

Deeps and Shallows

The Eggs and I

We had lived in our first home just six weeks when Larry bought another home with much larger grounds. After some changes had been made we sold the first home and moved into the second, in which I lived for 54 years. After having lived in a large city, it seemed to me we owned half the earth—but it was really only an acre.

It took all that summer to get the ground in order. The people who had lived there had cut down the trees for firewood and we had the roots to dig out. The ground that had been used for gardening purposes was all planted in parsnips. It was years before we were rid of parsnips.

We decided we ought to have chickens. All I knew about chickens was that they laid eggs, and these would be fresh eggs, and from eggs more chickens could be raised.

Our grounds went down into a deep ravine and across this ravine lived some friends who kept chickens. We asked them to sell us six hens and a rooster, which they did. I picked them out, one after the other, each just as different as possible from the rest. We carried them home in a covered bushel basket. Special breeds didn't mean a thing to me. Our friends told us to keep them locked up for a few days so they would get used to their new home.

This new home was a ramshackle old two-story barn that we had not yet torn down. We partitioned off a corner, tacked up a couple of sticks for roosts and put in a few boxes filled with straw for the biddies to lay eggs in.

That rooster kept up crowing every half hour, and I felt sure he was trying to tell me he didn't like to have his family locked in all day. About four o'clock I couldn't stand it any longer. I opened the door and let them all out. Later when I went to close the door there were three hens on the roost and nothing to be seen of the rest of my chicken family. That night we had to carry three hens and the rooster back to their new home. Again we were cautioned to keep them locked in for a few days and this time we heeded.

Then one day I found two hens on the same nest. That meant one was a brooding hen. I got a dozen eggs and put them under Biddy. Then she must have added another egg. I really felt the responsibility of having this setting hen on my hands. Three times a day I took her off her nest and spread before her the most tempting food and nice cool water. But she would have nothing to do with it most of the time, and how she would sputter and fuss and peck at the buttons on my shoes, until I let her go back on her nest.

The 20th day as I neared the barn I could hear the peeping of baby chicks. Sure enough—when I lifted up one of biddy's wing there were two little yellow baby chicks. I had been told it took 21 days for chickens to hatch and sometimes even longer and I prided myself it was the extra good care I had given Biddy that brought out the chicks a DAY ahead of the regular schedule. You may laugh if you want to, I did, myself, later.

I had been told baby chicks' first meal must be hard boiled eggs chopped fine and mixed with fine corn meal. So I put two eggs to boil and went back to the barn to fix a nice place for the babies and their mother to have their first meal together. There were seven babies, two white and the rest dark.

I looked at the six eggs in the nest. They surely looked shop worn. I was somewhat disappointed at their not hatching, when I had given them the same careful attention I had the other eggs. I suddenly remembered the eggs I had boiled and hurried back to the house to get that precious first meal ready for biddy and her family.

Imagine my surprise when I got back to the barn, to find Biddy scratching between the boards of that old barn floor and clucking to her babies to come eat this and that, and me with a perfect meal all ready to serve. Of course I stood and watched to see what Biddy would do with the food I put down. She simply scratched it off onto the floor and called the chicks to come help themselves as she was doing. The barn door blew open and Biddy made a bee-line for the opening followed by her family.

I finally got them shooed toward the house which was over a hundred feet away. From the kitchen windows I could keep track of them.

When Larry came home to lunch I proudly exhibited the First Hatching — and my ignorance.

I expected him to shout "Hurrah," but he didn't. He asked, "What did you do with the rest of the eggs?" I told him "They were so dark and unattractive, I'm sure they are rotten" and took him to the bush where I had dropped them, to prove that I knew a bad egg when I saw one. I hadn't taken any care when I dropped them. One by one Larry picked them up and in each was a dead little chick. All he said, "Next time give Biddy a chance to finish her job."

—A. C. O.

Alas . . .

There is no one, of wishful bent,
So humorous—without intent—
So smugly vulnerable, as he
Who takes himself too seriously.
R. B. O.

Mrs. Leonard Friebele Topper In Bowling; Mrs. Raff Runner-Up

Mrs. Leonard Friebele received an award pin, as winner of the highest bowling score of 222, in the women's Bowling League at King Pin Alleys, on Thursday afternoons. Mrs. Arthur Raff was a member of the runner-up team, also, in the Thursday afternoon women's bowling League at these alleys. The awards were made at a Luncheon held May 6th at El Gaucho Restaurant.

At Morton Arboretum

The third Saturday afternoon meeting of the Spring series at the Morton Arboretum will be held on Saturday, May 15. The lecture will deal with flowering shrubs, and will be followed by a field trip in the Arboretum. Anyone interested is welcome. No charge.

Hadassah Ends Active Year With Golden Book Luncheon

The annual Golden Book Luncheon of the North Shore Hadassah will present several highlights. The program given by Olga Rozinovich is a truly artistic dramatic portrayal of Tennessee Williams' current play, "A Street Car of Desire", the sensitivity of which, handled with skill and understanding, has thrilled New York theater audiences.

An added feature of the day will be the report for the nominating committee by Mrs. B. Z. Rapaport of Glencoe, and the election of new officers.

Mrs. Joseph Wertheimer, the president elect, a charter member of the group, has served on the board for the past twelve years, and has held other posts of import and leadership, most recent of which is chairman of the woman's division of the North Shore for the drive for the Board of Jewish Education. She has served on both Lincoln and Highland Park High school P.T.A. groups, and prior to that was founding president of the Suburban Women's B'nai B'rith. She has long been devoted to the aim of Hadassah—the uplifting of Palestine as the Jewish Homeland.

Included in the annual report to be given by Mrs. Gerald White of Glencoe, outgoing president, is the fact that North Shore Hadassah raised \$60,000 this year.

Mrs. Jack Lederer, a past president, will install new officers, Mrs. Senual Roberts of Glencoe is in charge of the luncheon with Mrs. Louis Segal of Winnetka in charge of decorations. Luncheon at 12:30 at the Glencoe Temple. Members and friends cordially invited.

Dinner Dance To Climax Social Season Of Ravinia Woman's Club

The Ravinia Woman's club will climax its social season with a dinner dance at the Village House, Saturday, May 15. Mrs. Bruce Krasberg, chairman, announces that dinner will be served at 8:30 to be followed by dancing until 1:00. Will Holly, formerly with Art Kassel's band, and his orchestra will play for the occasion. Hostesses will be Mesdames Frank Watt, Herbert Carlson, Raymond Naegele, George Harrison, William Alderman, Russel Johnson, Gilbert Fuller, Charles Morrow, Vernon Heins, Gordon Leonard and George Keller.

Yesterday, following a smorgasbord luncheon arranged by Mrs. A. R. Schramm and her house committee, the annual business meeting was held. Retiring board members read reports and newly elected officers were installed, as follows: Mrs. I. S. Riggs—first vice president and Mrs. Gordon Parkes—recording secretary, Mrs. E. P. Barnes, treasurer and Mrs. Frank Frable as director. Mrs. Albert J. Bushey will serve another term as president, Mrs. A. R. Schramm as 2nd vice president and Mrs. Robert Spahr as corresponding secretary.

The new committee chairmen, appointed by Mrs. Bushey for the coming year are: Mrs. A. C. Heimerdinger—program; Mrs. William Alderman—arts; Mrs. Kenneth Kraft—philanthropy; Mrs. J. M. Watkins—civics; Mrs. Robert Christopher—social; Mrs. John Bailey—auditing and revisions; Mrs. George Hadlock—publicity; Mrs. Russel Johnson—maintenance and Mrs. Clifford Makelim—Holly Hop.

At the close of the meeting Mrs.

A. C. Heimerdinger, program chairman, introduced Martha Crane Caris, who delighted her audience with intimate glimpses of life "Behind the Scenes in Radio."

All-Day Session Of Presbyterian Women Thursday, May 20

The Woman's Association of the Presbyterian church will hold an all-day meeting on Thursday, May 20, at the church. The program is as follows:

10:00 a.m. Sewing and hospital dressings.

12:00 noon. Chancel Service conducted by Rev. W. Sherwin.

12:30 p.m. Luncheon, served by Mrs. Robert Froelich's group.

2:00 p.m. Program—the showing of "Beyond Our Own," the initial production of the Protestant Film Commission, official producing agency of nineteen Protestant denominations and thirteen inter-denominational agencies. Ladies from the Presbyterian Home will be guests of the Association.

Mrs. A. E. Lundin's group is in charge of the food sale.

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About Night Cooling... an aid to Summer Comfort

The Public Service Company has long followed a policy of informing the public of new developments in electrical appliances for the home. In southern climates, an economical method of cooling the home at night has been used for a number of years. This method, adaptable to any apartment or house, is comparatively new to Northern Illinois. A discussion of this important step toward more comfortable year-round living in this area is timely now.

Comfort cooling, by driving out the hot stagnant air and replacing it with cool, outside night air, permits restful sleep even on the hottest nights.



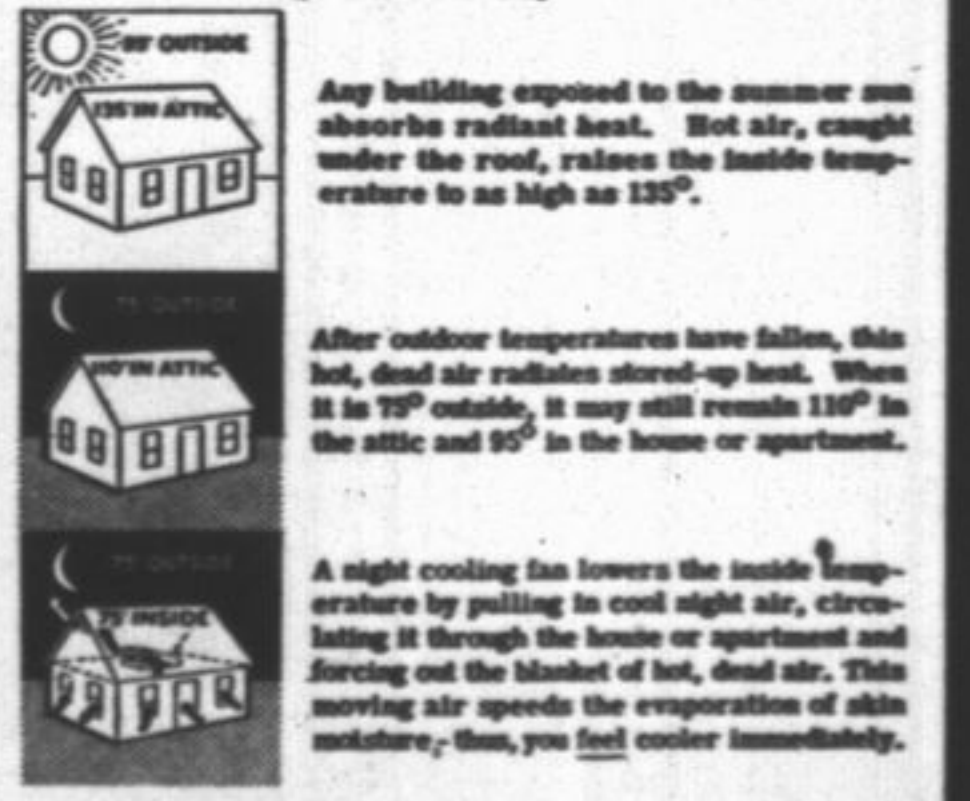
Everyone remembers the periods of oppressive heat of last summer. In this area, the first hot spell can be expected any time around the first of June, followed by heat waves at intervals until the end of September. Average temperatures for the past eight years show that Northern Illinois residents experience about two months of really hot weather every year—forty-six days with temperatures over 85°, and twenty-two days over 90°.

All day during the summer every part of a building exposed to the sun, absorbs heat. This heat is radiated through the roof and walls, raising the temperature of the air inside the building. The space below the roof frequently has a temperature of 135° on a hot summer day. The upper rooms of the building have a temperature as high as 10° above the outside temperature for as long as ten hours after sundown. To cool the home, this motionless, heated air must be removed and replaced by cooler, moving air from outdoors.

ADVANTAGES OF NIGHT COOLING

It is difficult to sleep or work when there is no movement of air to hasten evaporation of the moisture on the skin. On the other hand, it is possible to sleep restfully even on the hottest nights if air is moving freely through the bedroom window. The gently moving breeze of fresh air (produced by a night

How a Night Cooling Fan Works



cooling fan) rapidly absorbs heat from walls and ceiling, and evaporates moisture from the skin. In a few hours these fans can make you feel 10° to 15° cooler.

Night cooling fan installations are designed to change completely the supply of air in the home at least once every two minutes. The fan blades revolve slowly, gently circulating the air over a large area, rather than blowing in gusts and drafts. This method allows your entire living quarters to remain cooler all day.

TYPES OF INSTALLATION

For those who live in rented apartments or houses, where it is not practical to install

a night cooling fan permanently, the window fan is recommended. When installed, the fan drives heated air from all rooms on the same floor and fresh, cool night air is drawn in to replace it. Easily portable, the window fan can be plugged into any wall socket.

The night cooling fan installed in the attic of single-family dwellings, circulates the air throughout an entire one or two-story house. Methods of installing this equipment have

been worked out to meet successfully almost every type of home or apartment construction.

SIMPLE LOW COST OPERATION

For greater convenience and low cost of operation, a time-switch may be installed to give you fully automatic comfort cooling.

You can cool your home all night for less than the price of an ice cream cone. The experience of many users of these fans in the South over a period of years indicates satisfaction of the highest degree.

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