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## From Pillar To Post

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Tom began to wonder about breakfast, on the principle that he who eats has slept. The conductor assured him enthusiastically that at the junction there would be a stop for breakfast in the station eating-room, and it was the best breakfast you could get anywhere. Tom began filling up the chilly hours between three A. M. and five-thirty A. M. by conjuring up lovely visions of hot and smoking food. He started by thinking in terms of bacon and eggs with three cups of steaming coffee, and built up a menu from that point on. By the time the junction was reached, and the conductor and the five passengers and the train-crew made a beeline for the warmth of the station through the frigid snowy dark, Tom had decided that nothing short of buckwheat cakes, country sausage, eggs, and French-fried potatoes would fill the aching void.

He dashed into the station, pulling his frozen ears in after him, and perched on a high stool at the lunch counter, eyes a gleam, mouth adrip. Oh well, you have probably guessed it. Seven kinds of pie. The conductor had three kinds, starting with the conventional apple and ending up with the custard, sand-

wiching the raisin pie in between the other two. Tom sadly ate two sugared doughnuts and drank a mug of very indifferent lukewarm coffee. From that day to this he has not been the same.

Since that Vermont trip, he reaches automatically for the bicarbonate of soda every time any one even mentions pie. Every time I make a pie, it grows whiskers before it has disappeared. This grieves me, because I can make very good pie with a distinctly edible bottom crust.

So I take out my thwarted ambitions by baking pies for other people, people who have to take them and thank me politely whether they reach for the soda or not. Immediately after Thanksgiving each year I make two or three gallons of mince-meat, and then after it has seasoned sufficiently I bake dozens of tiny pies in shiny little new tins with a holly-wreath marked out on the top-crust with a tablespoon. These I send around to the neighbors for Christmas-cards, and tuck into each Christmas box as individual gifts, each in its shiny little pan. At the very time when I should like to turn out crusts of a durable nature, suitable for shipping, the pastry grows flakier and flakier, threatening to disintegrate in transit. Any other time of year I could make a cast-iron pie without half trying, but not at Christmas time. It must be the holiday spirit.

While Christmas calls for mince, Thanksgiving day means pumpkin pie. It used to be prefaced by the steaming of the pumpkin, the slow stewing-down of the pulp, and the mashing of it through a colander with a wooden potato-masher, but nowadays things are much more painlessly arranged. The manufacturer of canned pumpkin for pie-making takes the squash in at one end of the cannery and turns it out at the other end in neat cans weighing two pounds apiece and labelled pumpkin.

There is one thing, however, that I miss about modern pumpkin pie, blisters that always decorated the top when I was a child. Maybe somebody can tell me why a pumpkin-pie nowadays turns out smooth and yellow and unblemished. I did not like the blisters, carefully skimming my piece of pie and laying the brown skin aside, but the color scheme was so delightful.

And another thing. In our family a pumpkin pie or a custard pie, in fact any open-faced pie, was invariably baked in a rectangular tin which yielded four delightfully crusty corner sections and two middle-pieces for seconds. I was much amused, on reading the new book, "Big Family," to find that square-cornered pie tins were used in that household as in ours.

My father would never have even looked at a round pumpkin pie forty years ago, but times have changed, the square tins have worn out, and he now eats round pie and likes it. Anyway, he eats it.

### Schools Get State Funds

State Treasurer G. Harold Wagner announced that checks for vocational education expenses were mailed on November 18 to the following local school districts: Dallas Borough, \$250; Lehman Township, \$1,339 and Dallas Township, \$885.

### Remembers Civilian Friends

Local friends are enjoying postal cards sent by Captain Larry Lee from Fort Bragg, North Carolina where the 109th Field Artillery is now stationed.

### East Dallas Recital

W. S. C. S. of East Dallas Methodist Church will sponsor a recital at the church this evening at 8 o'clock. Pupils of Mrs. Charles Taylor of Kingston will take part. A silver offering will be taken.

## Luzerne County Bull Acclaimed

### S. C. Price Guerneys Recognized Nationally

A Luzerne County Guerneys breeder S. C. Price of Saint Johns, has just won national recognition on a pure bred Guerneys bull, Langwater Romulus 227598.

This bull, having five daughters which have made creditable official records, has been entered in the Advanced Register of The American Guerneys Cattle Club. Langwater Romulus will be known hereafter as an Advanced Register sire. Only Guerneys which meet high production requirements are eligible for entry. The five daughters which have completed official records are Coldspring's Romulus' Peggy, Coldspring's Romulus' Dimple, Coldspring's Romulus' Beauty, Coldspring's Romulus' Gem, and Coldspring's Romulus' Cora.

A new record, exceeding the average of the Guerneys breed for her age and class has just been completed by the two-year-old cow, Coldspring's Romulus' Cora, tested and owned by Mr. Price. Her official record supervised by Pennsylvania State College and announced by The American Guerneys Cattle Club is 12408.6 pounds of milk and 700.2 pounds of butter fat in Class GG.

### Selinsgrove Has Successful Civic Center

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to join a group formed to engage in a specific activity.

The members of such a club are usually brought together by common factors of age, nationality, class, or neighborhood, and they are held together by a strong sense of group interest and loyalty. They are anxious to do things together; the particular activity in which they engage is of secondary importance. Unlike the special activity club where the chief interest of the members centers about a specific activity, whether it is bowling or debating, checkers or boat building, the desires of its members often must be discovered or stimulated by the club leader. Skilled leadership is required in selecting activities which will enlist the continuing interest of club members and in developing projects which afford progressively satisfying participation.

The objectives in organizing such a club are to preserve the natural group relationships and to afford opportunities for the individual members to participate in constructive, joyous recreation activities with the group. The club leader has a real responsibility, however, not only for maintaining the group, but also for guiding its members into activities outside the club which may have special value for them. A boy who shows a special aptitude for music is therefore encouraged to join one of the music groups, and a girl who has unusual artistic ability is helped to find an opportunity for developing it. In some instances it may even be advisable to suggest that an individual drop out of the club entirely if it is clear that he will gain more from some other activity or group. In any case, the club leader needs to recognize the limitations of the small, exclusive club, and to bring its members into contact with a variety of personalities, interests, and group activities afforded by the center. One means of accomplishing this is by arranging events in which a number of clubs co-operate, such as a father and son dinner.

### Truckville Girl Is Chosen In Contest

Miss Dorothy Louise Luft of Highland avenue, Truckville Gardens, is among ten girls chosen from a group of 5,000 girls from the United States, who entered a national contest for the selection of the "Sweater Girl of 1941." The contestants were selected from photographs.

Judges were: John Robert Powers, of Powers Models; Benjamin Jacobson, M. G. M. talent director; George Lynes, fashion photographer; Q. E. Schaffer, fashion editor of Esquire; Melia Underwood, N. B. C. women's editor of radio and television; and John La Gatta, magazine illustrator.

First prize is \$500 in cash and an opportunity to win a screen contract as a model. Second prize is \$200 and third prize is \$100. Fourth prize is a scholarship at the famous John Powers Modeling School. Winners will be announced on December 15th.

### Hunting Licenses Popular

Evans Cut Rate Drug Store in Shavertown has exceeded all records in the number of hunting licenses issued this year. To date more than 600 have been sold topping last year's record by more than 200.

### Shoots Black Bear

George Hackling of Noxen shot a 175-pound black bear on the hills back of his home in Noxen on the morning of the first day of the four day bear hunting season in Pennsylvania.

## Special Meetings Held At Noxen Tabernacle

Special meetings are in progress at the Noxen Tabernacle under the direction of Robert W. Lancaster. All are welcome at the services which are held nightly at 7:45. Come and receive the sure formula for peace in this time of war and rumors of war. Hurry, don't miss them. Meetings may close Sunday evening, November 23.

## Farmers Urged To Repair Farm Machinery Now

Luzerne County farmers are being urged in a message from the Secretary of Agriculture, Claude R. Wickard, to repair farm machinery and equipment at once as a precaution against breakdowns and delay in getting the needed parts next year. Production of new farm machinery will be sharply reduced in 1942 because of the increasing need for steel and other metals in making defense materials.

This movement to repair farm machinery was endorsed by the USDA State Defense Board for Pennsylvania at its meeting in Harrisburg recently. The Secretary's letter is being given to farmers by AAA Committeemen as they visit farms to work out farm plans for 1942 in the campaign to produce "Food for Freedom." The letter has been mailed to farmers who have already been reached in the canvass, according to R. R. Brader, Chairman of the County USDA Defense Board.

Terming 1942 a critical year for farmers, Secretary Wickard warns that the record farm production sought for next year must be accomplished in some areas with a limited supply of labor. With only a limited amount of steel available for the production of new farm machinery, he advises, "You can help your country and yourself by repairing old machinery now rather than attempting to get new machinery next year."

Mr. Brader suggests that farmers check over old machinery for worn parts and order the necessary replacements at once from dealers. He also urges farmers to report any parts shortages to the County USDA Defense Board.

### Woman's Club Concert Draws Large Audience

About 250 music lovers of the Back Mountain area enjoyed the concert given by the glee club of Dallas Junior Woman's Club in the borough high school Wednesday evening. The theme, "America, First, Last and Always" was carried out in stage settings, costumes and choice of music. Dallas Borough Band played several selections.

### Attend Meeting

Mrs. Ethel Shaver, Misses Irene Oney, Velma Haring, Stella Mission, Jane Case and Betty Bilbow, all employees of the Commonwealth Telephone Company, attended the meeting of the Sordoni Social Society at Hotel Sterling on Wednesday evening.

## Idetown Woman Dies On Birthday

### Was Sunday School Teacher For 60 Years

A lifetime of Christian service came to a close Wednesday morning with the death of Mrs. Ella B. Jones of Idetown at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital where she underwent a surgical operation on Monday afternoon. Mrs. Jones died on her eighty-third birthday anniversary.

The former Ella Belding of Kingston, she was widely known and respected throughout the Idetown community where she had been a resident for the past 30 years. From young womanhood she had been interested in church work teaching a Sunday School class for more than 60 years of her life, for more than 30 years at Kingston Presbyterian Church and later for 30 years at Idetown Methodist Church which she joined on moving to that community.

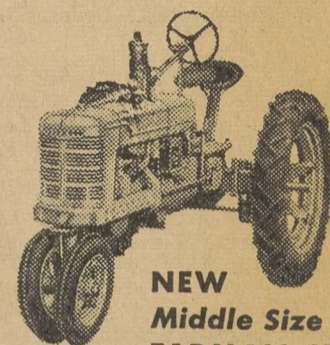
Beside her husband, a retired painting contractor, she leaves a son, Herbert Evans, by her first husband. His home is in Mehoopany. The funeral services will be held this afternoon from Idetown Methodist Church with services in charge of Rev. David Morgan of Alderson. Interment will be in Forty Fort Cemetery.

The pall bearers are: Frank Wright, James Rogers, James Brace, Tom Park, James Park and Robert Fresher.

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