

Clothes Dryer Can Be Economy



EMERGENCY WASHING techniques have been moved far ahead by the development of new home laundry equipment when it is combined with new wonder fabrics. Here is a minor tragedy. Mother and daughter, dressed in their nice, white clothes are splashed by a passing car just as they are leaving home. In the old days this would mean they would have to wear second-best outfits or stay home.



SAVED!—But their dresses are made of one of the new fabrics that do not have to be ironed and mother has the most modern washing equipment. The dresses go into the washer. The dials are set. Twenty-five minutes later, this is the scene. The dresses are coming out of the washer beautifully dried. Five minutes after this, mother and daughter will have the dresses on again and will be on their way. This time they will try to avoid splashing cars.

Watch That Door

One home economist estimates that the average American family opens its refrigerator door 70 times a day in hot weather and 50 times a day the rest of the year.

Work surfaces which fold against the wall when not in use and even cooking burners which can be folded up out of the way are being used to save space in small homes.

Do you think you can't afford a clothes dryer? You may well be mistaken.

Home-laundry experts say there are a number of savings that can be made by the owner of a dryer. Many families find they do not need so many clothes. With a dryer, you can put a batch through your washer and have them dry in a jiffy. You don't have to wait on the weather. Some of the new fabrics do not even have to be ironed.

The sun and the wind are free, and you may think you save by using the extra effort needed to hang your clothes on the line. That may not be the case. Ever notice how the sun fades some of the colors? Such clothes last longer when you use a dryer, the experts say.

Families with growing children often find that dryer savings are considerable. The dryer handles diapers so quickly and easily that many families find they don't need to use a diaper service.

When older children are growing by spurts, there usually are many garments discarded because they are outgrown. With a dryer, the clothes can be washed and dried quickly and you will need fewer changes. That growing youngster can get far more wear out of each garment. Some estimates are he may need only half as many.

One study shows the amounts you may be able to save through use of a dryer.

A sample testing showed that babies in the test were clothed for an average of \$29 a year where dryers were used. In families without dryers the cost was \$75.38 a year, on the average.

A year's clothing cost for a 7-year-old boy was \$42.34 with a dryer, but averaged \$85.21 when dryers were not used. The same figures for 8-year-old girls were \$71.55 and \$125.25.

Another item is your time. Some estimates are that dryers dry clothes 15 times as fast as line-drying methods. How much is your time worth?

There's A Difference

Do you know the difference between a refrigerator and a home freezer?

A refrigerator is for temporary storage of food at cool, but above freezing, temperatures. Some of them have small freezer units.

A home freezer, on the other hand, is a mechanically refrigerated cabinet to be used for freezing fresh, ready prepared and cooked foods, and as a low-temperature pantry for their storage until used.



HOLIDAY—This young lady sits by her new refrigerator while Christmas decorations provide the holiday spirit. But her holiday will extend far beyond Christmas. She knows that new, modern, automatic appliances are taking over many of her household tasks and will mean future holidays from drudgery, as well as better living for her whole family.

Freezer And Refrigerator Team Is Solution For Food Problems

There are big freezer compartments in many of the refrigerators which have been sold in recent years. Meanwhile the separate home freezers have become popular. What happens to the freezer compartment in the refrigerator when the family purchases a separate freezer?

Some families may want and use both a compartment in their refrigerator and a separate home freezer, but some manufacturers have recognized that many people will not want to use both.

Refrigerators and freezers are now being offered in one unit. They have a full-size home freezer and a refrigerator without a freezer compartment. Another solution is a refrigerator without a freezing compartment to be used with existing home freezers.

Some of the larger frozen-food storage units in the latest refrigerators have been placed at the bottom rather than at the top of the unit.

The fact that some people have

tried to use their storage units as freezers is noted by Mrs. Pearl Haak, authority on freezing foods at the University of Kentucky. The storage units do the job for which they were intended. But most of them are not designed as quick freezing units, she says.

When large amounts of unfrozen food are placed in them, temperatures tend to rise too high. The result is slow freezing, often accompanied by discoloration of the food, softened texture and loss of food value and flavor.

She says, however, that it is possible to design a storage unit that can also be used as a quick freezer. Many manufacturers are now doing this. The dual purpose unit should have its own tempera-

One way to reduce heat in your kitchen is to use an oven with a window in the door. You don't open the door and let out heat so often when you can see what is going on.

Avoid Freezer Burn

The dry cold of the freezer draws out the moisture from poorly wrapped foods. In fruits and vegetables, color and flavor change. In meat and poultry this dehydration is called "freezer burn." Beef, for example, that is not properly wrapped is cocoa-colored, dried out, often with rancid fat instead of being red, juicy and full-flavored.

Recent developments have made smaller pilot lights available which reduce the amount of heat used for automatic lighting purposes.

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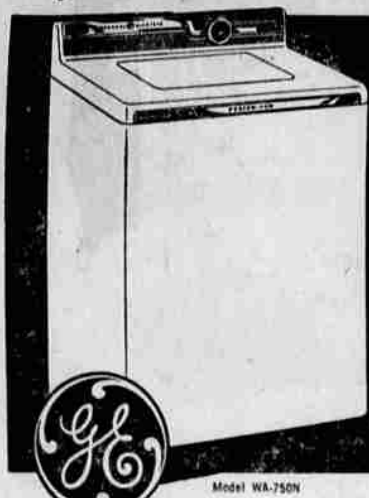
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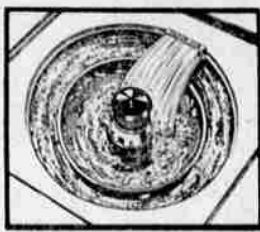


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