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When you drink a cool refreshing glass of milk, or pour one for the children, think of all the ways you use this delicious food in other ways. You will find milk and the wholesome products made from milk . . . butter, cream, cheese, ice cream . . . used in a surprising number of dishes that go onto your table or are packed into lunch-box meals every day. In fact, we are all so dependent on dairy foods for the healthful meals that we need and enjoy,
that it would be well nigh impossible to do without them. Consider the delicious casserole dishes that are bound together with creamy sauces, the soups that owe their fame to the generous use of milk, the eye-appealing salads that are the more beautiful and delicious because of cottage cheese.
Dairy foods are found everywhere in good cooking. They go into foods for babies, for fast-growing teens and vigorous adults.
They are used in increasing measure in meals for grandmas and gramps, for science says they need the nutrients of milk products just as much as the small folk in the family. They go into budget meals and into those of unlimited cost . . . into those for the dieter as well as for those who are trying to build themselves up. They are simple wholesome foods yet even the epicure finds them indispensable in the preparation and enjoyment of gourmet meals. Here we find some recipes for good dishes made from dairy foods . . . the kind you will want to try and use again and again. They are not difficult to use or unnecessarily elaborate. May you enjoy some good eating!


1 pound American (cheddar) cheese. . 4 cups shredded or grated
1 pound butter . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 cups $1 / 4$ pound ( 1 stick) butter ............1/2 cup
1 pound cottage cheese . . . . . . . . . . . 2 cups
$1 / 2$ pint (one cup) coffee cream ...... 8 servings for coffee
$1 / 2$ pint milk plus 1 tablespoon lemon juice or vinegar. . . . . . . . . . . . 1 cup soured milk
1 quart ice cream . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 medium servings


Dairy foods will keep in the prime condition in which you receive them if you will follow the rule of the 3 C's: Keep them cool, keep them clean and keep them covered.

## milk and cream

Wipe bottles or cartons with a damp cloth as soon as they come into your kitchen. Place containers in the refrigerator immediately behind any containers left from the day before.
Don't transfer milk or cream for storage from the original containers. Keep them covered with the original closure.
Measure out milk or cream to be used for drinking or cooking and immediately return the original container to the refrigerator.

## butter

Keep butter covered in refrigerator until ready for use, then cut off amount needed and return original container immediately to refrigerator. Store only small amounts of butter in "conditioners" provided in some refrigerators.

## cheese

Keep cheese tightly covered in the refrigerator. Cottage and cream cheese are perishable and should be treated like milk or cream.
Cut off any mold from hard or semi-hard cheese, remainder will be in good condition.

Allow firm and semi-hard cheese to stand at room temperature a short time before serving for the best flavor.

## ice cream

Store in original container in freezer or freezing compartment of refrigerator. For short time storage in a refrigerator without low temperature freezing (zero degrees or lower), transfer ice cream to dry freezing tray, cover with foil, transparent film, or waxed paper and set control to low.
Ice cream, firmly frozen, may be softened to serving consistency if allowed to stand at regular refrigerating temperatures for a short time.

Good white, or cream sauce is basic in all good cooking.
Its creamy texture and bland flavor make it an ideal base for hundreds of delectable dishes . soups, main dishes, vegetables and many others.

## key sauce to good cooking

how to make cream sauce

| Kind | Butter | Flour | Milk | Salt |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thin | 1 tablespoon | 1 tablespoon | 1 cup | $1 / 2$ teaspoon |
| Medium | 2 tablespoons | 2 tablespoons | 1 cup | $1 / 2$ teaspoon |
| Thick | 3 tablespoons | 3 tablespoons | 1 cup | $1 / 2$ teaspoon |
| Very thick | $1 / 4$ cup | $1 / 4$ cup | 1 cup | $1 / 2$ teaspoon |

Add other seasonings as desired.
Melt butter in saucepan over low heat. Blend in flour. Add milk, all at once, (mixture will be lumpy). Cook and stir until sauce is smooth and thickened. Add salt and any other seasonings desired. Makes 1 cup sauce.

## how to use

Thin Sauce: To make soup, use 1 cup thin sauce with $1 / 2$ to $3 / 4$ cup finely chopped or pureed vegetables. For creaming starchy vegetables such as potatoes, use 1 cup sauce to each 2 to $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cups vegetables. For thin cheese sauce, use 1 cup shredded or grated cheese for each cup of sauce.
Medium Sauce: Used for all creamed and scalloped vegetables, meat, fish, poultry and the like. Use about 2 cups sliced, cubed, or chopped food with 1 cup sauce. For thick cheese sauce, add 1 cup shredded or grated cheese for each cup of sauce.
Thick Sauce: Used as base for souffles.
Very Thick Sauce: Used to bind foods together as in croquettes, loaves and other dishes which require molding. Amounts of filler to sauce vary, so follow recipe.

## cream gravy for meat and poultry

2 tablespoons drippings from poultry or meat
$11 / 2$ tablespoons flour
1 cup milk
Salt, pepper and other
seasonings to taste

Remove meat or poultry from pan and pour off fat into container. Measure required amount of fat back into pan; add other ingredients listed above and follow preparation directions for cream sauce.

seasoned butters
and how to use them
parsley Combine $1 / 4$ pound ( 1 stick) butter, melted, 1 tablespoon butter lemon juice, $1 / 4$ to $1 / 2$ cup finely minced parsley.

How to use it: for seasoning potatoes, noodles, shellfish and fish.
mustard Combine $1 / 4$ pound ( 1 stick) butter, softened, $1 / 4$ cup butter prepared mustard.

How to use it: as a spread for sandwiches and canapes; as a seasoning for fish, ham and eggs.
lemon Combine $1 / 4$ pound ( 1 stick) butter, melted, 1 tablespoon butter lemon juice, 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind.

How to use it: for seasoning fish, shellfish, chicken, veal and vegetables.
garlic Combine ${ }^{1 / 4}$ pound ( 1 stick) butter, softened, 1 small butter clove garlic, thoroughly mashed.

How to use it: for seasoning French or other crispcrusted breads, some meats, fish and shellfish.
herb Combine $1 / 4$ pound ( 1 stick) butter, softened, 1 teaspoon butter mixed salad herbs.

How to use it: for seasoning French or other crispcrusted breads, as a spread for canapes, for seasoning poultry, veal and vegetables; ideal seasoning for stuffings for meat, poultry and fish.
cheese Combine $\frac{1 / 4}{}$ pound ( 1 stick) butter, softened, and desired butter amount of grated sharp cheese, such as Parmesan or Romano.
How to use it: for seasoning French or other crispcrusted breads, as spread for canapes, as seasoning for vegetables.


## cream of chicken soup

Serve a cup of this creamy soup for a first course of any meal or a big bowl as a main course. It's wonderful eating any time!
$1 / 4$ cup butter
1 tablespoon minced onion
2 tablespoons minced celery
2 tablespoons flour
1 cup chicken broth

3 cups milk
$1 / 2$ to $3 / 4$ cup chopped chicken
Salt and pepper to taste Finely minced parsley

Melt butter in heavy saucepan; add onion and celery and cook and stir until onion is transparent. Add flour and blend. Add chicken broth and cook and stir until smooth and thickened. Add milk gradually, stirring constantly. Season with salt and pepper to taste; add chicken and cook and stir until mixture bubbles. Serve at once in warm soup cups topped with minced parsley. Makes 4 to 5 servings.
If chicken broth is not available, substitute 1 cup milk and add 4 chicken bouillon cubes. Turkey broth and stock may be substituted for chicken.

Menu for Dinner: Cream of Chicken Soup, liver and bacon, baked potato, buttered carrot sticks, cabbage and sweet onion salad, cherry pie a la mode, milk and tea.

## frosty tomato soup

There's no soup more refreshing than one that is chilled $\ldots$ and this combination of tomato and buttermilk garnished with sour cream is doubly so.

## 1 can condensed tomato soup Dash of pepper sauce 1 can measure buttermilk Sour cream

Chopped chives or green onion tops
Chill soup thoroughly and combine with well chilled buttermilk. Add a dash of pepper sauce and pour into chilled soup bowls or cups. Top each with a spoonful of sour cream and garnish with chopped chives. Serve at once. Makes 4 servings.

Menu for Dinner: Frosty Tomato Soup, broiled lobster tails, escalloped corn, zucchini squash, relish tray of celery, radishes and cucumber pickles, fruit cup, molasses cookies, milk and coffee.

## spring garden dip

Here is a new kind of "dip" . . a blend of dairy sour cream and mayonnaise seasoned with minced garden vegetables. Crisp vegetable strips are used for "dunking." Makes a fine salad dressing too for wedges of lettuce!

1 cup sour cream
$1 / 2$ cup mayonnaise
1 teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper sauce Sugar to taste
$1 / 2$ cup minced green onion
$1 / 4$ cup minced radishes
$1 / 4$ cup minced cucumber, well drained
$1 / 4$ cup minced green pepper
1 clove garlic, thoroughly crushed

Carrot, celery, zucchini squash or white furnip sticks or uncooked cauliflowerettes

Blend ingredients and pour into a small bowl. Place in the center of a large serving plate and surround with arrangements of crisp carrot, celery, squash or turnip sticks and uncooked cauliflowerettes. Garnish with radish roses, parsley or sprigs of watercress. Makes $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cups.


## cottage cheese dip

This double duty recipe gives a choice of two basic flavors, minced dried beef or shredded tuna, blended with creamy cottage cheese.

1 pound creamed cottage cheese (2 cups)
1 clove garlic
2 oz . minced chipped beef, or
17-oz. can shredded tuna
1 tablespoon minced onion 1 tablespoon lemon juice 1 tablespoon horseradish
$1 / 4$ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
$1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper sauce
Celery salt to taste
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
Salt to taste

Corn chips, potato chips or small thin crackers

Rub a small bowl with the cut clove of garlic. Add cheese and beat until smooth. Combine with remaining ingredients and chill for 2 hours to blend flavors. Serve with corn chips, potato chips or small thin crackers. Makes about $21 / 2$ cups dip. Add 1 cup of minced crabmeat, shrimp or clams in place of chipped beef or tuna.


## saucy crabmeat casserole

Slivered almonds and uncooked celery add wonderful flavor and crisp texture to this creamy casserole.
$1 / 2$ cup butter
$2 / 3$ cup flour
$22 / 3$ cups milk
2 b $1 / 2$-oz. cans crabmeat
4 cups chopped celery
$1 / 2$ cup chopped green pepper
2 pimientos, chopped
$1 / 3$ cup slivered blanched almonds
4 diced hard-cooked eggs
2 teaspoons salt
1 cup grated American cheese
$1 / 2$ cup buttered bread crumbs

Melt butter in saucepan; blend in flour. Add milk, cook and stir until smooth and thickened. Add crabmeat, celery, pimiento, green pepper, almonds, eggs and salt. Season to taste. Pour into a 2 -quart casserole. Top with cheese and crumbs; bake at $350^{\circ}$ about 45 minutes, until browned. Makes 8 servings.

Sunday Night Supper: Saucy Crabmeat Casserole, buttered asparagus, tomato aspic salad, buttered hot rolls, spice cake with baked-on topping, milk and coffee.

## chicken a la king on noodle squares

## Noodle Squares:

6 ounces medium noodles
3 eggs, slightly beaten
$11 / 2$ tablespoons poppyseeds, if desired
$11 / 2$ teaspoons salt
1 cup light cream or milk
Cook noodles in boiling, salted water until tender, drain, rinse with cold water. Combine eggs, salt, poppyseeds and cream; add to noodles. Pour into a buttered 8 -inch square baking dish; bake at $350^{\circ}$ about 35 to 40 minutes, or until firm in the center. To serve, cut into squares.

Chicken a la King:

2 cups medium cream sauce 2 cups diced cooked chicken
1 cup sliced cooked mushrooms
2 tablespoons chopped
pimiento

2 egg yolks, slightly beaten
$1 / 2$ cup light cream 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Make cream sauce (see page 3). Add chicken, mushrooms and pimiento; heat to bubbling. Combine egg yolks and cream and stir into chicken mixture, reducing heat so mixture does not boil; add lemon juice, blend Menu for Lunch or Supper: Chicken a la King on Noodle Squares, buttered peas, grapefruit and avocado salad, hot rolls, butter, ice cream with coconut cake squares, milk and coffee.

## main dish <br> magic



## bułter-baked chicken

Crisp-crusted without, juicy within, this easy-to-cook "fried" chicken is the best you'll ever eat.

| $1 / 2$ cup butter (1 stick) | Milk or buttermilk |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1 frying chicken ( $21 / 2$ to | $3 / 4$ cup flour |
| 3 pounds) | $11 / 2$ teaspoons salt |

## 1 teaspoon paprika

Melt butter in shallow baking pan large enough so chicken can be arranged in single layer. Disjoint and clean chicken, dry; dip in milk or buttermilk. Drain off excess milk and dredge in mixture of flour, salt and paprika. Arrange meaty side down in buttered baking pan; bake uncovered at $400^{\circ}$ for 30 minutes. Turn, bake about 30 minutes longer, or until meatiest pieces are tender. Remove from baking pan and pour off excess butter. To $1 / 4$ cup of the drippings add 3 tablespoons flour, blend; add 2 cups milk. Cook and stir until smooth and thickened. Season to taste and serve at once. Makes 4 servings.
Menu for Dinner: Fruit cocktail, Butter-Baked Chicken, cream gravy, mashed potatoes or southern spoon bread, buttered green beans, sliced tomato salad, hot rolls and butter, pineapple sherbet, butter cookies, milk and tea.

## company casserole

This delicious and economical main dish is easy to prepare for an informal supper party

18-oz. package, medium noodles
$11 / 2$ pounds ground beef 2 fablespoons butter
1 teaspoon salt
Pepper to taste $1 / 4$ teaspoon garlic salt

18-oz. can tomato sauce
1 cup creamed cottage cheese
1 cup sour cream
6 green onions, chopped
$3 / 4$ cup grated, sharp American cheese
Cook noodles until tender in boiling, salted water; drain, rinse with cold water. Melt butter in skillet; add meat and cook and stir until meat has lost red color. Add salt, pepper, garlic salt and tomato sauce and simmer gently 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Combine cottage cheese, sour cream, onion and noodles. Alternate layers of noodle and meat mixtures in 2 -quart casserole. Top with grated cheese; bake at $350^{\circ}$ about 30 minutes, until browned on top. Makes 6 to 8 servings.
Menu for Supper: Company Casserole, tossed salad of mixed cooked vegetables and greens, garlic butter bread, butterscotch eclairs, milk and coffee.



This budget version of Beef Stroganoff has all the fine flavor of the original.
$1 / 2$ cup finely minced onion
1 clove garlic, minced
$1 / 4$ cup butter
1 pound ground beef
2 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon salt $1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper

> 18 -ounce can sliced mushrooms
> $1 / 2$ can cream of chicken soup, undiluted
> $11 / 2$ cups sour cream 2 tablespoons minced parsley

Cook onion and garlic in butter until transparent. Add meat, cook and stir until it has lost red color. Add flour, salt, pepper and mushrooms; cook 5 minutes. Add soup; simmer 10 minutes. Add sour cream and heat. Top with parsley; serve on noodles. Makes 4 to 5 servings.
Dinner Menu: Hamburger Stroganoff, buttered noodles, buttered carrot and celery crescents, spinach and lettuce salad, bread butter, custard, macaroons, milk and tea.

## mock lasagna

A simplified version of a famous Italian dish.

1 tablespoon butter
1 medium onion, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
$1 / 2$ pound ground beef
$1 / 2$ teaspoon salt
1 No. $21 / 2$ can tomatoes ( $31 / 2$ cups)
16 -ounce can tomato paste

1 teaspoon sugar $1 / 2$ teaspoon oregano
1 pint creamed cottage cheese
$1 / 2$ pound Mozzarella or American cheese Parmesan cheese 8 ounces broad noodles

Cook onion and garlic in butter until transparent. Add meat, cook and stir until it has lost red color. Add salt, tomatoes, tomato paste and sugar; cover and simmer 2 hours; add water if necessary. Add sugar and oregano; cook until thick. Season to taste. Drain cottage cheese; shred Mozzarella cheese. Cook noodles until barely tender, drain, rinse with cold water. Pour a little sauce in buttered 2-quart casserole; top with one-third of noodles, half the cottage and Mozzarella cheeses. Sprinkle with grated Parmesan cheese, cover with sauce. Repeat; use last third of noodles, sauce and Parmesan cheese for topping. Bake at $350^{\circ} 45$ minutes, or until lightly browned. Stand in warm place to set. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

- Supper Menu: Mock Lasagna, garlic-buttered bread, tossed green salad with ripe olives and tiny pickled hot peppers, neopolitan ice cream, milk and coffee.


## vegetable variety

## au gratin potatoes dauphinaise

Who could resist so savoury a blend of potato slices and mellow Swiss cheese for family and company meals?

1 clove garlic
Butter
6 medium size potatoes Salt and pepper
$1 / 2$ pound shredded Swiss cheese
1 egg, slightly beaten
3 cups milk

Rub inside of $11 / 2$-quart casserole with cut clove of garlic; coat generously with butter. Slice potatoes thin, arrange in alternate layers with cheese, seasoning each layer with salt and pepper, reserve cheese for top. Dot with butter; pour blended egg and milk over top. Bake at $350^{\circ}$ for $1^{1 / 4}$ to $1^{11 / 2}$ hours, or until tender. Makes 6 servings.

Menu for Dinner: Smoked pork butt, Au Gratin Potatoes Dauphinaise, buttered peas and onions, cole slaw with pineapple chunks, bread, butter, lemon snow pudding with custard sauce, milk and coffee.

## baked potatoes delish

A spoonful of delicious sour cream dressing on a piping hot baked potato is a special treat. It's good on other cooked vegetables, too.
6 medium baking pototoes
$1 / 4$ cup finely minced
1 pint sour cream
green onion or chives Seasoned salt to taste

Scrub potatoes, dry. Rub with a little shortening. Bake at $425^{\circ}, 45$ minutes to 1 hour, or until soft when pressed with fingers. Mix together remaining ingredients. Allow to stand in refrigerator to blend flavors until potatoes are done. Cut cross slits in potato tops; loosen pulp, sprinkle with salt; serve with a generous spoonful of sour cream mixture. Makes 6 servings.
Menu for Dinner: Pan-broiled lamb shoulder steaks, Baked Potatoes Delish, buttered broccoli, assorted relishes, bread, butter, canned fruit, sugar cookies, milk and tea.


## gourmet baked spinach

Here is spinach with a new kind of flavor.
2 packages frozen
chopped spinach
2 tablespoons minced onion
3 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
2 cups milk
$1 / 4$ feaspoon nutmeg
3 hard-cooked eggs, finely chopped Salt and pepper to taste $1 / 2$ cup grated American cheese
$1 / 2$ cup buttered crumbs Paprika

Cook spinach according to directions on the carton; drain thoroughly. Cook onion in butter until transparent. Add flour and blend. Add milk and cook and stir until smooth and thickened. Add cooked, drained spinach, nutmeg and eggs; season with salt and pepper to taste. Turn into a buttered shallow baking dish; top with mixture of cheese and crumbs, sprinkle with paprika. Bake at $375^{\circ} 20$ minutes, or until lightly browned on top. Makes 6 servings.

Menu for Dinner: Veal birds, parsley-buttered potatoes, Gourmet Baked Spinach, fruit salad with honey dressing, bread, butter, brownies a la mode, milk and coffee.

## corn and cheese pudding

This is a fine lunch or supper main dish or accompaniment for meat or poultry.

3 egg yolks
1 cup milk, scalded
$11 / 2$ cups soft bread crumbs
$1 / 2$ teaspoon dry mustard
$3 / 4$ teaspoon salt
$1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper sauce
$11 / 2$ cups finely shredded American cheese
1 tablespoon butter
11 -pound can creamstyle corn ( $13 / 4$ cups)
3 egg whites

Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon colored; add milk gradually, beating constantly. Add bread crumbs and seasonings, blend well. Stir in cheese, butter and corn. Beat egg whites until stiff, but not dry; fold gently but thoroughly into mixture. Pour into a $10 \times 6 \times 2$-inch baking dish; bake at $325^{\circ}$ about 40 minutes, or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean. Makes 6 servings.
Menu for Lunch or Supper: Corn and Cheese Pudding, crisp bacon, tomato and lettuce salad, rolls, butter, baked apple, cream, milk and tea.


## snappy salads

## white cap salad

This salad of snowy molds of cottage and Blue cheese on slices of ripe tomato may serve as an appetizer or salad course.

1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin
$1 / 4$ cup cold milk
$1 / 4$ pound Blue cheese
1 pint creamed cottage cheese

1 teaspoon Worcestershire
sauce
Dash of pepper sauce
Salt to taste
$1 / 3$ cup mayonnaise
6 thick tomato slices

Soften gelatin in cold milk for 5 minutes. Dissolve over hot water. Mash Blue cheese, add to cottage cheese. Sieve or beat with rotary beater to blend. Add seasonings; stir in gelatin, mix well. Fold in mayonnaise. Pour into six small molds. Chill until firm. To serve, unmold on seasoned tomato slices arranged on salad greens. Serve with dressing made of equal parts of sour cream and mayonnaise. Makes 6 servings.

Special Dinner: White Cap Salad as appetizer, roast beef, whipped potatoes, buttered zucchini, corn relish, hot rolls, butter, banana cream tarts, milk and coffee.

## pot luck potato salad

Good seasonings, dairy sour cream and cucumber make this a refreshing salad.

1 quart diced warm, cooked potatoes ( 6 to 8)
French dressing, about 1 cup 1 medium onion, minced $1 / 2$ clove garlic, crushed 1 teaspoon chopped chives

2 tablespoons minced
parsley
2 diced hard-cooked eggs $1 / 2$ cup chopped celery 1 medium cucumber, diced 1 cup sour cream

Coat potatoes with French dressing, toss lightly to blend; cover and chill thoroughly. Just before serving, add remaining ingredients and mix lightly but thoroughly. Add salt if necessary. Chill. Serve in crisp lettuce cups or in salad bowl with greens. Makes 6 servings.
Summer Supper Menu: Sliced baked ham, Pot Luck Potato Salad, sliced tomatoes, deviled egg halves, olives, cantaloupe a la mode, milk and iced tea.

## cheese and egg salad mold

This substantial molded salad is perfect for a party luncheon or a nice addition to a summer salad plate.

1 package lemon-flavored gelatin
1 cup boiling water
$1 / 2$ cup cold water
2 tablespoons vinegar
$1 / 2$ cup mayonnaise
$1 / 2$ feaspoon salt
Dash of hot pepper sauce 2 chopped hard-cooked eggs

1 cup shredded American cheese ( $1 / 4$ pound)
1 cup chopped celery
$1 / 4$ cup chopped green pepper
1 teaspoon minced onion, if desired
2 tablespoons chopped pimiento

Dissolve gelatin in hot water. Add cold water, vinegar, mayonnaise, salt and pepper sauce. Blend with rotary beater; pour into a refrigerator tray. Chill in freezing compartment about 15 minutes, or until firm about 1 inch from edge of tray. Turn into chilled bowl; whip with rotary beater until fluffy. Fold in remaining ingredients; pour into individual molds. Chill until firm. Unmold on crisp salad greens, garnish with mayonnaise and tomato wedges, radish roses or green olives. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Party Luncheon Menu: Cheese and Egg Salad Mold, tomato wedge and olive garnish, hot buttered rolls, strawberry angel ice box cake, milk and coffee.

## slim $\mathbf{j i m}$ thousand island dressing

Enjoy this low calorie mock thousand island dressing on salads or as a "dunking" sauce.

1 cup sour cream
$1 / 4$ teaspoon salt
$1 / 4$ cup chili sauce
$1 / 4$ cup pickle relish, drained, or
1 medium pickle, chopped

1 tablespoon minced green onion
2 hard-cooked eggs, finely chopped
1 tablespoon chopped pimiento

Combine ingredients lightly; add additional salt and a little lemon juice to taste. Chill thoroughly. Makes $\mathbf{1}^{3} / 4$ cups dressing.

Luncheon Menu: Chef's salad bowl (salad greens, peeled tomato wedges, julienne strips of cheese, ham and chicken; or greens, tomato wedges, julienne strips of cheese, hard-cooked egg slices and small whole shrimp), Slim Jim Thousand Island Dressing, thinly sliced rye bread, butter, cup custard, milk and coffee.



## old fashioned sugar cookies

Sour cream and nutmeg give these soft sugar cookies their old time flavor. For crisp cookies roll the dough thinner and bake them longer.

$41 / 2$ cups sifted flour<br>1 teaspoon salt<br>1 teaspoon soda<br>1 teaspoon baking powder<br>$1 / 2$ teaspoon nutmeg

1 cup butter
$11 / 2$ cups sugar
2 eggs
1 cup sour cream
$1 / 2$ teaspoons vanilla

Sift flour, measure; resift with salt, soda, baking powder and nutmeg. Cream butter with sugar until fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add dry ingredients alternately with sour cream, mixing until smooth after each addition. Blend in vanilla. Wrap in waxed paper and chill until firm enough to roll. Roll on floured board to about $1 / 4$-inch thick, cut with large cooky cutter; place on ungreased baking sheet. Sprinkle with sugar; bake at $375^{\circ} 12$ minutes, or until browned. Makes about 5 dozen cookies.

Menu for Lunch: Casserole of macaroni, cheese and ham; perfection salad, bread, butter, canned plums, Old Fashioned Sugar Cookies, milk and tea.

## creamy rice pudding

This creamy old fashioned pudding, usually baked in a slow oven for hours, is cooked in a double boiler. Serve it hot, or chill and serve with "pour" cream.
$1 / 3$ cup uncooked rice
$2 / 3$ cup sugar
$1 / 2$ teaspoon salt
$31 / 2$ cups milk
$1 / 2$ cup seedless raisins
1 teaspoon vanilla, dash of nutmeg or cinnamon
1 egg, if desired

Heat rice, sugar, salt and milk in top of double boiler over direct heat until milk is scalded, stirring rice from bottom of pan with fork occasionally. Place over hot water; cover and cook 1 hour; stir two or three times. Add raisins; continue to cook for 2 hours, stir occasionally. Add flavoring and blend. If desired, beat egg; add some of the hot pudding, then return to the remaining pudding and cook 1 minute. Pour into pudding dish; serve hot or cover and chill. Makes 6 servings.
Menu for Dinner: Beef stew with vegetables, head lettuce with Blue cheese dressing, bread, butter, Creamy Rice Pudding with cream, milk and coffee.

## ice cream sauces

easy caramel sauce

| $1 / 2$ pound vanilla | $1 / 2$ cup milk |
| :--- | :--- |
| caramels | Dash of salt |

Heat caramels, milk and salt in top of double boiler over hot water until caramels melt and mixture is smooth. Makes 1 cup sauce.

## carioca sauce

$1 / 2$ cup light brown sugar,
firmly packed
$1 / 4$ teaspoon salt
16 -ounce package semi-sweet chocolate bits
1 cup sour cream
$11 / 2$ teaspoons rum flavor or 1 teaspoon vanilla
Measure brown sugar, salt and milk into a heavy saucepan; cook and stir over low heat until sugar dissolves; do not boil. Stir in chocolate. Add sour cream and flavoring and blend until smooth. Serve hot or cold. Store, covered, in refrigerator. Makes 2 cups sauce.
holiday sundae sauce
$\begin{array}{ll}1 \text { cup prepared mincemeat } & 1 / 4 \text { cup water } \\ 1 / 2 \text { cup brown sugar, firmly packed } & \text { Dash of salt }\end{array}$
1 teaspoon brandy or rum flavoring
Combine mincemeat, sugar, water and salt; bring to a simmer. If necessary, cook down to desired consistency. Remove from heat; add flavoring. Serve hot or cold. Makes $11 / 2$ cups sauce.

## crumb pie shells...

for cream and ice cream pies graham cracker crust

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\begin{aligned}
& 11 / 2 \text { cups graham cracker } \begin{array}{c}
1 / 2 \text { cup butter (1 stick), } \\
\text { crumbs }
\end{array} \quad \text { melted }
\end{aligned}
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Crush crackers; put crumbs through fine sieve and measure. Add butter gradually, rubbing mixture between fingers to blend thoroughly. Press firmly into 8 or 9 -inch pie plate, forming a firm edge at the top. Chill thoroughly. Fill with any cream, chiffon or ice cream filling.

## chocolate crust

Combine $1^{11 / 2}$ cups fine chocolate cooky crumbs with butter as described above.

vanilla wafer crust
Combine $11 / 2$ cups fine vanilla wafer crumbs with butter as previously described.

## cereal crumb crust

Crush crisp ready-to-eat cereal fine; combine $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cups with 1 tablespoon sugar (if desired) and butter as previously described.

## coconut pie shell

2 tablespoons
softened butter

4 ounces ( $11 / 2$ cups) shredded coconut, chopped

Spread softened (not melted) butter evenly on bottom and side of 8 or 9 -inch pie plate. Spread coconut in pan and press into butter with finger tips. Bake at $350^{\circ}$ about 10 to 12 minutes, until golden. Cool and fill with any desired cream, chiffon or ice cream filling.

## fudge pie a la mode

A chocolate brownie "crust", an ice cream topping and chocolate sauce drizzled on the top create a scrumptious dessert.

| $1 / 2$ cup butter | $1 / 3$ cup sifted flour |
| :--- | :---: |
| 1 cup sugar | 2 egg whites |
| 2 egg yolks | $1 / 8$ teaspoon salt |

2 egg yolks
2 squares unsweetened chocolate, melted and cooled
1 teaspoon vanilla

2 egg whites
$1 / 8$ teaspoon salt
1 quart vanilla, butterscotch or coffee ice cream

Chocolate sauce
Cream butter with sugar until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Blend in chocolate and vanilla. Add flour. Add salt to egg whites and beat until stiff, but not dry. Fold into batter; pour into buttered 8 -inch pie plate. Bake at $325^{\circ}$ about 25 minutes, or until a cake tester inserted in center comes out clean. Remove from oven; cool. To serve, top with ice cream and thick chocolate sauce. Cut into wedges and serve at once. Makes 6 servings.

Menu for Dinner: Chop suey with rice, buttered carrots, lettuce salad, sour cream dressing, bread, butter, Fudge Pie a la Mode, milk and coffee.


## toffee bars

Milk chocolate and chopped nuts top these rich butter cooky bars.

1 cup butter
1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
1 egg yolk

2 cups sifted flour
1 teaspoon vanilla 6 ounces milk chocolate 1 cup chopped nuts

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Mix in egg yolk. Add flour gradually, stirring only to blend; Add vanilla. Spread about $1 / 4$-inch thick in lightly buttered $10 \times 15$-inch jelly roll pan. Bake at $350^{\circ}, 20$ to 25 minutes, or until golden brown. Remove from oven and while still hot distribute chocolate on top. When soft, spread smoothly over surface, sprinkle with nuts. While still warm, cut into bars. Makes about 5 dozen bars.
Bridge Luncheon: Shrimp a la king in toasted bread cups, buttered peas, orange and avocado salad, hot rolls, butter, ice cream, Toffee Bars, milk and coffee.

## double chocolate brownies

| 1 cup sifted flour | 1 egg |
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| 1 teaspoon baking powder | 1 teaspoon vanilla |
| $1 / 2$ teaspoon salt | 2 squares unsweetened |
| $1 / 4$ cup butter | chocolate, melted |
| 1 cup sugar |  |
|  | $1 / 2$ cup milk |
|  | 1 cup chopped nuts |

Sift flour, measure, sift with baking powder and salt. Cream butter with sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and vanilla. Stir in cooled, melted chocolate. Add flour alternately with milk, beating well after each addition; stir in nuts. Pour into buttered 9 -inch square pan. Bake at $350^{\circ}$ for 25 to 30 minutes, or until cake tester inserted in center comes out clean. Cool; frost.
Frosting:
16 -ounce package semi-sweet $11 / 2$ cups sifted
chocolate pieces
$1 / 4$ cup butter
Dash of salt
confectioners' sugar 1 or 2 tablespoons milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

Melt chocolate and butter over hot, not boiling, water; cool. Add salt and sugar alternately with enough milk; to make spreading consistency. Spread on brownies; cut into squares. Makes 16 brownies.
Menu for Dinner: Braised pork chops, apple sauce, baked sweet potatoes, cole slaw, bread, butter, Double Chocolate Brownies, ice cream, milk and coffee.

## dutch apple cake

This delectable "cake" combines a butter crust, apple slices, cinnamon-crumb topping and whipped cream.
$21 / 2$ cups sifted flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
2 tablespoons sugar
1 cup butter
1 egg, slightly beaten 1 teaspoon vanilla

6 medium cooking apples
$11 / 2$ cups sugar
2 $1 / 2$ tablespoons flour
$1 / 2$ teaspoon salt
$1 / 4$ cup butter
1 teaspoon cinnamon

Sift flour; measure. Sift with baking powder and sugar. Cut in butter until mixture is crumbly. Add vanilla to egg; blend with flour mixture. Press evenly onto bottom and sides of $15 \times 10 \times 1$-inch pan. Arrange peeled, sliced apples in overlapping layers to cover dough. Combine remaining ingredients; sprinkle over apples. Bake at $350^{\circ}$ for 45 minutes, or until apples are tender and topping is golden brown. Cut into squares; serve warm or cold with whipped cream. Makes 18 servings.
Sunday Night Supper: Chicken and ham pot pie with cornbread topping, green bean and celery salad, hot rolls, butter, Dutch Apple Cake, milk and coffee.

## lemon butter cream pie

This ambrosial lemon pie has a rich, mellow flavor that only butter can give. It's easy to make, too.

| 18 - inch baked pie shell | 6 tablespoons lemon juice |
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| $1 / 2$ cup butter | 2 teaspoons grated lemon |
| 1 cup sugar | rind |
| 2 eggs | 2 egg whites |
| 2 egg yolks. | $1 / 8$ teaspoon salt |
|  | $1 / 4$ cup sugar |

Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs and yolks, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Blend in lemon juice and rind. Cook in double boiler over hot water, stirring constantly, until thickened. Cool slightly; pour into cool baked pie shell. Add salt to egg whites and beat until frothy. Beat in sugar, a tablespoon at a time, continuing to beat until mixture will hold in soft peaks. Spread over filling, sealing carefully to crust. Bake at $325^{\circ}$ for 12 to 15 minutes, or until lightly browned.
Menu for Dinner: Swiss steak, parsley-buttered potatoes, chopped spinach, vegetable relishes, bread, butter, Lemon Butter Cream Pie, milk and coffee.



