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How to Wash **Electric Blankets**

Wash - don't dryclean electric blankets that you are storing for the summer. Drycleaning fluids can damage electric wiring insulation.

Before washing, disconnect all removable parts from the blanket. Follow laundering instructions if you have kept them. Most reputable manufacturers include instructions for laundering. If you do not have information on washing electric blankets, use the following guidelines:

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shake blanket to remove dust. Scrub soiled binding lightly, using a soft brush and suds. Pre-treat stains in

the same way. Soak the blanket for about 10 minutes before putting it into clean, warm suds.

Wash and rinse the blanket at the same temperature, using adequate soap or detergent and plenty of water.

Use a maximum of 3 minutes agitation or tumbling. A short spin cycle will remove most of the water and remaining moisture can be gently pressed out by

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hand. Never put an electric blanket through a wringer. Drape the blanket over two parallel lines to dry.

For hand washing, use a bathtub large enough to hold even a double blanket without crowding.

As a substitute for machine action, use a plumber's plunger to draw the suds through the fabric. This will loosen the soil and eliminate lifting and squeezing the blanket. How to Freeze Eggs

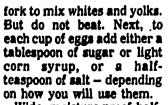
The egg is one of nature's most amazing creations. It's a high protein food that's handy, versatile and useful for preparing inexpensive lunches, suppers and snacks.

There are times, when the cost of eggs can cut a little deeper into your food dollar than usual. This is because the price of eggs tends to fluctuate with supply. When eggs are moderately priced, as they are now, freeze some for future use if you have freezer space.

When you freeze eggs, make sure to use those that are top quality, fresh, clean and well-chilled. If convenient, chill them almost to the freezing point. Then follow these easy steps."

First, wash the eggs in lukewarm water. Dry quickly. Then break the eggs, one at a time, into a cup to check quality before putting into a large bowl. Do not freeze eggs that have an odor or blood spots.

When all the eggs have been added to the bowl, use a



Wide, moisture-proof halfpint containers work well as freezing containers for eggs. Leave a half-inch head space for expansion of the eggs when they freeze. Seal tightly and label each container so you will know the quality and whether the contents were mixed with salt or sweetener.

Frozen eggs will keep well in the freezer from 6 to 8 months. To use frozen eggs, thaw under cold running water or in the refrigerator. Stir before using and do not refreeze. Thawed frozen eggs spoil rapidly so use them immediately after thawing.

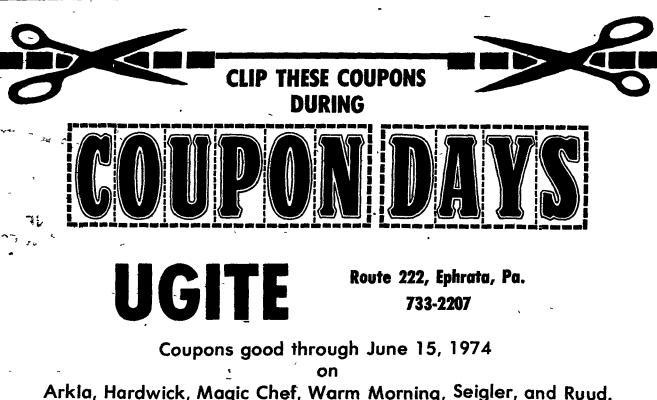
Safety Tips For Home Dry Cleaning

If you're planning to do some home dry cleaning, be careful with the solvents, because solvents, with the exception of water, are poisonous if you swallow them or if you inhale their vapors. Some solvents are also flammable.

- Work in a well-ventilated room or outdoors.

- Arrange your work so any breeze is blowing the fumes away from you.

- Do not allow small children to play on the floor in a room where you are using solvents. Vapors from



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Chester County Dairy Princess Contest Set

Princess Pageant will be held at 8 p.m., Thursday, June 20 at the Russellville Grange, Russellville, Pa. The Chester County Dairy Princess, who will be selected at the pageant, will be present at fairs, present ribbons to dairy class winners, and attend all dairyoriented functions in the

solvents are heavier than air and tend to settle down unless they're blown away. - Use only a small quantity

of solvent at a time. Avoid pouring it into an open bowl.

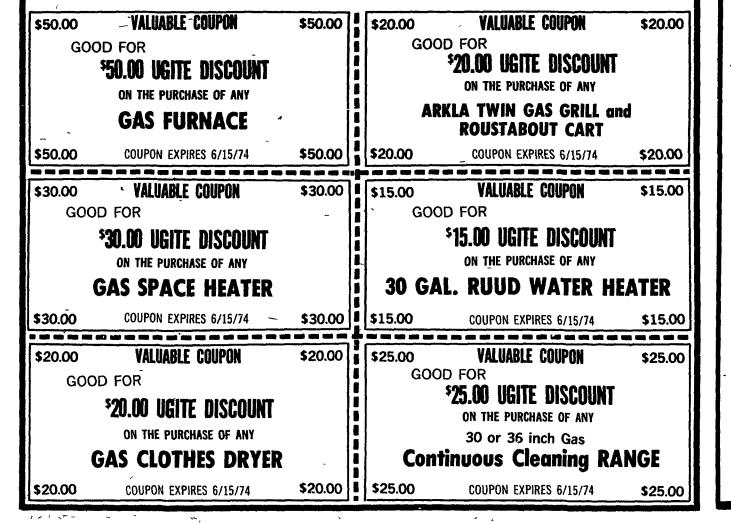
The Chester County Dairy county. The Dairy Princess will also be eligible to compete in the Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Contest to be held in Harrisburg in September.

Anyone interested in obtaining an entry blank and the contest rules should call Mr. Glenn Shirk, Associate County Agent at 696-3500. Entry blanks are to be mailed to Mrs. Betty Henley, R.D.1, Cochranville, Pa. 19330, and should be in by June 6.

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