

## TABLE TALKS

Jane Andrews

Green, tender, fresh asparagus with brittle stalks and close, compact tips makes the basis of a delicious salad. Plan on getting two servings from a pound, and add hard-cooked eggs, crisp bacon, and thinly sliced onions for this meal on a lettuce leaf.

**DUTCH ASPARAGUS SALAD**  
2 pounds fresh asparagus, cooked  
1/2 pound bacon, cut into tiny squares  
3-4 tablespoons vinegar  
1 teaspoon sugar  
Salt  
Pepper, freshly ground if possible  
2 hard-cooked eggs  
2 green onions cut in thin slices

Feet: head lettuce  
Chill cooked asparagus. Fry the tiny bacon squares until crisp and brown. Remove browned bacon and stir vinegar, sugar, and seasonings into hot bacon fat. Arrange asparagus on lettuce-lined dish. Arrange sliced, hard-boiled eggs on asparagus. Sprinkle with bacon and finely cut onions. Pour hot dressing over salad. Serve immediately. Serves 6.

Serve the following vegetable salad with a French dressing in which 1/4 cup blue cheese has been added or with a mayonnaise-type dressing to which a little salad oil, lemon juice, and a few spices have been added. Meat sandwiches may be served with this for a complete meal.

**GARDEN-FRESH SALAD**  
1/2 cup celery, chopped  
1/2 cup carrots, sliced  
1/2 cup lima beans, cooked  
1/2 cup potatoes, cooked and diced  
1/2 cup cabbage, chopped  
2 tablespoons shredded green onion tops  
1/2 teaspoon celery seed  
Salt to taste  
Combine all ingredients. Chill. Serve in crisp lettuce cups with above dressing.



**SOMETHING NEW IN FELTS** is this plaid print which was seen in the year-end fashion show presented by students of the School of Fashion of Ryerson Institute of Technology. Each of the School's 51 students was given a length of Canadian-made felt with which to demonstrate her designing ability. The designer, and model, here is Marianne Measures, of Windsor, Ontario.



**AN EGG FOR AN EGG**—Egg-laying-eggs aren't the vogue yet, but such things do exist. Twelve-year-old Joe Handrick, found in his henhouse a huge egg with a normal-sized one inside it. Both eggs have a yolk and white. The white leghorn right doesn't appear too excited about being the phenomenon's producer.

### BEAT-THE-HEAT SALAD

4 ounces shell macaroni  
1/2 cup cubed cooked ham (about 1/4 pound)  
2 hard-boiled eggs sliced  
1/2 cup diced celery  
1 cup cooked green beans  
1 tablespoon vinegar  
2 tablespoons chili sauce  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon sugar  
1/2 cup salad dressing  
Cook macaroni in boiling salted water until tender (about 15 minutes). Drain and rinse in cold water. Combine macaroni, ham, eggs, celery, and green beans. Add vinegar, chili sauce, salt and sugar to salad dressing. Mix well. Add to salad mixture and toss together lightly. Chill before serving. Serves 4.

**CHEF'S SALAD**  
1 cup cooked green beans  
1 cup cooked carrot strips  
1 cup celery strips  
1/2 cup French dressing  
1/2 head lettuce  
1 cup cooked ham cut in slices  
2 hard-cooked eggs  
Marinate and chill the ham, beans, carrots and celery in the French dressing from 1 to 2 hours. Break lettuce in bite-size pieces into a salad bowl. Arrange marinated vegetables and ham in groups, spoke-fashion, on the lettuce. Garnish with the hard-cooked eggs.

**CAULIFLOWER-CARROT SALAD**  
1/2 small head of cauliflower  
2 medium carrots  
2 stalks celery  
1/2 small head lettuce  
1/2 cup mayonnaise  
1 teaspoon grated onion  
1/2 teaspoon horseradish  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
Dash pepper  
Clean chisel vegetables carefully. Separate cauliflower into small florets. Slice carrots and celery crosswise. Tear lettuce into bite-size pieces. In separate bowl combine mayonnaise, horseradish, onion, salt and pepper. Mix well. Lightly toss vegetables with dressing just before serving. Serves 6.

Perhaps you'd like to serve cucumbers with a distinctly new taste. You can accomplish this with this herb dressing.

**CUCUMBERS WITH HERB DRESSING**  
1 large (or 2 small) cucumbers  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
3/4 teaspoon pepper  
3 tablespoons salad oil  
1 tablespoon garlic vinegar  
1/2 teaspoon marjoram  
1/2 teaspoon rosemary  
1/2 teaspoon tarragon  
Wash cucumbers and slice thin. Combine salt, pepper, and salad oil thoroughly. Pour vinegar in slowly, beating with fork. Add herbs and mix. Pour dressing over sliced cucumbers and store in refrigerator for about 30 minutes before serving.

**MEOW!**  
"I always tell the truth about my age, darling—however embarrassing it may be to some of my younger girl friends of the same age."

**Q. Is it all right to sip one's coffee first with the spoon in order to test its temperature?**  
A. Yes, this is far better than burning the mouth. But as soon as the coffee has been tested, return the spoon to the saucer and sip the remainder of the coffee directly from the cup.  
**Q. When a person who is making an introduction does not speak a name clearly, and it is very important that you know the name of whom do you ask that the name be repeated?**  
A. Ask the person introduced, not the one who has made the introduction.  
**Q. Is it considered good form for a family to insert "Please omit flowers" in a funeral notice?**  
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### MODERN SAMPSON

The flea is so tiny that hundreds of them could be placed on a quarter at one time. Yet they can jump three or four feet in a single leap.  
A man, if given the same strength in proportion to his size, could jump six miles.  
The flea can lift one hundred and forty times his own weight. This means that a man, in proportion, could easily lift a ten-ton truck.  
The average life of a flea is six months, yet it can be taught to do all kinds of complicated tricks. Some have been taught to juggle, pull tiny wagons, dance, or even kick a tiny ball.  
One of its great delights was to be handed a comb and a mirror. Holding this mirror,



**IT TAKES PULL TO WIN**—Mrs. Hilton L. Stevens tries a grass-roots angle as she gets into position for the milking contest at the Spring Dairy show. Mrs. Stevens, representing Phi Beta Psi sorority, was declared the winner over six male rivals when the judges declared that the "men contestants were too experienced."

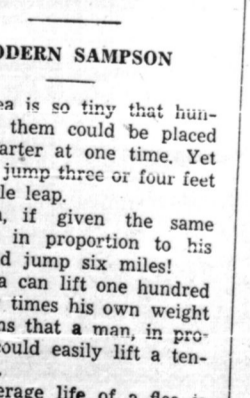
## Modern Etiquette...

**Q. What is the correct way to answer an invitation to a wedding reception?**  
A. On the first page of note paper, and although it is written by hand, the spacing of the words should be the same as though they were engraved. Also, since the invitation was written in the third person, your reply should also be written in the third person.  
**Q. When a woman enters an elevator and three or four men remove their hats, should she nod her acknowledgment of the courtesy?**  
A. This is not necessary. The gesture is not at all personal.  
**Q. Is it all right for a girl to give her order directly to the waiter when dining with a man?**  
A. No; she should tell her escort what she would like and allow him to place the order with the waiter.  
**Q. If all the other guests at a dinner have refused a second helping of some dish, and then you are asked, is it all right for you to accept?**  
A. Probably it would be better not to do so, as this would naturally cause a delay in the serving of the next course. The well-bred person is always considerate of others, and that is the prime secret of popularity.  
**Q. What would you say is the best way to acquire taste in the choice of words and phrasing of sentences for conversational purposes?**  
A. The reading of newspapers and good books is one of the best ways to acquire a choice and pleasing vocabulary.  
**Q. Is it proper to have one's telephone number engraved on personal stationery?**  
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**SLAP HAPPY**—Katy Jurado, above, tossed on an old lip slap on Anthony Quinn during the filming of their new movie, "The Lonely Gunman." The fiery Katy fired when she thought Quinn slopped her too hard during one of the scenes. Quinn refrained from retaliating and the show went on.

### This Chimp Was a Real Character

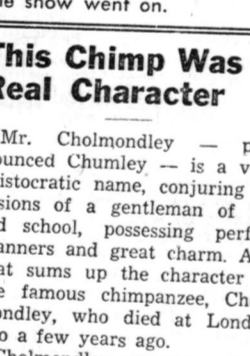
Mr. Cholmondeley—pronounced Chumley—is a very aristocratic name, conjuring up visions of a gentleman of the old school, possessing perfect manners and great charm. And that sums up the character of that famous chimpanzee, Cholmondeley, who died at London Zoo a few years ago.  
Cholmondeley was not really a zoo animal. For the first eight years of his life he had been brought up in the family of a high commissioner in British Cameroons, and had ample opportunity to acquire human habits. A cup of hot tea was taken to him first thing every morning, for example, and if it had not arrived by about half-past six Cholmondeley would begin a noisy demonstration.  
He smoked, too, a form of indulgence that chimps take to as readily as men. Cholmondeley liked to light his own cigarette, which he then smoked while reclining at full length on his back, his head supported by one hand.  
When it rained he liked nothing better than to sit out in an umbrella. He didn't keep as dry as he might, because he couldn't resist the temptation every now and then to release the catch, when the course of the umbrella folded itself about him while the rain ran off into his fur. In a moment, however, the broly was up again.  
Every visitor to the house as well as members of the family had to submit to an amusing but rather embarrassing ritual, in which he then smelt and while socks removed while he carefully studied and cleaned their toes.  
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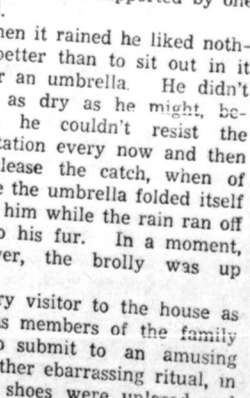
**TREE-MENDOUS TASK**—Think mowing the grass is work, what would you like a chore these Belgian Congo natives have—whittling away at a giant trunk with the equivalent of a Scout axe? The tree, a giant limba, is one of the riches of the Leopoldville region.



**MISS WIGGLE**—Roxanne Arlen, a Hollywood filmstress with a built-in wiggle, proposes an international wiggle contest. She once claims that with her natural shake, she can show off Marilyn Monroe and other movieland sirens.



**GETTING A HEAD**—Marian creature wearing a strange hood, riding unstrange motorcycle is just an ordinary man. This funder in Rome, Italy, uses this simple method to his younger.



**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**  
ACROSS  
1. Easy rapidly  
2. Part  
3. City in Pa.  
4. Desert  
5. Show  
6. Thin  
7. Bottom of a stream  
8. Discrimination  
9. Curvature of the spine  
10. Wicket  
11. Immense  
12. Tunisian ruler  
13. Clear doorway  
14. Care  
15. Of that woman  
16. Relative  
17. Ventilated  
18. Units  
19. Secret  
20. Seminary  
21. Part of the mark  
22. Pasture  
23. Mirella  
24. Mower factory  
25. Spot on the  
26. Papyrus  
27. Wreath  
28. Wholly  
29. Useless plant  
DOWN  
1. Snake  
2. Pencil  
3. Bitter verb  
4. Chauffeur's uniform  
5. Lost mound  
6. Sign of the Ram  
7. Concealed  
8. Tieset  
9. Obliterated  
10. Cluster  
11. Hard  
12. Note of the crowd  
13. Calbers  
14. Lail  
15. Small swallow  
16. Serenity  
17. Twirling  
18. Nothing  
19. Funnel-shaped receptacle  
20. Pail to follow suit  
21. Contained  
22. Flanker  
23. Man's get  
24. Chubby  
25. Oratory of scent  
26. Castile solid  
27. Affectionate  
28. Waver

Answer elsewhere on this page.

## THE FARM FRONT

by John Russell

About 80,000 different kinds of insects live in Canada, according to a recent census made by the Canadian National Commission of Insects at Ottawa. In this estimate, G. P. Holland, Chief of the Insect Survey and Biological Control Service, and head curator of the National Insect Collection, said that "new ones are being discovered every day."

This means that there are about twice as many kinds of insects in Canada alone as there are in the United States. Insects, and fish combined, in the world world. If Noah were building his ark today—this for a pair of each of the living creatures of Canada only—he would have to include a few more than 160,000 different kinds of insects. The principal crops are not made intelligently or evaluated statistically unless the particular species can be recognized.

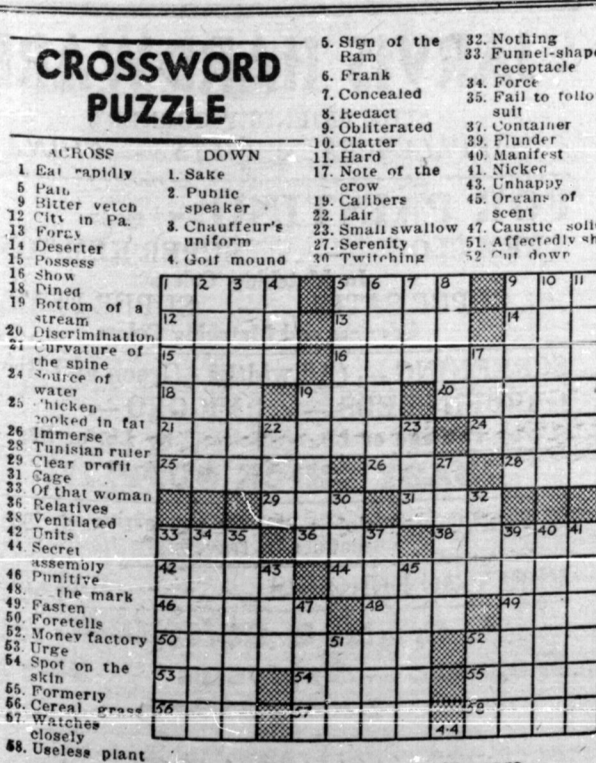
This is an important objective of our work," Mr. Holland asserted, "is to make available the intimate knowledge of the entire insect life of Canada, so that species may be recognized when required, and to provide information on their distribution and habits."

This is a very large objective and one that will not be fully realized for several generations. Each of the 80,000 species occurs in several life stages, often very different, so that each poses a separate problem of collecting, identification and storage.

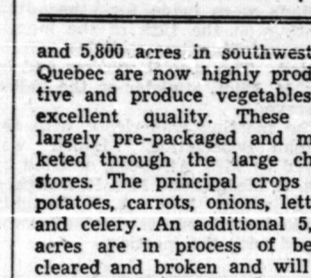
During 1955, Mr. Holland and his staff received some 900 shipments of insects for identification, mostly from Canadian entomologists engaged in problems of insect control. In all, 10,000 specimens were identified resulting in names of more than 6,000 different kinds of insects being reported to the inquiring parties.

The Horticulture Division of the Experimental Farms Service began research with organic soils (i.e. soil with a high organic matter content composed of muck and peat) in 1938, when the Experimental Sub-station for Organic Soil was established at Ste. Clothilde, Quebec. At that time there were large undeveloped areas of organic soil in southwestern Quebec and eastern Ontario. In Quebec alone, 51,000 acres had been developed and classified as to the mineral and organic content of the soil and relative value of the crop production. In addition, there were other much larger undeveloped areas in south central Quebec and eastern Ontario. Although small areas were cultivated, both yield and quality of the crops were low and the land was generally considered of little value.

At the Sub-station the first problem was to determine the best method for the development of the higher quality organic soils, namely, those that were decomposed and mildly acid in reaction. The results of this work have been very gratifying.



**OTTAWA'S TULIPS IN BLOOM**—Over 750,000 tulips bloomed in Canada's capital city as Ottawa made its annual Canadian Tulip Festival. The tulips, forming perhaps the most beautiful springtime flower display in North America, are found throughout the city—in front of the Parliament Buildings, along the city's famed Driveway, in parks and at the Central Experimental Farm. Here tulips frame the National War Memorial.



**AMBITION**—On the eve of his first anniversary as president of Italy, 48-year-old Giovanni Granchi, above, has Italian politicians reaching for the aspirin. Reason is that under Italy's constitution, the president is supposed to be a figurehead. Observers foresee a blowup, with the possibility that Italy's new high court, inaugurated April 23, will rule on the exact limits of G-nchi's authority in the government.

## THE GREEN THUMB

by Gordon Smith

**Lawn Care**  
When real summer heat comes, one should make a few changes in the regular lawn care. Grass is a cool and moist loving plant and in most parts of Canada it is not likely to get that sort of weather in July and August. It won't make much growth when the thermometer goes much above 75. In consequence one should cut less often in hot weather and also set the mower higher. And even if we remove the clippings earlier in the spring it is a good plan to let them lie where they fall in the summer. They will make a grass, will protect the roots from the burning sun. Early summer, when the night gets fairly warm, is the best time to apply the chemical weed killers. Used with reasonable care it is amazing how these will wipe out dandelion, plantain and most broad leaved weeds. One should cover the whole lawn but one must be careful to miss any flowers or shrubbery because these sprays will seriously damage them. For a real age if not kill them. For a real job one should always repeat the spraying in about three weeks to a month's time. This second application will catch those weeds which have sprouted from seed since the first treatment. It is best to keep one's lawn free of weeds and grasses for this weed killing business only, otherwise one must be most careful to miss any flowers or shrubbery because these sprays will seriously damage them. For a real age if not kill them. For a real job one should always repeat the spraying in about three weeks to a month's time. This second application will catch those weeds which have sprouted from seed since the first treatment. It is best to keep one's lawn free of weeds and grasses for this weed killing business only, otherwise one must be most careful to miss any flowers or shrubbery because these sprays will seriously damage them.

**Flower Planting Hints**  
Flower varieties such as Aster, Dahlias, Zinnias and Marigolds will be most satisfactory in a soil to which manure or fertilizer has been added, while Poppies, Cosmos, Petunias, Centaurea, Alyssum and Godetia will give excellent results in poor soil.  
If space is available annuals for cut flowers should be grown in a row in the vegetable garden. Among the best varieties for this would be Snapdragon, Aster, Calceolara, Annual Chrysanthemum, Gaillardia, Baby's Breath, Sweet Pea, Salpiglossis and Zinnia.

**Watch For Bugs**  
With so many easily applied chemical mixtures on the market, there is a danger of overdoing it for having our flowers and vegetables damaged by insects or disease. It is no longer necessary to prepare various concoctions. All that one has to do is to go to the nearest store, tell them our troubles and get some handy preparation which is simply dusted or sprayed on. For every bug or disease there is a specific cure or control. The main thing is to start control measures just as soon as the first injury appears. Treatment is not expensive.

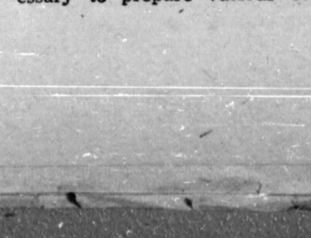


**Painting Tips**  
If your spring redecorating calls for painting some old chests or desks, here is a trick which will make the job easier. Before painting the drawers remove the handles or knobs to be painted separately. Attach them to a section of cardboard and they're easy to handle.

**Before beginning to paint,** be sure that the paint you will use is properly mixed—that the pigments and liquids are thoroughly combined. To mix the paint, pour about nine-tenths of the contents of the can into an empty container—perhaps an old coffee tin—then thoroughly stir the material left in the can. Now pour back some of the liquid and stir again. Continue pouring and mixing until the entire mixture is in one container. Then, to make doubly sure that it is thoroughly mixed, pour the paint back and forth from one container to the other half a dozen times.

If you find that paint drips down the can and onto the floor no matter how careful you are, here is a trick that will solve your trouble. Take paper or aluminum pie plates and use these as trays. You can put your paint on the tray, move it from place to place without difficulty or mess.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Sharing the Gospel With the World  
Acts 13:1-4, 44-49

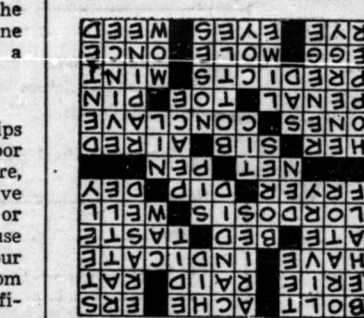
**Memory Selection:** We are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us; we play you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. 2 Corinthians 5:20

Cyprus is much in the news today. It is interesting to note that when Barnabas and Saul, accompanied by John Mark, were sent forth by the Holy Spirit and the church at Antioch, they went directly to this island. They had an exciting time at Paphos, the western end of the island. Here Paul seems to emerge as the natural leader of the group. In fact, the whole missionary journey both in Cyprus and on the mainland is exciting. They no sooner touched the mainland than John Mark was dragged out of the city and left for dead. But the disciples stood about, he arose. Where did he go? Back to the city from whence he had been dragged. There and in the other cities where opposition had been so fierce they preached, "confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God."

When Paul and Barnabas returned to their starting point at Lystra after the healing of a cripple they were worshipped as gods. Then Paul was stoned, dragged out of the city and left for dead. But the disciples stood about, he arose. Where did he go? Back to the city from whence he had been dragged. There and in the other cities where opposition had been so fierce they preached, "confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God."

**The Trap-Nested Hen**  
Biddle was an awful tease. . . Learned to trip the trap with ease. . . Chesting 'til the day she died, She never laid but what she lied. . . —PAP

**Upside-down to Prevent Peeking**



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