gone, Gaylord Marchmount huddled down into his seat, turned up his coat collar and shivered.

"Forty below, and the mercury still dropping. So this is Alaska!"

The next night Colin came over.

"He's gone, is he?"

"Yes."

"If you think I'm going to get down on my knees and murmur that I've been waiting for you, I'm not. I'm going to start all over again. We've been playmates too long. We start as strangers. I'll win you, but I'll do it in my own way, and I'll make you say, 'My dear Colin, you're wonderful,' instead of 'Don't be stupid, Colin.' So be prepared for a stormy and tempestuous wooing. I'm out for victory. Laugh that off! Good-night."

April sank down into a chair and laughed and cried at intervals.

"So that's to be my punishment. It's rather too bad for Colin, but I'm going to love it."


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# MONTHLY NARRATIVE REPORT

By Horace B. Derrick, County Agent.

**New State Record—Club Member.**

A new State Record for both milk and butter was made during March by a Kent County Boys' Calf Club Member, Norman Pennington. His Club cow, Bessie Clothilde Pontiac Burke, onofficial test, as a junior three year old gave 606.1 lbs. milk and 26.6 lbs. butter. Her 14 day test was 1222.5 milk and 52.026 butter. The best 7 days for milk was 645 lbs.

**Organize Calf Club.**

A Boy's Calf Club was organized on March 20th at the home of Stanley Sutton who was elected President of the Club and who is also the Local Leader. A program of work was made out to guide the activities of the Club during 1924.

**Cooperative Organized**

The Kent County Farm Bureau Cooperative Association was incorporated and the temporary Board of Directors met during March.

**Farm Bureaus.**

Good meetings of most of the Farm Bureau Locals were held this month. The Tomato Pool and Program of Work were the principal topics of discussion. Worton Farm Bureau Program Committee met with the County Agent and mapped out a program which was adopted at the following Farm Bureau Meeting. The Leader in the Poultry Project accepted his duties at once and succeeded in pledging six farmers and their wives present, to get rid of their mixed breeds of chickens and keep only one standard bred breed this year.

**Agronofist Leaders Meeting.**

A meeting of all Leaders in Agronomy Projects in the "Programs of Work" was held on March 26th. The Extension Agronomy Specialist, Mr. F. W. Oldenburg, and Mr. Fisher, Extension Agronomist of the Department of Agriculture, met with us. The agronomy projects in the Programs of Work were outlined by the County Agent, who also spoke on the duties of the leaders in the various projects. Plans were made as to how each project would be "put across."

**Corn Demonstration Started.**

Four corn root rot result demonstrations were started this month when Mr. Oldenburg, Extension Agronomist, and the County Agent visited the farmers conducting same, and selected for them the corn to be used in the tests.

**Soil Acidity Tests.**

Eleven fields were tested for acidity during March by the County Agent.

**Dairy Feed School Meetings**

What is believed by the County Agent to have been the most profitable series of meetings ever held in Kent County, by the Extension Service, has just been completed. It was the Dairy Feed School Meetings, held in the eight largest community centers in the County, in which the subjects of Pure Bred Sires of Good Quality, Dairy Rations, and the raising of high Protein or Legume Crops for dairy feed, were taken up. Mr. J. A. Conover, the Extension Dairy Specialist, and Mr. F. W. Oldenburg, Extension Agronomy Specialist were the principal speakers and the leaders in the discussions of their respective subjects. The County Agent spoke on the value of Pure Bred Sires of good quality to head dairy herds. The value of these meetings as estimated above, was taken from the favorable remarks of the farmers and dairymen who attended the meetings.

**Worton Milk Producers Win.**

Without warning, a notice was posted by Supplee-Willis-Jones on March 19th that the milk receiving station at Worton would be closed on April 1st. The Worton Milk Producers Association held to meetings immediately sollowing, with the County Agent present. It was decided to send a committee to Philadelphia to protest the action. Necessary information as to the situation was gathered, and when the Committee, together with the president of the Inter-State Milk Producers Association, went over the matter for about three hours with Supplee-Willys Jones Co., it was decided to keep the receiving station open and give the farmers an opportunity to increase the quantity of milk and give Supplee-Willys-Jones Co., an opportunity to understand the Worton situation better

**Tomato Pool.**

The Tomato Pool of about 4,000 acres, organized by the Kent county Farm Bureau, is holding firm in their efforts to market therr tomatoes.

**Community Tomato Plant Bed.**

Meetings of tomato growers and canners were held at Betterton, Chestertown and Fairlee by the County Agent during March, for the purpose of presenting the community plant bed idea. All three communities were unanimous in wanting these community tomato plant beds this year, provided they grew tomatoes, to be under the supervision of the County Agent.

**Statistical Report.**

The County Agent's statistical report for each day is sumued up for March as follows: Days in Field work 16½ Days in office 9½. Calls on Agent at Headquarters 338. Letters written 112. Circular letters sent 315. Farm visits 50. Miles traveled 565. Meetings of committees or leaders held or attended 16, attendance 124. Meetings at Demonstrations 10, attendance 206. Other meetings relating to projects 12, attendance 252. Demonstrations visited 29. Other farms or homes visited 18. Total meetings attended 38, total attendance 582.

# FARM NOTES

**KENT CO. FARMERS READY FOR SPRING WORK—GRAPE GROWING IN CALIFORNIA—OTHER NOTES OF AGRICULTURE INTEREST**

—OF—

Kent Farmers are now ready for their spring work. Many have planted peas for the canneries or for spring trucb, while great many more are preparing their bed for their tomato seed. The tomato crop in Kent this year is expected to yield a good return for the farmer, due to the advanced price received through the tomato pool inaugrated by the Farm Bureau. The price of wheat will probably be a little better than las year, but corn is expected to yield a larger return than last year. Farmers should get into a good side line, like chicken raising, asparagus raising, the raising of geese and turkeys or something of the kind that will yield them some ready money and good returns. This section is a particularly good locality for this, because of its proximity to big markets and there is always a ready market for poultry, eggs, berries, asparagus and the like. Wilmington and Chester are affording a good market for Kent farmers who are taking advantage of it and hauling large quantities to those cities each week, where they retail it right to the customers at good prices. This move is bound to grow until the middleman in most cities will be eliminated, which he should be. We have known eggs, for instance, which were bringing to the producer 35 cents per dozen and being sold right to the consumer for 75 and 80 cents. This condition must go, in the end. The public cannot stand being gouged and the producer cannot stand being robbed by the middle man. He must go some time. The sooner the better.

Grape raising in California has become a most important asset to the wealth of that great state. In 1923 California shipped something over 500,000tons of grapes into Eastern markets, and even then, shipments were curtailed by reason of unfavorable climatic conditions in the vineyard sections of the State, which resulted in many tons being rendered unfit for market, and this was coupled with a car shortage. It was apparent to anyone who happened to be in the large markets that there was an unusually large quantity of old world varieties salable. All sorts of vehicles were in use for their distribution; horse-drawn auto trucks and hand pushcarts were to be seen everywhere. The fruit stands were piled high with Flame Tokay, Red Cornichon, Emperor, and on inquiry the principal wine varieties were to be had. Many tons of this fruit were sold at a loss to the grower.

It is now believed that close to 750,000 tons will be shipped in 1924 from California. In view of the fact that practically all of the Eastern grape growing sections produced but light crops in 1923, and that there is the likelihood that the crop from these will be considerably greater in 1924, the prospective shipments of 750,000 tons from California means much to the Eastern grape grower. At one time the grapes grown in the East and especially in Western New York, tended to fix the price of this fruit. That time is now past. The Eastern grower can no longer feel assured that a partial crop will mean for him a long price as in former years, since he is now putting his grapes into the same channels of trade and into direct competition with grapes from California. It is very obvious that a crop of 50,000 tons of Eastern grown fruit can have but slight influence on the market price when 500,000 tons of California grapes are placed on the same market.

Mushroom growing is rapidly emerging from the uncertain gamble it was a few years ago to a fairly dependable crop. This change has been brought about entirely by the improved method of manufacturing the spawn. Formerly it was made in brick form, dried out so thoroughly that it was necessary to use a sharp hatchet to cut it into small pieces. The spawn we use now is made in quart milk bottles. It is moist and easily broken in piees with the fingers, after the bottle is broken off.

**DELAWARE HIGHWAY PROTECTED**

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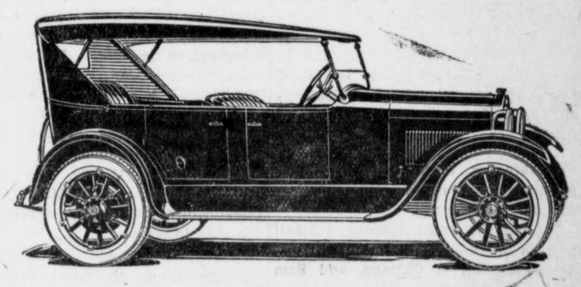
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