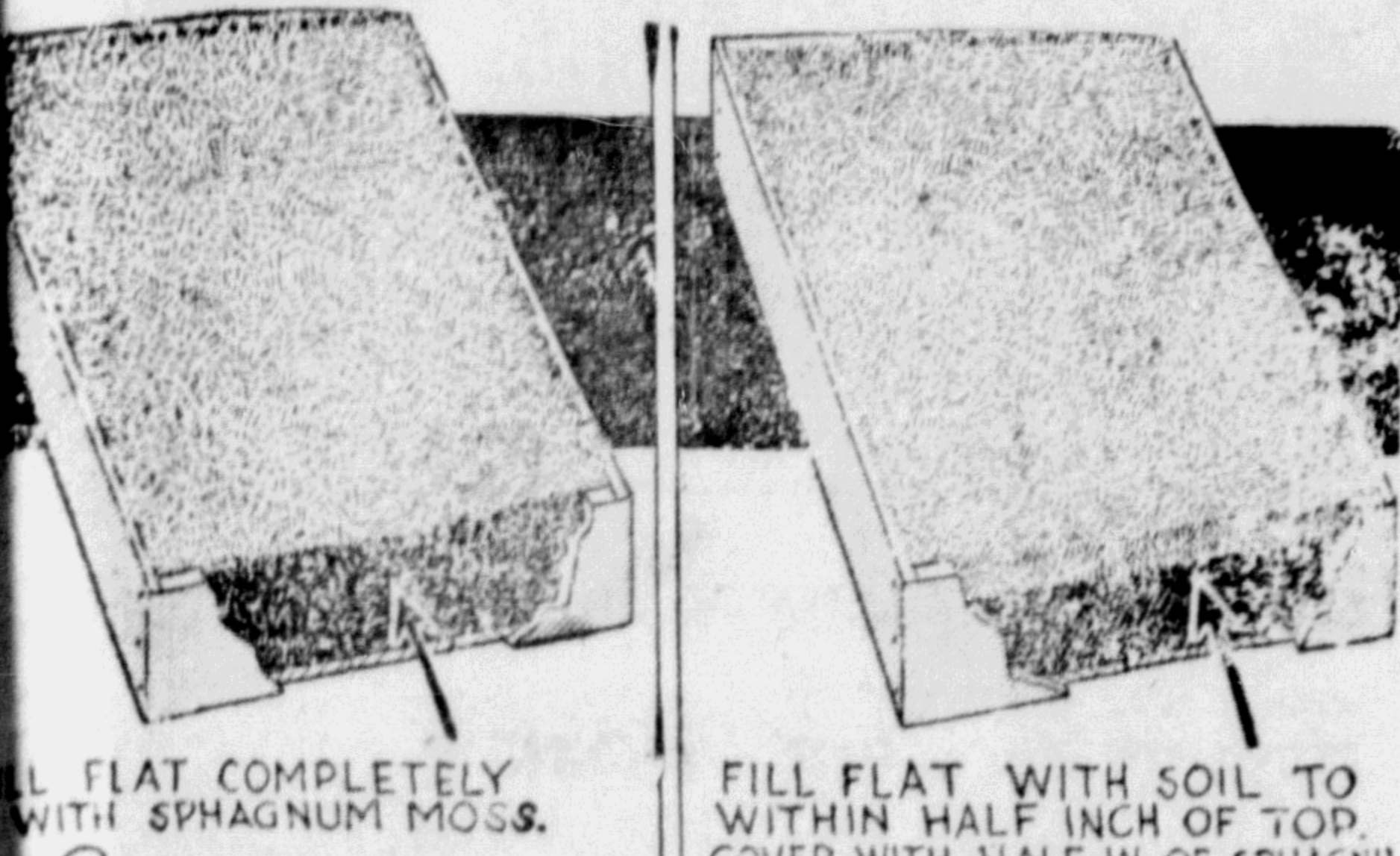


GARDEN NOTEBOOK

ANTI-BIOTIC MOSS GUARDS PLANT BABIES FROM DISEASE



FLAT COMPLETELY COVERED WITH SPHAGNUM MOSS.
FILL FLAT WITH SOIL TO WITHIN HALF INCH OF TOP. COVER WITH HALF INCH OF SPHAGNUM.

penicillin does for human beings, some anti-biotic substances which are present in sphagnum moss, so abundant in the Prince Rupert area, will do for seeds of garden plants. The "damping-off" disease, which so often destroys seedlings, sometimes even before they reach the soil surface, can be prevented by sowing the seeds in a thin layer of sphagnum moss placed on top of the soil. The precaution is so easy, and the danger of the disease so great, whenever seeds are grown at home, in hot-beds or in greenhouses, that the use of sphagnum moss is wise in all cases.

The material is inexpensive, and is used by nurserymen for protecting about the roots of plants, and may be obtained from florists or seedsmen. For the seed box it is rubbed over or screen having three meshes to the inch. A layer of sphagnum half an inch deep on top of soil is sufficient to protect the seedlings from disease. Seed should be sown in the moss, and lightly covered with the same material. The moss should be thoroughly wet when the seed is sown, and the seed box then covered with a pane of glass. Germination will usually take place before additional watering is necessary, but the moss should not be allowed to dry out, and it must be watered on the surface, because sub-irrigation is not effective on this material. Flats may also be entirely filled with sphagnum moss, prepared in the same way. When this is done the flat should be drained freely, since water must be applied on the surface. The

ST. PETER'S ELECTS OFFICERS

Reports of activities of various congregational groups during the past year were delivered by committee chairmen at the annual meeting of St. Peter's Anglican Church, held in the church last night. The church offices were filled by election. New officers are:

Rector's Warden, William Skinner.
People's Warden, A. Duffus.
Secretary, Miss Jean Smith.
Treasurer, Frank Baldwin.
Delegate to Synod, Miss Jean Smith.
Alternate Delegate, Mrs. J. Prince.

Sidesmen—R. Kelsey, A. Daltzell, J. Hemmons.
Committee reports showed commendable activity in all church groups. Rector's report was delivered by Archdeacon E. Hodson, while finance, and hall committee reports were presented by Frank Baldwin, Sunday School by William Skinner, Bible Class, Miss Mary Adcock, Senior W.A. Mrs. Prince, Evening W.A. Mrs. George Viereck, Y. P. A. James Hemmons and Secretary, Miss Jean Smith.

Following the meeting, which was attended by 20, refreshments were served in the Rectory by the Senior W.A. ladies under direction of Mrs. Dufort and Mrs. Prince.

Announcements

Booth P.T.A. Jan. 21.

Conrad P.T.A. Card Party, Jan. 23, 8 p.m.

U.P.A.W.U. dance Friday, January 23, Oddfellows' Hall.

Burns Night concert and buffet supper, Presbyterian Church Jan. 26.

Birthday Tea and Home Cooking Sale, Salvation Army Girls Home, January 29, 2:30 to 5.

Card Party in Catholic School Hall, Jan. 29, 8 p.m.

Job's Daughters Dance, Masonic Temple, Jan. 30.

Cambrai Valentine Tea, Feb. 14.

United Church Valentine Tea, Feb. 19, Mrs. A. Dominato, 500 Taylor St.

Canadian Legion W. A. Spring Sale, March 31.

Orange Tea, April 21.

United Church Spring Sale, April 29.

Home-cooked dinner from 6 to 9, 60c. Bosun Inn. (33)

U.F.A.W.U. whist and cribbage, Metropole Hall, every Saturday, at 8 p.m. (43)

at Civic Centre

THURSDAY
(Sports)

A.M.
9:00—Bo Me Hi Gym Class

P.M.
1:00—Bo Me Hi Gym Class

2:30—King Edward Gym Class

3:30—Badminton

6:00—Civic Centre Jr. Boys' Basketball

7:00—Badminton

8:00—Rup-Rec Men Gym and App.

(Special Events)
7:00—Little Theatre

Musical Festival Meeting

8:00—Boy Scout Exec. Meeting

Civic Centre Annual Meet.

WARRINGTON, Lancashire, Eng. 9.—The shore station H.M. S. Scotia near here, principal naval communications training centre during the war, is closing down.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR SALE—Chesterfield suite. Phone 60. (18)

Local News Items...

Wilson Hunt, district lieutenant-governor of the Gyro Club, after a visit here to conduct the installation of officers of the local club at a special function Monday night, sailed by the Catala yesterday afternoon on his return to his home in Penticton. Just prior to his departure, there was a stag send-off at the home of President Orme Stuart in the Waldron Apartments.



OFF TO MEDITERRANEAN—One of approximately 1,000 U.S. marines who boarded the attack transport Bexar at Morehead City, N.C., bound for the Mediterranean, M/Sgt. Robert O. Joines of North Wilkesboro, N.C., says goodbye to his wife and three small children. The marines will reinforce American ships now operating in Greek and Italian waters.

● Moose Legion 45 meets Thursday January 22, 8 p.m. (18)

● Your continued patronage of Johnny's Snack Bar is invited by the new owner, Mrs. C. Stevens. Open till 11:30 p.m. (17)

A. R. Nichols returned to the city on last night's train from a brief trip to Smithers in his capacity as Masonic district deputy grand master. Accompanying him were Dr. R. G. Large, W. R. McAfee and C. A. Berner.

● Dean's Quality Cleaners, pick-up and delivery. Phone 283. (11)

Following the regular fortnightly dinner meeting of the club in the Civic Centre, tonight, Klansmen will adjourn to the home of Sid Elkins, Fifth Avenue East, where a stag party will be held with Marcel Blain and William Bremner in charge of arrangements for the affair.

● Annual General Meeting of the Prince Rupert Fishing Vessel Owners' Mutual Protective Fund will be held in the Civic Centre common lounge, Sunday, Jan. 25 at 2:30 p.m. All members please attend. (20)

● WANTED—Interested young men between 17½ and 28 to prepare for Canada's defence with the Royal Canadian Navy Reserve. Recruiting officer in attendance at H.M.C.S. Chatham week days 9 to 5. Monday nights 7:30 to 10:30—Training commences immediately. (21)

● Anyone requiring rat poison contact sanitarian at Blue 722. (18)

His recent trip to his native land of Norway made the subject for an interesting talk, illustrated with moving pictures, by Dr. Jens Munthe, Norwegian vice-consul, at the weekly luncheon of the Prince Rupert Gyro Club today. President Orme G. Stuart was in the chair and, besides a good turn-out of members, there were several guests.

HOW CAN I ??? By ANNE ASHLEY

Q. How can I make a good starch?

A. By putting three tablespoons of wheat starch in ½ cup cold water; put this in one quart of boiling water and cook for 10 minutes. Add a half-teaspoon of lard to make the starch smooth, and then strain through cheesecloth and use while hot.

Q. How can I treat a rug that already has moths in it?

A. Try covering with a wet towel, then applying a hot iron until the towel is dry. This will kill both the moths and the eggs. Then sprinkle with salt every week before sweeping.

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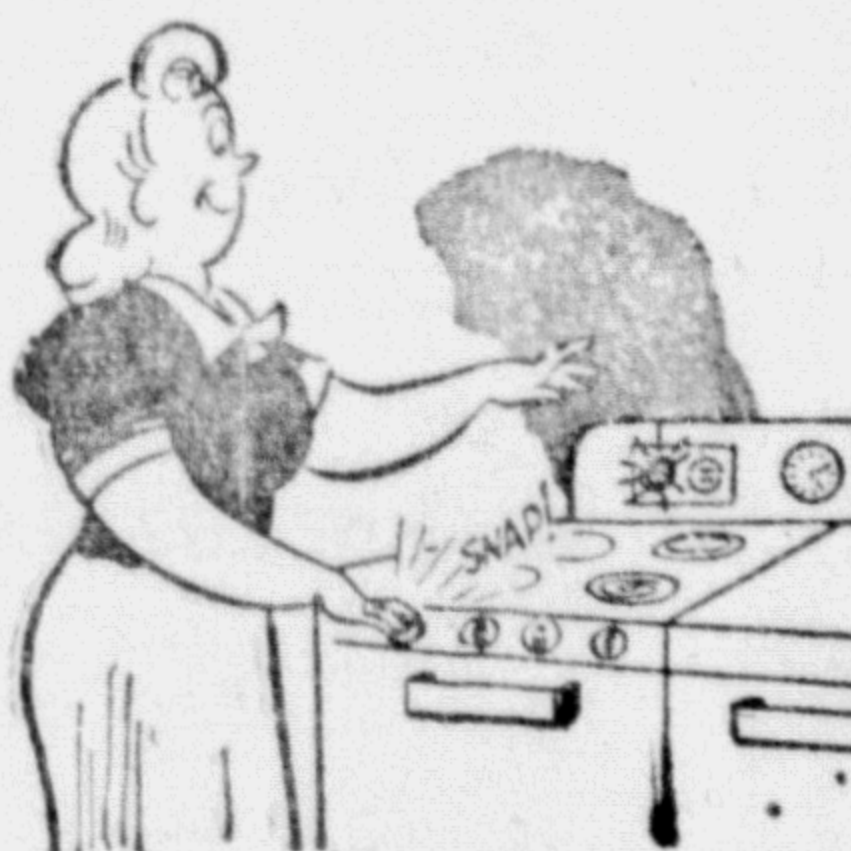
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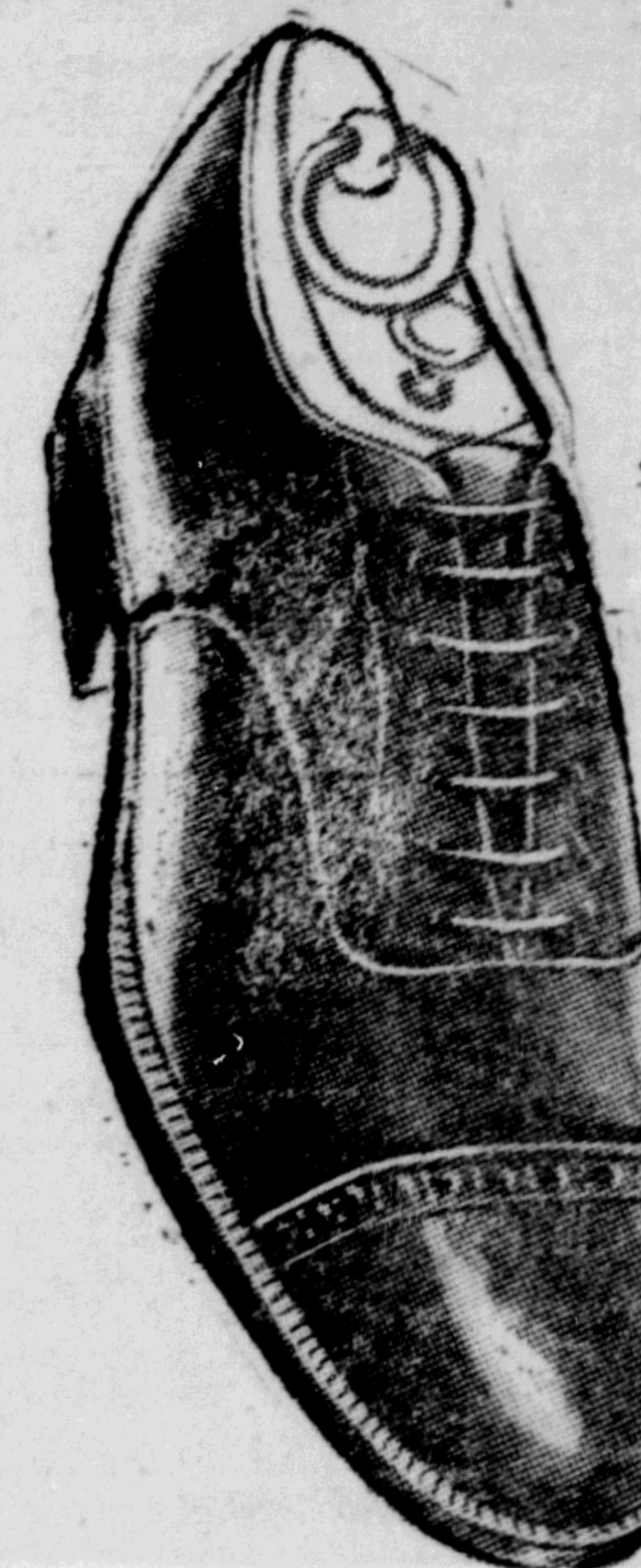
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