

The Frontier Woman —

# Minnie Gathje Tells of Dog's Hind Leg Being Cut Off by Mower

By BLANCHE SPANN PEASE

Hi there all you nice people! How's every little exasperating thing? Such as the screen door that sticks, the lock that doesn't latch unless you pull up on the door knob, the dining room table that squeaks, and the cupboard door that needs to be firmly anchored?



Blanche Spann Pease

Surely, my good woman, you didn't think that your home was the only place that has a rug which every one stumbles over, a lamp that persists on burning up, and a clothesline that needs a new post.

Now if we scolding gals could just throw a loop over our husbands and drag them to the little odd jobs that need to be done everything would be "hunky-dory".

But I really think the best plan is to bake two apple or pumpkin pies, have his favorite steak, and all the other things he likes, and then spring the odd jobs on him that need to be done.

He'll no doubt be feeling so good he'll tell you he will do those things tomorrow sure, and no buts about it. But now he's too full of that good food you fixed him and he thinks he'll just relax and read The Frontier's sport page.

Ah men, the wonderful creatures, sometimes they infuriate the women beyond all endurance, but then men do pay the bills — we hope, we hope, and sometimes the men fix the screen door, too!

Now, enough of all this nonsense and a few words to the wives instead.

For instance, shoulder covers placed over dresses and clothes as they hang in the closet will help them to withstand dust and save cleaning bills. You may be able to make them out of old shirts.

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A hint for the moment about school youngsters who go in for arithmetic or pep clubs. Instead of actually sewing high school letters, athletic awards or any insignia directly to the sweater or jacket, fasten them on with snap fasteners. Then, when ready to wash the sweater it is a simple matter to unfasten the letter and replace it.

**Pepper Time—**  
This is the time of year when folks like to bake green peppers, tomatoes, apples and potatoes all keep their original shape better if baked in muffin pans or individual baking dishes. If your family's fond of rice, here's one for your book. Grease the pan before cooking rice and none will be wasted through sticking to the pan.

**Subscription Winners For This Week—**  
This week we have a three-months' subscription award for Mrs. Lawrence Pacha and one for Minnie Gathje, both of Atkinson.

**Mrs. Pacha's Letter—**  
Dear Mrs. Pease:

Here is a page from my diary the night of that final wet, deep snow. I thought it might be a cool breath in otherwise warm weather.

"How quiet the house is, the children are finally asleep. They were home from school yesterday and today while 'Old Man Winter' gives us one last fling.

"Today was a lovely day, but three to four feet of wet, heavy snow is pretty hard to get around in, so the house was very noisy all day. We were late getting chores done and my husband acted as a veterinarian and helped deliver and care for three baby calves tonight. One was for a neighbor.

"It was sort of hard to carry heavy pails of milk to the house through the snow in the dark. The children tumbled ahead giggling and falling in the snow.

"Daughter had learned the Bohemian words for school for 'give me a kiss.' Every little while she would burst out with a new version of it, never getting it right but causing mother and dad to grin.

"To cap it all, as son got in the house first, he reached across the table to turn on the light and caught his sleeve on a nearly full jar of jelly, sending it crashing to the floor.

Dad and mother were half scolding and half bemoaning the loss when here came son holding up his face for a good night kiss. He kissed mother saying 'good night dream girl'. So of course mother and daddy dissolved their scowls into laughter. It's good to be the parents of two live wires.

MRS. LAWRENCE PACHA, Atkinson.

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**Minnie Gathje's Letter—**  
Dear Blanche:

Guess I had better get busy and write a letter once again, or you will be wondering what has become of me after promising one for so long.

My how time does pass. Summer almost gone, Fall right on our heels, and our

"Hay Days" celebration is over. All there is left now is pleasant memories.

Our dog got in front of the trail mower, would not get out of the way and the operator could not stop in time, so the dog got his right hind leg cut. But he is getting along "okay." Seems strange how animals keep their wounds clean. They are far better in ways like that, than we humans are.

Oh golly here it's Thursday and 4:30 p.m. It has been a rather full day for me. Of course, I do not fancy idle days. They wear on my nerves. I washed the dishes and cleaned the cream separator and milk cans, also mopped kitchen floor before dinner. I did not have to do much cooking for our dinner. Just a few potatoes and some pork from yesterday. We had our first roasting ears today.

Mother ironed some of the clothes but did not finish. I am trying some green apples. Grease a cake pan thoroughly and then slice apples in the cake pan. Sprinkle a scant cup of sugar, mixed with half a teaspoon of cinnamon and dot it with butter for the top.

**FRUIT COBBLER**  
Two cups of flour, two tablespoon of sugar, one teaspoon salt, one cup milk, three teaspoons baking powder, one egg, ½ cup shortening.

Blend the sifted dry ingredients and the fat until the mass resembles cornmeal. Add the milk and egg beaten a little more milk may have to be added.

Arrange the fruit in the bottom of the pan, sprinkle with ¼ cup brown sugar, and ¼ teaspoon cinnamon, dotted with butter, spread batter over top of fruit, bake in hot oven until brown.

I have made this also with the sour pitted cherries. Add a cup of sugar and tablespoon of cornstarch to thicken the juice.

I just took the cobbler out of the oven. It turned out swell. So you had better come and have supper with us. Of course whipped cream is out of the question so will just use plain cream. I will just use the cream, as I try to diet a little, ha! The cobbler will be plenty for me without the cream.

Our marigolds are blooming and the frost flowers will be in bloom shortly. Both our neighbors' corn and our own is late this year because of the Spring's wet weather so we will be keeping our fingers crossed and praying it won't frost too soon.

I am inclosing a recipe for Red Devil's Ring.

**RED DEVIL'S FOOD RING**  
One-half cup butter, one cup sugar, one egg one tablespoon vanilla, one-third cup cocoa, one cup sweet milk to which add one tablespoon vinegar, two sups sifted cake flour, one teaspoon soda. Cream butter and sugar, add egg, beat good. Sift flour and cocoa together; dissolve the soda in the soured milk. Mix as for any other cake. Bake at about 350 degrees F. until done.

Our favorite cool day dish, is made by sauteing four medium sliced onions slightly in a little lard. Use one pound sausage either home canned or from the frozen food locker, or any you have if fresh. Brown it. Then put together with the above, add two cups tomatoes and salt and pepper to taste, add one tablespoon chili powder, and cook until thick.

MINNIE GATHJE, Atkinson.

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**Letters Needed For Frontier Woman—**

Folks, won't you do your part by sending me a letter. Each week, we use two letters from our readers in this department and award a three-months' subscription for each one. When we get enough letters, we use an extra letter, and mail out to the writer a small surprise gift.

We're glad to let you write almost anything you like, except that we do ask you to avoid religion, politics and poetry.

We also like the chatty household type of letters and seasonal recipes. If you do send recipes, please list the ingredients carefully. Be sure measurements are accurate. Be sure to give the method of preparation. If food is to be baked, give oven temperature.

Send your letters to Mrs. Blanche Pease, The Frontier Woman, Atkinson. We hope you'll write soon, for I want to go on a vacation and I am trying to get a lot of copy in before I leave.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Thomas, of Hastings, were September 17 and 18 guests at the home of the former's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. George C. Robertson. On Saturday, September 17, Mrs. George T. Robertson and daughter, Barbara and Joan, arrived at the Robertson home to spend several weeks visiting.

Mrs. Dwight Raymer, of Atkinson, visited September 21 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ivane Cone.

**SANDHILL SAL**

When a man feels depressed he takes a drink. When a woman feels low, she buys a hat. And then the man takes another drink.

A lot of man's troubles are caused by too much bone in the head and not enough in the back.

If it's the hand that rocks the cradle that rules the world —well, honest now, how long has it been since you actually saw a woman rocking a cradle.

If you can't think of anything else to do count your toes. Its just as sensible as

counting imaginary sheep. Mary had a little lamb, she liked him very well, but everything that Mary did, the lamb was sure to tell.

Pardon us while we pun: A cow walked past the silo with a calf, her joy and pride, she turned her head and whispered, "Your fodder is inside".

O-o-o-o-, should have quit with the one about the lamb! I'm just full of "shear" nonsense today

**Family Reunion Held—**

A family reunion was held Sunday, September 11, at the home of Mrs. Julia Schneider and Mr. and Mrs. Harold

Parks and son. Guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schneider and children, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schneider and children, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hamik and son, Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hamik and son, Jimmy, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamik, all of Stuart; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Strong and family, of Neligh. The guests all brought baskets of food and a picnic dinner and supper were enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Berg have left for Edmonton, Canada where Mr. Berg will be employed.

**Extension Club Elects Officers—**

PAGE—The Page Extension club met with Mrs. Harry Thomsen Tuesday afternoon, September 13. Mrs. Melvin Smith gave lesson on music. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Harry Thomsen, president; Mrs. George Clasey, vice-president; Mrs. A. L. Dorr, secretary-treasurer. Luncheon was served by Mrs. Thomsen and Mrs. Ralph Prill.

M/Sgt. and Mrs. Leo Hamik and daughter, of Chanute Field, Ill., were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Hamik.

# PUBLIC SALE

Having decided to move, I will sell the following described personal property at public auction on the place located 25 miles South on Highway 281, 2 miles East and ½ mile South of O'Neill; 7 miles East and 2½ miles South of Chambers; or 18 miles North on Highway 281, 2 miles East and ½ mile South of Bartlett, on:

## Friday, September 30th

SALE BEGINS AT 12:30 P.M.  
Lunch on Grounds

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### 129 - Head of Cattle - 129

<p>27 Hereford cows, 6 years old 24 1949 Hereford calves 17 1949 Black and Black White-face calves 14 Black and Black White-face heifers, 1 year old 13 Hereford heifers, 1 year old</p>	<p>10 Holstein milk cows, 3 to 5 years old 6 Guernsey milk cows, 3 to 5 years old 6 Jersey milk cows, 3 to 8 years old 5 Guernsey heifers, 1 year old 5 Holstein heifers, 1 year old 1 Hereford bull, 5 years old, registered 1 Bl'k Angus bull, 1 yr. old, registered</p>
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### Farm and Haying Machinery, Etc.

<p>1 1949 WD Allis Chambers tractor 1 New Tractor Sweep with hydraulic lift 1 Rubber-tired Under-slung with 14 by 16 platform 1 Regular Farmall Tractor on rubber 3 McCormick - Deering 12-ft. hay rakes 2 hay racks with 10 by 16 racks Rubber-tired wagon with 8 by 12 box 1 wooden wheel wagon, 4-in. tires 1 2-wheel trailer with stock rack</p>	<p>1 Three-rake hitch 1 stacker cart 1 slide stacker 2 Chevrolet truck sweeps 1928 4 ft. dirt scraper Disc, Walking Plow Trail mower drawbar and tongue for trail mower Dirt slip Single-row cultivator Horse mower Montgomery Ward milking machine with two milking units. 1 year old, gas motor Separator, DeLaval No. 15</p>	<p>1 1939 International ½-ton pickup Buzz saw for tractor Dehorning chute Loading chute 1 Registered Brand with iron Six-volt Windcharger Dehorning clippers Block and tackle Post drill, anvil, tools Hand saw Gas barrels Two 1928 Chev. motors Cross cut saw Blasting wedge Tractor chains Pump jack Lawn mower</p>
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### 6 - - Head of Horses - - 6

1 team work horses, smooth mouth, wt. 3,100; 2 saddle mares; 1 yearling saddle colt; 1 gray saddle gelding, 3 years old, kid broke; 1 set heavy work harness; 1 stock saddle and bridle.

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### Household Goods

<p>New chromium break-fast set Studio couch Living room suite Living room desk Library table Six dining room chairs</p>	<p>Two rocking chairs Coffee table End table New bedroom suite Two-burner oil heater Perfection oil stove with built-in oven</p>	<p>Chest drawers Bookcase Sewing machine Utility cabinet Ice cream freezer, 4 quart Lard press</p>
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