

Ida's

Notebook



Ida Risser

November is a bleak month of the year as most of the leaves have come clattering to the ground. Some mornings they sound like rain as they fall on other brittle leaves already off of the trees.

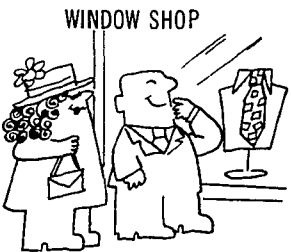
We have four birthdates to celebrate within six weeks in the fall and that helps to liven things up as we prepare special meals and decorate birthday cakes. When I realize that several of our children are now in their twenties, I'm really glad that we still have teenagers at home. They keep up going and don't allow us to settle into middle-age too comfortably. We must provide transportation for music lessons, swimming lessons, and meetings and never really know what demands the next day will bring. Thus, we keep on the "move" and life is interesting and even exciting at times.

It is the one thing that I wish could be overcome in growing older - the fact that one is restricted in

movement. Many of today's old folks never learned to drive a car but depended on a husband or friend to take them away. No longer can someone hitch up a horse and leave them visit a neighbor - the traffic is terrific.

Therefore, they must stay in their home or room until a busy younger person comes to take them to the doctor, to the store, to the bank or even to vote. We are glad to be of service but it isn't a happy thought to realize that someday our own mobility will depend on others.

have a nice weekend...



Lancaster Co. Society 11

Lancaster County Farm Women Society 11 held their regular meeting on Oct. 28, at 1:30 p.m. in the social room of the Quarryville Methodist Church. The meeting was opened by the vice president, Dorothy Huber.

Roll call was answered by 22 members and two guests.

The business meeting was taken charge of by the president, Violet Eshelman. Minutes and Treasurers report were given and approved.

Sunshine Committee and bus trip reports were given. The following officers were elected: president-Violet Eshelman, Vice-president-Dorothy Huber; recording secretary - Margaret Swarr; corresponding secretary - Mary E. Swarr; treasurer, Esther Wood.

Arrangements were completed for attending the county convention and for having a Bazaar Table at the Christmas Party.

The program was a craft show and demonstration by Mrs. Robert Bucher. Many clever and beautiful articles were displayed and the construction method explained.

The November meeting will be on Nov. 18 at the home of Mrs. Betty Burkins. There will be a cookie exchange.



Film released

HARRISBURG, Pa. - Great numbers of women have had to seek employment when their husbands lost jobs, or because runaway inflation has made it necessary for both heads of the household to work to cover expenses, according to Marie R. Keeney, director of the Pennsylvania Commission for Women. In addition, she said, an increasing number of women are heads of households and the sole breadwinners for their families.

Because of this, the Commission for Women has just released a 26-minute documentary film, "Why Not a Woman?" which portrays women on the job in the skilled crafts and trades - an employment area which has long been considered "for men only."

"We made that film to open up more opportunities for women in non-traditional occupations," explained Keeney, "and we intend to continue that effort." For further information contact Judy Hausen, 717-787-8128.

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