

Farm Women Societies

Society 15

The meeting of Farm Women 15 was held Thursday, November 21, 1:30 p.m. at the Union Presbyterian Church. Hostesses were Mrs. Evelyn Myer, Mrs. Jessie Trimble and Mrs. Colleen Shoemaker and Mrs. Gertrude Weickel.

Mrs. Trimble led the opening devotions followed by the flag salute. Thirty-two members and 1 guest responded to the roll call by telling a cooking mistake they had made. Minutes were read by the secretary Alma Maule and treasurer's report by Mary Howett. Ways and Means Committee chairman, Janet Frantz reported having received \$32.65 from the "Dish for Supper" sale held at the October meeting. The committee makes \$717.15 during the year. Mrs. Ida Rinehart reported that sewing had been done by the sewing circle.

The president, Mrs. Emily Greenwald appointed Sadie Greenleaf and the incoming president, Kathryn Horner as representatives to the annual executive meeting of the solanco Family-Health Center in Quarryville. She also announced that the

society will sponsor a contestant for the Miss Solanco pageant. She is Miss Darlene Repsch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Repsh. Miss Repsch will present a dance presentation for the talent competition.

The program chairman, Sadie Greenleaf conducted a contest quiz of jumbled words found in the kitchen. Prizes were awarded to Janet Frantz, Mary McCaughlin, Jean Barnes and Kathleen Groff. She also showed slides of the society's trip to Nova Scotia.

Kathryn Wagner, the trip chairman reported that society 49 will be going on a bus trip to New York on November 23rd.

The annual Christmas party will be held at Rhoads Restaurant in Quarryville on December 12th at 6:30 p.m. The program will feature the Bell Ringers from the Lampeter Area.

Society 27

Society of Farm Women 27 met recently at the home of Mrs. Sam Heineman. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Harry McClenaghan and Mrs. Russell Swarr. Mr. William Heisey presented slides on candle making. Mrs. Robert

Shearer was in charge of the devotions and also reported to the society highlights of the November 2 County Convention.

In response to roll call, members told "what they gained in life today."

Members voted to disperse \$400 from the treasury as gifts to the following: \$200 to Honduras to be used toward the purchase of seeds and a tractor, gifts of money to two local Mt. Joy families, and fruit baskets will be given to two families.

Mrs. Herbert Frey entered a poster in the Paster Contest featuring "Home Safety."

Delegates from Society 27 to State Convention at Harrisburg, January 6, will be—Mrs. Albert Fry, Jr., Mrs. Roy Sauder, Mrs. Robert Shearer and on January 7 Mrs. Albert Fry, Jr., Mrs. John Wolgemuth and Mrs. Roy Wolgemuth. Alternates are Mrs. John Hershey and Mrs. Wayne Miller.

The next meeting will be at Mrs. Wayne Miller's home on December 10. Miss Edith Herr will be the speaker and there will also be a cookie and cookie recipe exchange.

Society 28

Society of Farm Women 28 met Thursday evening, Nov. 21, at the home of Mrs. Nelson Kreider. Mrs. Joseph Nolt was co-hostess. The group donated \$10 to the Lancaster County Mental Health Ass. and \$10 to the United Way of Lancaster. The group will hold a bake sale in the lobby of the Strasburg Bank on December 13, starting at 2:00 P.M.

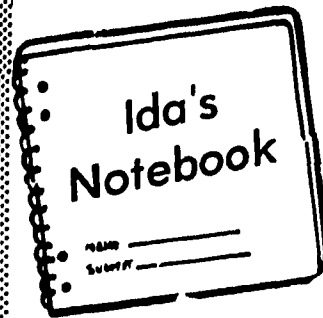
Speaker for the evening was Dr. Calvin Wenger. His topic was entitled "From Where I Stand."

The next meeting will be a Christmas banquet with husbands as guests at Historic Strasburg at 6:30 p.m., December 21. Reservations must be made by December 7, to Mrs. Richard Herr.

Farm Women Calendar

Saturday, November 30 farm Women Society 5 meeting at the Brownstown Restaurant.

Tuesday, December 3 Berks County Farm Women Society 4 Christmas



Ida Risser

This year Christmas card lists will probably be scrutinized more carefully than usual. The price of 100 cards and 100 postage stamps can add up to a nice penny. I just saw a special hard-back book for sale in which to keep your list.

My list is typed on a big sheet of paper and if I can get it out of the drawer in December and not cross off names of people who have died since last Christmas, then I feel it's been a good

year. It is surprising how the list does vary as new names are added each year and a few removed. If only the Christmas season wasn't so busy and we had more time to enjoy the cards we received each year.

A few weeks ago we had a nice visit from a young Amish couple who hunted our farm to visit us. Actually, they only lived a short distance as the crow flies but twice as far using the roads. They brought along a delightful girl and boy of

preschool age but I couldn't talk to them as I don't know Pa. Dutch.

However, I discovered a universal language. The girl enjoyed the chest full of a variety of toys and even the boy was friendly and less shy when I had a dish of pretzels for him. Now that our six are almost all grown, we forget how it was to have a houseful of confusion.

When I hear of someone who got a "letter" in sports or a trophy, I really feel they earned it. There is so much time and practice required to become proficient in any area.

My son started practice and "suicide exercises" as the teacher called them but then was cut as only one-third of the fellows could be on the team.

Practice meant coming on the activity bus at 6:15 instead of the usual 3:15 and it was a long dark mile from the bus stop. Why, with all that wasted energy he could have painted the barn.

party at the home of Georgeanna Fullerton in Boyertown.

Chester County Holiday Homemaker's Program at the Kimberton Fire Hall.

Wednesday, December 4 Farm Women Society 1 of Berks County, Christmas Party at the Douglasville Diner 6:30 p.m.

York County Homemaker's Holiday Program at the 4-H Center in Bair. 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 5 Farm Women Society 20 evening meeting with Mary Rintz and Freda Gross as hostesses.

Saturday, December 7 Farm Women Society 8 meeting at the Cross Roads Brethren Church in Mt. Joy at 2:00 p.m.

Farm Women Society 1 meeting at 1:30 p.m. with Mrs. Scott Garman as hostess.

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