

The Frontier Woman

Pancakes Delight Early Risers

By BLANCHE SPANN PEASE

Pancakes are never out of season. O'Neill's recent pancake day proves that!

These steaming hot breakfast treats delight early risers. Surprise your family with the next batch of griddlecakes. Make your favorite batter, core apples and slice. Pour 1/4 cup batter on hot griddle. Place an apple slice on top and cover with 1/4 cup more batter. Turn the griddlecake when it's bubbly on top and only once. Remember, if you want fluffy pancakes, don't "spank" the cakes.

The tart cranberry season is here. Put tradition aside and use some ingenuity in using cranberries for cooking. One new way is using them in hot breads. Perk up muffins with both flavor and color by the addition of cranberries. Sweeten ground raw cranberries to be added to the muffins with the liquid ingredients. Serve this delicious hot bread with butter or margarine for any fall meal.

You can remodel once cooked meats by transforming them into a flavorful casserole. The meat can be disguised by using a tender biscuit topping and you've got a meal in one. Vary the biscuit topping to fit the under-cover filling. Shredded cheese, finely chopped parsley, pimento or onion add their own flavor to biscuits. Caraway seeds added to the biscuit dough give a very distinctive flavor. All of these biscuit variations travel nicely atop the main dish. Remember to bake the extras to be served piping hot with butter or margarine.

Cranberries mixed with apples, to make a cranberry-apple pie is different. Try it out on the fam-

ily and if they like it, the recipe can go into your regular cookbook.

CRANBERRY APPLE PIE
Use your favorite pastry recipe.

Two and one-fourth cups sugar, 1/2 cup water, two cups apple slices, four cups cranberries, two tablespoons cornstarch, two tablespoons water.

Roll out half the pastry and fit it into a nine-inch pan. Combine sugar, water, apple slices and cranberries in sauce pan. Cook until cranberries pop, about 10 minutes. Make a paste of cornstarch and remaining water, stir into fruit and continue cooking until thick and clear, about five minutes. Cool and pour into pie shell. Roll out remaining pastry and cut in strips. Arrange criss-cross fashion over top. Bake in 425 F. oven 25 minutes.

Did you know that cranberries are one of three native American fruits? They were being used by the Indians long before the first colonists arrived in this country. Cranberries were served at the first Thanksgiving in 1621.

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Silent Spencer Reader Wins Subscription

Dear Blanche:
I have been a silent reader of your column for many years. I also planned on writing to you, but it is one of those things that can be put off when the busy seasons roll along. We have been very busy this past summer. There are just my husband and myself to do all the odd jobs as well as the regular work in the field.

I helped put up hay, cut cockleburrs and now tomato season is just past and I had lots of them. My tomatoes were hybrids, very nice, large and smooth. I have a tomato juice recipe which I'll pass along and even though it is too late for this season, your readers can save it for next.

TOMATO JUICE
Four large green or red peppers (not the hot peppers), eight or 10 large stalks celery, one large onion.

Cut these up and cook until soft, then run through juicer or food mill. This makes the right quantity to go with 20 quarts of tomato juice. Season with salt to suit your taste, be sure it is well mixed with the tomato juice. Use smaller quantities when you can less juice.

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C Bar M Fixes Spring Hereford Sale Date

Clair McVay has announced that the date for the annual spring registered sale at the C Bar M Hereford ranch, located five miles south of O'Neill, will be March 8, 1954.

Number of lots to be sold has not yet been definitely determined, Mr. McVay said.

SAYS SANDHILL SAL

You can have a bad accident from hugging the wrong kind of curves while driving.

If you must find out how fast your car will go—make sure you are the only passenger. Your relatives will want to come to your funeral.

Mrs. Sageser Tells of New York Trip

AMELIA — Wednesday afternoon, November 18, members of the Amelia Woman's Society of Christian Service gathered at the home of Mrs. Bernard Blackmore. Fourteen members and one visitor attended.

Marjorie Sammons led the devotionals on the theme "The Rural Mission of the Church" after which the business meeting was held.

It was decided to have the study meeting the first Sunday of the month. The next meeting will be held at the church December 6, at 7:30 p.m. It will end the current study, "The Task of the Church Around the World."

The next regular meeting will be held December 23, 7:30 p.m., at the church together with the children's Christmas program. Everyone is welcome. Members are asked to bring their missionary stockings to this meeting.

Mrs. Vern Sageser presented an interesting account of her trip to New York when she attended a United Nations meeting.

Grab Bag Planned By Golden Rule

PAGE—The Golden Rule club met Wednesday afternoon, November 18, with Mrs. Ray Snell with 13 members present and one guest, Mrs. Fred Kastens of Lodgepole.

The last part of the lesson on "Easier Housekeeping" was given by Mrs. Ivan Heiss and Mrs. Richard Trowbridge. Roll call was answered by "What We Are Thankful For." The Christmas meeting will be held December 15 at the home of Mrs. Bill Sorenson. There will be a grab bag for members and children.

Fetes Daughter

Mrs. Ralph McElvain entertained several friends at a supper in honor of her daughter, Mrs. Jack Everitt, on Saturday evening, November 21. The occasion was Mrs. Everitt's birthday anniversary.

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Muddy coffee. Soggy toast. Indigestible food. Bad luck for the hungry salesman who stops in that town for a bite to eat. The missing ingredient is "competition."

Funny how that word has a way of stirring up activity. People who manufacture things, for example, prickle all over when they think about competition. They sit up evenings fretting about it, and spend millions to improve their products. The result, of course, is high quality at lowest possible cost. And the winner of a contest like that has to be the public.

People are tempted sometimes to wonder what life would be like without competition. For a clue, they might note the shabby fall in living standards in countries where clumsy fingers of state monopoly have strangled competition.

Over 3,000 manufacturing firms in America share in the electrical business. We can name offhand 20 sizable firms that compete at giving the public better refrigerators. There are more than 200 rivals in the making of electric motors. At least 37 in electric irons; 53 in home freezers; 25 turn out vacuum cleaners. And so on down the list.

Some companies competing with General Electric today actually sprang up from the seeds of General Electric research. New products have invited new companies. In certain cases, whole new industries. And more will come.

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