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Martinsburg (Blair County). Stores may call Verna Shirk, Leola, for samples at (717) 656-7778. ANSWER — Martha Oberholtzer, Mifflinburg, wanted to know where to get a sealing ring for a 4-quart Mirro pressure cooker number M-0404. Thanks to Mary Jane Way-

bright, Gettysburg, for writing that she also needed a seal for her Mirro pressure cooker. She called toll-free Culinary Parts (866) 7278-4357. They told her the amount to send to receive the part.

ANSWER — Bruce Nattiess, Fleetwood, wanted to know if anyone knows of a source to buy replacement tips for the cone on a Woodbuster PTO driven log splitter. Thanks to Bob Snyder, Akron, Ohio, for writing that he doesn't think replacement parts

are available. "But any competent welding or machine shop should be able to rebuild the existing one or make a new replacement part," Snyder writes.

Shirley Schwoerner, Wysox, wrote that some time ago she had clipped an answer in this column from Joyce Raubenstine who told how to make creams from aloe vera. The instructions were unclear, and she asks if someone can tell her the exact amount of aloe vera to use. Thanks to Mrs. Benuel S. Fisher, Strasburg, for taking the time to answer. To crush the leaves of aloe vera and mix with four parts melted fat and one part white wine means take 1 cup crushed aloe vera, 4 cups melted lard. and 1 cup dry white wine. Another example would be ¼ cup crushed aloe vera, 1 cup melted lard, and ¼ cup dry white wine.

Also, thanks to Joyce Raubenstine who writes that you must break the leaves of the aloe off first. Then using a flat stick, push the fluid in the leaf out (working from the leaf point to where it was broken off). After the fluid is collected, heat it gently until thin enough to strain through a cotton cloth. Measure or weigh the fluid collected. Add four times as much melted lard. Add only dry white wine equal to the amount of aloe vera you collected.

Heat mixture gently for 20 minutes in a double boiler. Stir well with a spoon, and put into a small jar with a tight-fitting





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