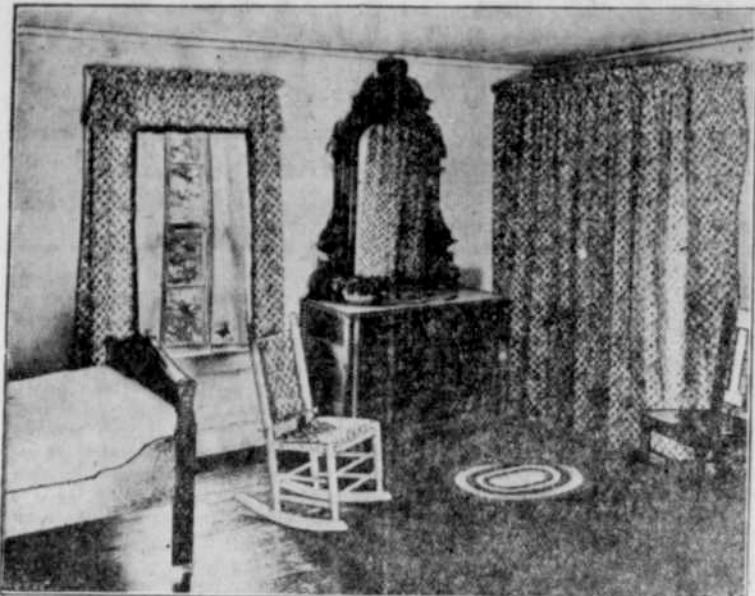


EXCELLENT POINTS ABOUT GIRL'S OWN ROOM



Corner in Girl's Room, Showing Pleasing Arrangement.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

With a little thought and some real work a girl can transform an uninteresting, uninviting room into a place of tranquillity and charm. The girls in the "Own Your Own Room" clubs, under the direction of the United States Department of Agriculture and various state agricultural colleges, have accomplished wonderful results in making over unattractive rooms according to the suggestions given them by club leaders.

A neutral shade for the walls, floors, and larger articles in the room is usually pleasing. Cushions, table covers, books, and other small bright colored objects give the needed touch of color. Chintz or cretonne in curtains and cushions sometimes suggests the color to be emphasized. This is more informal and homelike than an attempt to have everything match. No matter what color scheme is chosen, the darkest tones are best for the floor and its covering, lighter tones for the walls, and the lightest for the ceiling.

Floors Easily Cared For.

Smoothly finished floors, partly covered with rugs are easily cared for. Paint or varnish can often be applied to an old unfinished wood floor to make it look better. Attractive bedroom rugs can be made at home by braiding, crocheting, or weaving rags and odds and ends of material.

Plain wall papers or those with inconspicuous all-over designs are good backgrounds for pictures. A plastered wall may be painted quite easily. A girl should be able to paint both the plaster and woodwork of her room if the latter needs attention. Painted bedroom furniture is much prettier than cheap grades of oak or stained wood. Old bureaus, bedsteads, tables and chairs, even though quite different in design, can be made to look as though they belonged together if carefully painted white, ivory, or an at-

PREVENT CHIGGERS GETTING ON SKIN

Insects Can Be Kept Off By Using Flowers of Sulphur.

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If it is necessary to go where chiggers abound they may be kept off by previously sifting flowers of sulphur into the underclothes and stockings, says the United States Department of Agriculture. Naphthalene, which also protects from other insects, has been used in the same way. Vasoline, pure or mixed with sulphur, is satisfactory except that it soils the clothing.

A good hot bath, with salt or strong soap, taken immediately after exposure will often prevent those on the skin from "digging in"; but as the presence of the tiny insects is unfortunately not evident for some hours after going into long grass or bushes, the only thing to do when they are discovered is to apply some cooling lotion, such as ammonia or bicarbonate of soda, directly on the affected parts. A 10 per cent dilution of carbolic acid, a dilute tincture of iodine, or collodion may be used.

The destruction of wild bushes and other places which harbor chiggers has helped to eradicate them. Private lawns and country clubs can be made free from them to a large extent by keeping the grass cut and useless herbage mowed as closely as possible, so as to expose the chiggers to the sun. Dusting the grass and other plants with sulphur, or spraying with dilute kerosene emulsion mixed with sulphur facilitates extermination. Putting sheep to pasture on large acreages is thought to get rid of chiggers, because, it is believed, they are affected by the oil or lanoline in the sheep's wool.

Peanut Butter Cottage Pudding

1 1/2 cups flour 1/2 cup peanut butter  
1 teaspoonful salt 2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1 1/2 cups water 1/4 cup sugar

Sift the flour, salt, and soda together. Combine the water, peanut butter, lemon juice, and sugar, and stir in the dry ingredients. Beat the mixture thoroughly, bake in muffin pans, and serve with chocolate or other pudding sauce. If desired, 4 teaspoonfuls of baking powder may be substituted for the soda and lemon juice, says the United States Department of Agriculture.

tractive shade of gray or tan. The old finish should, however, be removed and the wood sandpapered smooth before any paint is applied.

Choose a Good Bed.

A simple, painted-metal single bed with a good mattress and spring is desirable for a young girl. A slip-on cover of unbleached muslin is excellent for keeping the mattress clean. The pillow, like the mattress, should be protected by a thin, close-fitting, washable cover between the ticking and the pillow case.

An improvised dressing table can be made by hanging a mirror over a small table. This is to be preferred to dressing tables with flounces of cretonne that collect dust. A bureau or chest of drawers is needed for storing clothing and personal belongings. Bureau and table covers should be as simple as possible and always fresh and clean. The chair should be comfortable to sit in. A bookshelf and work table are attractive touches. Some sort of wardrobe or closet is needed in which to hang clothing. A good wastebasket that will not tip over easily nor shed dirt, should be provided.

Shades and curtains should regulate but not shut out light and air. Simple, durable, softly hanging materials such as white or cream voile, scrim, Swiss, or cheesecloth, hemmed or hemstitched, make good washable curtains which may have overcurtains of colored or figured material.

The lighting is important. For lighting the bureau or dressing table an electric light on a drop cord or an inverted gas burner gives a much better light if suspended over it, but if kerosene is the only source of light available a bracket lamp fastened to the wall at one side of the bureau gives the best lighting. For reading, a table lamp is most satisfactory. One or two well-chosen pictures, simply framed, add to the room, but useless ornaments only increase the work of cleaning.

FRUIT ICE CREAMS OF VARIOUS KINDS

Different Flavors May Be Had as Desired

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Far from the soda fountain—out in the country, at shore or mountain resort—the children may enjoy chocolate sundaes and fruit ice creams of many kinds if ice is procurable and if they are willing to perform the labor when it comes to turning the freezer.

Plain Vanilla Ice Cream.

1 quart market cream (usually 16 to 18 per cent fat) 1/2 pint whole or evaporated milk  
1/2 pint sugar (1/2 pound) 1/2 teaspoonful vanilla

Plain vanilla ice cream can be served with a hot or cold chocolate sirup as chocolate sundaes; it is good with maple sirup poured over it and a few



Time to Have a Taste.

chopped walnut meats; with crushed fruit in sirup it may be some other kind of sundae.

Vanilla ice cream can also be varied by introducing different flavors into the mixture before freezing it. A cupful of sweetened fruit pulp is the right amount for the quantity of cream and other ingredients in the recipe. Half a pint of sweetened peach pulp (made from one cupful of dried peaches and 1/2 pound of sugar) is enough for about 2 quarts of the crushed peach ice cream illustrated. A few tablespoonfuls of caramel flavor in vanilla ice cream gives a pleasant variation, says the United States Department of Agriculture.

Around Orchard

HIT-OR-MISS SPRAY IS NOT SUCCESSFUL

Many small orchards can be found that provide a steady source of income through the summer months by the production of high-grade fruit. The quantity of fruit shipped into North Carolina annually is evidence of the demand which exists for local fruit that is given the proper amount of care.

In the western part of the state one of the principal enemies to be dealt with in the apple industry is the scab disease which occurs on fruit of unsprayed trees to the extent of from 50 to 100 per cent. The old "hit-or-miss" system of spraying has proved unsuccessful because it is essential for control that the fungicide be present on the fruit at the time of infection.

A study of the life history of the scab fungus conducted several years ago brought out the fact that the winter is passed by the disease on fallen leaves beneath the tree, and that renewed activity takes place in the early spring. Before the apple is in full bloom, an abundance of spores is produced which often brings about early infection. The disease sets in on the young ovaries of blossoms when the latter are in the "pink bud" stage, and the result of this early infection is a knobby, scabby apple. Early infections are more injurious than the later ones. These life history studies have brought about the pink bud application of spray, which has proved through field practice to be of much value in the control of scab. The calyx spray, coming when the petals are shed, is also of value for scab control as well as insects.

Since the spray outfit can be procured to fit the size of the orchard, it is evident that much can be done toward making the orchard profitable by combating infectious pests. The pests other than scab which are taken into account in the spray schedule make it essential that the fruit grower acquaint himself with local enemies with which he has to deal.—G. W. Fant, Extension Plant Pathologist, North Carolina Agricultural College.

Oil Sprays Necessary to Destroy San Jose Scale

Many fruit growers are face to face with a serious infestation of San Jose scale, particularly in old apple orchards, which the routine lime-sulphur spray does not appear to hold in check. Under such conditions it may be necessary to use oil emulsion sprays in order to save the orchard, say entomologists. Growers are cautioned to exercise care in preparing and applying these oil sprays, however, and to avoid using them in successive seasons, if possible, because of the danger of accumulative ill effects of the sprays upon the trees. In other words, as soon as the scale shows evidence of giving way to the oil spray a return to lime-sulphur is advised.

In some experiments with 50-year-old Baldwins and Greenings badly infested with the scale, very satisfactory results have been secured during the first season with miscible oil, red engine oil and paraffin oil sprays when compared with sulphur dusts and lime-sulphur sprays. The dusts were practically worthless in preventing spotting of the fruit under these conditions of heavy infestation by the scale. It is said, while 41 per cent of the apples examined from the trees sprayed with lime-sulphur were spotted. Fruit from the trees sprayed with the oil emulsions showed only from 7 to 10 per cent spotting.

Bed of Strawberries Is Favored for Table Use

Reports on farm gardens indicate that in the past few years, fewer gardens are growing strawberries, in proportion to the increase in people who would eat them. For the small amount of work necessary to keep up a strawberry bed after it gets started, this is one of the favored berries for table use, and deserves a place in every farm garden.

Pick out soil which is almost as fertile as for other vegetables. Rows may be as close as 36 inches and the plants 15 inches apart in the row. Plants must be "maiden sets," that is, runner-set plants of last summer, which have never borne fruit. A strawberry plant should have all old leaves and all but two or three of its new leaves pruned off when set. The roots should be cut back to about two and one-half inches in length. Set a strawberry plant just so none of the roots are above the surface of the ground and no soil covers the eye or growing bud of the plant. The soil should be pressed so tightly over the well spread out roots that the plants cannot be pulled up by one leaf stem.

Spray Plan for Apples

The spraying program or schedule should be laid out with specific reference to the orchard to be protected. Importance should be attached to its locality and to the variety of apples grown, as well as to the age and condition of the trees and their immediate surroundings. Climate variations in different seasons also modify the severity of the attack and the ease of control of the various pests. All these factors affect the spraying program.

YOUTHFUL ONE-PIECE FROCK; KNITTED SUITS NOW IN FAVOR

AN OUTCOME of the platted skirt and blouse vogue is the one-piece dress which combines the two. Frocks of this type have a convincing argument in their favor in that the platted skirt sewed to the blouse presents an eminently youthful appearance. The picture herewith proves the assertion. Platinum gray, first quality, is the chosen medium for this practical and handsome model. It is one of those desirable types which is ready for every occasion. The flowery vines

pearance in this handsome knitted costume interlaid in lacquer red and green characters. Thus the vogue for the Chinese is presented in an entirely new conception as applied to knitted art.

The appearance of knitted suits on the horizon is indeed a welcome event in the field of fashion, bringing with it a trend of countless new and refreshing ideas. In some instances the strictly tailored note is maintained to a nicety. Such is a very handsome



DESIGNED FOR WARM WEATHER WEAR

which so gracefully pattern the blouse are embroidered in dull silver interspersed with floss in French blues, rose and dull greens. An adroit buttoning of the hip band at each side gives an expert fitting to the blouse.

Now that gray printed silk enters extensively into dress styling, one of the attractive results is the frock whose waist portion is of the colorful print, with platted skirt attached, the same being of a solid color matched to the predominating shade in the silken blouse.

Another effective adaptation of the blouse with platted skirt attached is carried out modestly in black and white. Very smart are the costumes with the waist of pure white completed with a sewed-on-at-the-hipline skirt of black. Often black embroidery

navy blue model recently developed in a mohair and fiber mixture with plain fiber knit binding. All the regulation rules were observed in correctly notched coat collar, mannish double-breast buttoning, proper cuffs and plain shirt. An overwhelming argument in favor of the knitted suit is that it does not wrinkle.

One of the smart outcomes of the knitted suit vogue is a model the skirt of which is a monotone of color knit with ribs simulating plaits at each side. With this comes a jacquette wrought in gayest plaid, the same produced entirely through knitted art.

It is noted that the shopper on the fashionable city thoroughfare prefers neutral and mid-tone effects, reserving the brighter and pastel shades for country club events and gay resort



STUNNING MANDARIN SUIT

is carried into the blouse by means of a monogram motif.

An all-white ensemble which stresses the blouse and platted skirt together with a three-quarter coat to match, features soutache heavily braided in allover pattern both on blouse and wrap, the entire being made of heavy crepe. Such a costume bespeaks the mode elegant.

Designed for warm weather wear are the blouse and platted skirt effects, the waist portion of georgette, with the attached skirt of cloth or silk.

All fashion land bows to the knitted mode this season. For street wear, sports and notably at outdoor social events, knitted costume reigns in glory of color and design. Suits exquisitely styled add a most fascinating new chapter to the story of knitted outerwear.

At the present moment the whim of genius, interpreting through knitted stitch, is to turn to Chinese art for inspiration. The stunning mandarin suit in the picture reflects the influence of Chinese coloring and design. The mah-jongg motif makes its ap-

Current Wit and Humor



HAPPILY MARRIED

They were talking about your friends. "Do you see Emma often?" asked the quired. "Oh, yes, quite frequently," she replied. "Is she happily married?" "Is she? I should think she is. Why, that girl is so happily married that she has to go to the theater for good cry."

Significant Omissions

"Do you know how the Labor party spell their program?" asked an Irishman at a social gathering. "No," he spelled out the words "Labor program."

"Well, what is wrong with that inquired his hostess.

"Why, you see it leaves out 'and me.'"—Boston Transcript.

Short Measure

Hiram Beechnut—Say, you are the most gosh hanged buzz-bean editor I ever heard tell of.

Editor Poduck—How so? Hiram Beechnut—Well, in last week's paper the department entitled "local intelligence" was only about two inches long!

Give Him a Chance

Grandma—Who do you like best of all those young men who come here to see your sister?

Eddie—I like the sailor best, because he doesn't hang his handkerchief over the keyhole.

VERY SARCASTIC



Hopper—What's your hurry, Snail!

Social Saurian

A social "lizard" is not so bad as is the predatory lad; At least an alligator—yet Ambitious to become a pet.

He Breathed Easier

Sybil—Father, the music master proposed this morning—Father—What! Sybil—That I should have three lessons a week.

Questions the Proverbs

"Pa, a man and his wife are out aren't they?" "Yes, my son." "Then it doesn't take two to make a quarrel, does it?"

A Gifted Sportsman

Mr. Splint—So you went hunting with Jinks? Mr. Yipe—Yes. Mr. Splint—Shoot anything? Mr. Yipe—Yes; shot Jinks.

Implication Present

"Are mine the only lips you have ever kissed?" "Yes," he said; "yes, darling, and the nicest."—London Tit-Bits.

Incompetent

Dora—Harold isn't the kind of a man a girl wants to take her out motoring. Flora—Indeed. Why, what does he do? Dora—Drives, and nothing else but.

BROKEN CONSTITUTION



American—Uncle Sam has the finest constitution of 'em all! Britisher—But badly broken by amendments, doncher know.

Conscientious Money

Said Uncle Sam, in accents cool, Our wealth in mighty sums is hold Let's try to have the Golden Rule Supported by the rule of gold.

Renewed Every Day

"I thought you said last night that Jen's complexion was ruined." "So I did." "But there she is over there looking as beautiful as ever." "I referred to her last night's complexion."

Pocket Digging

Visitor—This country is dry, isn't it? Bootlegger—Well, if you dig down deep enough you can find something.

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