

towel; throw it in the syrup, and stand it away for two days. At the end of that time drain the syrup from the ginger, boil it and when cool pour it again over the ginger. Stand it aside for 24 hours. Repeat this every day for 5 days, the fourth day heating the ginger in the syrup. When finished, put into jars and cover closely.

"Bulgarian Bug" has been "out of fashion" for some years now, so unless a Link in our Daisy Chain can come to the rescue I'm afraid I can't help.

Tea-Stained Blankets

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I wonder if you could tell me how to get tea stains out of blankets? They have not been washed since the tea was spilt on them, about 2 months ago.

"J.T."

If you had soaked the tea-stains with very hot, almost boiling, water directly they were made they would have come out easily; and the hot water would not have hurt the blankets because it would just have been poured through the stain, and you would dry the place in a soft towel afterwards. For older and dried stains, soak them for at least 12 hours in a little dish of glycerine, to which you have added about one-third as much lukewarm water. This will loosen the stains, which can now be washed out in soft lukewarm suds made with soap-flakes, afterwards rinsing well.

Peanut Butter

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I heard you speaking about home-made peanut butter, and about adding a little olive oil or butter if it is too dry. We've made our own peanut butter for the last 25 years. Ours is always quite as soft as the bought kinds—although we never add anything but salt to the roasted peanuts. The secret of avoiding dryness is, first, not to overdo the roasting, and second, and much more important, to put the peanuts through the mincer often enough. We always put ours through, with the finest cutter, at least six times. After three times it is still quite dry and gritty. It gets softer and oilier every time it goes through. We always put the salt, a little less than seems necessary, in the peanut butter just after the fourth mincing. That gives it time to be properly mixed in, and more can be added if it's needed before the last mincing.

"Palmerston North."

Discoloured Plastic Bags

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I would like to you to pass on to the Daisy Chain the news that if they leave a discoloured plastic purse (especially white) in sunshine, the marks will disappear. "One of Your Admirers."

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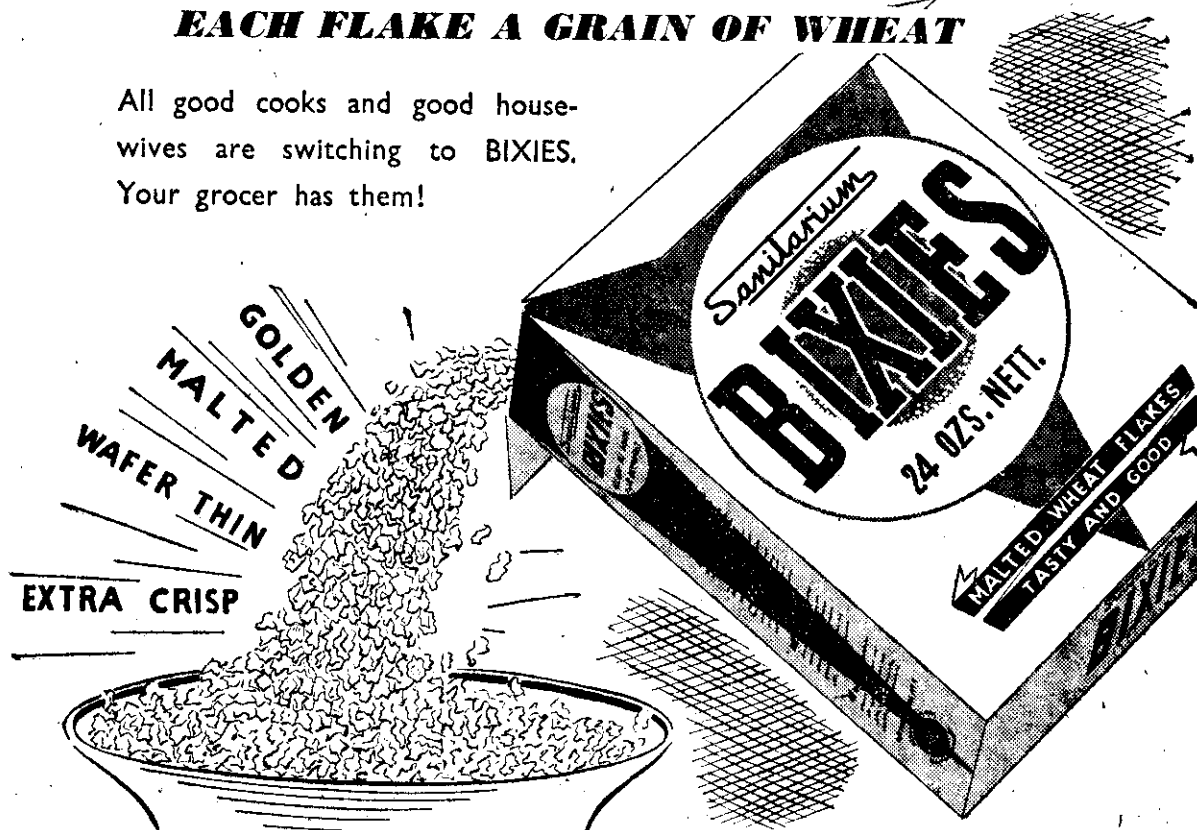
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