

### Grandmother's Recept

YEARs AGO when my mother was a bride, my Kentucky grandmother gave her her "recept" for washing clothes. This treasured bit of writing now hangs above my gleaming automatic washer as a grateful reminder of today's mechanical blessings.

1. bild fire in back yard to het kettle of rain water.
2. set tubs so smoke won't blow in eyes if wind is peart.
3. shave 1 hole cake lie sope in bilin water.
4. sort things. make 3 piles. 1 pile white. 1 pile cullord. 1 pile werk briches and rags.
5. stur flour in cold water to smooth then thin down with bilin water.
6. rub dirty spots on board. scrub hard. then bile. rub cullord but don't bile just reneh and starch.
7. take white things out of kettle with broom stick handel then reneh, blew and starch.
8. spred tee towels on grass.
9. hang old rags on fence.
10. pore reneh water in flower bed.
11. scrub porch with hot sopy water.
12. turn tubs upside down.
13. go put on cleen dress - smooth hair with side combs, brew cup of tee - set and rest and rock a spell and count blessins.

- Nadine Mills Coleman in *The 65 Magazine*