

Meeting United Church Woman's Missionary Society

By the Press Secretary
The February meeting of the United Church Woman's Missionary Society held Tuesday, Feb. 11th, in the church basement, presented special interest due to the opportunity of welcoming again to our circle Mrs. J. P. Sutcliffe, of Toronto, who was the guest speaker of the afternoon's programme.

Mrs. C. Freure, leader of Group 1, assisted by the other members, conducted the devotional exercises, the theme being that of Psalm 43, "Lord for tomorrow and my needs, I do not pray," the solo rendering of which by Mrs. H. Wrigglesworth added a pleasing emphasis to the message.

The president, Mrs. P. C. Overend, in her warm welcome to Mrs. Sutcliffe, took the opportunity of sending through his motherly remarks greetings and good wishes from the friends of the Georgetown Church to Pilot Officer Carman Sutcliffe of the R.A.F. who is in one of Britain's bombing squadrons. Carman (who left for England in June, 1936), since completing his training has been in active service in raids over Germany, later seeing service in Malta, and is now on duty in Egypt. Friends present were privileged to see a very fine photo of the young airman standing by his plane and were grateful to a mother for permitting the use of a very much cherished possession.

Mrs. Sutcliffe's address was based on the life of Dr. Horace Wrinch, Surgeon of the Skeena, founder of the Hazelton, B.C., hospital, who as a Toronto graduate in medicine and gold medalist of his year in 1889, offered his services to the Mission Board of (the then) Methodist Church, requesting on behalf of himself and his bride that they be sent to the place of greatest need.

In this spirit they took up their work amongst the coast Indians of Northern British Columbia, first at Kliploj and later at Hazelton on the Skeena River.

As a monument to the work of these two devoted followers of the Great Physician, there stands today a fully equipped modern hospital of fifty beds, the only hospital within a radius of 200 miles.

The story of the thirty-six years of service given by Dr. Wrinch who combined in his person the offices of Minister, physician, surgeon, magistrate and parliamentary representative of his people, is one of amazing victory over difficulties which would have daunted a lesser soul. In spite of hardship and discouraging conditions he patiently and with clear vision pursued his course in the belief that "if we are Christians we may travel when and where the path of duty indicates knowing that man is immortal till his work is done." This sense of divine care, he testified, brought untold peace and satisfaction.

His death in Vancouver in 1929 four years after his retirement brought to a close the life of a great Canadian, whose career has been likened to that of Dr. Albert Schweitzer of Africa, one of the most outstanding names in the history of missionary endeavour.

Mrs. Sutcliffe reminded us that as stewards of the manifold grace of

God, it is required that one be found faithful. Not opportunity, privilege nor even ability are among God's requirements in service, but faithfulness is essential to the winning of the "Well done," promised by our Lord.

A variation in the pleasing features of the afternoon's program followed, when members of the Rosebud Mission Band and the Canadian Girls in Training group, gathered for the graduation ceremony of members from the Hazelton Band, who, having reached the age of twelve years, passed into C.G.I.T. and Trail Ranger groups.

Mrs. Speight, Conference Branch Secretary of Mission Bands, addressed the assembly, explaining the purpose underlying the division of this missionary family into Baby Bands up to five years, Mission Band (to 12 years), C.G.I.T. groups (teen age) and Young Woman's Mission Circle, all of which are children of the parent society, the W.M.S. She congratulated those by whose faithful effort and co-operation another successful year's work had been accomplished and expressed her pleasure at being present at this, the second event of its kind in the history of the Canadian W.M.S.

In a very interesting and well executed ceremony of marching and song, the Mission Band graduates were received into the C.G.I.T. groups. The Band leader, Mrs. N. Burns presented the graduation diplomas and from Miss E. MacCumber, leader of the C.G.I.T., each girl graduate received a group pin.

The boy graduates who now become Trail Rangers, were welcomed by Mrs. Overend acting for the mentor, Mr. Stewart MacLaren, whose duties prevented him from being present.

The following received graduation diplomas: Ellen Grace, Betty Hunter, June Clarke, Joan Lyons, Marjorie Herrington, Ted Colman, Clare Burns and Glen Gibbs.

A piano solo by one of the graduates, June Clarke, added a delightful number and the program closed with the usual good night ceremony of the C.G.I.T.

A hearty vote of thanks expressed the gratitude of the W.M.S. to Mrs. N. Burns, Mission Band leader, and to Miss E. MacCumber, and Mrs. Brawley, C.G.I.T. leaders, through whose faithfulness and efficiency such splendid results are being achieved.

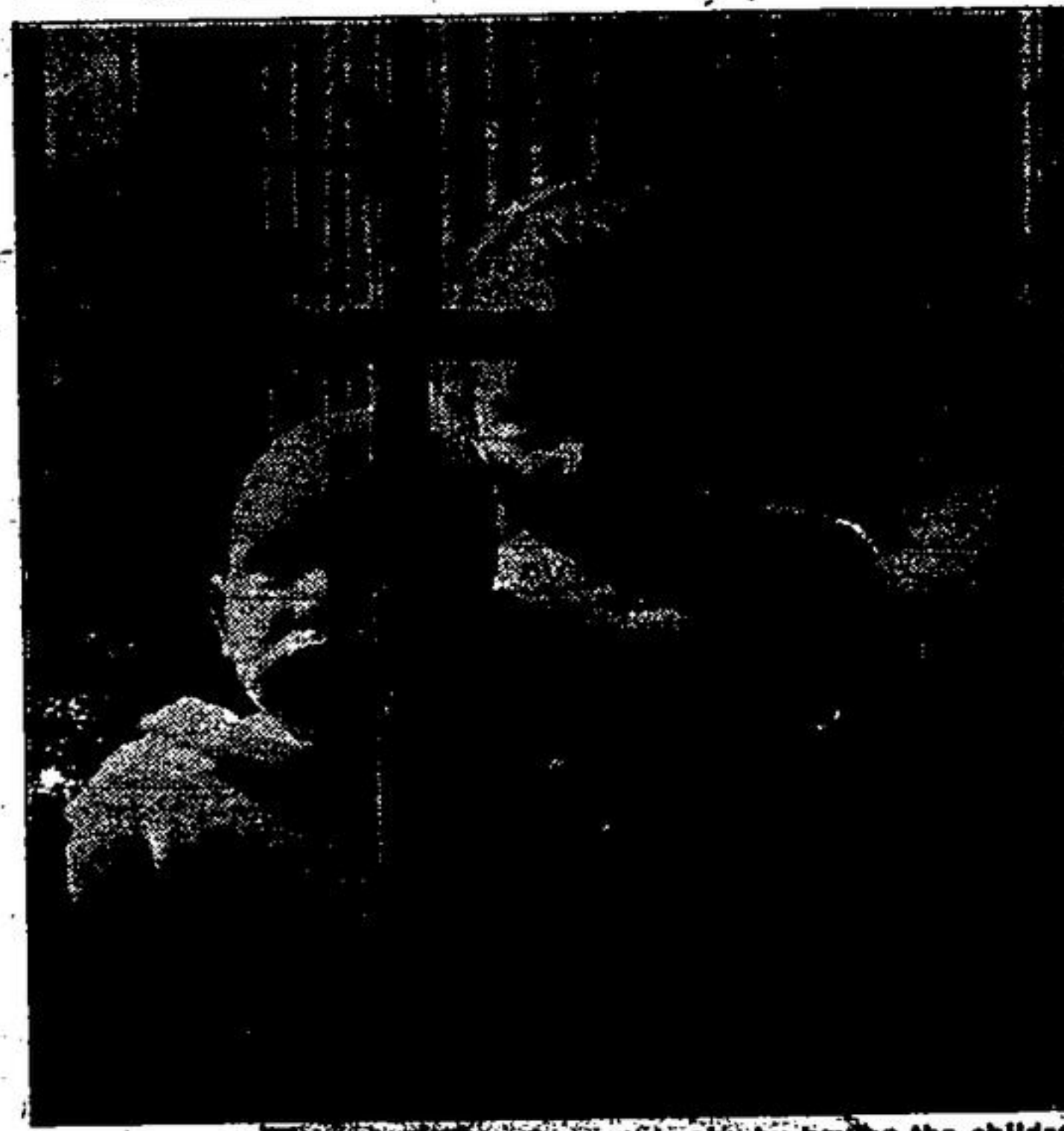
"IF THE CLOUDS COME"

The men of a section of England's coastal defences are delighted with a visit paid to them recently by Mr. Churchill and with the speech he made at the end of it, writes Peterborough, in the "Daily Telegraph."

The weather was bitter and the men were lined up, growing visibly colder as he completed his inspection. He advanced to the microphone and the troops were wondering whether any oratory, even Mr. Churchill's, could make them forget the cold.

Mr. Churchill spoke: "If the clouds come," he said, "push them back into the sea. Good day to you."

The SNAPSHOT GUILD "WINDOW" PICTURES



The "window" effect was obtained by having the children peer through the French door into the darkened dining room. Such stunts give you novel pictures.

GOOD snapshots around the home depend partly on your subjects—and partly on how you present them. Often, a clever or unusual presentation makes an excellent picture out of the most familiar subject-matter.

Take a look around the home, and note the spots or locations that will make good "settings" for pictures. The fireplace, the staircase landing, the doorway, the window, all these are good "picture spots."

"Window" and "French doors" are useful, too. In the daytime, a bright window can be used as a background for silhouette shots—with shades drawn on the other side. Or, you can bring in the light, to illuminate the shadow side of the subject, and

INTERNATIONAL UNIFORM Sunday School LESSON

THE AUTHORITY OF CHRIST

SUNDAY, MARCH 2nd, 1941

GOLDEN TEXT: "Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" Luke 6:46.

LESSON PASSAGE: Luke 19:41 to 20:8.

To them that seek thee thou art good, To them that find thee, all in all.

A Series of Surprises

Suppose that today's newspaper should tell of a religious teacher weeping over his capital city, predicting its downfall, going into its cathedral and casting out those in charge, teaching daily in spite of the opposition of the government, asking questions which those in authority dare not answer and refusing to tell on whose authority he was acting, what would be the reaction of public opinion? Suppose also that nineteen hundred years afterwards, one-third of the population should revere that teacher, build churches in his name, bestow thousands of names in his honour, observe a sacrament as his memorial, publish countless books interpreting the meaning of his life and send missionaries into every corner of the world to proclaim his gospel, what explanation could be given? Jesus did many things that made him unpopular yet he has a hold on human hearts unrivalled by any other. He had no publicity agencies save the lips of his grateful followers. Those who were in authority prevented him from being given a permanent influence.

The Supreme Paradox

"Here is a Carpenter, who says quite calmly, 'I am the Light of the world.' Here is a lowly Peasant, journeying quietly from place to place, saying 'I am the Bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger.' Here is a Man without money, home, or even place to lay his head, who could be called a lowly Peasant, and yet he has a hold on human hearts unrivalled by any other. He had no publicity agencies save the lips of his grateful followers. Those who were in authority prevented him from being given a permanent influence.

Authority in Words

The paragraph just quoted was written in New Zealand, published in England and is now being read in Canada. It has been read in many other lands not known to exist when Christ was on earth is an example of survival indicating unique authority. Christ's authority was partly in word, His teaching endures. His statements are timeless. Some of them seem to have been spoken especially for the twentieth century. Some of his greatest teachings were apparently flung off at a moment's notice. "A casual question brings the story of the Good Samaritan, the Pharisees and the scribes murmur against him, and the superb parables of Luke 15 are born, while a request in a crowded meeting place brings the story of the Rich Fool. Yet this teaching given, not in school or lecture room, but in chance conversations with ordinary people met on the road, by well on the lake shore, is universal in its scope and implication. It belongs to no particular place and no particular time. Its finality is absolute, and he speaks as truly to the twentieth-century American as he spoke to the first-century Jew."

Authority in Deeds

Christ's authority is to be seen as much in his actions as in his words. "He went about doing good, doing it radiantly and courageously in the face of enmity, doing it thoroughly, decisively and often with remarkable rapidity. No man ever accomplished so much in so short a time. Jesus appears throughout the gospels as a Man doing something he was convinced had to be done, a Man fulfilling some essential purpose for the good of all. Yet he was never in a hurry, though his apparent leisureliness is not that of aimless living, but rather that of a Man in perfect control of life, awaiting that hour which is not yet come. Always one senses a tremendous reserve of power." He spent much time in healing sickness. He had such authority over others that he made deranged minds sane. The story tells that on his command even the winds and the sea obeyed him. And, strange to tell, he is still causing deeds of service to be done. In schools, hospitals, orphanages, and homes, his life is being ministered to others because those hands are guided by hands the Lord has touched.

Authority From God

Those who heard Jesus teaching said that he spoke with authority. Jesus himself, disclaimed that the authority was his own. He attributed it all to God. He said "the word which he said in that name, but the Father's which he said, was his own." Christ claimed his authority as dependent upon God. He said "I can do nothing of myself, but only as I hear the voice of the Father, who sends me." He said "I have not come to do my own will, but the will of the Father who sent me." He said "I have not come to do my own will, but the will of the Father who sent me." He said "I have not come to do my own will, but the will of the Father who sent me."

Mainly for Women

RELIEF FROM CONSTIPATION

Women Find a Remedy

With perfect frankness a woman correspondent writes:—"I have suffered from constipation as long as I can remember, and taken all sorts of things—which in some cases seemed to do good at first, but afterwards to have no effect. Then I thought I would try Kruschen in my tea every morning, and I have done so for over a year. I am pleased to say after the first month I had no more trouble with constipation and I have felt very fit."—(Mrs.) G. M. S.

Kruschen helps to maintain a condition of regular cleanliness. The several salts in Kruschen stimulate the organs of elimination to smooth, gentle action. Your system is thus kept clear of clogging waste and poisonous impurities.

been won by his truth, love and service. In comparison the brief authority of a dictator who, by mechanized force overruns a continent is a brief and shabby triumph. Christ's kingdom will never pass away. On his shoulders alone may the governments of the world safely be set.

Questions for Discussion

1. The Christ who wept over Jerusalem drove the money-changers from the Temple. How do you explain his tenderness and severity?
2. If Christ appeared now, would he gain in the twentieth century the authority that he had in the first?
3. Wherein lies the authority of Christ's teaching for you?
4. In what sense may Christ be our Master if we work in a factory or a bank where authority is delegated?
5. Am I acknowledging Christ's authority in my words and deeds? (Lesson Outlines copyrighted by the International Council of Religious Education. Used by permission.)

Poetry

DON'T BE CROSS WITH THE KIDDIES

Please don't be cross with the kiddies
The young things may not know
Just what is your intention,
Or what you want them to do.

Their little brains aren't developed
The same as grown-ups are;
And maybe you expect too much,
Too much for them, by far.

So don't be harsh with the kiddies,
Be firm but always be kind;
You need not lose your temper
To reach a little mind.

Of course they'll need correcting,
For small missteps they'll take;
But all them, lead them, guide them,
Don't make their wee hearts break.

RALPH GORDON,
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Toronto.

THE QUEEN

I'm glad she wears no uniform,
This smiling Queen of ours,
I'm glad she wears a pretty gown,
With pearls and lace and flowers.

I'm glad she doesn't sob and weep,
Or look sad and forlorn,
But keeps her smile (God bless her face)
As radiant as the morn.

And when they bombed old Buckingham
Her very room (no less)
She went to the church as large as life,
And wore her gayest dress.

And in an air raid shelter once
Deep down below the ground
She stayed and had a cup of tea
While bombs were dropping round.

No truer Queen e'er graced a throne,
Than this great Queen of ours,
Who faces death day after day,
With pearls and lace and flowers.

—Edna Jacques.

THE COMMON LOT

I would not live my life apart
In some sequestered place;
I would not seek a favoured start
In life's exciting race;
But I the common lot would share,
And with my brethren do and dare.

I would not stand upon a peak
In lofty solitude;
No entrance would I ever seek
Where those who guard the gate
Who share the attributes which be
The birthright of humanity.

The common lot is all I seek,
The common road and goal,
The common fare, the common task,
The common pain and glad,
And yet I would with might and main,
Uncommon labours share.

Timely Topics for Women

BY BARBARA BAINES

ARE WOMEN THE WEAK LINK IN A DEMOCRACY?

Since the days of the early Greeks history shows that democracies have often contained germs that destroy them. One is the failure to prepare quickly and sufficiently when warfare threatens. Another is the failure to unite wholeheartedly against the foe.

To what extent are the women of the democracies to blame? It is well-known that women are greater pacifists than men. Naturally they do not want their husbands and sons to go to war. They do not look at a sudden crisis from a national viewpoint but chiefly from a maternal one. In the democracies women have been given the vote and, if utilized, hold the balance of power in any election. Our leaders and thinkers who see the danger clearly have to wait until public opinion (including the opinion of women) is fully aroused before they can go ahead with the gigantic preparations needed to wage a modern war successfully.

Is it true that leaders in England were afraid to admit publicly the seriousness of the situation in 1938-39 because of the woman vote? Was this one of the chief reasons for the apparent delay in arming in Britain, for the delay in getting all out war effort underway in Canada, and similarly in the U.S.A.—a delay that Germany was quick to take full advantage of?

Then there is another side of the picture. Is it women, chiefly, who still demand the luxuries of peace-time, who are responsible chiefly for diverting so large a share of our industrial production away from war materials to domestic needs? Is it because many of the women of the democracies think it their right to have the latest in dresses and hats and house furnishings, that the annual war expenditure of Germany was 5 times that of Britain in 1938 and is still believed to be greater even now than that of either Britain or United States?

A prominent American said recently "Our public men are at the steering wheel, it is true, but they seem to be directed by our lovely back-seat drivers who cannot see the precipice ahead."

When women attained full privileges of citizenship in equality with men, they also attained equal responsibility—and it is up to them, individually, to see that they do not in any way hamper the nation's efforts to strike down an aggressor.

SPECIAL APPEALS

We must indeed hang together if we are not to hang separately," said Sir Norman Angell, distinguished British visitor, when speaking in Ottawa recently, and continued, "Fifteen nations have lost their independence, not because they were soft, corrupt, incompetent or pacifist, but because they did not combine with each other in a united defense against tyranny."

The women of Canada are making a magnificent contribution to the war effort of the Empire, but are they actually doing their very best? Are there not still many who, caught up in the whirl of domestic, social or business affairs, find but little time for "war work"? Actually war work should be our first consideration, not just something we do if we are "not busy" or "if we have time."

Others make the excuse that anything they could contribute would be too small to be of value. But this is not the case. It is the united effort that counts most, the small bits that make the big totals.

Recently there have been a number of requests for the type of service women can render. The following are perhaps the most urgent:

1. The government is asking us to buy \$10,000,000 of War Savings Certificates each month to help finance the war. Have you pledged your share yet? It is up to every woman to see that pay-day is war-savings day.
2. "Knit us mitts" is the cry of British naval heroes. Two-way mitts, whole mitts, rifle mitts are needed at once. You will find the directions in your Red Cross knitting kit. The shortage is due to the fact that huge quantities of these articles are being handed out at eastern Canadian ports to British sailors who arrive in desperate need of warm clothing.
3. There is an urgent request for warm, turtle-necked sweaters of heavy navy wool for seamen and of khaki wool for the tank corps.
4. The most pressing need of the British Commonwealth is for men's trousers, boys' clothing, stockings, knickers, hot-water bottles, and blankets.
5. Lorne Pierce, Chairman of the War Services Library Council is making an appeal for 100,000 books, and as many magazines as are available, for the recreation centres and mess libraries of the Navy, Army and Air Force units in training. Every I.O.D.E. centre is a "Book Depot" where you may leave your donation.
6. Lady Tweedsmuir has asked all who can, to send seeds to Britain. Anything from a packet or two to a pound is acceptable providing they are of good quality and sent at once.
7. "My kingdom for an onion" is a common cry in England these days. Lemons are just as scarce. A small box of either shipped to friends there would be greatly appreciated.
8. Remind the men of your family that blood donors are needed. In the Toronto District alone the Red Cross is asking for 700 volunteers weekly, (men from 18-50) to give blood to fill war emergency needs.

BOOK REVIEW

By E. PHILLIPS OPPENHEIM

(McClelland and Stewart, \$2.25)

The Grill Room in London's famed Milan Hotel is the rendezvous for a wide variety of persons, among whom are found international spies, unconventional characters with many idiosyncracies, and men of mystery. It is this Grill Room that is the setting for each of the ten closely linked stories in Oppenheim's most recent book.

Louis, just back from the war of 1918, with many medals and a limp, is the all-seeing maître d'hôtel. He works closely with Major Lyon, a free-lance agent with the British Intelligence Service, and to gether they solve some seemingly unfaithful mysteries.

There is the story of Peter Jardine, a wealthy American golf addict, who was kidnapped while surrounded by bodyguards. Another story tells how a plot to discover the secret of the carefully guarded Caisles gun was foiled. Another tells how, through the "shadow man", the gentleman leader of a gang of dangerous criminals in New York was captured.

With each unfolding episode there are new dangers to face, new intrigues, new adventures, new problems to solve. "The Milan Grill Room" has everything the author has taught us to look for.

E. Phillips Oppenheim, like a number of other English writers, was caught in France when the blitz came. He twice tried to escape, once from St. Malo, once from Bordeaux, but was turned back each time, and now is held in "protective custody" at Cannes.

LET ME REMIND YOU

It is becoming more and more evident that the test of a man is not how much wealth he is able to acquire, but rather how little he requires on which to live a full life. A man's dependence upon money and possessions is in exact proportion to his poverty of mind and spirit.

—George Fox.

APRICOT FARFAIT

Apricots have a delightful flavour all their own, so when you need a special dessert to round out a simple dinner or luncheon try Apricot Farfait. It is delicious.

1 cupful apricot juice
1 cupful apricot pulp
1 cup whipping cream
1/4 cup white sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 egg whites
1/4 sliced almonds
1 1/2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon fruit sugar

Cook apricot juice and sugar for 10 minutes. Pour apricot pulp over egg whites, beaten stiff. Continue the beating and allow to cool. From the apricot pulp, through a sieve, add the lemon juice. Add thoroughly and combine with 2 egg whites, 1/4 cup white sugar, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/4 sliced almonds and cream mixture. Mix thoroughly and pour into a shallow dish.

Serve in shallow glasses, and top with the remainder of cream, whipped with fruit sugar, added gradually. Garnish with sliced almonds.

REMEMBER

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