

Home Canning Hints Given By County Health Officer

Summer is season for canning. Housewives everywhere find that garden-fresh fruits and vegetables canned at home taste good and cut down grocery bills considerably.

But home-canning, according to Roy O. Gilbert, MD, Los Angeles county health officer, is not without danger.

Hardly a year passes in this county without someone dying from botulism, a highly fatal poisoning caused by eating home-canned foods, the doctor said.

The swift-working poison is fatal in most instances despite the excellent antitoxins now available. By the time the unlucky individual has become ill enough to call a doctor, the central nervous system has become involved to a point where the antitoxin is of little value, Dr. Gilbert said.

However, the danger can be avoided by canning foods according to approved methods.

Prevention of botulism poisoning depends on processing foods at temperatures higher than the boiling point, he said. Such process is known as the hot-pack method and is recommended for meats, fish, poultry, all vegetables except tomatoes, and fruits.

To achieve such temperatures the cans or jars of food are cooked in a pressure cooker at a pressure of 10 pounds for a period of time depending on the size of the cans or jars and the nature of the food being processed.

For example, a quart jar of string beans would be processed for 25 minutes under 10 pounds, whereas a pint jar would require only 20 minutes at the same pressure.

Many communities have properly supervised and inspected canning centers where all canning is done at low cost, and housewives might investigate the possibility of using these centers.

To guide home canners who do not have such services available or who prefer to do their canning at home, the Health Department suggests that they first of all have access to a

F. Bevers, E. Edwards' Enjoy Crestline Holiday

Mountain holiday at their Crestline summer home has occupied Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bevers, 2520 Eldorado St., this past week. Enjoying the vacation with them are Mr. and Mrs. Bud Edwards, 2208 Andree Ave.

The "mountaineers" plan to return to their Torrance homes this weekend.

WSCS Sets Meet Dates

August activity dates for the Women's Society of Christian Service, Methodist Church, were announced this week by Mrs. M. D. Hebert, publicity chairman.

Circle One will hold a pot luck luncheon at 12:30 p. m. Tuesday, Aug. 5, at Torrance Park. Thursday, Aug. 7, is date for Circle Two meeting at the church. The session will begin at 12:30 p. m. with Mesdames Wesley G. Anbill and Emma Ellen serving as hostesses.

Pot luck feeds also are slated for Circles Three and Four.

All families of Circle Four members are to attend a pot luck at Torrance Park Tuesday, Aug. 5, at 6 p. m. Those attending are asked to bring their own table service.

Circle Three's pot luck luncheon is slated for Thursday, Aug. 7, at 12 o'clock noon in Torrance Park.

Dr. Mrs. Arvol Smith Entertain Dinner Guests

Entertaining at dinner for a group of out-of-town guests Saturday evening were Dr. and Mrs. Arvol Smith, 1005 Cranbrook Ave. Canasta was after dinner entertainment.

Guests were Messrs. and Mesdames Jack Wilcox of Compton and A. G. Beasley of Redondo Beach.

Local Residents Have Wide Choice of 'Bowl' Programs

Muscle lovers of Torrance may take their pick of symphony, operatic, and ballet performances at the Hollywood Bowl during the first weeks of August. All programs will begin at 8:30 p. m.

Saturday "Pops" concert on Aug. 2 will present a gala evening of Cole Porter music, featuring as singers Lucille Norman, Irma Petina, Felix Knight, Stephen Kemalyan, and the Roger Wagner chorale. John Bennett, music co-ordinator for the Bowl will conduct.

Following week of the 1952 season, a famed Metropolitan Opera baritone will make his Bowl debut, and the Ballet Theatre will come in for the first three of six scheduled performances.

Leonard Warren, the baritone, will sing arias from six famous operas on a program conducted by Met conductor Wilfrid Moller next Tuesday night, Aug. 5.

Ballet Theatre will present Alicia Alonso, John Kriza, and Mary Ellen Moylan, together with a corps de ballet, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights, Aug. 7-9.

Repertoire of the three performances will be as follows: Thursday, Aug. 7—Les Sylphides, Billy the Kid, Pas de deux from "Don Quixote," and Fancy Free.

Friday, Aug. 8—Swan Lake, Rodeo, Pas de deux from "The Nutcracker," and Bluebeard.

Saturday, Aug. 9—Swan Lake, La Fille Mal Gardée, Pas de deux from "The Nutcracker," and Les Patineurs.

For the ballet performances, the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra will be conducted by Joseph Levine.

BRIDGE SETS SCENE AT C. T. RIPPY HOME

Variety of summer flowers gave a seasonal touch to the Post Ave. home of Mrs. Charles T. Rippy, Jr., Wednesday, July 23, when she entertained members of her club at a dessert bridge.

Mrs. Merle Richardson won top card honors for the evening, while Mrs. William Rogers received second prize.

Attending were Mesdames Philip Jensen, Earl Clayton, Bert Lamb, Charles Schultz, Jr., J. Henrich Hull, Richardson, Rogers, and Rippy, Jr.

The group was to meet last night at the home of Mrs. Hull, 1746 Manuel Ave.

USE HOT IRON

An interesting note has been voiced by the American Viscose Corporation, America's largest producer of rayon. They advise ironing rayon with a hot iron, almost as hot as one used for cottons.

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Brunch Club Plans New Sunday School Program

New Sunday School program plans for the Methodist Church were discussed at the July meeting of the Brunch Club of the church Sunday school, held last week in the church dining room.

It is hoped that the new slate will be inaugurated in the fall. Mrs. Eloise Enger, publicity chairman, said.

Morning hostesses were Mesdames R. Ransome and Neil Hopper.

MOTH PROBLEMS

Housewives face the clothes moth problem 12 months a year but it is worst in the summer when moths multiply three to five times as rapidly as during other months. Moth larvae, wormlike creatures, eat many times their weight in woolen fibers.

F. Kneislers Return from 4-Month Trip

Four-month trip to the East has ended for Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Kneisler, 1008 Anapola Ave.

The Kneislers entrained for Wichita, Kans. upon hearing of the illness of her cousin, Miss Grace V. Wilson, superintendent of music in Wichita schools for 24 years. At the end of the month, Miss Wilson died, and the Kneislers went to their next destination, LaCade, Mo., where funeral services were held.

At LaCade they visited another cousin of Mrs. Kneisler, Mrs. Laura McDonnell.

Remainder of the four-month stay was spent with Mrs. Jesse L. Martin, Mrs. Kneisler's sister, at Independence, Mo.

Service Idea Selected for PTA Program

Adapted from the California Congress of Parents and Teachers' current platform, the program committee acting for Los Angeles Tenth District and directed by Mrs. Warren D. Riley, second vice-president and director of organization department, has selected the general theme for the coming five district meeting of "We Pledge Active Service to Children and Youth."

Assisting Mrs. Riley in the setting up of general program details are Mesdames Stanley Gulliver, Lynn Nelson, David Crockett, Bernard Lockner, L. S. Baca, Harry F. Fortner and Ralph E. Lewis, president.

Plans for Oct. 2 at Hamilton High School include a panel discussion on the topic "Understanding and Loving a Night Meeting Dec. 4 at Hollywood High School will enlarge on the topic "Encouraging Spiritual Faith."

Father's Day will be celebrated with "Rededication to the Ideals of the Founders" on Feb. 19 at Dana Junior High School at their special invitation to cooperate in their 25th anniversary. A contest will be inaugurated among units in the production of original skits and pageants on the subject with the winning one to be presented at the district meeting.

"Communications" will be discussed in the field of television, radio and affiliated means under the topic of "Guidance Towards Responsible Citizenship" in conjunction with annual elections at Belmont High School on April 9.

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C. CURTIS FAMILY TRAVELS IN NEVADA

At home again, 1321 Engracia Ave., are Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Curtis and daughters, Adele and Kathie, with memories of a week's vacation in mountain climate. The Curtis family traveled through Nevada, spending some time at Lake Tahoe and Mammoth Lake.

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