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Her guests were rude but partly right

DEAR POLLY — A short time ago, while having guests for dessert. I passed around a frozen, non-dairy topping for the pumpkin ple. Some of the guests had heard something about palm oil and other ingredients and no one would touch it. I said nothing but felt insulted because they said it was poison. It seems that they could have just calmly said "No thanks" without the comments.

Just how bad is this type of topping? Much of it is still being sold and I know of no one who has had any problems. I realize, from reading articles since then, that other oils are safer, but since we seldom eat topping, we should be in no danger of dying from it. I would appreciate hearing what you think about this. - M.M.

DEAR M.M. - Well, it's not poison and you don't risk dying from eating an occasional small portion of such . whipped toppings. What they do contain is a large amount of fat, much of it saturated.

And since most of us would do well to eat less saturated fat (and less fat of any type) in order to decrease our

risk of heart disease and clogged arteries, these toppings — as well as real whipped cream --- should probably be used only occasionally and in small quantities. Actually, if they contain a large quantity of palm oil, they could be even higher in saturated fat than real whipped cream!

POLLY'S POINTERS



POLLY **FISHER**

conut oil, too) is that it is a highly saturated fat, containing a greater por- this newspaper.

tion of saturated fat than even butter! However, because it is a vegetable oil, it contains no cholesterol (only animal products contain cholesterol), so many food manufacturers have used it in baked goods and other products, then have boasted that their products contain no cholesterol.

However, saturated fat is even worse for your health than dietary cholesterol, so these claims impart a very misleading message concerning the healthfulness of such food products.

Once again, the key word is moderation. Your friends needn't fear a polite taste of your topping, and they were certainly rude about it. However, from the standpoint of a good diet, it's best to use such toppings only infrequently. - POLLY

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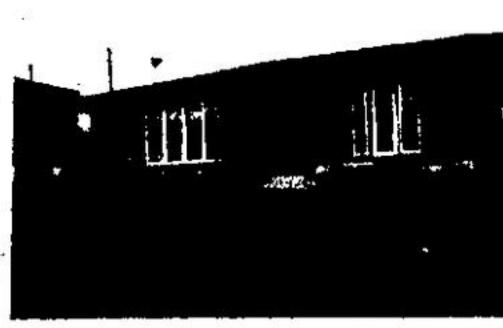


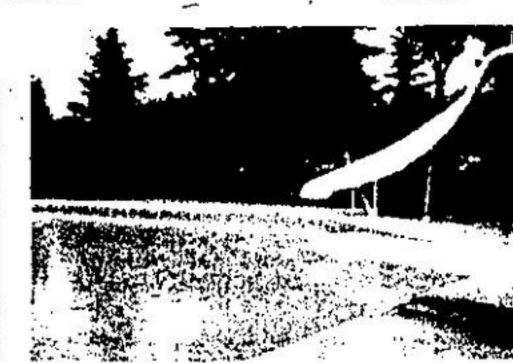


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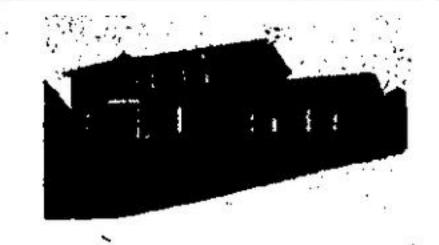
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