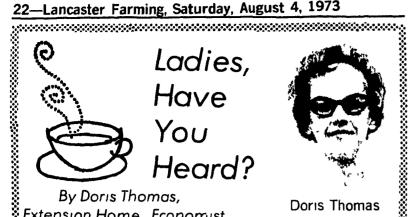


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Plan Ahead - Save Money --And Eat Well!

The prime topic of conversation today is not baseball or a movie star's divorce - it's the rising cost of food! And the next topic is what to do about high prices. How can a woman save money and make sure her family eats well?

The task is definitely not easy. Of course most women follow the tried and true hints such as shopping with a list to avoid

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Tank truck delivery of GULF Petroleum Products. impulse purchases, buying less tender cuts of meat and buying what's on sale or special. Women with freezers buy when the price is lowest and then freeze.

But one of the easiest ways to waste money is to waste food. Leftovers that eventually find their way into the garbage can mean a broken food budget. Instead, when leftovers become "planovers" it means that food and money are not wasted.

As an example, take leftover vegetables. If they're put in the refrigerator in an air-tight plastic container, they'll remain fresh and flavorful. Sealed tightly, asparagus that's left from one dinner might be programmed for an appearance as a gourmet salad - asparagus vinaigrette on another day. Advance planning is the key.

If there's a small amount of ham left over, it can be cubed and stored in a handy plastic container, ready to be added to a casserole. If the casserole is a mixture of meat, cheese, French fried onions and a convenient soup, the woman who works can prepare it after she comes home from work. Then time also can be saved - along with money!

Even juices that are left over can be "planovers" - combined as fruity punch to be served on a summer afternoon. Nothing goes to waste so that no money is lost. Remember, there's not a successful restaurant in the world that wastes food!

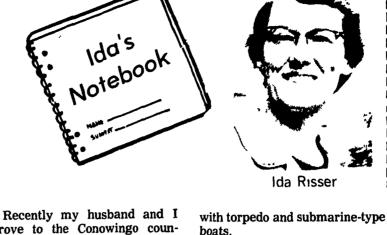
And now that the picnic season is here, there's another way to save pennies. If there's picnic food that's left, it can be served as lunch next day - if it's sealed tightly and refrigerated, as soon as the crowd gets home from the

Save money and eat well! Don't waste food - plan how everything will be used. And do it creatively. Your family will love everything you cook - economically!

The Perilous Journey of Produce While browsing through the produce department of your grocery, did you ever stop to think about the problems involved in getting those grapes to where they are now, or those peaches, or potatoes, or any other fruits and vegetables?

For these perishables - which have to keep moving - the risks of marketing are great.

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drove to the Conowingo countryside to see Robert Fulton's birthplace. It is a beautifully restored stone house, where he was born in 1765.

According to the brochure he was not only a pioneer steamship builder but also an artist, an inventor and an engineer. He spent 20 years working in England and France. He got patents for marble-sawing, flax spinning and rope-twisting devices as well as experimenting

The one disappointing aspect of the visit was the fact that the house is practically unfurnished. We had hoped to see the many household items used in that period.

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It was amusing to hear some of the tourists comments at the 4-H Dairy Show. They felt the cows in the ring weren't "doing anything." They didn't understand how much work it was

just to train them to walk, stop and back up when led on a halter.

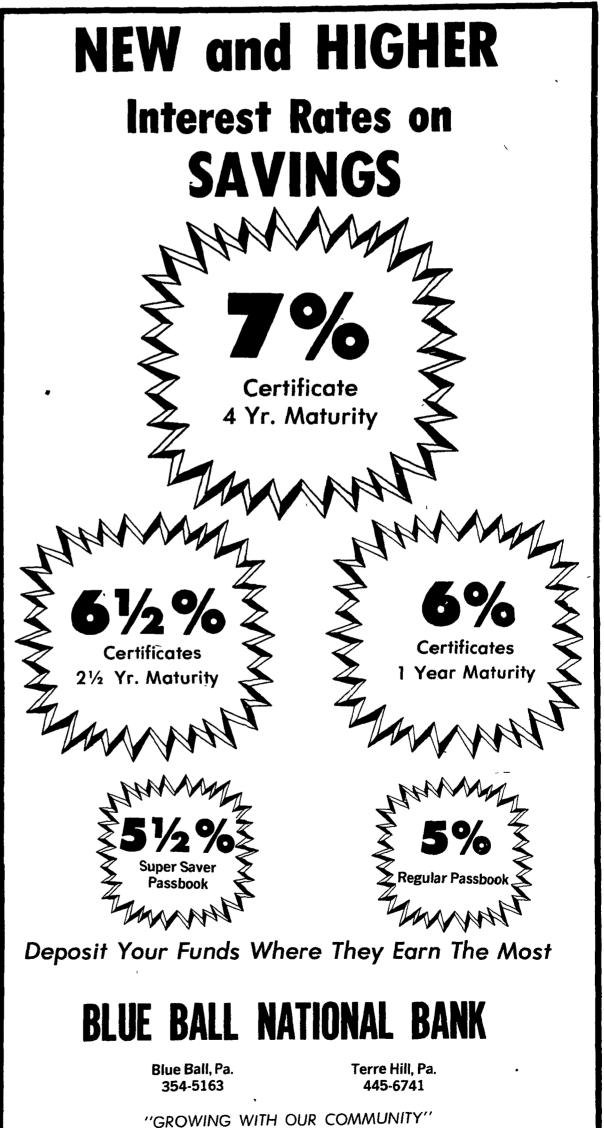
When I told a little boy from New Jersey that they had to be washed, he said they looked very big to be put in a bathtub; although his sister said they saw a horse in a tub on a television program. Then I explained how a cow is washed, brushed, trimmed and has her hoofs polished by a sweaty child.

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Cindy has tackled a job which I said I'd never do again -- feed four kittens with an eye dropper. It is an unending job.

Finally, their plaintive cries got to us and we took over when their indifferent mother left them. Granted, they are cute now, but they'll grow up to be just another cat.

Put packages, cameras, clothing and any other tempting items out of sight when you leave your car. They may be gone when you return if you leave them on the front





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