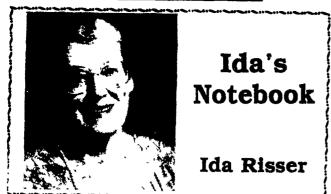
B2-Lancaster Farming, Saturday, November 5, 1994



My parents had seven girls. However, over the years two died and now only four live in Pennsylvania as one has her home in Michigan. Even so, we try to get together several times a year for holidays or a picnic.

Thus, we recently were invited by my youngest sister, Florence,

(Front view

to a "mystery day" that she and her husband planned for us. We and our spouses had breakfast at her home and then drove to Harrisburg in a van.

Our first stop was the Capitol Building which was dedicated in 1906. This 65-acre Capitol Com-

ings which house Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches of government. This building is richly ornamented and the five story exterior is of Vermont granite and the roof is of green glazed tile. It covers two acres of ground. Each door at the main entrance weighs one ton. I cannot begin to describe all the statues and art work that we saw in the rotunda, the Senate Chambers, and the House of Representatives. It is well worth a guided tour.

Next we walked to "The State Museum of Pennsylvania." Here we saw everything from dinosaurs to Indian villages and from geology to military history. There was too much to see in a few hours.

After lunch we walked around on City Island and then drove to a ferry on the Susquehanna River. However, we missed one crossing

and had to wait for the next trip. It was a time to relax but it did cause us to miss seeing an exhibit of Ned Smith's art at Millersburg. He drew nearly 120 paintings for "Pennsylvania Game News."

Our long day concluded with a theatrical production in a oneroom school house. Even though we got to bed at 1 a.m. we managed to go to church the next morning.





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