HARMONIST STEW

"Made by members of Harmony Society at Economy Village circa 1830."

flour

5 lbs. beef, cut in 1" squares

fat for browning

2 med. onions, chopped fine

12 cups hot water

3 tbsp. lemon juice

4 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

2 bay leaves

2 tbsp. salt

2 tsp. sugar

1 tsp. pepper

1 tsp. paprika

12 carrots, cubed

12 potatoes, cubed

Spaetzels:

2 eggs
pinch of salt
½ cup flour
water to thin

Flour and brown meat in a little fat in an iron skillet. Add onions to meat and cook briefly. Add meat and onions to a large pot containing hot water and seasonings. Add carrots to mixture. Cook for approximately 2 hours; then add potatoes. Cook for 45 minutes longer. Add spaetzels and cook (covered) for 15 minutes.

Spaetzels: Beat eggs with salt. Add flour (enough to make a thick paste). Stir well. Add water to thin (until it is the consistency of thin pancake batter). Pour mixture through a slotted spoon into bubbling stew. Put lid on pot and cook

15 minutes. Stew goes well with cole slaw and homemade bread.

Preparation:

20 min.

Can do ahead

Serves: 20

Cooking:

3 hours

Old Economy