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Carefree cotton now in fashion

WEST CHESTER - Cotton is now appearing as one of the most important fabrics for summer, according to information from Gertrude Dougherty Chester County's Extension home economist. While cotton never really left the fashion scene, it disappeared to be blended with polyester or rayon.

Now that cotton is made so that it doesn't wrinkle and is as easy to care for as any synthetic, the fashion pendulum has swung the other way. Many customers want cotton that wrinkles, even cotton that is prewrinkled.

Cotton is available in heavier weights, and the prediction is that suiting weight cotton will return for wear on hot summer days when women want a tailored look with cotton's breathing capacity.

On the other side of the

coin is light cotton which is known as gauze everywhere but in Britain where they come right out and call it cheese cloth. Gauze is not only sheer and cool but fits well into the increasing volume of the fashion silhouette.

Cotton gauze and its cousins cotton voile and cotton organdy are naturals for billowy sleeves on peasant-influenced blouses. Cotton in these sheer weights will probably prove popular for some time to come, and with the variety of patterns and styles, it could develop into a basic.

Denim, always popular, is part of the cotton story, and its supremacy is assured. In denim, some synthetic is often used, but many customers like that wrinkled look in their denim dresses and skirts too.

Alumni Choir to sing at Longwood Gardens

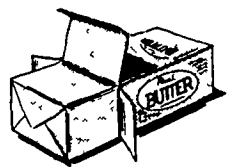
KENNETT SQUARE, Pa. - The University of Delaware Alumni Choir will present an outdoor concert at Longwood Gardens on Sunday, June 26. The concert begins at 7 p.m. in Longwood's Open Air Theatre. Seating is available on a first-come basis to anyone who pays the regular admission fee to the gardens. Later in the evening, there will be an illuminated water show in the main fountain garden.

The University of Delaware Alumni Choir may very well be the only such choir in the United States. It was founded in October 1973 as an artistic outlet for singers no longer at the college level.

Other concerts in Longwood's summer series are the Brandywine Cathedral Brass on July 3; flutist Priscilla Ochren on July 10; the Diamond State

Saxophone Quartet on July 17; the Brandywine Woodwind Quintet on July 31; the 553rd Air Force Band of the Pennsylvania National Guard on August 14; and in Longwood's Open Air Festival Trumpets on August 28. Programs are open to all visitors at the cost of daily admission. No rain dates are scheduled.

Longwood Gardens is located northeast of Kennett Square, Pa. The outdoor gardens open daily at 9 a.m., the conservatories at 10 a.m. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for children ages 6-14, and free for children age five and under.



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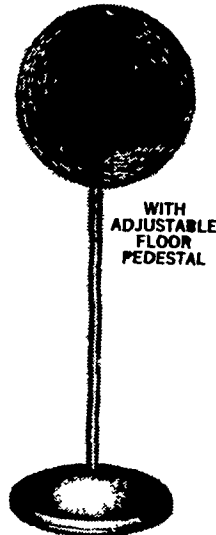
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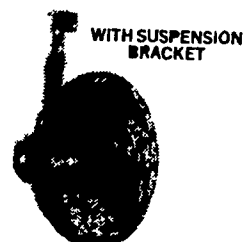
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