Household Hints

If you get too much salt in your potatoes, simply add a little sugar and to modify the sweetness of something, add a little salt.

Always add boiling water to boiling vegetables as cold water will toughen.

When ready to shell peas, pour boiling water over peas, let stand a few minutes, drain, then blanch in cold water. Hold pod by stem end and squeeze. It really works.

When baking fruit ples, cut holes in the upper crust with a thimble, place crust on ple. The holes will become larger, then place the little round circles back in place. Makes pies very decorative and serves for the steam and juice openings.

String beans—all the strings can be easily removed if they are put into boiling water for 5 minutes after washing.

Any cake will be greatly improved if a teaspoon of lemon juice is added to the butter and sugar. This makes a cake very light and shorter. Fresh milk makes cakes close grained and more solid.