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Last month we took a short trip through the Pocono Mountains and into New York state. On our way to Lake Wallenpaupack we traveled by woods with beautiful pink laurel, woods that smelled fresh from a recent shower; woods with Guernsey-colored deer grazing at the edge; and woods with rippling streams, green fern banks and chipmunks who hid under huge rocks.

We were satisfied to simply watch the water-skiers on the lake and admire the different sizes of sailboats that glide by. However, we did take a cruise at sunset.

The following day we explored Ice Cave Mountain near Ellenville, N. Y. The caverns and nature trails contain unusual rocks and minerals. The top of the mountain has a unique lake whose source of water is unknown. We were lucky enough to have fine weather which added to our enjoyment.

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We live in a rather isolated spot and therefore don't find it necessary to pull the shades at night. Although, sometimes I'd find green or yellow eyes staring in the window at me. They belonged to kittens who climbed the arborvitae trees and walked

across the porch roof.

From now on they won't be able to do this as my son cut them down. You see, we expected them to grow only a few feet when we planted them, but instead they became huge and cut off the view of the meadow.

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As I grab my favorite hoe on the way to replanting my garden, due to the flood, I see rows of overalls on the backporch line. Each year the legs get longer until by this time I'm not sure which pair belongs to which boy or girl.

They say you can tell the kind of job a person does by the patches on the pants. The ones I hang up are patched front and back and only tell me they are well-worn.

Largest Planet

Jupiter is the largest planet in our solar system, with an equatorial diameter of 88,000 miles. Its rotational speed is amazing as it carries a point on its equator along at a speed of 22,000 miles an hour, as compared with 1,000 miles an hour for a point on the earth's equator.

Farm Women Societies

Society 1

The Society of Farm Women 1 held a covered dish supper at the Middle Creek Church of the Brethren July 6. Twenty-five members and their families attended the event.

Mrs. Graybill Hollinger, president, conducted a brief business meeting. Society members voted to donate \$10 to the Warwick Chapter of the American Field Service (AFS).

Mrs. Hollinger announced two appeals, one from the Red Cross for home knitted sweaters and beanies and for S & H Green stamp for Camp Easter Seal.

Persons interested in knitting may contact Richard Barr at the Red Cross and those desiring to donate stamps may contact Mrs. Paul Witman, Mt. Joy RD2.

Mrs. Daniel Brubaker announced that the Farm Women's Campout will be held at Camp Swatara August 26, 27 and 28. A fee of \$12 will be charged. Interested women may call Mrs. Brubaker, 733-7425.

Miss Rachel Bollinger reported that she, Mrs. Paul Kurtz and Mrs. Noah Kreider will visit Conestoga View, Lancaster on July 15 and serve refreshments to the guests there.

The following society members will visit the patients at Embreville State Hospital: Mrs. Kreider, Mrs. Joseph Russell, Mrs. Martin Moore, Mrs. Scott Garman, Mrs. George Zahn, Mrs. Elmer Hershey, Mrs. Ira Shearer and Mrs. Roy Brubaker.

Mrs. Hollinger announced that the County Picnic will be held Wednesday, August 2 at Central Manor Campgrounds. A covered dish luncheon will be served at 12 noon.

Society 6

Farm Women Society 6 donated \$100 to the Salvation Army for victims of the flood relief at its recent meeting held

at the Church of the Brethren, Elizabethtown.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Mrs. James Hostetter. She spoke on flower arranging.

The president, Mrs. Vera Shank, appointed Mrs. Melton Eberly, Mrs. Eva Parrett and Mrs. Laura Snyder to the nominating committee.

Mrs. Esther Frey led the devotions and Mrs. Samuel Myer and Miss Estella Coble hosted the meeting.

The Society made plans to entertain the county patients at Harrisburg State Hospital on July 20. Mrs. Charles Rise was elected to represent the group at the County Convention as the Farm Woman of the Year.

The next meeting will be a covered dish supper at Milton Grove Sportsmen's Club. The group will entertain County Officers at this event.

Society 11

Farm Women Society 11 met recently with Mrs. William Johnson, Oxford. The regular business meeting was called to order by vice-president Mrs. Loren Bucher.

Plans were made to attend the yearly picnic to be held the last Thursday in July at Ball Park Picnic Grounds, Holtwood.

A money donation was sent to Red Cross for flood relief.

Mrs. Johnson entertained with a lecture and trip through her studio of handpainted pictures.

Society 25

Farm Women Society 25 met Saturday, July 8 at the home of Mrs. Joseph Breneisen, Conestoga. Mrs. Jacob Boose led devotions.

Roll call was answered by giving program suggestions for 1973 meetings.

Donations were voted to the American Red Cross Relief Fund and to the Clothing Bank.

Members were invited to the Executive Board meeting and County Picnic at 12 p.m. August 2 at Central Manor Campmeeting Grounds. Members are to bring a covered dish and a place setting.

The next meeting will be combined with an anniversary banquet at the Highville Fire Company at 6:30 p.m. September 9.

Clothes Selection for the Over-Weight

Flared skirts, a revived fashion this season, is a good choice for heavy-set women. Mrs. Ruth Ann Wilson, Extension clothing specialist at Pennsylvania State University, explains that this style hides the hip and thigh area. She advises that overweight women look for clothing with a center front seam or some sort of trim down the center front. Button-up-the-front is good, too. All these have an up-and-down look which makes you look slimmer. Avoid skirts with full gathers, horizontal lines, and contrasting outfits.

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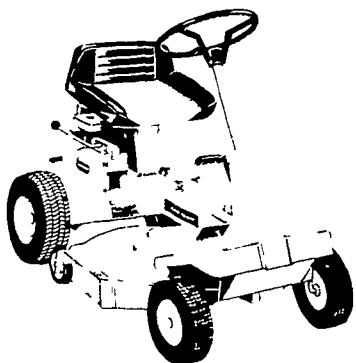
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