

For the Farm Wife and Family

There are signs of spring in the air, but no one can tell what March may bring. Just the idea of the grass greening up, some touches of warmer temperatures, and plans for gardening — all make one sure that winter's gone, spring can't be far away. Yet some times March offers some unpredictable, rugged weather.

It's planting time, and soon it will be gardening time. As to the size of your garden, one suggests selecting plots of two sizes, then use the one you think you can best manage in the hot, humid days of summer.

Mrs. Levi Martin, up at R2 Ephrata, sends in several good recipes this week, and to her goes this week's free one-year subscription to Lancaster Farming.

Here's what Mrs. Martin writes:

"Enclosed are a few good recipes. I don't like to miss any issue of your paper.

PINEAPPLE SALAD

- One can pineapple
 - Two oranges
 - Ten marshmallows
 - One cup chopped nuts
- Mix with

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DRESSING

One-half cup sugar
Two tablespoons flour
Two eggs
Add this to hot pineapple juice. Cook until thick, then whip one cup cream, fold into mixture, pour over the items listed first.

Turning from salads to cookies and salad again, here are some more recipes Mrs. Martin thinks are very good:

FILLED RAISIN COOKIES

One-half cup Crisco
One cup sugar
One egg
One-half cup milk
Three and one-half cups flour
Four teaspoons baking powder

FILLING

Cook raisins; make good and sweet. Let cool. Make cookies, place on cookie sheet, place filling on one, then place another cookie on top. Press together. Bake.

"These are very good, and won't last long," Mrs. Martin assures us.

Now that summer's coming, we've a recipe for potato salad. By the way, is Hot Potato Salad a popular dish out here? German cooking in St. Louis decreed Hot Potato Salad was much the thing for summertime. But here's Mrs. Martin's

POTATO SALAD

Peel potatoes, cut in small squares
Add salt, cook soft, then cool
Add salad dressing, much as you like, sugar to suit your taste, chopped hard-boiled eggs and a few grated carrots. Add some onion, chopped fine. Mix well and it is ready to eat.

"Very good," Mrs. Martin advises, "and I'm sure if you make this once, you will make it again."

Many to Visit Philadelphia's Flower Show

Many from Lancaster County will attend the 29th annual Philadelphia Flower Show during the week of March 12 in the Commercial Museum, 34th Street below Spruce. The Show will open Monday at noon, until 10 p. m., and for the remainder of the week from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. More than a million dollars' worth of flowers will be included in the exhibit. W. Atlee Burpee, Jr., show president, advises, and more than \$75,000 will be awarded exhibitors.

Backyards and window box plantings, formal gardens, woodland settings, spring gardens, outdoor lounges, rock gardens, yard plantings, garden retreats, dooryard plantings, rare orchids, roses, carnations, palms, foliage plants, bulbs in flower and cut flower arrangements will be included.

Back in the cookie department, Mrs. Martin suggests you try some of her

PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES

One-half cup shortening
One-half cup peanut butter
One-half cup white sugar
One-half cup brown sugar
One egg
One-half teaspoon vanilla
One-half teaspoon salt
One-half teaspoon baking soda
One cup flour

Mix and drop on cookie sheet, press flat with fork and bake at 350 degrees on buttered cookie sheet.

Make 60 small cookies

Speaking of brown sugar, here's a letter from a Lancaster reader — "M. D."

"For the farm wife and family: Can one of our practical farm women write in your most helpful paper how or where to keep brown sugar so it won't get lumpy or hard?"

Any ideas? If so, send them to Lancaster Farming, Quarryville, Pa.

Down here in the office, they suggest 1, place brown sugar in a canister set immediately after you open the box, or 2, if your brown sugar has become hard, place a whole, unpeeled apple in the canister for a few days. Keep covers on tight.

Mrs. Violet Preston from Coatesville sends a nice letter and several recipes that will interest readers of this page. She is a former farm woman, and wants the paper sent to her daughter, Grace Chalfant at R3 West Chester.

"Here is a good recipe for Lent," she writes "I make this one a lot for now I use fish instead of cheese and sour cream too. It makes a very good dish too. My daughter uses this a lot for her children like it. They do not like fish by itself, so I gave her this recipe.

I was on the farm until eight years ago when I moved to the city, but I still love the farm. I enjoy Lancaster Farming very much. I would go back to the farm if I could, but I work in the city now.

This recipe is 25 years old, Mrs. Preston writes:

RICE DINNER IN A DISH

Four small onions, sliced thin
One green pepper, chopped fine
Three tablespoons butter or margarine
Six ripe, peeled tomatoes. (You can use canned tomatoes)
Two cups cooked rice
One cup grated-cheese
Two teaspoons sugar
Dash of salt and pepper
Dash of paprika
One cup sour cream
Two eggs well beaten
Cook onions and green pepper slowly in butter or margarine

Doors

(Lona Mac Dorman)

Some doors have hearts, it seems to me,
They open so invitingly;
You feel they are quite kind — akin,
To all the warmth you find within.

Some doors, so weather-beaten, grey,
Swing open in a listless way,
As if they wish you had not come.
Their stony silence leaves you dumb.

Some classic-doors stand closed and barred,
As if their beauty might be marred
If any sought admittance there,
Save king or prince or millionaire.

Oh, may mine by a friendly door;
May all who cross the threshold o'er,
Within, find sweet content and rest,
And know each was a welcome guest.

about five minutes until soft. Grease a deep casserole, place the tomatoes on the bottom. Add a layer of cooked rice, onions, pepper and cheese. Dash with sugar, salt, pepper and paprika. Repeat until all rice, onions and peppers and cheese are in the dish. Whip the sour cream. Add beaten eggs on top. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes, then remove cover and leave in oven until brown.

From Reamstown comes this letter:

Please send me Lancaster Farming for one year. I'm enclosing \$1.00 for a charter subscription, writes Mrs. Ella Lied. I read it first, then my husband takes it along to the barber shop he has just a few doors from home. We both enjoy it. I clip all recipes and paste them in my recipe book, along with the household hints.

She includes a recipe for

POTATO DOUGHNUTS

Five large potatoes
Two cups sugar
One tablespoon butter or margarine
Three eggs
Four teaspoons baking powder
One cup sweet milk
Mash potatoes, add eggs and sugar, butter and baking powder, then milk. Stir flour in last. Makes about three dozen doughnuts.

Irma S. Rombauer, author of one of the most famed cook-books, "Joy of Cooking," in collaboration with her daughter, Maric Becker, has received a distinguished award from Washington University, St. Louis. Her citation as an alumni reads: "in recognition of outstanding achievements and services which have reflected honor upon the University"

She traveled abroad in her teen years, and in the early 1930s compiled her first book of favorite dishes. Now it has been published.

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Farm Women 6 Plan March 21 Wyeth Meeting

Members of the Society of Farm Women 6 will serve a dinner at Wyeth Laboratories, Marietta, Wednesday noon, March 21. Mrs. Martin Hoffer will be in charge.

On March 15, the group will travel to Philadelphia to attend the Flower Show, meeting at the home of Mrs. S. A. Shaeffer, 434 South Market Street, Elizabethtown, at 6:30 a. m. Thirty-seven plan to attend.

Meeting recently in the home of Mrs. Milton Eberly, R3 Elizabethtown, the society made plans for these future events. Guest speaker was Mrs. Mary Myers, Landisville, home economist of Pennsylvania Power and Light Co.

ished in several editions and translated in many languages. Not often a cook book wins such distinguished recognition.

"We received several sample copies of your Lancaster Farming and we like it very much. I'm enclosing a recipe," writes Mrs. E. V. Lausch, R1 Reinholds.

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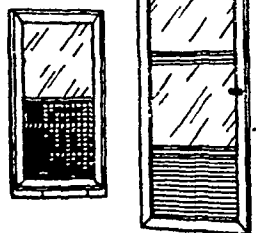
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