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Hello Homemakers! One of the most popular salads in men's clubs is asparagus vinaigrette—chefs tell us. They say that this is simply chilled freshly-cooked asparagus stalks served on crisp lettuce with vinegar and oil sauce. A chief, renowned for his sauces, was kind enough to supply the following recipe and pointed out that a small quantity of tarragon vinegar makes a difference. It is also good with hot asparagus.

**Sauce Vinaigrette**  
1 tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. paprika, 1 tbsp. tarragon vinegar, 2 tbsps. cider vinegar, 6 tbsps. olive or salad oil, 1 tsp. chopped green pepper, 1 tsp. chopped cucum-

ber pickle, 1 tsp. chopped parsley, 1 tsp. chopped green onion. Combine ingredients in order given. A little chopped celery or pimento may be added if desired. To enjoy asparagus to the utmost you should eat it as fresh as possible. Snap off the woody ends as the stalks break above the tough part. Take off lower scales on stems and clean thoroughly.

When cooking asparagus it is a good idea to remember that the stalks take longer to cook than the tips. Use sealer rings in the bottom of saucepan to prop heads out of water. Only an inch of water is necessary. cover and cook for 10 or 15 mins., depending upon the

amount prepared.  
Someone asked us the other day if asparagus liquor like spinach liquor should be thrown out. We say yes because it is too strong to use except with asparagus.

**Drawn Butter Sauce**  
3 tbsps. butter, 3 tbsps. flour, ¾ cup hot water, ¾ cup asparagus water, ½ tsp. salt, 1 tsp. lemon juice.  
Melt butter, add flour with seasonings. Pour in the liquids and boil 5 mins. Add lemon juice and serve at once over asparagus.

- Take a Tip**
1. A plain or stencilled cork place mat makes an excellent kitchen bulletin board for thumb-tacking recipes, menus or reminders.
  2. To keep shirt cuffs from dragging on the floor when ironing, fold back each sleeve and fasten it with a snap clothespin.
  3. Wax old brass curtain rods to prevent a discoloration on the curtains.
  4. If you cannot put a screw in the end of the brush or dish mop handle, insert a ring near the handle in the brush. Chicken-leg markers are flexible rings obtainable at most feed stores. They are colourful too.

**The Question Box**  
Miss H. T. asks: Why do some eggs have a dark ring around the yolk when cooked-in-shell?  
Answer: When eggs cooked-in-shell are not cooled quickly, this unappealing tarnish usually forms. The dark ring is not harmful.  
Mrs. E. J. asks: Is it harmful to cook asparagus in aluminum ware? Can the stain it causes be removed from the pan?  
Answer: No. The stain is easily removed by boiling a few pieces of rhubarb in it.  
Mrs. T. M. asks: How to keep watercress?  
Answer: Leave a few of the roots on and keep them in water. Change the water once or twice a day. Do not cover.  
Mrs. J. R. asks: How to toast nuts without burning them?  
Answer: Blanch in hot water; drain and put in slightly greased pie plate. Warm in a moderate oven at 300 degs. for about 15 mins.

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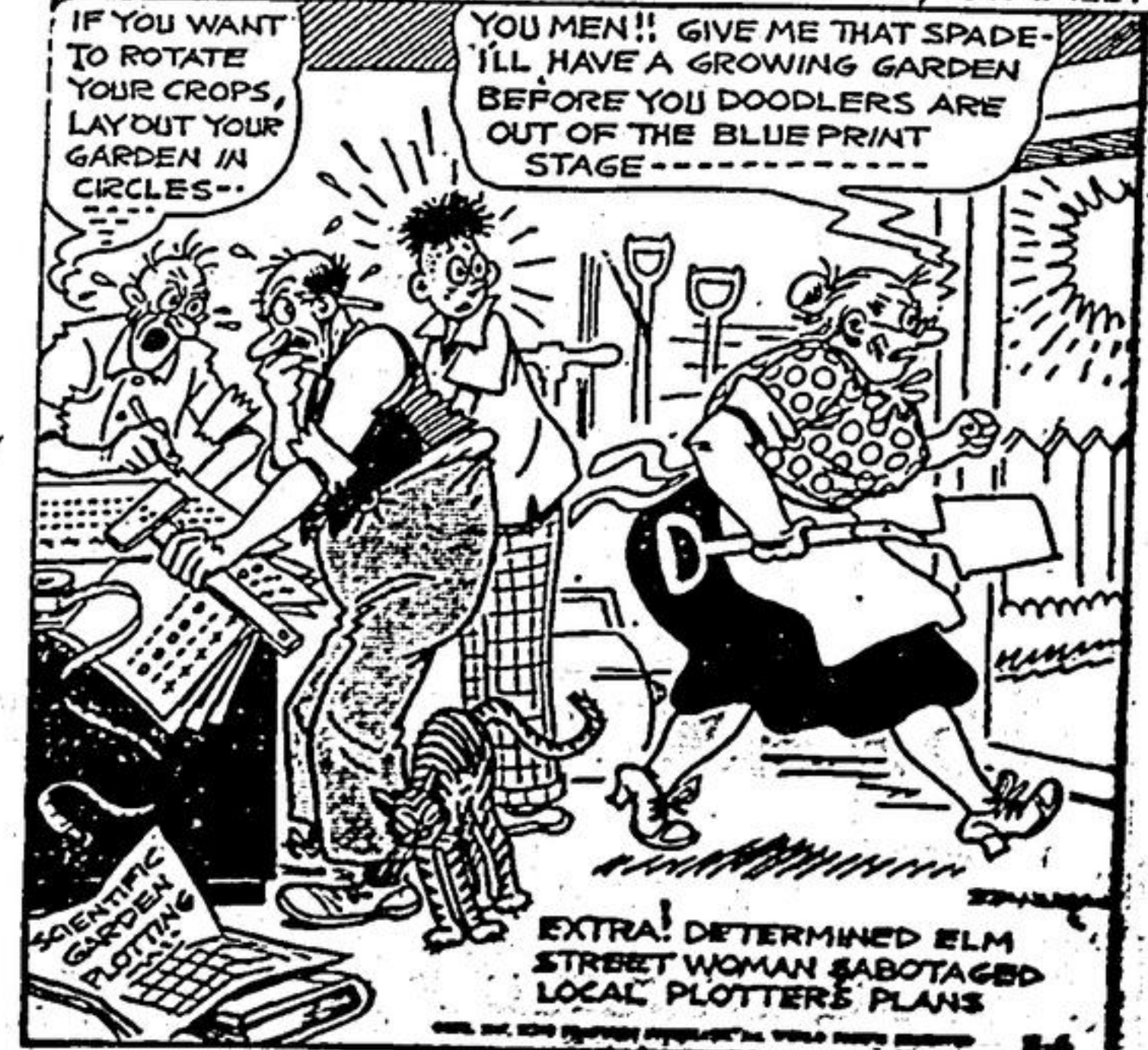
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