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Main Meal

Our main meal was hash, bully beef mixed in with potatoes or a slice of bread. We didn't have plates, of course, we had our billy cans. One side was for one thing, the other side was for another, pull that out, two slices of bread was pushed in with a piece of butter. The other one was sloshed in with a piece of potato, a piece of sausage or a piece of mash. And we had our knives and forks in our top pocket and we'd go back and sit down on long forms, long bench and eat 'dup. Sometimes I think on a Sunday they would give us a piece of cake.