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Mr. Henry G. Alsberg
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Dear Mr. Alsberg:

Referring to your letter of October 29, requesting certain items desired for the proposed publication entitled America Eats, I wish to state that we do have two or three outstanding items of this character. One of them concerns large gatherings in Wyoming where the serving of an especially prepared food is the chief objective; namely, fish fries.

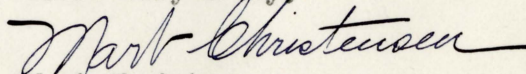
While fish fries are, of course, quite common in many western states Wyomingites contend that they cannot be excelled in the art of cooking and serving mountain trout. Whether it be true or not it is quite certain that they do it right well, particularly if it is to be on a rather stupendous scale. The townspeople of Jackson are the most noted for conducting fish fries on a large scale.

Another event of this character and perhaps the most outstanding in the state is conducted by the Sportsman's Club of Cheyenne, which gives a dinner every month to its hundreds of members when wild game constitutes the main entree. This includes sage chickens, pheasants, wild ducks, elk, antelope, and mountain trout. This wild game is prepared by members who are experts in serving wild game.

An annual picnic is held, usually in August, at Brooks lake by the stockmen of the state. The barbecued beef, prepared by expert hands, is one of the special features of the celebration.

Hoping that these three items will be sufficient for you to make a selection for our essay of those topics, I am

Yours very truly,



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