Bottleneck

Milk bottles are scarce, so be sure to return them to your milk-dealer or grocer as soon as they are empty. All kinds of glass containers are limited, and paper cartons are not plentiful either. Remember, the more trips a milk bottle makes, the better we can hold the line on milk production costs.

Inside Out

Wool garments are still scarce, so every effort should be made to get full wear from clothes on hand. An old skirt that has begun to look worn and shabby may be given a new lease on life if it is turned inside out.

Turning a skirt is often an easier task than making a new one, say specialists at the College of Home Economics, Cornell. Little cutting and fitting are needed, and the lines of the original stitching can be followed when sewing from the other side.

Before reversing a skirt, however, hold it up to the light to be sure that the underside looks new and shows no signs of wearing thin in spots.

Pepper Prospects

Pepper prospects for the near future are sad. No supplies of black pepper have been officially reported from the Netherlands East Indies which, before the war, furnished 95 per cent of the world's supply. During the past summer the United States imported two million pounds of black pepper from India. But that is a mere nothing when compared to the 60 million pounds imported in pre-war years.

More Canned Meats

It won't be long now before you'll be able to go into a store and buy much of your meat in cans, if desired. More than half of the 66 different varieties of canned meats which have been a regular part of the Army rations will be adapted to civilian peace-time markets. Among the war-developed products will be canned pork and applesauce, ham, bacon, and new kinds of canned stews and luncheon meats.

Roasted Shell Eggs

Roasted shell eggs, a novel wartime innovation, are now being merchandized by a Boston firm. A patent on the process has been applied for. As the name implies, candled eggs of high quality are roasted in the shell in a hot oven with automatically controlled temperature.

For purposes of the Federal income tax, a farmer is defined as an individual who receives two-thirds of his gross income from farming.

Field Range Provides G.Is With Battle Fare

Standing only 2 feet square and 42 inches high, the army field range accompanies every troop unit enroute overseas as part of its equipment. It provides hot food for Allied doughboys in the trenches, right under the nose of the enemy.

The little iron trooper, being smokeless, can move into the front lines with U. S. soldiers. There is no fear that smoke will give away its presence. Also since it is an oil-burning stove there is no need to chop wood. It burns any petroleum product available including leaded gas. These qualities, along with its small size and compactness, enable it to be used on troop trains and moving trucks to feed men on the march as well as in the field.

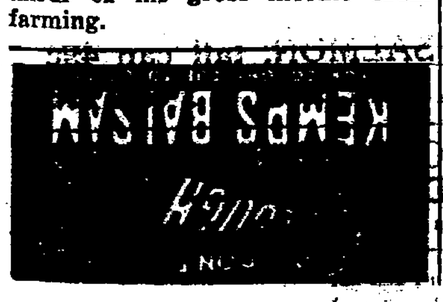
Miraculously "ambidextrous" for its miniature size, it can proceed in two operations at once. Bread can bake below, while a stew sizzles above. Or it can broil and bake, or bake and fry at the same time. Quicker than other ranges, smokeless, cook-as-you-go, versatile, compact, the M-67 is one of the quartermaster triumphs of World War II.

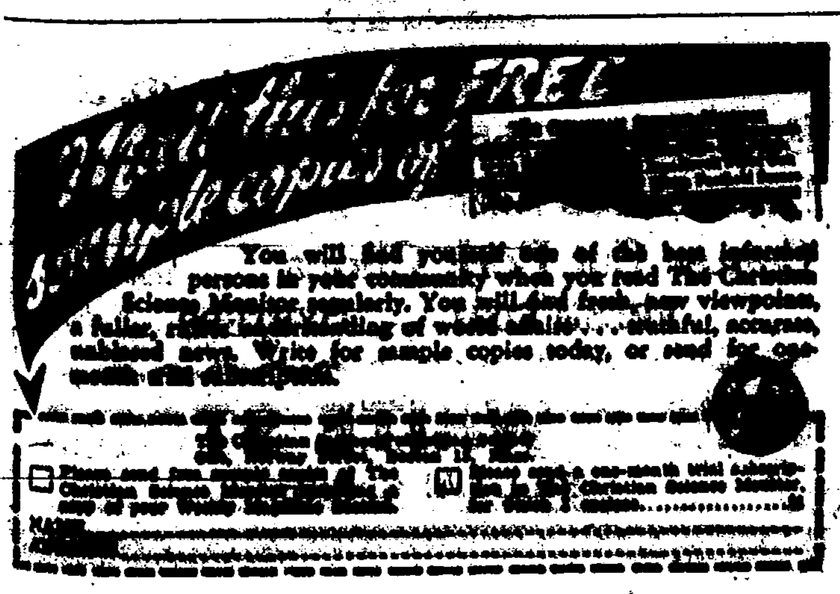
Killing Woodchucks

The easiest way to rid a farm of woodchucks is to go over the fields in late April or early May, before the grass starts growing, and cyanide or bomb every fresh-opened hole. In doing so you may treat a few unnecessary holes but you will get the woodcucks before the young leave the nest. Woodchuck bombs, which look like a big cannon cracker, are lighted and pushed down the hole as far as you can reach and the hole is then closed up with soil. There are five different explosions which drive the poison gas to the farthest corners of the burrows, killing the woodchucks. A second method of killing woodchucks is to use calcium cyanide. Put about two tablespoons on the end of a trowel and reach as far down into the hole as you can, then drop it. Close the entrance of the burrow with a sod and some soil. The woodchuck is sure to be killed by the cyanide gas released from the calcium cyanide. Calcium cyanide is such a deadly poison many people hesitate to handle it, and so the woodchuck bomb is a much safer way to kill woodchucks.

Concrete Floors

Painting is not advisable on concrete floors subject to heavy traffic. Touching up may be necessary at intervals on floors receiving moderate wear, and occasionally complete repainting is required on such floors. Paints for use on concrete include oil, rubber base and synthetic resin types. Concrete must be clean and thoroughly dry when it is painted. The painting should not be done for several months after construction, to allow for curing and drying. Before painting the floor should be neutralized by mopping it with a solution containing 4 pounds zinc sulphate per gallon of water. Allow 48 hours for this solution to react with the concrete and dry. Then rinse thoroughly with water and dry. Three coats of paint are recommended. The first coat should be very thin, about equal parts of thinner and paint. Some thinner is used for the second coat and the third coat is applied as it comes from the can.





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boy sit up there with a smile on his face and nodding his head in agreement to the teacher's remarks, and' by the way, who's the teacher?" came another inquiry from Sir Friend. "First of all, the teacher is our principal, Mr. Wilson; second, leave off those two adjectives you applied in front of "boy" and third, it's Vic Clark and he knows all the answers. He's impossible! (I daresay, I did exaggerate a jolly bit but Vic DOES know his physics.)

The class ran on smoothly 'till another of the "brilliant exceptions" started telling and explaining he knew of clockwise and counterclockwise moments and equilibrium. "Won't he EVER finish?" was the friends next question. "No," I answered, "not for a while yet. When Jim Backus starts explaining something, he knows what he's talking about but it takes him quite a session of 'clicks of the clock' to tell it. Just wait patiently, he'll finish yet!"

"Don't those two boys ever ask any questions?" Sir Friend asked, nodding to two boys in the back row. "Not much," I said, "Jim Smith and Karl Weber seem to soak it in quite steadily, the lucky kids. Carlton Ordway doesn't seem to have much trouble, either, but maybe he's holding it until he can get help; only heaven knows where!"

"And those three girls who sit there so solemnly are they brilliant exceptions?" "Oh, yes," I answered quickly, "Oh precisely." Ann Dean, Phyllis Temple and Genevieve Loucks sit there all period and absorb everything Mr. Wilson says, honestly! (But for some reason or other, what they absorb seems to need a little glue.)

My friend poked me and said in a very awed voice, "Why, those two boys are talking! Goodness Gracious." After kindly telling him to put his eyes back in their sockets I replied, "Yes, that's nothing, 'Dish' Cornish and Tom Lynch are always clinkin the china but they really get quieted down sometimes. Just wait and — there! See? They just got the 'glare' and gee, what silence!"

There goes the bell. You don't see where we got the name for the class? Friend, how simple. It's because we're so brilliant! Really, you must have not been paying attention.

Will you please stop again when you are going thru? Cause we do enjoy your visits immensely. So, Goodbye for now, Dear Friend. PET

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"Iceland," wrote the student afterward, "is about as big as teacher."

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