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Food chains hoping for big sales in ham biscuits

United Press International
RALEIGH, N.C. — Not too many years ago the ham biscuit was to be found only in backroad Southern diners.

It had — and has — its devoted fans. Critics, too. Some called them light as only a home-baked biscuit can be. Some said those homecooked biscuits weren't always so light.

Brace yourselves, Yankees. The fast-food industry has hold of the ham biscuit; sausage, too. In pursuit of the breakfast trade, Wendy's, Hardee's, 7-Eleven, even the golden arch crowd, have been testing them, mostly on South-erners.

There is the story of the New York girl who came to Raleigh hungry. She wanted a bagel. Her Southern friend didn't know bagels. He bought her a sausage biscuit.

It didn't look like a bagel. Biscuits are kind of white and golden — no hard crust, generally. They taste different. And there's the meat — patty or slice. Sometimes it sticks out. Sometimes it stays in.

They cost 40 cents plain, around \$1 stuffed. Size varies. Some are round as a telephone dial, a bit thicker. Others are big as a hamburger bun. But what he bought her came close to your average bagel, but no hole.

It is said, after that, she gave up bagels for biscuits — the sausage kind. Ham, too.

Maybe the fast food chains heard that story. They figured there's a market. Several are moving on the North and West.

There's the 7-Elevens. Alisa Martin, of that Dallas-based chain, says they've had sausage biscuits in their artillery for seven years. She boasts they're now in 6,700 7-Elevens in 42 states and the District of Columbia. "One of our best selling food items," she says.

The 1,250-store Hardee's chain began offering biscuits in 900 Southern outlets last year. Now biscuits account for 12 percent of sales.

"It's a resounding success," said Hardee's Ron Wertheim.

He said Hardee's western outlets are offering biscuits now. Northeastern franchises will be pushing them this spring.

McDonald's is test marketing ham and sausage biscuits in parts of Virginia and the Raleigh area. Wendy's has them here and is trying them out on Ohio.

The ultimate in biscuit mania is the 17-store Virginia-based chain called Biscuitville. The stores offer 16 kinds of biscuits, including pork tenderloin, cheese and egg. There is talk of beefsteak biscuits; fried chicken, too.

The people who speak for the chains say biscuits make sense for commuting breakfasters. They contain neither the gooey fillings of doughnuts nor the sticky icings of sweet rolls on which the quickie breakfaster has been hardened. There is only biscuit and filling, a combination that doesn't crumble or spill.

And they're simple to make, consisting mainly of milk, flour and eggs. They're filling.

Too filling, dieters may find. While a piece of toast has 70 calories, a yeast doughnut 175, the typical sausage biscuit weighs in at nearly 300.

Marjorie Donnelly, a home economist with North Carolina's agricultural extension service, says ham and sausage biscuits probably were invented by poor blacks who used starchy baked goods to fill out a meal.

Wayne Bunting, operations director for the Biscuitville chain, said Biscuitville started in 1971 when he and the other owners of a six-store pizza chain decided to sell biscuits during the hours before the pizza trade began. The flour and ovens they used for pizza crusts were easily adaptable to biscuits. Soon some of the stores were making more money selling biscuits than pizza.

In late 1977, Hardee's conducted its first tests. The company is based in Rocky Mount, N.C. Half its stores

are in six Southern states, acquainted with biscuits.

"The educational process in the Midwest and the North is more difficult, so your advertising has to explain what a biscuit is," he said.

Speaking for McDonald's, nie Skurdy said their biscuits have met with "a certain success" but may not be as big as the nation's 4,860 McDonald's.

Wendy's said it has been sweet rolls and English muffins with biscuits in Lancaster, Pa., Ohio. The company has decided yet which to sell nationwide.

One chain in the breakfast Burger King, is staying clear of biscuits for now.

"People through the country a certain expectation for biscuits said Paul Reinhard, manager of public relations. The chains keep their biscuits mulas confidential, but biscuits that works well at home.

In a large bowl, mix with 2 cups all purpose flour and 1 teaspoon salt.

1 tablespoon double-acting powder

With a pastry blender cut in lard until mixture resembles crumbs.

Add 3/4 cup milk all at once with fork until a soft dough pulls away from the sides of the bowl.

Turn dough onto a lightly floured surface and knead 6-8 times, rolling pin to lightly flatten the dough to about 1/2-inch thick for regular biscuits or about 1/4-inch thick for ones.

Cut dough with a floured biscuit cutter or glass. Press rings together by hand to add additional kneading, roll it until all dough has been used. With a spatula or pancake transfer biscuits to ungreased sheet. Set them about 1 inch for crusty biscuits or almost touching for softer ones.

Bake 12-15 minutes, or until browned in pre-heated 450° F oven. Makes 18 or more, depending on thickness.

Split biscuits, preferably rather than with knife. Inset filling — your pick of available age, ham or whatever.

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