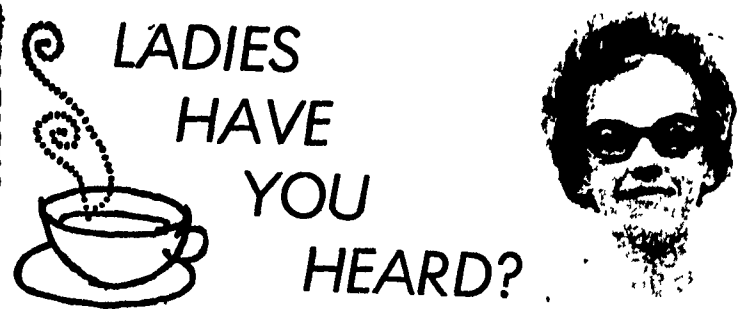


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Keep Polyester Thread From Knotting
Polyester threads knot and curl in hand sewing for several reasons. The polyester thread stretches when pulled and snaps back when released—forming a curl. Static electricity generated by friction as the thread passes through the fabric attracts thread to itself. When the thread is attracted to itself, it forms a twist which can then turn into a knot. When sewing at home, there are several things you can do to help eliminate knots and curls in polyester thread. When taking thread off the spool, let the spool roll in one hand as you draw thread with the other. Cut, rather than break, the thread on a slant. Thread the end cut from the spool into the needle eye and tie a knot in the other end. Use the thread in lengths no longer than 18-inches and sew loosely.

Farm Women Societies

Society 11

The regular monthly meeting of Farm Women Society 11 was held December 27 in the social rooms of Little Britian Church. Two guests of Mrs. Herman Shirk were enjoyed. The regular program was carried out by president Mrs. Freida Huber. Donations by Mrs. Mary Miller and business meeting followed. Roll call was answered by thoughts on "Without—, it wouldn't be Christmas." A report was given by Mrs.

Pulling the thread tightly and then releasing it will almost always cause knots.

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Shoe Prices Increase

Although leather makes up only a small part of the cost of shoes, it's the record high leather prices which have increased the cost of footwear.

These higher prices result from strong demand for leather on the world market and a drop in Argentina's hide exports. These factors, combined with a halt in the production of two leather-like synthetics, have caused the higher prices.

The high cost of this raw material results in higher prices all the way down the line of shoemaking. First, at the processors, where hides are brined, trimmed, sorted and graded; then in the tanneries where special finishes, colors and coatings are applied; at the manufacturers who add tongues, soles, heels and laces; and finally to the stores and you, the consumer.

Monday night, January 7. Sewing for Red Cross is planned for January. Mrs. Lillian Forbes was Santa Claus and gave out the one dollar gifts, after which all enjoyed refreshments.

On The Phone

Well, once again my daughter was on the phone last night and it must have been something important. The call lasted two apples and two colas. I only get to use the phone once a month when I call the phone company to tell them my bill couldn't possibly be that high. But, they are always right.

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