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ORANGE PEKOE

Chronicles of
Ginger Farm
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The house is pleasantly warm—but not on account of the weather. We had to fall back on furnace heat to give us May temperature. But we had a wonderful week—bright sunny days with just enough heat to make outside chores a pleasure. And I made good use of it . . . three days, raking and cutting grass, trimming border edges, cutting dead wood out of shrubs, building bonfires, transplanting a few things here and there, putting in a bit of early garden—and enjoying it all.

For the last few years Partner has looked after the lawns but now we are alone he has plenty of other jobs to keep him busy so I have taken over grass cutting operations again. Right away I felt a new mower was necessary. Partner would probably have managed with the old one. There is something about a new mower—it sort of gives you enthusiasm you might not otherwise feel—and one needs enthusiasm for the grass there is to cut around here. However, I don't do it all at once but, following Partner's advice, I spread it over a three or four day period, and then start all over again.

In between gardening and getting meals I manage a bit of reading, a bit of writing and keep one ear turned to the radio for the highlights of the day. Sometimes I drop off to sleep in the middle of a broadcast—working outside sure makes you sleepy. Now don't let anyone suggest anything else . . . of course it's the outside air that does it . . . it couldn't be that I'm getting old.

Well, the cost of living is up another two cents—and this time the powers that be blame it on butter, of all things! How could that be when about 75 per cent of the people are supposedly eating margarine? Better think that over again, Mr. Howe—it didn't sound like a very good guess to us.

This morning the dogs and I walked around the farm—just to see what the probs were for meeting this increased cost of living. The dogs had a great time. Once, all I could see of Honey was her fat little rump sticking out of a ground-hog's hole.

Well, the wheat was looking good; one field of clover was not too bad and another very poor. The fall ploughing is still far too wet to work—although some of our neighbours are out on the land. At the barn there was a calf three hours old and a stable full of healthy looking cows. As long as the cows keep milking and our health and strength—such as it is—holds out, we shall probably keep the wolf from the door. But you never can tell with animals—they are here today and gone tomorrow. One neighbour lost a fresh cow last week—\$350 gone right off the bat.

Sometimes I think it wouldn't be a bad idea if every family had a cow in its own backyard. We wouldn't hear so much about the price of milk then. But of course the milk from your cow wouldn't be worth 20¢ a quart—just 4¢—the same as the farmer gets. And it wouldn't be pasteurized—unless you did it yourself. Out of every 4¢ it would take at least 3¢ to feed the cow. Then someone would have to milk her night and morning, feed and water her, clean her stall and bed her down with straw. Probably you would soon discover that cleaning out even one stall is just as hard work as shovelling snow or tending a coal furnace. And of course, the whole family couldn't pile into the car and go off for the week-end, either summer or winter. Someone must stay home and look after the cow. Given proper care Bossie should milk for at least nine months—twice a day, night and morning, don't forget. During that time you would have to get her bred or else have a boarder on your hands at the end of her lactation period.

Well, Mr. Urbanite, how do you like the idea—a cow in your garage instead of a car? You couldn't very well have both. No milk to buy; an unlimited supply for the children; cream off the milk for your coffee; mother might even save enough to make butter. Think of the advantages! All that—just for an hour's work night and morning. Of course you would first have to pay out good, hard cash for your cow—and then she might get sick and die—and bang goes \$200-\$300.



Hello Homemakers! New ideas in furnishing or re-furnishing a home seem to have come to "light" in the home during this recent housecleaning period. There is talk of "master" of drapes all along the walls, window, shadow-proof curtains in place of shabby, stained, aluminum awnings and many big items. Then look at the change in decorating a bedroom to-day where many plastic accessories make storage dust-proof and may be had to harmonize with a variety of color schemes. The garment bags, shoe pockets, hat boxes and orange-crate covers make the place a source of pride.

Homemakers who possess sturdy-built, solid pieces of bedroom furniture may always feel their money well spent. However, a mattress may need to be replaced by one of the popular style of to-day—the inner-spring construction. Some of these mattresses can be purchased of a new comfortable material known as the foamed latex as a lining over the springs. (Pillows made of this sponge are durable and flat springs are equally important. If possible they should be bought separately, the mattress and springs should be paired to equalize each other both for comfort and for long service. The three types of bed springs are box, metal coil and flat springs—and within these classifications there are variations of construction.)

Pillows, sheets and blankets may be selected to suit the purse and needs of the household. However, bedspreads are chosen to suit the design of the furniture, and for the purpose of the occupants of the room. For instance if the bed is used for seating, then dark colored corduroy or one of mixed yarns which are strong give better service than satin or faille. Sometimes window curtains of the same material as the spread make an attractive ensemble.

TAKE A TIP
1. When buying sheets, pillow cases, blankets and pillows read the attached labels, note the size and judge the quality wisely.
2. There are two classifications for sheets and pillow cases—percale and muslin. And there are degrees of fineness in both of these grades. The finest of percales of about 204 thread count are luxuriously soft. Regular percale have about 180 thread count. Muslin sheets which are woven to take rugged wear, are of heavier threads and consequently a lower thread count.
3. Consider how often blankets have to be washed and how washed before you buy them. Also whether two light blankets may assure more comfortable sleeping than one heavy one.
4. Judge a blanket by the depth and evenness of the nap and by its resiliency. A good blanket has a springy quality when crushed in the hand. Beware of blankets that shed when brushed with the hand.
5. Electric blankets eliminate the need for extra bedding as by means of an automatic control, warmth is provided to make up for changes in room temperatures throughout the night.
6. A quick test for a firm Terry or Turkish towel is to hold the towel to the light. Only tiny pin points of light will show through a good towel.
7. Many colored towels will stand bleaching and—strong sunlight. Dark solid colors sometimes "bleed" in the first 2 or 3 washings due to excess dyes and they may be less absorbent than white or pastel towels.
8. All towels shrink somewhat in laundering. Check the tension in the border, selvage and main section of the towel to see that it is even.

THE SUGGESTION BOX
1. Do not let towels become excessively soiled before washing them. (New towels should be laundered before use.)
2. Unless very soiled there is no reason to soak Terry towels. In fact it is wise to soak linens in warm water with detergent in it for not more than 1 hour. Twenty minutes is a good precaution against causing colors to bleed and soil to set in.
3. Occasionally a bleach may seem necessary; in such cases follow directions as to quantity of bleach and number of rinsings as

according to whether she was a grade or pure-bred. But then farmers take that risk why not you? Your cow would teach you a lot. You would understand what the farmer means when he says he is "tied to the cow's tail". After a few months you might even be glad to sell your cow and be only too thankful to get your milk by the bottle—at 25¢ a quart if necessary—and think it cheap at the price! Experience is a wonderful teacher.

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Teletype machines in each city carried results from each team to all other teams. When the final scores were in, Toronto came out the big winner, taking both the bronze trophy for the highest total score and the Brown trophy for the best ladies' team. Montreal took the Hogan trophy for the high scoring men's team.

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