

The Frontier Woman —

South Country Yards So Muddy Can't Get About to Do Chores

By BLANCHE SPANN PEASE

Oh, my goodness! Here's March pretty near gone and without asking our consent. If you haven't already been housecleaning it's time to think of it. We hope that by the time spring is really here, we will be moved into the new house, but everything goes so slowly.

Frontier readers that I will have lots of closets in the new house, haven't I? There is a lovely wardrobe closet in our bedroom, with sliding doors, and in Bob's room there is a double closet which requires four sliding doors.

We had the floors raised and had drawers built in at the bottom of the closets. These will be wonderful for bedding, or anything else I want to keep in them. They afford a great deal of storage space. In the hall, next to the bathroom, and adjoining the bedrooms, is a linen closet. I am going to have a laundry chute built in the floor of the linen closet that will lead to the basement where our laundry corner is located. We bought a bathroom cabinet that was unfinished and put it together ourselves to use for extra sundries in the bathroom, that the medicine cabinet won't hold.

There is also a closet in the living room, and we had the floor raised in this, too, and a big drawer built in it for my vacuum cleaner and attachments, and the drawer is large enough for other things, too. This makes me rich in storage space, as with so many nice closets, and the extra drawer space, I will have a specific place for many items. Our kitchen cabinets are now being installed and finished and I'll tell you about those later.

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'Muddy Myrt' Wins Subscription—
Dear Mrs. Pease:
Just a "thank you" note to let you know the hint in your column for Valentine's day worked. The hint of drying the dishes tonight surely did take my eye. Of course, I had to read it aloud. And golly, tonight, here comes hubby with the dish towel!

The chief topic of conversation in the neighborhood is the condition of the roads.

The yards are really the berries, a person can hardly make it through the yard on foot while doing chores. Guess everyone is in the same boat in the south country. A person might as well smile about it as to let it get you down.

How is the new house progressing? Suppose you are really getting anxious to move. Do wish Bob were home so he could share in the happy occasion with you folks. (Bob may possibly be home on a 30-day leave about the time we move.—Mrs. Pease.)

We attended a party for another fellow who was called into the army. It seems as though these old troubles are never settled quietly. Most all the young men are in the services, and the young girls have gone to the city to seek employment.

We are surely happy so much of the winter is gone. Will soon be time for housecleaning hints and believe me I can really use a few.

BANANA SPICE CAKE
One-half cup shortening, 1 cup sugar, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 2 eggs, 2 cups cake flour, ¼ cup milk, ½ teaspoon baking powder, ¼ teaspoon soda, ½ teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon nutmeg, 1 cup bananas, mashed, ½ teaspoon cinnamon. Cream shortening and sugar. Stir in vanilla and eggs. Add dry ingredients, bananas and milk. Bake for 45 to 50 min.

ICING FOR BANANA CAKE
Three tablespoons shortening, 1¼ cups confectioners sugar, 3 tablespoons lemon juice, ¼ teaspoon grated lemon rind.
GRAHAM CRACKER ROLL
One-half pound graham crackers, ½ pound dates, ½ cup nuts, ¼ cup sweet cream, ½ pound marshmallows.
Crush graham crackers into small crumbs, cut dates, nuts and marshmallows into small pieces. Mix all but a few cracker crumbs to cover roll. Let stand overnight.

"MUDDY MYRT"
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Frontier Woman Needs Letters—
I am badly in need of letters for The Frontier Woman. Won't you send us one? We give a three-months subscription to The Frontier for each letter we use in The Frontier Woman. Send your letter to Mrs. Blanche Pease, The Frontier Woman, Atkinson, Nebr.

SAYS SANDHILL SAL
Seven word short story:
Girl... boy... much kiss... no longer miss!

Expanding—
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Personal
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schenzel were in Fremont over the weekend visiting the former's brother, August Schenzel, and to help Don Schenzel, son of August Schenzel, celebrate his birthday anniversary. They also visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Schaafs.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Ross entertained Mr. and Mrs. Roy Parker at cards Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. William Derickson and family, of Star, were Saturday, March 15, guests at the home of Mrs. A. E. Derickson home.

Mrs. Norman Tessier, of Norfolk, spent the weekend in O'Neill visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dempsey, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shipman were Monday dinner guests of Mrs. Mary Vitt and Mrs. Delia Ernst.

Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Hubby, of Wayne, and Mr. and Mrs. William Hubby, and Mrs. Moore, of Neligh, and Miss Dorothy Haun, of Spencer, were Saturday, March 15, supper guests at the home of Mrs. Carrie Borg.

Mrs. Arthur Harley and family, of Atkinson, and Mrs. Ralph Beckwith called on Reverend Robert Olson Friday afternoon, March 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bellin entertained Ed Tunnickoff, of South Sioux City, from Tuesday, March 11, until Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brady, jr., spent the weekend in Sioux City. Their children spent the weekend at the Lee Brady ranch at Dorsey.

Mr. and Mrs. James Foreman and sons, of Battle Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bates, of Emmet, were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Babl and daughter, Diana, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Babl at Emmet.

The Verne Reynoldson family was in Albion over the weekend. Mrs. Clarisse Sullivan and Rodney went to visit Don Ressel in the Lutheran hospital, Norfolk, Sunday.

Mrs. Lawrence Hoy and daughter, of Lynch, and Mrs. Reuben Redlinger and daughters, of Page, were Thursday, March 13, callers at the home of Mrs. A. E. Derickson and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Nelson and son, Jack, and Donald Calkins spent the weekend in Lincoln.

Mrs. James Earley, jr., Mrs. Fred Appleby, Mrs. George Janousek, Mrs. Dale Nissen and Mrs. Russell Moler made a trip to Norfolk on Friday, February 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fleener and Donald Johring were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Long.

Mrs. Mary Phoenix, of Armour, S.D., is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Peterson.

Miss Donna Crabb and Miss Phyllis Seger, both of whom attend Wesleyan university, Lincoln, are expected in O'Neill Friday to spend their spring vacation with relatives.

Capitol News . . .
State Defense Plan Daily Widens Scope

LINCOLN—A little weary of politics, taxes and the general run of capitol news, this department decided to take a look this week at the newest agency of state government, the office of civil defense.

Created just a year ago by the legislature, the civil defense office nestles high in the skyscraping capitol tower, under the able direction of Herbert E. Thies, longtime editor of the Scottsbluff Star-merald, who took over the state post several weeks ago when Col. Ed Gillette resigned to accept a position with the Michigan CD organization.

Thies was asked for a report on the progress of his agency now that a year has passed since Gov. Peterson told the legislature:

"Omaha, and possibly Lincoln, might be bombed and preparation must be made accordingly. No one knows when war may come but on that day it will be too late to concern ourselves with civilian defense. Consequently, we simply must plan and drill and re-drill in advance—and that means immediately."

The following is Director Thies' reply:

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A pamphlet outlining civil defense training in public, parochial and private schools was prepared by former Deputy Director Myron Srauer, one-time city school superintendent at Nebraska City, and was approved by State Superintendent of Public Instruction F. B. Decker. It will be ready for distribution soon.

The CD school project steers entirely clear of instilling "fear" that there are impending atomic attacks on the state, but points instead in the direction of reasonable and sane preparedness for action in any emergency, whether in war or in natural disaster, by individuals, families and communities.

The Women —
Gov. Val Peterson this week is appointing a civil defense women's activities committee, with members in many parts of Nebraska.

The committee will plan and direct a women's CD organization for every county and virtually every community in Nebraska.

It is contemplated to enlist the aid of all women's organizations which have chapters and branches throughout the state, and to use non-affiliated leadership as well. The women's organization will carry on its work through, and in close cooperation with, the CD directors in each county, and with the state CD office.

"In all public activities in Nebraska women have played an increasingly important role," the governor said. "Their help is especially needed in making civil defense effective, and to keep a statewide volunteer organization in readiness for any emergency. I know they will serve well in civil defense as they have in so many other public projects."

Flood and Fire —
Contrary to belief in some quarters, civil defense organization and training is not being carried on with war solely in mind.

In fact, at least 90 per cent of all setting up in the CD work will be effective and usable in case of man-made disasters and disasters of nature, in addition to preparing the state for possible enemy attacks and war. Future floods, tornadoes, major fires, great accidents and transportation, etc., will find the Nebraska civil defense organization springing into action to supplement and augment, in effective ways, the regular police, fire and welfare organizations.

The Red Cross, which trains the health and welfare division volunteers for civil defense, reports these activities for the past year: 40,764 pints of blood collected for local use and the armed forces, from 52 counties; 5,819 persons trained for first aid; 359

new Red Cross and CD instructors trained; first aid programs active in 63 counties; home nursing courses given for 2,369 persons in 27 counties.
When the Nebraska CD program is completely organized, it will have 62,163 volunteers enrolled and assigned to various phases of civil defense work.
These categories include emergency welfare, engineering, fire, health and special weapons defense, police, rescue, staff, training and education, transportation, warren, and warning and communications.

Mobile Support —
Four mobile support units are being formed in the state, to be in readiness for moving into any disaster area, in or out of the state, in the event of enemy attacks, or in case of major natural disasters.

Two have been activated: No. 1, with Dodge, Platte and Madison counties forming the hub area; and No. 4, built around Jefferson, Gage and Lancaster counties.

Each unit will be complete with personnel and equipment to cope with fire, rescue, health, welfare, evacuation, and other activities, including restoration of basic utilities and facilities in any stricken area.

Nebraska 400 ground observer corps posts are being set up under the direction of civil defense director and the U.S. air force. Major Richard Ellsworth of the USAF is attached to state CD headquarters and in charge of organization and training of volunteers. Each GOC post will have 25 observers, and each individual observers will receive a minimum of three hours of USAF training. On completion of a training course

each GOC volunteer will receive lapel wing buttons, similar in design to USAF airman's wings.

How would the ground observer corps function in the event of an invasion by hostile aircraft? Envisioning a hypothetical enemy bomber invasion over the top of the world, across the Arctic regions, Maj. Ellsworth draws a word picture of what would happen.

The action is entirely imaginative, and not based on any known facts, set down solely to demonstrate the functioning of ground observers in the Nebraska civil defense organization.

"A large flight of aircraft identified as being from a potential enemy on the other side of the world, first spotted by royal Canadian mounted police station over western section of the Northwest Territories of Canada.

"Next spotted by Canadian ground observers in west central Saskatchewan. Identified as approximately 20 four-engine bombers heading south-south-east. Canadian interceptors were called up but before contact was made several individual planes broke off from the main formation. Canadian interceptors attacked main formation.

A small flight crossed U.S. border into northwestern North Dakota and were spotted by members of ground observer corps in that state. Intercepters went up from bases in Montana and South Dakota. Formation again broke up prior to contact with interceptors. One bomber flying a course which would take him over City X in Nebraska, picked up by GOC in south central South Dakota. Reports from South Dakota observers established a southeasterly track just as the bomber crossed the state line into Nebraska where he was picked up by observers at Springview and soon afterwards by observers at Bas-

"There being no reports from Newport, Stuart or Atkinson it was obvious that the pilot had taken a southeasterly course. This was confirmed soon when a report was received from Erickson and shortly thereafter, Spalding, Frazee and Cedar Rapids in quick succession. By this time the GOC station had picked up the raider and interceptor jets had been sent aloft from a nearby base and within a matter of minutes the bomber was intercepted and downed southeast of Fullerton near Silver Creek. The pilot made a pancake landing in a farmers field in that area and the army and air force established a cordon around the plane pending removal of all bombs and a complete investigation."

Mrs. Reynoldson Is Hostess—
Winners at the Bridge club last Thursday at the Verne Reynoldson home were Mrs. Earl Hunt, high, and Mrs. Charles Houser, second high.

Minors Liquor Case Costs \$100 in Fines
Fines totalling one hundred dollars were assessed by Municipal Judge [Name] Tuesday, in a liquor-sales-to-minors case.
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- Thanks to the work which Senator Kerr did in the Senate Finance Committee of which he is a member the new income tax law lets the livestock breeder treat his sales as capital gain.
- He is the outstanding spokesman for the Farm cooperatives of the Midwest.
- In opposing Republican efforts to cut appropriations for soil conservation, Kerr warned the Senate that with the Nation's population growing at the rate of 3,000,000 a year, the day when America can no longer feed herself is fast approaching.
- As governor and as Senator Kerr has been an active supporter of the 4-H clubs, Future Farmers of America, Future Homemakers of America, and vocational agriculture program. He was invited to deliver the principal address at the last National FFA Convention in Kansas City.
- He initiated a state farm-to-market road program while Governor, and in the Senate, where he is a member of the Public Works Committee, he is on the sub-committee on roads.

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