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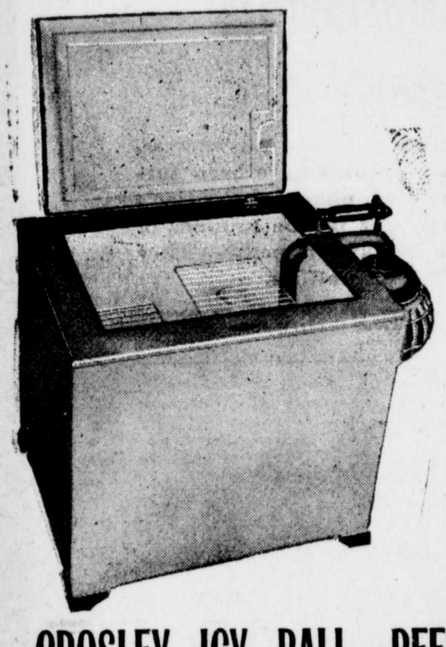

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The program has been planned to fill the entire day and will begin with a business meeting of the Maryland State Poultry Association. At 11 o'clock the program for the general meeting will get under way with a word of greeting by R. W. Dunlap, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture. Dr. R. A. Pearson, President of the University of Maryland will speak immediately after Mr. Dunlap. Following Dr. Pearson, Dr. M. A. Jull will describe the poultry work at the Beltsville farm. Later in the morning J. P. Quinn, U. S. Department of Agriculture, will talk on, "Selection and Breeding for Egg Production," and Dr. H. Bunyea, Bethesda, Md., will explain the results of some late investigations of white diarrhea.

At 1 o'clock, following a recess for luncheon, the "Grow Healthy Chicks Work" in the United State will be briefly reviewed by H. L. Shrader, U. S. Department of Agriculture and R. V. Hicks, of the International Baby Chick Association will describe the work of that group.

A discussion on turkey production will be lead by Mrs. Helen M. Baker, Chestertown, Md., C. E. Bird, Myersdale, Pa., and A. R. Lee, U. S. Department of Agriculture will deliver talks on the same subject.

Developments in poultry certification work will be outlined and presented by P. A. Raper and W. H. Rice of the University of Maryland Extension Service. Revisions in certification work for 1929-30 will be presented by Aaron Fell, of the Maryland State Poultry Association. Professor Roy H. Waite will tell of the work of the Maryland State Egg Laying Contest and in the afternoon an inspection trip will be made of the Maryland State Egg Laying Contest pens.

It is hoped that a good sized delegation of Kent County poultrymen and turkey growers will make the trip. Those interested are requested to get in touch with the county agent so that all may travel together and thereby save expense.

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The Signs in the Tea Cups

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A VERY dainty maid deposited a not too dainty breakfast tray in Tommy's room and after arranging it nicely on the table departed. Tommy finished his shave as the door closed and sat down in his wine-colored silk bath robe to enjoy his peaches and cream, eggs and bacon and then his toast and marmalade.

Tommy always drank tea for his breakfast because the doctor had most emphatically ordered coffee out of Tommy's diet. And, as Tommy poured his tea his mind was leaping ahead to the hopeful chance he had of putting through the big leather deal in Albany for his firm.

Twenty minutes later the maid again entered his room to remove the tray and leave the table clear for Tommy's forty minutes' desk work.

He was putting his papers back into his brief case and slipping his boat ticket for convenience into his cigarette case when a somewhat imperative knock sounded at his door. Having called permission to enter he turned to see the maid again, looking much disturbed.

"Excuse me, sir," she said swiftly and advanced toward Tommy with an empty tea cup in her hand, "but I couldn't help coming up to warn you not to travel by water this day. I've read your tea cup for the day and there's danger by water. Oh, please, sir, don't go by boat."

Tommy grinned but couldn't help seeing the very real distress in the altogether charming face of the little maid.

"I was just putting my boat ticket to Albany in my case," he said. "It is so hot today that I'm going by river instead of rail. What's the idea about the tea leaves?"

"Oh, sir, my granny and my mother before me have always read the tea cups for the day, and even as a wee bairn in Scotland I was taught to see the signs. I saw this cup on the tray, and so—" the girl's cheeks were exquisitely pink by now with the stress of her plea—"I just came straight up to ask you please not to travel by water this day."

"Well," laughed Tommy, "if you see no more of me during the next few months you can suspect the worst. It was kind of you, however, to want to warn me." Then Tommy did a quite unexpected thing for him. He took the pretty flushed face in his hands and kissed it.

A second later there was a stinging slap on his left cheek and the door closed with a sharp bang.

Tommy whistled. However, he had not much time to think of pretty maids but hustled out and changed his mind about the trip up the Hudson. He went by train. He had no reason to offer. Just something apart from the physical man turned him trainward.

The extras were all out by evening the same day. There had been a bad fire, followed by panic and a considerable loss of life on the boat that Tommy would have taken.

Tommy read each and every word about it, and as he did so the vision of a very charming face troubled and pleading with him insisted on coming between his eyes and the paper. And Tommy somewhat shamefacedly rubbed the cheek where the much-deserved slap had been put into effect.

As a matter of fact, Tommy was tremendously sorry he had so suddenly kissed the girl and would have written an apology had he had any idea of her name. The best he could do was to hope she would be at the hotel still when he again reached New York.

But it was many weeks before business again took him there and much to his secret disappointment he found that the girl had left.

He was eating one day in one of the downtown Bohemian restaurants when he saw a crowd of heads all grouped around some one who was apparently a source of interest.

"That," said the waiter, satisfying Tommy's curiosity, "is Heather. She's making a small fortune reading tea cups at all the big and little tea rooms in the city."

Tommy was a little unsteady about the feet as he made his way to the table indicated and some time later as he watched the girl called Heather approaching and saw that it was the little maid of the hotel he felt even more unsteady. He didn't know but what she would slap his other cheek when she saw him.

However, Heather did nothing like that. Instead she very nearly fainted upon seeing again one she had supposed was long past the need of tea and cinnamon toast.

"First, I want to apologize for kissing you," said Tommy. "I have no excuse except an overwhelming desire to do so. You were so adorably lovely—" Tommy broke off to watch Heather circle his cup three times to the left, then invert it in his saucer, and also to watch with triumphant interest the flame of rose that shot into her cheeks—"but I have been sorry every day since."

Heather had now picked up the cup again and was intently studying the leaves therein.

"And what would the auld wives in Scotland do if they had those signs in their early morning tea cups?" questioned Tommy.

"This particular sign wouldn't be in any wife's cup," was all Heather would say. But her eyes told Tommy many things.

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DEATHS

Miss Rachel D. Crew, better known as Miss Daisy Crew, died at the home of her brother, Mr. Clayton L. Crew, 804 Franklin St, Wilmington, Del., Monday, May 27. The foneral was held at her home in Betterton, Md., Thursday morning at 10.30, Rev. W. D. Short, and C. W. Clark, officiating. B. R. Fellows, undertaker. The pall bearers were: Messrs. Leonard Crew, Clayton L. Crew, Jr., D. Brice Crew, E. Earl Parsons, J. Lenin Burris, and Arthur S. Burris.

Charles W. Brown, 25, of Bloomfield, New Jersey, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown, of Pomona, this county, died last Saturdoy os the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Friday. Funeral services were held from the home of his parents on Tuesday.

Young Brown was but o short distance from his home in Bloomfield when the automobile he was driving collided with another car. Neither of the machines was badly damaged and following the accident young Brown alighted from his car to inspect the damage. It was while standing beside his automobile that he fell and did not regain consciousness. Death was due to a fractured skull, his head having struck some part of the automobile when the crash occurred.

He is survived by his parents, one brother, Cooper Brown and two sisters, Mrs. Howard Hadaway and Mrs. Robert Owens, and one daughter, Margaret Brown.

The bearers were: Harry Kirby, Edward Brown, Neal McNamee, LeRoy Fawcett, Gilbert Slagle and Russell Law. The services were conducted by the Reverend Oliver Fried assisted by the Reverend Edwin Appleton Morton. Charles L. Dodd was the undertaker in charge.

John Schuster, 82, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Davis, in Wilmington, Del., last Friday afternoon. Interment was made in Chester Cemetery here with funral services at 2 p. m., on Monday. The service at the grave was conducted by Reverend E. A. Sexsmith.

Mr. Schuster was a native of Queen Annes County and for a number of years conducted business in Chestertown, later moving to Wilmington.

He is survived by one son, James Schuster, of Wilmington, and three daughters, Mrs. Frank Dovis, of Wilmington, Mrs. William F. Russell, of Chetertown, and Mrs. William Flesch, of Deno, Nevado.

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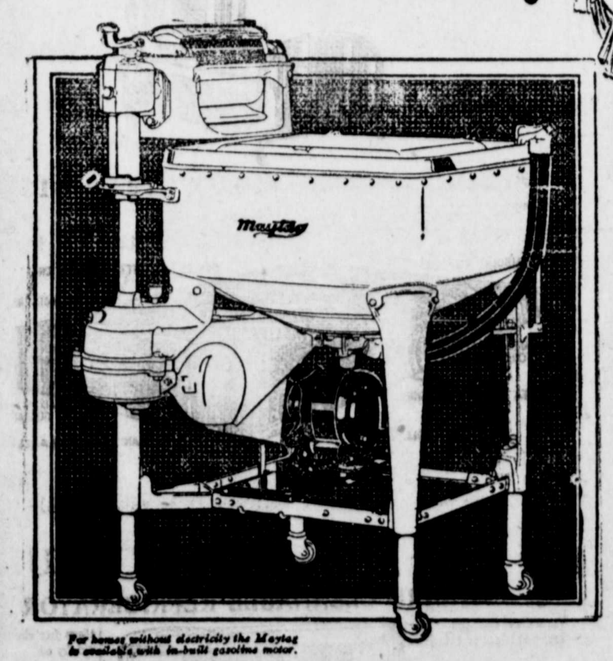

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