

Ida's Notebook

January and February seem to be the months for farm organizations to hold their annual meetings. There is usually a nice banquet meal served, a progress report given and hopefully an inspiring speaker. Often we see fellow farmers from other parts of the county that we haven't seen for quite a while.

However, after many years I find these meetings rather jaded.

Maybe it is just me who lacks enthusiasm. Or maybe they no longer are that welcome interlude between dishes, babies, bottles and diapers — in other words an excuse for a night out with your husband.

Whatever the reason, I seem to have lost the enthusiasm I once had for them.



By Ida Risser

It is always a very happy day in the life of our family when one of our children is accepted at the college of their choice. This past week our son was notified he will be a freshman at Penn State in University Park. This is the third such notice we've received over the years and we have three more to look forward to. They grow up so quickly.

Recently, we had a delicious pig stomach roasted for supper. This brought up the subject of eating organs of animals and my children told me that their friends at school don't like many things which we eat. I believe many food likes and dislikes are passed on to children from the parents. It is a tradition in our home to have smoked tongue for Easter along with eggs. And smoked pigs feet are a favorite of my husband's, al-



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though I prefer kidney stew or stuffed heart. Give me liver and onions or that delicacy breaded sweet-

Now when it comes to fried breads of which there are never quite enough for my hungry you have those. ones.

FULTON GRANGE NEWS

Fulton Grange 66 held their semi-monthly meeting January 25 at the Grange Hall in Oakryn with the Master Richard Holloway conducting the business session.

The Charter was draped for a fifty-one year member, W. Scott Ankum.

The Grange granted Vista volunteers the privilege of using their hall for bi-weekly recreation and a story hour for community children from five to twelve years of age. There will probably be 25 to 30 children involved.

Miss Judy Longenecker, who recently returned from a six month IFY exchange student visit to the United Kingdom of Scotland, Ireland, England, Wales and the Channel Islands of Guernsey, Sark and Jersey, showed colored slides of places visited and told of her wonderful experience and a desire to return there. She exhibited many articles of interest that she brought home with her.

Alex Panik, Planning and Programming Engineer of District 8, Pennsylvania Department of Highways in which Lancaster County is located, will speak at the next meeting February 8. He will talk about future planning of roads for this area and will have visual aids. The Junior Grange will also meet and each of their members are requested to bring a raw white potato for crafts. Following the meeting the Lancaster Co. Pomona chorus will hold rehearsal.

February 22 will be the first of a county Grange visitation program in which Fulton Grange will be host, Salisbury Grange will fill officers chairs and Colerain Grange will present a program on "Cherries". This year the theme of the programs is Promote Pennsylvania Products.

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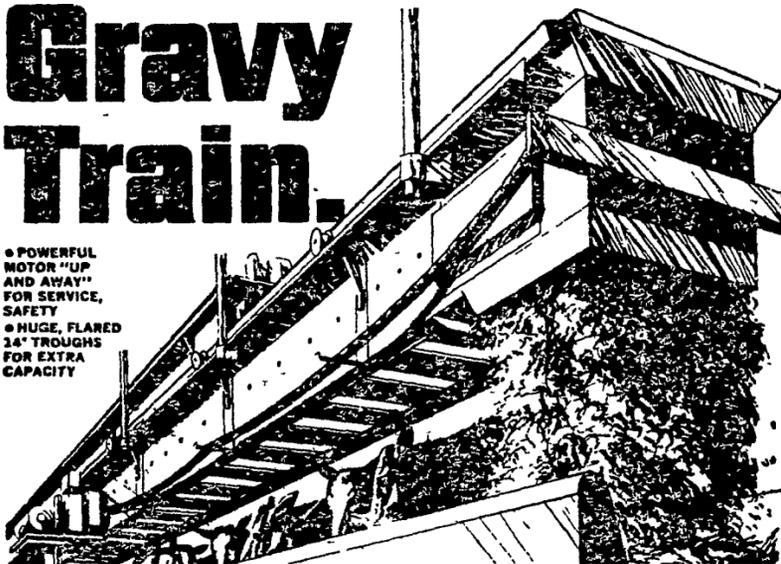
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