

Some boots are the indoor type. They are meant to be soft and warm and witty to go with colorful "at-home" clothes. Here's a jaunty pair for the holidays, made of felt with rick rack and bias tape trimming. The style is suitable for the whole family and the pattern easily adaptable to a wide size range. Make a single boot to hold night-before-Christmas gifts. Free instructions are available by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Needlework Editor of this newspaper along with your request for Leaflet PPE 869.

## Correspondence Courses



### Learn Farm Butchering

Farm butchering is a festive occasion. Friends and neighbors often join in the day long work and revelry.

For colonial farmers it was the season's final foodgathering activity. Today, butchering of livestock is still an important source of the farm family's winter meat supply.

According to a Pennsylvania State University correspondence course on dressing and curing meat on farms, there are several criteria to be followed.

Select only healthy animals for slaughter.

Choose animals gaining weight rapidly, avoid those in poor condition.

Use young animals for slaughter: cattle two years of age, no less than six to eight months, sheep six to twelve months.

Give animals all the water they want but keep them quiet and without feed for 24 hours previous to slaughter.

Have good equipment and sharp knives.

To learn the various cuts of meat and how to cure hams, prepare sausage, scrapple and liverwurst send your name and address with \$3.85 to Farm Butchering, Box 5000, University Park, Pennsylvania 16802. Make checks to Penn State. There are no other charges and a complete course copy comes to you by mail.

## Ladies, Have You Heard? . . .

By Doris Thomas, Extension Home Economist



Under the proper conditions any fabric — those used for clothing or household furnishings — will burn. Remember this when you choose household textiles as well as clothing for your family.

Fatal or near fatal accidents can happen when people are careless with fire. Children's clothes often become ignited when they're playing with matches. Elderly people often catch their clothing on fire when they're around a cooking or heating stove or when burning trash.

Careless smoking habits are the cause of most clothing or bedding fires among adults. Another common way for clothing to catch fire is when such flammable liquids as gasoline, kerosene or lighter fluids are spilled on clothing, then ignited.

All fabrics don't burn to the same degree. The degree of flammability depends upon the fiber, weight, and weave of the fabric, surface of the fabric and design of the garment.

Fabrics which are sheer, lightweight or loosely woven burn more readily than heavy, tightly woven fabrics. Napped fabrics with an spaces between loose, fine fibers tend to burn quicker than tightly woven fabrics.

Garments which fit loosely, such as housecoats, robes, full loose sleeves burn more quickly than tight fitting garments.

When a person's clothing catches fire, the first impulse is to run, but this only makes the fire burn faster. The correct thing to do is to drop to the floor or ground and roll up in a rug, blanket, coat or heavy garment.



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If one of the above articles is not available, roll on the ground or floor until the flames are extinguished.

Widespread use of household equipment has reduced the drudgery in our homes. But it has also increased hazards to family safety.

About 25,000 persons each year are injured when using heaters, ranges, washers, and power mowers, according to the (Continued on Page 22)

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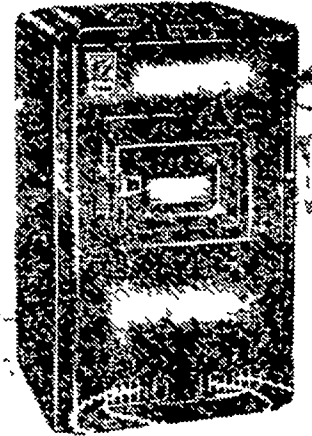


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