## For the Farm Wife and Family



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## SWEETS COME LAST IN MEALS WITH APPEAL



Apples are better after-school snacks for your youngsters than cookies Sweet toods have a tendency to dull appetites and that's why it's best to feature sweets at the end of meals

Poorly planned menus will dull appetites, too If you give extra thought to the meals you plan for your family, you'll be doing more than providing them with nutritious foods. You'll be helping to determine whether or not your family eats all the foods you prepare

Choosing food combinations for their pleasing colors is one of the routes to good menu planning. Use colors both to contrast and to complement Brightly colored foods

will provide a foil for the foods that are paler in color part in whetting appetites too So use them in salads and But they can have the opporelishes, and as gainishes An site effect if they're overomelet served with buttered whelming You can help concoin will probably taste all trol this by using seasonings 11ght But its appetite appeal in a subtle fashion could be improved by serving green beans with the omelet thing else to consider when instead of the corn

when you're planning menus, Providing salty foods is usual-"something sweet" But you the sour and tangy flavors Pickles and tart salad diessings will assist you here So will little touches, such as the lemon wedges you serve the last category. with fish

The aroma of foods play a

Textures in foods are someyou plan meals for your fam-Plan on flavor contrasts too ily It's a good idea to try to include something crisp, something chewy and something ly no problem Neither is smooth in most meals Crisp naw vegetables and fruits will may need to do a little check- look after one of these reing to see if you've included quirements Meats and cooked vegetables will take care of the chewy aspect And a peach or pear side salad will satisfy

If you remember that peo-

ple eat with their eyes as 1 as with their mouths you'll find it easier to plan 1 appealing meals.

With Washington's birthday 1/4 just around the corner, the 2 sweets for your meals might 2 possibly include cherries in 1 some form or other. Here are 1 several cherry desserts you 3/4 might like to try.

## WASHINGTON'S CHERRY COBBLER

- 11/4 cups sugar
- tablespoons cornstarch
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- cup cherry juice

teaspoon lemon juice teaspoon almond extract minutes. Biscuit Topping:

cup shortening cups sifted flour tablespoons sugar teaspoon salt cup milk Vanilla ice cream

cups red sour prited cher-cornstarch and salt. Gradualteaspoon red food color- almond extract Stir in drained top of cherry filling. Serve cherries. Pour mixture into a

tablespoon butter or mar- 1 quart baking dish about 2 inches deep. Place in a very hot oven (450 degrees) for 10

For biscuit top, sift flour with sugar, baking powder, and salt into mixing bowl. Cut in shortening until titablespoon baking powder mixture resembles coarse com meal. Add milk all at once; stir until dough clings to gether. Knead well 6 times Drain cherries thoroughly. Roll out a circle 7 inches in In a saucepan combine sugar, diameter and ½ inch in thickly stir in cherry juice. Add ness. If desired, flute the edge food coloring and bring to a like a pie crust. Place on a boil. Cook and stir 10 min-baking sheet. Bake in a very utes, or until thickened and hot oven (450 degrees) for clear. Remove from heat and 15 minutes, or until golded add butter, lemon juice, and brown Place baked biscuit on (Continued on Page 15)

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