

LADIES HAVE YOU HEARD?



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New Pennsylvania Law Requires Open Dating On Fluid Dairy Products

Many dairies in Pennsylvania have been offering "open date" fluid dairy products. They stamp a "sell by" date on each container. This helps store personnel and consumers practice proper rotation. You are assured of fresh, high quality products by using the oldest first. Open dating of all fluid

dairy products is now required.

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture regulation went into effect September 1, 1974. The month and day by which fluid dairy products are sold is printed or embossed on each container.

An open date does not tell you when a product will spoil. Hopefully, it will improve distribution

practices so that you get fresher products. Open dates on dairy products will show the month and day seven days after processing. This allows processors and distributors up to seven days to get products into the hands of consumers.

Some dairies guarantee their fluid products for five or seven days after the date shown on the container. Properly handled, dairy products will keep for at least two weeks. Even then you can be sure that they are safe to consume. However, taste might not be as good as you expect.

Observe open dates on perishable foods and practice good handling and use the oldest products first.

Snap Know-How

The snap is a great convenience in sewing - it's easy to attach and quick to fasten.

But there is a right and wrong way to do it.

Sew the flatter part of the snap - the one with the ball or stud - on the top of the garment. Sew the thicker socket side on the lower part of the garment. The snap will be less conspicuous this way.

If you're sewing a snap by hand, sew up through a hole of the snap and over the outer edge. Repeat for each of the four holes. If you sew from one hole to another, you will not get as tight a closure nor as flat a finish. If you really want a handsome job which lasts a long time, use a buttonhole stitch.

In ready-to-wear, snaps are usually sewn by machine and sewn from one hole to another because machines are set for this type of spacing and stitching.

You'll find covered snaps

used on coats and suits and other places where an inconspicuous closing is desired and the holding power of a large snap is required. The snap looks better when covered with a circle of the lining fabric.

- Cut two circles twice the size of the diameter of the snap.

- Make a row of tiny gathering stitches around the raw edge of the circle.

- Place the socket side of the snap face down in the center of the circle and draw up the fathering thread so the snap is completely covered.

- Fasten the thread on the underside. Do the same for the other half. The ball or the stud of the snap will work its way through the fabric as the snap is used.

- When sewing the snap to the garment, sew through the holes in the snap. You can feel them with the needle as you sew.

Another couturier touch you can borrow is using a hanging snap at the top of the zipper neckline placket instead of a hook and eye.

- Fasten the socket part of the snap to the right side of the neckline on the underside of the garment.

- Sew the ball part of the left side of the neckline through one hole only, leaving a thread long enough for the snap to reach the socket.

- Strengthen the long threads by covering them with buttonhole stitches.

- The hanging snap idea also is used at the shoulderline of dresses to keep lingerie straps in place.

weekend retreat at Camp Hebron.

Farm Women Society 5 entertaining husbands at Historic Strasburg 6:30 p.m.

Rats

Early fall is a good time of year for rats to start seeking more comfortable homes. Clean up trash piles, stone piles and junk. Help prevent rats from getting into food or feed by ratproofing buildings, says Stanley G. Gesell, Extension Entomologist at The Pennsylvania State University.

Legal Holidays

Federal legal public holidays in the United States are: New Year's, Washington's Birthday, Memorial or Decoration Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Farm Women Calendar

Saturday, September 21
Farm Women Society 8 meeting at 2 p.m.
Hostesses Margaret Heisey and Dottie Heisey.

Farm Women Society 12 meeting at the home of Ethel Kindig, Miller-ville.

Tuesday, September 24
Farm Women Society 27 work project at the home of Amelia Erb 7:00 p.m.
Farm Women Society 28 workshop at Stauffers of Kissel Hill 7:30 p.m.

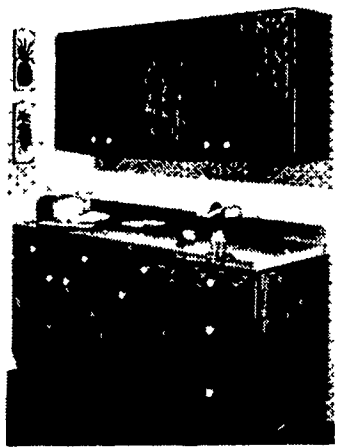
Wednesday, September 25
Farm Women Society 24 meeting. Dot Witmer, hostess.

Saturday, September 28
Farm Women Society 1

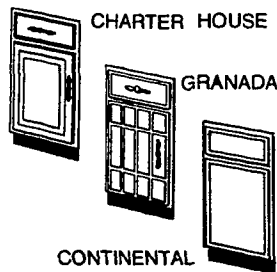
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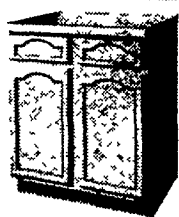


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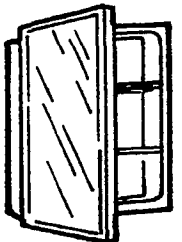
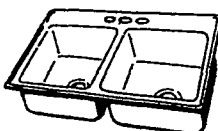
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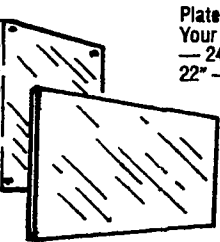


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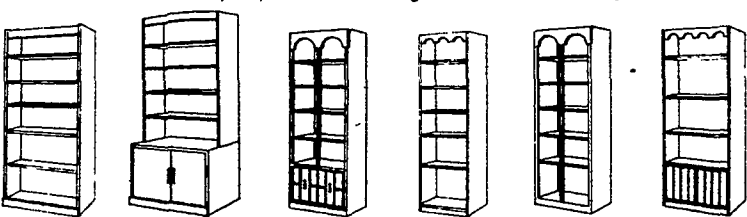


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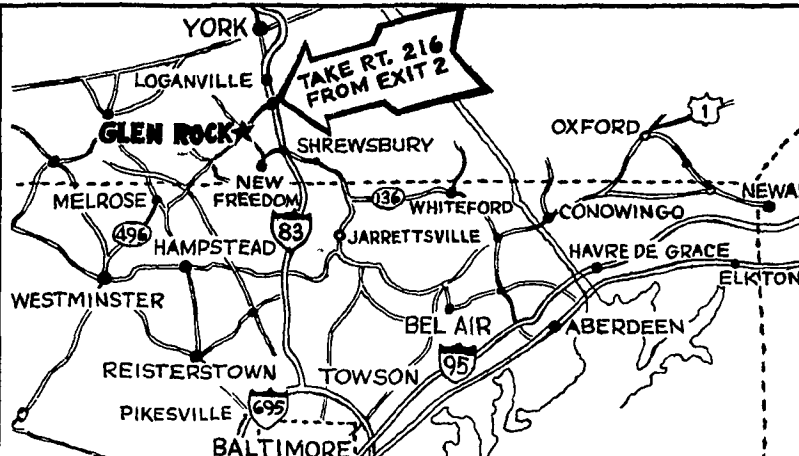
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