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Firms may be able to charge off back payments to Uncle Sam under provisions of the income tax law permitting companies to carry back net operating losses into the two preceding years and also apply such losses in two succeeding years.

Meanwhile, the U. S. Chamber of Commerce polled its membership on congressional amendment of the fair labor standards act of 1938 under which portal to portal pay has been based. The chamber proposed (1) observance of custom, practice or agreement in different localities or industries as to working rules; (2) provision for relief for unwitting violation of the law, and (3) permission of companies and unions to make compromise settlements.

GEORGIA: Gubernatorial Mix-Up

Ability of the late Gene Talmadge's following to muster full strength when the general assembly convenes was to determine Georgia's next governor.

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Because neither the new or old state constitutions provided for such a contingency, adherents of Gov. Ellis Arnall and "Old Gene" jockeyed for the position.

While Governor Arnall disavowed any intention of taking advantage of the uncertain legal situation to remain in office, he proposed to retain his post until the new pro-Arnall lieutenant governor is sworn in, when he will resign in his favor.

Anxious to obtain the gubernatorial seat, however, "Old Gene's" followers hoped to muster H. Talmadge's sufficient strength to declare the post vacant at the election canvass when the assembly convened, then name his son, Herman, governor. Although only "Old Gene's" name was on the ballot at the last election, his son received a number of write-in votes to provide for just such a contingency as occurred. Thus, the legislature could turn to Herman as the nominal choice of the people.

TARIFF: Seek Protection

Historically for free trade, the deep south reversed its position in petitioning President Truman and Federal Trade commission for a strong protective tariff for American agriculture.

Signed in behalf of the elected commissioners of agriculture of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, North Carolina, Texas, Tennessee and Virginia, the petition reached Mr. Truman as the government prepared for renegotiation of existing rates in reciprocal trade treaties drawn under the act of 1934 and subsequent extensions.

Declaring that industrially unde-

veloped nations could pay for American manufactured goods only with agricultural products, the commissioners warned against subjecting U. S. farmers to a flood of foreign commodities and reducing their living standards to a subsistence level. Calling for a trade program fitted into the American economy, the commissioners advocated the exchange of such exportable products as wheat, lard and cotton for rubber, coffee, tea and bananas.

Wisely, the commissioners' petition was national rather than sectional in its nature. Although professing concern for the future of cotton in competition with foreign rayon, nylon and other artificial fibers made in reconverting armament plants, the commissioners also warned that a further lowering of tariff rates would adversely affect cattle, oleomargarine, butter, cheese, fish, eggs, grains, potatoes, peanuts and vegetables.

Dramatically pointing up the effect of cheap foreign competition on American products, the commissioners declared that whereas white and sweet potato starches had been used for the adhesives on the back of stamps and the flaps of envelopes, the adhesive on the stamp bearing the petition was made of imported cassava roots.

Men of Mars



At Johnsville, Pa., naval air technicians develop deadly guided missiles of future warfare. Photo shows scientists testing ship-to-shore weapon designed for pin-point bombing at 100 miles. Traveling hundreds of miles an hour, missiles are directed to target through television, radar, radio or devices sensitive to sound, heat and magnetism.

ITALY: Postwar Troubles

Despite substantial assistance from the U. S., Italy has been treading a rocky road to postwar recovery.

Italy's troubles are not all economic, although shortages of foodstuffs and widespread unemployment resulting from industrial stagnation have contributed to the political turmoil. The left and the right are pulling against themselves for political advantage and a rising wave of anticlerical propaganda threatens the traditional spiritual unity of the people.

On the economic front, Italy is short of wheat, and spaghetti and macaroni rations have been cut in half. Pig iron production is down to 28 per cent of the prewar level; textile fabrics, 56 per cent; chemicals, 66 per cent; mechanical goods, 76 per cent; cotton thread, 88 per cent. Imports are almost three times exports.

Helping Hand

Since Uncle Sam has dealt generously with Italy, it is looking confidently for more assistance from the U. S. Thus far, the U. S. has agreed to compensate Italy for supporting American invasion troops and furnishing war supplies, and has extended credits for purchase of overseas surplus. In addition, Italy has profited from U. S. contributions to UNRRA and the international bank.

Despite the difficulties presented by shortages of both foodstuffs and industrial materials, both the left and right wings have made political capital of unrest. Latest example was the food riots engineered by Communists in southern Italy. As a result of the political bickering, there has been a resurgence of Fascist sentiment, with Mussolini's former followers growing increasingly bolder.

Leftists also have backed the attacks on pope and church, with the intention of weakening respect for the Catholic doctrine of authority, family and property. However, the rightist dominated government has been quick to fight abusive criticism of the clergy. An editor charged with publishing pornographic cartoons of a friar and unclothed woman was sentenced to two years in jail.

Washington Digest

Oriental Scholar Improves Nutritive Value of Rice

By BAUKHAGE

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WASHINGTON. — Do you know that an invention of a young Persian-American may rid the orient of its greatest curse, malnutrition?

Do you know how it happened that some of the most beautiful classics of Middle Eastern literature came to be written in a language—Aramaic—once the "vulgar" patois of the people?

The same man answered both those questions for me and it's quite possible that had he not been able to answer both, he would have been able to answer either.

It was the inventor, himself, M. Yonan-Malek who enlightened me in two and a half hours of the most charming and informative conversation in which I have indulged in many a strike-darkened, politics-clouded Washington afternoon.

Briefly, he has invented a process which keeps the nutritive value of rice in the kernel, boosts the rice yield by 25 per cent, cheats rice-eating beetles and weevils out of their annual million dollar banquet, but probably most important of all, leaves the Vitamin B factors in each grain of rice intact.

Since the rice-eating countries account for half the world's population and since malnutrition is a serious problem in all of them, the invention seems a little less than revolutionary in its potentialities. It is already the basis of a going concern.

Polish Vitamins Out of Product

My acquaintance with rice has been a nodding one, furthered by periodic visits to Chinese restaurants. When I ate the underpinning of the celery sprouts and strips of chicken, I didn't realize that the ancient Pharaohs of Egypt would have approved its polished whiteness. I didn't realize that that polished whiteness had been achieved by 19 different cleaning, milling and polishing operations. And I certainly didn't guess that those 19 operations had robbed my rice of 76 per cent of its thiamine, 56 per cent of its riboflavin and 63 per cent of its niacin — and most of its food value.

White rice, it seems, is a fetish that goes back to the days of the Pharaohs when white was the symbol of royalty. Some unnamed chef with a deep sense of the fitness of things didn't like the idea of his Pharaoh partaking of crude, plebeian-looking rice. So he ordered the royal millers to polish the grain to a pearly whiteness. The millers complied, never realizing they were polishing the food value out of the food.

The poor people of Egypt went on eating their rough unpolished rice. And nobody guessed why they were healthier than their rulers. This situation lasted until the French revolution when the revolutionaries insisted on their right to keep up with the royal Joneses. They wanted polished white rice too—and white bread. They got it, and have been getting it ever since. The custom has persisted until today when we still require our rice millers to strip away more than half the vitamins from our rice and wheat.

This is not so important in potato and bread-conscious America, but in oriental countries where frequently the word "rice" and "food" are synonymous, it's something else again. Six hundred thirty million orientals derive more than 40 per cent of their food calories from rice—and if the rice is polished, they are losing vital nutritional values at every meal.

Malek became rice-conscious back in 1938 when one of his friends wished aloud that he could figure out some way to increase rice consumption in the United States.

At that time, tons of rice were rotting in the California rice fields for want of a market. Each season, this country's rice growers were being left with a surplus of at least three million bags of rice. The industry was slowly going broke.

Malek went at the problem in the approved American tradition. He polled representative California

housewives to find out why they weren't serving more rice at their dinner tables. He learned that they were tired of burned pots and pans and sticky gummy rice. "If we could only buy canned rice, ready to heat and serve," they would sigh.

Malek tried to oblige. For several months, he cooked rice and canned rice — in his own home, in industrial kitchens, in government laboratories. But the rice invariably looked and tasted like flour paste.

Long Memory Aids Research

One day, however, he tried cooking and canning the patna variety of rice from India. The results were somewhat more encouraging. The canned kernels seemed less gelatinous, almost fluffy. Then he remembered something he'd read about the natives of Assam. It seemed these natives suffered less from beri beri than did natives of other oriental regions. Malek took to the research books, and discovered that the Assamites parboiled their rice. That is, they soaked it for days in water to loosen the tough hulls, then they steamed it.

Up to that point Malek had been trying to can polished white rice. Rice whose vitamin-filled bran layers had been cleaned, hulled, milled, scoured and polished away. This was the first mention of the treatment of rough paddy rice before it was milled. He leaped on it as a possible clue.

He managed to get from a friend a bag of rough paddy rice—prepaid fortunately, for by this time, Malek was walking to and from his experimental laboratory, unable to afford even a car token.

He soaked the rice for days. When he needed to parboil the rice in steam, he found an unused sterilizer at a nearby hospital where the internes were glad to help him. Even his neighbors in his apartment building were on hand to help him spread the parboiled rice on the roof to dry.

Now he had his precious parboiled paddy rice. But the tough hulls on the kernels posed a problem. An ordinary rice mill handles rough rice in carload lots. The only way for Malek to mill a hundred pounds was to find a hand mill. Well, he found a hand mill and ground the hulls from the rice. The rice was canned, and this time the kernels that rolled out were hard, dark, chocolate colored and separate.

At that time, Malek didn't know he had accidentally driven the water-soluble bran layers into the rice kernel itself. He only knew this rice was distinctly different than any he had canned before.

What he had to do then was to determine the length of time to soak the rice, what temperature to use, under what steam pressure to parboil it. It took Malek months, working with makeshift equipment to hit upon the right formula.

Finally he obtained rice which, when canned, came out fluffy, with each grain separate and perfectly tender. The layers of bran driven into the kernel imparted a different nut-like bran flavor—and the long cooking at high temperature had made the rice sterile. But the best part of all—which he discovered through scientific analysis—was the fact that this new rice was unbelievably rich in vitamins.

The army and navy were interested, and Malek offered them his patents for the war's duration. At the present time he's busy licensing rice mills here and abroad to use his process.

About the only thing he has left to worry about now is how to obtain the rice in order to process it. The rice supply, as any grocery-haunting housewife will know, is not what it used to be. The world supply of rice is short this year, and a large percentage of rice raised in the United States has been allocated to countries where rice is a staple food. This scarcity explains why rice, along with sugar and syrup, is the only food still remaining under price control.

But once the world supply increases, there'll be more rice, more nutritious rice, more flavorful rice. Furthermore, Malek guarantees that the brand-new bride won't have to make any last-minute switches in the dinner menu because the rice she cooked turned out all wrong.

Oh! — what about the Aramaic classics? I couldn't do justice to that one — not without a little more space and a lot more help from Malek.



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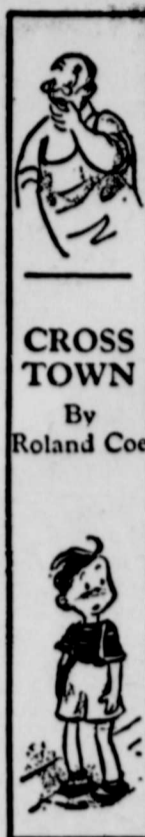
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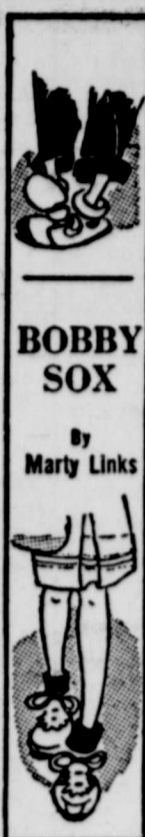
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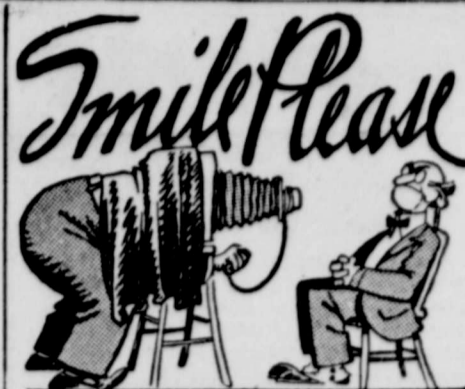
CROSS TOWN
By Roland Coe



"The trouble with all these books on child psychology is they're all written by adults!"



BOBBY SOX
By Marty Links



Smile Please
Charity Pays Off

The lady in the apartment house window was pitying the poor man standing on the street corner. He was evidently too proud to beg openly, but every now and then someone would walk up to him, whisper a few words, and give him a dollar or two. The lady smiled at him, and he smiled back, so she decided to do her share of charity. Taking a two-dollar bill, she put it into an envelope with a card bearing the words: "Take courage," and tossed it to him. A bright smile was her reward.

But that was not all of it. That evening her doorbell rang and there was her acquaintance of the street corner. "Here's your forty dollars, ma'am. Take Courage won at 20 to 1."

Properly Identified

Two of the little town's most disreputable characters met in the early morning and became embroiled in an uproarious fracas, which awakened half the village and landed the two contenders in the calaboose. Chief witness against them when they came to trial was Uncle Wash, an old negro handyman.

"Now, Uncle," said the prosecutor, "tell the court what conversation occurred between the two prisoners." "Ah doan just rightfully remember," replied the old man, "cept dat each one was callin' de other whut dey wuz."

LITTLE MISTAKE



Dad wrote to his son at college: "I'm sending you the \$10 in addition to your regular allowance as you requested in your last letter; but I must again draw attention to your incorrect spelling: '10' is written with one naught, not two."

Said It All

Chauncey M. Depew had an old friend at Peekskill who, after courting the same woman for 20 years, married her.

"Josephus," said Chauncey, "why did you not marry that splendid woman long before now; why did you wait all these years?"

"Chauncey," explained the other, "I waited until she talked herself out. You see, I wanted a quiet married life."

Substitute

A doctor received an urgent telephone call from a father who said his small son had swallowed his fountain pen.

"I'll come at once!" cried the doctor. "What are you doing in the meantime?"

"Using a pencil," came the answer.

Experienced

Smith was watching the local hockey team getting ready. At the last minute it was found that the referee was missing.

"I say," shouted one of the players to Smith, "do you know enough about hockey to referee?"

"I know enough about hockey," replied Smith, "not to referee!"

Trying Isn't Enough

Candidate—I want to assure you, fellow citizens, that I have constantly labored in your behalf to the best of my ability.

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YOUNG CRITIC



The young playwright was complaining to the famous producer that his three-year-old son had torn up the manuscript of his newest play. "Ah," mused the producer, "the child can read."

NANCY

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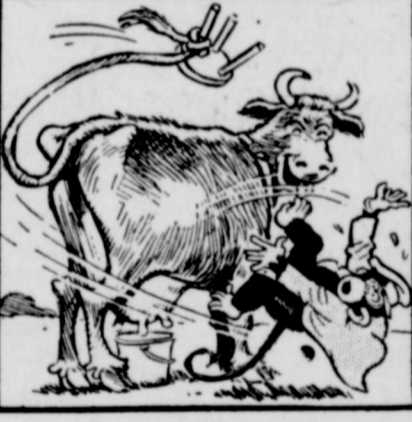
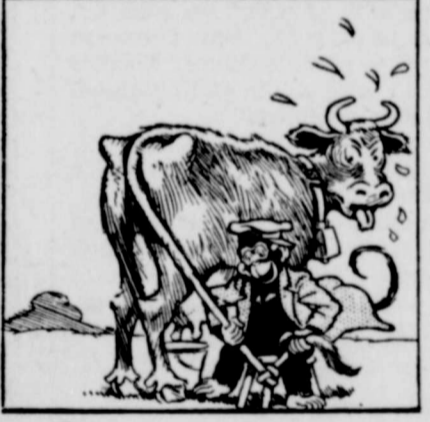
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Duke McCale, private detective, is investigating the murder of Curt Vallaincourt, who was about to marry Veronica Bigelow, heiress to thirty million dollars. McCale trades information with police lieutenant Donlevy, and learns that Veronica is the one the police suspect. The other members of the family all have alibis, but none of them is above suspicion. This includes Veronica's mother, Sybil, her sister and brother, Victoria and Stephen, and Stephen's wife, Karen. Shari Lynn, former wife of Vallaincourt, may also be involved. McCale and his assistant, Rocky, hunt in the park for the murder weapon. They have reason to believe that the gun will be found in the old cannon.

CHAPTER X

In silence, they climbed the rise of ground where the old World War cannon stood. It was Rocky who pushed his longer arm into its barrel, groping, grunting. He withdrew it finally, holding a tangled, wet mass that was obviously a woman's red-haired wig.

Shari Lynn was noticeably done in. She lolled on the divan in an almost unnatural attitude. McCale thought for a fleeting moment that she had passed out or was dead.

"Oh," she said, "it's you."

"The door was ajar," he offered, and knew that instant that she had been expecting a visitor.

She swung herself off the divan abruptly at that and staggered to her feet. She looked at him, her eyes snaky and vicious.

"Get out of here before I call the desk and have you thrown out. I've got nothing more to say to you—or your friend, the lieutenant, either."

He fished out a cigarette and said over the flame of his lighter, "So you told them your little story?"

She smiled like a contemptuous cat. "Sure. I told it."

"Why? Would you rather have waited until morning to put the finger on Veronica Bigelow?"

She laughed a high-pitched witch's laugh.

"You're a rat-trap."

"Maybe. Just thought I'd ask." She pivoted slowly, and there was uneasiness under her bravado.

"Listen, mister. Just what is it you want with me?"

"I only want to ask you a question or two and give you some advice."

"Look here," he said. "I know it was you who ran away from the Vallaincourt murder. You were the only woman who ran over the hill. I know, because I was at an upstairs window, and if there had been two women, I would have seen them both."

"You know a lot," she said sullenly, "but you can't prove it."

"I'm on my way to."

"Oh, yeah? Well, nuts to you. My story is still good. Besides, the woman had red hair. If you saw her, you'd know that."

"Granted."

"Well, then?"

"Well—then." He threw the red wig down on the coffee table between them.

She gasped. "Where'd you get that?"

She laughed loudly, hysterically. "You fool," she screamed. "You think you know a lot. Well, what do you know? Just a lot of bunk I told you. You think you can scare me into admitting something. I can take care of myself. What're you trying to do? Get out! Get out!"

She laughed again, but it was a different laugh. It was a laugh of triumph. She had won. She had won. She had won.

She watched Victoria with a bored expression as she fingered a book on the desk, examined the Lester Varga painting of a Nubian woman which hung over a bookcase to see if it was an original.

"It's late," he said, breaking the silence. "You came to see me about something. It must be important for you to call at this hour."

She had found the wig at Vallaincourt's apartment, days before. He had some woman who came there to see him, someone disguised as Veronica. She denied she was the woman. She didn't know, hadn't

the slightest idea who could have been checking up on him. No, whoever was watching evidently had to think that only Veronica went there. It was hardly rational, because you'd think the only person to whom it would matter would be Veronica herself. Lately the woman hadn't come any more. Hence the wig which she had found.

"Didn't Vallaincourt confide in you at all?" McCale asked.

"No. Why should he?"

"I've played with the idea that you were once his wife."

A secret look behind the mascara told him he was right, but she said nothing.

He got up, reaching for his hat on a nearby chair. At the door, he turned, his dark-eyed face all sharp points and edges in the light.

"You're in a bad spot." He tried to control the hardness in his voice. "I'd lock the door if I were you."

He saw fear burning bright in her eyes.

"Is that the advice you were going to give me?"

"Yes," he said.

He became deadly serious. Somehow he had to get through to her. He slipped a business card from his



Rocky pushed his arm into the barrel, groping.

wallet and placed it on a nearby table.

"If you're frightened or just want to talk," he said, "call me at the number on that card. You really should talk, you know. I mean more than you've talked so far. I know you're holding back something important—something that is dangerous to someone. I think you're planning to sell that information. A little blackmail, maybe. But let me warn you, you are dealing with a cold-blooded murderer. You're in danger, Miss Lynn. You know that."

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I hate to hurry you, but if you've satisfied your curiosity, perhaps you'll tell me what this is all about."

She turned abruptly and came over to him.

"I want you to do something for me."

"What can I do for you?" His voice was urgent and exasperated.

"Well"—she fumbled for a phrase—"you'll probably have an opportunity to go through Curt Vallaincourt's things, won't you?"

He looked up, pursing his lips. "We-e-l-l." Better not tell her the cupboard was bare.

"There is something of mine—that is, Curt had some letters that belong to me. I thought—"

"That I might take them out from under the eyes of the police? I'm afraid I wouldn't have the chance. By this time, the place has been gone over with a vacuum cleaner."

"But they wouldn't just be in any ordinary place. I'm sure he had a hiding place somewhere in that apartment. A wall safe or—"

"I doubt it. It seems perfectly obvious that you have already looked in every available place."

"Why I—"

"Tut, tut. Your intonation gave you away."

"My, you're clever, aren't you?"

"Let us say—well-trained. You visited Vallaincourt often?"

"No, I—well, that is, I went there once in a while for cocktails, with a few friends." She was on her guard now. "Often enough to look about for something that was mine."

"Vallaincourt was hanging onto your correspondence."

"Oh, no."

"Then why didn't you just ask for it?"

"I did, but he'd only laugh and say he'd give them all back when—"

She caught herself. She bit her lower lip sullenly.

"When he was safely married to Veronica Bigelow, I'll wager."

"You're quite the Sherlock, aren't you, mister? Listen, can I or can I not buy your services? I want those letters. Do I get them?"

She moved closer to him and stared him in the face boldly, a viperish intensity in her eyes. For a moment, McCale gazed deeply into her vicious little soul.

"Not from me." His voice was as cold as steel.

He turned away from her with a brusqueness intended to convey that he was through with their little interview.

He spoke quietly. "I'm sorry. I wish you'd take my word for it that there are none of your letters at the Vallaincourt apartment. No letters of any kind, in fact."

She eyed him narrowly. "You've been there already."

He nodded.

"Thanks, but I don't believe you."

"All right," he went on wearily, "don't believe me. But I assure you, there is nothing there. There's not a wall safe or a sliding panel in the whole shebang."

"The police—"

"I hardly think so. I was there before they arrived."

She seemed suddenly drained of vitality. There was a thwarted look on her face. "So that's that."

"Just that, I'm afraid. However, I think you'll hear from your letters."

A Parting Shot Startles McCale

"Oh, my God! What a stink they will make strewn all over the front pages of some slimy paper. It'd take more than the Bigelow money to—"

"I don't mean that."

"Oh!" The echo of it hung in the air.

She gazed at him once more as if to reassure herself of his honesty. His inscrutability seemed to have baffled her.

"We shall see what we shall see," she said finally, a note of derision and forced facetiousness in her tone.

He followed her to the door, watching her down the stairs. At the turn, she looked back at him. She stopped, waiting a moment until he became aware that she intended to explode a farewell bomb shell.

"If they don't turn up, Sherlock, I'll go to Shari Lynn for them, what?" She laughed insolently as she continued down.

McCale shook his head in utter weariness as he went back in. He was sure the interview had been a fiasco. At least his share of it. Things were piling up too quickly, too fast, one conclusion contradicting another.

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Chinese Aristocrats
 Chinese aristocrats wore gold cases over their long finger nails during the time of the Chinese empire. This was symbolic of the fact that members of this class did not have to work with their hands.

Peeling Eggs
 The age of eggs when boiled makes a difference in the ease with which they peel. Tests at Kansas State college showed that eggs one day old were hard to peel when boiled 10 minutes then cooled in tap water. Eggs five and six days old peeled easily.

Mah Jong
 Original ivory Mah Jong sets contained the names of famous Chinese heroes engraved on their surface. When made available to the western world, these inscriptions were changed to numerals and letters.

Heating Systems
 A furnace is used with a warm air heating system. A boiler is used only with hot water and steam heating systems.

Cool Milk
 Milk must be cooled in order to prevent the growth of bacteria which cause flavor and odor defects.



Meat for Menus



Low-priced lamb shoulder may be used for these lamb pieces prepared on skewers. They broil quickly and make a palatable dinner when you want to cook in a jiffy.

Recent visits to the market have convinced me that most education about meat cookery was forgotten during rationing and shortages. Most of us worked ourselves into a rut about meats and now find that we need a brush-up course on meat cookery.

Meat should satisfy and to do so it must be properly prepared. If broiling is what the cut needs, make sure your temperature is high enough to do the job decently. But if it's braising, make sure the heat is slow and steady and the cooking moist.

Here are a few of the things you ought to remember when buying meat: First of all, become acquainted with a variety of cuts so that you can better manage your budget and give the family much-needed menu variety. Ask the market man for advice. He can give you tips on specials and help you get more for your money.

If you have meats boned at the market, always ask for the bones to take home. They're wonderful for flavoring soups, sauces and vegetables. When you purchase large cuts, have some steaks or chops removed for another meal. There won't be so many leftovers, and you will be able to get more variety from the large cuts.

Spicy Pot Roast.
 (Serves 8 to 10)

- 3-pound pot roast (neck, chuck, brisket, heel of round or rump)
- 2 cups canned tomatoes
- 3 onions, sliced
- Salt and pepper
- ½ teaspoon whole cloves
- 1 stick cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon marjoram
- ¼ teaspoon paprika
- ½ cup vinegar

Brown pot roast on all sides. Add tomatoes, onions and seasonings. Pour vinegar over all. Cover closely and simmer 3 to 4 hours, or until tender. When meat is tender, place on hot platter. Strain liquid which was around the meat and thicken for gravy.



***Pork or Veal Chops.**
 (Serves 6)

- 1½ pounds chops
 - 1 tablespoon salt
 - 3 tablespoons flour
 - ¼ teaspoon thyme
 - ¼ teaspoon red pepper
 - 1 clove garlic
 - Lard for browning
- Have chops cut ½ to ¾ inches thick. Salt each chop. Dredge chops in flour which has been mixed with thyme and red pepper. Rub frying pan with clove of garlic; add lard and brown chops on both sides.

Lamb Curry.
 (Serves 6)

- 1½ cups cubed cooked lamb
 - Lard or drippings for browning
 - ¾ cup chopped onion
 - ¾ cup chopped green pepper
 - ½ cup chopped celery
 - ½ clove garlic, finely chopped
 - 1 teaspoon curry powder
 - 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
 - 2 cups lamb broth (made from bones of roast)
 - 2 tablespoons flour
 - 1½ teaspoons salt
 - 3 cups rice
- Cut meat in ½-inch cubes. Brown

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- Cream of Mushroom Soup
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- Scalloped Potatoes
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onion, pepper and celery lightly in drippings, then add garlic, curry powder, sauce, broth and meat. Cover and simmer for 30 minutes. Mix flour and salt with ¼ cup cold water and stir mixture to thicken. Serve curry in boiled rice ring, which has been prepared meanwhile in double boiler.



A well prepared beef or veal tongue is delightful. Those who have learned to eat it reserve it for special occasions. Long slow cooking such as is received in braising is designated for preparing this delectable dish.

Braised Tongue, Vegetable Gravy.
 (Serves 12)

- 1 4-pound tongue, fresh
- Water
- 2 teaspoons salt
- ½ cup diced onions
- 1 cup diced carrots
- ¾ cup diced celery
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 1½ cups liquid in which tongue was cooked
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper

Wash tongue and cover with water. Add salt, cover and simmer until tender, allowing 4 hours. Trim and remove skin. Slice tongue and place in pan with vegetables. Make a smooth paste of flour and water, adding liquid and seasonings. Pour sauce over tongue and vegetables. Simmer for 1 hour. Serve with potatoes boiled in their jackets.

An interesting variation to the meat course comes in the way of lamb en brochette, pieces of inexpensive meat placed on skewers. These are broiled and go beautifully with a dinner of baked, whipped potatoes, buttered lima beans, a vegetable salad and fruit whip for dessert.



A broiler dinner prepared in a few minutes consists of tomatoes, lamb patties and boiled potatoes sprinkled with cheese.

Lamb en Brochette.
 (Serves 6)

- 2 pounds lamb shoulder, cut in 1-inch cubes
- 1 cup vinegar
- 1 teaspoon celery salt
- 1 tablespoon mustard
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar
- ½ teaspoon poultry seasoning
- Salt and pepper

Cover lamb with vinegar, seasoned with celery salt, mustard, brown sugar and poultry seasoning. Let stand 1 hour. Thread onto skewers and place on a rack in a preheated broiler oven. Brown well on all sides and broil. Season with salt and pepper.

For something a little different, try this stuffed shoulder of lamb:

Fruit-Stuffed Shoulder of Lamb.

- 1 lamb shoulder, boned
- 2 cups bread crumbs
- 6 cooked apricots, diced
- 6 cooked prunes, diced
- 1 small orange, chopped
- 1 beaten egg
- Salt and pepper

Have butcher remove bone from lamb shoulder and sew it on three sides, leaving the fourth open for dressing. Make a dressing of the bread crumbs, fruits and beaten egg. Pile this into cavity. Skewer or sew the edges together. Place the lamb shoulder on a rack in an open roasting pan and roast in a 300-degree oven, allowing 30 to 35 minutes to the pound.

Seasickness Not Fatal
 Seasickness is not merely mental. Such would be the conclusion from navy tests comparing the attacks of mal de mer suffered by soldiers who took pills—one set of pills made of sugar and the other three containing varying percentages of a sedative called hyoscine. In moderate seas, the sugar-pill patients were eight times as likely to be seasick as those who took the hyoscine. In rough weather the protection was not so marked.

Dry Wool Indoors
 If you want soft, warm, fluffy woolsens to keep out the discomfort of cold, you should dry woolen washables indoors and so prevent freezing which shrinks and hardens wool.

Vets Pick Electric Careers
 Cooper Union school of engineering, New York City, reports that more veterans have enrolled in electrical engineering than in any other branch. Former army and navy radio and radar operators, they plan careers in electronics.

Improving Electronic Tubes
 To increase the efficiency and life of television, radio and other electronic tubes, science has created a device that can gauge vacuum pressures as low as 1-100,000-000,000th of a pound per square inch.

Cereals Nutritive
 Cereals furnish most of the energy needed in large amounts by growing children and working adults. They also furnish proteins, minerals and vitamins. Iron is the most important mineral found in cereals. The B vitamins, thiamine, niacin, riboflavin, are all found in whole grains or enriched cereals.

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 Sweet potatoes are a highly nutritious food, containing starch, protein, iron and vitamins A, B and C. As a source of energy, protein, mineral, thiamin and vitamin C, sweet potatoes compare favorably with Irish potatoes and, as a source of vitamin A, they are much superior.

Golfing Addicts
 About 2,351,000 people in the United States play at least 10 rounds of golf a year, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica. More than 63,000,000 rounds of golf are played each year on the country's 5,209 golf courses.

Supply England
 The many small farms on the Channel islands normally supply England with millions of dollars worth of potatoes, tomatoes, grapes and cut flowers. They also furnished stone that paved the highways through the English countryside.

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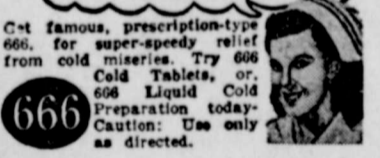
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THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS

LESSON TEXT—John 2:1-16. MEMORY SELECTION—Whatever he saith unto you, do it.—John 2:5.

The witness of John concerning Jesus as the Son of God had been attested by the divine knowledge of Jesus and his personal call to his disciples. Now the time had come for him to declare his authority as God by an overt act which all men could see and understand.

It is interesting to note that for this, the first of his miracles, he chose a festive occasion in the home. He had been invited to be a guest at a wedding (v. 2). Those who ask him to be present at their marriage may confidently expect him to be present and to add greatly to the real joy of the occasion.

The authority of our Lord shows here in three different ways:

I. He Commands (vv. 1-8).

He was neither host nor was he the one charged with responsibility for the serving, but when the time came for him to do his mighty act the servants were ready to obey the admonition of his mother and do what he said.

Mary may have had some responsibility for serving the guests. Why then had she not looked to the supply of wine? Apparently she who knew of what had taken place at the baptism of Jesus and immediately after, and having in her heart the memory of what occurred at his birth (Luke 2:14), thought it time for him to do some great miracle.

He was indeed ready to do so, but in his own way. "What is that to thee?" in verse 4 really carries the meaning: "This is a matter which I must care for in my own way," and he did.

We do well to seek grace to be like the servants who did what the Lord commanded, even though it did not seem to be a sensible solution to fill the jars with water. Obedience without hesitation and without question is the price of blessing!

II. He Creates (vv. 9-11).

The act of creation was already done, but now the fact came to light. He had changed the water into wine, the juice of the grape. This was not a case of adding something or diluting the remaining wine. Here the water, as he decreed it even without the use of a spoken word, was no longer there, but the best of wine.

Jesus was and is the Creator. He was present at the beginning of all things (note the "let us" in Gen. 1:26), and it is declared that "by him were all things created" (Col. 1:16, 17). In fact, "without him was not anything made" (John 1:3).

Some would read verse 10 as though our Lord were here helping along a drunken wedding party, but of course that is not true. The steward was simply recognizing the ordinary rule of serving whereby one uses the best one has until there is no more like it, then takes the inferior provision. To use this verse to excuse drunkenness is only possible for those "eager to mar, if by means they could, the image of perfect holiness which offends and rebukes them" (Trench, quoted by Lenski).

III. He Controls (vv. 12-16).

After a few days with his family and his disciples, he went down to Jerusalem for the great feast of the Passover. There he found his Father's house being misused and defiled. His holy indignation kindled.

People like to hear about a God of love, one who knows their weakness, and is kind toward their infirmities. But we must not forget that God shows his love by a great and holy hatred of sin, and a desire to deliver us from that sin. This means that he must and will deal in drastic fashion with those who persist in their sin.

This is a majestic picture. The Son of God and Son of Man steps into the center of this unholy traffic and with mighty, holy indignation (not anger) drives it out.

Why did these men who were so deeply entrenched and so eager to make money flee before the wrath of a lone man? It was only because they recognized divine authority. He has a right to control men, for he is God.

It is not a mere matter of reform, for here he was cleansing the temple, the very heart of the life of the Jewish people. He dealt with a present situation to establish an eternal principle.

Aided Pollination
 Wire fences—barbed and woven—are commonly regarded as an advance in farming. But the old rail fence was a better aid to pollination because it required a wide fence row of uncultivated soil favorable for the nesting of wild bees and other pollinators.

Drying Off Cow
 The best way to "dry off" a cow that persists in producing milk right up to calving time is to cut off all feed except hay, and milk the cow only when the udder is distended. As soon as the cow is safely dry, she should go back on full rations.

From fertile, colorful Java—with its chattering monkeys, carabacs working in the fields, and natives dressed in sarongs and earrings—come some of the world's most valuable products. Rubber, quinine, sugar, coffee, tea, tobacco, kapok and teakwood, plus the bountiful crops of rice that help feed the island's own teeming population, are typical items high on the list.

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Coffee-Making
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Greens Nutritious
 Eating greens such as mustard and turnip greens and collards will help build up a supply of vitamin A. These greens are also good sources of vitamin C, iron and calcium.

Hothouse Products
 The Channel islands have vast acreage under glass. In hothouses grapes, beans, peas and potatoes are grown in winter. Fig, lemon and peach trees flatten against the walls and cling to the low roofs.

Ore in Petrified Trees
 Petrified trees in southern Utah, buried in the cliffs for centuries, helped to win the war. The ancient hearts of these stone trees yielded up to 50 per cent uranium, used on luminous instrument dials.

Watch Your Kidneys!
 Help Them Cleanse the Blood of Harmful Body Waste
 Your kidneys are constantly filtering waste matter from the blood stream. But kidneys sometimes lag in their work—do not act as Nature intended—fail to remove impurities that, if retained, may poison the system and upset the whole body machinery.
 Symptoms may be nagging backache, persistent headache, attacks of dizziness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—a feeling of nervous anxiety and loss of pep and strength. Other signs of kidney or bladder disorder are sometimes burning, scanty or too frequent urination.
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Few Cars in Japan
 At the end of 1940 only about 140,000 cars were registered in Japan, consisting of 64,000 trucks, 27,000 busses, 43,000 passenger cars, and about 7,000 smaller cars.

Trapped Drain
 If the kitchen sink is stopped up, turn the rays of an infra-red heat lamp on the grease trap—or put a heaping tablespoonful of soda down the drain, then pour in a half glass of vinegar.

Dusting Mahogany Furniture
 Dust carved mahogany furniture with a soft flannel cloth over a moderately stiff brush. When you dust, dust slowly, gathering up the dust instead of scattering it.

Different Calendars
 There are many different calendars in use in the world. Four types predominate. They are the Gregorian, (U. S., Europe, South America), the Chinese, the Jewish and the Mohammedan calendars.

Hardy Insects
 Many insects are able to live with little or no oxygen for short periods. In one test, a fly *Gastrophilus* lived 17 days completely immersed in oil.

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