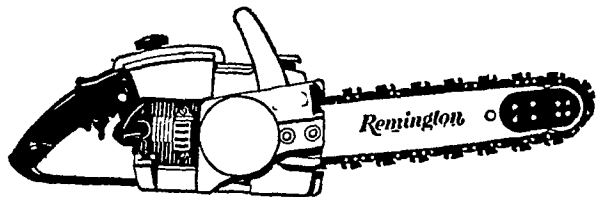


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**Farm Women Calendar**

Saturday, February 20

9 a.m.—Farm Women Society 8, home of Ada Greider, Mt Joy RD1.

7 p.m.—Farm Women Society 29, Attend Hockey Game at Hershey, Meet at Crossroads Brethren in Christ Church, Mount Joy

Farm Women Society 3, home of Mrs Donald Graybill, Stevens RD1.

Farm Women Society 23, Husband's Banquet, Brownstown Restaurant

Tuesday, February 23

Farm Women Society 23, Bus Excursion to the Governor's Mansion and Hershey Medical Center.

Farm Women Society 27, home of Mrs Roy Sauder, Mount Joy RD2.

Thursday, February 25

10 a.m.—Auction Sale, Farm and Home Center.

7:30 p.m.—Farm Women Society 28, Spring Fashion Show, Strasburg Fine Hall.

Farm Women Society 11, home of Mrs Herman Shirk, Quarryville RD2

Saturday, February 27

1:30 p.m.—Farm Women Society 4, home of Mrs Victor Koser, Mount Joy RD1

Farm Women Society 27, home of Mrs Isiah McFarland

Yesterday, I took an early morning walk up our lane and through the fields. If there were animals about, they saw me before I saw them.

The Conestoga was muddy and swollen from a recent thaw. Our meadow is flooded several times a year when it overflows its banks.

This particular morning, I wanted to see the exact spot where the old Peters Road crossed the creek. It forms a boundary of our farm and is the "oldest road to the west." With imagination, you can almost see the drivers urging their teams up the banks from the creek as there was no bridge at this spot.

The road is no longer open, but my father tells me he drove his horse and buggy across when going to church many years ago. One time the water was too high and he got a scare as the animal scrambled for footing and had to swim across.

Do other farm wives enjoy chasing pigs as much as I do? We've had a few amiable ones over the years, but many are just plain cantankerous.

Recently, we tried to load four in a rain and sleet storm. It took half the family to accomplish the feat. They were determined, but so were we.

When the job was finished, we all were a muddy bedraggled looking group.

We will certainly enjoy those



By Ida Risser

If I had to give up an appliance this winter, it would not be my dryer. I'd sooner do the dishes for eight people by hand.

When my fourth child was born and the oldest was only seven, I decided a dryer was needed.

Some women say hanging wash on the line is the only opportunity they have to get out of the house. I can find many things to do besides freezing my fingers.

Dryers are wonderful, but I concede a washing machine is more important, as I remember the hand-operated kind!

**FARM WOMEN SOCIETIES**

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toward the support of a needy family in the Philippines.

On March 13 Society 15 will be guests at a covered dish luncheon at 1 p.m. at the Leacock Presbyterian Church. The speaker, Mr. Eugene Saylor, will show pictures on "This Enchanting World."

**Society 17**

Members of Society of Farm Women 17 were asked during a recent meeting to write to NASA headquarters urging officials to permit the astronauts to read the Bible during future space flights.

Mrs. Esther Kreider and Mrs. Betty Sinclair served as co-hostesses of the meeting held at the home of Mrs. Grace Pollock, New Providence RD1.

The meeting was designated by the program committee as a backward meeting, thus refreshments were served first.

Mrs. Jacob Gicker gave a book review on Norman Rockwell. A large book containing his paintings was on display.

The Child Development Center received a majority of the members votes for the county project.

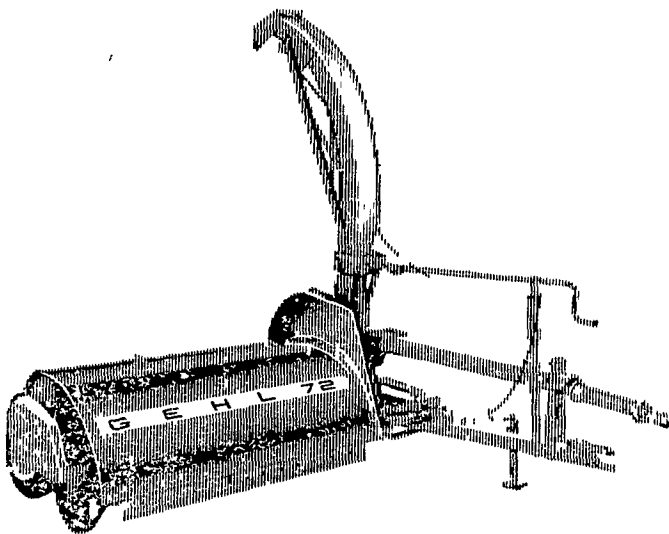
Mrs. Everett Kreider, president, reminded the women of the sale at the Roots County Auction February 25. Proceeds will help to reduce the debt on the Farm and Home Center.

Members will take homemade foods to the Valley Forge Veterans Hospital February 16.

The March meeting of the group will be a covered dish to be held at the home of Mrs. Everett Kreider, Quarryville RD 1.

Miss Joan Lucas of the extension staff will be the guest speaker and will give a blender demonstration.

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