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for consumers now is to find the defrost timer. It is the size of the palm of your hand and has four wires connecting to it. It is mounted to a plate with two screws and the plate has a hole the size of a dime so that you can manually turn the knob. You can call the manufacturer and ask where it is located on your model and you can turn it clockwise slowly until the refrigerator stops running.

You know then that you have put it into the defrost mode and that the refrigerator should start to run in a period of 30 minutes. If it stays in defrost for over 30 minutes I would suggest that you change the defrost timer. A good indicator of a defrost problem is not only the warming in the refrigerator section but also the appearance of snow inside the freezer section on the back wall or the floor. Another indicator is a drain pan that is filled with water following this test you have performed.

Remember that you need to pull the plug on the refrigerator when you are changing this defrost timer which should cost you approximately \$35 and is not returnable for a refund if you are wrong.

Be sure, be safe, you can do it.

This little piece written about a problem that many consumers have handled on their own is described to fit the greater majority of refrigerators. There are always a few models and makes which do not fit this description. In the back of my book, First Aid, are the toll free numbers to all the manufacturers. Stop by my store for an autographed copy or visit any Damman hardware store.

Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president of Carmack Appliances in Garden City and does a weekly radio program on WJR-AM.

Stamp club schedules show

The Ford Stamp Club is sponsoring its 76th annual Stamp Show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, at the Al Matka Club, 5121 Oakman Blvd., Dearborn.

The show will consist of about 30 frames of stamps and postal history, and the bourse will consist of about 18 dealers and the U.S. Postal Service Philatelic Boutique.

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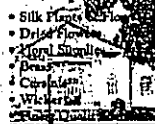
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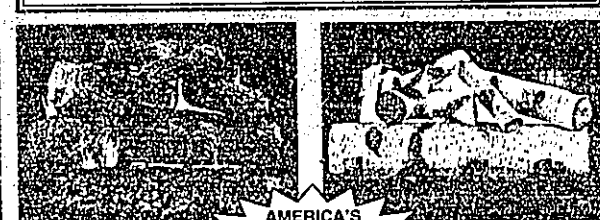
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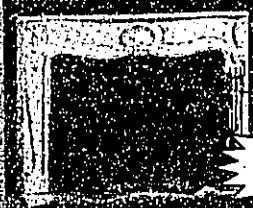
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