

TABLE TALKS

by Jane Andrews

Corned Beef Boiled Dinner
 6 to 8 small carrots, cut in halves lengthwise
 12 small potatoes, peeled
 1 small head cabbage, cut in 4 wedges
 1 12-ounce can corned beef, chilled
 2 tablespoons melted butter
 Chopped parsley

Put carrots and potatoes in a small amount of boiling salted water in a deep saucepan; cover and cook 10 minutes. Add cabbage wedges; cover, covered, 5 minutes more.

Cut corned beef into 4 slices; place in strainer. Suspend over vegetables; cover and cook 5 minutes more, or until vegetables are just tender and meat is hot.

Arrange on platter. Pour butter over vegetables; sprinkle potatoes with parsley.

Sauerkraut and Stuffed Franks
 4 tablespoons butter
 1/4 cup finely chopped green pepper
 1 25-ounce can (3 1/2 cups) sauerkraut, drained
 1 cup canned tomatoes
 1/2 teaspoon caraway seeds
 2 cups soft bread crumbs
 1 teaspoon grated onion
 1/4 teaspoon ground thyme
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 2 (1-pound) frankfurters
 2 slices bacon

Melt half the butter in a saucepan; add onion and green pepper. Cook over low heat until tender, about 5 minutes. Stir in sauerkraut, tomatoes and caraway seeds. Pour into an 11 1/2" by 7 1/2" by 2" baking dish. Combine crumbs, remaining butter, onion, thyme, salt and milk; toss lightly. Slice frankfurters lengthwise, almost through. Spoon in stuffing, wrap each with a slice of bacon; secure with a toothpick. Arrange over top of sauerkraut. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 425°F., 20 to 25 minutes. Makes 8 servings.

Corn-Meal Biscuits
 1 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
 1/4 cup corn meal
 2 teaspoons baking powder
 1 teaspoon salt
 1/2 cup shortening
 1 cup milk
 3 slices bacon, cut in 1" pieces

Sift first 4 ingredients into a mixing bowl. Cut in shortening until mixture is fine as meal. Add milk; stir until a soft dough forms. Knead lightly on a floured board or cloth for about 30 seconds. Roll out 1/2" thick and with a 2 1/4" cookie cutter. Place on a baking sheet. Lay 2 pieces of bacon lengthwise in half of each biscuit. Fold other half up and over, allowing a bit of bacon to show. Skewer with 2 toothpicks; pull them out just before baking. Bake in a very hot oven, 450°F., 12 to 15 minutes, or until light brown. Remove toothpicks. Serve hot. Makes 8.

Ready Refrigerator Rolls
 Make ahead, refrigerate, bake as needed.
 2 packages dry or compressed yeast
 1/4 cup lukewarm water
 1/4 cup sugar
 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
 1/2 cup shortening
 1 cup scalded milk
 eggs, beaten
 4 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour

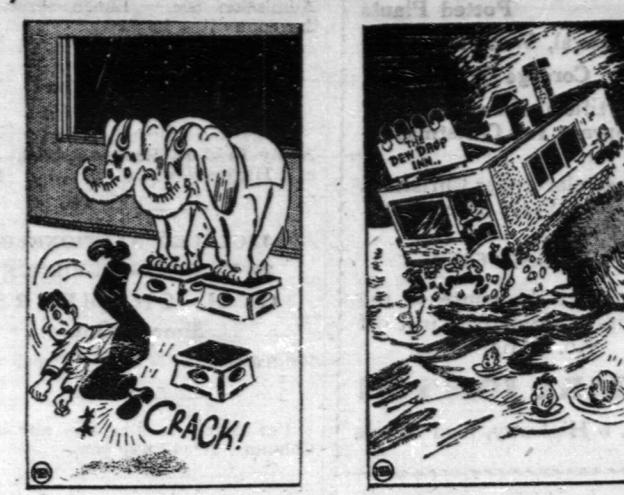
Sprinkle or crumble yeast into water. Let stand 5 or 10 minutes. Put sugar, salt, shortening and milk in a large bowl; stir until shortening melts. Cool until lukewarm. Add eggs and yeast mixture; blend. Stir in flour gradually; beat until smooth. Turn out on a floured board or cloth; knead until smooth and elastic. Place in a greased bowl; brush with melted shortening. Cover; let rise in a warm place until double in size. Punch down; brush again with melted shortening. Cover; store in refrigerator, ready to use, punch down. Shape into 32 balls; place in 2 greased 8" round or square layer cake pans. Cover; let rise until double in size, about 1 hour. Bake in hot oven, 425°F., 15 to 20 minutes, until golden brown. Makes 32.

SIGNAL ACHIEVEMENT—Joseph Dolinaj, display the flag crocheted telecloth which won him first prize in a nationwide crocheting contest. A railroad signal tower operator, Dolinaj began crocheting 11 years ago.

TOP-GRADE CLASSROOM—Junior might get better grades if his schoolroom resembled this model, built as a special study project. It combines the latest ideas on heating, seating, lighting and decoration. Educators say the things affect Junior's progress in school.

"Couldn't Happen"—But They Did

Annually the National Safety Council rounds up odd accidents that have happened throughout the country during the last year. Here, illustrated, is a quartet of the wackiest ones.



Animal trainer Robert Bierwith had been teaching two baby elephants to step on and off 18-inch-high pedestals. Bierwith blithely tried it himself, slipped and fractured one of his ankles. He thinks he heard a couple of trunkful of snickers.



Four-year-old Walter Adams, Jr., in his apartment house, was showing his kid brother acrobatic stunts he'd seen on TV. Glancing out the window he saw several small girls on the sidewalk, 40 feet below. Deciding to show them something really new, he opened the window, put his hands together like a high diver and dove. The girls pulled him out with a snobank — nothing hurt but his pride.

Grind Divorces Like Sausages

She wanted a divorce. Her friends told her it was about time she got something really new. She'd had to endure from her husband.

But when Marilyn Hardman (all names used in this article are fictitious ones) put her case to a lawyer, he shook his head. "My dear lady," he explained, "such is the wisdom of the State of New York that even if your husband, as you say, took drugs, was a habitual drunk, knocked you about, is now in prison, and hasn't supported you or your three children for ten years, you have no legal ground for divorce."

When Mrs. Hardman added that she wanted her divorce because she was now in love with a good man who was prepared to marry her, the lawyer gave her this advice:

"You can move from this state into another where the divorce laws will enable you to get rid of your husband. You will have to qualify by residence, so that you can claim you belong to that state. Then you can remarry."

"And come back to my home in New York?" "Yes," said the lawyer, "but remember the law of this state. That law says you are still married to your first husband and that your second marriage is void."

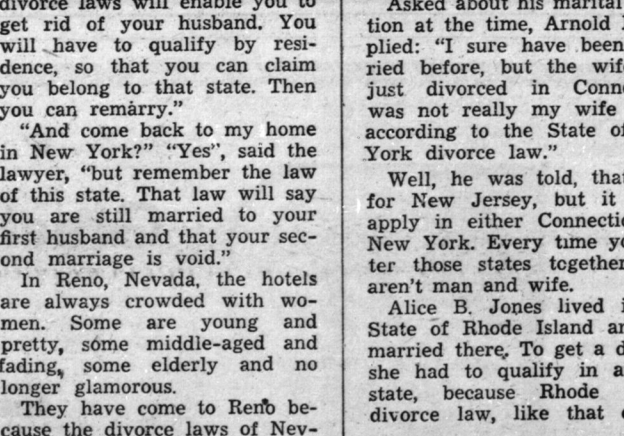
In Reno, Nevada, the hotels are always crowded with women. Some are young and pretty, some middle-aged and fading, some elderly and no longer glamorous.

They have come to Reno because the divorce laws of Nevada are the loosest in the United States, with the widest range of grounds, from unfaithfulness to so-called mental cruelty and incompatibility, plus the shortest qualifying period of residence.

But what is the value of a Nevada divorce?

The answer is that in many states in the union it does not count as a valid dissolution of a marriage contracted in another state.

All these complications and marriage tangles are due to one single circumstance — that each state makes its own divorce laws. There is no single divorce law for the United States as a whole.



MERRY MENAGERIE

POOHED — Travel sure takes it out of you. Take the word of Wolfgang Zeller, 10 months old, left, and one-year-old Bela Molnar, right. Play-out Wolfgang is pictured in a parohse as his ship arrived in New York City. Bela and her twin sister, who had enough squirm left to get out of camera range, hail from the Austrian Tyrol.

Tickling Is No Laughing Matter

It was no joking matter when a noted Boston doctor asked the patients, if they would mind being tickled. Some began to laugh at the very suggestion and only twelve people per 100 failed to respond.

The doctor was helping in a perfectly serious nation-wide inquiry into ticklishness under a Harvard special research programme. Only three-nine men in every hundred proved to be ticklish, against ninety-four per cent of the women tested.

But ninety-four children squirmed at the slightest touch. The ticklers used different kinds of hairs, cork points, tuning forks and electric currents.

Ticklers are a danger warning, anthropologists explain. When often met by tickling pests were dangerous insect pests, especially around the ears and nostrils—served to protect the victim. Basically, scientists say, the hearty laughter that results from a tickle is an attempt to shake off the parasites.

Monkeys are ticklish in much the same places as men. Kittens, lion cubs and puppies are especially sensitive at the neck and throat, danger-zones in battle.

Oddly enough, few babies respond to tickling until they are over two months old. But for the next two years after that ticklishness is one of the main-springs of laughter.

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When they named a tavern "Dew Drop Inn" it seemed a harmless, if corny pun. But the pun backfired during a heavy wind-and-rainstorm. As waves undermined the shore, the building slipped into Anchor Bay and floated off. One drink too many.

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BULLISH MARKET

A small-time salesman tried himself to a ride on a deluxe steamroller. Excited by the train's luxuries, he went back to the club car, where several big business men were talking.

"It was a bad week," he overheard one tycoon complain. "We netted only \$100,000."

"Well, things were pretty good for us," said another. "What was hot and we cleared \$300,000." The smalltime salesman listened in awe as each man spoke his six-figure profits. All eyes looked his way and one of them asked, "How's your business?"

"Not bad," he shrugged. "Last week greens were off half a million, but yellows were up a million and reds up five million. Eyebrows raised in wonder, and one of the financiers respectfully asked, "What is your business?"

"Mech," said the little fellow. "I sell jellybeans."

SHE MADE IT!—Mrs. Ethel Park Richardson, of Los Angeles, is screaming with joy over winning the \$100,000 prize on NBC's TV program, "The Big Surprise." The 72-year-old great-grandmother won the largest cash prize in the history of radio or television.



THE FARM FRONT

John Russell

It's a foolish farmer who would pamper a prize pig but neglect his expensive tractor.

Putting a tractor away for the winter isn't just a matter of hooking up the tractor and shutting off the engine. Not if it is going to be ready to go in the Spring without expensive and time-consuming repairs.

There are several steps for properly preparing a tractor for winter storage. Here's a checklist compiled by automotive gineers:

1. Wash the tractor thoroughly, using soap and warm water to remove barnyard acids, a kerosene-soaked brush to scrub off accumulated grease. Be careful of an open flame when working with kerosene.
2. Inspect for worn or broken parts, loose or lost nuts and, if repairs are indicated, have them done now. The garage or tractor station will be a lot busier in the spring.
3. Check the ignition system. A Service or replaced plating ignition points.
4. Check wires and cables for cracks or worn spots, which would indicate the need for replacement, wipe off any grease or oil which can cause insulation to deteriorate.
4. Put the tractor on blocks to take the weight of the tires.
5. To eliminate rust formation inside the engine, pour one or two teaspoons full of light oil in each cylinder. Replace the spark plugs and run the engine briefly to distribute the oil around the rings and over the cylinder walls. Incidentally, while you are there, check the spark plugs out. If they've been running all summer they will need cleaning or perhaps should be replaced with new ones in the Spring.
6. Drain and flush the cooling system, using a hot soda solution or a commercial solution available at most garages if sediment is present.
7. Drain the crankcase.
8. Drain all the fuel from tank, carburetor, filter and lines to prevent gum formation.
9. Remove the battery, and then store in a place that's cool but safe from freezing.
10. Cap the exhaust pipe or stuff it with the rag to keep out moisture.

SALLY'S SALIES

Incidentally, in removing or installing spark plugs, engineers warn that it's important to follow a few simple rules in this operation.



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
 1. Variable
 2. President
 3. Beverage
 4. Adjective
 5. Indian pole
 6. Literary term
 7. Sheep
 8. Greek deity
 9. Italian
 10. Italian
 11. Rather than
 12. Encountered
 13. One
 14. Send
 15. One
 16. Very cold
 17. Building
 18. Learned man
 19. Change
 20. Decade
 21. Hydrant
 22. Pack away
 23. Gentle service
 24. Answer
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 26. Anticlimax
 27. Anticlimax
 28. Purpose
 29. God
 30. Down

DOWN
 1. Answer
 2. Down

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FORGOTTEN CREATOR OF SEWING MACHINE

In Cornhill, Boston, thirty years ago, there was a shop for the manufacture and repair of the ruler's splendid silk-driven sewing apparatus, kept by Ari Davis. Mr. Davis was a very ingenious mechanic, who had invented a successful dovetailing machine, much spoken of at the time, when inventions were numerous as they are now. Being thus a noted man in his calling, he gave way to the fable of an oddity of dress and deportment. It pleased him to say extravagant and nonsensical things, and to attract the attention by his attention by unusual garments. Nevertheless, being a really skillful mechanic, he was frequently consulted by the inventors and improvers of machinery, to whom he sometimes gave a valuable suggestion.

In the year 1839, two men in Boston — one a mechanic, and the other a capitalist — were striving to produce a knitting machine, which proved to be a task beyond their strength. When the inventor was at his wit's end, his capitalist brought him to the shop of Ari Davis, who had turned his attention to the difficulty, and make the machine work. The shop, receiving itself into committee of the whole, gathered about the knitting-machine and its proprietor, and was listening to when Davis, in his wild extravagance, broke in with these words: "What are you bothering yourselves with a knitting-machine for? Why don't you make a sewing-machine?"

"O, yes it can," said Davis. "I can make a sewing-machine myself."

"Well," said the other, "you do that, and I'll insure you an independent fortune."

There the conversation dropped, and it was never resumed. Among the workmen who stood by and listened to this conversation, was a young man named Elias Howe, then twenty years old.

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gave his opinion as to the quality of the work done by the machine. The comrades of the man to whom he first applied dismissed him from going, alleged that a sewing-machine, if it worked well, must necessarily reduce the whole fraternity of tailors to beggary; and this proved to be the unchangeable conviction of the tailors for the next ten years.

In April, 1849, Elias Howe landed in New York, after an absence of two years from his country, with half a crown in his pocket. Four years had nearly elapsed since the completion of his first machine, and this small piece of silver was the net result of his labor upon the invention. He and his friend

Shipwrecked Sailor Founded Jap Navy

Shackled with heavy chains in a fetid Japanese prison cell, a tall, bearded Englishman sat brooding. It was more than a year since William Adams had said farewell to his wife and children in the little Dutch village of Gillingham and sailed as chief pilot with a Dutch fleet of five ships on a trading mission to the Pacific.

That had been in June, 1598, and the whole venture had ended in disaster. First Jacob Mabus, their leader, had died of the Cape Verde Islands. Then, after a hazardous voyage across the Atlantic, it had taken them five terrible months to beat through the gale-whipped Massachusetts Straits.

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principles and a strong sense of justice.

The Shogun was at once favorably impressed by the courageous bearing and demeanor of the handsome Englishman. He told his courtiers, and ordered that Adams should be freed from his shackles.

Invited to tell how he came to Japan, Adams recounted the tale of his adventurous voyage which had ended so disastrously.

Intrigued, the Shogun desired to know more about this strange foreigner, and listened intently to the story of his life—how he had fought against the Spanish Armada as a master and pilot with the Navy, and how afterwards he had made many voyages as navigator for a wealthy trading company.

The Shogun fingered his chin thoughtfully. "You are skilled in the arts of the sea," he said. "Can you construct for me a ship that will sail against the wind?"

Although Adams came from humble stock and was no shipwright, the proposition presented little difficulty to such an experienced mariner. He had noted that Japanese ships were poorly constructed and unable to tack—able only to sail in the same direction as the wind was blowing—and he knew he could

make many others along this line are true. Seven months before I entered the pastoral ministry of the words of Philipians 4:19 came to me with great force. "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." I knew that my first appointment would be small. I had a wife and two children. I was assured by God that my needs would be supplied. They were. And I still are. I have never asked for money for myself either individual or from official. There is no need of it. If I had time to do the part that God wants me to do in advancing his kingdom then it is his ability to see that my needs are supplied. My bank account has never exceeded three or four dollars. I have no debts or any other partly paid for. I have no worries about money. I thank God.

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Upside-down to Prevent Peeking

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WEEKEND SCHOOL LESSON

As He Teaches Confidence in God Luke 12: 22-34

Memory Selection: Seek not what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. For all these things do the nations of the world seek after; and your father knoweth that ye have need of these things. But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you. Luke 12:29-31.

With most of us the daily task of making a living is a stark reality. If we do not work we do not eat; and eat we must. But if we only live to make a living, life is hardly worth living. We must have a higher goal. Jesus said, "Seek ye the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added unto you." By these things He meant the necessities of life as food and raiment.

Your father knoweth that ye have need of these things. Now specify what these are. God will provide for you. He is rich in mercy and grace.

Then one day the Shogun sent a special summons for Adams to come to the palace. Entering the ruler's splendid silk-driven private apartments, the Englishman came face to face with a beautiful Japanese girl who bowed low before him.

"Who are you?" stammered the red-faced sailor.

The girl knelt submissively at his feet and with downcast eyes replied, "I am the Lady Bikuni, graciously chosen by the illustrious ruler to be the wife of Lord Anjin Sama." Will Adams know that this was the name the Japanese gave to him? It means "the English pilot."

Embarrassed by the girl's offer, he hastily sought employment in the machine shops, which luckily he found without delay. Upon his return home, after his residence in London, Elias Howe discovered, much to his surprise, that the sewing-machine had become a celebrated name. Several ingenious mechanics who had only heard of or read of a machine for sewing, and others who had seen the Shogun's machine, had turned their attention to inventing in the same direction, or to improving upon Mr. Howe's device.

"The History of the Sewing Machine," by James Parton, 1867.

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