

QUESTION - Erla Snyder, East Earl, would like a recipe for instant cocoa mix that takes powdered milk, instant cocoa and a little instant coffee

ANSWER - Debbie Flory, Lancaster, requested a recipe for creamy rice pudding. Thanks go to Nancy Brandt, Manheim, and to another reader, for sharing the recipes below.

Creamy Rice Pudding

1 cup long grain rice

½ teaspoon salt

2 cups water

Boil this until all the water boils away. Be sure to cook slowly. Then add:

6 cups milk

cups milk 1/2 to 3/4 cup sugar Cook slowly until thickened. Add 1 cup raisins at the end of cooking time. When thickened, remove from heat. Add 1 teaspoon vanilla. Pour pudding into a dish and sprinkle with cinnamon

Creamy Rice Pudding

1/4 cup uncooked rice 2 cups milk

6 tablespoons sugar 1/4 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon vanilla

₃2 eggs, separated

Wash rice, drain and add to milk Cook covered in top of double boiler until rice is tender (45 minutes). Beat egg yolks thoroughly; add 4 tablesppons sugar and salt. Stir some of the rice mixture into beaten yolks. Then add yolks to hot mixture and cook two minutes, stirring constantly Remove from heat and add vanilla. Beat egg whites until stiff, add 2 tablespoons sugar. Fold beaten whites into custard. Chill and serve. Beaten whites may be spread on top of custard and browned delicately in the oven. One cup

of raisins may be cooked in custard if desired Makes 6 servings.

Hamburger

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BEEFED-UP BISCUIT CASSEROLE

- 1 to 114 pound ground beef 12 cup chopped onion
- ¹4 cup diced green pepper
- 18-ounce can tomato sauce
- 12 to 34 teaspoon garlic salt 18-ounce can refrigerated country-
- style biscuits 112 cups shredded Monterey Jack
- or Cheddar cheese
- 12 cup dairy sour cream

1 egg, slighly beaten

In large fry pan, brown ground beef, peppers and onions. Drain. Stir in tomato sauce and garlic salt. Simmer while preparing dough. Separate biscuit dough into 10 biscuits, pull apart each into 2 layers. Press 10 biscuit layers over bottom of ungreased 8- or 9-inch square baking pan.

Combine 12 cup cheese (reserve remaining cheese for topping), sour cream and egg, mix well Remove meat mixture from heat Stir in sour cream mixture, spoon over dough. Arrange remaining biscuit layers on top, sprinkle with remaining cheese. Bake at 375°F for 25 to 30 minutes.

Tips: reheat, loosely covered with foil, at 375°F. for 20-25 minutes.

To make ahead, prepare, cover and refrigerate up to 2 hours before baking. Bake at 375°F. for 30-35 minutes.

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BARBECUE

- 2 pounds hamburger
- 1 diced onion
- 1 can chicken gumbo soup 2 teaspoons mustard
- 12 cup ketchup
- Salt and pepper to taste

Brown hamburger and onion Add all the other ingredients and simmer for 12 hour. A little water may be added if desired Serve on hamburger rolls

Betty Biehl Mertztown

Ida's Notebook

Ida Risser



Going to the Farm Show at Harrisburg this year was a bit different than other years. For one thing, I accidentally met my sister in the crowd and was able to show her around.

She had seen all of the animals and all of the huge machinery but wondered if there were any crafts displayed anywhere. My desire was to see the braided rugs as I've finally started another one this winter. And since my husband is a 'regular" at the show, I too have been there many times and was able to act as her guide for the afternoon. She has delved into many crafts and as Christmas gifts 've received pottery, framed wild flowers, hand painted boxes, etc. I'm wondering if the show is so big that some other people miss part of

where to find everything.

Another difference in the Farm Show for us this year was the opportunity to stay for the evening square dancing program. You see, many years ago we participated in the program on the dance floor. As we still belong to the Foot and Fiddle Club, hearing the familiar

calls and seeing the very colorful

costumes was quite enjoyable. Allen and I have just celebrated another wedding anniversary and several friends and relatives have been kind enough to invite us to their homes for dinner to help us celebrate. We got married on a blustery, snowy day. Some guests could not get to the church and others had trouble getting home again. We also had to postpone our trip to Florida because the roads were closed due to the storm.

That year my father had steers that he watered by chasing them to the Conestoga River every day to drink and for a month he had to break the ice with an axe everyday. So when I awaken on a cold morning, I remember 37 years ago and know things could be a lot worse.

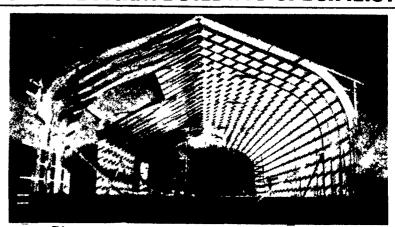


TEXAS HASH

- 1 pound ground beef 3 large onions, sliced
- 1 large green pepper, chopped
- 1 16-ounce can tomatoes
- '. cup uncooked regular rice 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 to 2 teaspoons chili powder
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Heat oven to 350°F In large skillet, cook and stir meat, onion and green pepper until meat is brown and vegetables are tender Drain off fat. Stir in tomatoes, rice, salt, chili powder and pepper; heat through. Four into ungreased 2quart casserole. Cover; bake 1 hour. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

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