Poultry Freezing Is Told By Expert

To save critical grain this fall and winter, the U. S. Department of Agriculture is urging farm housewives to freeze or can all non-paying boarders in the poultry flock. At this season most mature hens take a few months vacation from laying while they acquire new feathers, but they continue to eat while they loaf. Such hens average 5 to 8 pounds of feed a month, and of that feed, 3 to 5 pounds is grain that could be milled for human food. Every loafer in the flock, therefore, is a drain on the country's grain supplies.

In freezing the non-laying hen which are likely to be large and big boned, the housewife wants to avoid wasting freezer space by storing mere bone.

"Separate the meaty and the bony pieces, and remove the bones from the latter before it is frozen," advises Mary Kirkpatrick, food specialist of the Department. Miss Kirkpatrick has recently had charge of research in the home-freezing laboratories of the Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics. The purpose of which was to find the best method of freezing chicken for efficiency and good eating.

Following are directions for freezing meat from large chickens, resulting from this research:

Disjoint chickens. Separate the meaty pieces (breast, thigh, legs) to be frozen raw, and the bony pieces (wings, back, neck) to furnish meat for freezing prepared creamed chicken. To save further freezer space, remove the bone from legs and pack only the meaty portion with other meaty pieces. Or, use the meat from the legs in creamed chicken to be frozen.

Meaty pieces: for packing, select containers made of moisture and vapor resistant material, that can be sealed tightly. Use medium or small sized cartons, according to family needs. For convenience, cartons can be labeled before filling. Mark them to show contents and date. In packing, insert each cnicken piece in a fold of cel'ophane, to prevent pieces sticking together, and fit into carton compactly. Freeze anad store at 0 degree or colder. At serving time, the chicken may be cooked without preliminary thawing, for stew or fricasee.

Bony pieces: Cover bony pieces with salted water and simmer until tender. For mild seasoning, a small bag of herbs— ¼ teaspoon thyme and ¼ teaspoon of marjoram— may be added to the the stock, then separate the cooking water. Cool the meat in meat from the skin and fat. Strip the bones, trying to provide good sized pieces rather than many "scraps", and cut any large ones into uniform cubes. Then prepare as creamed chicken, using any favorite recipe. Meat from the necks, wings and backs of six hens is likely to yeald about 4½ pints of creamed chicken. Adding meat from the legs would bring the amount to eight or nine pints.

Cool the hot creamed chicken make 4 to 5 generous servings. A pint block can be thawed and heated in a double boiler in about 30 minutes. To prevent the creamed chicken from sticking to the pan, start thawing with warm water, not hot, in the lower part of the double boiler. If heating more than one block at once, use a pan large enough in diameter, so that blocks need not be stacked.

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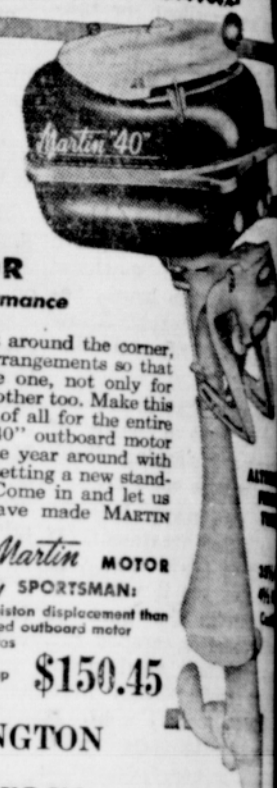

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