

# Of Interest to Women



Hello Homemakers! After collecting everything required for a picnic luncheon and after an hour in the country, people "build up" appetites as enormous as though they had been digging in the garden all day. Whether or not this is partly a matter of imagination the fact remains that picnickers look forward to being fed. The good homemaker remembers to bring along satisfying picnic dishes and all the requisite utensils.

If there are cooking facilities at the picnic grounds, plan to serve a hamburger surprise... Holiday Hamburgers; the peppy flavour will please everyone. Fresh fruit with a cup of steeped coffee will complete the meal. However, any sunny day can be a picnic if you have supper on the porch or in the backyard, or the park. Make a combination salad, butter hot tea biscuits and take covered berry tarts along with the thermos filled with chilled fruit juices.

We maintain that a simple but ample luncheon eliminates fuss and bother. The items that are frequently overlooked are salt and pepper shakers—we sometimes forget to take off the caps, stick in a bit of wax paper and screw tops on tightly to prevent spilling.

### SALMON SALAD

1 cup boiled salmon  
1 cup of shredded cabbage  
1/2 cup diced celery  
Mayonnaise, salt, pepper  
Lettuce  
Flake the salmon and combine with shredded cabbage and celery. Mix with mayonnaise and put in lettuce cups.

### DENVER HAMBURGS

3 eggs slightly beaten  
1 cup chopped celery ham  
1 tbsp. finely chopped green pepper  
2 tbsps. of minced onions  
1/2 tsp. of salt  
1/4 tsp. of pepper  
Toasted bread  
Combine all the ingredients except toasted bread and drop mixture from tablespoon on to greased frying pan and spread to make flat cakes. Brown on both sides and serve between slices of toasted or untoasted bread or rolls.  
Note: 1 cup finely chopped pork luncheon meat may be substituted for the ham.

### SAUSAGE SANDWICHES

Slices of bread  
Liver sausage  
Mayonnaise  
Tomatoes (thinly sliced)  
Small green onions  
Toast slices of bread on one side, then spread untoasted side with liver sausages, softened with a little mayonnaise. Top with thinly sliced tomatoes and green onions.

### INSTANT COFFEE

Follow directions on the package of instant coffee.

### BERRY TURNOVERS

Cut circles of puff or flaky paste three inches in diameter, having the paste not more than one-eighth of an inch thick. Moisten half the edge of the circle with cold water and in the center lay a teaspoon of thick raspberry jam. Fold one-half of the circle over the other, making edges meet. Press closely, marking with a fork dip-

ped in flour. Brush with a beaten egg prick the top with a fork and chill before placing in an oven. Bake in an oven for 15 mins. at 450 degs. F. (Other fruit may be used in the same way.)

### TAKE A TIP

1. Dip graham wafers in thick chocolate syrup. Stack 4 together on individual plates and keep in electric refrigerator until serving time. Top with whipped cream tinted pink and sliced bananas.
2. Cheddar cheese will not harden if it is kept in a cloth dampened with vinegar.
3. Leftover sponge cake may be sliced and toasted on the broiling element. Top with berries folded into a syrup.
4. Use orange juice in place of water and 2 teaspoons orange rind for special pastry. This pastry is wonderful for rhubarb and berry pies.
5. With a small amount of berries on hand you can make tart shells and fill with a caramel custard into which you can fold the berries. In an emergency this dessert will be very helpful.
6. Add a teaspoon of lemon juice to simple syrup and pour on fruit instead of cream.
7. Grated cheese, coconut and rolled prepared cereals are good for-topping fruit pies. This really saves time and shortening.

Mrs. J. C. B. says: Spinach or chard cooked with parsley, scallions and a little basil are also good. Serve hot and add a cube of butter.

## NASSAGAWEYA S. S. No. 7

(Intended for Last Week)

No. 7 held their annual picnic on Thursday evening. Supper was set under the shady maples on several tables. The delicious lunch consisted of salads, pickles, every kind of sandwich, cake, cookies and muffins, candy, ice-cream, lemonade and tea. After lunch the sports got under way and prizes were given to the following:

- Boys and Girls 7 to 8—Lorraine Coxie Arthur MacLeod.
- Girls 8 to 11—Eileen Frank, Donna McMillan.
- Boys 8 to 11—Martin Davenport, Marshall Paul.
- Boys and Girls 12 to 14—George Anderson, Don McMillan.
- Boys and Girls 16 and under—George Anderson, Don McLean.
- Boys and Girls 21 and under—George Anderson, Tom Kennedy.
- Men over 21—Arthur Davenport, Wilfrid Kennedy.
- Ladies over 21—Mrs. Grant McMillan, Mrs. Arthur Davenport.
- Married Men, Time race—Mr. Ed Davenport.
- Orange Race—George Anderson, Don McLean.
- Kick the Shoe—Mrs. Grant McMillan, Hazel Kennedy.
- Three-legged race—George Anderson and Don McLean, Martin Davenport and Marshall Paul.
- Cat and dog race—Bobby Coxie's team.
- Bean-Guessing—Mrs. Edna Frank.

Before the picnic started those on the grounds enjoyed a game of ball and those in the school admired work done by the children in the manual training and domestic science classes. The following is the promotion list of No. 7 scholars.

- From Grade 7 to 8—Don McLean, George Anderson, Evelyn Service.
- From Grade 5 to 6—Bobby Coxie, Martin Davenport, Ivan McLeod.
- From Grade 4 to 5—Don McMillan, Joyce Allison, Viola Service, Marshall Paul.
- From Grade 2 to 3—Arthur McLeod.
- From Grade 1 to Grade 2—Lorraine Coxie.

We understand there are four new pupils starting school after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McLeod St. Helena enjoyed a visit from Mr. Wm. Simpson, Rosetown, Sask.  
Mr. Rayburn Carnochan, Kenney, Sask., visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. David Henderson.

The newly organized Busy Bees Institute met at Mrs. Stan Robinson's home. There was a splendid attendance.  
A Benefit dance sponsored by neighbors and friends of Mr. David McPhedran and Mr. Alfred Talbot was attended by a large crowd Tuesday night at Brookville Hall. Mr. McPhedran lost his house by fire and Mr. Talbot who was living with him also lost much. An address was read by Mr. Wilfred Kennedy. Mr. Neil Martin and Mr. Stan Robinson presented the two men with envelopes of money. Both men expressed their appreciation.  
Friends of Mr. Oscar Locker are sorry to hear of his illness in St. Joseph's Hospital in Guelph, but are pleased to know he is expected home in a few days.

## Chronicles of... Ginger Farm

Written Specially for The Acton Free Press by GWENDOLINE F. CLARKE

Partner went out a few minutes ago to shut up the chickens. When he returned he said—"Well, I guess I just saw some of those flying saucers!"

I looked at him, startled—"I don't believe you—you didn't see anything of the kind." But Partner's expression was inscrutable as he continued—"Well, what I saw certainly answered the description of the "saucers". They were bright, luminous objects, travelling at a terrific speed until they finally disappeared from sight.—Yes, I think I could be quite certain they were flying saucers, except that I recognized them as fireflies!" And with that closing remark he grinned.

That man... as long as I have lived with him I still can't tell from his expression whether he is serious or kidding.

Here is another little story, only in this case it happens to be true and made me wonder how much of what happens—or doesn't happen—depends on pure, unadulterated luck.

Partner had been out over the creek cooling hay. He started at the far end of the field so that if he didn't finish he would not have so far to go next time. This eventually brought him to the bank of the creek, on the other side of which the cattle were grazing. He heard a heifer bawling and went to investigate. The heifer was all right, but further up the creek he saw one of the cows lying in rather a suspicious way right on the edge of a deep water-hole. Hurrying over Partner saw that she already had a new-born calf. As he approached the calf was struggling to get to its feet but was unsuccessful and was gradually slipping closer to the edge of the water-hole. Inside of a few minutes it would surely have fallen in and been drowned.

Of course Partner rescued the poor little thing and carried it to a safer place. But it was not only the calf's life that had been in danger, there was also the possibility, had the calf drowned, that the fact of the cow having calved might have been overlooked, in which case the cow wouldn't have been milked at the right time and might have developed milk fever and died. However, they say most of the troubles in life that we worry about are the ones that never happen, so the cow and calf incident is certainly another, one to add to the list.

C.B.—Thank you very much for your kind letter with its information about the birds. I shall look for the bird book you recommend next time I am in the city. I also hope to answer your letter personally in the very near future. And regarding your question—I can assure you I am not kidding!

For the sake of my other readers may I explain what I mean by that reference to "kidding"? My correspondent, "C.B." compliments me on my powers of observation in regard to birds, and then adds—"Or are you just kidding us?"

I was puzzled over that question for a while, but finally came to the conclusion that C.B.—and possibly others—could get the idea that for the sake of "copy" I might read up something or other on bird life and make a story of it. Believe me, that is not so. Anything I describe regarding birds, or anything else for that matter, is what I have seen or heard with my own eyes and ears, if not then I give credit where credit is due. I am genuinely interested in birds and regret that I know so little about them. For that reason your information, C.B. is very acceptable and I thank you for your trouble.

I would also like to say I am genuinely interested in flowers but I am afraid to because our garden would surely contradict my words. Right now it is nothing but a conglomeration of trees, shrubs and weeds with the weeds predominating. There is hardly a flower to be seen. I am really very fond of flowers, but I am afraid as far as I am concerned the necessary time and energy for looking after them somehow seems to be lacking. And this year is the world's worst. Time after time I have tried my luck with the hoe but either the soil was like so much putty or it was as hard as a rock. Now the weeds have taken possession and I have given up all hope of flowers for this year anyway. But at least we have the shrubs and they are growing like nobody's business. And of course the more shrubs we have the less flowers we can grow and if I have to choose between shrubs and flowers I'm all for the shrubs, every time. And flowering bulbs—I mustn't forget them because I do love my "flowers" that bloom in the spring.

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## McCUTCHEON CLAN HOLD TENTH REUNION AT HOME IN ACTON

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stewart and Mrs. Hugh McCutcheon were host and hostesses to the tenth annual reunion of the McCutcheon clan at their home on Saturday, June 28th. A softball game was enjoyed by young and old after which a sports program was carried out with the following winners:

- Boys and Girls under 6—Ann McCutcheon, Alan Patterson.
- Boys and Girls under 8—Barry Stewart, Margaret McMillan.
- Boys under 11—Bob Patterson, Ken McCutcheon.
- Girls under 11—Joy Smith.
- Boys 16 and under—Bill Patterson, Ray Everdell.
- Girls, 16 and under—Shirley McCutcheon, Joy Smith.

Driving race for couples—Jack and Bunny Stewart.

Youngest grandfather on grounds—Mr. Thomas Mitchell.  
Ladies kicking the shoe—Mrs. Tom McCutcheon, Mrs. Wilbert McCutcheon.

Youngest married couple—Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stewart.

Spot race—Jack Graham.  
Elderly gentleman present—Mr. Smith McCutcheon.

Elderly lady—Mrs. Cella Mitchell.  
Youngest baby—Brian Rae.  
Largest family represented by members present—Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McDougall, Erin.

Longest married couple—Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith, Everton.  
Person attending from longest distance—Mr. Smith McCutcheon, of Drumbo.

The mystery man (Mr. R. S. McCutcheon) kept his identity a secret until after lunch, when he was discovered by Bunny Stewart.

A beautiful supper, including strawberries and ice cream, was served on the lawn where all did justice to the good things provided.  
A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Fred McCutcheon and her committee.  
President J. J. Stewart then called the meeting to order and the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Jack Graham, Hillsburg; Vice-President, Muriel McCutcheon, Ospringe; Secretary-Treasurer, T. D. McCutcheon, Everton; Lunch Committee, Mrs. Alvin McCutcheon; Mrs. R. S. McCutcheon, Mrs. Clayton Barbour, Mrs. W. Struthers; Sports Committee, Mr. and Mrs. W. McCutcheon, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jostin, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Muriel McCutcheon kindly offered their home for the next reunion to be held on the fourth Saturday of June, 1948.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stewart and family for their kind hospitality and another re-union was brought to a close.

## GEORGETOWN

Mr. and Mrs. William MacLaren of Montreal visited his parents, Reeve and Mrs. Alex. MacLaren enroute for holiday trip to the west coast.

The new subdivisions on the Day-foot property on John Street and the Watson property on Maple Avenue are being opened up and construction of twenty new houses will be starting soon.

On Tuesday, June 24th, Miss Marjorie Kentner entertained twenty guests at her home on Emery Street at a miscellaneous shower in honor of her cousin, Mrs. Russell Arnold (Mrs. Cole) of Milton. Miss Kentner attended the wedding on Saturday.

Culmination of a great Dominion Day celebration and veterans' reunion sponsored by Branch 120, Canadian Legion, was an impressive recognition service on Monday evening in the park when Mayor Joseph Gibbons presented a gift to each Georgetown service man and woman on behalf of the townspeople. Led by the Lorne Scots Band, the group headed by Col. John R. Barber moved from the armories to the grandstand, where the Mayor officially thanked them for their service during the war.—Herald.

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