

rub through colander. Put into pan, bring to the boil, slowly add 7 lb. sugar, and boil 40 minutes, or till it will set. Raspberries can be done in the same way.

Mulberry Jam

To every 6 lb. mulberries allow 5 lb. sugar and 1 small teaspoon citric acid. Boil fruit without sugar for 15 minutes. Crush a few to start juice flowing, or add 1 tablespoon water. Heat sugar without browning. When fruit has boiled required time, pour in sugar, which should be hot enough to keep jam boiling. Boil quickly for ¾ hour approximately, adding the acid a few minutes before taking from fire.

FROM THE MAILBAG

Spots of Blood

Dear Aunt Daisy,

Please answer this problem through *The Listener*. I have a few blood spots on my pink, "water-way" taffeta evening dress. I don't want to wash it as the water-way might come out.

"14 Years," Eltham.

Put a pad of blotting paper or toweling underneath the spotted place (do one at a time), and dab each spot with a piece of cotton wool moistened with peroxide. Don't rub, just dab. Take clean pieces of cotton-wool as soon as you see them slightly stained. The stain should go through on to the pad underneath. Move the pad along to give a clean place. Some people dab with ammonia instead of peroxide.

Safety in the Home

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I feel I must tell you of one very dangerous practice in many homes—pulling the plug out of an electric kettle, jug or vacuum cleaner before switching off the power or disconnecting from plug in stove. The jug end is "live" while it is plugged in at the stove. My husband is an electrician and he says he sees it in most homes. Also, some people leave one end of the cord plugged in while the other "live" end hangs loose. A child need only put this in its mouth and it would be electrocuted. I take the cord right out of the stove first, then out of the kettle, and hang it on a hook at the back of the stove.

"Topsy," Christchurch.

Keeping Icing Sugar

Dear Aunt Daisy,

A listener asked you how to keep icing sugar soft. My daughter keeps her icing sugar in paper bags in her flour-bin, and it is always nice. I have never seen this done before, and I am well into my sixties. So thought it may help other housewives in our Daisy Chain.

"M.H.," Linwood.



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