

A HOME BODY

Content with little sunny rooms, With kitchens warm and bright, A rocking-chair beside the hearth, A shelter in the night, A tiny stove and dad's old chair, A mat beside the door, Clay flowers on the window sill, A clean old painted floor.

Menu Hints

Recipes for New and Novel Dishes: Household Ideas and Suggestions (By Betty Barclay) UNUSUAL SALADS Here are two recipes for the millions of women who are constantly seeking something new in the line of salads.

- MACEDOINE SALAD 2 cups cooked rice 1 cup peas 4 tablespoons pimento 4 tablespoons relish 3 tablespoons celery, minced 3 tablespoons cheese, grated 1 teaspoon salt

- STUFFED TOMATO SALAD 6 tomatoes 1 cup cooked rice 1/2 cup celery, diced 4 tablespoons cheese, grated 1 hard boiled egg 2 tablespoons pimento 1 small onion, minced Seasoning Dressing

- SHORTCAKE OR PUDDING Shortcake for tea or pudding for dinner—either may be flavored, or garnished with coconut. Try these recipes and see how they delight.

- GOLDEN COCOANUT SHORTCAKE 8 thin slices sponge cake orange sauce 3 oranges sections free from membrane 1/2 can coconut, southern style

- COCOANUT CABINET PUDDING 5 egg yolks, slightly beaten 5 tablespoons sugar 1/2 teaspoon salt 2 cups milk 1 tablespoon gelatin 1/4 cup milk 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

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THE COST OF AMBITION It has been said that one great hindrance to success is that industry costs so much more than ambition, and of course that is a facetious way of saying that much so-called ambition has no right to the name.

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Another Short Story

HIS WORD OF HONOR

By Nelson Ballou

"ANY man this morn'g, son?" Mrs. Torey looked up from her mending anxiously. It seemed to her son, Mike, that the anxious lines had been deepening in her face lately.

"No, mother; but Clark Disbrow said that Mr. Crane wanted to see me at his office; that must mean that he has something to offer me. I hope it does, at any rate." "Mr. Crane is a very good man. He must have to employ a great deal of help in the brush factory," Mike had the satisfaction of seeing a faint smile of hope upon his mother's face.

"That afternoon he presented himself at Mr. Crane's office. "Yes, sir, I sent for you. Sort of remembered your face after you called asking for employment the other day. Did not think I could use you then. Lots of trouble with fellows quitting just after we've taken the trouble to teach them the business."

"Yes, sir, I would be willing to sign a contract," Mike spoke thoughtfully. "Ten dollars a week, and take it for a year?" "In the little town of Claemore he could scarcely hope for more. There was only the new firm of Davy & Davy that held better prospects."

"All right, sir; if it's agreeable to you, just put your name right here. Now, understand, this binds you for a year—no quitting. Your money will be ready for you Saturday night."

"A youth who had been standing, cap in hand, followed him out. "Hi! As if his old contract amounted to anything. Quit when you get ready, I say. That's just a bluff, that contract stunt. It does not hold."

"But I gave him my word of honor. That would hold with me, if I had never signed a contract," Mike said firmly. "Oh, well, just as you please. If I find a chance to better myself, I'll take it, you bet."

"Mike went home whistling. His mother heard him coming, and greeted him with a smile. "I knew you were coming, with good news," she said. "You have a job, son? And now we will soon be out of debt again. I am so glad."

"You are right, we will. I go to work to-morrow morning. Ten dollars a week, and no lost time. How is that?" "Pretty good. Yes, I think you did right in accepting. It will be something to count on for a year, at least."

On his way home from work the first night he stopped in the post office and found the letter from Davy & Davy. He tore it open excitedly, and read: "Dear Sir: We have had your letter, with references, under consideration a week, and find that we can use you in our lining department at \$12 a week, if this is satisfactory to you. Please let us hear from you at once."

SLATS' DIARY BY ROSS PARQUEAR

Friday—Mrs. Killem was pritty sick las nite and m. Gillem got very provoked with her becuz when he wanted to send for the Dr. why she woodent leave him do it, becuz her new Blue bath Robe was at the Lawndry.

Saturday—Pa is in trouble with the mayer now over a peace he rote and put in the Paper whered. he winks at. He sed ther was 4 speak Easys in town and the mayer got sore and sed pa was all right becuz they are oney 2 speak Easys in town he says.

Sunday—we had Co. for supper to note and they were 1 more than ma had figgered on so we was 1 stake short, and the way it happened the 1 we was short was pas' stake. I ges he got about 1/2 sore to.

Munday—Ant Emmy has got sum thing rong with her it, and today she went to the Dr. and he told her she has got Athlete's ft., and she says, he is crazy becuz she never played a game of that in all her born days.

Tuesday—Ant Emmy if timed seemed mitch different now and, when she was a yung girl and she sed, well they use to start each meal with a prate when she was a little girl and no wthey just start each meal with a can Opener. if they get home from the Bridge game in time.

Wednesday—well Emil Hix sure does have a lots of hard luck. His wife sewed him for devore and got a nice Chunk of Allimoney—and Emil told pa it was pritty hard on him becuz he ain't threw making payments on the ingagement ring he bawt his wife.

Thursday—well, skool cant leave out enny too soon to please me. I was kep in tonite and got a lamming besides. They sure do hire sum Punk teachers at this skool. But I have disided I was mistaken when I told her that I woodent pick up Elsy's penell witch I had threw on the floor.

Friday—Mike spoke decisively. "But, as I explained in my letter, I had already accepted this, and signed a contract for one year." Oscar Davy smiled. "Contract? My dear boy, no contract holds in a case like this. It is merely a form. Sometimes it works with the ignorant, but really it is only a scrap of paper. One could hardly be expected to give up a lucrative position for the paltry sum of \$10 a week."

"But I agreed to accept it, sir. I have given my word of honor." "And you mean to abide by it?" "Yes, sir," I certainly do. My word is more to me, sir, than a few dollars." He was surprised that Mr. Davy reached for his hand and clasped it eagerly.

"I am glad to hear you say so much, my boy. I was only thinking of your bestness, and am proud to find it so strong. The stand you have taken in this matter shows where you will be found in the future. Let me wish you the success you honestly deserve."

"The schoolmaster was examining a Junior class, and in the course of his talk said: "Now, boys, supposing I saw a man beating a donkey and stopped him, what virtue would my action show?" Quick as lightning, a bright little fellow replied: "Brotherly love, sir."

"The chief constable of a small English town was also an expert veterinary surgeon. One night his telephone bell rang. "Is Mr. Blank there?" said an agitated voice. Mrs. Blank answered yes, and inquired: "Do you want my husband in his capacity of veterinary surgeon or as chief constable?"

THE POWER OF A LIGHTNING FLASH

It is hardly possible to use instruments for the purpose of figuring the forces of lightning; yet there are many ways of calculating familiar to every mathematician, and certain results have been obtained. For instance, it has been calculated that the amount of light given by a single lightning flash is enough to illuminate an area two miles square. The lightning bolt itself would be visible several miles farther off, but the remotest part of the area referred to would have as much light as would be given by a candle, quite enough to read by.

According to the engineer, lightning flashes usually occur within thunderclouds and only rarely from an ordinary cloud to another, or from a cloud to the ground. They seem to follow the rapid condensation of vapor in the air and to be caused by that phenomenon. The kind of electricity formed in a thundercloud is not like that which is produced by electrical machinery. Lightning is static electricity, the same kind that is produced by rubbing amber with silk.

When a body such as a brass globe is loaded with static electricity, the charge stays on the surface of it. The quantity of a full charge is limited by the area over which it can spread. When a large number of vapor particles unite to form a raindrop, their electrical charges are combined, but there is not as much surface on a big drop as on the many particles which went into it. Consequently there is more electricity than the drop can hold and it must hunt up other accommodations, either in some cloud or on the earth. Flashes in the clouds are often several miles long, being composed of a chain of small ones. The remedying of one overcharged cloud by a discharge into another, increases the load of that cloud so that it, too, must discharge.

Lightning discharges from one cloud to another or on the earth differ greatly in force. Some bolts are very heavy and splinter trees into toothpicks, destroy buildings and fuse rocks; others are more mild. The question of how the static electricity gets into the clouds is very difficultly to answer; one theory is that it is generated by the evaporation of water by the sun's rays; another, that static discharges are continually taking place from the earth into the air and are there readily collected by particles of moisture, which when they condense, form heavy thunderclouds, and this formation of raindrops causes the lightning.

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