

Dennis the Menace



"BUT YOU SHOULDN'T GET MAD JUST BECAUSE KENNY SAID THAT. I AM LANKY!"

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

"IT'S OBVIOUS that that old skinflint isn't going to pay any attention to the bills I sent him," Dentist Pullman told his wife one evening. "I'm going up to his apartment and collect in person."

An hour later he was back, looking very glum. "I can see by your face he didn't pay you," said his wife.

"He not only didn't pay me," conceded Dr. Pullman ruefully, "but he bit me with my own teeth."



One lecturer I know has devised a soul-satisfying answer to boring ladies who clutch at him as he is retreating from the podium to ask, "I'll bet you don't remember where we met before." He gazes soulfully at the questioner and says, "Madam, if I remembered a beautiful lady like you, how could I get any work done?"

Mayor LaGuardia of New York once gave a reception for Thomas Mann, the famous German author, who wrote "The Magic Mountain." "New York," His Honor told Mann, "is divided into two parts: those who have read your wonderful books—and those who only say they have." LaGuardia then added, "I refuse to state publicly to which group I belong!"

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Feeding the Family

By ZOLA VINCENT
Food Editor

Variations on Popular Potato Salad Theme

No one ever heard of a picnic without potato salad. Declare your independence by taking it easy whenever you can throughout the summer. Fix the potatoes for the salad the day before; store them whole in the refrigerator. For each six persons to be served, boil or bake five or six large Long White baking potatoes until done. Spear with two-time fork to let steam escape. Later, peel and cut into either chunks or slices (we're not taking sides on this).

Combine three-quarter cup mayonnaise or mayonnaise and dairy sour cream half and half, one teaspoon celery seed, one teaspoon salt, one-half teaspoon freshly ground pepper, three tablespoons vinegar, one tablespoon sugar; add two stalks celery, chopped, three medium sour or sweet pickles, chopped, one medium size onion, chopped, three hard-cooked eggs, chopped (reserve one egg for garnish if you like).

Pour dressing over diced or sliced cooked potatoes and turn gently to distribute dressing. Sprinkle with paprika and tuck parsley sprigs around bowl edge for prettying-up.

Deviled Potato Salad. Use above dressing and add one tablespoon prepared mustard and one teaspoon horseradish.

Dill Potato Salad. Leave out celery seed in dressing above and substitute sprinkling of dill seeds; substitute dill pickles for sweet or sour pickles.

Iced Tea Dress-Ups
For iced tea compliments, first use briskly boiling water using half again as much tea as for hot tea (one teaspoon of loose tea or one tea bag for each cup). Steep three to five minutes; strain or remove tea bags. When using instant tea, put one rounded teaspoon, more or less, of instant tea into glass. Add water from cold water tap, stir until clear, add ice.

For glamour, use tinted ice cubes made by adding food coloring. Impale glass with lemon, lime or orange wedge. Frost rim of glass by dipping first in fruit juice and then in sugar. Serve with a fresh pineapple spear or maraschino cherry with stem. Skewer pineapple chunks, maraschino cherries and melon balls on sippers.

Franks Are Star-Spangled Fare Throughout Summer

The versatile frankfurter needs no recommendations from us; will be on a major portion of shopping lists each week. We suggest this very good main dish knowing full well that most of them will be simmered, grilled or broiled and served with any of many relishes and tucked into buttered or mayonnaised hot hotdog buns. Few things are more disappointing than a hotdog in a cold bun.

Frankly Quick. This delectable dish can be brought to the table in the skillet along with a crusty bread and a tart relish. For four persons, six frankfurters. Slice three medium tomatoes one-half inch thick into skillet. Top with thin slices of one onion and strips of green pepper. Slice six franks in half, first lengthwise, then diagonally. Cover and cook slowly about 15 minutes. Sprinkle one cup shredded cheese over; add salt and pepper, then cover. Turn off heat, cheese will melt. Family and friends will like. For a crowd, consider making several batches.

Picnic Pointers
Table Covers. Cover picnic tables with substantial wrapping paper, thumb-tacked at corners. For decoration use ready-pasted wall paper trim or arrange local ferns or greens.

Borrow Grills. When serving a large crowd, borrow three or four portable grills from a good neighbor; speeds up cooking, helps keep food hot, provides more elbow room.

Paper Products. Use shopping bags for easy carrying of picnic supplies and for later disposing of debris. Plenty of newspaper in packing will come in handy for campfire making and for cleaning up. Put in extra supplies of paper plates, cups, towels, napkins.

Bring Your Own. Many younger generation couples ask "playmates" to bring their own steaks, chops, broiler-chicken halves or other personal choice for individual preparation and cooking over glowing coals. Hostess supplies other food and soft drinks.

Do It Beforehand. Butter rolls at home to save bother at picnic. Wrap green onions, radishes, carrot strips, celery sticks and other relishes first in dampened paper towels, then in waxed paper or transparent wrap to keep them crisp.

Never does our super abundance of good things show up as spectacularly as right now and on through the summer harvest season. We have space here to hint at but a few of the plentiful. Advertisements in this newspaper highlight the best buys of produce men in our super markets. Other seasonal specials are stacked high in market aisles begging your attention and admiration.

Fruit Delights. Pile high a bowl of fresh fruits for out-of-hand eating. Put it on table for dessert pleasing. There are peaches, plums, apricots, cherries and grapes; small size Valencia oranges and bananas. Berries of the moment include Ollalies, Boysenberries and strawberries for serving with any of the many creams, coffee cream, half and half, whipping cream, dairy sour cream, ice cream.

Other Goodies. Make berry muffins, Boysenberry cobbler, fresh raspberry sherbet, peach shortcake. Mid-summer cantaloupes are joining the galaxy of melons. Watermelons are certain to be on every list during the coming week. Serve them cold, cold, cold!

Salad Makers. All varieties of lettuce, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, tomatoes and other salad makers are of superb quality. If you haven't tried slicing fresh mushrooms into a salad, you are missing a treat as well as a conversation piece.

Corn on the cob, of course! You'll want sliced cucumbers for putting in dairy sour cream. Try French frying summer squash. Frenched green beans react well to touch of grated onion.

Menu Reminders. Fried, broiled or barbecued chicken, hot one day, cold the next. Sliced cold meat loaf from delicatessen or homemade. Cottage cheese with sliced tomatoes, green pepper rings, avocado half-moons — or with sliced peaches, melon slices or any of the berries.

Abundance of eggs at bargain prices reminds us to fix deviled eggs as snack, appetizer or for adding to salads or garnishing cold meat and cheese trays.

Other Plentiful. Along with broiler-fryers, there are turkeys, whole and in parts. Look for big specials in beef, pork, lamb and ham. Vary menus with fish and shellfish.

Agenda Prepared For Meeting of JFK, Macmillan

London — (UPI) — U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk and top British officials, alert for possible surprises from Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev, today worked on an agenda for the week end "summit" meeting between President Kennedy and Prime Minister Harold Macmillan.

Rusk planned to meet Foreign Secretary Lord Home for a "working lunch" at the latter's private residence. Later both men scheduled discussions with their ministers and top officials.

McGeorge Bundy, the President's assistant for security affairs, planned to fly in from Paris to participate in preparations for Kennedy's 23-hour visit with Macmillan at Birch Grove. Kennedy will arrive from Ireland on Saturday.

Bundy conferred with French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville and leaders of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in Paris Thursday.

Diplomatic sources here said the coming meeting will center on next month's nuclear test ban talks in Moscow, Kennedy's proposals for a mixed - crew Polar surface force under NATO, the alliance itself and East-West relations in general.

Speculation that Khrushchev might have "something up his sleeve" stemmed from the sudden announcement of his trip to East Berlin. The visit will coincide with the Kennedy - Macmillan meeting here.

Timber Carnival To Start Monday

Albany — (UPI) — The Albany Timber Carnival will open with an evening performance Monday instead of the usual daytime show, officials said Thursday.

The second show will begin at 1 p.m. July 4. The Timber Carnival will be highlighted by the appearance of Bill Johnston of Australia, the defending chopping champion, and Tom Kirk, who has won the Australian chopping title 23 times.

They will compete with lumberjacks from the United States and Canada for \$5,000 in prize money and trophies.



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Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn W. Watkins

Goldfinch Sings and Sings While Other Birds Work
With the advent of spring, most bird couples are busy building nests, laying eggs and, a little later, feeding and training their young. The idea is to get family raising out of the way before the heat of summer becomes too oppressive, making nesting very uncomfortable. Besides, the bird that is hatched early is stronger, more fully developed and ready to migrate when the fall comes.

During these times of feverish activity, another bird species, one of the tamest and most cheerful as well as the most colorful, is merely glorifying the landscape with its beauty and its twittering song, making no preparation at all in the nest building line.

Goldfinch Acts Slow
Other birds may nest early but the goldfinch acts as if he had all the time in the world. These sociable birds, traveling over the fields and city lawns in small groups, figure that if they get the nest started in July it will be time enough; some may even wait until August. There have been instances where a goldfinch pair would wait until September. Some may even be teaching the newly hatched the technique of flying as late as October.

The reason for this late start in nest building and family raising has never been fully explained by students of bird behavior, unless it is timed to coincide with late flowering plants that will furnish edible seeds for the young.

The goldfinch family may even decide to remain in the north all winter long. The sight of these colorful birds against a snow covered field or backyard is a warming sight for people weary of an otherwise colorless and motionless winter landscape.

Bright Lemon Yellow
The spring plumage of the male goldfinch is a bright, lemon yellow, with black wings and tail feathers. Predominantly yellow, it is little wonder that it is often called "wild canary." Being common in most of its range it has received a great many common names such as thistlebird, probably because of its preference for thistle-down for lining the nest; beet-bird, or lettuce bird, because of its presence in gardens.

It is called "shiner" in some areas as well as "salad bird" or "catnip bird."

The goldfinch has a fondness for dandelion seeds, and being as yellow as the blossoms themselves, has become associated with this weed in people's minds, and therefore known as "dandelion bird." Whatever it is called, the goldfinch is economically beneficial, for weed seeds form the bulk of its diet, along with insects.

Twitter in Flight
The colorful goldfinch sings while he feeds, a soft, musical twittering sound somewhat like that of the canary. When they take wing they forget to stop singing and twitter away while in flight. The flight is unusual, a peculiar series of undulations, somewhat similar to a gallop. The American goldfinch occupies a large section of the eastern U.S. while the western goldfinch is common from the Rocky Mountains westward.

Mr. and Mrs. Goldfinch are not averse to using an abandoned blackbird nest as a nursery for their own young. They refurbish the nest with some bark strips and line the inside with soft thistle-down. Mrs. Goldfinch is less colorful than her husband; he's the flashy one.

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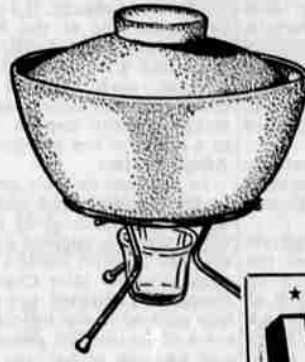


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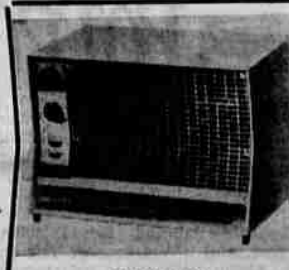
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