BEEF STEW

INGREDIENTS:

*	Beef cubes	1 ½ Lb.
*	Flour	3 TBSP
*	Salt	1 ½ tsp
*	Black pepper	½ tsp
*	Garlic powder	⅓ tsp
*	Shortening	3 TBSP
*	Water	2 Cups
*	Canned tomatoes	6 oz.
*	Thyme	pinch
*	Bay leaf	1
*	Carrots	6 oz.
*	Celery	3 oz
*	Onions	3 oz
*	Potatoes	6 oz
*	Peas	¼ Cup
*	Corn	¼ Cup

METHOD:

- 1. Trim fat off beef cubes (if needed).
- Mix flour and seasonings.
- 3. Dredge beef cubes in seasoned flour.
- 4. Melt shortening and brown beef cubes in melted shortening.
- 5. Add water, tomatoes, and spices to meat.
- Cover and simmer 2 hours.
- 7. Add carrots to meat cover and simmer 15 more minutes.
- 8. Add celery and onions simmer additional 10 minutes.
- 9. Clean and dice potatoes into $1 1\frac{1}{2}$ inch pieces.
- 10. Add potatoes and simmer 20 minutes until all vegetables are tender.
- 11. Find and remove bay leaf.
- 12. Using remaining seasoned flour and equal amount of cold water mix into a smooth thickening agent and stir into stew until stew is desired thickness.
- 13. Add Peas and or corn to stew
- 14. Serve with a baking powder biscuit.

