

Hot Foods Make Mexico Land of Stomach Aches, Visitors Admit—Although Siestas Offer Part Cure

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"Your food in the United States, it is much better on the stomach than is our well-seasoned food in Mexico," Jose Manuel Urquiza told his table partners Tuesday noon.

He, with 12 other Mexicans and a few Salem folk, were guests of Blue Lake Packers at a luncheon at Marion Hotel. The foreign visitors are guests here in the United States of the International Cooperative Administration. Their chief concern is food, processing and producing.

"Our very hot food, as you call it, is hard on the stomach. There is very much stomach troubles in our places south of your border. But," and Manuel Urquiza looked thoughtful, "you have the difficulties here, too. It is our siestas that help us out. If it were not that we do not hurry as you do, we would be much worse off. If you had our siestas and less hurry and your food, the stomachs in the United States should be as you say 'tops'."

Urquiza, a graduate of a college in California, spoke English quite fluently. He had spent considerable time in Europe, he said, and found that with the English and the Spanish languages, he could get along almost everywhere. He added he liked our food.

Not Sold on Chicken

These were others, however, in Tuesday's luncheon group, who did not think the southern fried chicken the very essence of good food, as the average United States citizen believes.

"Now with a little sauce—some peppers—more onions—ah, then it would be a dish . . ." was the general opinion expressed by a number of the visitors. But the apple pie was "most delicious, and the ice cream . . ." They admitted that neither of these two foods were much known to the Mexicans.

Things Missing

The Willamette Valley, they found "the most beautiful place," but, while produce was grown in great abundance here, there were things missing.

"But it is not manners," the Mexicans were utmost upon. "We have met with the utmost friendliness, the greatest kindnesses," they said.

"It is very odd," Manuel Urquiza said, "but we are meeting the real United States citizens today. And you people are meeting the real Mexicans. Too much of the time we meet those that are United States lawbreakers, and you meet our rascals, and then we both get the wrong idea of the other nations. This ICA is what all of our countries need to become friendly. Knowing the real each other is much better."

Crops Diversified

Manuel Urquiza is one of 11 brothers who own and manage a thousand-acre farm not far from Mexico City. Crops are diversified, although there are 1,000 cows to be milked — by hand.

"We tried the milking machine but they were too hard on our cows. Cows live much longer when milked by hand and labor is no problem," the farm owner said. He added that each laborer could milk 17 cows.

"But you are very far ahead of us industrially and mechanically," more than one Mexican visitor said.

Tour Cannery

The Mexicans, guests of the state department in a conducted tour of the United States, arrived Sunday. Monday, the group toured Paulus Brothers cannery, and visited the State College at Corvallis. Monday noon they were entertained at luncheon at Hotel Marion by the Salem Chamber of Commerce. Tuesday morning they were taken in a chartered bus to Grand Island where they viewed the harvest of beans and other crops.

Following the luncheon at the hotel, they went to the Blue Lake plant in West Salem where they were introduced to further mechanics of food processing as well as to the operation of a cooperative plant. Throughout the day they were guests of Blue Lake Packers, and at the luncheon Junior Eckley, secretary for the packers, was master of ceremonies. Assisting in arrangements for the day was Walter Leth, fieldman for the cooperative.

The group will leave this morning for Portland where they will enplane for Chicago. Salem and Corvallis were the only towns visited in the Pacific Northwest.

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Other survivors in addition to the daughter include a son, Winford Giese, Lakeview, Ore., and four grandchildren.

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Food naturally was the chief topic Tuesday as 13 Mexican food specialists were guests of Blue Lake Packers at a luncheon at the Hotel Marion. The Mexican party was invited to the United States by the International Cooperative Administration. Pictured at the luncheon are, left table, left row, rear to front: Senor Salazar, Bob Ohling, field man for Blue Lake; Senor Cardenas, Don Rasmussen, Marion County agent; Senor Calderone; left table, inside row, rear to front: Senor Villareal, John Ramage, Woodburn farmer; Senor Ochoa; right table, inside row, rear to front: Senor Leal, George Fullenweider, Carlton farmer; Senor Weiner, Senor Mike Urquiza; right table, outside row, rear to front: bus driver for party, unidentified; Walter Leth, general field representative for Blue Lake; Senor Manuel Urquiza; back row, left to right: Phil Brandt; Senor Lazas, A. H. Barnes, Silverton; Junior Eckley, secretary-treasurer for Blue Lake; Miss Barbara Huntley, interpreter; Miss Parker, interpreter; Edward Gilman, leader of the tour from the ICA; Dr. Schultz, Oregon State College.

Unit Certifies New Western Tree Farms

PORTLAND (AP)—The Industrial Forestry Assn. certified 20 new West Coast tree farms at a board meeting here Tuesday.

It also made additions to existing plots which increased the certified tree farm acreage in the Douglas fir region by 176,801 acres.

Ten of the new farms are in Oregon, 10 in Washington. They range in size from the 124,694-acre holdings of the Timber Service Co. in Oregon's Linn County to the 20-acre Pepper Grant Tree Farm in Island County, Wash. The number of farms now totals 304.

Wide Variations

"The wide variation of these tree farms shows that it is not the size of the tree farm that counts, but the intent of the owner to grow trees," commented R. F. Morse, Longview, association chairman.

He said there now are tree farms in every one of the 38 counties in the Douglas fir belt of Washington and Oregon. Western Washington has 169 farms with a total of 2,697,000 acres. Western Oregon Oregon has 116 with 1,948,588 acres.

New certifications in Washington with owner and county: Russell and Gretchen Hawkins, San Juan; John M. Carlson, Snohomish; Victor B. Milford, Island; Roy Longmire, Thurston; Kermit R. and Jacquelyn S. Michel, Mr. and Mrs. Loren A. Tucker and George F. Tyler, all of Kitsap; Robert B. Wise, John I. Haas, Inc., and John Bechtold, all of Pierce.

New Certifications

New Oregon certifications include Timber Service Co., Linn; Miami Corp., Yamhill, Polk, Tillamook and Lincoln counties; H. L. Edmunds, Lane; Violet M. and L. M. Carlson and Carrie Volz, Marion; Esther A. and Robert C. Campbell and Laura Jane Arnette, Douglas; Lee R. and Emily K. Hubbard, Washington; Agnes B. Harmon, Hood River; and George A. Nelson, Columbia.

The Raging River Tree Farm certificate was cancelled in Washington and re-issued to the new owners, West Tacoma Newsprint Co., and the 200-acre Brush Creek Tree Farm in Linn County was cancelled because of a change of ownership and policy.

Portland Boy Returns After 3-Mile Hike

PORTLAND (AP)—Clinton J. Berg, 10, missing since he left home for a hike Monday morning, was found walking down a street three miles from his home early Tuesday.

He told a policeman, who identified him from a police bulletin, that he had camped out and was on his way back home.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Berg, Portland, became alarmed and notified police when the boy had not return home by nightfall Monday as expected.

When found, he was carrying a sleeping bag and a bow without arrows.

"I shot two carp, but lost my arrow on the third one," he said.

Workers Lay 170 Miles of Gas Pipeline

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Pacific Northwest Pipe Line Corp. Tuesday announced it has completed 170 miles of the firm's 162 million-dollar natural gas line from New Mexico to Seattle.

R. D. Ricketts, president of Fish North West Constructors, Inc., builder of the line, said that on Sept. 15, work will begin on the line from Burley, Idaho, to the Columbia River.

He also noted that a lateral line connecting Big Piney, Wyo., fields to the main line is nearly complete.

"We intend to work right on through the winter where possible," he said, "and I feel at this time we are making good progress."

"The line is to run from the San Juan Basin in New Mexico nearly to the Canadian border north of Seattle."

Publisher Of St. Louis Paper Dies

RYE BEACH, N.H. (AP)—E. Lansing Ray, editor and publisher of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, died unexpectedly at his summer home late Tuesday his 71st birthday.

Ray, a guiding influence of the newspaper for 52 years, was opening birthday presents at a family gathering. Death was caused by a heart attack.

One of Ray's chief interests outside of publishing his newspaper were his years as a member of the board of directors of the Associated Press. He served on the board for 29 years, from 1923 through 1951, and was first vice president of the Associated Press for three years.

Only five months ago Ray sold his controlling interest in the Globe-Democrat to Samuel I. Newhouse of New York, owner of 10 other newspapers.

Ray continued on as publisher, editor and chairman of the board. Ray's only son, E. Lansing Ray, Jr., died of a cerebral hemorrhage in 1946 at the age of 35.

He was one of the sponsors in 1927 of Charles A. Lindbergh's trans-Atlantic flight in the single-engine plane, the "Spirit of St. Louis."

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Grandval Out In Morocco; Latour Named

PARIS (AP)—The French government pressed on to a Moroccan settlement Tuesday with disclosure that Gen. Pierre Boyer de Latour du Moulin will succeed Gilbert Grandval as the protectorate's resident general.

The appointment is expected to be announced officially Wednesday or Thursday.

Boyer de Latour will simultaneously take command of all French troops in Morocco, succeeding the late Gen. Raymond Duval as well as the resident-general.

The move is expected to satisfy the clamor of French settlers for an Army man in the resident-general's post. Duval was killed in a plane accident during the recent rioting in Morocco.

Boyer de Latour has won the respect of North African Nationalists because as resident general of Tunisia he helped draft the new agreements giving partial home rule to that protectorate. Once as troublesome as Morocco, Tunisia

'World Series' Of Bombing Won by Wing

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP)—Finishing with a surprising burst in Monday night's final missions, the 320th Bomb Wing of March Air Force Base, Calif., was named winner Tuesday of the Strategic Air Command's "World Series of bombing and navigation."

Unofficial tabulation, subject to revision, gave the March AFB Wing, MacDill AFB, Fla., followed by the 303rd Bomb Wing, Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, Ariz., and the 93rd Bomb Wing, Castle AFB, Merced, Calif.

The Fairchild wing was the only B36 outfit to finish among the first five. The rest are B47 units.

The winning wing will receive the Muir Fairchild Trophy for bombing and navigation supremacy in ceremonies Wednesday.

is now the most peaceful and cooperative area of French North Africa.

Fire Damage May Be \$20 Million

LONDON (AP)—The British Insurance Assn. said Tuesday that last weekend's fire and explosion at the Standard Oil Co.'s Whiting, Ind. refinery may have caused 20 million dollars damage.

The association said that about half the insurance on the refinery had been placed directly on the London market.

(The fire was finally snuffed out Tuesday night after burning for three and one half days, officials of the plant at Whiting said.)

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