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## Successful Parenthood

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In considering the more modern theories related to the problem of getting children to eat, we're apt to forget some of the more obvious reasons that grandmother could point out. In particular, there's-in-between-meal nibbling. The child who has access to the cookie box or who eats innumerable crackers after school may have little interest in his dinner. For starches and sweets have a disastrous effect on appetite. It's alright to let children have snacks of fresh fruit or fruit juice with a cereal-like cookie, such as triscuit or graham crackers, instead of pastry-like cookies.

Then we sometimes fail to allow for periods of slackened growth when the child actually doesn't need as much food. None of us is particularly eager to tackle a task that looms so large as to seem impossible of accomplishment. A plate piled high with food may stagger a child. When Betty and Jeanette, aged four and two refused to eat their meals, their father suggested that they be given smaller amounts which would not overwhelm them. The feeling of achievement when they were able to empty or nearly empty their plates changed the little girl's negative attitude toward eating.

Mealtimes should not be made occasions for saved up reprimands. A child will hardly hurry to the table if he can look forward only to a session "Why didn't you put your tricycle away?" "Your teacher said you were late this morning." "The neighbors' children never seem to get as dirty as you do" and so forth.

Sometimes a child refuses to eat because he has discovered, usually quite accidentally, that by simply turning down his dinner he gains tremendous power over his mother and even over other members of the family. Or perhaps it is his way of rejecting the power the family wields over him. Mother, failing to recognize his developing independence does too many things for him. He wants to tie his own shoelaces, but he is slow about it so mother says impatiently, "Here, I'll do it." Mother insists on holding his hand when he crosses the street. And when she cuts up the food on his plate and even feeds him the last few mouthfuls to hurry the meal, it is just too much. The child can't understand or explain his accumulated frustration. He simply rebels. Down with the spoon, Johnny won't eat. If you think that this kind

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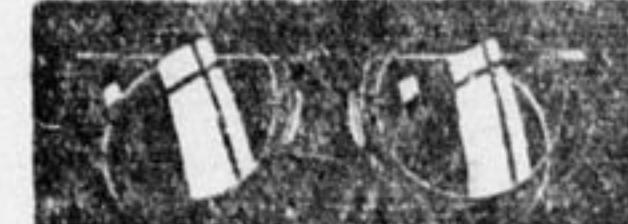
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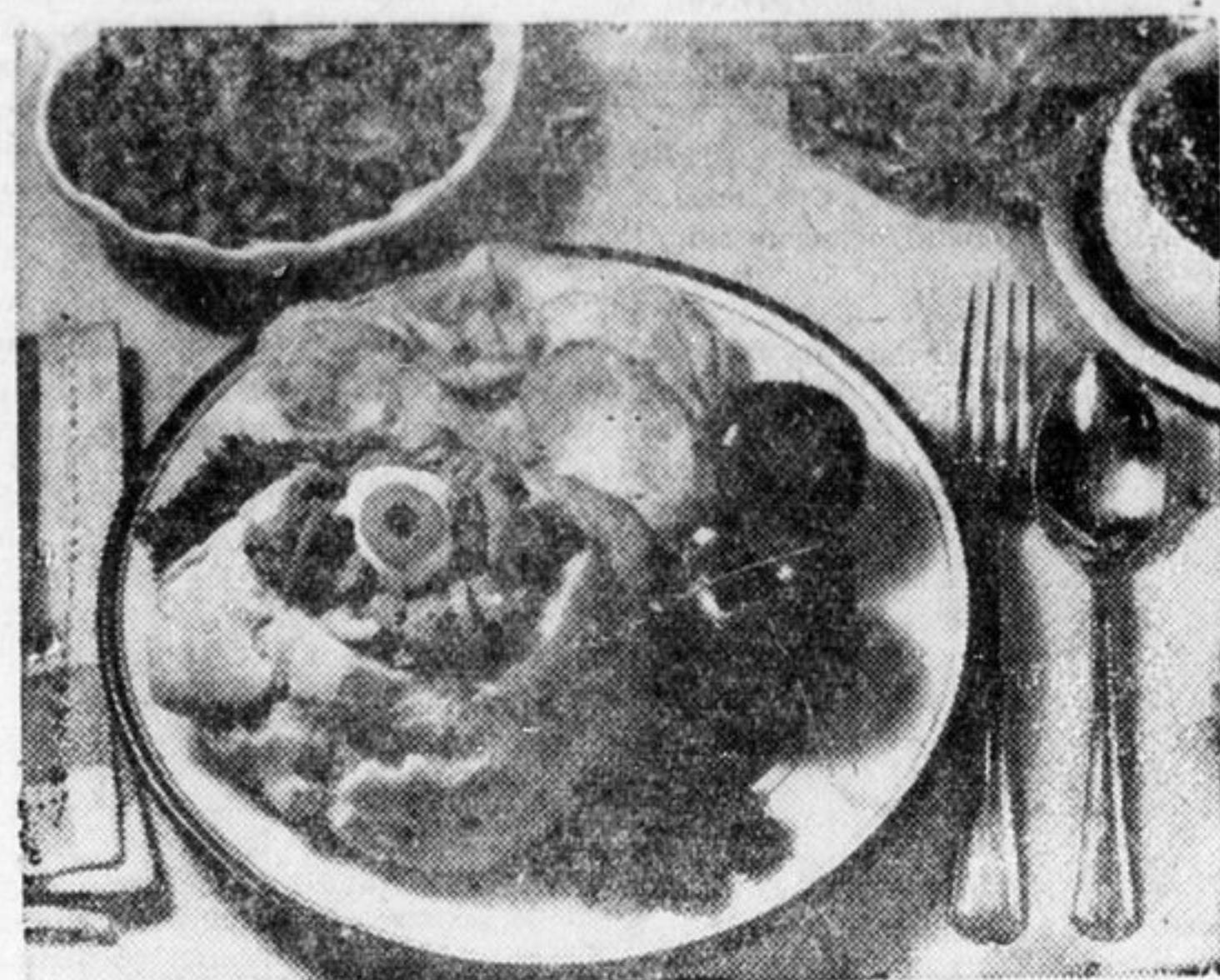
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### A Delicious Cool Drink

Directions: Make tea exactly as usual . . . While still hot pour into glasses filled with cracked ice . . . Add sugar and lemon to taste . . .

# "SALADA" ICED TEA

## "Food For Fun and Fitness"

Speedy Summer Salads  
By Martha Legan

When the summer heat soars to its highest, the methods we use for preparing our meals have considerable effect on the temperature of not only the kitchen, but the rest of the house as well. Because they're already cooked, canned diced meats for junioros are excellent for making salads, sandwiches, and creamed dishes for the whole family—make many trips on and off the cupboard shelves these hot days.

Hard-cooked eggs mixed with chopped fried or crumbled bacon, mixed with enough creamed butter or salad dressing to moisten are excellent sandwiches served on toasted white or rye bread.

Chopped, hard-cooked eggs make a hearty filler when they are mixed with diced, stuffed olives and moistened with mayonnaise.

Sardines canned in oil or tomato sauce make sandwiches that men like. Drain them, season with a sprinkling of lemon juice, and mash fine. Use on rye or wheat bread.

Here's a very substantial sandwich: Make this in layers, alternating dark and white bread. Use jam or marmalade on the lower white layer, then ham on rye on next layer, cottage cheese on white for the next, lettuce, tomato and mayonnaise on rye or wheat, nippy cheese or sardine paste on the next, and top it off with chopped olive.

Youngsters will like peanut butter sandwiches. Mix the peanut butter with honey, chopped bacon or shredded carrots.

Liver sausage is an all around favorite. Mash and mix with chili sauce to make the filling even more than delicious.

Canned tuna fish makes a hearty filling when it is shredded and mixed with chopped green pepper, chopped celery, moistened with mayonnaise and seasoned with a few drops of lemon juice.

If you're tired of sliced bologna, dress it up by putting through the food chopper with a few pickles and moisten with mayonnaise.

These meats can be used in favorite family recipes for sandwiches fillings or salads made from cooked meat. Be sure to save the flavorful meat juices to use as stock in soups, gravies, or soups or in any dish calling for bouillon or broth. If you don't use it immediately keep it refrigerated.

Below are two special recipes for summer salads which are particularly delicious prepared with these meats for juniors. The first is a mock chicken salad made from diced pork. It can be served in a lettuce cup or in a cream puff shell, prepared in the early morning to keep the heat from the kitchen in mid-day. Of course you won't want to fill it until serving time. The other is a meat and fruit salad particularly delightful for luncheon when served with ice tea and

"I believe you have a cancer." It happened as quickly as that! I was shocked, stunned. I couldn't move in my seat. I had never been really ill a day in my life. But I had heard of this illness coming as a surprise to others, so I could believe that it could happen to me. I made another appointment for two days later and went home—to bed, where I stayed two weeks. I didn't have the courage to go back to that doctor to have the horrifying truth verified. When I closed my eyes, I visualized years of pain and suffering.

One afternoon a neighbor stopped to see me and when I told her what the doctor had said, she, too, was shocked. But she persuaded me to go to her doctor and the next day came in the car and drove me down to his office.

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