

Things to Cook

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Pork Chops a la Mode

Place pork chops in deep fat. Fry two minutes on each side. Add salt and pepper to taste then place on top of each pork chop one heaping teaspoon of rice which has been steamed at least 30 minutes. On top of rice place one slice of tomato one-half inch thick and one slice of silver skin onion. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and a dash of paprika. Cover frying pan and let simmer for 35 or 40 minutes over slow surface burner. You will find this easy to prepare and very delicious in flavor.

Stuffed Eggplant

6 eggplants of medium size.
2 1/2 cups bread, wet and squeezed
1 tomato
1 onion
1 clove of garlic
Thyme, parsley, bayleaf
2 tablespoons butter

Cut the eggplant into two pieces, put to boil in cold water for about half an hour, or until tender. Then take out of the water and set to cool. When cold, take out the seeds and throw away. Then scoop out carefully the soft meat of the eggplant, and leave the skins unbroken, setting them carefully aside. Chop the soft eggplant fine, and then wet and squeeze one and a half cups of bread. Chop the onion and tomato fine and mince the herbs and garlic very fine. Season the eggplant well with salt and pepper. Put the butter in the frying pan (use a tablespoon of lard if you have not the butter), and brown the onion in it slightly. Add the chopped tomato and its juice, and let this fry for four or five minutes. Then add the minced herbs and the clove of garlic, and almost immediately the chopped eggplant. Add the bread at once, and mix all well. Season again to taste, and let all fry for about five minutes. Take off and fill the shells with the stuffing, sprinkle the top lightly with bread crumbs, dot with butter and set in the oven to bake to a nice brown.

Prune Muffins, Southern Style

3 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
3 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
2 cups pure lard
1 cup brown sugar
3 tablespoons corn or maple syrup
2 eggs
1 1/2 cups milk
1 1/2 cups chopped, cooked prunes
Prunes and nuts for decoration.
Sift together first four ingredients. Cream shortening, and sugar gradually, then maple or corn syrup; and beaten eggs and milk, stir in prunes, add dry ingredients, and mix until dough forms. Turn into greased muffin pans. Decorate each muffin with half of prune and nut. Bake for 25 minutes in oven at 375 degrees.
If desired, the dough may be baked in loaf cake pan, 40 minutes being required.
Served with whipped cream, Southern Style Prune Muffins make a delightful dessert.

Married ties are too loose now, but the married couples should at least return from their honeymoons before planning their divorces.

The stock market has quieted down somewhat, but a new bunch of people who want to lose their money will soon show up.

BIG PAVING JOBS IN LAKE COUNTY

BIDS FOR \$731,974.00 OPEN

One of Largest State Programs in This Section in Years in Prospect; Highways Affected

The state highway department last Thursday opened bids on three Lake county paving bridge projects that will be completed at an expense of \$721,974 to the state.

Apparent low bidders were: Lake-Cook county, Section 103, Route 57, Arcolo Construction company, Niles Center, \$557,202.99.

Section 136 B, Route 173, two concrete culverts and one concrete bridge over Des Plaines river, Taylor Construction company, Hubbard Woods, \$22,802.30.

Section 136, Route 173, 6.16 paving between Zion and Millburn, M. R. Homer construction company, Omaha, Neb., \$141,869.23.

On Route 57 it would mean paving from the city limits of Chicago to an intersection with Route 22, Highwood to Lake Zurich, in Lake county. This roadway enters Lake county 500 feet east of the North Shore line right-of-way. Three miles of the pavement would be in this county.

Rumpus Over Route 173.

On Route 173, which is the road planned between Zion and Rockford two culverts are to be installed between Green Bay road on a new right-of-way to connect with Sheridan road. The bridge would be over the Des Plaines river a quarter of a mile east of Millburn.

The paving would extend along the full strip from Millburn to Sheridan road.

Right-of-way has not been obtained for the route by the township commissioners and R. M. Lobdell, county superintendent of highways, due to the fact that the state has not furnished the necessary data on the grading necessity. Right-of-way papers, on which property owners can release land for the necessary 80 feet, have arrived.

Opposition to laying the pavement along Millburn road has arisen. Farmers, according to Emmett Hastings, road commissioner from Newport township, seem unwilling that the route should go there. They have suggested a parallel road one-half mile south.

Contracts will be awarded within a month.

The state laid 70.68 miles of 18 and 20 foot pavement during the construction week of Aug. 10-16, which set a new world's paving record. This mileage surpasses the previous record of 63 miles established in 1924; to which, to date, has been the banner year in this state for paving.

The new record also exceeds the previous record of this year of 65.64 miles laid during the week of July 6-12. This mileage, engineers pointed out, means that completion of one mile of pavement per working hour.

At present there are 100 paving mixers working in the state and several of them are laying one mile or more of pavement weekly. Present mileage of pavement completed this year is 743.1 miles, which is 20 miles in excess of that laid up to the same date in 1924. Granted favorable weather conditions, the 1924 record

of 1,229.43 miles will be exceeded during the 1928 construction season, the department believes.

TOO MANY IN AUTO FOUGHT BY POLICE

Movement Started in Waukegan and Is Being Taken Up By Other Cities

Following the declaration by the Waukegan police that overcrowding the driver's seat of an automobile will bring arrests, the police at Zion have started a drive against the practice which, they claim, lessens the efficiency of the driver and is often the cause of serious accidents.

Several parties have been arrested this week and all were released on bonds of \$10 and will appear for trial Friday morning. Indications are that small fines will be assessed against the first offenders, but the limit of the law will be given in cases of second or third offense.

One party was arrested last night when a coupe was driven through the city with four persons in the car. The driver was squeezed over into one corner and the police claim would be physically unable to make any quick movements to avoid an accident. In each of such cases the driver is arrested and held under \$10 bonds.

The Waukegan police have stretched a point and said that three persons in the driver's seat will be permitted. While the state law says that the intended capacity of the car should not be violated, the police are permitting one extra to sit in the seat. Four persons in the driver's seat, however, has been declared dangerous and the practice prohibited.

RESORT SEASON TO CONTINUE LONGER

Profits Have Not Been As Good As In Former Years; Too Many Autos

Labor day, which once marked the end of the resort season through the lake regions of the county, did not bring a halt to business this year according to number of resort owners who point out that their business has not been overly good.

"While there have been immense crowds over some week ends, the week days have been lean due to the uncertain weather that has prevailed through the summer," one of the leading lake hotel owners of the county declared.

Numerous hot dog stands have cut down on the luncheon and dinner income in the hotels, according to people from 100 to 500 miles over the week end have hurt record incomes seriously.

"At one time," he explained, "the Chicagoan took a train into Lake county and spent the week end. Now the same family jumps into a car and goes as far as Green Bay and back. It is a case of drive and drive hard for them but they seem to prefer it to a rest."

Several of the leading hotels, it is understood, will remain open until duck hunting season opens to build up a profit.

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