

MARYSVILLE SHOPPING PAGE

Of Interest to Women

DINNER PARTIES

Who is Served First?

The lady guest of honor should be served first. The smart hostess never permits herself to be served first.

At a dinner of six, one servant is enough for each serving. The host sits at one end of the table and the hostess at the other. After the lady of honor is served, the servant proceeds around the table, serving each guest in turn. While there is no hard and fast rule, the service usually is around the table towards the left. Alternate servings, however, may be towards the right, so that the same person is not served last each time.

Treat All Guests Alike

As a hostess, you should never show any preference towards one or more of your guests. All should receive from you the same cordial attention.

At dinner, keep the conversation animated. If it stops at any section of the table, start it again with some remark. A dinner where the talk is "slow" is a dull affair.

Be sure to talk to your neighbor at either side. If you dislike one of them do not let that prevent you from talking. For the sake of your hostess, you must be polite to those sitting beside you and to all other guests.

Entertaining Your Guests

The best entertainment for your guests after dinner is bridge or some other card game. If your guests like to dance, take up the rugs and play the phonograph or turn on the radio.

or, if some guest plays the piano, you may ask him to play for you. Any of your guests who are able in any way, should be invited to entertain. This form of amusement never fails to please and it passes the time enjoyably.

Do not have too many guests for the size of the dining room. Crowding is almost certain to take away some of the pleasure of the occasion. The dining room should be fairly cool, not over seventy degrees. Have the room well ventilated without drafts.

Have your dinner move along briskly, avoiding delays between courses, but without obvious hurrying. Be sure not to remove a guest's plate before the guest has finished the course.

If you have a maid to do the serving, teach her carefully just what her duties are. Mistakes are likely to be embarrassing to you as well as to the guests.

Faded Pickles

A very bright green color may come from using the wrong kind of vinegar or from cooking the pickles in a copper saucepan. Blackness is the result of excess iron in the water. White or opaque blotches show that the pickles have not been cured perfectly in the brine. Bleached pickles are caused by the strong vinegar. Many cooks place layers of fresh green grape or cherry leaves between the layers of cucumbers to help preserve the natural green color.

Nine Day Sweet Pickles

This is one of the most popular of pickle recipes and may be varied to suit individual tastes.

Four quarts of small cucumbers or gherkins as preferred. Place in a crock and cover with brine strong enough to bear an egg. Let stand three days. Drain and cover with clear cold water; let soak three days, changing the water each day. Then drain and cover with a cold weak solution of vinegar and water to which has been added a piece of alum the size of a small walnut. Gradually bring to boiling point and simmer for 1½ hours. Then drain and discard the vinegar. Place the pickles in a crock. Cover with the following syrup:

1½ to 2½ pounds of sugar, depending of sweetness desired.

1 ounce cinnamon buds.

1 ounce whole pickling spice

1 ounce celery seed

3 pints white or cider vinegar

Boil this mixture for about 15 minutes—slowly—to bring out the flavor of the spices, then pour over pickles.

Pour this mixture off the pickles and heat to scalding point, then pour again over the pickles on each day for three days. The pickles keep best in air-tight fruit jars, although they are sometimes stored in crocks.

Variations of 9 Day Sweet Pickles

Instead of the cinnamon buds, whole spice and celery seed, use two ounces only of mixed pickling spice.

Brown sugar lends a slightly different—and quite appetizing flavor. Use 2 to 2½ pounds, according to sweetness desired.

If desired, one may use equal quantities of small cucumbers or gherkins, with cauliflower cut in small flower-lets, and small pickling onions, to make four quarts in all. Then proceed as directed in recipe.

A pickle that resembles a well-known product on the market, is made by following the Nine Day Sweet Pickle recipe, but tying the spices in a bag before heating in the vinegar. The bag of spices is removed before bottling the pickles. These retain their natural color. Use granulated sugar for this clear pickle.

SCHACHT WARNS "JEW BAITERS"

BERLIN, Sept. 18—Dr. Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, made a gesture toward repairing his rift with Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, another powerful Nazi leader, by opening the columns of his newspaper to an interview with the Reichbank President.

In a quiet way Schacht, through Goebbels' own newspaper, Der Angriff, drove home the point that Goebbels had censured many points from his recent Koenigsberg speech in which 'schacht warned "Jew baiters" were hurting Germany's business.

Woodlands Prentice Boys Hold Meeting and Elect Officers

A number of 'Prentice Boys from Gibson Lodge No. 37, Devon, motored to Woodlands Tuesday evening and attended the annual meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 57. During the election of officers the meeting was presided over by Gordon Israel the Master of No. 37. The officers elected were as follows:

I. P. M., Alton Ashfield; W. M., Kenneth Boone; D. M., Earl Saunders; Chaplain, Fred Evans; Fin. Sec., David Kale; Rec.-Sec., Bert Jeffrey; Treasurer, Hayward Boone; D. of C., R. Smith; I. T., G. Wilkins; O. T., M. Clowater; foreman of Com., B. Boone.

About midnight an intermission was declared while the members partook of refreshments prepared by several ladies of the community, after which the business was resumed. The visiting members each gave short addresses after which the meeting came to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

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