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Ancient Castle Is Modernized

Devizes, England (AP) — A retired scientist is convinced a lot of people would like to live in an ancient castle, if they could keep warm and have electric lights and running water besides.

William Beresford-Medlem has converted the 11th Century Devizes Castle, 88 miles from London, into four self contained flats. He plans to keep one for himself and rent the other three for \$11.20 a week, each.

"I have put on a new roof and have blocked up some of the old stone stairs," he said. "The moat has been filled in."

And for those of a timid disposition, Beresford-Medlem has one additional inducement. He guarantees there are positively no ghosts.

Easter Ham Can be Made Pretty as Well as Tasty



Garnish and glaze can make your Easter ham good looking as well as just plain good.

By **CECILY BROWNSTONE**
Associated Press Food Editor

Go all out on your Easter ham, this year, and make it look like something out of a caterer's kitchen. Give it careful scoring, a rich glaze and a garnish of vegetable flowers and parsley. Bring the ham platter triumphantly to the Easter Sunday dinner table.

Take your choice of ham styles: the cook-before-eating or the fully-cooked variety. The former must be given long oven baking. The fully-cooked style will need only about 10 minutes per pound in a slow oven — but have your ham at room temperature before you begin.

Do you have a large family? Are you inviting guests to join them for Easter dinner? Then a whole ham will make ample servings for everyone and you'll have leftovers to use with extenders for meals during the week. For "just the family" — especially if it's small — a half ham will fill the bill. And for that twosome, a baked thick center slice of ham will make a festive main course. Of course the whole ham is the "best buy."

Both styles of ham should be baked, according to schedule, fat side up on a rack in an open pan. No water is needed. When you take the ham from the oven cut off the shank skin with a knife or kitchen scissors. Cut the fat in diagonal lines — be careful not to cut too far down! — to form diamonds. Stick a whole clove in the center of each "diamond" and cover with honey. Return to a hot oven for 15 to 20 minutes so the glaze will be a glorious color. If you are short on time, get your youngsters to make the clove insertions — they'll think it's a fun chore.

What's on the menu besides ham? Well, it's the beginning of spring, so why not small new potatoes with chives and asparagus? Salad can be a combination of greens, cucumber and radishes. We would have hot herb-buttered French bread, too.

To make the vegetable "flowers" for the ham platter, cut the edges of thin slices of carrots or turnips to look like wild roses and crisp in ice water; fill the centers with a tiny carrot or turnip curl that has its top dipped in paprika. Place the "flowers" on sprigs of parsley on the ham platter for a "green-grows-the-table" effect.

Something heavenly, of course, must be the dessert. So why not chocolate walnut angel pie? It's as light as an angel's wings — and will make everyone sigh in bliss.

Chocolate Walnut Angel Pie
Ingredients: 2 egg whites, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar, 1/4 cup sifted sugar, 1/2 cup finely chopped walnuts, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla, 2 teaspoons gelatin, 1/4 cup cold water, 2 squares (2 ounces) unsweetened chocolate, 1/2 cup milk, 2/3 cup sugar, 1/2

SEA LEVEL

News from

April 6 — Mrs. Clyde McGirk of Alexandria, Va., is in the hospital here for treatment. We wish her a speedy recovery. She is the former Clara Belle Taylor of this community.

Mr. and Mrs. McGirk, father and mother-in-law of Clara Belle, of Sedalia, Mo., are here for a few days.

The college students are home again for a few days.

Dr. Herbert Webb and family took a motor boat ride Saturday from Nelson Bay through Core Sound to V. Taylor's store.

Another television set has been installed in the home of Abott Salter. This is an Admiral set. Also one at the home of Mildred Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simmons and son of Raleigh are here for a few days.

Mrs. Lula Mason went to North River Primitive Baptist Church Saturday and spent the night with friends in that section.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gaskill went to Henderson Friday to attend the wedding of their son Paul.

Soil Conservation News

23 Farmers Install Farm Drain Tile This Spring

By **ROY R. BECK**
Soil Conservation Service

Twenty-three Carteret County farmers have installed nearly 30,000 feet of farm drain tile this spring in cooperation with the Lower Neuse Soil Conservation District. They are R. R. Barbour, Morehead City; Kenneth Miller, Bernice Mann, Joe Barnes, and W. A. Murdoch of Wildwood; Walton Quinn, Wayne West, Mrs. Lola Elliott, Leon H. Quinn, Floyd Garner, W. Roberts, W. R. Roberts, Mack Smith, Carl Garner, Charlie Mills, Clarence Mills, Lonnie Howard, and Major Simmons of Newport.

Herman Norris, Allen Vinson, Clarence Jenkins, D. W. Truckner, and Lee Sawrey of Stella; and Mrs. E. H. Piper of Gloucester.

This nearly doubles the amount of drain tile that Carteret County farmers have installed in their land. The availability of a tile-trenching machine has been a big help in enabling farmers to get tile into the ground.

John A. Kelly has graded out and seeded waterway on his father-in-law's land near Masontown. Mr. Kelly is preparing to follow contour cultivation on his sloping field, the same as he first did on his own land last year.

Mr. Kelly first showed me erosion damage six years ago when the land was washed away to plow point depth. A crop of sweet potatoes had actually been swept into

Shoe Branch Canal from about one-tenth acre of this field.

Last Friday on Bogue Sound I watched Guy Pritchett plowing in Crotonaria stubble on his Bogue Sound farm. Mr. Pritchett is working on the three soil conserving practices that will help his land.

He also has deepened three ditches and is developing a natural windbreak to protect his land permanently against wind erosion damage.

John L. Humphrey of the State Highway Department sent a crew into Bucks Corner last Friday to lower a highway culvert between Edith Jones and Cotton Brown's land. The lowered culvert was needed as an outlet for Allen Vinson's farm drain tile system.

The State Highway Department also made payment to Deep Creek Canal Company for proportionate part of the cost of cleaning out the canal this spring.

Company Formed

J. A. DuBois, manager of the Sea Level Chamber of Commerce, announced yesterday that he and F. C. Noyes have formed the Sea Level Development Co. for the purpose of developing building lots at Sea Level.

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Navy to Conduct Underwater Demolition

The United States Navy has advised that on April 20, 21, 1954, operations including underwater demolitions will be conducted in the Atlantic Ocean off the beach from Bogue Inlet to Bear Inlet, North Carolina (U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Chart No. 833).

The operations will be conducted within an area bounded as follows: Latitude 34° 37.0' North, Longitude 77° 10.0' West; Latitude 34° 38.2' North, Longitude 77° 07.1' West; Latitude 34° 37.4' North, Longitude 77° 10.4' West; Latitude 34° 38.6' North, Longitude 77° 07.4' West.

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