

For the Farm Wife and Family

There's nothing like snow, a good, warm fire in the kitchen stove, good talk and good eating. And good eating we have this week, with lots of recipes, maybe some repeat recipes, along with a hatful of household hints. We sure enjoy hearing from you, and it seems you're liking the column more. Keep those recipes and household hints coming.

You know these recipes are being tried and true — several wrote or told me this week that they have given the column the kitchen test — and the results were mighty tasty.

But this week, it's a couple old-timers, probably from a tattered, well worn recipe book that provide a free year's subscription to Mrs. Abram Summy at R1, Manheim.

She writes: "As I have taken some cookies from your paper, I will send some in. I always like new ones and someone might like to try these. They are the old kind from mother."

JUMBLES

One pound sugar
One and one-fourth pound of flour
Three-fourths pound of butter
Three eggs
One-fourth cup sweet milk
One-half teaspoon soda
Take a small piece of dough in your hand, roll it and make a ring. These are very good.
Getting to the end of this recipe, I found there was no oven temperature and no time indicated. Being a strict cook-book-in-one-hand and spoon-in-the-other, I gave Mrs. Summy

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a call. But she's of the old school — like mother was — for the cook stove in that day had no temperature indicator, and maybe it was a toothpick or the single straw of a new broom that told when cookies were done. If the straw came out dry, the cookies were done. But for the strict rule-book cook, Mrs. Summy suggests 375 degrees, maybe 15 minutes.

Here's another old-timer from the recipe book of Mrs. Summy.

GINGER SNAPS

Seven cups of flour
One cup sugar
Two cups Brer Rabbit Molasses
One cup butter
One egg
One tablespoon good vinegar
One teaspoon soda
One teaspoon ginger (or what your taste demands, personally I like more).
"It's hard to mix all the flour at times," Mrs. Summy adds, "but you should put it in much like the bakers do."
Roll, slice and bake.
"Why not add a shoo-fly pie?" Mrs. Summy asks, so

Society 21 Has Christmas Party In Quarryville

Families of Farm Women's Society 21 were guests at the annual Christmas party Friday evening in the Fire Hall at Quarryville. Forty attended.

Misses Dianne and Nancy Aument of Quarryville gave two instrumental selections, and Mrs. Zander Herr offered several piano and vocal numbers.

After Santa Claus' arrival and the exchange of gifts, refreshments were served. In charge of arrangements were Mrs. Parke Ressel, Mrs. Steven Heidelbaugh, and Mrs. Clyde Dubble.

Farm Society 1 Plans Xmas Party Dec. 29

A covered dish supper will be the family Christmas party for members of Farm Women's Society No 1 at the home of Mrs. Margaret Hopkins, Lititz, on Thursday, Dec. 29.

Saturday the group met and ravian Home. Twenty-three guests discussed plans at the Lititz Motel of the home were entertained by the club, with a gift exchange, vocal and instrumental music, and a dinner.

SHOO-FLY PIE

Three-fourths cup Old Barrel Molasses
Three-fourths cup water, boiling with
One teaspoon of soda
CRUMBS
One cup and one tablespoon flour
One half cup sugar
Shortening or an egg
Bake in hot oven for 10 minutes, then slow for three-fourths of an hour.

"Thanking you for your paper," Mrs. Summy tells Lancaster Farming.

Sunday nights were always nights for popcorn and apples back home. The snow swirled around outside, lard was used unsparingly in the hot cast iron skillet with battered granite lid, and a dishpan was filled for the family.

Soon the "task" passed from mother to the youngsters, and some lessons were learned. Have you ever tasted popcorn popped in tallow?

Tried and true, we said earlier. Here's a note from one of our readers who submitted an earlier recipe. She received a letter from another Lancaster Farming reader "saying it was the best sugar cookie recipe she has ever made. She said I should put it in more papers. Just to let you know the recipes are tried, and I do enjoy your paper."

Mrs. Mervin Wenger, R3 Manheim, offers some recipes and household hints that look mighty appetizing.

Here's one item:

An easy way to keep the oven of your stove clean after baking pies that sometimes cook out, sprinkle salt on it while still hot. See how easy it washes off.

We might add a warning, be careful about trying to wash splashes off hot porcelain.

Mrs. Wenger also offers a good holiday-time recipe for

DATE AND NUT LOAF

Four cups cut-up dates
Two cups broken nutmeats
Two cups boiling water
One half cup lard
One and one-half cups brown sugar
Four cups flour
One teaspoon salt
Two teaspoons soda
Bake at 350 degrees
Pour two cups boiling water over cut-up dates and nutmeats and let stand. Cream sugar and shortening, add eggs. Add soda to dates and nuts. Stir in flour, salt and fruit mixture alternately, but gently. Mix thoroughly. If too

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stiff, add about two-thirds cup cold water. This I never had to do.

Pour into greased and lightly floured bread pans.

Swinging down into another section of the County, we have a letter which comes from Kirkwood with the note that the writer does not wish to have her name used. Faint heart never won fair lady they always said, and what the statement for the woman would be, I don't know. But here are the two items from our Kirkwood reader:

PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES

One cup butter or lard
One cup granulated sugar
One cup peanut butter
Cream shortening with sugar and peanut butter.
One level teaspoon salt

Society 16 Has Christmas Party; Attendance 35

Thirty-five attended the Christmas banquet of Farm Society 16 at Rhoads Tavern, Quarryville, Wednesday night, Dec. 7. Plans were announced for the next meeting, the third week in January, at the home of Mrs. Roy (Frances) Keen, Bartville. Date of the January meeting was changed due to conflict with the State Convention at the Farm Show in Harrisburg.

Games, in which all participated, were under direction of Mrs. Helen (Floyd) Rinehart, Society president, of Nine Points. Husbands were honored guests, and Christmas themes were used in the decorations and table settings.

All bills were paid in their November meeting. In addition to Mrs. Rinehart they are: Mrs. Harriet Graham, Georgetown, vice president, Mrs. Thomas J. (Katie) Matthews, Quarryville, secretary, and Mrs. Keene, treasurer.

Two eggs, beaten
Two and one half cups flour
A little vanilla

Two scant teaspoons soda, sifted with flour, mix; take piece of dough the size of a walnut, press down with fork or potato masher, leaving print on top.

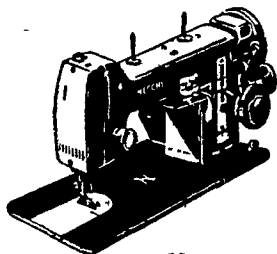
Wonder if someone could tell me, this reader continues, why my blooms just drop off my African Violets just a day or two after they bloom?

Can anyone help this reader out? Just send a note to Women's Page, Lancaster Farming.

Gideon E. Stoltzfus over at Honey Brook writes that the family copy of Lancaster Farming containing recipes for sugar cookies and apple dumplings has been misplaced. There's another copy on the way to this subscriber, for they were so anxious to try those two recipes.

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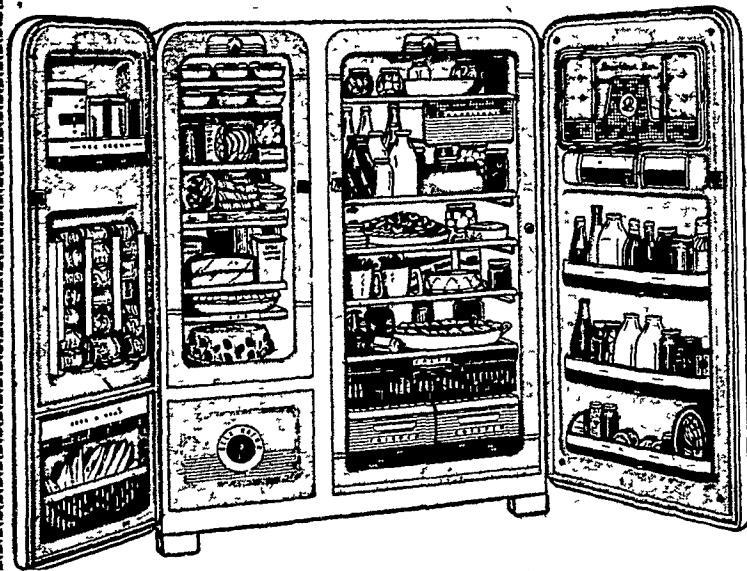
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