

HOME MAKERS CORNER

By "LYNETTE."

TEA DISHES FOR WINTER

Many housewives find tea or luncheon dishes quite a problem. Some have certain set standbys and show little imagination about varying them, while others show no imagination whatever and sit their families down to a bread and butter tea, with a variety of dishes and pots containing jams, honey, cheese and marmite as an inducement to fill up on such an easily-prepared meal.

Teatime in winter calls for something hot and nourishing, with day by day variations to add interest to the meal, for it is a fact that if we are interested in our food we enjoy it more and gain more from it. As well as varying the main dish, go in for variety in the bread foods, also, taking the trouble to make scones, toast, gems, etc.

Soups can be very nourishing and appetising but don't serve them too often. Fish may be cooked in a variety of ways. Seldom serve meat more than once a day. Occasionally cook more vegetables at dinner time than you need, and for tea mix several kinds in a casserole with white sauce and bacon, nuts or cheese, or alternatively serve them in pastry cups. Peas, beans, carrots and especially cauliflower are delicious recooked in batter. Fry in deep, very hot fat, and serve with a cheese sauce or one made from tomato liquor. Here are two recipes for left-over potatoes.

Potato and Peanut Butter Hash

Heat $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups water and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup peanut butter in a pot and add an onion, finely chopped, and cook till tender, then add salt and pepper, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of milk and 2 cups diced cooked potatoes. Heat slowly to boiling and then simmer. When the potatoes have absorbed all the liquid, serve.

Potato Loaf

Mix 2 cups of mashed potato with 2 tablespoons of grated onion, 2 tablespoons chopped celery, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup tomato puree, a beaten egg, 1 teaspoon salt, and some chopped nuts. Put into a greased baking dish, brush with butter, and bake in a moderate oven for 20 minutes.

I could give you many more suggestions, but look in your own favourite recipe book and you will find heaps of tea dishes there which are well worth trying.

SOLUTION TO No. 12.

Across.—1, Medicinally; 10, Drone; 11, Ale; 12, To; 14, Kodak; 16, As; 17, Him; 20, Lurid; 21, Eludes; 23, Lure; 25, Meter; 26, Steer; 27, Area; 28, Hasten; 29, Drood; 31, Ski; 32, If; 34, Sprit; 36, S.G.; 37, Can; 39, Asses; 41, Shoelatchet.

Down.—1, Mathematics; 2, D.D.; 3, Ark; 4, Cooler; 5, Indus; 6, Near; 7, La; 8, L.L.A.; 9, Yesternight; 13, Oiler; 15, Kilts; 18, Muted; 20a, Duets; 22, Dears; 24, Reeks; 26, Sadist; 28, Horsa; 30, Opal; 33, Fah; 35, Tec; 38, No; 40, Sh.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN

Annual Conference at Timaru

We are grateful to Mrs. F. J. T. Grigg for the following report of the Annual Conference of the N.C.W. held from the 16th to the 21st of April.

About 100 delegates met at Timaru. Important matters were to be considered and a new set of officers to be elected. Timaru hospitality was unbounded, and the Conference met on a high note with a service in the Anglican Church conducted by Archdeacon W. Averill.

The service was followed by a Morning Tea provided by the Mayor, and speeches to welcome us were given by Mr. Hanan, Mayor of Timaru, the Mayoress, and Mr. Clyde Carr, M.P. Ministers of the various Churches were present.

The Conference itself was presided over by the Dominion President, Miss Havelaar, M.B.E., J.P., associated with Mrs. W. Mackay, J.P., Dominion Secretary, and Mrs. L. I. Cattell, Dominion Treasurer. Many greetings were received and many sent. Messages were sent to H.M. Queen Elizabeth, and to H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth. The Secretary's report shows that the N.C.W. represents over 100,000 New Zealand women.

Reports of International C.W. Conveners were discussed at length, and amended, as they are to go to the I.C.W. Conference to be held in Philadelphia in October. Amendments were plentiful, and perhaps some of the conveners wished they had not undertaken their jobs. Priority of discussion was given to Housing and Maternity Services. Information on both these subjects gave us all real headaches, as solutions of the problems arising seemed difficult to find. Shortages of labour and material, and

difficulties in connection with the forty-hour week were all fully discussed.

Remits, as usual, covered a wide range of topics, and the time was too short to give these the attention they deserved; in fact, some had to be left out altogether, though the Executive was given power to act in these cases. A vote taken amongst the Branches had determined those to be given priority. W.C.T.U. members will be particularly interested to know that the following were passed:—

1.—That this Conference protests against the scandalous waste of barley in the brewing of beer in view of the desperate need in many countries, for all kinds of cereals, and asks the Government that the rationing of beer be imposed immediately as in Britain.

2.—That this Conference is deeply concerned that, while drastic restrictions are passed upon the consumption of such essential foodstuffs as butter and meat, and people are urged to reduce still further their consumption of these goods, no satisfactory attempt has been made by the Government to restrict the use of valuable foodstuffs by the brewing trade.

3.—That a protest be made to the Government against any increase in the facilities for drinking alcoholic liquors—

(a) through the opening of hotel bars after 6 p.m.;

(b) by any increases in charters for Clubs, by any further licenses to tourist hotels, or by the granting of any charters for clubs in No-License districts;

(c) by the sale of alcoholic liquors in restaurants and Public Works camps.

4.—That a protest be made against any proposal to—

(a) increase the intervals between the Licensing Polls;

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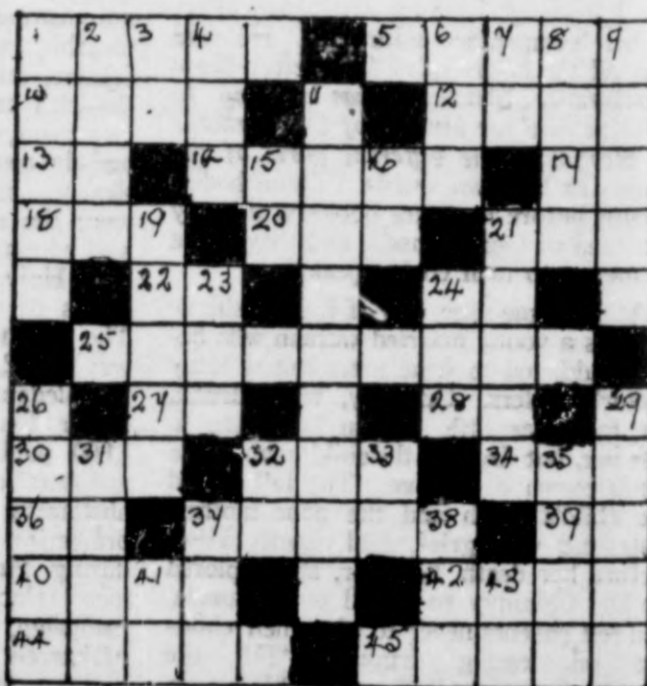
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CLUES Across

- 1—Tanned.
- 5—Weave.
- 10—Easy trot.
- 12—Part of a foot.
- 13—Verb "to be"; 1st person, singular.
- 14—Weary.
- 17—Sound made by hesitant speaker.
- 18—Vehicle.
- 20—Supplied.
- 21—Fuss. —
- 22—Painter.
- 24—Medical man.
- 25—Callers of meetings.
- 27—An affirmative.
- 28—A negative.
- 30—Aim.
- 32—Creeping plant.
- 34—A roll.
- 36—See.
- 37—Belittle.
- 39—That is.
- 40—Tibetan monk.
- 42—Merit.
- 44—Laminated rock.
- 45—Watches.

Down

- 1—Sooty.
- 2—Brand of tea.
- 3—Musical composition (abbr.).
- 4—Not a prohibitionist.
- 6—Cover.
- 7—One.
- 8—Sugared.
- 9—Fling.
- 11—Bottled.
- 15—On condition.



- 16—Editor (abbr.).
- 19—Wide.
- 21—Weapon.
- 23—Indefinite, definitely.
- 24—Retreat.
- 26—Signals.
- 29—"Lest we lose our . . . Eve and I" (Brown-ing).

- 31—Ship builder.
- 32—At home to callers.
- 33—Pronoun.
- 35—Yorkshire river.
- 37—Chemical salt.
- 38—Material.
- 41—Mother.
- 43—Three-toed sloth.