

about 2 hours. Add a little salt towards end of cooking, not too much if you intend adding bacon. Strain well, then cover with a small tin of tomato soup. Cut up a few slices of bacon into squares, and mix in the beans, and lastly add 1 dessertspoon golden syrup. This gives a delicious flavour. Bake in casserole about 1 hour to mix flavour well.

### I Dyed It

Dear Aunt Daisy,

Looking through *The Listener* I noticed "Don't Dye It." read it through, and wondered. Nearly three years ago I bought at auction a moquette suite in good order, except that it had faded to a dirty grey. When the carrier deposited it on the verandah, I nearly sent it back. I did find out, away down in a corner, than it had been light green. Next day my neighbour told me that Aunt Daisy had just put over the air how to dye faded suites by painting an English dye on the suite with a clean paint brush. I used about a 3-inch brush. The first two coats were bright green; the last coat, painted on at the end of winter, was dark green; now it is bottle green. The first coat made it like new; friends would not believe that it was not new. I don't put in salt as required on the packet, because the chesterfield became damp every time it rained. Remember that it dries out lighter. Place newspapers over the floor, in case of splashes and running down.

"I.G.D.," Devonport.

### Home-made Fruit Salts

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I would be obliged if you would give me a recipe for home-made fruit salts through *The Listener*. Also, could you advise me how to get rid of mustiness in the flour-bin?

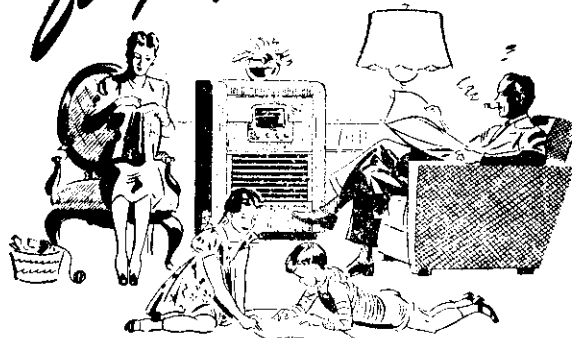
"E.R.," Christchurch.

**Fruit Salts:** Two ounces tartaric acid, 2 oz. bicarbonate soda, 2 oz. cream of tartar, 6 oz. castor sugar, 1 oz. Epsom salts. Mix well, bottle and keep in a dry place. **Musty Cupboard:** Put in a saucer of strong household ammonia for a few minutes, and some ammonia in the water you scrub out with. When bin has been thoroughly dried in the sun, try putting in a little unslaked lime in a saucer. This should absorb any dampness; or a big plate of salt. Then you could try the sweet scented ball, often hung in wardrobes to remove musty smell: Boil an orange till tender. When cool, make a few holes in the top with a knitting needle. Drop into these some oil of lavender or oil of verbena, and close each hole with a clove, pushing it right up into the calyx. Cover whole orange with cloves, sprinkle with powdered cinnamon, and arrange a pretty ribbon round. Hang in any cupboard which smells musty.

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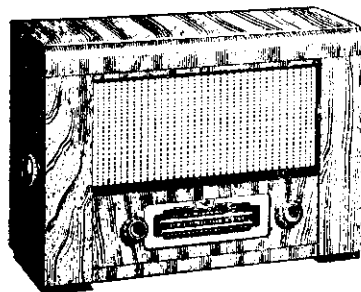
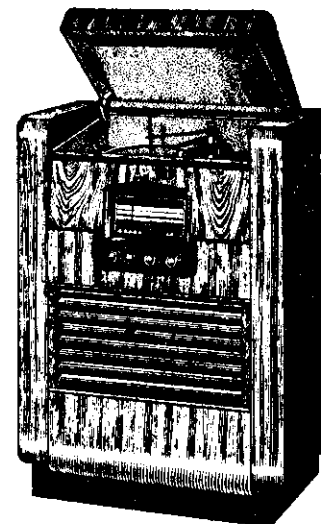


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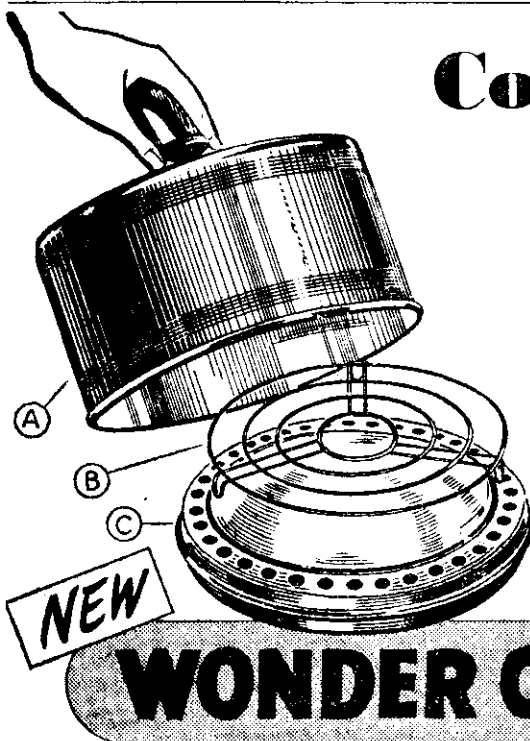
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