

SUGGESTIONS FOR GAS USERS ARE GIVEN HEREWITH

Correct Operation of Appliances Will Result in Amazing Saving in Costs.

If a few simple rules are followed in the use of gas appliances, it is amazing the amount of savings in gas consumption which will be shown. Here are some of them:

Never use a stronger flame than necessary. Turn the burners as low as practicable.

Be sure to use the proper burner. The simmering burner is an important aid to economy. It burns less gas than the giant burner and can be used for a great deal of cooking, as well as to keep things warm. Do not have three or four burners going when two will do. If you have sectional saucepans with perpendicular sides, you can put two over one burner.

When boiling, keep pans properly covered. Remember that no matter how much gas you burn, you cannot raise the temperature of water above 212 degrees Fahrenheit, or the boiling point. Therefore, when the boiling point is reached, reduce the flame. This effects a substantial saving. Do not remove the covers unnecessarily while cooking, as this allows the heat to escape.

Have your oven well heated before using. Ten minutes is an average allowance for the baking over and five minutes for the broiling oven. This method involves no waste of gas, because if food is placed in a cold oven, the cooking will take just that much longer; besides, the results will not be so good.

Plan your cooking so as to cook as many things as possible in the oven at one time.

It is surprising how much you can reduce your gas cost in a year by the simple habit of turning off the gas BEFORE instead of AFTER removing the utensils. Also, do not leave a burner lighted because you expect to use it again in a few minutes.

When cooking on a gas range is once started, it is almost impossible to use too little heat, but it is easy to use too much.

Much of the satisfaction in the use of gas appliances comes from the use of proper utensils. To save gas, it is advisable to use aluminum, glass or tin ware.

It is important not to have more heat applied to a utensil than it can absorb at once. Therefore, utensils with a large burner than the gas flame are gas savers.

Steam cookers are also an aid. Several articles, sometimes even a whole meal, can be cooked over one burner in a steam cooker.

NEWLY WEDS AT COVE ARE CHARIVARIED

By Mrs. Leona Price (Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore. (Special) — The two newly married couples in Cove, Mrs. and Mr. Frank Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Conley, were guests of honor at a party Tuesday evening sponsored by the Masons to which 150 guests were invited. The party was held at the large hall of the Odd Fellows and was a most successful one. The guests were seated at round tables and the tables were filled with tin cans and cow bells and filled with members of the Masonic and Eastern Star lodges and followed by a trailer in which the young married couples rode through the streets of Cove before the merry-makers went to the Odd Fellows hall where the group finally stopped for a social evening and oyster supper. Mr. and Mrs. Conley, who were married Dec. 31, returned from Endicott, Wash. Tuesday. They had been visiting with Mrs. Conley's mother and friends. The young people will make their home at the old A. B. Conley house west of Cove. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley, who were married in Portland, Jan. 5, and returned from there Saturday, moved Wednesday into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Powell, east of Cove. They rented the house furnished by Mr. Powell, who is boarding with Mrs. Alice Tripper while his wife is teaching at Waldport, Ore.

Mrs. Amy Valentine, who was taken to La Grande about 1 o'clock Tuesday morning, is reported to be quite a little improved. Upon examination it was decided to postpone an operation until her condition could be built up as she was considered too weak.

The Guild met at the home of Mrs. G. E. Barker Thursday afternoon with 100 tables of bridge at Bay. Mrs. Helen Couklin made the high score and Mrs. L. M. Baird took the consolation prize. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Louis Presto.

Ten officers of Cherry chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, were installed at an impressive joint ceremony held in the Masonic hall at Union Wednesday evening. Mrs. Carrie Jackson, worthy grand matron of Oregon, was installing officer and brought with her the rest of the corps of installing officers, including Mrs. Addie Jones, grand chaplain of Oregon. Mrs. Elizabeth Waltz, a visiting member from Nevada sang "My Task." Mrs. Walter and Mr. Jackson of Baker sang "Star of the East." A number of members from Eastern chapter of Baker, Mrs. Jackson's chapter, were present. The Cove officers installed were: Mrs. Elsie Colline, worthy matron; Bert Peterson, worthy patron; John Dean, associate conductress; Mary Ellen Brecheats, chaplain; Mrs. Bessie Lay, organist; Mrs. Lulu Goyette, Esther; Mrs. Cora Peterson, Martha; Miss Theoma Anderson, treasurer; Mrs. Leona Price, secretary. The other members who were unable to go due to sickness and weather conditions will be installed Jan. 24 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Dean.

At the regular Campfire meeting of Nissaki group Tuesday evening, plans were discussed for organizing an older group, which will take in high school and eighth grade girls. Also a plan for trying to rent a room for permanent meeting place is afoot.

Rita Harris, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harris, has been unable to attend school since Monday due to illness.

Just the Thing
It is predicted that rubber will be used in building. It would be nice for the back end of a beginner's garage. — San Francisco Chronicle.

Wait Too Long
Too many fellows who sit around and wait for their ship to come in discover it is a recievership when it finally comes into port. — Copper Weekly.

New Plant of Natural Gas Corporation of Oregon



Photograph of Natural Gas Corporation of Oregon Building in La Grande which is now ready for operation. In addition to two employees of the company, the picture shows W. C. Crews, Charles Playle, William Condit and R. D. Scott, the latter being local representative of the company.

Gassy Bill Tells Gas Advantage; No Waste in New Fuel, He Says

Gassy Bill is an every-day character, who has been developed by Natural Gas Corporation of Oregon to explain the advantages as well as the uses of gas.

Gassy Bill says:

"Say, that new furnace of ours is a great one."

"Here the missus and me, we come home from the show last night and found the house just as nice and cozy as can be."

"We live in the whole house now, instead of just one room which happened to be warm. It's nice when the missus and me have some of our friends come in for cards or just to spend the evening."

"She don't have to stop in the middle of a game and say, 'Bill, better fix that fire.'"

"We just play all evening and are not too hot and not too cold. And besides that, we have a lot of nicer things to do. The missus she has tried out so many fancy recipes in her new gas refrigerator, and they're good too, I know."

"There ain't no waste to this new fuel. Here we've had it goin' for the past week and there's no ashes to carry out, and no wood and coal to carry in."

"That means the floors and all keep cleaner, 'cause I don't spill nothin' on them bringing in the fuel."

"We didn't have to buy no supply in advance this year either—we pay for just what we use, after we use it."

"And that's a big help when the missus, she needs lots of new fall clothes, and me, I need a suit too."

"Next winter it will be just the same, and all the winters after that, for this here gas-fired furnace is a good one."

"It's going to be a big help when I'm away, too, for the missus, she can tend the fire from the sewing table, just like that!"

"We didn't have to buy no supply table, just like that!"

"And me, I'll tend it all winter long just by sittin' in my easy chair and reaching for a switch."

Movie Invasion Gives China "Gay White Ways" Of 25 Candlepower

HANKOW (AP)—The craze for movies has spread far into the interior of Szechuen province, taking with it the first practical step toward modernization of the hinterland.

In towns so remote that no white man except the missionary attempts to reach them, the coming of the film has forced the use of electric lights. In many of these places the movie house is the only bright spot after sunset.

Szechuen is the largest of Chinese provinces. It is three times as big as Texas, and it has a population of 60 million.

But most of it is shut off from the outside world. Good roads, except for a few favored places, exist only in the dreams of ambitious officials.

One result of this condition is to make news reels popular with the

movie fans. Some of the small houses show only that kind of picture. Age is no barrier and films of events dating before the World war can still be seen.

Dramatic thrills, especially when they savor of the mysterious or supernatural, "pack 'em in" in the back country, and the old American serials have large followings. Comedy reels, however, are a dead loss unless of the slap-stick variety.

Breakfast Bread An Appetite Thriller

By Elmer Martin (Home Economist, Natural Gas Corporation of Oregon)

Of all the fragrant odors of breakfast preparation penetrating the farthest corner of the house, perhaps none thrills the appetites more than that of warm bread. Any hot bread, even though it is only toast, adds immeasurably to the success of an early meal. Quickly mixed hot breads, as every home maker knows, leaves a lion's share of the work to the oven. Muffins or biscuits need no longer be reserved as a compliment to the guest of the family table.

Mixing Pointers

Form the habit of sifting all the dry ingredients together the night before and have the egg, milk, and shortening at hand, ready to mix in the morning. Pans may be oiled and the mixing utensils set out. Here is a recipe which has been requested of us and as there seems to be a shortage among our column readers of recipes using sour milk.

Irish Muffins

1 cup flour
1 cup bran
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon soda
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 cup chopped dates
1 cup sour milk
1 egg
2 tablespoons melted shortening

Mix and sift dry ingredients except bran, add bran and chopped dates, combine milk, egg, and shortening. Add the liquids to the dry ingredients, mix quickly and place in oiled muffin tins. To bake set the oven regulator at 355 degrees F. and bake for 30 to 35 minutes.

Miss Martin will be pleased to answer any questions concerning your culinary problem. Leave your questions at the local office of the Natural Gas Corporation and these will be answered in the weekly column, or include stamped, self-addressed envelope for personal answer.

Words and Deeds

Words are the most plentiful thing in life—and usually the most useless. Deeds are the scarcest, and yet of the most value. Which are you cultivating? Remember, "a man of words and not of deeds is like a garden full of weeds."—Grit.

Quails Ancient Game

The game of quails which probably had its origin in the disreputable throwing of ancient Greece, dates back in England to the beginning of the Fifteenth century.

Cause of Bee's Hum

The humming of bees is caused by the rapid vibration of their wings.

Honor Is Baltimore's

Baltimore, Md., was the first American city to have gas, in 1816.

Tube To X-Ray Buildings Expected; Not Content With Two Million Volts

WASHINGTON (AP)—A giant tube which might X-ray a whole building is in prospect.

This electrical leviathan is one of the aims of three young Carnegie Institution scientists who have just received the \$1,000 annual prize of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Their award was for making a 2,000,000-volt X-ray tube producing artificial radium rays that penetrated three inches of lead. The winners are Doctors M. A. Tuve, L. R. Hafstad and O. Dahl.

Having learned how to make a tube that does not break under this extremely high voltage, they expect to produce a ray engineering force of from 5,000,000 to 10,000,000 volts.

So far the rays projected with pressure of 2,000,000 volts have been "turned on" for only a few millionths of a second owing to the danger of injuring both the men working with them and the laboratory instruments.

Thus while these rays have as great a penetrating power as radium rays at their highest intensity, they have been "in action" only momentarily.

Although they have prospective therapeutic value in treatment of cancer, just as radium has, their use in medicine is to be determined by medical authorities, the scientists say.

In addition to the scientific value of the experiments in man's efforts to master some of the mysteries of terrestrial magnetism, the high voltage tube has potential commercial utilization in various fields.

With tubes producing extremely intense X-radiations, X-ray pictures conceivably could be taken through a whole building. These X-rays probably could be used in revealing flaws in castings many feet thick. The effective range at present is only a few inches.

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Four Inches Of New Snow Falls At Kamela, Ore.

By Mrs. Bertie Riggs (Observer Correspondent)

KAMELA, Ore. (Special) — Kamela had about four inches of new snow Friday afternoon with prospects of much more as it was still snowing heavily.

H. G. Gale, supervisor, and Foreman Group, of the bridge gang, spent Friday in Kamela, overseeing repairs on the O-W. coal chutes.

Bob Hochne, of Meacham, was a visitor at the Ralph Riggs home on Friday.

Bert Smith, of Meacham, was a Kamela visitor for a short while Friday morning.

Betty Barnes, who has been ill of a cold for several days, returned to school on Thursday.

Mrs. Tameris, Kamela's teacher, has started a debating team between the sixth and eighth grades. They are reported to be doing nicely for beginners.

O. Hunt, who lives out on Fox Prairie road, was a business visitor in Kamela Friday.

Mrs. W. C. Williams and daughter, Marietta, of La Grande, spent Friday in Kamela visiting Miss Alta Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grieves were La Grande visitors on Wednesday.

Tom Burton, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hudson, drove to La Grande on business Friday.

Mrs. Bill Brown and children, of La Grande, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Kamela with Mrs. Brown's mother, Mrs. Lucy Wigglesworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grieves and children drove to La Grande Friday to visit Mrs. Grieves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. U. Evans.

Humor and the Poet
Humor has justly been regarded as the finest perfection of poetic genius.—Carlyle.

Sheik Wins Wife Quickly, BUT MARRIAGE IS BRIEF

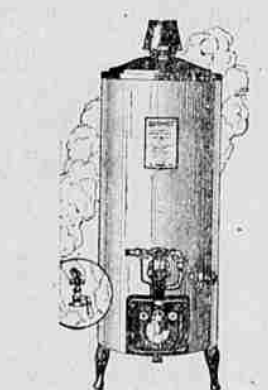
MOSTAR, Jugo-Slavia (AP)—Sheik Mahmud of the Wahabias of Arabia had the experience here of winning, losing and divorcing a new wife within a few hours.

He came to Mostar to organize the 1931 pilgrimage to Mecca among Mohammedans of Herzegovina. Shortly after his arrival he met a lovely maiden and persuaded her to marry him. He shut up his bride in a room at an inn, then went forth to celebrate.

But he tarried too long at the table, for when he returned his bride had fled with a younger man.

The next morning Sheik Mahmud went back to the Mohammedan priest who had married him and obtained an annulment of the union.

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