Women's Page

MISS LINA BECKWORTH OF NEW LONDON

Miss Lina Beckwith has a fine apple tree. The apples are Golden Grimes and, knowing the taste of the boys of the neighborhood. she prepared to defend them by providing herself with a gun. Now, Miss Beckwith has reached the mature age of 77 years, and though the neighbors knew that she had such a weapon, no one ever dreamed that she would use it.

One day she saw four boys helping themselves to her apples. She rushed out with the gun and three of the boys, thinking safety was the better part of valor, ran away. But the fourth scamp was up the tree. As he descended in haste she grabbed him and pointed her gun, but it was jammed.

His parents had her arrested and the city authorities took her case to court.

She entered the court ready to act as her own defense attorney, and now, she said, she would test her talents as a plaintiff lawyer. The Constitution of the United States,' she asserted, crisply, 'is lawyer enough for me. I shall see that it is not abrogated one inch in this case.'

She was dressed in a long coat with the same vertical four inch wide stripes as those of her skirt, over a Victorian shirtwaist and lace choker collar.

During a short recess at 3 p. m., Arthur M. Brown, of Norwich, attorney for the State, approached his elderly legal opponent and told her:

'You might just as well go home and hoe in your garden, because I'm going to nolle prosse this case. Don't come back, because I'm not going to present the case on any charge whatsoever. I'm going to throw the whole matter out.'

Mr. Brown gave no reasons, nor did Miss Beckwith ask for any, but she refused to budge, explaining: 'I'm taking a whole day off. I'd like to remain in court and hear these other cases.' Mr. Brown said that would be perfectly all right if she did not consider herself an accused person.

'I'm going to get back at the city for arresting me.' she avowed. 'The idea of arresting me because I protected my property from a common thug. I'm going to get reprisals for that.

The harassed officials of New London, who became embroiled through no desire of their own, had a taste of what is in store for them when Miss Beckwith, a native of the city who has lived alone on her little farm for many years, paid her annual visit to a meeting of the City Council. She came, as usual, to protest against the local administration of 1905, which, she insisted, swindled her out of $500 on a piece of Broad street property.

Although the women have not always had the right of suffrage, yet they have ever had a great influence over the men, and in many instances their influence has been a great inspiration to the rulers.

In reading ancient history the women of Sparta added much to the bravery of the soldiers. Their parting words to their sons who were leaving to go to war, were, 'come back with your shield or on it,' did much towards making the Spartans, heroes who bore pain and death without flinching.

There is something almost sublime in the three hundred Spartans under Leonidas, who held the straits of Thermopyle against the overwhelming number of Persians. It was a fitting monument to them, the great rock which shielded the strait, bearing this message, carved in stone. 'Go, messenger, tell at Sparta, that we died in obedience to her laws.'

In Athens, too,the women, though not so strenous, did much, by their influence, to make Athen the beautiful city that it was. Aspasia was the inspiration of Pericles during the most glorious period of the city's history. The Parthenon, that wonderful temple was erected to the woman goddess, Athene who the heathen thought was the patron of the city of Athens.

In modern history we find the same thing- good kings generally had good wives to help them, and bad kings were generally influenced by evil women. Perhaps one of the finest kings that England had in her early history was Edward III, while his good wife, Phillipa, lived, but after her death, he fell into evil ways. Was it not in a large measure because he did not have her wise counsels to guide him?

As this is Safety week we are copying this from the Women Home Life, as there are so many women drivers today.

Road Manners

A high spirited young American girl recently returned from a year in England told how annoyed and irritated she used to get with her British friends when motoring with them. 'They simply crawled along at thirty miles an hour, never passed another motorist just to be passing them, and when they did have to pass anyone tooted their horns gently and apologetically.' She added that when they had driven slowly and decorously behand several other cars for miles she had said. 'Oh for heaven's sake! Cut past them.' Whereupon the British gentleman had looked at her in astonishment and said simply, 'But that would be very rude.'

As you may guess the British motor accident fatalities are so far under ours that it makes us ashamed. During the past twelve months 36,000 men, women and children were killed in the U. S. in automobile accidents and more than 1,000,000 injured. Most of these accidents could have been avoided if the driver had observed a little more courtesy and a little less speed. A large proportion of the accidents are caused by one car speeding from behind, and cutting sharply around another car to pass it. In most cases the driver is in no urgent need of getting someplace by a certain time. This is only one common form of rudeness or 'road-hoggishness.' If we would follow England's example in making a systematic effort to promote good manners on the part of motorists the results would show up amazingly in a lowered death rate. So mind your road manners!

Maple Sugar Cake

1-2 cup butter
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
3-4 cup milk
1 teaspoonful vanilla
2 cups flour
2 1-2 teaspoonfuls baking powder

Cream butter with sugar. Beat eggs and milk. Add to remaining ingredients. Beat mixture thoroughly. Add baking powder to 1-2 cup flour last, fold in lightly.

Maple Frosting—1 pint maple syrup; let cook until it threads; turn slowly in the beaten white of one egg; stir until it will hold creases and stay on the cake.

Chocolate Angel Food Cake

3-4 cup cake flour (sift before measuring)
1-4 cup cocoa
1 1-2 cups granulated sugar
1 1-3 cups egg whites
1-3 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon cream of tartar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1-4 teaspoon salt

Method: Have a large tube pan ungreased. Measure sugar after sifting. Measure cream of tartar. Measure flour after sifting. Add cocoa and baking powder and soft 7 times. Leave in sifter. Use shallow crock or pan for mixing. Add salt and egg whites. Beat till foamy, add cream of tartar and beat till stiff but not dry, using a wire whip. Now, add sugar, 2 tablespoons at a time. Add flour sifting in a little at a time. Add vanilla. Put in pan and bake one hour in oven 350 degrees. Invert when done (I keep little empty spice tins under edge to allow air to circulate) let stand till cold. Loosen edges with knife blade before taking from pan.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS



By MILDRED C. BODLEY
Home Economist Eastern Shore Public Service

'PARTY' GRIDDLE CAKES

2 C Flour
1 1-2 t Soda
1-2 t salt
2 T Sugar
1-8 t Cinnamon
3 T Shortening
1-8 t Nutmeg
1-8 t Ginger
1 Egg
2 C Sour Milk
Raisins.

Mix and sift dry ingredients. Add well beaten Egg mixed with Milk. Beat free from lumps and add Shortening. Pour sufficient batter on hot griddle and sprinkle with Raisins. Cook on one side and turn. Serve wtih Philadelphia cream cheese and syrup.

This recipe can be made up ahead of time and stored in an electric refrigerator.

MILLINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Raynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lee and son, of Marcus Hook, Pa., were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Jones

Millard Porter, of Wilmington, and Eugene Porter, wife and daughter, of Dover, Del., were guests of their mother, Mrs. E. W. Marvel on Sunday.

Mr. William Jones is visiting his grandson, William Forbes of near Sassafras.

Mr. and Mrs. John Akins, of Pitman N. J., have returned home after a three weeks visit with relatives in Millington.

Miss Helen Vansant returned on Saturday after a weeks visit with Miss Eva Weacker, of near Clayton.

Harry Galloway, wife and son, of near Chestertown, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. James D. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell had as their guests on Sunday her parents and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Koeppel and Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Koeppel, of Georgetown, Del.

Roland King and son, Roland, Jr., of Richardson Park, Del., spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mary King.

John E. Woodall is spending a week with his daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lambert, of Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. John Manning is very ill at the home of her son, George, on South Crane Street. Dr. Merritt Brice is in attendance.

Mrs. Adolphus Davis is selling off her stock, of Antique and modern furniture.

The Home Guards of Asbury Church met on Thursday at the home of Miss Frances Bramble.

The Ladies of Asbury Ave. to hold a chicken and oyster supper on October 10.

Adolphus Davis, who has been employed on the state road force has had a relapse and is unable to continue his work, we hope he may soon be better.

Rev. Joseph S. Eldridge left on Tuesday for his new appointment at Newport, N. J., having been transfered to the New Jersey Conference. He preachd at his new charge on Sunday morning and returned to Asbury for the evening service. Fifty three men attended his evening service. He had requested the attendance of 100 men. Probably this service was disturbed by the news of his leaving Millington so quickly.

The pulpit at Asbury was filled on Sunday morning by Rev. J. H. Bishop, of Dover, Del., the director of Religious Education, of Wilmington Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Leo Gale and Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Wallen attended the Anniversary meeting at Barretts Chapel on Sunday afternoon last.

Rev. Robb, our new pastor arrived on Thursday and is occupying the parsonage of Asbury Church and will preach on Sunday morning for the first time, we welcome him to our town and the church stands wide open to receive him. May his pastorate be a happy one.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carpenter and children, of Newark, N. J., and Mrs. Frank Carpenter and Mrs. Ella Abele, of Philadelphia were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Woodall.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Higman were Philadelphia visitors this week.

Miss Anna Austin Roberts and Miss Charlotte Everett, of Sudlersville were week end guests of Miss Marjorie Higman.

Norman Higman died at his home, near town, on Saturday evening, September 28th at 7 o'clock, aged 70 years. Funeral services were held at his late home on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of Rev. Smallwood, of Trinity M. E. Church, South. Burial was made in Philadelphia at 2.30 p. m. October 2nd, John A. Tobin & Son undertakers, Mr. Higman is survived by three brothers and two sisters: Richard Higman, of Sudlersville; James E. Higman, of Millington and Edgar H. Higman, of near Mary Del. Mrs. Kate Harris, of Seaford, Del., and Miss Mollie Higman who resided in his home, his wife, Mrs. Belle Cox Higman, and three daughters, Mrs. Marie Gleaves and Mrs. Alice Gerriot, of Philadelphia, Miss Helen Higman, of Wilmington, Del., and two sons Norman J. and Robert Higman, at home.

KENNEDYVILLE

Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Green, of Hungerford, Md., visited Mrs. Cain on Monday.

Service in Grace Presbyterian Church at 7 p. m. Rev. Blake will have charge of the Communion service and the installation of the Deacons and Elder. All welcome.

Mr. Harry Archibald and family, of Wilmington, and Mrs. Mollie Archibald visited Mrs. Mary Green at Church Hill on Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Caldwell is spending sometime with her daughter, Mrs. William Dempsey and family.

The P. T. A. held their regular monehly meeting in the school building on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Nathaniel Johnston and son, Walton visited Mrs. James Weer and family on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Burk and son, Robert, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnston.

Mrs. George Johnston returned home on Saturday afeer spending a part of the week with her sisters in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Roader, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Webb and family.

Rev. Harry Murphy and wife, of Havre de Grace spent Thursday of this week with Mrs. Bessie Cain.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett, of Chesapeake City. Mr. and Mrs. Buckworth and daughter, of Elkton, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Estes and children spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs. Samuel Wiltbanks and family. Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hardcastle, of Reading, Pa., were also guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wiltbanks.

Rally Day Service will be held at the M. P. Church next Sunday evening at 7.30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spencer, of Darlington, called on Mrs. F. S. Cain one day this week.

The teachers meeting of the M. P. Sunday School was held at the home of Mrs. William Dempsey's on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Robert Hill, Mrs. May Spry and Howard Johnston have been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. James Archibald and daughters, Mrs. Green and Miss Gladys spent a part of last week at Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kirby spent the week end in Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. Wilmer Ford returned home last week very much improved she can get around with the use of crutches. Mrs. Joiner and Mrs. Jester are with her.

Mr. Norman Pennington spent the week end with relatives here.

Mrs. Mollie Crawford has not been so well the past week.

Rev. Henry Caldwell and wife, of Felton, Del., visited relatives here on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Rollison, of near Lynch was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. John Hessner on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boggs and Sara, returned to their home in Nassawadox, Va., on Sunday after spending last week with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boggs, Mrs. Jos. Garey spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Leager in Smyrna, Del.

Mrs. Jennie Boulden and Miss Pearl Coleman spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray King.

Mr. Lester Coleman returned home to Baltimore on Sunday, Mrs. Coleman joined him on Saturday and returned home with him.

Mr. and Mrs. James Weer and children visited in Kirkwood, Del., on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Glenn entertained, Rev. Baucher and family at dinner on Thursday evening.

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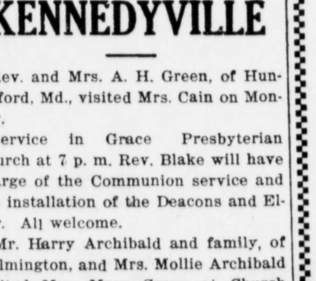


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