

# Of Interest to Women



**THE MIXING BOWL**  
*Irene Allan*

Wife Housemakers! Ever heard the man of the house say he liked work. As for the odd job around the house he likes to sit and look at it for hours! We do, too.

How often most of us only "look" at odd jobs about the house, which if accomplished during the winter months, leave more time for leisure outdoors when the fine weather comes.

Men can be given a fresh coat of paint; porch and lawn chairs fixed with new canvas; kitchen shelves painted; furniture, doors and floors repaired; household linens mended, summer slip covers laundered and so the list goes without end.

Our present job is rebinding a blanket but it seemed to be needed back on the bed again—and, you know, out of sight, out of mind.

**TAKE A TIP**

1. To tighten a door handle unscrew one end of the knob after loosening the small screw found on the shaft. Put a metal washer or ring of wire around the shaft and replace the knob. If handle is still loose add another ring or washer. The washer must be large enough to fit over the shaft, but small enough in diameter to go into covered frame.

2. If the knob is loose, remove screw, tuck in piece of steel wool and reset the screw.

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## Chronicles of... Ginger Farm

Written Specially for The Acton Free Press  
**GWENDOLINE P. CLARKE**

Have I been busy this last week? But definitely—although the weatherman tried his best to keep us thinking that winter was with us yet. But I said, "No you can send as much snow as you like; you can drop the temperature down to zero; you can blow and bluster—but I'm getting ready for spring." So I started in to touseclean. This was the result of a brain-wave which convinced me that a little room on the south side of the house, which for some time has been a catch-all for every kind of junk there is, would serve a far better purpose as a little hide-out for myself. If you want a better name for it you might call it a den, an office or study—but I'm calling it a hide-out.

So many of these old farm houses have a little room tucked away in a corner that would make a splendid playroom for little children, or a sewing room for mother after the children are grown. It is nice to have a corner you can call your own—just so he can come in and read his paper while you sew or knit.

It is fun to change things around in your home—don't you think so? I do. I am always thinking up new ideas for re-arranging the whole house. But I never get very far because Partner generally takes a dim view of my proposed plans. Not that he is against improvements—far from it. As a matter of fact any worthwhile changes around here have been the result of his careful planning. The trouble is we don't always agree on what are improvements. It is little things that Partner dislikes to have changed—such as having the bedroom furniture moved around. Men are such conservative creatures. Just because a creation has been used to waking up in the morning facing the south, why should anyone object to facing east or west for a change. Variety is the spice of life.

However, there was no objection raised to my latest move, so I was soon at work—sorting out, tidying up or discarding the conglomeration of things that the room contained. What I would do if I had to live in two or three rooms I don't know. Probably buy a chicken pen, or something to take care of the overflow.

My little hide-out is only 8 foot by 10 and a half but by the time I had water-painted the ceiling and walls and put three coats of paint on the woodwork my enthusiasm was on the wane. I knew I should give the walls a second coat, but I didn't. So I was not surprised when Bob looked around and said—"Are you going to paint the walls?"

There was still the floor to worry about. My first idea was to paint it, but Partner was all for getting congealed. Since that meant less work I was happy to agree.

With the oilcloth down my tiredness vanished. I got Bob to move my typewriter desk, while I trailed back and forth with papers, books and my small filing cabinet. In a little while my new working centre was complete. Now I have moved in—and here I am at work with my typewriter. I have only one complaint with this new arrangement—it is just one more room in which to lose my glasses!

Now that I am all set with everything in one place maybe I shall feel like wrestling with income tax returns—that being one little job which Partner very considerably leaves to me. He says that is only fair when I don't help milk the cows.

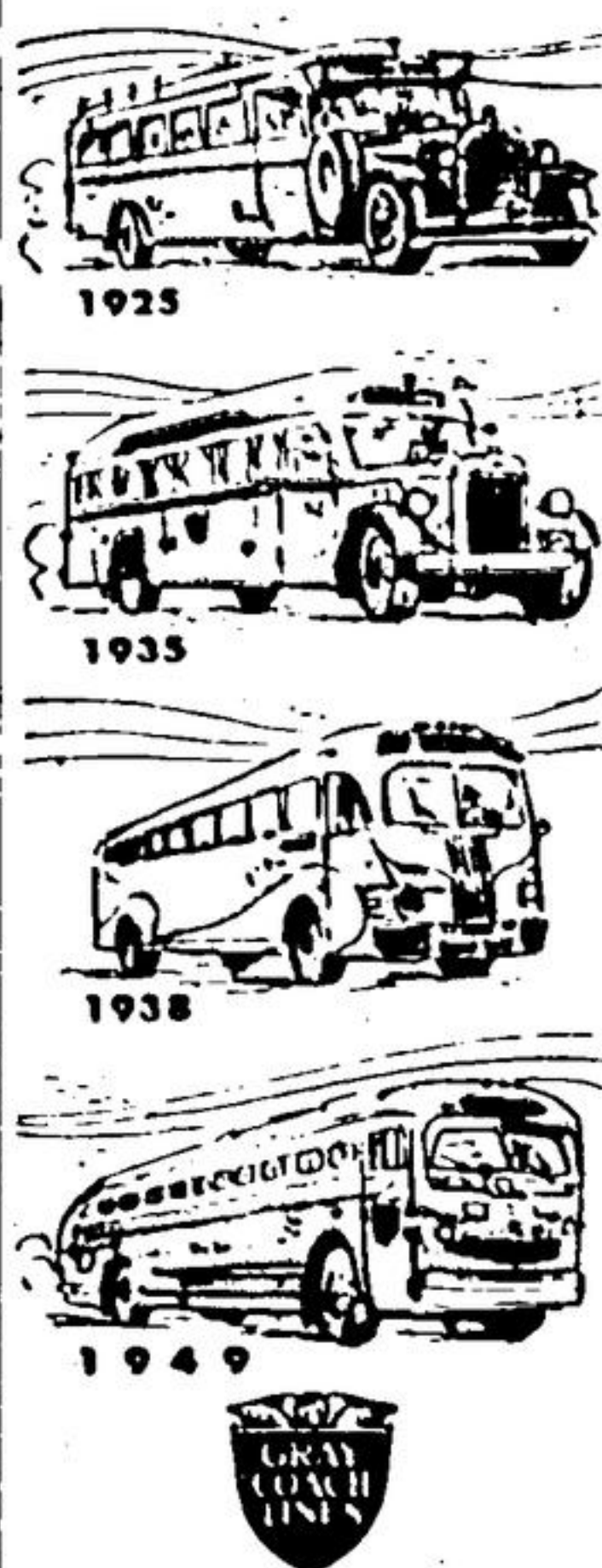
And so with jobs of housecleaning and income tax we come to thoughts of spring. Ah, yes... spring! The crows are flying all over the place—in fact they were when the snow was inches deep. You can hand it to the crow—he's an optimistic bird. At the barn spring has already arrived—my menfolk have six calves to wrestle with now. Of course with extra cows to milk we are getting quite a bit more cream. More cream, but less money. Need I say why? Margarine... of course. We expected that, as you know. What we can't figure out is why butter should be down and milk be up. It just doesn't make sense. If farmers are discouraged in selling cream then there should be plenty of milk. Probably just another of those problems to which no one knows the answer.

### THE FARM TRACTOR

Soon the farm tractor will be at work in the fields and probably will be called upon for some overtime during the busy months. If it was not given a complete fall check-up, it is not too late to do so now. Worn parts are best replaced before the spring rush starts.

Farm machinery engineers give some advice which helps to keep tractor expenses down. Thorough and timely lubrication and careful operation, avoiding overloading and high speeds, is one suggestion. Another is the selection of the proper size of tractor for field and belt work. They point out, too, that a tractor should be worked as near to full capacity as possible to obtain maximum efficiency.

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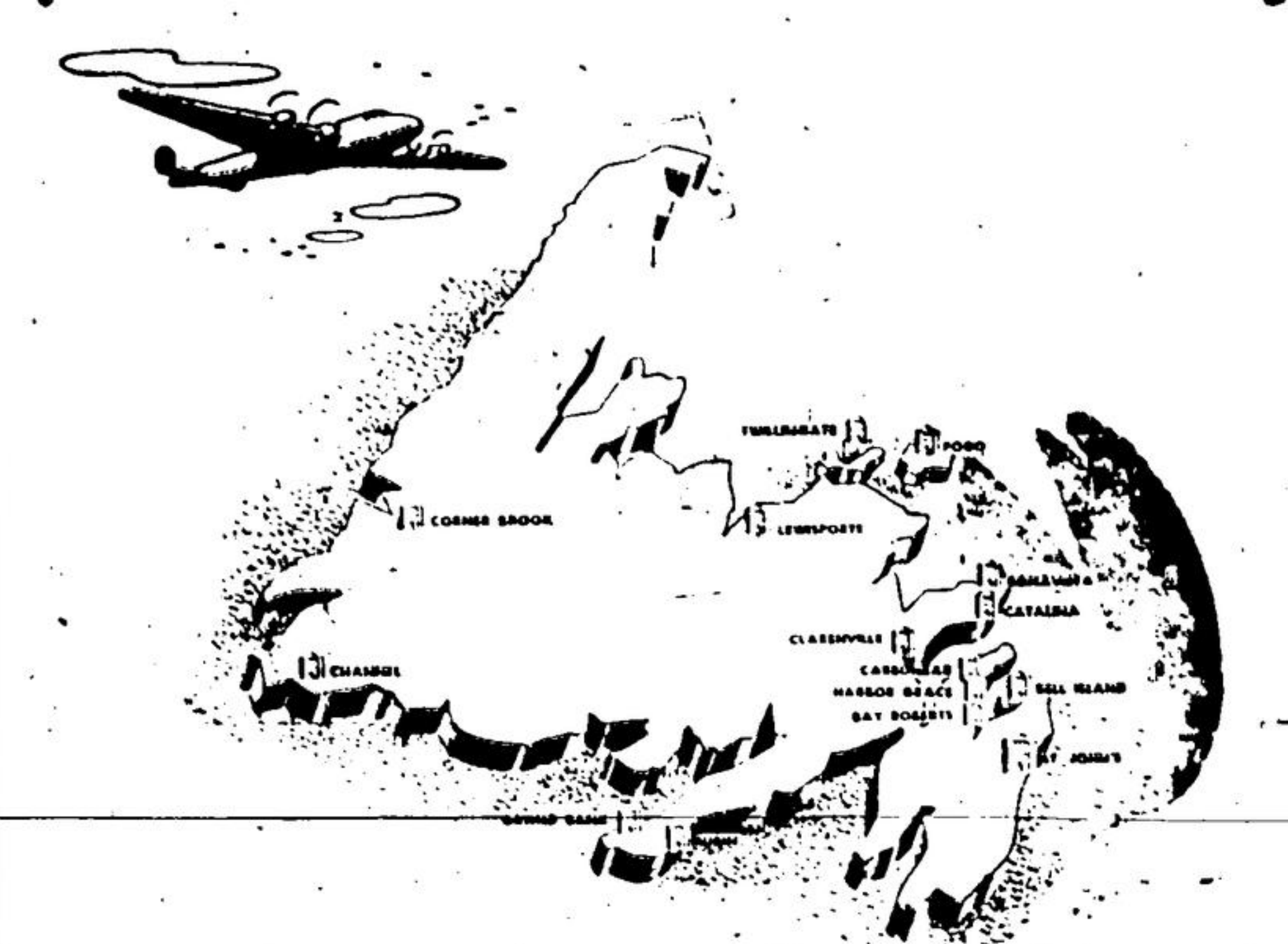
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