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WIFE SAVERS

By Mrs. Mary Morton

Use a wire potato masher to mix the lard and flour when making pie crust.

Iron a starched ruffle flat; then, after removing the needle and shuttle from your sewing machine, adjust the ruffler attachment and run the hem end of the ruffle through, using the long gauge for the ruffler. Your waist ruffle will look as good as new.

So many women make such a lug-aboo of entertaining guests. They clean their homes for days ahead in anticipation of a little "company." They wear themselves and their families out worrying about menus, etc. DON'T DO IT! If your home is reasonably clean and your food well cooked the guest will enjoy both much more than if you were a nervous and physical wreck from the preparations you had been making. A loving welcome, simple, well cooked food that does not take too much time and energy in preparation—a pitcher of milk and a box of crackers if necessary, but served royally—and your guests will have the memory of a happy visit behind them. Very few people go to the homes of their friends with critical eyes. Few will peek and pry into closets and drawers to see if everything is in apple pie order. If they do they are not desirable friends to have and the sooner the intimacy is ended the better it will be for you. But a happy home atmosphere they will appreciate, and the feeling that you really want them and are glad they are with you.

This is a recipe for a good and inexpensive hand lotion that it would be well to file away for future use: Have your druggist compound in proper proportions 25 cents' worth of glycerine, rose-water and benzoin. Strain the juice of two lemons and add one-half pint (one cup) boiling water. When cooled add the mixture of glycerine, rosewater and benzoin, mix thoroughly and bottle. When making quince jelly next summer save and dry the quince seeds. When making the above lotion boil a small handful of the seeds in the half a pint of water before putting in the lemon juice and adding to the first mixture. This preparation will soften the skin, prevent chapping, and will not injure any fabric with which it may come in contact.

Apple Doughnuts—Pare and core six cooking apples and slice them into even rounds. Beat the whites of three large eggs together, sweeten with sugar, add a pinch of salt, a little flour, and enough water to bring the

mixture to the consistency of thick cream. Dip the slices of apple into it and fry them in boiling fat until they are crisp, puffy and brown. Then drain on paper and roll in powdered sugar. Serve hot.

Most head vegetables, as cabbage, cauliflower, head lettuce and artichokes, will keep better if the ends of the center stem, but not the leaves, is placed in water. If the water gets up into the leaves it will make them rot. Head lettuce, if kept in a little shallow fresh water, will even grow a bit. Leaf vegetables, such as spinach, leaf lettuce, cress, parsley, etc., keep best in a dark, damp place. If they are well sprinkled with cold water and covered in a paper sack or glass jar, or if the ends of the stems are placed in moist earth or a little water, they keep best. Stem vegetables—chard, celery, rhubarb—must also be kept moist. All sorts of root vegetables keep better if a little dirt is allowed to cling to the roots and some of the top is left on. This helps to keep them from drying out. Sweet potatoes will keep a long time in cool, dry sand, and Irish potatoes will not sprout so much in the spring if they are placed on charcoal, it is said.

Hand-woven fabrics are as interesting to hang on the wall as a tapestry. A bit of Chinese embroidery is attractive, especially.

To clean a dirty oil mop, dip well in hot water to which has been added ammonia and a little washing powder.

If your hot water bottle tears or leaks and you cannot or do not care to buy another immediately, put a piece of adhesive tape over the break and substitute hot salt inside instead of hot water, fastening as usual. Wrap the bag in a towel, and it will hold the heat for several hours.

When a meal is unavoidably delayed and one wants to keep the food for a little while without its becoming soggy or dry, set the plate on a pan of hot water in the oven and cover it with another plate. Mashed potatoes, rice and most kinds of cereal foods, if kept on the top of the stove, are apt to scorch on the bottom and dry on the top, but if the vessel containing them is placed on another containing hot water they will keep nicely for some time. A little steamer fitted down into the top of the teakettle makes an excellent place to keep small quantities of things warm. If you have taken up your vegetables and meats into the dishes and your dinner is then delayed, set all your dishes in a pan of hot water and cover them.

believe the Beaneaters present a much more formidable batting array this year as the result of the trade which sent Ray Powell and Horace Ford to the Phillies for Cotton Tierney. Tierney is a much stronger batter than Ford. In addition to this move, the acquisition of Bancroft gave the club another .300 hitter. Beauty Dave ran four points above that last season.

The St. Louis Browns have put the once over on a pitcher named Milton Hyland from New Britain, Conn. Hyland is credited with striking out 71 batters in a string of five games last season.

SPOTLIGHTS ON SPORT

by JACK KEENE

Sing a song of rookies,
Full of vim and pep,
Laboring in the southland
Just to make a rep.
When the season opens
Bosses start to out.
Rookies tell the home folks
"I'd be there yet, but —"

Howie Bracken, the young college infielder given a tryout by the Brooklyn Dodgers, has departed, but you can bet the income tax blank you spotted that he will be back with the Brooklyn team next spring. Bracken showed plenty of promise. He has not completed his studies at the University of Florida, however, and so has gone back there.

Jim Sullivan, now a member of the Indians' pitching staff and formerly with Connie Mack's Athletics, opines that Cornelius McGillicuddy can attribute his failure to rebuild a great machine to his "good fellow" attitude toward his players. Connie is too easy with his men, Sullivan says, and they take advantage of it. This is interesting and new. Connie does treat his players kindly and courteously. He makes it a point, however, not to retain any players who can't give their best with that kind of treatment.

There may or may not be any significance to the fact that Pacific coast insurance companies asked a higher premium rate on policies for umpires than they demanded on those filled out for the ball players themselves.

Once more we have Ty Cobb picking his successor in center field. This time it is Heinie Manush. According to the present dope, Manush is to start the season in left, with Cobb in center and Hellmann in right. When Cobb is ready to retire Manush is to shift to center—the position he plays best—and "Red" Wingo will succeed him in left.

Hellmann probably will continue to play right as long as he manages to lead the league in batting.

Kansas City now boasts of a submarine hurler. Manager Good is trying out Pitcher Lundquist, a youngster with an underhand fast ball that is mean—when he gets it over. Wildness seems to handicap him, however. He was with Salt Lake for a time last season, but couldn't locate the plate often enough. Lundquist is a Los Angeles product, 25, stands 6 feet 2 inches and weighs 220 pounds.

Art Griggs, former first sacker of the Browns and Indians, has taken over the reins of the Omaha Western league club, laid down by Ed Konetchy. Omaha obtained Griggs from San Francisco for the neat little item of \$4000. Konetchy is now manager of Petersburg in the Virginia league.

Members of the Boating Braves, unlimbering at St. Petersburg, Fla.,

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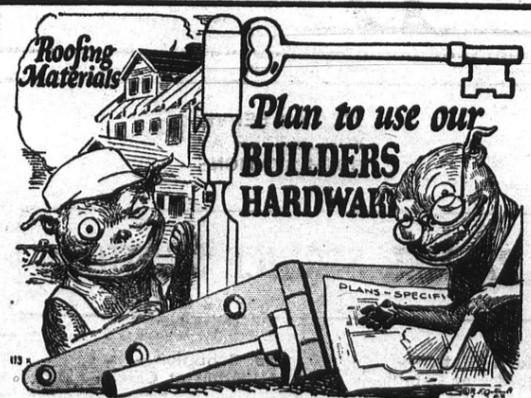
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