Hot Dish For Cold Weather

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Queen of Hearts

Boots are a bother.

I have hated them ever ince I was a little girl, when hey rubbed my legs raw.
hate them more, the older

I get.

I think they present the single most constant irritation of the winter, beginning in the wet of the fall and lasting through the wet of the spring.

The other major diffi-culty of winter, the auto-mobile, may seem greater, but its hurden lasts a shorter time and is less frequently felt.

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Men have a problem because they would rather wear rubbers to work. They think it ian't going to snow, or the snow will let up before noon, and they consequently come home with wet socks.

Women have a terrible, time about boots generally, because they wear a great variety of shoes, all of which differ in heel height and width, according to the occasion. Finding boots to fit all the different shoes is as ridiculous as it is impossible. possible.

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Shoe boots are the most popular solution, but they create new difficulties. Either you sit with hot feet, or you run around at parties with stocking feet and cold toes, or you carry your indoor shoes in your hand like a pair of empty rice bowls. Or you get a cut little tote hag and forget it the car or leave it at the doctor's office.

The problems of grown-ups with boots, however, are like minnows com-pared to the whale of a problem with children and boots. It threatens to swallow the staunchest of mothers!

of mothers:

Any boots saved from last year, when unearthed, prove to be too small for the previous weafer and too huge for the next provided all around, a monumental undertaking in both time and money, something happens to them by New Year's Either everyone's and money, something hap-pens to a them by New Year's. Either everyone's feet grow outrageously, and the new shoes won't fit the old boots, or else the elever children contrive to lose them or shred them.

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Maybe the worst thing
of all is putting boots on
all the preschool feet in
the family several times a
day. When the mother
gets hersaif down on the
floor and begins to push,
the child develops an instant case of a childhood
disease known as Spaghetif Leg.

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You know, you push, and spang!, like a strand of cooked spaghetit, the leg retracts. No matter how much you implore the child to push, spang! All you can do is take hold of the heel of the shoe with one hand and the heel of the boot with the other and manipulate the moving parts yourself. Or give up and keep the kid in. The total motherly energy

give up and keep the kid in. The total motherly energy senerated in this effort across the nation in a normal winter Bould, if leashed, power the United States Navy. It's awonder a mother has enough strength to cook. Well, here is a recipe that doesn't take much:

EASY HAMBURGER . CASSEROLE

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Cook according to package direction a cup of uncooked elbow macaroni (for 4) or up to 2 cups for more people.

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Brown 34 to 1 pound of hamburger in a skillet with a cut up onion (use the frozen mineed onion when you're exhausted). Season to taste with sall, peoper, celery salt, and maybe a little chill powder. Stir in a can of tomato soup and 32 can of milk. Mix with cooked macaroni and throw in half a package frozen peas or last night's leftover peas. Place in greased baking dish, top with corn flake crumbs, and bake at 350 degrees for 35 or 40 minutes.

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And pray for an early summer.



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