

Women Working Outside Homes

Forty-five percent of all women are employed some-time during the year, says Mrs. Marguerite L. Duvall, extension family life specialist of Penn State university.

Jobs are not necessarily 40-hour-week ones. Some are parttime during seasonal holidays, work during the canning season, or other seasonal or part-time employment.

Many women today work until they marry, quit to have children, then return to the labor force. With an added 25 years on a woman's life span since 1900, the woman of the house has more years to fill than previously.

Married women make up 60 percent of the number of women working, Mrs. Duvall points out. Many of these are women between the ages of 45 and 65 years. Nine and one-half million women fall

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row your choices, and save shopping time. You can find good buys in all price ranges. You may need to shop around to compare price and quality to obtain the best value.

Buying a clothing gift involves the same kind of shopping judgment you exercise when buying your own clothing, reminds Miss Nine. Examine the garment inside fiber content, special properties or finish of fabric, and care instructions. Do not remove this label before wrapping the gift because information on it will be helpful to the recipient.

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many hours are filled with family, church, school, and community services. As figures indicate, many women choose to fill these hours by going to work.

Among the reasons for this decision to work are: To provide basic necessities for

the family; to provide extras; and to make use of special talents and education. Most women are working for financial gains for the present, but some are using paid employment to provide greater security for the future, Mrs. Duvall adds.

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