

Farm Women

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SOCIETY 2

Farm Women, Society 2, held their Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Marlin Hosler, Manheim R4, on Saturday.

Mrs. Sadie Shenk read Scripture and members expressed their Christmas wishes (good health, peace, etc.) when answering the roll call.

Mrs. Earl Petticoffer presided over the business meeting. Delegates for the Harrisburg State Convention in January are Mrs. Marlin Hosler, Mrs. Jay Witmer, Mrs. Abner Brandt and alternate Mrs. Alvin Graybill.

The society voted donations to the TB Society, a local family and other gifts of groceries and cookies. The Sunshine Committee packed a fruit basket for a shut-in.

Each society member made a small angel with materials purchased by Mrs. Sara Kline. Gifts for children, secret sisters and the gift exchange were all distributed.

Money gifts were presented to Mrs. Earl Petticoffer and Mrs. Jay Witmer who have just completed two years in office as president and secretary, respectively.

1969 yearbooks and oranges were distributed to each member. Refreshments were homemade cookies contributed by the members.

● For The Farm Wife

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casionaly. Makes about 7½ cups.

HOLIDAY CANDIED CITRUS PEEL

3 cups citrus peel, cut into strips from:
4 to 5 medium oranges, OR
6 medium lemons, OR
2 medium to large grapefruit, OR 8 to 9 large tangerines

12 cups cold water
2½ cups sugar
½ cup honey
1¾ cups boiling water

To prepare peel wash fruit, score peel into quarters. Remove sections of peel with fingers; cut into uniform strips about ¾ inch wide. Boil peel with 6 cups cold water uncovered for 10 minutes, drain and rinse. Repeat process with 6 cups fresh water. If you are preparing tangerine peel, omit second boiling. In large saucepan combine 1½ cups sugar, honey and boiling water; bring to a boil and boil 1 minute. Add cooked, drained peel and briskly simmer until almost all of syrup has been absorbed, about 30 to 40 minutes. In large bowl, toss drained peel with remaining 1 cup sugar to coat well. Spread out on waxed paper to dry. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 1 pound.

● Have You Heard?

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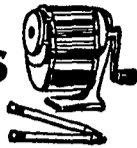
satin, handle the fabric as though it had a nap. Although satin has no obvious pile or nap, light reflection on its surface gives it a sheen. This sheen is due to the weave which provides long lustrous threads on the surface. Because the sheen reflects light differently when in different positions, place and cut all pattern pieces in the same direction just as you would corduroy or velveteen.

Canadian-Style Bacon

Don't overcook sliced Canadian-style bacon, cautions Mrs. Ruth J. Buck, Penn State extension foods and nutrition specialist. Add a little butter or margarine to the pan you use for heating this lean meat, and cook carefully. Overcooking makes the bacon too dry.

Correspondence

Courses



College students in two-year programs of agriculture and natural resources increased 32 percent nationally this fall to an all-time high of 14,000, says Jerome K. Pasto, associate director of resident education in agriculture at The Pennsylvania State University.

Growth of the two-year technical programs is taking place at many kinds of institutions, Dr. Pasto reports. In 1967, 181 community colleges, institutes, and four-year colleges had 462 such programs.

The College of Agriculture at Penn State has two-year programs in forest technology and in agricultural business. Enrollment went up 25 percent this fall over last year in forest technology.

Graduates of two-year programs are finding increasing amounts of employment in positions sometimes held by graduates of four-year curriculums. This change has occurred gradually as increasing numbers of four-year students go directly into graduate school. In many instances the shortage of employees seems to be filled adequately by two-year graduates, Dr. Pasto indicates.

He cites Bureau of Labor statistics showing that an increase of 650,000 two-year technicians in all fields is occurring from 1963 to 1975. He obtained his information as a member of a committee appointed by the National Academy of Sciences to study two-year college programs.

Predictions are, he adds, that more than 50 percent of all high school graduates will find their careers in the "middle manpower" fields for which two years of training beyond high school is the desired level.

Myths About Male Holly, Mistletoe

If your holly plant doesn't produce berries, don't be alarmed. It's probably a male holly plant.

Neither man or mother nature can produce a holly plant with both male and female flowers. "Only female plants produce berries repeatedly," says horticulturist Frank R. Gouin, University of Maryland Extension Service. "Berries are occasionally found on some male plants, but these fruits do not contain live seed."

Mistletoe — that holiday cupid — is actually a parasite living on deciduous trees.

"Generally, it grows on tops of trees — as oaks — as small, tight bunches about one to three feet across," points out Mr. Gouin. "As the trees become dormant in fall, mistletoe loses its lush-green color and turns yellowish-green."

Up until the manufacturing of plastic mistletoe, much of the mistletoe sold commercially was picked in Oklahoma.

Home Sewing

Home sewing reached a new peak in 1967 with about 300 million garments being made, twice as many as were made in 1960, according to a report from the Woman's Program of the New York State Department of Commerce. It's estimated that 40 million women and teenagers did the sewing.

Hurricane Tragedies

NEW YORK—Eighteen Americans lost their lives in hurricanes in 1967, the Insurance In-

formation Institute reports. Hurricanes have killed more than 5,000 persons in the last 50 years, including 1,836 in 1928, the worst year on record.

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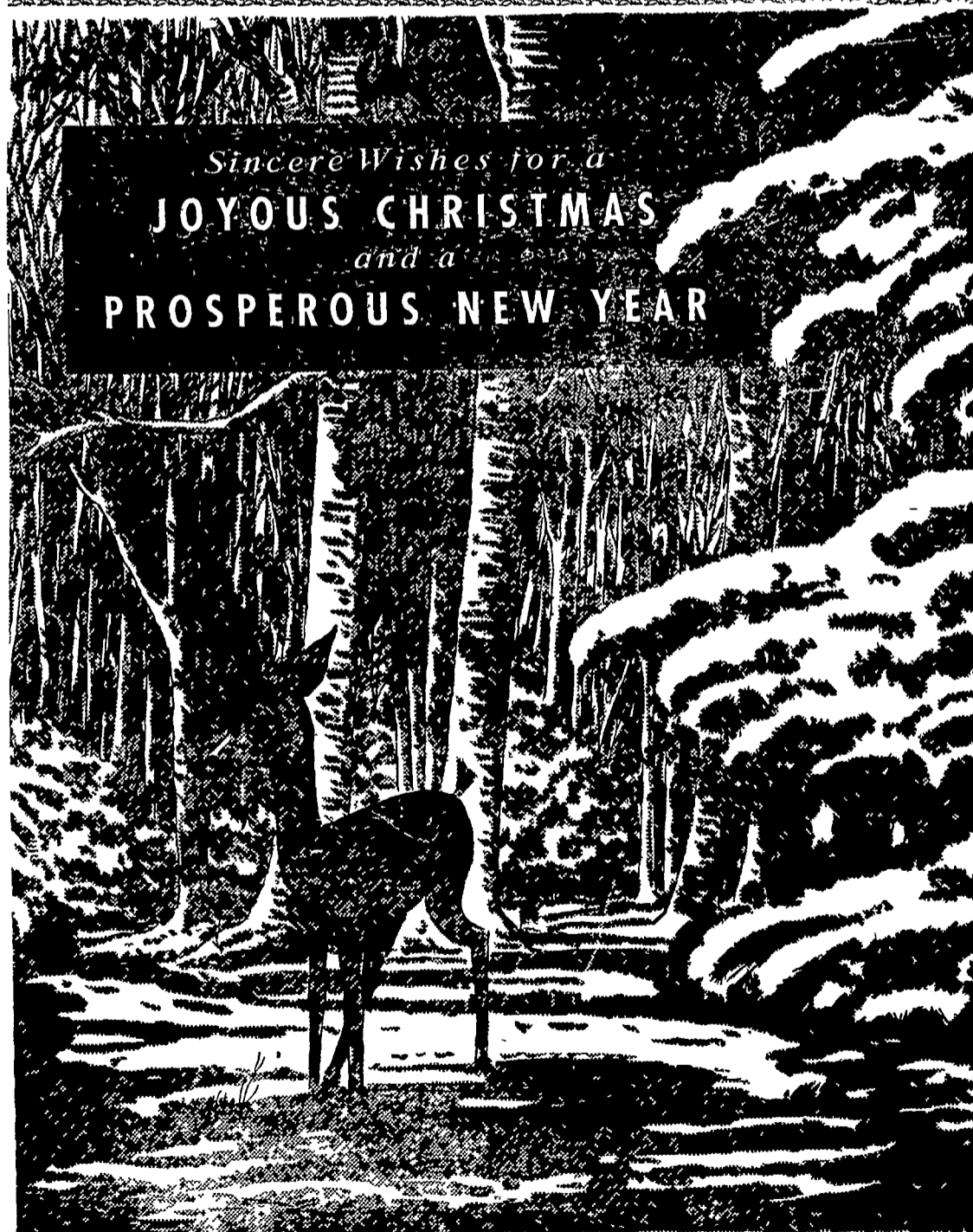
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