

Household News

By Eleanor Howe



FROSTY FOODS FOR SUMMER
(Recipes Below)

When you're "eating out," and you wonder what to order for the grand finale of your meal, how often do you decide on a delicious sounding parfait? There's something very special about this tall, imposing and delectable dessert. And there really is no reason at all why having parfaits for dessert should be confined to our "eating out" days. A parfait may be a culinary creation, but with modern ice cream freezers, improved freezing in mechanical refrigerators and commercial mixes to help produce smooth, creamy, frozen desserts, there's no reason why you shouldn't serve them often at home!

Make a variety of ice creams and sherbets too, and serve them with cookies or dainty cakes. You'll find a grand assortment of cookie and cake recipes in my cookbook, "Better Baking"—crisp cookies, chewy cookies, and light feathery cakes that are just the right accompaniment for foods and drinks that are cold and frosty.

Ice Cream Freezer Ice Cream.
(Makes 1 quart)
2 cups milk
1 cup sugar
2 tablespoons flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 egg yolks
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 cup whipping cream

Scald milk, reserving 1/2 cup. Mix and blend the sugar, flour and salt and mix to a smooth paste with the cold milk which was reserved. Add this mixture to the scalded milk and cook, stirring constantly until thick, in a double boiler for 15 minutes. Add egg yolks (well beaten) and cook, stirring constantly, three minutes longer. Add vanilla and chill. Fold in whipping cream (whipped), place in ice cream freezer and freeze, using three parts ice to one part rock salt. This is a good standard recipe to use as a "pattern" for many tasty variations.

Chocolate Angel Parfait.
2 egg whites (beaten stiff)
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup water
1 square unsweetened chocolate (melted and slightly cooled)
1 cup cream (whipped)
1 tablespoon vanilla extract
1/4 cup candied cherries (quartered)
1/4 cup blanched almonds (chopped)

Beat egg whites stiff. Cook the sugar and water to the soft ball stage (234 degrees). Pour syrup in fine stream over egg whites, beating constantly. Continue beating until mixture is cool. Fold in melted chocolate, whipped cream, extract, nuts and cherries. Pour into trays and place in freezing section of mechanical refrigerator. Freeze. No stirring is necessary. Nuts and cherries may be omitted, if desired.

Mocha Freeze.
Make strong coffee in the usual manner, and pour over crushed ice to chill. Pour into tall glasses and add a generous spoonful of vanilla ice cream to each glass. Top with whipped cream.

Chocolate Mini Parfait.
1 cup sugar
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 cups milk (scalded)
3 eggs (beaten)
2 squares unsweetened chocolate (melted)
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 cup whipping cream (whipped)

melted chocolate. Cool. Then add vanilla extract and fold in whipped cream. Place in freezing container of modern ice cream freezer, and freeze, using 2 parts ice to 1 part rock salt. Serve in tall parfait glasses, alternating with layers of peppermint sauce. Top with whipped cream and a cherry. Peppermint sauce:

1/2 cup sugar
4 teaspoons cornstarch
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1/2 cup cold water
1/2 cup boiling water
1/4 teaspoon peppermint extract
Few drops green coloring
1/4 cup whipping cream (whipped)

Combine sugar, cornstarch, salt, and lemon juice. Mix with cold water to form a paste. Add hot water and cook, stirring constantly until thick and clear. Add flavoring and coloring, and chill. Just before serving, fold in whipped cream.

Lemon Sherbet.
(Serves 8)
1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
1 quart water
1 tablespoon gelatin
2 tablespoons cold water
3/4 cup lemon juice
1/4 cup food coloring
2 egg whites
2 tablespoons powdered sugar

Combine granulated sugar and water and boil for 5 minutes. Soak gelatin in cold water and dissolve in the hot syrup. Cool. Add lemon juice and a few drops of yellow food coloring. Pour mixture into freezing container of ice cream freezer. Cover and surround with a mixture of chipped ice and salt (3 parts ice to 1 part salt, by volume). Freeze.

Lemon Iceberg.
To each glass of lemonade, add a scoop of lemon sherbet. Garnish with mint and a fresh strawberry or raspberry. Slip a lemon slice over the edge of each glass.

Iced Chocolate.
(Makes 4 large glasses)
4 tablespoons sugar
4 tablespoons cocoa
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup boiling water
2 cups milk (scalded)
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
Crushed ice
Whipped cream

Combine sugar, cocoa and salt. Add boiling water and cook for two minutes. Remove from fire, and combine with the scalded milk. Pour into glasses filled with crushed ice, and serve with a spoonful of whipped cream garnishing each glass.

Summer Salads.
Next week Eleanor Howe will give you some of her choicest tested recipes for cool, refreshing summer salads and things to serve with them. There'll be recipes for jellied salads, vegetable salads, party salads and "leftover" salads, too. Be sure to watch for Eleanor Howe's column next week!

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WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON
(Consolidated Features—WNU Service.)

NEW YORK.—J. B. Priestly and the U. S. A. got along nicely together until his play "Time and the Conways," began to make trouble in 1937. In this play, Mr. Priestly went metaphysical and conjured time into fourth dimensional unreality. Perhaps because they had long felt the urgency and reality of a newspaper deadline, the American dramatic critics didn't quite get it and scored the play as just so-so and "maybe not even that. Mr. Priestly said they were rude and boorish about it and challenged not only their time sense, but their sense of propriety and their fitness for their jobs.

That must have gone deeply under Mr. Priestly's skin, since, as the "Voice of England" at a moment when time, at any rate seems to be real, he takes a short-wave, short jab at radio commentators in this country. He thinks that "people who are not prepared to fight anything, anywhere" should mind their manners and not belittle others who can and will fight. While that may not necessarily make "Time and the Conways" a good play, it reveals Mr. Priestly, and no doubt England, as ready to meet all comers, and that seems all to the good.

This reporter, having once talked with Mr. Priestly, can testify that he has a nice smile. While his estimate of our present or potential belligerency may have been somewhat tactless, in his novels and magazine articles he has shown much more sound discernment of the American scene than the writings of certain other visiting Britons, who kiss and run and thereafter engage in long-distance smearing. He, at any rate, said his say while he was here.

Mr. Priestly, 46 years old, took honors in literature and history at Cambridge, went to London from his native Yorkshire and found the literary ladder just an escalator. His novel, "The Good Companions," was his first big success. This reader thought there was deep insight in his "Midnight in the Desert," written after his stay in Arizona, with his family. In his routine short-wave address, he stresses the common cultural ties of England and America, without being oily about it and has seemed to this hearer an effective special pleader. But he does seem to look on our critics as alien parachute-jumpers, or even something less admirable.

THE professor who pieces out the dinosaur from a single bone has a distinct advantage over interpreters of world events. Nobody can dispute him.

Jap War Minister Bears a Feather On His Shoulder
This writer has just finished reading a magazine article of 1934 about Lieut. Gen. Eiki Tojo of Japan, in which it is made clear that he is typical of the headstrong army caste, sure to destroy itself, and that quickly.

But here today is General Tojo named war minister in the new army cabinet which seems bent on destroying anybody or anything rather than itself. In the short view, at least, the dinosaurs of totalitarianism are subject to laboratory observation—but only in the short view, close to a deadline.

Little is known about General Tojo in this country, but available data indicate that his rise to power will not be reassuring to those who look for peaceful, pleasant solutions of world discord. His betes noir are the U. S. A. and Russia.

Like Pericles of Greece, he advanced himself by kicking up war scares. He agrees with the doctrine of Adolf Hitler, expounded in "Mein Kampf," that all alliances are push-overs and that the only tough and durable nation is the one that stands alone. He is smart, hard-boiled, resourceful and contemptuous of theories, sentiments, and negotiations. He is of an unreconstructed feudal family, and has been in the army since his early youth.

Stubby, bespectacled little Yosuke Matsuoka, Japan's new foreign minister, is cut out of the same cloth. At the University of Oregon, he was an easy conformist in superficial matters, picking up sports-page lingo and playing poker cleverly—never caught bluffing. After he led Japan's contemptuous walk-out from the League of Nations in 1933 he made no further gestures toward Occidentalism. They call him Japan's Clive of India, signaling his long industrial outreach on the mainland.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reviewed by CARTER FIELD

Carter Field says Willkie must carry New York and Illinois, or break the Solid South... Unknown quantities may decide the presidential battle.

WASHINGTON.—This campaign will further twist the already ragged party lines in this country. "Cotton Ed" Smith and Edward R. Burke of Nebraska have already followed Al Smith, John W. Davis and Jim Reed who "walked" in 1936 and haven't come back. But it will take a powerful lot of walking to cut Roosevelt down to "size" when one remembers that 46 to 2 margin in 1936.

To have a chance to win, Willkie must carry New York and Illinois, or else break the Solid South. Even with New York and Illinois, he must carry every other state north of the Mason and Dixon line and east of the Mississippi. And this includes Wisconsin.

The Solid South and border states have 149 electoral votes. If Roosevelt carries them, and also carries Illinois, West Virginia, New York, California, plus the three little states of Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico, and Washington, he will have 272 electoral votes, six more than enough to elect! On form, all the states mentioned are heavily Democratic. All went heavily Democratic in 1936, a year of sharp Republican gains. Note that this leaves out Montana, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Utah, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Wyoming, Oregon and Idaho!

Willkie can carry every one of this last list, plus all New England and all the states from the Mississippi to the Atlantic north of Maryland and Kentucky, with the exception of Illinois and New York, and still lose!

SOUTH MUTTERS
The South is muttering against Roosevelt. There is no doubt of that. But it is not sound judgment to figure on any electoral votes there. So it boils down to this, that Willkie must carry New York or be defeated.

Meanwhile Roosevelt and the administration, with the strategic advantage so clearly with them, may be counted on to play as safely as possible. This means that from now until November, for example, no action by the government may be expected to upset the continued improvement in business due to huge armament orders—and expected orders. Roosevelt found this policy highly successful in 1936, when business was improving. There is no reason to vary it.

Both parties will continue to make war medicine—for ballots, not guns—in congress. The Republicans plan to keep it dragging along. They want to ride herd on the President, to create the impression that only their restraining influence will keep him from some overt act which would plunge us into war. But also they want to put the administration on record as resisting any changes in the various bureaus and agencies, notably the NLRB, which they insist are hampering business.

FEARED THIRD PARTY
President Roosevelt's scrapping—before the ink was dry—of the war issue plank in the Democratic platform he himself had dictated, clears the way for a campaign on purely domestic issues. The purpose of the weasel words—to prevent Burt Wheeler and Champ Clark from starting a third party—had been accomplished. Now the President stands on his record, just a little bit more belligerent toward Germany and Japan than Willkie, agreeing with him precisely on all possible legal aid to Britain, and four-square with the Republican nominee on increasing our national defense to the utmost.

ON DOMESTIC ISSUES
The lines of the campaign on domestic issues will be fairly simple. Willkie will insist that the present administration has demonstrated its inefficiency and extravagance, and hence cannot be trusted to produce the taxpayers' money's worth in spending billions on the army and navy. He will NOT attack the "social advances" and New Deal objectives for the benefit of the underdogs but insist that their administration should be intelligent, and particularly that there should not be barn burnings to get rid of rats.

Roosevelt and the New Dealers will harp on their accomplishments in social reform, and insist that to turn the government over to the "interests" would mean to wreck them. They will say that whatever Willkie's personal views, he will be as helpless as Harding and Hoover to prevent sordid Wall street-controlled throttling of the little business man, the consumers, and all the rest of it. And they will ring the changes on the notion of a Wall street utility holding company executives in the White House.

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Just the Reverse
At a reception the woman chatted for some time with the distinguished guest. One of the listeners complimented her. "Oh, really," she said with a smile. "I've just been concealing my ignorance." The distinguished guest smiled gallantly. "Not at all, not at all, my dear lady. Quite the contrary, I assure you."

After Taste?
"Do you think you could learn to love me?" "Possibly; but wouldn't you hate to think you were an acquired taste?"

Night as Day
"Don't you find that a new baby brightens up a home?" "I do. We have the lights on all night now."

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