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## MOTHER-IN-LAW NOT GOOD EXCUSE

CONCORD, N. H., April 27—Deputy Police Chief Edward Silva passes along the prize story told by motorists seeking permits to buy gasoline.

A Concord man, Silva says, requested a gasoline order to take his mother-in-law to her home in Manchester. "She's been at my house two weeks now," he explained, "and between the good and her I'm slowly going crazy."

Silva offered his sympathy, but no permit. He explained that gasoline in the Granite State was being conserved for the use of relief workers, supply trucks and physicians.

## REWARD FOR BACHELORS

BERLIN, April 27—Germany's bridegrooms henceforth will receive Chancellor Hitler's book, "Mein Kampf," as a wedding present from the Government.

Minister of the Interior Wilhelm Frick sent a message instructing all Reich officials to stock up on the volume in order to comply with the new ruling.

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# CLEAN UP - PAINT UP and Make Your Garden Beautiful

## Of Interest to Women

### PAPER TOWELS SAVE MUCH LABOR

So many homemakers who are careful to save labor by having kitchens always up to date are faced with so many gadgets that oftentimes they throw up their hands and refuse to add another single one.

The idea of using paper towels, however, for the kitchen, is so simple and practical that many who have tried them are wondering how they ever did without such a handy work-saver.

Paper towels are useful in hundreds of ways. Spilled liquids can be wiped up in a jiffy. They are invaluable for wiping greasy pots and pans and draining bacon.

The most popular and efficient paper towels on the market are made of "thirsty fibre" cellulose.

Those who are particular about the

appearance and wear of dish cloths and tea towels can almost enjoy tidying up the stove, or the sink or the kitchen table with a paper towel, which needs no laundering and will take any abuse. A messy task? Zip! Just tear off a paper towel, do the job and discard.

The popular type of smart holder for paper towels is so adaptable that it will fit anywhere you wish—underneath a cupboard or sink board, on the side of a wall or table, vertically on the window frame or anywhere that will be easy to reach.

And speaking of being easy to reach—if you have healthy, rollicking children around, with hands that are always dirty, it is great economy to let them wipe their chubby fists on paper towels and give your fine cloth towels a break.

### CHECKED JACKETS ON DARK SKIRTS

Suits This Year Put Design on Top—Fitted Styles Most Popular, But Loose, Hip-Length Types Seen, Too

PARIS—Many smart new spring suits have dark, solid skirts and checked or plaid jackets.

Last year the situation was reversed and we saw dark jackets over plaid skirts. The new jackets are not too loud or giddy, as checks are small and the plaids are not too blatant. Many materials show graded and blended plaids, while in others the design is formed by broken lines, squares or diamonds.

There is considerable variety in the cut of the new jackets and coats. The classic, fitted jacket with exaggerated revers, padded or full shoulders and a two-button fastening is most popular. For a full, plump figure the deep V opening, fastening at a single button, is stressed, as it tends to give a longer more slimming line. The tailored jacket is a bit longer this year, extending to the hip bone. Some houses vary the length, making the jacket long in front and short and fitted in the back. Other houses fit the front of the jacket in two V shaped points which match the points on the revers.

The loose, hip-length jacket is almost as popular. In this case, the fullness is inserted under a flat, squared shoulder yoke. The back, naturally, is

fuller than the front, but the folds are so distributed that the entire jacket stands out from the skirt, giving a slenderizing effect to the hips.

The three-quarter length coat which was so popular for winter is seen rarely this spring. It is replaced by a fitted coat. Empire style, which flares from the waist to the knee-length hem.

### BREAKFAST SHOULD CONSIST OF HEARTY, APPETIZING DISHES

Little is said in these days about breakfasts. Great dishes for dinner sound more important, and delicacies for special luncheons or teas seem so much more interesting.

But do you not think that is because many think only of the meagre breakfast menu consisting of fruit juice, toast and coffee? This breakfast is more prevalent in America than I believe it should be in the interest of vitality and well-being. It may be suited to the life of luxury or the less strenuous routine of the

Continent. But for the energetic American there should be heavier fare, with dishes fully as appetizing as those planned for the luncheon.

That result can be had without greatly increasing the amount of food served at breakfast; for we no longer indulge in heavy morning meals. We may add substantially to the breakfast menu by including a portion of some dainty ham or marmalade, to be eaten with the hot buttered toast or muffins or pancakes. There is pleasure to be derived from the fruit

## GARDENS AND MORALS

The publisher was quite right. Being English, a garden was to him, a sacred place. That title would have been equally distasteful to most of us who are learning, year by year, the precious necessity of a garden. Murder in a garden would be as unbelievable as murder in a church, or at a shrine! For a garden serene and sure of its certain intimacy with the secrets of life, is the last place in the world for an exhibition of premeditated violence.

In fact all the human passions, brutal and cruel as can be conceived by mind of man, find an ameliorating influence in a garden. When you walk in a garden, wrapped in a happy dream of color and fragrance, you are conscious of a kindly feeling toward your dearest enemy.

A garden answers the very first laws of a definite morality, because it concerns itself with fundamentals. A garden breeds patience, hope, faith, perseverance, and love. You have to be patient in your love for a garden, you have to be devout in your faith; you have to be hopeful in your perseverance. None of the superficial gestures of a worldly wisdom bears grace in a garden.

I have a dear friend who proved recently that gardening is a distinctly moral occupation. She had owned a large estate in the East. She engaged the expensive and highly specialized services of a landscape artist, who surrounded her Colonial house with an impressive garden, formal and impersonal. He brought the flowers into the house and she arranged them in an equally formal and impersonal manner. But something happened: with the loss of most of her income and the large estate, she is tending a smaller and more personal garden herself. She wrote me saying, "I am bitten by a garden bug and have a well-developed case of garden rabies—

and love it. I have discovered a new world! I was growing hard-cold, and supercilious and now I am learning to be tender, warm, and gentle. I am learning how to live from my garden". Then she added, in a whimsical postscript, "Just think of the money I paid that landscape artist to increase his moral fiber".

She has realized that the making of a garden does open the door of a new world, that it does impart moral strength. I believe that making a successful garden requires a moral fiber second only to rearing a child and it is equally uncertain. The strength comes from your application to the job; that is why rearing children and making gardens are so valuable to human beings.

In the modern age of scepticism and sophistication perhaps it is rather mid-Victorian even to speak of morals. Yet there are certain fundamentals of the human soul that make for decency, civilization and culture—in the final analysis—for the foundation of morality. No other subject, except the weather, has been so widely discussed as morals. Mark Twain said: "Everybody talks about the weather but no one does anything about it". Today we have moments of despondency when we have no one is doing anything about morals. Despite the wide conversation and numerous books about morals, the common conception is rather vague.

It is curious how all these sterling and important virtues come to the person who makes a garden. Where, in this world of doubts, is the simple act of faith more inspiring and more stubborn than in the actual planting of a tiny seed? Where, in this impatient world, is the attribute of steady patience more assiduously applied than in the slow process of garden making? Truly, to make a successful garden is to practice every ethical virtue.

Most of us desire to be good citizens, to be assets instead of liabilities to our community; we want a working and vital part in the natural happiness of the world. But how to attain that desire? Today we are faced with many alien forces that distract our minds, many desperate problems that demand solutions. In order to live with any degree of happiness, we must build up a wall of personal resistance. It is impossible to live without a personal philosophy, it is our armor against the biting of an adverse world, it is our road to a contented life.

Women should be especially interested in the physical reward of garden making, as it is the best known method of reducing. As a melter of superfluous avoirdupois, gardening has no equal. It beats the unpleasant chore of dieting, and is far more pleasant than the Turkish bath. Not only will gardening restore that youthful willow wand feeling but it may even change your personality for the better. I have a charming sister-in-law to whom that very thing happened. She too was bitten by the gardening bug. Formerly she was a creature who adored the glamorous trinkets of femininity. On her birthdays, her husband was wont to ask her what she wanted for a present (you see he is a very nice husband). Usually she asked for a bracelet or some other luxurious gadget so dear to a woman's heart. But since she has the gardening fever she is different. Last spring when her husband asked what she wanted, he was completely amazed to hear her answer, "Could you give me two loads of fertilizer?"

Some wit has devised a smile which is both true and very sad: "As deceptive as a seed catalogue". But as a text book for true education, nothing can equal a seed catalogue. It inspires with a standard of perfection that arouses every instinct of good intention. That in itself, is good morals.

Another virtue of an education by gardening is that it may be distinctly a matter of adult growth. Years matter very little in his job of making a

garden. In fact, gardening has the moral value of being one of the most soothing antidotes to the swift rush of oncoming years. Just so long as we can bend our back and focus our muscles, a garden is a possibility paradox about education: "you are educated only as long as your education remains unfinished". Thus gardening is true education, for it is never finished.

will give the plain pancake a character.

Usually these cakes are made thin, spread with butter and jam or with the sugar and butter mixture; then they are rolled up and served very hot. For family use, one may make larger pancakes—thin ones, and place one on top of the other, with the sweet spread daintily applied between. Keep hot in the oven; when six or more have been baked and spread, cut to wedge shaped sections like a piece of pie, and serve to individual members.

These are simple attentions which will cause you little extra thought or preparation, but I promise that they will add greatly to the satisfaction of the early morning meal.

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## SLAVS FOLLOW BRITISH LEAD

PARIS, April 27—High French sources said tonight that Yugoslavia and Rumania, expressing "increasing anxiety" over France's "vacillation" in negotiations to end the Italo-Ethiopian war, will follow Great Britain's lead from now on.

These sources declared the information was conveyed to Premier Sarrant and Foreign Minister Flandin by Joseph Paul-Boncour, Minister of State, who attended the League of Nations sessions at Geneva.

Rumanian and Yugoslavian delegates told Paul-Boncour, it was said, that their Governments might be "forced" to seek protection from Germany if the League was proved definitely powerless to aid the smaller nations of Europe.

French officials acknowledged that Yugoslavia still fears a struggle with Italy over Dalmatia and France's friendship for Premier Mussolini has made Belgrade fear the French will refuse aid in the event of a conflict.

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