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Since March has been proclaim- verve in our nerves. ed national Egg Month we shall devote a little space today to team up with calcium to build some facts about eggs and also give you stme recipes.

The egg is one of our most valuable foods.' It is not only high in nutritional value but is very versatile in cooking. An egg is high in food value but moderate in calorie content. It is easily and completely digested.

Some of the vitalizing values found in eggs:

The egg furnishes complete protein. High quality protein is needed by people of all ages for building and repairing the body.

Egg protein comes so near to perfection thtt scientists use it as a standard to measure the value of protein in other foods.

The egg contains vitamins and minerals essential for health. Its Vitamin, A. makes us see

well. Its Vitamin B complex puts

Its Vitamin D and phosphorus sturdy bones and teeth.

Its iron and copper put a glow in the skin and a twinkle in the eye.

Eggs may be served in hundreds of ways. They are easily and quickly prepared by cooking in the shell, frying, broiling, bak- temperature. ing, poaching, scrambling and simple omelets.

foods. They are useful, in the preparation of beverages, breads, cakes, desserts, salads, salad dressings, sandwiches, sauces, soups; and cereal, cheese, fish, meat and vegetable dishes. In cookery, eggs:

Thicken as in custards and puddings

Leaven by beating to incorporate air as 1n cakes.

Add color, richness and flavor

to individual dishes. Coat as in breaded meats.

and soups.

Bind as in meat loaves and croquettes.

Emulsify as in salad dressings and cream puffs. Clarify as in preparation of

consomme or in "boiled" coffee. Hinder, crystallization as ; in andy making. 🕤 í "`.

Cooking hints for good results: Take from refrigerator only number of eggs needed.

The separation of yolks from whites is quicker and better if eggs are brought to about .60 de. grees F. Remove eggs from refrigerator about 45 minutes before using. Eggs beat up faster to larger

volume when brought 'to room

In combining hot mixtures and eggs as in custards, cream fill-Eggs combine well with other | ings, souffles, etc., pour the hot. mixture slowly into the beaten egg stirring or beating constantly.

Store left-over whites - in tightly covered jar in the refrigerator. They may be held a week to 10 days.

Store left-over yolks under water in a covered jar in the refrigerator. They may be held two or three days. Or hard cook the volks. Use in salads, scalloped dishes, sandwiches, etc.

Four to six whole eggs, eight to 10 egg whites, or 12 to 14 egg yolks are the equivalent of one three servings. standard measuring cup.

Always serve egg dishes on warm plates.

If freezing whole egg or egg yolks, add, to each cupful, one tablespoon corn syrup or sugar, one teaspoon salt; mix  $\mathbf{or}$ thoroughly but don't beat. Pack in freezer containers; freeze. If freezing egg whites, do not beat

but pack as is; then freeze. Before you wash-them, always Garnish as in canapes, 'salads rinse with cold water the egg beater and dish in which eggs or egg- yolks have sheen beaten or cooked. If you use hot water to start, you'll cook the egg or yolk on, making it very much more difficult to remove.

And now for some recipes useing eggs. There are few people who will refuse to eat an omelet. Here is a recipe for a

**PUFFY OMELET** 

- 4 eggs, separated
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper 1 tablespoon fat

Add salt and water to. egg and whites leave peaks when beat- dash pepper; stir into cheese. er is withdrawn. Add pepper to lemon-colored. Fold yolks into untri just hot enough to sizzle a drop of water. Pour in omelet mixture, Reduce heat. Level surface gently. Cook slowly until puffy and lightly browned on bottom, about five minutes. Lift omelet at edge to judge color. Place in slow oven (325 degrees). Bake until knife inserted into center comes out clean, 12 to 15 minutes. To serve: Tear gently, using two forks, into pie-shaped pieces. Invert "wedges" on serving plate so that browned bottom becomes the top, or omelet may be folded in half. Two to

## EGG-SALAD CASSEROLE

- 6 to 8 coarsely chopped, hardcooked eggs 1½ cups diced celery
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup broken pecans
- 1 teaspoon minced onion
- 2 tablespoons snipped parsley 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- ½ teaspoon salt

2/3 cup mayonnaise.

1/4' pound process-sharp Ameri-'can cheese, grated (one cup')

1 cup crushed potato chips 'This recipe for Rabbit Scramble is a good luncheon dish or a quickie for Sunday night supper. Your chafing dish will come in . handy here - this is a dish you

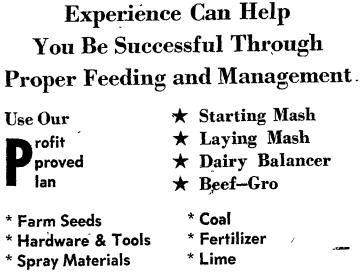
will want to keep warm until the very minute you eat it.

### RABBIT SCRAMBLE

. In double boiler, melt one tablespoon butter or margarine; add one-fourth pound grated natural sharp American cheese (one cup), stirring occasionally until melted. With fork, beat, just until blended, four eggs with onefourth cup undiluted evaporated whites. Beat until stiff and shiny milk, one half steaspoon salt, and Cook -stirring occasionally, until yolks and heat until thick and partially thickened. Add three tablespons catchup and two teaegg whites. Meanwhile heat fat spoons Wordestershire: Continue in large skillet. (10-inch diameter) ; cooking until thickened and fair-

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