

People's Column

New York Cut Invented by Ex-Idaho Man

To the Editor: Recently I became interested in the subject of various cuts of meat, so thought I'd investigate the one referred to as New York cuts. So far as I can find out (for there is much of a legendary character about it) it seems that these steaks are a special cut from certain well-bred western cattle. They first came into existence in

a fancy New York restaurant that was started and owned by a former western cattle man. These cuts are not square, but rectangular, in shape.

THE MAN who originated them came from Idaho which, if you look at the map, is narrower at its northwest than at its south. It may be said to lie from southeast to northwest.

So this cattleman in New York decided to place these steaks in a special pan, which had a compass attached to it, said steaks to lie in a southeast to northwest direction. It is said that the cattleman, when asked why this position, replied: "The prevailing winds out Idaho way are from the northwest, so I figured that the smoke from my New York steaks should roll off the pan in a similar direction."

ANOTHER THING I learned about steaks is that the New York cut is not like the Chicago cut. The latter is much larger in area and thicker, too. It is said to be so on account that Chicago has a big cattle yard, so that the freight on western cattle is less in Chicago than in New York.

Besides, New York being on the seaboard, it gets more seafood to compete with beef.

As a hobby, I have found that looking up various cuts of beef is very interesting. Maybe later I'll observe the various cuts from pigs and sheep.

AN OLD SUBSCRIBER

Florida will be painted on the teeth of about 35,000 Michigan children this summer by 54 students from U of M and Detroit University in a cooperative campaign against tooth decay. The college students are junior dentists and dental hygienists.



DR. AND MRS. E. G. LAWRENCE of Lawrence Institute of Technology, entertained the North Woods Garden club of Birmingham at the Wolverine Harness Raceway last Saturday night. A group of Birmingham residents are shown enjoying the results of the North Woods Garden club's feature race won by the nation's leading driver, Joe O'Brien.

YMCA's Mid-Year Achievements Listed

William C. Gordon, chairman of the Birmingham YMCA, this week submitted to the board of management a mid-year statement of local YMCA activities. Gordon cited the following achievements during the past season:

Membership of the Birmingham YMCA has reached 1979. A total of 113 different organized groups have been enrolled.

The youth department operated 82 different program activities in Birmingham and vicinity. Many of these took place in schools, churches, state parks and community centers.

In all, 1567 individual meetings were held with a total participation figure of over 35,000. Thirty community groups used the Birmingham YMCA building during the year.

THE DAY-Y program of crafts, swimming, canoeing, horseback riding, excursions and sports served 280 Birmingham youngsters. The purchase of a new bus for transportation to these activities was also announced.

The day nursery program, operating week days, maintained an average enrollment of 20 children under the supervision of two trained supervisors. The nursery has received a high rating by the state for proficiency.

A total of 107 different members attended camps Ohlyesa, Nissokone and Hoxo-Wentzila. In all, they spent 2510 camping days in these three summer camps.

The sum of \$202 was collected and donated to the World Service Fund.

THE ANNUAL Y's Men's club Christmas tree sale achieved a total sale of 1500 trees, with profits going toward the purchase of a new 48-passenger bus, equipping the craft shop and sponsoring 100 scholarship memberships for boys and girls.

The Christian Emphasis committee supplied church information to all new Birmingham families and cooperated in local church activities. In all, 150 persons were referred to local churches for membership.

Club activities included Y's Men, Toastmasters, Metropolitan Detroit Handicapped group, Model Building, Hi-Y clubs at Birmingham and Troy, Gray-Y clubs in the schools and the Birmingham Young Adults.

A softball league of five teams and a basketball league of eight teams were sponsored by the physical education committee.

In all, 1822 hours of service were devoted to YMCA activities by individual group leaders.

Mr. Gordon also stated that plans were afoot to be put into motion for the acquisition of funds for a permanent YMCA building in Birmingham.

★ Smile A Minute

A wealthy but elderly woman who had been a spinster most of her life had finally taken the plunge and married a man some years her junior. After she returned home from her honeymoon she was telling some friends about the trip.

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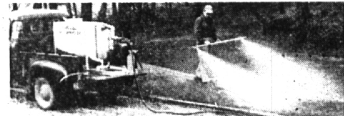
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