

when baked. Bake 20 to 30 minutes. Just before the pastry is done brush it over with the white of an egg, sift over castor sugar and put it back in the oven to colour.

Pumpkin Cheese Pie

Two cups cooked sieved pumpkin, 1 cup cottage cheese (or cream cheese bought in packets), $\frac{3}{4}$ cup brown sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup white sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon each of ginger and cinnamon, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon nutmeg, 1 large egg, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk, rich pie-crust. Combine pumpkin, cheese, sugar and spices, egg beaten

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slightly and milk. Line deep pie-plate with the crust rolled thin. Pour in the pumpkin-cheese mixture. Bake in hot oven for 15 minutes, then reduce heat to 350 degrees and bake until pie is firm in centre when a sharp knife is inserted (35 minutes or so). Like a custard tart.

Pumpkin Fritters

Two cups cooked mashed pumpkin, 1 cup flour, 1 egg, level teaspoon baking soda, pinch salt. Mix pumpkin, flour and salt, stir in beaten egg, then baking soda. Must be very stiff batter. More flour may be added if not thick enough. Fry spoonfuls in boiling fat. Drain and serve with sugar and powdered cinnamon, or lemon juice.

Pumpkin Jam (Good)

Five pounds pumpkin, $4\frac{1}{2}$ lb. sugar, 2 oranges, 1 lemon, 1 teaspoon ground ginger, pinch cayenne pepper, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon citric acid. Cut pumpkin into $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch squares, cover with sugar and stand all night. Put oranges and lemon through mincer, catching juice. Add all to pumpkin. Boil slowly till clear. Add sugar. Stir till dissolved. About $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before taking up add pepper and citric acid. Test.

FROM THE MAILBAG

To Stiffen Ribbon

Dear Aunt Daisy,

With regard to the lady's request as to how to stiffen the ribbon of a Salvation Army bonnet, her idea of pressing with wax paper will help, but with a ribbon of such heavy quality, I doubt that it will benefit very much. As a milliner, I would suggest this listener purchase a tin of "Stiffener" (either ribbon or straw), which should be available from any "Do It Yourself" hat-bars in the bigger stores. Attach one end of the ribbon to bench or table by a pin and paint the ribbon on both sides; allow to dry. Pressing is then unnecessary, as this tends to make the ribbon shiny.—D.D., Mt Albert

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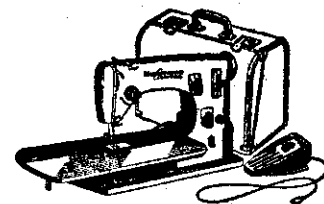
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