

Ladies, Have You Heard?

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What's New In Blenders?

Blenders continue to grow in popularity. Over five and one-half million blenders were sold in 1970.

Blender containers with handles and measuring marks on the side are a popular feature, as are larger capacity containers such as 6-cup or 48-ounce capacity.

The lower silhouette of new blenders makes it easier to use the appliance at kitchen-counter height.

Speeds of blenders vary from 2 to 16. The various settings take the guesswork out of blending. Some speeds are identified as stir, puree, whip, grate, mix, chop, grind, blend, liquefy. Other blenders have speeds indicated by number.

Many models have momentary on/off switches for maximum control during quick chopping and blending processes.

One blender model has its own spatula that attaches inside the container and lets you scrape down the ingredients during the blending operation. This feature helps assure you of uniform consistency in the foods you are blending.

Convenient timers eliminate the guesswork and clock-watching needed with blenders without the timer.

One of the latest blender features is a cool and stir feature. It has a heating element which can cook such foods as sauces, gravies, hot drinks, and even popcorn. Since the temperature rises to 375 degrees, you can even bring raw potatoes to a boil, cook them until tender, and then blend them all in the same container.

Because there are so many models of blenders on the market and so many features to consider, shop for the one that will do the jobs you have in mind for a blender.

Remember, that no blender is designed to take the place of your electric mixer.

And to get maximum use out of this appliance, keep it out where you'll use it.

What Length Skirts?

If you're wondering what to do about the length of your hemlines, fashion experts say — do as you choose. Do what is right for the occasion, the place, the activity, your mood, above all, your figure.

Both short and long skirts share the fashion spotlight. So, you have a choice ranging from above the knee to below the calf. The best fashion philosophy for now is to wear the length you like. Perhaps your wardrobe will include a variety of lengths.

A wardrobe of lengths may have last season's minis turned into tunics, short skirts just above the knee, the newest length of just-below-the-knee, the midi length at midcalf or



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the maxi — the full length to the shoe top.

Along with the hemline wardrobe variety, you also have the choice of short or long jackets, and short or long pants varying from wide midcalf-length to long and narrow silhouettes.

Actually, proportion rather than length is the key factor in fashion. Whatever length you choose, discover how to proportion your clothes to your own body.

Proportion also applies to the component parts of a costume. For example, as longer skirts hide the legs, the neckline becomes more important and more uncovered. And designers feature a variety of necklines—bateau, deep "V", and rounded styles.

As hemlines go down, sleeves receive new emphasis. And waistlines become a rediscovered focal point of the costume.

What skirt length should you wear? It's up to you and your figure.

Farm Women Societies

Society 3

Farm Women Society 3 held their annual family picnic in Walters Grove near Hopeland. Seventy members and friends attended.

The main feature was the noon meal consisting of steamed clams, fresh sweet corn from the farms, baked potatoes, plus salads and desserts prepared by members. Mrs. Erla Gehman, program committee chairman, and her staff were in charge of arrangements assisted by chefs Robert Gregory and Jesse Balmer.

A short business meeting was conducted by Mrs. Clarence Stauffer, vice president. Society 3 will participate at the Ephrata Fair serving food at their usual stand on Main Street.

Tentative arrangements are in progress for a bus trip to historical places including Harrisburg and vicinity. No definite data has been set for the event to take place during August.

There were games for the children during the afternoon conducted by Misses Susie and Theresa Hollinger and Miss Cordelia Eberly. The picnic ended with a tasty evening meal and the decision to engage the Grove for the 1972 picnic.

The next meeting will be held August 21 in the social room of Salem Lutheran Church, Ephrata, when the Northern Lancaster County 4-H groups will be entertained. Mrs. Donald Graybill will serve as hostess.

Society 8

Farm Women Society 8 entertained Society 16 on Saturday, July 17 at the home of Mrs. Herbert Sarver. A total of 40 members and guests were present.

Mrs. Lloyd Derr was in charge of the meeting. Devotions were in charge of Mrs.

Hungary, Sweden, Germany, Italy and China.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Paul Witman, Mrs. Herbert Sarver, Mrs. W. Scott Heisey, Mrs. Norman Garber, Mary Sheaffer and Jennie Rittle.

The next meeting of Society 8 will be held at 2 p.m. September 18 at the Chiques United Methodist Church, Mount Joy RD2.

Society 29

Farm Women Society 29 had a Hobo party when they met Monday at the home of Mrs. Jay Bixler, Marietta RD1. Serving as cohostesses were Mrs. Richard Garber, Mrs. Robert Denlinger, Mrs. Elvin Breneman and Mrs. Larry Sawadsky.

Mrs. Robert Denlinger was in charge of the opening. Mrs. Dale Hiestand, president, was in charge of the business session. Mrs. John M. Heisey, Mount Joy RD2, was initiated as a new member.

Following the hobo theme each member told the "dirtiest

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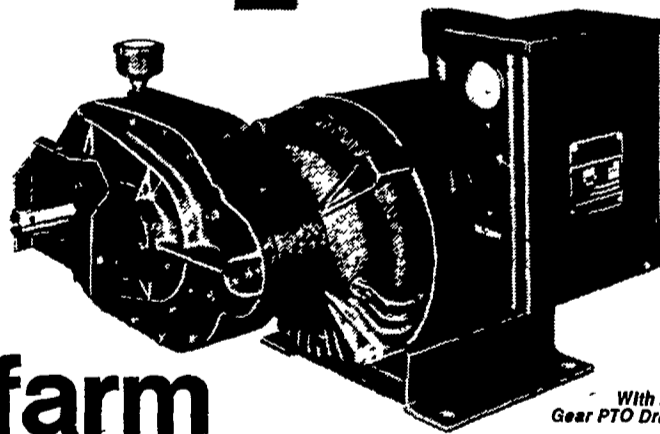


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