

For Hot Days Dine In Yard

In June come perfect days. In July come hot ones. July mornings, however, can be coolly perfect and often are, so the best possible time for an outdoor party this month is brunchtime (10 a.m. to the latest).

Hats First Love-Mamie

WASHINGTON — Mamie Eisenhower's inauguration day hat was inspired by a Japanese lantern which designer Sally Victor saw in a book of paper foldings at the Brooklyn Museum, the hat lady said here recently.

The First Lady, already famous for her chapeaux, bought five versions of the close-fitting little number with its ripply cut-out pattern before other hat manufacturers got onto the technique and copied it for the masses.

Mrs. Victor, winner of the American Fashion Critics Award for millinery design, got another idea for a popular hat, that folds up easily for traveling, from a piece of medieval armor. The idea for a garden-party model came from an old fashioned corset combined with a Williamsburg flower garden motif seen in her brownings through museums.

The stylist was one of that New York experts addressing the Washington Fashion Group at a benefit for improving the Smithsonian Institution's Costume collection here.

Polaire Weissman, executive director, told how the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Costume Institute aided American designers. Admiring and modifying styles from many countries and eras, they found ways of fastening clothes when zippers became scarce during the war. They also discovered ways of eliminating double materials and cutting fabric to government limitations with exciting effectiveness and originality.

"People have been wearing clothes for 25,000 years and every good basic idea already exists," Michelle Murphy, research consultant of the Brooklyn Museum's Design Laboratory, said.

"It isn't necessary to keep a blind date with antiquity. Designers must find new ways to link the arts of the past with the needs of the present. From museum to wearer, good design is timeless." The Smithsonian, all three speakers agreed, would attract designers from all over the world, if it too had a laboratory where fashion stylists could study, feel and handle materials and objects.

At the latest). A back yard brunch is a refreshing way to entertain a crowd—and following are a few menu tips which guarantee a simple, and at the same time slightly spectacular, party:

1. Have big bowls of sugared fresh fruit and generous pitchers of half 'n half on hand to serve with individual packages of ready-to-eat cereal.

2. Bacon, ham, sausage, eggs, pancakes and innumerable other breakfast favorites are all extra delicious cooked on an out-door grill, so if you have one be sure to use it.

3. A simple hot bread, straight from the oven, is bound to be a hit. Suggestion: "Cornbread Supreme."

4. More than enough coffee, hot or iced, is never too much!

CORN FLAKES GRIDDLE CAKES

1-1/2 cups sifted flour

3 teaspoons baking powder

2 tablespoons sugar

1/2 teaspoon salt

2 cups Corn Flakes

1/2 cup well-beaten egg

1 1/2 cups milk

1 tablespoon melted shortening

Sift together flour, baking powder, sugar and salt. Crush Corn Flakes into fine crumbs. Mix with sifted dry ingredients. Stir in egg, milk and shortening. Bake on lightly greased hot griddle, turning only once.

Yield: 12 4 1/2-inch cakes.

CORNBREAD SUPREME

1 egg

1/2 cup sugar

1 1/2 cups milk

1 cup Bran

1/2 cup corn meal

1 1/2 cups sifted flour

4 1/2 teaspoons baking powder

1 teaspoon salt

1 pound (8 slices) uncooked bacon, diced

Blend egg and sugar; stir in milk, Bran and corn meal; let stand 5 minutes. Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Stir into first mixture. Spread in greased 9 x 9-inch pan. Arrange diced bacon on top. Bake in moderately hot oven (400 degrees F.) about 30 minutes. If crust and bacon are not browned, put under broiler for a few minutes.

Yield: 9 3-inch squares.

A STITCH IN TIME

A pound of baking soda kept in the glove compartment of your car is a wise precaution. Fires can get started quickly—in the engine, even in the upholstery or ashtray. Sprinkle soda over the smoldering spot and fire will be instantly extinguished. Baking soda produces carbon dioxide which settles around the flame, cuts off the oxygen and quenches the fire.



GOOD BOOKS ARE GOING into homes all over Klamath County from the county library in this big white truck that reaches every nook and cranny of the basin on this side of the California line during the summer vacation months. Books are available for both young and old and if a choice volume isn't found on the traveling shelves, these pretty girls who serve the public will get it for you. Here (l to r) are Mrs. J. D. Finchum and daughter Sharon, patrons near the Merrill-Lakeview junction, Sharon Williams and Lois Wise who will wheel the rig during the summer months. Both Sharon and Lois are "old hands" having operated the route last year.

SALAD DRESSING CAN BE SHAKEN UP IN A JIFFY

With salad oil, evaporated milk and vinegar at hand, you can shake up a super-smooth salad dressing in a jiffy. The oil and concentrated milk form a perfect emulsion. The consistency is good and the dressing clings admirably to the salad ingredients as a good dressing should. To this basic

dressing is added a bit of onion for savor and crumbled blue cheese for zesty flavor. This blue cheese dressing is specially marvelous for chilled tomato aspic right now. And later on, for luscious garden-ripe tomato slices. Blue cheese devotees would appreciate this dressing on practically anything—lettuce wedges, cress or a combination of crisp greens.

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4 cups fresh berries, slightly mashed

Sprinkle over berries—

1/2 cup granulated sugar (vary with tartness of berries)

1/2 teaspoon powdered cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon grated nutmeg

Dot with—

2 tablespoons butter

Then sift together into a mixing bowl—

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1 tablespoon granulated sugar

1 teaspoon double-action baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

Make a well in center of dry ingredients and add—

1/2 cup milk

1 egg, beaten

2 tablespoons melted butter (or cooking oil)

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New Oregon Industry Speeds Up

The "contrary streak" of a woman has paved the way for another outstanding industry in Oregon. But if the weaving of beautiful, sturdy drapery and upholstery materials from Oregon's own home grown flax reached no further than a limited market, Joan Patterson, professor of clothing and textile design at Oregon State College, has shown skeptical manufacturers of fabrics that flax is worthy of attention for more than a linen hankie or a cloth for dining.

Oregon is the only state growing flax on a commercial basis and the only manufactured articles that have been made were mops, twine, rugs, duck canvas and cigar papers, until Joan Patterson came into the picture.

Today, thanks to an extensive research program fostered by Miss Patterson's experiments, unusually effective drapery and upholstery materials are being manufactured of fabrics that flaxloomed and other home furnishing materials produced for the consumer trade.

Miss Patterson's interest in the use of flax dates from her interest in weaving while she studied at the University of Oregon for her bachelor's degree. When she became a member of the faculty at Oregon State College, textile design was included in her schedule and she set about supplementing her knowledge of weaving.

She became keenly interested in the use of Oregon products and could not understand why Oregon manufacturers ignored what she believed to be a profitable source of new business.

She found many reasons for apathy among manufacturers. Some said the threads of Oregon linens were too shiny for upholstery fabrics. Others that the textures could not be varied enough that linen had been perfected and could not be improved upon. No fine yarns or good colors were being manufactured.

Through consistent effort, Miss Patterson worked out a research program and through the joint cooperation of Oregon State College, experimental station in Corvallis, the Oregon State School of Home Economics and the Flax and Linen Board, a group of business men appointed by the governor and with the appropriation of state and federal funds, Miss Patterson went to work at her looms.

Linen takes dye beautifully and by combining several different piles of fibers, wet and dry spun yarns and unusual colors in both short and long fibers, she created stunning lengths of materials.

Several of her designs were on display last week at the Art Center and those who missed seeing the exhibit, missed a glimpse of what homes of tomorrow will be using in design and fabric. Through continuing experiments,

Miss Patterson has proven that Oregon grown flax is especially suited to the needs of the home-maker.

As her weaving progressed, skeptical manufacturers, watching the results, agreed that there was a wider field for flax and started making finer linen yarns. The first step in the program had been taken. Mills that had been turning out only bleached, natural and gray yarns began adding color. Salem's Linen Mill in the capital city was the first one to make the break and to put out linen yarns in a wide variety of good colors.

The Oregon Flax Textiles, owned by the National Automotive Fibers Company, which does most of the upholstery manufacture for Chrysler automobiles, began turning out finer linen yarns.

It has taken years of hard and persistent work, years of trying to convince skeptical men years of sitting at her looms, but today Joan Patterson, with her knowledge of warp and wool, of the skillful handling of her own two looms and her inspired research, has brought about the formation of a new company, Oregon Fabrics, which produces only upholstery materials. She is the firm's designer, her fabrics will bear her name and an Oregon woman has realized a designer's dream.

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