



## Ladies Have You Heard?

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### WHAT'S A TANGELO?

Many consumers wonder from time to time what kind of citrus fruit the tangelo is. Most people assume it's a cross between an orange and a tangerine. That seems logical since it has the characteristics of both. Actually, it is a cross between a grapefruit and tangerine. It's orange in color with a smooth, somewhat loose skin. Flavor is more tart than oranges or tangerines. When choosing angelos, look for those that are firm and heavy for their size with smooth, thin skins.

### ABOUT FABRIC SOFTENERS

Static cling is a winter annoyance with synthetic and permanent press fabrics. It's both unsightly and unattractive. It's also unavoidable. Adding fabric softener to your laundry will give both softness and fluffiness and reduce static cling.

You can choose from two basic types of fabric softeners — liquid softener, which you add to the rinse cycle, and tear-off sheets which come on a roll and are used in the drier. If you don't have a fabric softener dispenser on your washer, you will probably find the tear-off sheets more convenient.

The tear-off sheet is basically a carrier of the softening formulation. You can get the same effect by saturating a wash cloth in liquid fabric softener and adding it to the load in your drier.

It isn't necessary to use fabric softener in every wash load; occasional use is adequate.

Control the results of using liquid fabric softeners with careful measurements.

If you use softener with lowels, where fluffiness is desirable but moisture absorption is important, skip

the use of the fabric softener occasionally. It reduces absorption.

Never add any kind of fabric softener to a bleach dispenser or a detergent dispenser. These features are not equipped to handle softeners.

Although fabric softener is effective in both hard and soft water, do not use it in rinse water containing a packaged water conditioner.

Take care not to pour fabric softener directly onto fabrics as it may cause staining. The stains can attract soil and rust in water, and you'll end up with stains that look like grease.

To remove fabric softener stains, wet the area, rub it with a bar of hand soap, rinse in warm water, then wash the entire garment in the usual manner. If you still see the stain, it may be from rust. In that case apply a rust remover.

### FURNITURE NEEDS SPECIAL TREATMENT IN WINTER

Did you ever sit down in front of a cozy winter fire and feel as if the chair was going to give out? Or heard it squeak as if it would fall apart? Strange as it may seem, the problem is dry air. Even in these days of thermostats set between 65 and 70 degrees, the central heating system in your home dries out the wood in your furniture.

All wood pieces suffer from dry air. Furniture joints become loose. Some varnished or lacquered finished pieces may even crack. You can prevent this damage by adding moisture to the air. Lots of well watered plants may help. But if your home is quite dry, you may need to buy a humidifier. Even a small one will help your furniture. But be careful not to overdo it. If windows steam up or frost, there's too much humidity.

Another winter enemy of furniture is strong light. Although the sun is stronger during the summer, trees shade your home and keep out much of the light. In the winter there is no such protection.

You probably find it pleasant to see as much light as possible on short winter days, but open curtains and shades mean light can fade draperies, carpeting, upholstery and even wood.

To keep your furniture in good condition, choose window treatments which will give protection and still let in some light. Some types of shutters or blinds filter light while not cutting it out completely. A semi-sheer fabric will do the same thing. Or you may want to cover

## Five re-appointed to Maryland board

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — The Maryland Agricultural Commission at its December meeting re-appointed five men to serve on the Grower-Tenant Advisory Council at

only that part of the window where the light is most direct.

A humidifier and proper window treatment can keep your furniture in good condition through the winter. They can also help you conserve fuel, since a humid room feels warmer than a dry one, and good window treatments help block drafts.

the Maryland Wholesale Food Center market at Jessup.

They are: William H. Kleinwachter of Preston, Caroline County; Wallace Luffman of Salisbury; George Huber of Bradshaw, Baltimore County; Andrew H. Lohr Jr. of Churchville, Harford County; and Earl E. Bauer Jr., of Baltimore County.

All are active growers of fruits and vegetables and will represent farmer interests on the Council which has proven to be an effective means of ironing out differences between farmers and commercial buyers.

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