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Women's Page
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QUEEN ALEXANDRA OF ENGLAND

Queen Alexandra was the daughter of King Christian IX of Denmark, a king who had many children and most of them became queens or kings, his son, becoming king of Greece and one daughter married Alexander, III, of Russia and another, the king of Sweden. Queen Alexandra was born in 1844 and was the sweetest and most beautiful of the children. Queen Victoria of England found her young son, Edward, Prince of Wales was rather inclined to enjoy the pleasures of life too much, so she began to look around to find a suitable wife for him. Hearing of the princess she negociated with King Christian for the hand of his daughter. Of course neither Edward nor Alexandra were consulted at all, about the matter. I am sure the princess would have liked to make her own choice among the many young men at court, but that was forbidden a princess. When Edward saw the picture of Alexandra he was charmed with her beauty, and declared he was ready whenver his royal mother wished to marry her. So when he was nineteen, and she seventeen the marriage took place. The young princess became very popular in England. When the prince Regent, Queen Victoria's husband died, the queen retired from social functions and left all those arduous duties to her daughter-in-law. Besides this she took a large part in all the charitable work, especially in improving the hospitals anl in caring for the wounded soldiers and supporting the widows and children of those who had fallen in war. Her husband was not always pleasing to his queen mother, and the princess had to display, on many occasion, infinite tact in dealing with the two.

For thirty seven years she was Princess of Wales. She had five children two boys and three daughters. Her oldest son, Prince Clarence died when a young man, and as the present Queen Mary of England was betrothed to him his younger brohter had to marry her, and though older than the presnt king, she has proved a valuable help meet to him. In 1901 Queen Victoria died and the Prince became King Edward VII. To the surprise of many he was a wise ruler and became a very popular monarch. He only ruled seven years and at his death, when her son, George, came to the throne Alexandra took the name of Queen Mother. She was always kindly and considerate of her subjects and she was enshrined in the hearts of the English people with an affection such as has fallen to the lot of few Queens in history. She died in 1925 at the age of eighty one years.

Queen Mary of England was very glad to be the hostess of Helen Keller when the latter attended one of the queen's garden parties last week. Contrary to the royal rule of etiquette the queen came up to Helen and asked that she might see how Helen understood what was said. So Helen put her hand on Mrs. Macy lips and Mrs. Macy repeated to her all the queen had said and they had a very pleasant social time without being presented. Helen has been visiting in England for some time, and has been very much entertained and feted.

LA MODE
Spanish Violet New Color in New York

New York, July 23 (A.P.).—Spanish violet is the newest color on the avenue this week. Crepe and chiffon dresses are made of it.

A long wool travel coat with a fur collar and a three-quarter swager coat of flannel also are displayed in the same shade.

A boucle suit of a deeper violet with a lighter knitted blouse and purple felt and velvet hats and accessories, fall into the same color range.

Yellow is another popular color, particularly for daytime and sports costume of cotton or crepe. Yellow also is a boudoir favorite. A pajama ensemble of pale yellow crepe de chine features a short bolero top, crystal buttons and white silk cord pipping. Negligee with long intricate sleeves and flowing lines is of a richer banana shade.

Rainbow Sweaters

Paris, July 23 (A.P.).—Rainbow sweaters are the newest thing in sports wear. They are knitted of fine yarns in narrow, horizontal stripes of several colors. Most of them have sleeves long enough to cap the shoulder. Red, green, yellow and white and brown, blue, yellow and white are among the favorite combinations.

Buying Printed Frocks

Paris, July 23 (A.P.).—Americans are buying printed frocks in Paris. One of their favorite models is a blue and white crepe afternoon frock printed in bold design. It is worn with a dark-blue bolero jacket with three-quarter sleeves which permit the long sleeves of the frock to show beneath.

Buttons Much Used

New York, July 23 (A.P.)—Buttons are used to trim a summer evening gown of pink cross-bar organdie. The buttons, covered with the same material are set in a prim row down the front of the high basquelike bodice and in the back below the waist on the deep yok of the skirt.

RECIPES
Meringe

This depends on two things—the amount of sugar and the temperature of browning. One tablespoon of sugar—I prefer granulated—to each egg white makes a fluffy high meringue if it is baked at a temperature not higher than 325 degrees F. It will do just as well if the temperature is lower 300 degrees F., but it takes somewhat longer to brown. The addition of more sugar makes a meringue with more flavor—more like a frosting but it will not be so high.

Cracker Pie Crust

A very good, fool-proof crust can be made of almost any cracker or cookie which is not to rich but most of them need the addition of melted butter and sugar to make them hold together. Do not worry if your mixture doesn't look like the usual pastry—it isn't supposed to It will look much too soft, but you will find that you can press it into your pan quite easily. I think I like particularly well the graham cracker crust, which is so popular with a cream filling or with fruit covered with whipped cream. These crusts which have sugar added are quite like the pastry which is known as Viennese. A successful crust can also be made by mixing the rolled crumbs with condensed milk. Ginger wafers make a good crust for a pumpkin filling. Chocolate wafers are good with a whipped cream filling. I am repeating the recipe for graham cracker pastry as I have had so many requests for it during the past week.

An unsweetened crust can be made by using pain crackers, rolling them fine and mixing them with a little melted butter.

Apple Pudding

1 cupful flour
1 cupful sugar
1 cupful milk
1-2 cupful butter
3 eggs—well beaten
3 chopped apples
3-4 cupful raisins
1 cupful chopped walnuts

Mix the ingredients thoroughly. Bake for one-half hour and serve with caramel sauce.

Caramel Sauce

2 cupfuls brown sugar
1-2 cupful butter
1 teaspoonful vanilla
1-2 cupful cream or milk
1 egg—beaten
Pinch of nutmeg

Mix the ingredients, cook in a double boiler, add flavoring last and cool before serving.

Days and Nights on Moon

All parts of the moon are bathed in direct sunshine at some time or other, and as each part is thus exposed for nearly two weeks at a time the surface temperatures must get very hot at such times. Astronomers have computed that when the sun is shining the surface lava rises to a temperature of about 216 degrees Fahrenheit, that is, several degrees higher than the temperature of boiling water. On the other hand, temperatures as low as 243 degrees below zero Fahrenheit are believed to occur in that part of the moon turned away temporarily from the sun. Because of the absence of an atmosphere there are great contrasts of temperature from time to time and from place to place.

Freak Fish Born

It is said on good authority that probably no other living species produce more abnormalities than fish. Two-headed fish are not uncommonly hatched at the various hatcheries of the state conservation department and instances have been born with five perfect heads to a single body and tail. Most of these fish do not live past the stage when artificial feeding becomes necessary, although some do live to the adult age.

Finds Partridge Does Little Harm to Crops

The Hungarian, or European gray, partridge in the United States is not particularly harmful to crops, studies of 80 birds by the biological survey, United States Department of Agriculture, indicate.

In the fall and winter these birds feed largely on green leaves, grains of wheat, corn, oats, barley, and seeds of ragweed, foxtail grass, and bindweed. The cultivated grains seem to be picked up mostly in stubble fields, and the investigators believe this indicates no injury to growing crops.

Contents of the crops and gizzards of the birds examined showed that animal food made up 6 per cent of their food. The young birds, in particular, displayed a liking for grasshoppers, beetles, and other injurious insects.

This partridge has been introduced into numerous North American localities and has become well established in some of them, particularly in southwestern Canada, Washington state, southwestern Wisconsin, southwestern Michigan, and northwestern Ohio. As it is a comparatively new bird in this country its habits are interesting to sportsmen, ornithologists, and farmers.

Universities' Beginning

Medieval education was mostly by and for the church. In the early Twelfth century at Bologna in Italy a revived interest in Roman law attracted students, and at Salerno teachers of medicine drew pupils from many lands, while Paris became a center for theological study. A university was originally an incorporated group either of teachers to whom students resorted, or of students who hired, and fired, their professors. Popes and rulers gave privileges to these corporations, courses of study became organized, granting of degrees became common, buildings and endowments were accumulated, and by the Fourteenth and Fifteenth centuries scores of universities had been established, many of which, like Oxford and Cambridge, have had an unbroken existence ever since.

Modernism's Beginnings

We call those things modern which are widely characteristic of our contemporary western type of civilization. The things which make modern times modern are in general those which distinguish our own day from medieval Europe. Feudal government gave way to national states, the unity of medieval Christianity was broken by the Protestant reformation. Europe began to expand overseas, a new interest developed in science, serfdom disappeared, a new world commerce developed, the Renaissance put new vigor in art and literature. Printing was invented. Since these movements took place in the latter Fifteenth and in the Sixteenth centuries, it is usual to think of these years as marking the transition to the modern period so far as western Europe is concerned.—Chicago Tribune.

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