

WOMAN'S SECTION OF THE BEE

Still seems it strange, that thou shouldst live for ever,
It is less strange, that thou shouldst live at all?
This is a miracle, and that no more.
—Young

Be good, sweet maid, and let who will be clever;
Do noble things, not dream them, all day long;
And so make life, death, and that vast forever
One grand, sweet song.—Kingsley.

A Boomerang that Must Be Met

Investigations Only Cost Money and Reduce Food Prices Not At All.

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

"Girls will be girls," a United States senator said to me the other day with an amused chortle. At the same time he handed me a letter from a lady demanding a congressional inquiry into the high cost of living.

The letter stated that the writer had been recently enfranchised and as a voter she wished to have the impossible prices of the necessities of life investigated.

I read the letter, which seemed reasonable enough to have escaped the senator's fling at the sex. Then the signature caught my eye, and I joined him in the chortle.

The letter was from a lady who had worked early and late to defeat woman suffrage. While conscientiously repeating the parrot formula of the disgruntled sisterhood that "suffrage would take woman from the home and cause her children to be neglected," this anti-suffrage Mrs. Jellyby was seldom to be found at her own hearthstone.

Stoutly maintaining that she remained away from her own sacred precincts only to compel other women to keep to theirs—the habit seemed to grow upon her, and it was a red-letter morning indeed when Mr. Jellyby drank his breakfast coffee opposite Mrs. Jellyby.

Many is the time I have seen this good lady in the senate gallery reserved for anti-suffragists—a pink rose pinned to her bosom—gazing down admiringly on the junior senator from New York, who was similarly garished. But that is all over now, and the pale pink dog-in-the-manger rose is not as popular as it used to be. And behold the first to leave the sinking anti-suffrage ship is the lady who demands an investigation of the high cost of living, now that the new order is practically established.

Well, as the senator said, "Girls will be girls."

In the meantime, we women have been promised a congressional investigation into the high cost of living. A good many of us are feeling "fed up" on this kind of tea party. We recall so many investigations that began with the beating of tom-toms, and the boom and crash of oratory, and concluded with a little futurist whitewashing of all parties concerned, that we are not losing any sleep over the pending investigation.

Women feel, however, that at last they hold the medicine in their own hands; they are able to vote, and common sense indicates that they will not vote for men who are indifferent to their interests. Women are more difficult to deceive than men in regard to the high cost of living.

Most women spend their lives in petty economies; they don't at all mind walking a block or two to save a couple of coppers. And in the way of making over clothes, economic camouflage is second nature to them—they won't stand too much "bunkum" about the cost of production, etc.

Easier to Fool All the Men.

It may be comparatively easy to fool all the men all the time about the cost of food. Men, as shoppers, have always helped to fill the joke column. But it's different with women; they have been trained in too hard a school; you can't fool all the women all the time about the cost of food and the other necessities of life.

It will be highly interesting to watch what this latest of investigations will develop. Food producers describe the beggarly margin of their profits, their bare living wage, their struggle with labor; the martyrdom of selling round steak at 55 and 60 cents a pound, cheese at 45 cents a pound and butter at 70. But one never hears of any of the big packers quitting. They seem to scrape along, earning a beggarly profit of a score of millions or so annually, and continue to complain of the ingratitude of the public.

It will be interesting to see if the recently acquired political power of women will produce an investigation that will really investigate. In the meantime, whether the investigation is productive of actual results, or only futurist whitewashing, the food producer has been unwittingly hurling boomerangs at his business, along with his high prices.

The cost of meat has been so tremendous that many people have learned to do without it, or are eating it in ever lessening quantities. Furthermore, they find they are just as well off without meat, and there is ample medical authority to back them up in their economy. Diabetes, Bright's disease, rheumatism and high blood pressure are less prevalent among the spare meat eaters than among those in the habit of eating it two or three times a day.

The Value of Meat Substitutes.

When round steak soared to 50 and 60 cents a pound, and even the humble frankfurter commanded 35 and 40, women throughout the country turned their attention to meat substitutes. As a nation we have never been very skillful in preparing these dishes, until the tremendous

Pearls Are Now the Favorite Society Jewel

The Enormous Increase in Their Sale in This Country Reflects the Preference of American Women

American women have set the stamp of approval on the pearl as the jewel de luxe. Dealers in precious stones report a tremendous increase in their importation, and in some cases \$100,000 has been offered for one perfect specimen.

War-stricken Europe has been forced to send many of its choice pearls to this country to obtain much needed cash for the stern necessities of life, and the wives of rich Americans are taking advantage of the opportunity.

Perhaps the pearl owes some of its popularity to the fact that it must be worn to preserve its lustre. Strange to say, if laid away for a long time it loses its wonderful sheen.

In Europe the queen of Roumania has long been envied for her pearls, and among American women the pearls of Mrs. William B. Leeds rank among the finest known.



Mrs. William B. Leeds and the queen of Roumania, whose pearls are among the finest.

cost of meat forced us to learn. We have never understood the culinary value of cheese, rice, milk, eggs, tomatoes and other vegetables the way that the Latin countries have understood them.

But the war gave us a shove in the right direction; we rolled up our sleeves and learned to make macaroni with the skill of Italians and yellow rice with the understanding of Spaniards. The women's magazines and the women's pages of our better dailies took things in hand and taught women how to prepare palatable and nutritious food without meat.

The Agricultural department did valiant work, too, with their pamphlets dealing with "The One Dish Dinner," even when housewives did not strictly adhere to the one dish, but helped out their soup and a salad or a dessert.

And now, in the words of belligerent school children, many housewives find themselves saying to the packers: "We can do without your old meat." This is the boomerang that will still confront the producer, whichever way the cat of investigation jumps.

Pins were first used in England in 1543, before which time the women used "skewers."

To Give Harp Concert



Lydia Ball

An artist of the harp, Miss Lydia Ball will give a concert Thursday afternoon at the studio of Miss Lucretia De Lone, who is her instructor. Miss Ball has been studying six months but her exceptional talent has won immediate recognition in musical circles.

The Meal One Eats Alone

The solitary meal that is taken in a public eating place must be eaten in the conventional way, and because there are almost always others eating, if not with one, at the same time at least and in visible company, is perhaps not quite so lonely as the meal eaten alone in one's apartment or little housekeeping rooms.

But the solitary meal, eaten in the place one calls home—even if temporary—needs all the pleasant touches to make it an enjoyable one. Because one is alone is no reason why one should content one's self with odds and ends of food, cold or unappetizing. Indeed, if such a course, if regularly pursued, will mean ill-health as well as a little depression.

On the other hand, the solitary meal is the place where one can indulge one's self in any fad or fancy, no matter how unconventional. One can make a supper of cereal and milk or can eat vegetables for breakfast, if one pleases. A meal alone is certainly the time to choose food experiments, or diet, if one fancies such a course.

However, if a little planning is done—say a week ahead—hot meals of palatable nourishing food can be managed without a great deal of trouble if the meal has to come at the end of a long, busy day's work. Hot soups, that aid the digestion of a meal so much if taken first, come in cans ready to heat in five minutes. By adding milk, rice, macaroni or vegetables, these can be varied and made almost a meal in themselves. Eggs, which are so substantial a food, are easy to cook quickly in half a dozen different ways and every delicatessen nearly can supply hot as well as cold cooked foods.

But the chief thing to manage at any meal for one is a pleasant atmosphere. Clean, dainty linen, pretty china and something green or gay in a vase to look at, are just as important for one person as a dozen people.

Some social folk feel so lonely when eating by themselves that they read to forget it. Reading while eating is quite an art, but if it enable one to eat slowly in an agreeable frame of mind it may be an aid rather than a hindrance to digestion, for lonely eating causes some people to "bolt" their food to get the meal over with. Needless to say, an exciting book is better read some other place. The pleasant or funny bit of reading is the best choice for reading undertaken at a meal. There are some people, too, who enjoy music at a home meal as much as they do in a restaurant, and they like to play over their favorites on a phonograph while they eat.

But, after all, the solitary meal is the time when one can relax and eat what one wants to, where one wants to in the way one wants to.

The New Blouses.

The shops are really alluring in their display of the new over-blouses in fabrics and styles suitable for summer wear. It is perhaps an interesting thing that wash fabrics have been made to serve so admirably for these blouses—for there was a time when it seemed that only chiffon and georgette and soft crepe would do for them.

But now linen, organdie, batiste, rai—lots of rai—too, which is another of those interesting evidences of a return to favor of a fabric or style that has seemingly gone by—all these and other summer fabrics, heavy, homespun, crashlike looking things, are used for the over-blouse.

One thing that marks many of the blouses is little tassels and hanging buttons and fringe. There are all sorts of these pendant decorations, from sleeve ends and hems and just hanging down from any other part of the blouse itself.

The custom of throwing an old shoe after a bride is quite misapplied when it is done by her companions for luck. According to the spirit of the ceremony, which is of very ancient origin, it should be

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- Nearly all the states have adopted an official flower, and in those that have not the question is up for discussion. The flowers by states follow. Cut this out and paste it in your scrapbook.
- Arizona, Giant Cactus.
 - Arkansas, Apple Blossom.
 - California, Golden Poppy.
 - Colorado, Blue Columbine.
 - Connecticut, Mountain Laurel.
 - Delaware, Peach Blossom.
 - Florida, Orange Blossom.
 - Georgia, Cherokee Rose.
 - Idaho, Syringa.
 - Illinois, Violet.
 - Indiana, Carnation.
 - Iowa, Wild Rose.
 - Kansas, Sunflower.
 - Kentucky, Trumpet Vine.
 - Louisiana, Magnolia.
 - Maine, Pine Cone and Tassel.
 - Massachusetts, Mayflower.
 - Michigan, Apple Blossom.
 - Montana, Bitter Root.
 - Nebraska, Golden Rod.
 - Nevada, Sage Brush.
 - New Mexico, Cactus.
 - New York, Rose.
 - North Carolina, Daisy.
 - North Dakota, Wild Prairie Rose.
 - Ohio, Scarlet Carnation.
 - Oklahoma, Mistletoe.
 - Oregon, Oregon Grape.
 - Rhode Island, Violet.
 - South Dakota, Pasque Flower.
 - Texas, Blue Bonnet.
 - Utah, Segoe Lily.
 - Washington, Rhododendron.
 - West Virginia, Indian Paint Brush.
 - Wisconsin, Violet.
 - Wyoming, Indian Paint Brush.

Reduced His Weight

A President's Experience

Overstout men and women who have tried various methods for reducing weight without success will be interested in the discovery made by Mr. C. D. Stevens, President of Muskegon Boiler Works.

This gentleman found that his weight was becoming burdensome. It was seriously interfering with his health and business efficiency.

Happening to learn of a certain oil, he obtained some at a drug store and began using it while following simple rules. To his surprise and delight, his weight began to reduce gradually until in less than three months he had lost 35 pounds.

Mr. Stevens felt better every day and now he expresses great satisfaction at having gotten rid of the superfluous flesh. Many others, men and women, are following the korein system, which has seven simple rules and includes oil of korein, a safe, wholesome treatment. No thyroid, no salts or calomel, no tedious exercise, no starvation self-treatment for over-tousness.

The oil of korein is now obtained at busy drug stores everywhere. Each bottle has a guarantee that weight will be reduced 10 to 60 lbs., or more, or money refunded after fair test. A brochure will be mailed free if you write to Korein Co., 211-65, Station F, New York. Show others this advertisement.—Adv.

The president says that he is a bit alarmed at the number of speeches he has in his system, undelivered. Usually the alarm begins after the speeches are out.

The prince of Wales is going to improve housing conditions on his

ducial estates. It appears that he has tried to rent a house a few months ago and now knows how it is himself.

Either a child or a nation that is bribed to be good will a bigger bribe next time.

New Street Car Fares

On and after **SUNDAY, AUGUST 10th**, the following rates of fare will be in effect in Omaha:

CASH FARE - - - - 7c
TICKET FARE - - 4 for 25c (Adults)
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CHILDREN'S TICKETS 10 for 50c (School Tickets)

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