

Correspondence



It's Home Improvement Time

'It's Spring' Almost — and that means home improvement time. Your plan may be as simple as a fresh coat of paint or as elaborate as a plan for remodeling. Whatever your plans are for making home improvements, you'll want to know the right way to avoid costly mistakes.

Two courses to guide you in making improvements around your home are available from The Pennsylvania State University. One course titled Improving House and Grounds gives practical ideas for making homes more livable and home grounds more attractive. In addition to a discussion on remodeling and seven steps to more beautiful home grounds, efficient planning of bathroom, kitchen, and storage areas is discussed. The course sells for \$2.65.

The other course is House Furnishings and begins with a discussion on planning. It continues with color, texture arrangement, lighting, windows, accessories and carpet and rugs. This course sells for \$3.45.

If bought together, you may have both courses for \$5.50. You'll want to study both courses, if you plan to redecorate, remodel, or add furnishings to your home. Make check or money order payable to Penn State and send to Home Improvement, Box 5000, University Park, Pennsylvania 16802.

Chair Caning

Chair caning is a hobby you might like to investigate. You can learn to repair your own cane-seated chairs and save money, according to specialists with the Cooperative Extension Service of The Pennsylvania State University. At the same time you'll have the satisfaction of doing something different and having fun doing it.

Also you could become so skilled at repairing your own chairs that you'd be interested in caning for others and thus develop some income.

To learn the principles of chair caning, you can study the well-illustrated guide book titled, "Repairing Chair Seats With Cane." It's available for a small fee from The Pennsylvania State University.

For a copy of the chair caning booklet with easy-to-follow and complete instructions, send your name and address with 25 cents plus six percent Pennsylvania sales tax to CHAIRS, Box 6000, University Park, Pa. 16802. Your copy will be mailed promptly.

At this time of the year many little pigs and lambs are being born on our farms. It is very important to provide dry, warm, and draft free quarters for these young animals for the first several days, for the little pig, it is best to give them special care for several weeks because they cannot adjust to cold, damp quarters as rapidly as the lamb or the new-born calf. If there is not any supplemental heat in the barn at the time of birth, the use of heat lamps in the restricted pen or area is strongly recommended. Be sure the lamp is securely fastened so that it will not fall into the bedding, and be certain that the animal cannot get to the lamp or the electric wires to the lamp. Special care at this time of the year will end with greater net returns on the enterprise.

County Farm Women Hold Board Meeting

Following a recent meeting of the executive board of the Society of Farm Women of Lancaster County, it was announced that Mrs. Glenn Myer, Kirkwood, second vice president, has been appointed to replace Mrs. E. Robert Nolt, who recently resigned, as representative to the Farm and Home Center board of directors.

RESOLUTIONS

During an evaluation of the State Convention, Mrs. John N. Hess, County president, suggested that each Society send a copy of the adopted resolutions, with the members' signatures, to state representatives to inform them of the stand taken by the Farm Women of Pennsylvania.

Resolutions emphasized conser-

vation of natural and historical resources, patriotism, drug abuse and concerns about food and nutritional deficiencies caused by elimination of natural substances in some foods by the manufacturing processes.

Each of the 30 county societies, comprising approximately 1,000 members, is to try to apply these resolutions in the local situation.

The board is considering the Conestoga Valley Association along with the Mental Health Society as the county project for next year. A definite decision will be made at the next meeting in April.

Mrs. Hess was given a vote of confidence for making immediate decisions on behalf of the Society when time does not permit an executive session. In the future, emergency requests will be handled with the support of the executive board, after verification.

Mrs. Nolt, Mental Health chairman, reported that 160 pairs of socks were purchased for patients at Embreeville State Hospital with the sum of \$265.00

given by society members. The remaining \$18.00 will be placed in the Lancaster County fund for recreation use.

The 53rd annual convention of the Society of Farm Women of Lancaster County is scheduled for Nov. 7. Serving on the program committee are Mrs. Aaron Denlinger, Society 7, chairman; Mrs. Scott Garman, 11, Mrs. William Heisey, 8; Mrs. Elam Hess, 20, and Mrs. Jack Henderson, 25.

The problem of large amounts of snow on house and barn roofs this winter has been quite common; as this melts and then refreezes, the eave trough and spouts get full of ice, with ice dams also on the roof. When further thawing occurs, water may be backed up under the shingles and into the interior of the house. When this condition is present, it is very difficult to do much about it at the time except to try and open some of the roof dams. However, a well insulated house will reduce the amount of roof thawing and therefore, less ice. Also, the use



by Dudley Rohrer

The Central 4-H Tractor Club held its third meeting Tuesday evening, Feb. 10 at Landis Bros., Inc., Lancaster.

Three demonstrations were given by members of the club. They were: Roger Pherrien on power-take-off and why you should always have shields covering PTO; Ed Leaman on the reason for having an air cleaner and Lynn Royer on proper fuel mixture.

Two new members joined the club at the meeting.

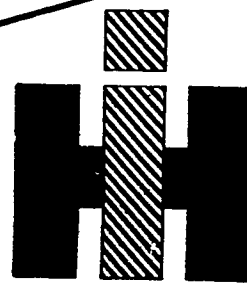
The next meeting will be held Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 7.30 at Landis Bros.

of electric heating cable placed along the edge of the roof and in the trough, will melt channels through which the melting snow can escape. This cable needs to be energized only when the ice forms after a thawing day.

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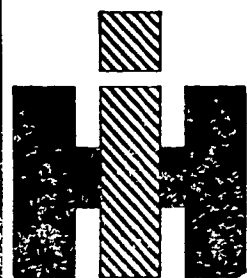
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