

ney beans, three large potatoes cut in small pieces, two medium-sized onions, one-half teaspoon chili powder, salt and pepper to taste. Let simmer one hour. Stir often to keep from burning. Serve with plain boiled rice.

Peanut Cookies—Two tablespoons shortening, two teaspoons baking powder, one-quarter cup of sugar, one-quarter teaspoon salt, one egg, two tablespoons milk, one-half cup flour, one-half cup chopped peanuts, one-half tablespoonful lemon juice. Mix shortening, sugar, and beaten egg, then sift in flour, baking powder and salt; add milk, nuts and lemon juice. Drop from teaspoon on ungreased pan, one inch apart. Place half peanut on each and bake in moderate oven two to twelve minutes.

Creamed Fresh Beef — Fry one pound freshly ground steak, until nicely browned, add one heaping tablespoon flour, stirring constantly. When well browned, add one or two cups of milk gradually. Boil until of right consistency and serve on toast. Fine with baked potatoes.

Oatmeal Cookies — One cup oatmeal (or flake), one cup flour, one-quarter cup butter and lard or substitute, two-thirds cup sugar, one egg, chopped cup raisins, one-half cup sweet milk, one-half teaspoon soda, and vanilla. Sift all together and drop on tins, one teaspoon in a place. A very little salt may be added.

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