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CHAPTER XI

Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Brown had much in common. They were about the same age, they belonged to the same church, they belonged to the same club, and they both had brand new babies.

The two young mothers spent many pleasant afternoons together discussing the problems of child-rearing. Thanks to modern medical measures, they both were rapidly becoming quite well educated on the subject. Fortunately, both used common sense and good judgment and their children were visual proof of their care and attention.

Little Billy Brown was two months younger than Jack Reynolds. When Billy was less than a month old, he developed the annoying habit of sucking his thumb. At first, this caused no alarm, and then he looked so cute and contented as he lay blissfully in his crib, sucking his pretty pink thumb.

Dr. Hayes, the physician, coupling the thumb-sucking with other symptoms, decided that Billy was not receiving enough nutrients. He prescribed some supplementary feedings, which soon corrected the undernourishment symptoms, but did not correct the thumb-sucking.

When the habit became more pronounced, Mrs. Brown tried various methods to correct it. She removed the offending thumb every time she saw it in his mouth; she tied the ends of his shirt and night gown sleeve together; she placed adhesive tape on his fingers and thumbs; she even put some unpleasant tasting medicine on his hands. None of these so-called cures proved satisfactory.

Strangely, this trial and error method took time. But none of the measures took effect. By the time Billy was four months old, the thumb-sucking habit was more pronounced than ever. Finally, in desperation, Mrs. Brown asked her physician's advice. She told him of the methods which she had employed to correct the habit and wondered if it were not better to allow the child to suck his thumb. It seemed impossible to cure him of it.

Dr. Hayes listened in sympathy. "You have a problem to solve, Mrs. Brown. A somewhat common problem, but you must solve it. Thumb-sucking and finger-sucking help to carry germs into the baby's mouth. For that reason alone, it should be stopped. The constant pressure exerted by the thumb and finger on the palate will in time change the shape of his jaws and face. Remember that a child's bones are very soft and pliable. They can easily be pushed out of shape by constant pressure. While the pressure extended by thumb-sucking is very slight, if it is persisted in for a sufficient length of time, it will cause his upper front teeth to protrude and prevent his teeth from coming together properly.

"Fortunately, Billy is still so young that we can correct the habit easily. This is how we will do it. Make a stiff cardboard cuff for each arm. This cuff should be long enough to extend almost from his shoulder to his wrist. It should be large enough that he can bend his elbow slightly, yet he should not be able to bend it enough that he can get his hand to his mouth. The cuffs can be fastened to his sleeve by safety pins. This method gives freedom to his hands and it allows him to use and exercise his arms, yet it prevents him from sucking his thumb."

Needless to say, both Mrs. Brown and her friend, Mrs. Reynolds were delighted with the results. Their vision of a rabbit-faced Billy soon faded. By Billy's fifth birthday, all evidence of the unpleasant habit had disappeared.

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Greenwood

Mother's Day was observed at the Christian church Sunday by special music.

Jesse Olson was the lucky person at the Merchants Wednesday night drawing.

Mrs. Dan Kelly came home from the St. Elizabeth hospital in Lincoln last Friday.

The McClure and Leadbrand families moved into the Walter Stewart property last Wednesday.

Mrs. Carl Foster and daughter, Marjorie, of Omaha, and Irene Kelly were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Lulu Hurlbut.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Mockenhaupt and Mr. and Mrs. James Bogenrief of Omaha were Tuesday evening supper guests at the George Trunkholz home.

Thursday was "Sneak Day" for the Senior class, the group going to Omaha, accompanied by their class sponsor, Mr. Warren and Mrs. Warren and P. E. Clymer.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Knolle, of Plattsmouth and Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Marvin were dinner guests last Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John Shepherd and Carmen of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson attended a wedding dance and shower Saturday night, May 1st, at Bruno, Nebr., in honor of their son Lyle and wife. A large crowd attended and the young couple were the recipients of many lovely gifts.

Junior-Senior Banquet

The Senior class, the school faculty and Mrs. Warren were guests of the Junior class at a banquet given Friday evening, April 30th, in the Garden room of Hotel Lincoln.

The decorations were purple and gold, the Senior class colors, with flowers as favors and table coverings making a lovely effect and all, including the program carried out the theme "Music."

A lovely three-course dinner was served.

Miss Ruth Harmon presided as toastmistress and speeches were given by Mr. Warren, Mr. Larson, Elizabeth Martin, W. L. Rogers, Grace Maher, Ruby Franks and Edwin Kirk. Miss Wilma Birky rendered a violin solo.

There are fourteen Seniors to graduate this year.

Death of Mrs. Pearl Rouse

The community was saddened to learn of the death of Mrs. Pearl Rouse who died at her home in Greenwood Friday, April 30th, after a long illness. The funeral was held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the Christian church and the body was laid to rest in the Greenwood cemetery beside her husband, who passed away last September. Rev. Goings, former pastor of the church, was in charge of the services.

Pearl Coleman Rouse was born March 6, 1871, on a farm one mile north of Greenwood and passed away April 30, 1937, at the age of 66 years, 1 month and 24 days. She was a life time resident of Greenwood.

At the age of 16 years, she joined the Christian church of Greenwood. On November 4, 1891, she was united in marriage to Frank Rouse. To this union were born three sons and two daughters, one daughter, Esther, preceding her in death.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Newkirk, of Greenwood, her sons, Ray of Greenwood; Glen of Lincoln, and George, at home. Also two sisters, Mrs. Maggie Vandeman, of Ashland, and Mrs. Ha Ziegler of Walsey, Oregon, and two brothers, Ralph Coleman of Gretna and Harley, Coleman, of Logan, Iowa; three grandchildren, Ramon, Marjorie and Virginia Newkirk, as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

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Cass County Farm Bureau Notes

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Farmers Vitrally Interested In Electricity.

Eighty-five men and women interested in electrifying their homes attended the two meetings held at Eagle and Greenwood Thursday and Friday evenings of last week. Miss Ruby Loper, specialist from the engineering department of the college of agriculture assisted the Cass County Home Extension Agent in conducting the meetings. Miss Loper included in her discussion, the costs of using electricity in the home; safe and adequate wiring; number, type and location of outlets; and safety in the use of electricity. These people were also interested in learning about how much they could expect from one kilowatt hour of electricity. Project number two of the Eastern Nebraska Public Power District, which includes the western half of Cass county, is making fast progress and construction of lines is expected to start soon.

A meeting of precinct committeemen from the eastern half of the county was held at Murray Saturday afternoon for making plans for the final clean-up of application signers for project number three which includes the eastern half of Cass county. The engineers will take the plans for project three to Washington May 5th to get final approval of the plans.

Plan Preliminary Performance Check-Up.

Precinct chairmen working on the Agricultural Conservation program, met at the Farm Bureau office Monday night to make plans for a preliminary check-up of performance on farms on which applications have been written for 1937. This check-up must be completed by May 15th and plans are to start by May 6th or 7th. All records of spring seedings will be checked during this time and farmers should have bills of sale, and certifications of adapted seed ready for the committeemen when they visit their farm. This check-up is to help farmers clarify their records so that compliance will be very easy when finally done in late summer.

Will Broadcast Program At 9:45 Tuesdays.

The time for the regular Tuesday morning broadcast from station WOW, which has been devoted to Agricultural and Homemaking topics presented by the agricultural and home extension agents from the counties surrounding Omaha, has been changed to 9:45 a. m.

Following is the schedule for the remainder of May. Get in the habit of tuning to station WOW each Tuesday morning at 9:45 for late information on agricultural and homemaking topics.

May 11—Grasshoppers and Their Control, Washington county, E. H. Fahrney, agricultural agent.

May 18—College of Agriculture.
May 25—Club Week Activities—Canning Information, Douglas county, Clara Noyes, home extension agent.

Reduced Freight Rates to End. Rates to End.

Availability of spring pastures is expected to make it unnecessary for the U. S. Department of Agriculture's drought committee to seek extension of reduced freight rates beyond May 15.

The reduced rates are on livestock feeds and roughages. The original "deadline" on the rates expired several weeks ago but was extended to May 15. The rates are on the basis of two-thirds of commercial rates applicable on hay, concentrates, coarse grains, mixed feeds and mixed feed ingredients. On straw and other roughages, reductions are on the basis of 50 per cent of the commercial rates on hay.

The Cass county Farm Bureau has helped local farmers secure the benefit of the reduced freight rates while they have been in effect. A total of one hundred and thirty-four permits have been issued by the agricultural agent.

Trip to Club Week For Best 4-H Slogan.

Some one of the many 4-H club members who have been sending in slogans in the state 4-H contest, will be lucky enough to win a trip to 4-H Club Week. This is to be the reward for the best one submitted by May 15th. Some of those which have been submitted are: "4-H Sows Seeds of Usefulness"; "4-H—A Farm Youth's University"; and "4-H Brings Out the Best That's in You, and Makes it Better." If you can think of a better one send it direct to Mrs. L. I. Frisbie, state 4-H club leader at Lincoln, before May 15th. All

4-H club members are entitled to enter this contest.

Enroll in a 4-H Club For the Summer.

With the end of their school tasks in sight, boys and girls between the ages of ten and twenty years, are turning to 4-H clubs to fill their spare hours this summer. Already a large number, approximately 250, have enrolled in a club and many clubs are planning to organize in the near future. A list of the 4-H clubs which have organized recently follows:

Junior Maids, Mrs. Jessie Lytle, Eagle, leader.

Classy Clothiers, Elmwood, Keep-It-Up (Keep-Well club), Mrs. Everett Spangler, Murray, leader.

Handy Andy (Fix-It Club), Noel Fischer, Eagle, leader.

Snip & Stitch, Mrs. Marvin Carr, Eagle, leader.

Royal Sewing club, Mrs. E. E. Mathis, Greenwood, leader.

The Little Cooks, Mrs. Earl Stradley, Greenwood, leader.

If you are interested in organizing a 4-H club you may secure more information from the Farm Bureau office.

Bread Essay Contest.

Girls enrolled in "How and Why for Young Cooks," or "Meal Planning and Preparation" club in 1936 or are now enrolled in either are eligible to compete for Club Week awards in a Bread Essay contest. Title of essay "Value and Experience of a 4-H Club Girl Making Yeast Bread."

First prize is \$8 and the second prize \$7 toward Club Week registration. This contest closes May 10 and the essays must be in the Farm Bureau office not later than May 8th.

Grass Weeds in Pastures.

Supposedly green pastures are fooling a lot of people in Cass county. The green growth in many places is not grass but two annual grass weeds.

Downey brome and Little Wild Tarley are the two grass weeds infesting the grazing land, and right now they are providing considerable feed but they will head out during May and from then until late fall the pasture is worthless.

Agronomists at the Nebraska college of agriculture say on many permanent pastures where the ground is sufficiently level to permit tillage that this grass weed could well be plowed under soon and then the area planted to sudan grass a little later.

Sudan grass is a hot weather crop

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but is not planted until the ground is thoroughly warmed up or the latter part of May or the first of June. It comes on very rapidly and normally gives pasturage beginning the first of July. Animal husbandryman say Sudan grass is an excellent forage and provides good feed for all kinds of livestock. This will serve very much the same as did rye seeded in old pasture last fall. It is proving its worth now.

Watch the Hoppers!

Watch the newly-hatched grasshoppers is the by-word of several hundred Cass county farmers this week as they prepare to make "war" upon the pest which annually does thousands of dollars worth of damage to crops.

The county committee would appreciate a note from farmers in the county as soon as they see hoppers hatching on their place. Send it to the Farm Bureau office.

Club Week Soon.

Plans are now being completed at the Nebraska College of Agriculture for holding the annual Club Week on the campus May 21-June 5. More than 400 farm boys and girls enrolled in 4-H club work from all sections of the state are expected to attend. Any 4-H club member is entitled to attend after paying the registration fee of \$5.00.

L. I. Frisbie, state club leader, notified the Cass County Farm Bureau this week of two headline speakers, Ralph Budd, president of the Burlington railroad, is to speak before the club members and local leaders on Wednesday. Another leading speaker will be Mrs. Raymond Sayre, outstanding Iowa farm homemaker, who speaks on Monday and Tuesday.

Leaflets containing more information, and registration blanks are available at the Farm Bureau office.

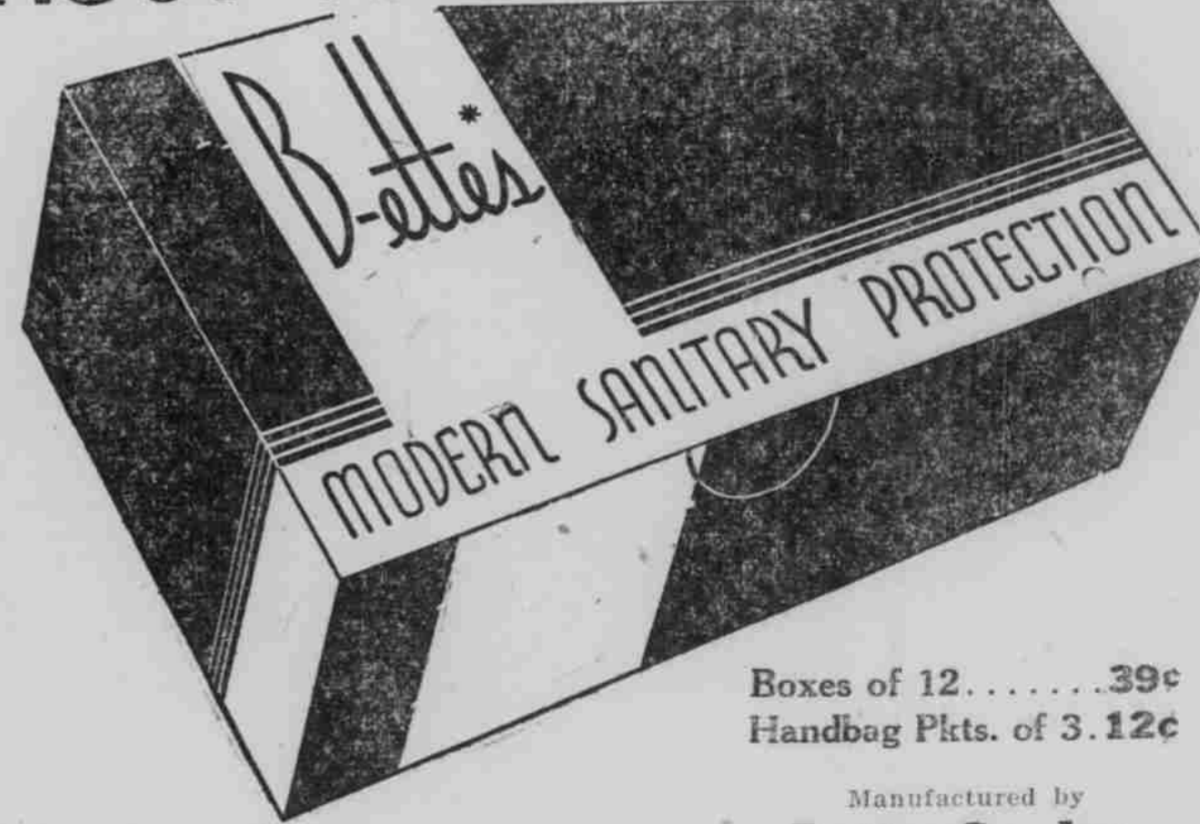
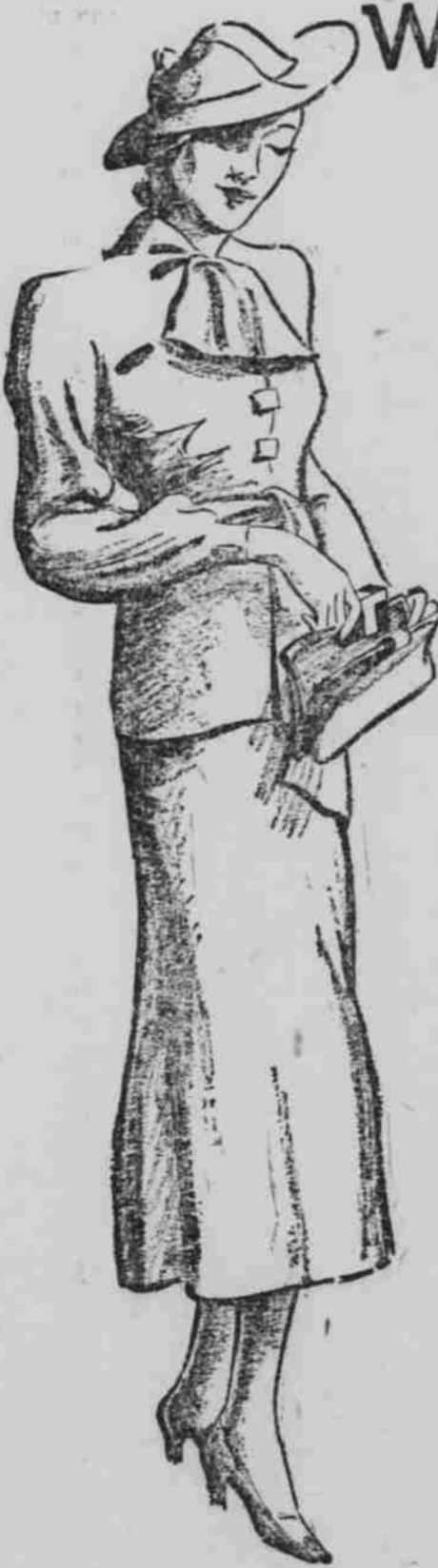
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