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FOOD FOR BRITAIN

In the headlines, lend-lease aid to Britain is chiefly a story of planes, tanks, ships, guns and munitions. But these dramatic war supplies are only one part of the picture.

An equally vital, though little known, phase of this gigantic program is food.

Today, practically every ship leaving U. S. shores for embattled England carries stocks of food as part of its cargo. Also significant is the fact that this steady flow of food shipments differs markedly from those of World war days.

Then the foodstuffs were in bulk form—boatloads of grain and fresh meats. But now, with British and Allied shipping suffering terrible destruction, there aren't enough bottoms to transport both bulky armaments and bulky food across the hazardous Atlantic.

Since the cargo space for bulky armaments cannot be reduced, and with the British food situation becoming acute, food is being shipped in concentrated and dehydrated form. Thus it is carried in the same ships with arms and munitions, taking up relatively little space.

The extent of these shipments and what they meant to the American farmer is shown graphically by the following list of lend-lease food purchases in a very recent seven-week period:

American cheese, 20,483,175 pounds; corn starch, 35,820,000 pounds; frozen eggs, 36,648,630 pounds; dried eggs, 4,456,650 pounds; canned fish, 1,083,052 cases; dehydrated soup, 4,400,000 pounds; soy beans, 9,070,000 pounds; dried beans, 40,770,000 pounds; corn sugar, 5,696,000 pounds; enzymes, 3,360 pounds; dried apricots, 9,986,000 pounds; honey, 3,557,300 pounds; enriched flour, 399,000 pounds; concentrated orange juice, 92,302 gallons; vitamin A, 2,547,183 units, vitamin B1, 3,965 kilograms; peanut butter, 1,762,000 pounds; lard, 28,662,720 pounds.

Note—Management of the lend-lease food program is under the Surplus Marketing administration, aided by the U. S. public health service, the British ministry of health and the Anglo-American food purchasing committee.

FREEZING CHINESE FUNDS

There was one unwritten chapter in the story of American freezing of funds of those two Oriental neighbors, Japan and China.

It was published that the funds of friendly China were frozen as well as the funds of unfriendly Japan. But unpublished was the fact that China for four months had been asking the state department to freeze its funds, but the state department had refused.

China's request was quite unusual, for most nations object strenuously to having their funds frozen. For instance, Switzerland, hearing that she would be included with Germany when Hitler's funds were frozen, argued for weeks.

But in the case of China, many of her funds are in the hands of big Chinese merchants and bankers in Shanghai, who for business reasons are playing with the Japanese. And they have been draining Chinese currency from the country.

So Roosevelt's special Chinese emissary, Lauchlin Currie, was requested by Chiang Kai-shek to ask Secretary of State Hull to freeze Chinese funds. This would have hamstringed the pro-Japanese Chinese.

However, Secretary Hull refused. Twice Chiang Kai-shek made the request, but both times it was refused. In fact the state department even denied that such a request was made, presumably on the ground that it came not through diplomatic channels, but through Mr. Currie who is only a White House secretary.

Finally, however, when Japanese funds were frozen, Chiang Kai-shek got his request fulfilled. But it took Japanese aggression in the South Pacific to do it.

BOOTLEG GASOLINE

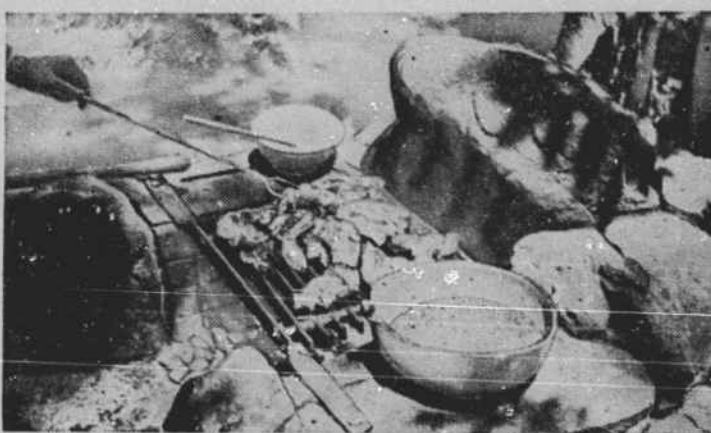
The days of bootlegging from Canada may be coming back again. In this case, however, the bootlegging will be gasoline, not alcohol.

Canada has imposed a ban on sale of gasoline between 7 p. m. and 7 a. m. on weekdays, and all day Sunday. But this restriction does not apply to Americans.

Now comes the proposal of Oil Administrator Ickes to impose a similar ban on gasoline sales in eastern states. Result would be that a motorist would be unable to buy gasoline in Buffalo or Detroit, but could cross the river and buy it in Canada.

Household News

by Lynn Chambers



FOR A REAL TASTE THRILL, COOK IT OUTSIDE
(See Recipes Below)

OUTDOOR SUPPERS

If you've a longing to do something different, an outdoor supper's the answer. Get the smell of woody smoke into your food, the crackle of burning embers for atmosphere, the sound of sizzling meat held over glowing flames during the supper hour and you'll experience a taste-thrill you'll long remember. Everything tastes better cooked outdoors!

Toss some cans of beans into a gay kerchief, wrap fruit, cookies, cake into waxed paper, whip up some barbecue sauce to use with the meat, and the meal is under way.

Tomato Horseradish Mustard Marinade.

For 3 pounds of spareribs or beef short ribs use:
2 tablespoons prepared horseradish mustard sauce
¼ cup vinegar
¼ teaspoon black pepper
1 cup tomato juice
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon sugar
2 onions, chopped fine

Combine dry and liquid materials well and beat thoroughly. Place meat in a shallow bowl or glass dish and cover with the marinade. Turn every 3 or 4 hours and marinate in refrigerator for 48 hours. Drain meat well before barbecuing and baste frequently while cooking over coals. The marinade may be thickened and served as a sauce over the meat. Your barbecuing will be more successful if you marinate the meat. It's especially good on the less expensive cuts.

If you'd like a meal-in-one with a minimum of fuss but nourishment plus, try this potato salad made with frankfurters. If you're accustomed to your old and cherished potato salad recipe, I'm still sure that you'll like this one:

Frankfurter Potato Salad.

(Serves 6)

3 medium sized potatoes, cooked, diced
1 cup diced celery
2 tablespoons minced onion
2 tablespoons minced parsley
¾ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon pepper
½ pound frankfurters, skinned and sliced
¾ cup salad dressing
French dressing

Marinate the potatoes in the french dressing. Combine all ingredients and mix with potatoes. Chill 1 hour and serve with lettuce.

LYNN SAYS:

While cooking under the sky over hot coals you'll want to remember:

Charcoal burns to fine, lasting coals and gives a nice steady fire for barbecue cookery. For best results when using either charcoal or wood should be burned until the flames disappear. Then the meat should be placed 8 to 10 inches above the coals and turned every few minutes to insure even cooking.

Hard woods like oak, hickory, madrone, manzanita and maple give a lasting glowing bed of coals. Soft pine is suitable for quick grilling like hamburger and hot dogs.

Whatever type of grill you use, pick a spot that's shady, not too far from the kitchen if you're doing it in the back yard and not too near heavy shrubbery.

THIS WEEK'S MENU

PICNIC GRILL

- Spare Ribs With barbecue Sauce
- Toasted Buns Baked Beans
- Fresh Vegetable Salad
- Garden Fruit
- *Sour Cream Cocoa Cake
- *Refrigerator Cookies Coffee
- *Recipe Given

Here are two variations you may wish to follow if you serve baked beans often:

Maple Beans—Substitute ½ cup maple syrup or three tablespoons maple sugar for brown sugar and molasses.

Baked Beans with Sausage—Arrange parboiled beans and uncooked sausage in alternate layers; substitute 1 can tomato soup for molasses and part of water.

Boiled Campfire Coffee.

(1 quart)
4 heaping tablespoons coffee
4 cups boiling water
1 egg

Combine the coffee and egg in the pot and mix thoroughly. Pour in water and bring slowly to a full boil, stirring coffee down in a warm place for 3 to 5 minutes. Use ¼ cup cold water to settle grounds.

Easy to make but easier to take is this cocoa cake made with sour cream. Even if you want to serve it with the richer ice creams you won't feel too stuffed with it because it is light textured and feathery. If there is no sour cream to be had sweet milk can be substituted, but use it with 2 teaspoons of baking powder instead of the soda.

*Sour Cream Cocoa Cake.

(Makes 2 9-inch layers)

- ½ cup cocoa
- ½ cup boiling water
- ½ cup shortening
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 cups sifted cake flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ cup sour cream
- ½ teaspoon soda
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 egg whites

Mix cocoa in boiling water and stir until smooth. Cool. Cream shortening and sugar together until light, then add cocoa. Sift the dry ingredients and add alternately with cream to the first mixture. Beat until smooth after each addition. Add vanilla then fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Pour batter into pans lined with wax paper, and bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees) 30 minutes. Put together with

Chocolate Icing.

- 2 cups confectioners' sugar
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 2 ounces melted chocolate
- Milk to moisten
- Vanilla

Cream butter and sugar, add melted chocolate, milk, and vanilla and beat until smooth. Spread between layers and over cake.

*Refrigerator Cookies.

(Makes 7½ dozen)

- 1 cup butter
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 cup oven popped rice cereal
- 3 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder

Cream butter; add sugar gradually and beat until light and fluffy. Add egg and beat well. Stir in cereal. Sift flour with baking powder and work into first mixture, a small amount at a time. Knead and shape into rolls about 1½ inches in diameter; wrap in waxed paper, covering ends so that dough will not dry out. Store in refrigerator until firm. Cut into thin slices and bake on ungreased cookie sheet in moderately hot oven (425 degrees) about 10 minutes.

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for August 17

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PETER ENCOURAGES SUFFERING CHRISTIANS

LESSON TEXT—1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11.
GOLDEN TEXT—If any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf.—1 Peter 4:16.

"Sweet are the uses of adversity"—so says the poet, and it is true that God is able to make even the sufferings of man a source of blessing and an occasion for joy, "if a man suffer as a Christian" (1 Pet. 4:16). In a world where sorrow and suffering have been heaped high by man's inhumanity to man, it is indeed appropriate that we think of the encouragement which God's Word gives to those who are in distress.

There are many helpful Scripture passages on this point, those before us today being from the writings of Peter to the Jews of the dispersion. Scattered abroad and no more under the guiding and protecting hand of Paul, Luke and the others, they were undergoing severe persecution for Christ's sake. Some were apparently disturbed by their trials, and Peter tells them that persecution should bring

I. No Surprise (4:12).
We ought to expect trials in this world; ycs, severe fiery trials. Such things are common to all mankind, and the Christian should not expect to escape. To them, such trials are real tests of their faith, an opportunity to show to the unbelieving world that God is able to deliver those who put their trust in Him!

To be forewarned is to be forearmed. "Think it not strange concerning the fiery trial."

II. No Shame (4:13-16).

There are two senses in which the Christian is to be unashamed in the midst of suffering. In the first instance, he is not to be ashamed of the trial itself if he bears it for Christ's sake, for he is thus sharing Christ's sufferings. We cannot share in his substitutionary and sacrificial suffering on Calvary, but we can stand with Him who was indeed "a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief" (Isa. 53:3). In the second place, he is not to do anything which would justify others in making him suffer. It is a disgrace, a shame which injures the cause of Christ, when a believer has to suffer because he has broken the law, or because he is "a busy-body (R. V. "meddler") in other men's matters."

III. No Escape (4:17-19).

If the righteous find the difficulties and temptations in their way to be like fiery trials, if those who have the blessed presence of Christ to cheer and to guide them find it difficult at times to make their way through sorrow and sadness, what will the unbeliever do?

IV. No Worry (5:6, 7).

"Put care into Christ's bag," said George Herbert. "Treat your cares as you treat your sins. Hand them over to Jesus one by one as they occur, commit them to Him" (F. B. Meyer).

The cure for all worry is right there, but even as it is true that the meek shall "inherit the earth" (Matt. 5:5), so it is true that only the humble are ready to cast their cares on the Lord.

V. No Wavering (5:8-11).

"Steady, perfected and established in Christ, strengthened by His grace, sure of the eternal call, and with the eye of faith on the glory to come, such is the man who is able and ready to successfully meet the devil when, like a roaring lion, he seeks to disturb and devour God's people."

Satan is busy in our day. Dr. Wilbur M. Smith says: "It is admitted everywhere by outstanding Christian leaders, in every sphere of life today, that there has never been a time, at least in our generation, when the temptations of Satan have been so fierce, so frequent, so constant, as just now. What Satan wants to do is to destroy the testimony of God's people, to take them out of places of power and influence for the gospel, to rob them of that joy, and victory, and power, by which, through their labors, others will be brought to confess the Lord Jesus Christ. Christian people today who are conscious of being fiercely assailed by evil ought not to be alarmed, but should realize that this experience of theirs is general, everywhere, of true believers, and that there is sufficient grace for every need in such dreadful times as these."

Gems of Thought

A MAN without mirth is like a wagon without springs, in which one is caused disagreeably to jolt by every pebble over which it runs.—Henry Ward Beecher.

The first and best victory is to conquer self; to be conquered by self is, of all things, the most shameful and vile.—Plato.

Absence of occupation is not rest. A mind quite vacant is a mind distressed.—Couper.

The wicked are always surprised to find ability in the good.—Vauvenargues.

Speak clearly if you speak at all.—Holmes.

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