



A TEA IN THE TIME OF ROSES  
(See Recipes Below)

# Household News

By Eleanor Howe

It's the custom, in a great many clubs, to draw the season to a graceful close with a charming spring tea. If you're chairman of the refreshment committee for that delightful social function of your organization, why not plan to make "In the Time of Roses" the theme song for your tea?

Use roses here, there and everywhere... a rose-pink damask cloth with rose pattern; rose priggled china; a great bowl of real roses for the centerpiece, and candied rose petals to decorate the tiny cakes.

When you plan the refreshments, allow at least three sandwiches and two little cakes (or cookies) for each guest, and a pound of mints or salted nuts for each 25 guests. If the tea is a large one, you'll need two platters of sandwiches, two of cakes and one dish each of mints and nuts, on the table at one time, and make sure that for each platter on the table there's at least one full one in the kitchen to take its place.

Choose an interesting variety of dainty sandwiches for your tea. Oblong brown bread sandwiches with cream cheese and marmalade are good, and combine effectively with round white bread sandwiches, with a blend of tuna fish and mayonnaise between them. Very thin, dainty slices of an unusual bread are excellent for plain bread and butter sandwiches.

An assortment of dark and light cookies, and very small cakes provide the sweet touch for your menu. And tea you must have, of course. Tea, when properly made, is one of the most invigorating drinks you can serve. It is most important, especially when making tea for a group, to measure the amount of tea used and to brew it just long enough and not too long in order to insure its best fragrance and tang. (Three to five minutes is generally conceded to be just about right brewing time.)

### Bishop's Bread.

(Makes 1 loaf)

- 3 eggs
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups nut meats (broken)
- 1 cup dates (sliced)
- 1 cup Maraschino cherries
- 1/4 pound sweet or semi-sweet chocolate

Beat eggs until light, and add the sugar, beating just enough to mix. Sift flour, baking powder and salt and add the nuts, dates, cherries and chocolate which has been broken into pieces about the size of a five-cent piece. Add to the first mixture, and mix just enough to blend the ingredients. Grease a bread loaf pan thoroughly and line the bottom with wax paper. Grease paper and pour in the batter. Bake in a moderately slow oven (325 degrees) for about 1 1/2 hours. Cool and slice very thin.

### Butter Ovals.

(Makes 30 small cookies)

- 1/2 cup butter
- 3 tablespoons superfine powdered sugar
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup nut meats (broken)
- Cream butter, add powdered sugar and blend well. Add flour slowly and mix thoroughly. Fold in nut meats. Shape into small crescent shaped rolls about the size of a small finger. Place on greased baking sheet and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for approximately 20 minutes. Roll in powdered sugar while warm.

### Little Swedish Tea Cakes.

- 1 cup butter
  - 1/2 cup sugar
  - 1 egg
  - 2 cups cake flour
  - 1/4 teaspoon salt
  - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Cream butter and add sugar slowly. Cream well. Add well-beaten egg and blend. Sift flour once before measuring and then sift again with salt. Add and blend in flavor-

ing. Place a rounded teaspoonful of batter in very small greased muffin tins (1 1/2 inches in diameter). Press batter up sides and over bottom so that there is a hollow in the center. Fill this hollow with an almond filling (about 1 teaspoonful).

- ### Almond Filling.
- 2 eggs
  - 1/2 cup sugar
  - 1/4 teaspoon salt
  - 1/2 pound finely ground almonds
- Beat eggs until very light and add sugar, salt, and ground almonds which have been put through food chopper twice. Bake 30 minutes in a slow moderate oven (325 degrees).

### Black Walnut Bread.

(Makes 1 loaf)

- 1 cup milk
  - 1 cup sugar
  - 1 cup black walnuts (rolled fine)
  - 3 cups flour
  - 3 teaspoons baking powder
- Combine milk, sugar and walnuts. Sift flour and baking powder together, and blend with the first mixture. Pour batter into small, greased bread pan. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for 60 to 70 minutes.

### Dream Bars.

(Serves 6-8)

- 1 1/4 cups flour
- 1 1/2 cups brown sugar
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 2 eggs (well beaten)
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup coconut

Mix 1 cup flour with 2 tablespoons brown sugar. Cut in butter. Pat into greased square pan and bake 10 minutes in a moderate oven (350 degrees). Add baking powder to remaining 1/4 cup flour and sift. Beat eggs and add the remain-

ing 1 1/4 cups brown sugar, beating thoroughly. Then add the flour and the vanilla extract. Spread this mixture over the partially baked bottom and flour mixture. Sprinkle with coconut, return to oven, and continue baking approximately 25 minutes longer.

### English Currant Bread.

- 2 cups bread flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3/4 cup currants
- 1/2 cup pecans or other nut meats (broken)
- 1 egg (well beaten)
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon orange rind (grated)
- 1 teaspoon orange juice

Sift all dry ingredients together. Cut in shortening. Add currants and nut meats. Combine egg and milk and add to first mixture. Add orange juice and rind. Mix well. Place in well-greased loaf pan. Bake in moderately hot oven (400 degrees) 40 to 45 minutes.

### Strawberry Jam Gems.

- 2 cups general purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 cup shortening
- 3/4 cup milk
- Strawberry preserves

Sift all dry ingredients and blend in shortening. Add liquid and knead lightly for a few seconds. Form small biscuits with finger tips as for yeast dough mixtures. Make small indentation with spoon and put 1 teaspoon strawberry preserves in each indentation. Stretch dough over opening and place in greased muffin tins. Bake in hot oven (450 degrees) until brown. Serve hot like biscuits.

### On the Refreshment Committee?

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## AN HONEST MAN

By JOHN K. DUGHMAN  
(McClure Syndicate—WNU Service.)

UNDOUBTEDLY there were others in Public square as broke and hungry as Johnny Born, but not one on the benches was so hunched up and downcast, so tormented with regret for opportunity tossed carelessly aside. Nor was any as homesick as the youth who had come to conquer Cleveland in a few years and had been conquered in less than a week.

He glanced at the odd bits of humanity about him; at the oft-read, crumpled newspapers on the benches.

The green grass of the park reminded him of the green pastures of his old home back in Wisconsin. If he had only listened to his widowed mother—stayed on the small though profitable farm—beat down the impossible dreams of becoming a millionaire and remembered the sweetness of Dorothy's laughing, teasing lips—the movies three nights a week, with a cool drink and a plate of home-made ice-cream at George's afterwards—hay-wagon parties, barn dances.

What an ass he'd been—passing up everything that made for happiness—Dorothy's eyes, clear and shining; cheeks like June roses; lips sweet and eager for his shy kisses—his mother's loving adoration—his sister's good-natured teasing—the welcoming bark of old Rover. Why, the farm was his heritage! And he'd sold it for a mess of pottage.

A smartly attired middle-aged lady, leading a blue-blooded Peking, hurried by as if fearing her pet would be contaminated by the knights of the bench. Johnny half turned his head to gaze at the well-dressed stranger seating himself nearby. When his gaze returned to the sidewalk the lady and her dog had disappeared.

Johnny was far more hungry than he had ever been in his life. He was about to forget his pride, and ask the well dressed stranger for a coin, when his roving eyes opened wide, stared for a moment, then gleamed brightly. Springing to his feet he snatched up hurriedly the black leather purse lying on the pavement.

For several minutes after resuming his seat, Johnny turned the purse over and over in his trembling hands.

It was an expensive affair. He had noticed the lady with the dog, carrying it not so long ago.

He looked fearfully in the direction the lady had gone—she might have discovered her loss and return.

The heaviness of the purse's contents created considerable hope within Johnny's heart. His tired eyes looked across the street—"Full Course Roast Chicken Dinner, One Dollar." What he could do to a roast chicken!

Praying that he might not be too badly disappointed, Johnny opened the purse, with trembling, clumsy fingers. He was almost afraid to look. A powder puff first met his gaze. Desperate fingers pushed it aside. His heart seemed to stop as he made the discovery that the purse was devoid of money. Not even a dime nor a penny rewarded his search. For a moment Johnny was tempted to toss the purse in a convenient refuse can. If he had known more about the value of purses he would have hid himself to a pawn shop. But being a not too worldly wise youth from the country, he remained dejectedly on the bench.

Hope dies hard within the human breast. After his eyes had reverted to the sign across the street, for the five-hundredth time that morning, Johnny opened the purse again. His breath came heavily. His fingers discovered a small compartment he had previously failed to see. His eyes were the size of saucers a moment later. He was holding in the palm of his hand three handsome rings—the brilliance of their settings dazzled him. He didn't know much about the value of diamonds, but he knew the three rings must be worth much money.

A pawn broker's sign caught his eyes. He rose hastily. A clock in the distance was striking twelve. It was time that he filled the aching void in his midsection with roast chicken.

A lump rose in his throat. The hand on his shoulder seemed to be choking him. He turned his head, to meet stern steel gray eyes. The stranger he had noticed before was at his side.

Desperately Johnny forced his eyes to leave the sign on the other side of the street. He tightened up his belt another notch.

"Let's see those rings." It took three minutes for Johnny's hand to sway about, find a pocket, and finally emerge with the rings. The stranger appraised them with experienced eyes.

"What are you going to do with them?" Johnny was so hungry he felt as if he would faint unless he ate soon. "Pawn them, and then eat," he confessed.

The stranger's handsome face became almost sad. "But that wouldn't be honest, son," he said sorrowfully. "You would be a thief. Those rings would likely bring about your arrest. You

can't pawn stuff like this nowadays and get away with it. Being crooked never pays. Look at Lincoln. There was a square guy and look what he got to be. Just think, he once walked twenty miles—maybe it was fifteen—to return six cents—Maybe it was three."

Johnny's stomach thumped at his brain. His eyes returned to the sign across the street. He hoped the chicken was roasted well.

"What would you do with the rings?" he asked the stranger.

"Return them."

"But how?"

Johnny's companion took the purse into his hands. His deft fingers extracted a card.

"Mrs. Will Lexington, Cleveland hotel," he read aloud. "That is where I am stopping. I know Mrs. Lexington well."

Johnny regretfully brought his eyes away from the roast chicken sign. He gave his belt a vicious tug.

"Would you return the purse and the rings for me?" He glanced at his wrinkled clothes and dusty shoes. "They wouldn't let me in a swell hotel."

The stranger hesitated momentarily, then he reached into his pocket. He pressed a twenty dollar bill into Johnny's hand.

"On behalf of Mrs. Lexington I want to reward you for your honesty. I am sure she would want me to do this."

Johnny tried to say he didn't need to be rewarded for doing what was right, but when he had recovered his wits the stranger had gone.

At two fourteen, his stomach swelling with roast chicken, Johnny, on the Chicago express, pulled out of the Union station, bound for Wisconsin and home.

Shortly afterwards a dapper, well dressed man jauntily entered Cohen and Silverman's Superior avenue pawn shop.

He shook hands heartily with Moe Cohen, then deposited three rings in the elderly Jew's smooth, white hand.

"My grandmother kicked off, Moe. How much for these babies?"

Moe's dark, velvety eyes sparkled. He reached for his check book.

"One grand," he said.

### Even Bathing Beaches Can Be Safe From Lightning

Engineers will complete a 20-year study of lightning this year. What have they found? They are still uncertain as to what causes the storms but they are able to make any structure safe from lightning damage.

Here is how Dr. K. B. McEachron of the lightning research department of the General Electric company sums up the results:

"We are able today to make any structure safe from lightning damage. Open land, like bathing beaches, also may be made safe with lightning masts, and ammunition dumps, which unfortunately are becoming more important, may be made proof against the bolts."

The theory of lightning now accepted is that moisture in a column of warm, rising air condenses when it reaches the cool upper strata and forms heavy drops. These fall back through the rising column and become so unwieldy that they are shattered into droplets again and the process begins once more.

As the drops are shattered, electricity is generated and stored in clouds—the positive electricity at the top and the negative in the lower part. When sufficient tension is attained a lightning flash results.

Fireballs, however, which many persons insist they have seen, may not even exist, according to the scientists. The human eye is too uncertain to believe, they say. They add that for centuries everybody "saw" lightning flash down from the sky, but now modern instruments have proved that it strikes up with the greater force.

For every unit of electricity in a thunder cloud, the scientists say, there is a mate of the opposite sign in the earth beneath it. These charges follow the cloud like a shadow and when the tension becomes great enough, the flashes shoot either up or down.

It is because of this affinity that persons in open spaces are electrocuted so often. The electricity climbs through the person's body until he is saturated with earth current—then he is the jumping off place for the discharge.

Although most persons think of lightning in terms of destruction, Dr. McEachron says that the 20-year study shows it does one good thing for mankind.

"Lightning," he says, "is not a complete waste of natural energy. Thunderstorms are in reality great outdoor nitrogen-fixing plants. They fertilize the soil with 100,000,000 tons of nitric acid a year, thus adding to the fertility of the earth."

### American Fashion Trend

Due to American resentment against some recent Paris styles, clothiers are now making consumer opinion surveys before issuing new lines of fashions. One of the first completed revealed that 87.5 per cent of men prefer rubber heels to leather. Since heretofore only 60 per cent of men's new shoes have been equipped with rubber heels, a change in shoe styles is forecast, as rubber heels now cost the manufacturer about 40 per cent less than leather and give longer wear.

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### AROUND THE HOUSE

Never serve food in a dish that is too large for amount of food served. It detracts from the appearance of your table.

A paste made of scouring powder moistened with ammonia will remove unsightly stains on brass trays. Apply paste, remove when dry, then polish tray.

Mix grated or chopped carrots into apple and other fruit salads. They will add to delicious crunchiness.

For whiter mashed potatoes or boiled rice, add a pinch of cream of tartar to the cooking water.

To remove whitewash from a ceiling, dissolve one pound of alum in one gallon of strong vinegar. Apply with brush, let soak in well and scrape and wash as usual.

Moisture in the refrigerator encourages the growth of bacteria, causing food to spoil. Wipe off all moisture inside the refrigerator and be careful to remove spoiled foods.

### Ask Me Another

A General Quiz

#### The Questions

1. Who delivered the famous orations first called philippics?
2. What is the longest verse in the Bible? The shortest?
3. For what people is Suomi another name?
4. What is the slop chest on a merchant ship?
5. In how many states are women permitted to serve on juries?
6. What is the term for a person who is always telling you his troubles and finds no pleasure in life?
7. In what country were Arabic numerals first used?
8. Can sailboats travel faster than the wind?

#### The Answers

1. Demosthenes (his orations denouncing Philip of Macedon).
2. Longest, Esther 8:9. Shortest, St. John 11:35.
3. Suomi is another name for the Finns.
4. The store of clothing, for issue to the crew.
5. In 24 states and the District of Columbia women are permitted to serve on juries.
6. The technical name is anhedonist. Commonly he is called a grouch.
7. India.
8. Light racing sailboats can be made to travel about 50 per cent faster than the wind at a certain angle to it.

### Strange Facts

To Religious Liberty  
Rat Digests Steel  
Sans Railway, Hotel

Standing in Fairmount park, Philadelphia, is one of the few statues in the United States that symbolize and are dedicated to religious liberty. It was given to the American people in 1876 by the B'nai B'rith, the famous international Jewish organization.

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British Somaliland, a protectorate since 1884, with an area of 68,000 square miles and a population of 350,000, still does not have a railway, hotel, bank or European hospital.—Collier's.



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