
FOOD FORUM
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BEER

The beverage that accompanied the Pilgrims on the Mayflower and may even have influenced their at Plymouth Rock. Attested to by the diary of one of the passengers: "For we could not take time for further search or consideration, our victuals being spent, especially our beer."

PARMESAN AND BEER CROUTONS

Cut day old bread, crusts removed, into 1 inch cubes. Dip the cubes into a small dish of cold beer and roll them in freshly grated parmesan cheese mixed with a pinch of cayenne. Put the cubes on a buttered baking sheet, sprinkle them with melted butter, and bake in a pre-heated very hot oven 450 degrees turning them as they brown.

BEER CHEESE SPREAD

In a bowl combine 2 cups grated sharp cheese, with 1/2 stick or 1/4 cup butter, softened, 2 tsp. each of Dijon-style mustard and minced shallots, 1/2 tsp. each of anchovy paste and caraway seed, and a pinch of cayenne. Beat in gradually 1/4 cup of beer and continue to beat the mixture until it is fluffy. Store the spread in a covered container in the refrigerator.

BEER PANCAKES

In a bowl beat 4 egg yolks with 3 tbsp. sugar and 2 tsp. grated lemon rind until the mixture is well combined. Stir in 1-1/3 cups buttermilk mixed with 1-1/2 tsp. baking soda. Into another bowl sift 2 cups flour with 1-1/2 tsp. baking powder and 1/2 tsp. salt. Stir the mixture into the egg yolk mixture alternately with 2/3 cup beer. Add 1/2 stick or 1/4 cup butter, melted and cooled. In a large bowl beat 4 egg whites with a pinch of salt until they hold stiff peaks and fold 1/4 of the egg whites gently but thoroughly into the yolk mixture. Pour the mixture over the remaining whites and fold together. Heat a heavy 7 inch skillet and brush with butter. Pour in 1/3 cup of batter and tilt the pan so that the bottom is covered. Cook the pancake until the underside is browned, turn with a spatula and brown the other side. Serve with butter and syrup.

FLOUNDER AND VEGETABLES IN BEER

In a bowl combine 1/3 cup lemon juice, 1/4 cup oil, 1 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. pepper. Add 1 lb. flounder filets, cut into 1-inch strips and let them marinate 30 minutes. Peel 3 small zucchini and 1 egg plant. Cut the vegetables in strips and sprinkle them lightly with salt. Let stand 30 minutes. Drain the flounder and dust it with flour. Dry the vegetable strips and dip into the beer batter and fry them in deep hot fat. Drain on paper towels and sprinkle with salt.

BEER BATTER

Into a bowl sift together, 1 cup flour, 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/8 tsp. pepper. Make a well in the center. Pour 1 cup of beer and 2 tsp. oil in a stream, stirring and continue to mix the batter until it is smooth. Strain the batter if necessary, to remove any lumps and let it stand covered at room temperature for 3 hours.

RICE AND PEANUT PILAF

2/3 cup raw long grain rice
 1/4 cup butter or margarine
 1 cup chopped onion
 1 cup chopped salted peanuts
 1 tsp. salt
 1 tsp. curry powder
 1/4 tsp. dry mustard
 1/4 tsp. black pepper
 1 bay leaf
 1/4 cup lime juice
 1 tbsp. grated lime rind

Cook 2/3 cup raw rice. While rice cooks, heat butter in a medium skillet. Add onion, salted peanuts and other seasonings. Cook over medium heat, stirring often, until lightly browned. Stir mixture into cooked rice until well mixed. Keep hot.

WOOFER OFFICE IN NATIONAL COMPETITION

District Attorney Roy Woofter has set up procedures to compete nationally with other DA offices for approval of a Witness-Victim Accommodation Bureau.

Among the first DA offices in the country to organize the concept, Woofter's request to Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) totals \$175,000 for establishing the working plan in Clark, Washoe and Carson counties.

Clark County will receive from \$80-100,000 from the funding in order to step up this area of the criminal justice system, Woofter said. As president of Nevada District Attorney's Assn., he made the Witness-Victim Accommodation Bureau concept and grant request a number one priority.

In explaining the benefits of the concept, Woofter said that once put into regular practice there will be less tendency for the public to feel that police, prosecutors and courts are not overly concerned with the rights and liberties of law-abiding citizens and innocent victims of crime.

"Citizens who have been the victims of crime, or come forward as witnesses, should receive professional, prompt and sympathetic treatment," Woofter said. "Further, such citizens should, as a routine matter, be fully informed about the mechanics of the criminal proceedings in which they are participants."

"This concept will be one of the first of its kind in America and will be a model project because of the peculiar situation Nevada finds itself in, in terms of witness control and accommodations," Woofter said.

Woofter also stated that his office had received tentative approval from Southern Regional District Allocations Committee of LEAA for approximately \$100,000 to encompass three areas of future planning.

This funding covers Prosecutor-Management Information system, a proposed word-processing center to update paper work and the establishment of a system for setting up uniform policies for charging alleged defendants, the latter process insuring that cases will be handled by the best prosecutors (Deputy DA's) in the office.

Job training funds due

WASHINGTON--The State of Nevada is expecting to receive more than \$4.1 million in job training funds from the Labor Department within the next few weeks, according to Congressman David Towell.

Towell said more than half of the money - \$2.5 million - will go to Clark County to finance programs such as classroom training and on-the-job training. These funds, which were approved Wednesday, will be handled by the Clark County School District, the Community College, the Economic Opportunity Board, the Employment Service and the Greater Las Vegas Plan.

The Labor Department is expected to approve another manpower grant soon for \$402,663. This award will be used for various job training programs throughout the state.

Separate grants are still being processed for Washoe County and the balance of the state excluding Clark and Washoe Counties. Washoe County reportedly will receive \$608,069 and the balance of the state, \$652,140.

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