

Farm Women Societies

Society 9

Farm Women Society 9 heard Miss Connie Campbell, Miller-ville, as guest speaker at a meeting of the Society at the home of Mrs. Marguerite Kreider, Conestoga. Mrs. Oram Hagen and Mrs. George Brinely were assisting hostesses. Mrs. Mabel Heller led devotions.

Miss Campbell, granddaughter of Society 9 member Mrs. Helen Campbell, spent a year in Peru as an exchange student. She showed slides and told of her adventures in a foreign country.

Society 9 members will be guests of Society 26 at a meeting in the Wenger Clinic, Lititz Pike, at 7:30 p.m. May 25.

The next regular meeting of Society 9 will be held at 1:30 p.m. June 8 at the home of Mrs. Esther Huber, Marticville.

Society 10

Farm Women Society 10 heard Mrs. Edward K. Knettler, Neff-ville, present a talk on Chinese mothers at a meeting held in the home of Mrs. Elam Buckwalter, 20 Princess Avenue. Miss Frances LeFevre led devotions.

Mrs. Knettler, who spent several years in China engaged in missionary work, told of Chinese marriage customs still held by some of the upperclass families. She pointed out that among these families, it is customary for the mothers to arrange an engagement when the children are very young. When the couple becomes of age to marry, the wedding is arranged. It is believed that the couple will learn to love each other after the wedding on a kind of "marry now-love later" arrangement.

During the business portion of the meeting conducted by Miss Ida P. Kunkle, president, a gift of

\$50 was approved for the 1972 County Farm Women project, LARC.

In other business, the group decided to hold an annual miscellaneous auction each October with all members participating. The monthly auction of a few articles will continue.

The next meeting will be held June 3 at the Farm and Home Center Extension kitchen. Members of Society 24 will be guests at a luncheon meeting.

Society 11

Farm Women Society 11 met recently at the home of Mrs. Paul Nolt, Lancaster. The meeting was opened with devotions conducted by Mrs. Nolt, followed by the Salute to the Flag.

Roll call was answered with thoughts of safety in the home. An auction was held.

Regular business consisted of reports from the chairmen of the different interests of County and State Farm Women projects.

A talk on the local crime situation as well as organized crime was given by Edward Snyder of the Lancaster Police force.

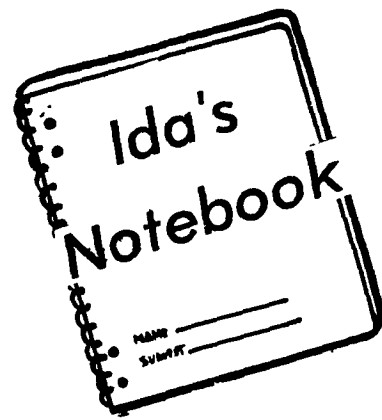
In the evening, Society 11 was entertained by Society 28 at Strasburg Fire Hall. Slides and a lecture were given by Mrs. Esbshade, who had recently returned from a trip to Japan and Formosa.

Society 13

Farm Women Society 13 met at the home of Mrs. Merrill Miller, 1668 Old Philadelphia Pike, with Mrs. Floyd McCleneghan serving as cohostess.

For the devotional period Mrs. McCleneghan read a humorous poem honoring Mothers and Mrs. Miller read appropriate scriptures for Mother's Day.

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Ida Risser

This morning the Conestoga is bank-full and very muddy. We did not have rain yesterday but someone else certainly did. It is interesting to note that our creek drains all of Northeastern Lancaster County.

If you live along any of these streams, the water eventually flows past our meadow — the Muddy Creek, the Black Creek, the Middle Creek, the Cocalico Creek, Indian Run or Groff's Creek. Even the Conestoga Creek drains land as far away as Churchtown where it originates.

In regard to its ever-flowing presence, I often think of this quote: "Men may come and men may go, but I go on forever."

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This past week my son forgot a notebook which, he declared, just had to be at school that day. So I chased the bus the whole way to Neffsville, five miles away.

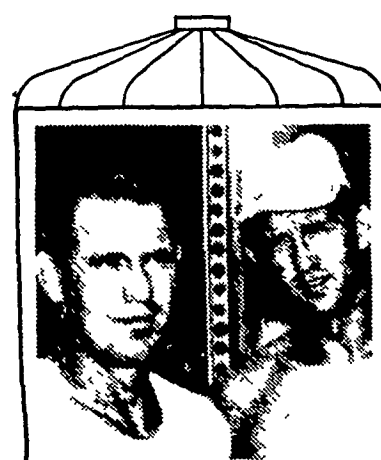
Little did I realize what I was letting myself in for. At the Middle School, I was immediately surrounded by buses and more buses unloading literally hundreds of children all about his size. I looked for a maroon jacket but none belonged to him.

So I hastily tucked my apron under the car seat and walked into the office, hoping all the

while that no one would notice the holes in my stockings. As I caught the eye of the principal, I was saved from standing at the end of a long line of pupils. He assured me Philip would get the notebook and true to his word, as I approached my car, I heard his name booming over the loud-speaker.

What happened was that I actually got to school before he did and his teacher had to tell him he was wanted at the office.

How things have changed since my sixth grade class took up one row of one room in that old brick school house. And if I'd forgotten my notebook it simply would have stayed at home all day while I suffered.



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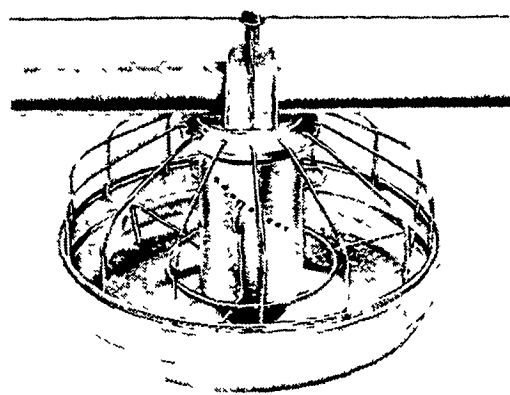
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