

Nursery Set Get Cooperative Play Pen



OUTDOOR PLAY is possible for these youngsters of Port Washington who are supervised under group plan. It enables children to play with their friends.



FIVE LITTLE INDIANS calm down for milk and cookies offered by Frances E. Wing of Port Washington who serves as mother-for-the-day in cooperative plan.

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CP Newsfeature

—If your three- or four-year-old youngster is a problem, and most youngsters are at that age, why not try a cooperative play group?

The three and four-year-olds are problems, I and my friends find, because they're much too big for playpens, too young for kindergarten, and too much of a handful for an unaided mother. Nursery school is a solution of course but one is not always available and a really good one may be expensive.

In a cooperative play group, a budget-minded mother can find almost everything she would in a nursery school plus some extra advantages.

Since such a venture can witter with the onslaught of the winter's first sniffles, it pays to give some thought to its organization.

Here in this New York suburb, a cooperative group of five mothers and their children is starting its second year after one successful season.

The plan is simple. One morning a week, each of the mothers has complete charge of the group she collects the five little boys, supervises them for several hours and returns them home for lunch. One mother must take the lead in organizing the group and seeing that it continues to function.

Days when the children can be outdoors are the easiest. The mother takes the five to nearby parks, beaches or woods. Or she lets them play in her own yard. When it rains they play in garages, basements or playrooms. Halfway through the morning, she provides milk, apples or sandwiches.

She has opportunity to watch her own son in group play, compare his growth and development with that of the others, and help him make adjustments in a way not always possible for a nursery school director supervising many children.

The boys themselves have thrived. They have had lots of fun. They have learned to share toys and cooperate. They have been perfectly safe. They have gained poise through acquaintance with new homes, toys and friends.

The only real disadvantage has been a lack of medical supervision. To offset that, each mother has been careful to check her own child's health so that his incipient cold would not spread to others.

When a cold affects the child of the mother in charge, it is possible sometimes for her to change days with another mother. But pains are taken not to carry this too far and not to carry credits and debts from one week to another. The danger here is that the book-keeping can get so involved that one mother gets the idea she is carrying more than her share of the load.

The basic necessity is fair-mindedness and determination to make the system work, even when it causes inconvenience. On the other hand, the mothers have sense enough to realize from time to time that the cards are stacked against them for a week. Then they just call the whole thing off.

News & Views

From the A.P.: Dr. A. A. Weech of Cincinnati said that when a child balks at eating his food, the smartest thing a mother can do is to pretend she doesn't care.

"Not by word or gesture should mother let junior know she is concerned," Dr. Weech told the Texas Pediatric Society meeting in Dallas.

"Even if mother says nothing, but sighs as she removes the untouched tray, junior senses that he dominates the situation."

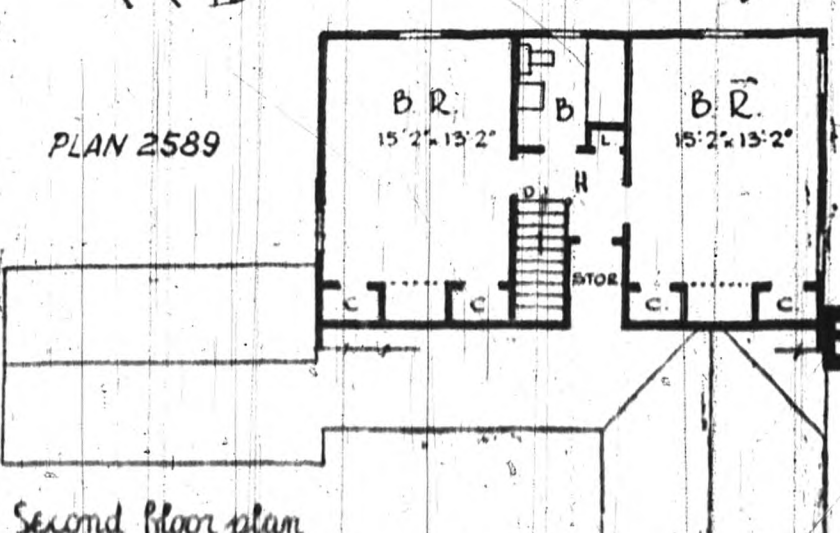
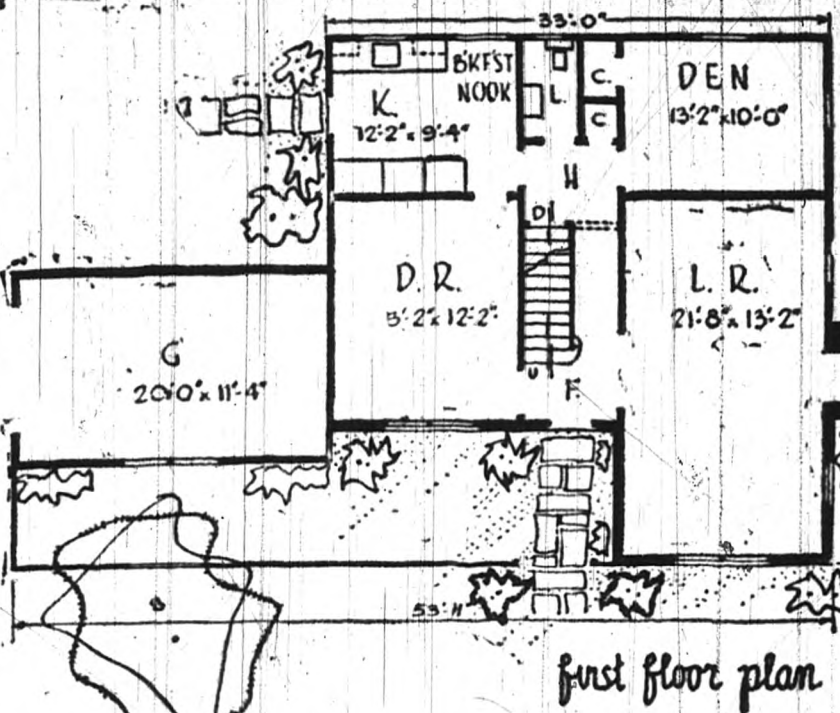
Dr. Weech is professor of pediatrics at the University of Cincinnati, and a father himself.

Kay and Jack Tippitt of College View have donated a chocolate cake recipe that is really special. Both are experts at concocting it, and here is their advice:

"Put ½ cup of shortening in a saucepan. When melted, add 4 squares unsweetened chocolate. When chocolate is melted add 2 cups of sugar and 1 cup of water.

THE Women's Corner

HOMES FOR AMERICANS



Here is a two-story home with the snug appearance of a cottage. Though too large for most vets and their wives who are considering building a home, it still has some interesting features to consider.

The first floor den can be used as a maid's room or guest room. By omitting the garage, the house can be built on a very small lot.

Floor area is 1,821 square feet including bath floors. The architect suggests an exterior of fieldstone, white clapboards, and a slate roof for an impressive job, although the design lends itself to more economical materials as well.

This plan, number 2589, may be obtained from Rudolph A. Matern, architect, 90-04 161st St., Jamaica 2, N.Y.

Hobby Exhibition Will Highlight Study Club Meet

The Campus Study Club will meet this afternoon at 3 p.m. in the YMCA on the Campus.

A creative hobby show will be the feature of the meeting. The collection of Herbert H. Belcher is on display. He carves intricate designs from horn.

Mrs. J. K. Riggs, chairman of the exhibit, said that 12 hobbies will be shown and that four of those exhibiting will give explanatory talks concerning their hobbies.

Hostesses for this meeting will be Mrs. J. S. Mogford, Mrs. G. E. Potter and Mrs. S. B. Clark.

Student Attends Lutheran Meeting

Leon J. Tolle Jr., junior floriculture student, recently attended the Midwest Region's Annual Conference of the Lutheran Student Association, according to notice received from James W. Goebel, Gulf Region editor of the Lutheran Student Association of America.

Tolle is president of the Gulf Region division of the association. The conference was held with the First English Lutheran Church of Lincoln, Nebraska.

"Obedience on the Campus" was the subject used by Tolle when he spoke to the group on November 6th. "Views of the South" was his topic the next day.

A recent A&M visitor, Dr. Morris Wee, executive secretary of the National Lutheran Council's Student Service Commission, also attended the convention.

Mrs. O. E. Smith Speaks To Garden Club on Flower Arrangements

The A&M Garden Club held its regular meeting Friday afternoon at the YMCA on the Campus. Mrs. Fred Hale, president, presided at the business session which preceded the program. Mrs. E. E. Snuggs, secretary, and Mrs. Dell Bauer, treasurer, gave reports. Mrs. C. B. Campbell, program chairman, distributed year books.

Dr. Ralph Steen Addresses Extension Service Club

Dr. Ralph W. Steen of the A&M History Department was guest speaker for the Extension Service Club when it met at the Campus YMCA, Thursday afternoon.

Dr. Steen spoke on the kind of world we live in today. He mentioned conditions in Russia, in Palestine, and in China. He said that the Marshall Plan has been of great assistance to some of the western European countries by helping them get back on their feet. He also said that some people have expected far too much of the U.N.C.

"We have many definite problems that will have to be faced," he concluded.

A new member, Mrs. Vel Thomas, was welcomed to the meeting as was a guest, Mrs. Edden, who is the mother of Mrs. W. H. Jones.

Mrs. W. S. Allen served as program chairman for the meeting. Refreshments were served to the group by the hostesses, Mrs. F. Z. Beamblossom, Mrs. Roy Snyder, Mrs. T. O. Walton, Mrs. W. L. Ulich and Mrs. D. A. Adams.

Red roses and white chrysanthemums were used to decorate the refreshment table.

Preceding Dr. Steen's talk, Mrs. O. G. Tomlinson, president, presided over a brief business session.

Aggie Squares To Meet Dec. 9 In St. Thomas Chapel

The Aggie Squares, Texas A&M College square dance club, will meet in a party session at their next regular meeting, December 9. The meeting will be held in the Parish House, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, College Station.

Dinner, served picnic-style, will be at 6 p.m., followed by a short business session and an evening of square dancing. Presidents, Calvin and Helen Hodges, together with the other officers, Jack and Norma Page, Dave and Vi Thompson, Harold and Patti Jones, and Curtis and Vivian Castleberry, will serve as hosts for the occasion. All members of the club will invite guests.

At the meeting held last Thursday evening, sponsors Dr. and Mrs. Carl Lyman and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Lytle taught dances for couples. These dances, the schottische, the polka and the varsovanne, will be taught, together with regular square dance steps, at the next session.

Miss Boyett Gives Birthday Party

Celebrating her sixth birthday, Miss Sherri Kay Boyett entertained at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy F. Boyett of College Station, Wednesday morning.

A pink and white birthday cake lent festive glamour to the party and was the keynote for the decorative color scheme. Ice cream was also served and was lettered with "happy birthday." For favors, silver and gold whistles and balloons were given to the young guests.

Those attending were Dickie Breker, Larry Lykins, Ann McCutchan, Condy Pugh, Lydia Davidson, Betty Ivy, Arthur Cathcart, Julian Rainwater, B. B. Perryman, Bill Bernard, Britton Bell Jr., Diane Boisemere, Susan Sarsen, Johnny Parker, Jim Fowler, David Roland, Rickie Bogel, Jimmie O'Brien, and Pat Boyett.

Other guests at the party were Sherri Kay's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Ledbetter of Dallas, Mrs. B. A. Hardaway, Mrs. E. H. Bailey and Miss Billie Hill.

HIGHEST CHURCH IN EUROPE

ROME—(AP)—The highest church in Europe has been dedicated at 12,387 feet on Mount Orler by Monsignor Angelo Grazioli of Verona, the Vatican's "Osservatore Romano" reported.

The church, dedicated to the dead in all European wars, was built on one of the tallest peaks of the Orler mountains in the central Austro-Italian Alps.

More than 400 people attended the ceremony, many of whom made the seven-hour ascent of the peak fasting, to receive communion in the new church.

Speakers for the afternoon were Mrs. O. E. Smith, Mrs. J. E. Roberts, and Mrs. R. K. Fletcher. Mrs. Campbell introduced Mrs. Roberts who told how to plant various bulbs, tubers, and rhizomes. She also discussed the treatment of diseased bulbs.

Mrs. Fletcher gave the lesson on identification of plant material, choosing for illustration the Post Oak and Hackberry trees, agave and cepe myrtle shrubs, and Indian blanket and blue-eyed grass annuals.

Mrs. Smith spoke on basic principles of flower arrangement. She illustrated her talk with flower arrangements which emphasized each of the nine points included in her talk. Design was illustrated by Mrs. W. W. Amstead; Scale by Mrs. G. B. Wilcox; Balance by Mrs. Wilcox; Harmony, Mrs. Amstead; Focus, Mrs. Amstead; Rhythm, Mrs. Roberts; Accent, Mrs. Amstead and Mrs. Wilcox; Repetition, Mrs. Roberts, and Unity, Mrs. Amstead and Mrs. Wilcox.

A door prize of Alaskan daisies, violets, and Hibiscus cuttings was given to Mrs. Marion Pugh and was donated by Mrs. E. W. Burns.

A garden calendar, which she had prepared was distributed to the members by Mrs. John Milliff.

Serving as hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. C. O. Spriggs, Mrs. John Ashton, Mrs. J. E. Loupot, and Mrs. Carl Ferguson.

Ruth Circle Meets In Allen Home

Mrs. O. F. Allen was hostess to the Aggie Ruth Circle of the A&M Methodist Church last Monday evening at a regular meeting.

"The Problems of Buerio Rieo" was the topic which Mrs. R. B. Harwood discussed for the group.

The evening's devotional was led by Mrs. Jim Taddie after which members sewed on tea towels for the church bazaar which is scheduled for Dec. 3 at 5 p. m.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Walter Dickens, Mrs. J. C. Grady, Mrs. C. L. Mills, Mrs. W. A. Haskell, Mrs. Erskine Hightower, Mrs. Cliff Maldox, Mrs. R. M. Pinkerton, Mrs. Don Riddle, Mrs. J. C. Schneider, Mrs. Taddie, and Mrs. Harwood.

Thursday evening, Mrs. Pinkerton was hostess for a group who held a sewing session to complete articles for the bazaar.

Bittle Chapter Episcopal Women Hold Meeting

The Thomas Bittle chapter of the Associated Episcopal Women of St. Thomas Episcopal church met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Inez M. McKay, 307 Montclair.

the throne. This king had been a fourth-in-line at birth.

"Princess Elizabeth... in during the reign of her grandfather, it another third-in-line."

"So, when William died, the crown passed to a young niece, Alexandrina Victoria. At the time of her birth she was fourth-in-line.

"Victoria reigned so long her successors were practically standing in queue.

"First in line, the eldest son, became a grandfather before he mounted the throne as Edward VII.

"Fate worked it out so that this pleasant ruler — the jolly king who gave his name to that period known as "Edwardian" — was succeeded by his second son, George V. This another "third-in-line" won the honors.

Death had taken the second, his elder brother Prince Albert Victor, Duke of Clarence, eight years before the death of Queen Victoria.

"George V was succeeded by his eldest son the Prince of Wales, who had been born during Victoria's reign and therefore was another "third" in the queue.

"Termination of the Prince's brief rule as Edward VIII — he preferred marriage to a throne — brought his younger brother, the present King George VI to



HER PRESUMPTIVE Elizabeth

NEWCOMERS CLUB TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The Newcomers Club will meet Wednesday, Nov. 17, at 2 p. m. in the parlor of the YMCA on the Campus.

Mrs. Edward Packham is chairman of the hostesses and Mrs. D. H. Pinson and Mrs. C. W. Cook are serving with her.

A bridge group will be one of the diversions of the afternoon. For those not playing an entertainment is planned by Mrs. Ferris Baker and Mrs. L. E. Flanagan.

TELEVISION SPREADING IN GREAT BRITAIN

LONDON—(AP)—The British television audience is growing steadily. The General Post Office reports 3,450 persons took out television receiving licenses in August to run the total up to 61,700 in Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Radio receiving license including television numbered 11,324,400. There were 509 prosecutions during August for listening in without them.

Broadcasting is a government monopoly in the United Kingdom. Ordinary radio licenses cost a pound (\$4) a year. Television is a pound extra.

AAUW Group Meets to Discuss Fellowships

The regular monthly meeting of the Bryan-College Station Branch, American Association of University Women was held last week in the Physics building on the Campus.

Chief topic of the meeting was the background, purposes, and results of AAUW fellowships. Mrs. J. H. Sorrels who is chairman of the Fellowship Committee led the program and explained how the fellowship committee originated, what they accomplished and how they raise funds.

Next, slide pictures of current AAUW fellows were shown to the group with explanations given by Mrs. J. H. Sorrels, Dr. James A. Potter assisted in showing the pictures.

A general question and discussion period closed the program. Mrs. C. W. Birchard conducted this phase of the meeting. Other members of the Fellowship Committee who aided in the program were Mrs. Ben Ferguson and Mrs. A. V. Moore.

The next meeting of the combined communities' branch will be held Dec. 13, with the International Relations Committee in charge of the program.

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