

Another Stained Teapot

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I wonder if you could help me in my little trouble. Our teapot is making the tea taste very strong and bitter. It is an aluminium one. The trouble was caused I think, during lambing-time, when my husband, being up very early, made tea and used to stand the pot on a hot place on the stove. When I got up, it usually was boiling, but he didn't seem to realise that it was doing any harm! So how can I clean it please? I am a young housewife with four small children and find your many hints very helpful. I am enclosing a sandwich filling recipe which we like very much. It is very good for picnic lunches, etc.:-

TOMATO AND CHEESE PASTE

Four large tomatoes, skinned and chopped fine, 1 medium onion, chopped fine. Cook together till tender with a piece of butter, salt and pepper to taste, and a little sugar if liked, 2 oz. grated cheese, 2 oz. breadcrumbs (soft) rubbed fine, 1 beaten egg. Add egg to cooked tomato and onion, remove from stove, and add cheese and breadcrumbs. Mix well. Use when cold.

"A Young Link," Rangiora.

You could try cleaning the teapot inside with a mop dipped in a mixture of vinegar and salt, or lemon-juice and salt. If the mop won't go in, tie a piece of rag on a stick, or something like that. Also cut up a lemon, put the slices in the pot and fill up with cold water, then stand it in a saucepan of water and heat it, letting it stand some hours. For the spout, you should pack it with salt and leave it overnight, then scald it thoroughly clean. Thank you for the sandwich filling—very tasty.

Cleaning Stained Hands

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I am writing in to help the listener, "L.W.R." Blenheim, who has trouble getting the shellac non-slip polish off her hands. All I use is a good handful of washing soda in a bucket of real good hot water, and I wash the cloth I use and my hands as soon as I do my floors, and they are as clean as anything. I have used the same cloth time and again for doing my floors. Hope this will help her.

"Another 'Listener' Reader," Forest Hill.

Ginger Beer

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I am writing to send you the enclosed recipe of a very refreshing drink which I have just found and made for my family. It is so easy to make, inexpensive and ready in two days. By leaving out the ginger, it makes a nice lemon drink.

Ginger Beer: Two quarts cold water. 2 cups sugar, 2 teaspoons compressed yeast, 1 tablespoon ground ginger (I use less), 1 teaspoon lemon flavouring, 2 teaspoons citric acid. Stir all together and bottle, very tightly. The yeast is sold here by the ounce in bakers' shops.

"Mother," Oamaru.

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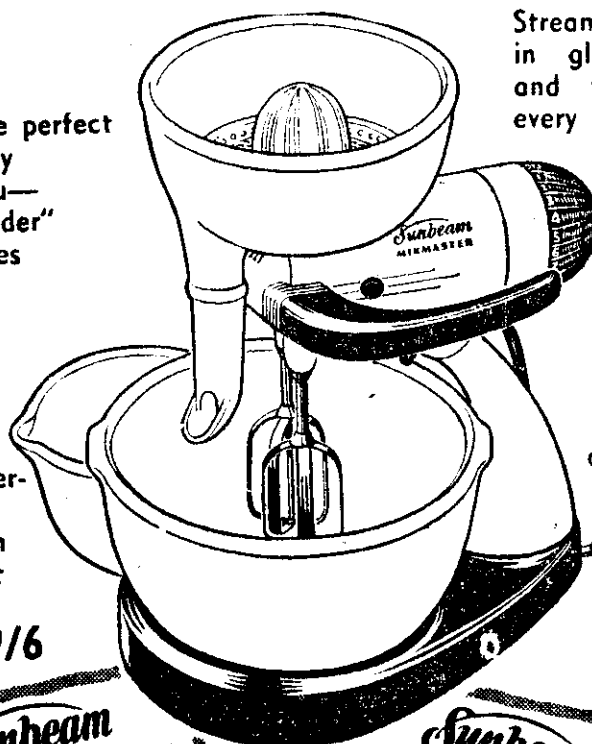


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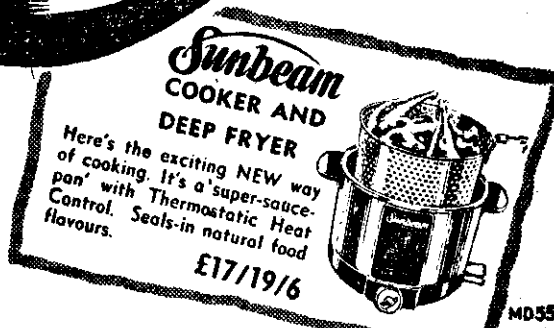
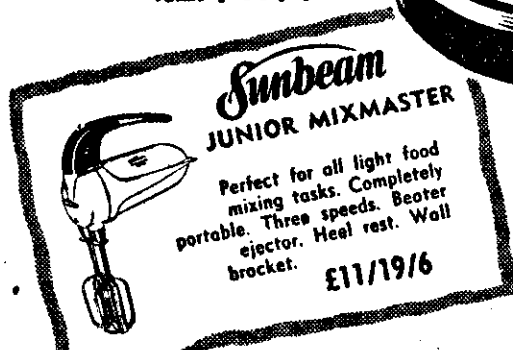
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