

HOME HINTS



Stir the water while cooking if you wish to keep the yolk in the centre of a hard-boiled egg.

When poaching eggs, add a tablespoonful of vinegar to the water, and the whites will set without spreading.

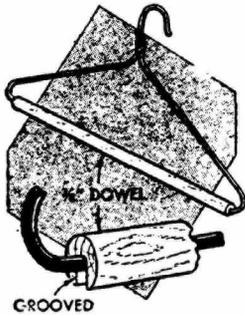
A hole made in the large end of an egg before boiling allows gas to escape and helps prevent cracking of the shell.

When scrambled eggs have been served, fill the frying pan with salt water and it will be easy to clean.

As soon as eggs are hard-boiled, put them in cold water for easy shelling.

Dowel Slipped Over Hangar Bar Prevents Trousers Creases.

Creases in trousers caused by hanging them over the bar of a wire coat hanger can be avoided by cutting a lengthwise slot half-way through a piece of $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. dowel. The rod should be a little shorter than the crossbar. After the dowel is slipped in place, put a drop of cellulose cement at each end to hold it. Dowels may be used to cover the arms of the hanger as protection for coats.

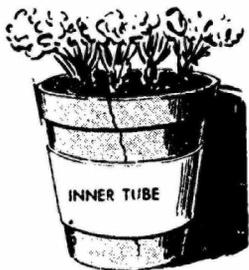


Insecticides.

An effective and non-inflammable insect destroyer can be made by dissolving rosin, 1 oz., and oil of amber, 1 oz., in a mixture consisting of gasoline, $\frac{1}{2}$ gal., and carbon tetrachloride, $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. It may be used in a spray gun to kill flies, bedbugs, fleas, ants, roaches, and other pests. The rosin forms a cake around the insect eggs and thus prevents hatching. It is not necessary that the destroyer be aimed at the pest. Finely divided particles of it in the air kill insects.

Flowerpots Mended With Inner Tube.

Instead of throwing away your broken flowerpots, you can make them usable again by holding them together with a wide band of rubber cut from an old inner tube. Simply stretch the section of tube over the base of each broken pot. If you like, the rubber can be painted to match the colour of the flowerpot.



Modelling-Clay Substitute Cooked in Kitchen.

An inexpensive modelling material, allowing both children and adults a chance for artistic expression, is made easily from water, cornstarch and ice-cream salt. Two cups of salt are boiled in one cup of water, into which is stirred one cup of cornstarch that has been thinned to the consistency of thin gravy. When the mixture cooks to a semi-solid condition, roll it out on waxed paper to cool. For variety, work in a small amount of vegetable colouring to a portion of it. In its moist condition the "clay" can be kept for weeks by wrapping in waxed paper and storing in a crisper bag in the refrigerator. This material will get quite hard after air-drying for several days. During the drying pinch shut and smooth over any cracks which appear



Before wearing a new pair of shoes, coat the edges of the soles and heels with clear fingernail polish. This helps retain the original finish, prolonging the "new look" of the shoes.



All set for a spin in the country. Here we have Cecil Dundas and Sanda Martin of Wellington.