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Dear Friends:

I believe this is the first letter I have ever written to you from Colorado and I hardly know what to tell you first! But perhaps before I start on the most recent events I should go back to the time of my last letter to you and bring you up to date on things that have happened since then.

Early fall brought good rains to Iowa and the grass which had turned so brown with the summer heat became green again, and the roses and fall flowers burst into bloom. It was certainly nice to have something to pick for bouquets in the house. Don't you agree with me that the new varieties of zinnias are lovely? Some of them resemble big shaggy mums, and another variety, red and white variagated, reminds me of peppermint stick candy.

Every spring the seed companies in Shenandoah give each local school child several packets of seeds, and when school opens in the fall they have a children's flower show at each building. This is a wonderful way to get children interested in gardening, and some of the entries are really very attractive and unusual. Martin was thrilled when he got a ribbon on his zinnias.

It's always heart-warming to see old friends, and we were surely delighted in late September when Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mack of Bremerton, Washington came to spend the day with us. Our friendship dates back to the years between 1919 and 1924 when we lived in Clarinda only one short block apart, and since the Mack children were just about the exact age of the Driftmier children we shared many ups and downs together. Now they have nine grandchildren, some of them just the age of our grandchildren, so you can see that we had far more to talk about than could be covered in only one brief day.

We also had a happy visit in September with our nephew, Philip Field, his wife Marie, and Marie's sister, Margaret. Philip is a certified public accountant, and his job with our government is to audit the accounts of various departments and help find ways of cutting down expenses. His daughter, Billy, is a student at William and Mary College in Williamsburg, Virginia, so she couldn't make

this trip with her parents.

One day I entertained at lunch for them—had my sisters Jessie and Martha here from Clarinda, Fred Fischer and Bertha Field—Philip and Marie made their headquarters at Bertha's while they were in town. Margery came down and set the table for me, but I prepared all of the food myself and tried to have things that could be fixed in advance and then kept warm until it was time to serve.

I always like to hear what you folks serve when you entertain, so perhaps you'd like to hear what I fixed. First we had a fruit cup made by combining honeydew melon and watermelon balls sprinkled with a little lime juice. Then I had creamed chicken on Chinese noodles, orange beets, a relish plate, hot rolls and cinnamon buns, and for dessert, squares of white cake topped with cherry sauce and whipped cream, and coffee. Late in the afternoon we interrupted our visiting to have more coffee and rolls.

So many of you old time friends remember all of Henry's children that I like to mention special events when they occur. This past summer both Hope (who lives in California) and Ruth (who lives in Wisconsin) had weddings in their families when their children married. Mart and I said the other day that if we ever set out to visit all of our nieces and nephews in their homes it would take us all over the entire United States and would occupy almost a full year!

Now about our trip to Denver. As I told you last month, Wayne and his family have moved out here, and as soon as they had bought a home and were all settled they wanted us to come and see them. You know what a comfort it is to be able to picture your absent loved ones in their new surroundings, so here we are!

We took two days to make the trip. The weather was perfect and the highways so good that we really enjoyed every minute of it. Once again we passed the enormous ammunition dump at Hastings, Nebraska and I wondered how many people actually realize that it is one of the largest ammunition dumps in the world? It covers thousands of acres, and there are more than 1900 buildings used to store all kinds of naval ammunition.

We had no idea where to find Wayne's home in Denver, of course, so he sent us a city map before we left and marked the route we were to take to reach their home. We had no trouble at all finding it, and my! how happy we were when we drove up and Emily, Alison and Clark came running out to the car. In no time at all they'd gone out to round up their little friends in the neighborhood so they could see "Granny and Grandpa from Iowa."

Wayne and Abigail have a very comfortable three bedroom home on a quiet street not far from the Wilmore Nursery where Wayne is general manager. On our second day here Mr. Wilmore took us on a tour through the nursery fields where beautiful ornamental evergreens are grown. This company specializes in landscaping yards, and with the hundreds of beautiful new homes that are being built in Denver they are very, very busy. I didn't realize how well roses and perennials do here until I saw the displays around the Wilmore Garden store.

We have had wonderful weather all week and have made trips to see the fine mountain resorts around Denver. In between times I have helped Abigail make peach jam, run up some bedroom curtains, and "let down" or "take up" hems in Emily's and Alison's dresses. It seems strange not to have them around here during the day, but they leave for school on a bus about 8:15 in the morning, eat their lunch at the cafeteria, and return home by bus around 3:30. It's a good thing Clark has children his own age nearby or he would get pretty lonely.

Wayne found us a nice four room motel apartment quite close to their home, and we go over about ten in the morning and spend the rest of the day and evening with them. Since Wayne is busy at the nursery during the day this gives us a good chance to visit with him in the evening. People who use wheel chairs find many complications that other people never need give a thought to, so until Wayne and Abigail get a new bedroom and larger bathroom built on next spring we could make this Denver trip only by staying at a motel.

Word from home today brought the news that Jim Chapin, Mary Fischer Chapin's husband, has been commissioned by Time magazine to do the cover picture of Prince Philip, Queen Elizabeth's husband. I believe this is to appear when they make their trip to the United States. Fred Fischer doesn't plan to make his annual trip to New Jersey to visit Mary's family until later in the fall—or early winter.

This is our November issue, so I send you my warmest wishes for a happy, happy Thanksgiving. As the years go by Mart and I realize how many things we have for which to be thankful. As Wayne's little Emily said when she asked the blessing at supper tonight, "Thank you, dear God, for our home and our food, the flowers and the birds and—dear God, thank you for everything?"

I see it's bedtime, so until next month I will say goodbye, and God bless you and your dear families.

Affectionately yours, Leanna

HOW ARE WE THANKFUL?

By

Mabel Nair Brown

WORSHIP SETTING: On a table spread with a simple cloth, place a bread board, a loaf of bread and a bread knife with a glass of water. Immediately back of the bread on a slightly higher level (this can be a stack of books or a block of wood slipped under the tablecloth) place a single tall white taper. This is to be lighted as the Call To Worship is given.

CALL TO WORSHIP (soft music of hymn, "Come Ye Thankful People, Come").

"My God, Thou art a God of strength and beauty, Thou art the mighty keeper of the seas; Thou givest me my life, my faith, my seeing—And I, so small—what can I give for these? . . . And I, so small—oh humbly and with gladness, I give my all—I give my life to Thee!"

Scripture from Psalm 103: "Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies; who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like eagles. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger forever. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him . But the mercy of the Lord is

from everlasting to everlasting."
GROUP HYMN: "Faith of Our Fathers."

DOXOLOGY as prayer song by group.

Leader: A really thankful person it is fine to meet. There is about him a genuine shine, a radiant sincerity, an enveloping sense of gratitude that has in it compelling force, a great power. Then, we have all seen the thankless ones, those without grace to give thanks because they have not "eyes to see, nor ears to hear"-no sense of appreciation; hence, upon such, all sense of thankfulness is lost. There is a third person who is best illustrated in the familiar Bible parable of the publican and the Pharisee. Remember how the Pharisee gave thanks that he was not like other men? Oh yes, he prayed, but how shallow his prayer!

This Thanksgiving time, let us ask ourselves, "How do we pray? How are we thankful? For what are we thankful?"

For Life Itself—First Speaker: Life is a wonderful gift. Are we fully aware and genuinely appreciative of the great gift it is to be able to know joy and beauty, to experience love, happiness—yes, even to know pain and sorrow? To think for oneself, to just live, to share one's soul with God? "My God, Thou art a God of strength and beauty, Thou art the mighty Keeper of the seas, Thou givest me my



Sharon Brown, age 12, is a great help to her parents, Dale and Mabel Nair Brown, now that they both work at their store.

life, my faith, my joy in being—And I, O Lord, would give my thanks for these."

Solo or duet: "Break Thou The Bread Of Life." The music of this hymn might be played throughout the first speaker's speech given above.

For Work—Second Speaker: (Music of "My Task," or some other appropriate number).

Grenville Kleisher wrote, "Work is a divine provision for developing in us self-reliance, initiative, diligence, and other cardinal qualities. Work should be done in a spirt of gladness and gratitude."

It seems human nature for all of us to complain and to grumble at times about what we say is our being over-worked, "too busy," on a merry-go-round of daily grind. Yet how thankful we are for the fact that we have two hands to do what needs to be done, the strength to care for our families-all this is brought home sharply to us when we see a dear one stricken with some disabling disease, or injury so that they cannot work! But we shouldn't wait for these shock reminders to make us thankful for the daily blessing of work. Let us remember that in our days here on earth each of us has a particular job to do as is so aptly described in Paul Laurence Dunbar's poem "The Lord Had A Job For Me." (read this poem).

Solo: "My Task."

For Each Other-Third Speaker: How often do we pause to whisper a prayer of Thanksgiving just "for each other?"-the helpmate who is the center and inspiration of our home, the children who have brought us joys and happiness untold, the parents so loving, generous and good throughout their days with us, for friends who give us companionship and courage along the way-all of them together challenging us to the best that is in us, giving meaning to all our days? (Conclude this with some fine poem or reading on friendship or family life with the music of the song "Home" being played softly and then sung as a solo following the reading.)

For Today-Fourth Speaker: For

the great privilege of living today, I give thanks. For all the golden opportunities that are offered us in today's world, for each day's new adventures and joys, for today's fellowship and love that make of it a day apart, and best of all for the right to worship God and to seek Him in prayer when e're I please, for all that makes up today, I am so deeply, humbly grateful. ("America" might be played through this last speech and then all join in singing the last verse, which is a prayer. The hymn "This Is My Father's World" would also conclude this part nicely.)

Leader:

Gratitude

Be thankful every day for bread, and every night for a restful bed;

For words and kindness heard and spoken, and promises fulfilled, unbroken;

For faith in goodness, truth, and right; for freedom every day and night!

For friends congenial, cheerful, true, and work each day that you can do; For clothes and shelter, clean and warm, and God's protection in Life's storm;

For life and health, and those who care; for peace and quiet, and love and prayer!

-from Sunshine magazine

How are we thankful? Let it be in the small ways, the homey, every day way, the humble way for daily bread, daily blessings, "the blessings we have not earned and for which we could never pay."

Shall we stand for the benediction?

Benediction: "Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways! Reclothe us in our rightful mind; in purer lives Thy service find, in deeper reverence praise. Amen." (Pianist plays this hymn, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" softly as the verse is used in benediction.)

THANKSGIVING MEDITATION

The summer's harvesting is done; the fields

And garden rows are all denuded now. November skies are bleak, but golden yields

Are garnered, and we humbly, gladly bow

Our head in gratitude to our great God.

Whose benison has rested on our land. The warmth and rain came forth at His kind nod.

And we have felt the guidance of His

There must be times to sow and reap, we know.

There will be seasons while the Earth remains:

Our Father gave His word in long ago, And so He sends the sunshine and the

rains.
The Lord, our God, will not annul this plan;

He always keeps each promise made to man!

-Thelma Allinder

There are two things to aim at in life: first to get what you want; and after that, to enjoy it. Only the wisest of mankind achieve the second.

FROM MY DESK

By

Leanna

Question: "I hesitate to write about this, Leanna, because I'm afraid it sounds as if I'm just cross and cheap, but I wish I knew what to do about neighbors who are always borrowing my good dishes and table linen when they entertain. My dishes came to me from my mother and can no longer be replaced if they are chipped or broken. I worked hard to buy my table linen and gave up a needed winter coat to get it. If my neighbors didn't have all of the present day conveniences and many of the luxuries I wouldn't resent their running to me whenever they entertain, but they seem to have money for everything else and get three new cars to our one. I can't help but wonder why they don't realize that dishes and linen will be needed for years to come and that they should be buying their own. The fall round of clubs is now in full swing and I've already had two demands for my things. How can I change this without stirring up hard feelings?

Answer: The best way to avoid stir-ring up hard feelings, I think, would be to say the next time your neighbors come to borrow: "I'm sorry, but I've planned to use my dishes and linen that very day because I'm having company for dinner." Then go ahead and invite someone in so that you have spoken the truth. You should also add quietly that the dishes cannot be replaced and that the linen is beginning to show signs of hard wear. If this isn't enough to discourage them permanently, then the next time they ask you'll be compelled to say very politely and firmly that you just can't run the risk of having your mother's gift to you broken or damaged. Offer your everyday dishes and table linen. This should settle the matter once and for all, and yet if you handle it graciously you'll avoid hard neighborhood feeling-and no one wants that.

Question: "There is going to be a wedding in our family in late autumn and there are members of the family who think that one of the nieces should not be invited. I know she is a little outspoken and perhaps not as particular about her appearance as some of the others, but she has a heart of gold. Her sister and father will be invited and I claim it wouldn't be right to leave her out. She listens to my advice quite a bit and I could tell her a few do's and don'ts before hand. I'm sure she wouldn't embarrass anyone. Please tell me what you would do in these circumstances."-Minn.

Answer: Under no conditions should she be left out. It would be unforgivable to extend an invitation to her father and to her sister without including her too. If you can give her some pointers, by all means do so, and explain to the others that you'll see to it she doesn't embarrass anyone. People never forget those kind of hurts, and no Christian can inflict them with a light conscience.



Ten years ago this month we took the above picture for our November cover, and how clearly all of us recall the struggle we had to keep both Kristin and Juliana quiet long enough for Russell to get this shot of them as they watched their Grandfather Driftmier carve the turkey. Now, in 1957, we feel wonderfully blessed to have Grandfather Driftmier still able to cope with any bird, and to have the two eager little girls now helpful young ladies who are a constant joy and comfort to their parents and grandparents. This was the first of our "family turkey" covers, and in years to come we hope to duplicate other pictures to share with you friends who have watched our children grow up.

Question: "Just before school opened this fall our 12 year old boy got into a serious scrape with six other boys. They entered an empty house and broke out windows, smeared paint on the walls, etc. The owner said that he wouldn't press charges in Juvenile court if he were paid for the loss involved, so all the parents got together and divided up the amount equally. It came to \$46.00 for each family, and hit us very hard. In fact, we had to borrow the money to pay it. We told our boy that he had to pay us back by working in yards this fall, scooping sidewalks during the winter, etc., and we thought it was all settled, but now we find that we are the only ones who took this viewpoint and the others just paid up and considered themselves lucky not to get mixed up in court. Our boy bitterly resents the fact that the others got off so easy and life is surely very hard at our house because of it. I don't want the whole winter spent like this and wonder if we really were too hard and if we should have gone along like the others and let bygones be bygones. I'll appreciate anything you have to say since you raised four boys of your own."-Mo.

Answer: Let me say first that when my boys were growing up we simply didn't have the kind of destruction and lawlessness that seems to be happening everywhere today. If a window were broken accidentally during a ball game or something of the kind, any boy responsible worked to pay for it. I think all the parents of our boys' friends shared the same viewpoint that property must be respected and damage must be paid for by real work. I feel that if you took any attitude other than the one you took it would be a dreadful thing for your boy's future. How are our children to become responsible grownups if they don't learn to face up to the consequences of their behavior? The parents of the six other boys have asked for continual trouble by their attitude. Your boy may feel bitterly resentful, as you say, but it's highly unlikely that he's going to be involved in such trouble in the future.

FALL FEVER

It really can't be very much fun
To stay inside 'til housework's done;
To dust and scrub and wear a smile
With oak leaves drifting all the while,
With far hills dimmed by soft blue
haze

On even autumn's brightest days:
It can't be fun; all facts belie it,
And for today, I shall not try it!

—Lucille Gripp Maharry

AUTUMN COMES TO THE FARM

Dear Friends:

We have been having a week of gorgeous Indian Summer weather, which is my favorite time of year. We had our first frost last week-end which helped the corn and beans along. The leaves have begun to turn color and the walnuts are beginning to fall. Frank tries to get his chores done a little early these evenings so that he can take his dog into the timber to do a little squirrel hunting before the sun goes down. I go along with him once in awhile just for the enjoyment I get out of walking in the timber this time of year.

The best squirrel dog we ever had died a couple of years ago and Frank has been trying to train our little dog Tinker. He is getting better all the time but he still has a lot to learn. Tinker works awfully hard and manages to tree a lot of squirrels, but as soon as he gets them treed he is so anxious to tell Frank about it that he runs back to find him and leaves the tree. When Frisky, our other dog, treed a squirrel he would stay and bark until Frank came even though he had to sit there all day.

Frank has been busy the last two weeks helping a couple of neighbors fill their silos. This week he started shocking his own fodder. We don't have a silo. I love to see corn shocked in the field. To me it is a part of the fall landscape.

Since school started it seems to me as if I have spent 75% of my time running back and forth to town. I have had jury duty the past two weeks and between that and Kristin's many activities my work at home has been sadly neglected.

I have been getting the winter cloth-

ing out of moth balls and airing them on the line, sorting out the things to go to the cleaners, pressing the rest and getting them hung up in their respective closets. Several of Kristin's good skirts were too short and were passed on to Juliana. I'm glad Juliana is enough shorter than Kristin so that she can wear these outgrown skirts. This made Kristin a little low on clothes so I have been trying to get a couple of skirts made for her. She had a corduroy jumper that was just as good as new but was too shortwaisted for her now, so I have gotten as far as taking the skirt off the waist and as soon as I can remember to pick up a zipper in town I'll get a waistband on it and she will have a good skirt. I also have another skirt

time.

The first part of this month I enjoyed an evening at Woodburn, Iowa, where I was a guest at their P. T. A. meeting and showed the Hawaiian pictures. They had a large crowd and I enjoyed visiting with so many of our Kitchen-Klatter friends. Although Woodburn is only about seven miles from Lucas, and I have been through the town many, many times on the train, it was my first visit there.

that is just waiting for the waistband.

I hate to have articles of clothing ly-

ing around half-finished so I hope I

can get these finished this week some-



Kristin and Karen Trumbo prepared a 4-H team demonstration—"New Tricks for your Relish Plate." It certainly looks attractive.

When our rural school closed four years ago because we didn't have enough pupils to keep it open according to the state law, we kept hoping we would have enough children in the neighborhood to reopen it in a year or two. We haven't had, and since the new Iowa school law passed in the last session of the legislature requires a rural school to have an enrollment of ten pupils instead of six, our township school board decided they had better sell Plympton and one other school in the township before they became too run-down. So this month our little Plympton school house was sold at auction. Two years ago we sold three schools which had been closed for years, and in 1951 one of our schools burned to the ground and was not rebuilt, so this leaves us only three schools in Whitebreast township that are still operating.

A week ago the folks spent Sunday with us. It was a beautiful day overhead but we had had a rain the Friday before and the roads were still muddy. I was hating to call the folks and tell them not to come, when Frank came forth with a wonderful idea on how we could manage to get Mother through the half-mile of mud from the gravel to our house. He had measured the back of the jeep and found that it was large enough for her wheel chair. There is a little gate at the back of the jeep which lets down just like there is on a pickup truck, so he decided to make a ramp which would enable us to wheel Mother, chair and all, into the jeep. (We have had the jeep eight years and this had never occurred to us before!)

Frank made the ramp on Saturday afternoon out of good hard walnut. We laughed and said that making it out of walnut was just like rolling out the red carpet for her. Dad is a very punctual man so we always know just what time they will arrive. We drove up to August Johnson's a little early so that we could stop them there when we saw them coming. You can imagine their surprise! Dad looked a little skeptical about it until we had proved

to him that it could be done, and Mother thought it was a great lark getting to ride in the jeep for the first time. Kristin had been to Shenandoah for the week-end and came home with them, and Juliana had come along for the day, so by the time we were all loaded in we made quite a sight. Of course the ramp had to go back with us so we could get Mother out, so Frank laid it across the hood in front and Kristin sat on that. Dad and Frank sat in front with Juliana, Mother and chair, and myself in back. If you have ever seen how small a jeep is, you will be able to visualize how we were packed in.

Kristin has started refinishing her first piece of furniture for her 4-H project this year which is Home Furnishings. I got her some varnish remover and she started in on an old table we have. It really is a tea wagon with wheels on the legs. She did the top first which went fairly fast and wasn't very hard, but I notice she isn't working on it very often anymore since she has come to the place where she must do the legs. They are going to be very difficult to do and it will be a tedious job. Has anyone discovered a quick and easy way to remove varnish?

I hear the tractor coming in from the field so I expect it must be about time for a coffee break. Delia Johnson called a little while ago and said if Frank came in for coffee she would like to have us come over and have it with them. So until next month...

Sincerely, Dorothy

AN APPLE PARTY

By

Muriel R. Razor

Wouldn't you like to do something different at one of your parties this fall? Then try an Apple Party.

Your invitations might be cut from tan, green, or yellow construction paper in the shape of a big apple with a stem and a leaf. With water colors tint and streak one side with red and green, and paint the leaf brown and green with a brown stem. On the reverse side invite your friends to a "pippin of a time."

For decorations use plenty of autumn colors (crepe paper, leaves, etc.) with bowls of apples for centers of interest.

As your guests arrive, give each a piece of paper and pencil and whisper the name of an apple which is to be his throughout the evening. He must not tell anyone his "apple" name but does give hints by using his "apple" name in conversation occasionally by dropping such remarks as the likelihood of "Snow," the desire to be "Wealthy," something about a sour old "Crab," etc. As guests decide on the apple names they write them on their paper with the actual name of the person to whom it belongs. The contestant with the most names wins a prize.

Pass out large sheets of paper and ask each contestant to draw an apple

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The Springfield Driftmiers are all ardent fishermen! Mary Leanna pulled in a 2 lb. pickerel this summer and was certainly very proud.

ALL KINDS OF NEWS FROM FREDERICK

Dear Folks,

Two weeks ago Betty took her first vacation from her family in eleven years. She went to a family reunion at her parents' summer home in Nova Scotia. Of course, I was supposed to be there too, but after being away from my church all summer, I simply could not go away again so soon.

It is always lovely in Nova Scotia at this time of year, and there was the additional excitement of the International Tuna Cup Matches. Betty's brother Bob was one of the judges for this fishing championship of the world, and each day all of the family would go down to the docks to see the boats come in from the day's fishing, and to watch the weighing of the fish. It is a real sport—this fishing for 700 pound tuna fish on a rod and reeland it is fun to see the competition between the teams of fishermen from Europe, Africa, South America, Central America, and the United States.

On a Thursday night I received a long distance telephone message from Betty's sister telling me that Betty had been in an accident when a boat hit a rock and sank, but that she was perfectly all right and did not want me to be frightened by any stories I might read in the newspapers about it. Sure enough, the next day the papers were full of it, and it was even on the radio newscasts, but it was not until Betty got home that I had a chance to learn the whole story.

About forty of the wives and friends of the competing fishermen chartered a 112 foot yacht to take them out to the ocean fishing grounds to see the men in action. It was a gay party until late afternoon when a fog rolled in and the boats turned for the home port. The yacht took a bit of a shortcut going up a narrow channel between two rocky islands, and this was to prove its undoing.

The tides are very high and very dangerous in the waters off Nova Scotia, and even though the crew of the yacht was familar with the area, a fast turning tide took the yacht onto some jagged rocks several hundred feet out from shore. In just a matter of minutes it went into a 45 degree list turning almost completely onto its side. Of course no one could stand up

on such tilted decks, and so the women all climbed up on the one rail that remained out of the water, and there they stayed until rescued an hour later by a small tender that happened to be passing by.

In the meantime, the yacht had radioed for help and the boats of the fishing fleet were rushing to the scene.

Betty happened to be out on the deck when the accident happened, and when she saw how dangerous the water was (in the changing tide she said that it looked just like Niagara River below the falls) and when she saw the possibility that the yacht might turn completely over, she tried to find some life preservers. She started down below decks to get any jackets that might have been down there, but she was ordered back onto the deck because of the danger of her being trapped down there if the yacht turned over. One of the men aboard handed her what few life jackets there were available, and it turned out that there were only seven jackets to be distributed between 42 people! Actually, had any of them been forced to go into the water, it is doubtful if the jackets could have saved them. The water was simply too swift and too rough for any swimmer with or without a jacket.

When the little tender came alongside, the men made a human chain to help the women slide down across the tilting deck to it. Twenty were taken off in the first attempt, and they were put ashore on the nearest island. In a second and third trip, the tender took off all the others. About then the first of the tuna boats showed up, and who should be on the boat that picked up Betty and her sister but two of my brothers-in-law! They have had much fun kidding me about paying them for having rescued my wife.

Well, that was our shipwreck for this month. Last month I ran a large cabin cruiser aground off Fishers Island in Long Island Sound. The sad thing about that was the fact that it was not my boat, and the damage done put the boat in drydock for a whole week. Frankly, we don't want to take any more boat rides this year.

The big excitement in this part of New England at this time of year is always the Eastern States' Exhibition. It is the equivalent of the big state fairs that you have back in the West, the only difference being that here several states cooperate on the one exhibition. Each of the New England states has a special building given over to that state's industries.

Because each of the New England states produce quantities of maple sugar, there are many sugar exhibits, each state trying to have a better one than the other states. Our children always love to visit the maple sugar exhibits where they watch the sugar being poured out into fancy candy molds, and we can be sure that a good part of their exhibition allowance will go for the purchase of maple candies.

The Eastern States' Exhibition this year was organized around the general theme of "Air Power," and of course that meant we had airplanes of every description flying overhead for the en-



David will stand with a fishing line practically forever. His high moment this past summer was a 3 lb. bass.

tire week. Have you ever seen some of these stunt flyers of the United States Air Force? How thrilling! How breathtaking! How blood chilling their air shows are! Much of the flying was done right over the downtown area of the city, and that meant the planes were roaring right over the top of our church spire.

I suppose that you all have your children safely back in school. Our children did not get out of school last summer until the end of June, but they were back in their classrooms the first week of September. Some of the private schools here in the East do not begin the fall season until the last week in September. There are many more private schools in this part of the country than there are in the West.

Our children attend a very fine public school just four blocks from home, and for that we are very grateful. They have to be at school by 8:30 in the morning; they have one hour for lunch; and then they are dismissed for the day at 3:00.

When I see little children on their way to school in the morning it always brings a lump into my throat. Children are so trusting and so innocent, and they have so much to learn and so many hard experiences ahead of them. Surely there is no profession in the world more important to human welfare than the profession of teaching.

Every Sunday morning in my church here in Springfield the first part of the eleven o'clock service is a family service, and then during the singing of a hymn all the children walk down the center aisle and out a door in the front of the church that leads to the parish house. As they walk past the pulpit they all wave to me, and some of the very little ones throw me a kiss. What a joy it is to see them all dressed up in their very best, their faces bright and shining, their eyes alight with a gleam of anticipation as they go to study with Sunday School teachers whom they dearly love.

If you could stand with me in that pulpit some Sunday morning, you would understand why it is that I have often said: "The greatest compensation a minister ever has, is the joy of watching little children learn to love their church and all that it stands for."

Sincerely, Frederick

WHY ARE WE THANKFUL?

By

Evelyn Corrie Birkby

Recently I read a statement which really brought me up with a start. It said in no uncertain terms that our spirit of thanksgiving and the things for which we are thankful are revelations of our character!

Looking at the things for which we are truly thankful, as this Thanksgiving season approaches, might be a good way of evaluating ourselves. Are we materialistic; striving to get ahead of our neighbors; selfish for our own family possessions; eager to be first in the social life of the community? Or are we thankful most of all for the love of our family and friends; glad for opportunities to serve others? Are we thankful enough for our own freedom to assist others who have fled from tyranny? Are we grateful enough for this life God has given us to show that gratefulness in unselfish service for our Creator?

What it really means, I think, is whether we are thankful enough to DO anything about it aside from getting the family together for a big dinner. If we don't translate our feelings into actions they aren't rooted in very deep convictions.

One of the most interesting little Thanksgiving stories illustrates how sharing spreads and spreads. It tells about a well-to-do gentleman who gave a family a turkey as a gift. This family, in turn, took the chicken they had planned to use and gave it to a widow. The widow sent a pumpkin pie to a washerwoman who made a cake for some orphan children. The orphan children shared their cake with a little crippled boy who gave the crumbs which were left to the birds!

This is just a simple example of how sharing goes on and on. Every bit of kindness we do adds to the reservoir of good in this old world. Regardless of some of the criticism leveled at aid to those across the sea, such projects which have the welfare of others as its purpose does leave a residue of good feeling.

Recently six west German families wrote for the names of six needy U. S. families. They had been helped by the Americans when they were in need, and now they wanted to be of assistance to someone here. Just like the ripples in a pool when a pebble is dropped into its blue depths, so do good deeds go on and on.

Anna Laura Gebhard tells the story of her little girl's interest when the church began packing a box of clothes for overseas shipment. Charlene wanted to fix a box of her own clothes for a little girl. When the big package was mailed, inside was a little bundle marked "Girl . . . Seven Years" and inside the jumper pocket was Charlene's name and address. That evening the big globe was brought down from its shelf and the journey the packages would take was traced half-way around the world. Charlene said a prayer that night: "Dear God, take my clothes safely to some little girl who needs them. May she know she has a friend."



Remember when Mother said she was smocking dresses for her little great-nieces in Greenwich, Conn.? Well, here they are! Jennifer, Heidie and Wendy Watkins are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Watkins, and Aunt Jessie Shambaugh's granddaughters. (Little Nancy is peeking around the corner because she doesn't yet have her smocked dress!)

Many months later Charlene received a letter from a little seven year old girl in Germany. It was very short, but the heart of the message said, "Thank you for the goot clothes." Charlene was delighted. Now her friend was a real little girl.

These small bundles sent from one little girl to another do not seem like a very big bite toward building world peace, but surely such examples of unselfishness and friendliness help to keep this old world on a more even keel.

While we are planning our Thanksgiving this year we might definitely make it more than just a feast day. We can learn more about the thankful days in other countries. Yes, isn't it surprising to think of other countries celebrating Thanksgiving? We are prone to think of it as an original American custom, but every country in the world has set aside a time to thank their Creator for the good things they have. The Hebrew people had their feasts of the Tabernacles and their harvest celebrations centuries ago. Surely these are Thanksgiving days in the best meaning of the word. Although we may claim the turkey and the cornbread as purely ours, someone will probably come along and point out that we have the Indians to thank for those customs and we'll be right back again to the place of realizing how intertwined all our holidays really are.

We often use stories about Christmas in other lands, but not enough people know that most good libraries also offer fine stories to use with your children at Thanksgiving time. following suggestions are only a starting point, for there are many more books with excellent material. "Stories for Every Holiday" by Carolyn Bailey. "Stories of the World's Holidays" by Grace Humphrey. "Book of Holidays" "Observing by Joseph McSpadden. Church and National Holidays" Florence Martin. "Our American Heritage" series, Robert Schauffler. "Fun Around the World" by Frances Keene. "National Geographic Magazine for January 1938 . . . Thanksgiving in Other Lands."

Sharing stories can be a good jumping off place for planning a sharing project with the family. One family I know invites a needy person to their home for Thanksgiving dinner. (And a needy person is not always a hungry person either!) It may be someone who needs love and friendship. Some of the most rewarding experiences in friendship have come from inviting foreign students or friendless persons of another race into a home. Trying to help them turns into a real benefit for those who share.

While we are thinking of sharing, let's remember to share with the children the fun of preparation. Last year when I baked a cake to use for the big dinner which combined Thanksgiving and Daddy's birthday, I shooed the children out of the kitchen. This was to be a production! Far too many ingredients were needed to risk spoiling with so many helpers! The filling and frosting were delicate and had to be handled just so! When the cake was completed it was perfect, but I had the nagging feeling that I had produced this perfection at the expense of the pleasure three little boys would have had if they had been allowed to dump and frost. Perhaps a cake from a box made with love and the help of three little ones would have meant more to Daddy on his birthday and the rest of us for our Thanksgiving observance than the fancy one Mama made all alone.
Our centerpiece for the table, how-

Our centerpiece for the table, however, was definitely "homemade." Bobby colored and cut a big turkey in his first grade class in school and brought it home for a surprise. Proudly he placed it carefully right in the center of the table. Proudly we ate our dinner, complimenting him on the part he had in making the table pretty. Carefully the turkey was placed in the box with the pilgrim candles and other holiday trimmings to be brought out for use this year.

It might be well to do a bit of collecting for that Thanksgiving box. A few lovely poems, a song the children will enjoy, a worship service or two from your church periodicals (AND Kitchen-Klatter!) a prayer of praise written by your very own family, could well be the core of a beautiful and meaningful worship service. Saving these from one year to the next, plus adding as we go, can give us needed material at a moment's notice.

Maybe Thanksgiving comes a few weeks before Christmas so we can get into the proper frame of mind for the sharing and loving which is part of that great season. It is all right to get these two holidays entwined in our thinking, for it is of our bounty, our desire to share, our thankfulness for the gift of life and strength and courage which God has showered upon us which gives the richness to the great holidays ahead.

Blessed are those who give thanks, for their appreciation is deepened and their lives enriched. We need a time to stop and count our blessings and thank God for them. And we need to stop and realize also that those things for which we are thankful are a true revelation of what we really are . . . our character, if you will.

LETTER FROM LUCILE

Hello, Good Friends:

This is the kind of an afternoon that I would like to play hookey! It is a gorgeous autumn day with just enough of a little breeze now and then to stir up a few golden leaves and let them sift down as quietly as though they were being photographed in slow motion. The sky is such an intense blue that it looks like enameled porcelain, and one of these nights there will be an enormous harvest moon—to my way of thinking, the most beautiful moon of the year.

Russell and I said this noon that it was just such a day when we started off towards North Carolina five years ago with Dad Verness and Juliana. My, that seems much more than five years ago! It was a happy trip, and I recall so vividly how Dad Verness sat with us at a little roadside park in the Great Smokies and marveled that he was actually not far from the Cumberland River.

"The Cumberland River was just a place I studied in geography when I was a boy," he said, "and I never dreamed that I would really see it."

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At the time of our trip he had been retired for only about a month or so and it still seemed to him unbelievable that he would not get up the next morning and go down to work. In fact, every morning during the time we were together he was very restless and couldn't really relax until we were actually in the car and headed down another stretch of the road. The habits of many years' standing simply cannot be tossed off overnight.

Russell and I couldn't take time for any kind of a real trip this year, but we have had two short outings that were certainly very pleasant. In fact, we said that in one way we found them more relaxing than long trips where much ground must be covered to arrive at a destination.

On one beautiful Sunday in late September we went with friends for a fine old-fashioned fried chicken picnic. Steinhart Park in Nebraska City was a lovely place to have the standard fare of chicken, potato salad, rolls, pickles, olives, sliced tomatoes, baked beans and quantities of hot coffee. Then we packed up everything and moved on to Brownville, Nebraska.

I had never been in Brownville before and found this town (the oldest town in Nebraska, according to a sign) extremely interesting. We prowled all around, up one street and down another, and studied some wonderful old houses that looked as if they had witnessed all the history of that section. Then we went down to a sandy place by the Missouri river and had our dessert-apple pie, cheese and more coffee. All in all, it was a wonderfully relaxing day and we said that it certainly wasn't necessary to go very far from home to find a world of interesting things to explore.

Our other short trip called for an overnight stop at Excelsior Springs, Mo., and although I have never been in Europe and therefore have no genuine basis of comparison, it does seem to me (from impressions based on years of looking at the National



When I opened a letter from Mrs. Chas. Evans of Parnell, Mo. and took out this picture I said to Russell: "Here's a cat that looks like Saccafrass." Then I read the letter and found that it actually IS Saccafrass—snapped by Mrs. Evans' grandson, John Charles Urban of Des Moines when they visited our garden.

Geographic magazine) that this town is much more European than Midwestern. I think it's location is interesting and so very different from most Midwestern towns that stand smack on the open plains. I also like the winding streets, outcroppings of limestone, and the unusual sight of many large hotels in a small town. Russell and I had been in Excelsior Springs before, but the friends who went with us had never seen it before, and their first impressions were exactly the first impressions we had ten years earlier.

My, how lush and bountiful the countryside looks this year! We said we could never recall seeing pastures and yards so green in October, and surely the crops to be harvested later will be an enormous improvement over what they have been in recent years. All in all, I love every bit of this Midwest and can find enough on any short outing to keep me interested not only while I am looking at it, but long afterwards when I recall the drive.

This is the first fall I can feel hearty enthusiasm over a big cleaning upheaval! Always before when the drapes were cleaned I thought to myself that they certainly wouldn't look fresh for long—just let that old coal furnace start chugging away and all the scrubbing and cleaning would be for naught. But this fall for the first time we have a gas furnace, and my! what a difference it makes in daily cleaning.

I'm glad now that I didn't get the carpets cleaned last spring. One of these days we'll have them tackled professionally for the first time in over two years, and they will stand a fairly good chance of looking fresh for a considerable spell. Our living room carpet has been down for about ten years now and it shows sad wear and tear all over—not in just a few places. I was foolish enough to think when we first got it that it would hold up for a lifetime! Well, I've learned better. But there is one thing I'll say for

that carpet; it certainly doesn't show the abuse and dirt as badly as some carpets I've seen.

"Tricks and treats" will be here before we know it. Juliana said at the table this noon that she would never forget the Hallowe'en five years ago when she went out "tricking and treating" in three different places. That was on the trip I mentioned earlier in this letter. First she had a wonderful time in Washington, D. C. when she went out with Joan and Jean Nelson and collected such an armful of stuff that it couldn't be squeezed into any of our luggage and she had to get on the train carrying an old paper sack!

Then in Chicago she went out with Kira Sassaman and sampled the Chicago version of tricks and treats. Incidentally, here in Shenandoah we've had tricks and treats only on Hallowe'en night, but in both Washington and Chicago it seemed to go on for several nights running. That's how it happens that she got in on it both places, and then returned to Shenandoah on the very night of Hallowe'en and went out with her own neighborhood crowd. No wonder she remembers that particular Hallowe'en.

I certainly don't mind getting "stuff" together for kids on Hallowe'en and I've never heard anyone else complain about it either. Only once when I was small did we go out and do anything that we shouldn't have done (that was in 1918 when Howard and I roamed around with the neighborhood kids and carried porch chairs out to the front parkings!), but Russell said that in the city there used to be dreadful damage done. He and his friends stuck strictly inside that night, for the streets were no place for "little kids."

My handwork these days is a pair of pillow cases—sprays of roses cross-stitched in shades of pale pink with light green leaves. I don't have any big project underway as yet and can't quite make up my mind what I do want to start. My friend in Chicago who does such gorgeous embroidery has two tablecloths in the making. She puts in a long day at the office and finds it most relaxing to pick up handwork in the evening. I find it relaxing too, so when these pillow cases are done I have a notion to line up something a little more ambitious.

One Christmas gift I want to make is an apron like the one we had at our Saint John's bazaar about six years ago. This was made of brilliant red cotton broadcloth—just cut straight and gathered on to a narrow band at the waist. But around both sides and the bottom was a ruffle about three inches wide of snowy white eyelet embroidery, and I still recall how attractive it was and how much I thought I'd enjoy making one just like it. Russell just now called in and asked

if I wanted to come out and watch him plant tulips. In case you think I'm lazy (watching someone plant rather than doing it myself) I should explain that gardening is beyond me physically, and years ago I had to make my peace with sitting on the sidelines. But on an afternoon such as this it's enough simply to be out in the sun, so I will put the cover on my typewriter and take myself to the garden. Until December—Lucile

INVESTMENTS IN CHRISTIAN FRIENDSHIPS

By Frances R. Williams

An investment in Friendship, in international relations and good will which is bound to pay big dividends in better world understanding is now an annual activity conducted by the Westminister Foundation, a Presbyterian group of college students at Kansas University, Lawrence.

Foreign students attending the University are given an insight into Christian homes and family life in Kansas through means of an annual two-day tour; each year some section of the state is visited. These students from distant lands are dinner and overnight guests in homes of Presbyterian church members, and thus far they have been entertained in Hiawatha, Junction City, Parsons, and Marysville. This November Cherryvale will be the host town.

The Kansas University Westminister Foundation (KUWF) under the sponsorship of the Presbyterian church has a planned program for Christian leadership. At the University, Dr. John H. Patton is college pastor. The KUWF with 400 active members operates on a \$3,000 annual budget that is raised in a two-week every member canvass each fall. The Foreign Student Tour is only one of the projects covered by the budget, and those who participate in it have no expense other than one meal enroute to their destination. The Tour has grown in popularity. It started with 20 people four years ago, but double that number will go to Cherryvale this fall.

Dr. Patton believes there is a great field of opportunity in other schools and colleges. He says: "During the past ten years, the number of foreign students attending our universities has increased greatly. These young people represent their country's best. They will return to their Homelands to become leaders, each in his own field of endeavor. It is important for the future of America that while here they become acquainted with the best that America has to offer—Christian homes and family life."

Dr. and Mrs. Patton have always been interested in the welfare of the foreign students. There are now 200 of them at Kansas U. from fifty different countries.

He says: "The basic idea behind the tour is that students come here with a certain stereotyped idea of Christian United States. Usually this view is driven from their minds quite drastically within a short time after they are here."

He feels that actually being in a Christian home, even for an overnight stay, would be a great experience for them and of mutual benefit to the host family as well.

The details of the annual Foreign Student Tour are worked out by the Westminister group. Departure takes place on the Saturday following Thanksgiving when a chartered bus leaves Lawrence early in the morning. During the day sites of historical and



Shortly before Wayne and his family moved to Denver this picture was taken. Wayne and Abigail are in back. Alison, Clark, Mother and Emily are in front. (They were all looking at a blinding sun.)

industrial importance are visited, and five or six members of the KUWF who accompany the tour are thoroughly briefed on the historical facts of the places visited and act as guides. There are special guides when an industry is visited.

Before the arrival at the host community, the pastor of the church has a list of the Foreign students, their countries, their major studies at the University, and their hobbies and interests. In assigning them to homes in his parish he seeks to bring together those who have some common interest. It is stressed that no special activity be planned. The student is coming to visit a Christian home and to do whatever the family normally does on a Saturday evening.

When the bus arrives at the host church about 5:00 o'clock, the guests meet their hosts and accompany them home. The evening meal usually breaks down any barriers and it generally turns out that the family and guest sit up until the wee hours talking over their mutual interests.

On Sunday morning any Roman Catholics in the group are taken by their hosts to an early mass. Then, if they wish, they join the others at the Presbyterian church for the morning worship service.

Usually one church group, or perhaps the entire congregation, has charge of the preparations for a church dinner at noon. Dinner is followed by an informal program with all guests seated around the table. Each foreign student is introduced and given ten minutes to speak. He may talk about his own country and its problems, or he may speak of his impressions of America. This has turned out to be a mag-

nificent two-hour program, according to Dr. Patton.

By three o'clock the group is back on the bus headed for Lawrence. There they all stop off at Westminister House for the regular Sunday evening program—supper followed by a discussion of religions. Dr. Patton discusses religions of our United States, and each Foreign student discusses the religions of his country.

"This closes a two-day period of wonderful fellowship and growing understanding of people and ideas," declares Dr. Patton.

The effect of these personal contacts is intangible. Dr. Patton says: "I have had many foreign students, some Christian, some non-Christian, tell me that the two-day tour gave them the finest possible introduction to a Christian community. They have been truly impressed."

The Foreign Student Tour to Marysville last November included young men and women from twenty different countries: India, Philippines, Korea, Arabia, the Gold Coast of South Africa, Austria, Switzerland, Indonesia, Japan, Brazil, Egypt, Nigeria, Mexico and several others. Six religious faiths were represented: Christian, Catholic, Moslem, Hindu, Sikh, and Brahman. One young man of the group was an avowed atheist.

A student whose Homeland is India said: "Discord in the world may be traced to suspicion and misunderstanding." He expressed a strong belief that better understanding will be achieved by the mingling of many people, and that eventually these contacts will lead to a lessening of misunderstanding and suspicion, and will do much to create a better world.

MARGERY COMPLETES THE ACCOUNT OF HER TRIP

Dear Friends:

Last month I told you about our vacation as far as the area around Springfield, Illinois.

You will recall that we drove to the Lake of the Ozarks, Jefferson City, and Hannibal, Missouri before driving to Springfield. After we went through New Salem Village we drove on to Petersburg to see the grave of Ann Rutledge. It was here that we ran into camera trouble and, unfortunately, were not able to take pictures. Consequently, we stopped at Havana, Illinois for camera repairs and then drove to the Dickson Mounds just north of Havana.

We will be forever grateful to the radio friend who wrote to us about visiting this State Memorial for it was indeed very worthwhile. It is the largest and most unusual excavation of its character in the world. In a space 30 by 60 feet are over 230 skeletons with their many utility and ornamental pieces exposed to view. At the Dickson Mounds State Memorial the finds have been preserved in a manner to make them always available for study and observation. Their presence had been known for some time, but in 1927 Dr. Don F. Dickson, with the assistance of his father, Thomas M. Dickson and also Marion Dickson, began a scientific excavation of mound. Dr. Dickson conceived the idea of leaving the finds just as they were buried. The work was done with great care with trowels, orange sticks and small brushes. Various student groups, particularly archaeologists from Colleges and Universities have studied the work and offered much assistance.

The people buried in Dickson Mound are pre-white American. They probably had an Asiatic origin as does the historic Indian, who is thought to have crossed over the North American continent by way of the Bering Straits. They lived in villages in rectangular houses set on bowl-shaped depressions. Findings in the village site show their food consisted of deer, elk, bison and small animals, and in addition as agricultural people, corn, beans and squash were an important part of their diet. The dates of burial are from 500 to 1000 years ago. If ever you are driving through Illinois I hope you will include a stop here for it was one of the most interesting historical sights we

From the Dickson Mounds we drove on to Peoria where we stopped for lunch, then straight north on Highway 88 to Rock Falls. We arrived there early in the afternoon and could have driven on to Rockford, Illinois where we were going to visit with Oliver's sister, Nina, and her husband Bob Lester, but we had a very good reason for stopping in Rock Falls. One of our radio friends had told us about an excellent restaurant here where smorgasbord is served on weekends. It sounded very intriguing! As we neared Rock Falls we also saw road signs advertising a motel with a swimming pool so Martin had his good reasons also for wanting to stop

overnight in Rock Falls! As a matter of fact, Martin tore into the motel and put on his bathing suit before we could unload the suitcases. His suit had not been packed with the other clothing in case we came across a swimming pool along the way and could stop for him to take a dip. My, how we enjoyed our dinner at Jul's Danish Farm! We are all very fond of smorgasbords. After dinner we called Oliver's sister and told her that we would be arriving the next morning.

We took our time driving up to Rockford for we were traveling along one of my favorite highways, No. 2, which runs along beautiful Rock River. It is always an exciting drive for Martin for on the right hand side of the river driving up to Rockford is an enormous statue of Chief Black Hawk which looms high above the tree tops. If you want to drive up to the statue you must cross the river at Oregon and drive to Lowden State Park. We have done this in past trips so we didn't make the side trip this time. There is a large deer range area here and we looked for deer along the river as we progressed up the highway. It wasn't the time of day for deer to be coming to drink at the river, but it was fun looking for them just the same. Martin has never forgotten that once we did see two deer when we were least expecting to see

We had a delightful visit with Bob and Nina. Nina, as are all of Oliver's sisters, is a wonderful cook. On Saturday night we had a fresh ham barbecued with Bob's secret sauce. Bob is from Georgia and his family is famous in his vicinity for their barbecues.

Sunday afternoon after a lovely chicken dinner we drove to the home of Oliver's sister, Viola and her husband, Dr. Carl Anderson. This is near St. Charles. We visited for a while and then had a late supper. We sat up until all hours catching up on family news.

One of the things we wanted to do in Chicago was see a Big League baseball game. We were very fortunate that the Yankees were playing the White Sox while we were there so Monday morning Viola suggested that we drive into Chicago and get our tickets in advance for it was expected to be a sell-out. This also gave us a chance to do a little shopping and go to the top of the new Prudential Building. Can you imagine going up 40 stories in 27 seconds? I couldn't believe it myself, but that is just what we did. The view of Chicago from this height is really an experience! The next morning Viola suggested

that she ride with us as far as Geneva where she was delegate to a meeting in the afternoon and she would take us to a very unusual tea room for lunch before driving into Chicago to visit Oliver's sister Laura. Laura is a very busy nurse and although she accompanied us on our trip as far as Rockford, she had to leave us on Sunday to get back to the hospital and back on duty Monday morning. The tea room where we had lunch is called the Old Mill Race and is situ-

ated on an old mill pond. The building was a blacksmith shop after it was a mill and is over 100 years old. Martin enjoyed watching the ducks on the pond while we were waiting for our names to be called to be served. People drive all the way out from Chicago to eat here. Of course there are many antique shops here as you may recall my mentioning in previous letters, so I suppose many come out for the day, having lunch at the Mill Race and shopping in the afternoon. It was fortunate that we arrived before 12:00 for there was a long line of people waiting for tables. I selected smothered chicken and herb rice, a tossed salad and hard rolls. For dessert I had a Fresh Plum Tart. I bought a cookbook at the desk as we left and have enjoyed reading the elegant

We drove on into Chicago on a different route than the one we usually take and of all things, got lost! Oliver spent ten years of his life in Chicago and naturally knows his way around the city very well, but usually goes by landmarks. Since he had driven this way building has changed so tremendously that we had a bit of difficulty getting on the right track. Unfortunately we didn't have a city map with us so we had to stop at a filling station and get straightened around. We did get to Laura's apartment before she got home from work, though. She had taken our films back to Chicago with her Sunday so Oliver picked them up and we had a good time going over the trip via the pictures.
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On Wednesday Laura was off duty so we shopped. Oliver went to North Park College one year which is very near the apartment so he enjoyed walking over to the college and spending a few hours. That evening we went to Allgauer's Fireside Restaurant in Lincolnwood for a delicious dinner. It was a beautiful evening when we went in to eat so we were amazed to come out and find it simply pouring down. I don't know when I have seen a heavier rain! Oliver got drenched getting the car for us.

Thursday we took the elevated train and subway to Comiskey Ball Park and saw the baseball game. Oliver hadn't seen a Major League game for several years so it was particularly thrilling to him. However, the subway ranked first in Martin's enthusiasm! I'm sure he would have stayed on it all night!

There had been quite a cool breeze blowing at the ball game and unfortunately I came down with a sore throat the next morning. There was so much more that we hoped to see in Chicago this trip, but I knew that bed was the place for me so Friday Oliver, Laura and Martin went to see the museums without me. They gave me a step by step account of their day when they got back so I almost felt as if I had been with them all day. How fortunate we are that so much is available to see in this great city. I sincerely hope that you can plan a trip to Chicago some time in the near future.

We are in the full swing of fall activities but my space is running short so I will go into details next month.

Until then, Margery

MARY BETH'S MENUS AND RECIPES

Editorial Note: This month we want to share with you a week's menus that are typical in the daily life of our Indiana Driftmiers.

Mary Beth is an exceptionally good cook and plans very carefully. She and Donald have a grocery budget that they stay within, no matter what. If unexpected emergencies arise, they simply take it slow and easy to make up for the sudden drain on the grocery envelope.

Our old time friends know to whom we refer when we mention our "Indiana Driftmiers," but for new readers we will say that Mary Beth cooks for her husband, Donald, and their little daughter, Katharine, age two. They live in Anderson, Indiana and must purchase every mouthful they eat... no running out to a garden in summer or down to a basement in the winter where home grown vegetables are stored. Donald works in an office, but goes home for a light lunch at noon. Prices in Anderson are comparable to prices we pay in our section of the country.

SATURDAY

Sliced bananas Cold cereal Hot cinnamon rolls Milk and coffee

Cream of celery soup Crackers Wieners, slit and filled with cheese, then broiled Cookies and milk

Macaroni and cheese Tossed salad Frozen squash (plain with salt and butter) Chilled fruit

SUNDAY

Pineapple (fresh, cubed Fried chicken and sugared overnight. When I was pregnant I fixed this with Sucaryl) Sausage with fried eggs Toast, milk and coffee

Baked potatoes Green beans (pressure cooked with a few onions for added flavor) Cottage cheese and sliced pickled beets on lettuce

Oxtail soup Crackers Milk, bread and butter Canned fruit (I like to keep this meal simple. The soup is quite filling.)

MONDAY

Grapefruit Hot oatmeal Milk and toast Oxtail soup Crackers Broiled cheese sandwiches Milk and canned fruit

Broiled hamburgers Spinach Buttered celery and cabbage cooked together Chocolate cake and vanilla ice cream

TUESDAY

Pineapple cubes 3 minute eggs Toast and jam Milk and coffee Hot English muffins with cheese, broiled Tomato soup Shredded lettuce with French dressing Cookies and milk

Creamed chicken on rice Broccoli (frozen) Gelatine fruit salad Cake and milk

WEDNESDAY

Broiled grapefruit Cold cereal Cinnamon rolls Milk and coffee

Lentil soup Crackers Celery stuffed with cottage cheese Milk and cookies

Meat loaf Asparagus souffle Sliced tomatoes and green pepper rings with Russian dressing Tapioca pudding

THURSDAY

Tomato juice Baked eggs Toast, jam Milk and coffee Lentil soup Meat loaf sandwiches Tapioca pudding Milk and coffee

Italian spaghetti Cauliflower with shrimp sauce Hot garlic bread Green salad Spumoni

FRIDAY

Orange juice Hot cream of wheat Toast, honey Milk and coffee

Hash (Meat loaf and potatoes, plus onions) Sliced pickled beets Garlic bread reheated Milk and coffee

Creamed tuna in pastry cups Cole slaw Buttered carrots Cake and milk

SATURDAY

Tomato juice French toast Milk and coffee Bacon and tomato sandwiches Baked beans Lettuce with Russian dressing Milk

More of the Italian spaghetti Sesame seed rolls Celery and carrot sticks Spumoni

Mary Beth says: "It is just too difficult to keep the car and take Katharine with me to the grocery more often than once a week, so I plan my meals from Saturday to Saturday and make my grocery list at the same time.

We're quite anxious to keep within our grocery budget so you will find our meals pretty simple and generally low cost-except when monotony drives me to an especially nice roast which is truly economical to use in leftovers. You'll notice, too, the re-currence of leftovers through the week! And on the whole, our meals are low on calories. I don't feel that I'm doing Donald or myself any kindness to lace our meals with high calorie foods; it's ever so much harder to take off the extra pounds than never to put them on. I do as much of my own cooking from scratch as possible, but I'm sure that many of you will put me to shame by preparing everything from scratch."

HEARTY AND DELICIOUS LENTIL SOUP

(from The French Tavern, Gatlinburg, Tenn.)

1 cured ham bone or hock 1 pkg. of Lentils (14 ozs.) 1 grated carrot

1 grated onion

Monosodium glutamate (see below) Seasonings

(Monosodium glutamate is the complicated sounding name for Accent, Pep or similar products. It is important-sharpens all flavors.)

Place ham hock in boiling water. After 1/2 hour pour in package of lentils. Let cook for about one hour or until the lentils are tender. Add finely grated carrot and onion, 1 Tbls. of Monosodium glutamate, salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste. Continue to cook until the carrots and onions practically disappear. Drain the hock from the soup, leaving flecks of the meat throughout. Serve piping hot.

Donald and I had this when we were honeymooning and thought it so exceptionally good that we asked for a recipe. So the cook very kindly typed it in the kitchen for us the night we were there. (The paper he typed it on is smeared with his sticky cooking fingers!) I would guess this to be one of my most favorite dishes, and when Dad Driftmier had it at our house he claimed that he was really impressed with it.

BROILED GRAPEFRUIT

People who cannot eat fresh grapefruit find that this way of fixing it enables them to tolerate the acidity.

Cut grapefruit in two. Run a sharp knife around the edge and through the fruit, cutting it into segments. Sprinkle a thick layer of brown sugar on top; dust lightly with cinnamon or nutmeg. Put under the broiler until sugar has completely melted. This takes longer than you might think, so prepare the grapefruit before you put on the coffee. People who have never eaten this always seem to shy away from the idea of hot grapefruit, but it is delicious.

ITALIAN SPAGHETTI

2 lbs. ground beef

5 onions, diced

1 green pepper, diced

2 cloves garlic

2 lbs. Italian spaghetti

2 8-oz. cans tomato sauce 2 8-oz. cans tomato paste

1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese (see below)

1 1/2 tsps. salt

1 can mushrooms

(This recipe as it is given was developed by my mother, Katharine Schneider, and her sister Hazel. I follow it exactly with one exception: I use about 1 1/3 cups of grated cheese rather than 1/2 cup.)

Brown the meat, onions, green peppers and one finely chopped garlic clove. (If your family doesn't care for garlic, eliminate it, of course.) I use the 2nd garlic clove to rub on the large serving platter just before drained spaghetti is turned out on it.

When first ingredients are browned, add the tomato sauce and paste, half the cheese, salt and then put entire mixture into a double boiler to ripen and simmer for at least two hours. Add mushrooms, as many as you can manage, in the last 20 minutes. If the addition of mushroom juice thins the mixture too much, use flour thicken-ing at this point to get a thickish consistency.

The spaghetti is put into a large kettle filled with boiling, salted water. Do not overcook. (It takes real Italian spaghetti about five more minutes to cook than the ordinary commercial kind.) When it is just tender enough to eat, but not a bit mushy, drain quickly through a colander, but don't rinse with cold water.

Turn spaghetti on to a large platter. Serve sauce in a separate bowl. I put an additional bowl of grated cheese on the table for those who want to sprinkle it on top.

OUR FAVORITE CHOCOLATE CAKE

1/2 cup cocoa 1/2 cup butter

2 unbeaten eggs

3 cups cake flour 1 tsp. soda

Dash of salt

3/4 cup of hot water

2 cups sugar

1 cup sour milk

2 tsp. Kitchen-Klatter vanilla

Combine 1/2 cup cocoa and 3/4 cup hot water and stir over a low fire until thick and smooth, Cool. Cream sugar and butter together. Add un-beaten eggs and beat well. Sift together the flour, salt and soda. Add alternately with 1 cup of sour milk, beating well. Lastly, add cocoa mixture and vanilla. Turn into 2 greased and floured 8-inch layer cake pans and bake for about 30 minutes in a moderate oven.

Sometimes I use a plain boiled white frosting for this. At other times I use a rich powdered sugar icing, and occasionally a caramel icing. It stays moist and is good to have on hand.



CAULIFLOWER WITH SHRIMP SAUCE

1 medium head cauliflower, broken in flowerets

1 can frozen condensed cream of shrimp soup

1/4 cup light cream

Salt to taste

Cook cauliflower, covered, in very small amount of boiling salted water until tender-10 to 15 minutes. Drain. Heat soup over low heat, stirring frequently. Add cream; stir and cook until just heated. Season to taste. Pour over cauliflower.

This is one of our great favorites. I've served it many times when we had company and everyone has asked for the recipe. I feel foolish when I give it because it is so simple. People seem to think there is something very unusual and tricky involved.

RUSSIAN DRESSING

1/4 cup sugar 3 Tbls. water 1/2 tsp. salt 1/2 tsp. paprika 11/2 tsp. celery seed Juice of 1 lemon 1 Tbls. vinegar 1/2 cup catsup 1 Tbls. Worcestershire sauce

1 cup salad oil

1/4 cup grated onion Cook sugar and water until mixture spins a thread, Cool, Combine with other ingredients and beat thoroughly. Chill. Makes 2 cups.

ASPARAGUS SOUFFLE

3 Tbls. butter, melted

3 Tbls. flour

1 cup milk

4 eggs, separated

2 1/2 cups diced cooked asparagus

3/4 tsp. salt

Blend butter and flour, add milk gradually and cook slowly until thickened, stirring constantly. Beat egg volks until thick and lemon colored. add asparagus and salt and add to sauce. Beat egg whites until stiff and fold into asparagus mixture, pour into greased casserole, set in pan of hot water and bake in slow oven, 325 degrees, about 45 minutes. This serves 6.

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1 cup heavy cream

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2 Tbls, minced candied orange peel

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setting. In top part of double boiler mix milk, egg yolks, salt and 3/4 cup of the sugar. Cook over simmering water, stirring constantly, until thickened and mixture coats a metal spoon. Cool. Add vanilla. Pour into refrigerator tray and freeze until almost firm. Line a 2-qt. mold with the mixture.

Whip cream until stiff; fold in remaining 1/4 cup sugar, cherries, peel and almonds. Fill center of mold. Cover and freeze in freezer or freezing compartment of refrigerator until firm. Unmold on serving plate and cut in wedges. (To loosen from the mold, put a cloth wrung out of hot water on the bottom of mold.) Makes from 6 to 8 servings.

(I made this the first time when we were having an Italian Pizza party for ten people, and I might add that Donald made the Pizza all by himself right from scratch! It is a genuine Italian recipe and all of our guests were so enthusiastic about it that they ate every bit-and I had doubled the recipe!)

MEAT LOAF

1 1/2 lbs. ground beef 3/4 cup Quick oats, uncooked 2 eggs, beaten

1/4 cup chopped onion 2 tsp. salt

1/4 tsp. pepper 1 cup tomato juice

Combine all ingredients thoroughly and pack firmly into a loaf pan. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 1 hour. Let stand 5 minutes before slicing. Makes 8 servings.



"I took this picture of my Uncle Donald and little cousin Katharine when I visited them this summer. Uncle Donald is as tall as he looks here—about 6 ft. 4 inches."—Juliana.

JULIANA'S FIRST LETTER TO YOU

Dear Folks and Fellow Teenagers:

Well, the school year is very definitely back in full swing for me and I'm back in the old grind of getting up early and doing my homework. It is my opinion that freshmen do more homework than any other class. There hasn't been a night that I've carried home less than two assignments and each one takes at least an hour.

I am very fortunate to have so many wonderful teachers. My algebra teacher, Miss Inez Gwynn, really knows her subject and makes everything very clear to the class. I had worried about algebra because it looked so complicated, but I'm not having a bit of trouble with it.

Like most teenagers I think that all work and no play makes Jill a dull girl. My mother thinks that I depend upon this saying too much, but nevertheless I have a lot of outside activities and they're a relief after spending a full day with algebra, Latin, English and general science.

For the first time the Shenandoah schools have limited the number of outside activities. You are now allowed to take one major activity, such as music, and two minor activities such as Y-Teens and Pep Club. Or you can take two majors and one minor. For mine I chose two majors-being on the staff of our school paper, the Shen-Hi-Can, and vocal music. For my minor I chose Y-Teens. There are a lot of interesting sounding things lined up

Every week we have a football game, and even though our team hasn't had a winning streak it is a lot of fun to go. Our school furnishes all transportation to out-of-town games. A bus is used for this purpose and each student is charged 50¢ a round trip. I feel sorry for the driver because he's almost deaf when we get back to town.

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Kristin came down for a weekend not long ago and we had loads of fun talking over our school activities and testing recipes. We gave two of these recipes on the Kitchen-Klatter program when mother asked us to be with her on the air. These recipes were for very rich sugar cookies and some coffee cookies.

My mother has just now called and told me to get out to the kitchen and finish up my ironing, so I must hurry. I do all of my ironing and just about everything else except daddy's good shirts. He is fussy about those, so mother does them.

Next month it's Kristin's turn to write and she can tell you about our plans to spend Thanksgiving together. As ever your friend-Juliana

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Thank you for the cheer you sent to the shutins I told you about last month. Too many times we think we will do something really worth while for someone-tomorrow. We forget that even the smallest good deed we do is better by far than the grand things we plan to do tomorrow and then don't do. Please do something to make Thanksgiving a happy day for these shutins.

Mrs. Dorothy E. O'Leary, 2191/2 Washington St., Davenport, Iowa is 77 and suffering with a broken hip. She has no relatives, so it seems to me anything we could do for her would be appreciated. Send her a pretty card, if you can't do anything else.

Mildred Woodbury, whom many of you know from former Good Neighbor columns, has gone into a small convalescent home at 2936 John Daly Road, Inkster, Mich. That is, she has a room there. She has to care for herself. She is in a wheel chair and one leg is entirely useless. She is very lonely and asks for mail, books, jigsaws, or anything to help pass the time. She has been shutin for so many years! Her birthday is November 18.

Mrs. August Goesch, Sutton, Nebr. is 81 and has been an invalid for a good many years. She has arthritis and has spent 16 years in a wheel chair. Her husband, who is 91 and not too well, cares for her. They would both enjoy cards and letters.

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Mrs. Ruby Price, Rt. 1 Box 275, Mt. Morris, Pa. has been shutin for 13 years. Let's send her a shower of cards and letters.

Mrs. Ralph Lucas, Afton, Iowa has a birthday Nov. 3. She has been sick quite a while and would like mail.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brooks, County Hospital, Hollister, Calif. has been bedfast a long time. She is a lovely lady, always so cheerful. Her birthday is Nov. 29. (She was born in 1870.)

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Answers

1. Snow; 2. Delicious; 3. Duchess; 4. Melba; 5. Russet; 6. Crab; 7. Wealthy; 8. Astrakhan; 9. Rome Beauty; 10. Jonathan; 11. King; 12. Northern Spy; 13. Baldwin; 14. Transparent; 15. McIntosh; 16. Beacon; 17. Champion.

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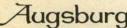
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I have been a bored homemaker for eleven years. This has been a real problem to me and I have given it much thought. I believe I have finally figured it out (for myself, at least) and since you are so closely connected with the solution I decided to tell you about it.

So many of us are bored with housework, I believe, because in our mad scramble for the quick and easy we have lost the gracious touch. Do you know what brought this home so clearly to me? It was "From The Memory Book" in the July issue of Kitchen-Klatter. Every word written about your mother's table hit me squarely on the head!

How different when we slap our plastic dishes on our plastic-finished table tops! How long has it been since my children have eaten off from real dishes? I can't remember my last centerpiece. And me with one of those rare husbands who would really appreciate a few frills!

I am ashamed, but I am not alone. Most of my friends and acquaintances have the same habits. How often our conversations include "the lack of stimulation" in homemaking as we tear open an envelope of soup or defrost a frozen TV dinner. This is not because we lack know-how—but we certainly lack something.

There have been some changes in our household. Changes such as homemade wild plum butter, a new braided rug, a regular day for mending and a new scrapbook with interesting menus. Interest, of course, breeds interest, and it didn't take long to realize that my outside interests were in the same dilapidated state of affairs. I have accepted the Sunday School class of first-graders and have enrolled in a class of puppetry which will be completely separate from the business of home and family and captures my interest completely.

Occasionally one meets a homemaker who loves her job so much that being with her makes you go home and start cleaning closets, baking bread, etc. I would like to be that

kind of homemaker . . .

—And all because Grandmother Field matched her cups with her saucers and her napkins with her tablecloths!-Mrs. K. S., Nebraska.

KEEP SMILING

Smiles are like the sunshine! They freshen up our day, They tip the pearls of life with light And drive our cares away. The soul grows happy with them And makes our courage strong, A laugh is like the sunshine For it cheers us folks along.

THE CIRCLE

He drew a circle which shut me out-Heretic, rebel, a thing to flout, But Love and I had the wit to win-We drew a circle that took him in. -Edwin Markham



tiny fisherman is two year old Bruce Christofferson, son of the Reverend and Mrs. Ivan Christofferson of Stockton, Kansas. This picture was taken at a private pond at the home of relatives they visited at Cherryville,

DO YOU DREAD ENTERTAINING?

By

Margery

Did you pick up your club or church yearbook and thumb through it quickly to see if you had to entertain this year-or were you hopeful that "the girls" would be coming to your home for a meeting? I doubt that you were completely indifferent to the situation. I believe everyone feels either one way or the other when it comes to entertaining. If you have always anticipated having club or giving a party then you needn't finish reading what I have to say, but if you have always felt uneasy about it, this is for you.

There are three main points to consider-you, your home, and the meeting, or party. I'll take them up in that order.

You! You must be relaxed first of all and make up your mind that you, most of all, are going to have a good time. No one enjoys a hostess who is obviously under a strain, one who is nervous and fidgity and uneasy. You must set the stage for your party, and if you are uncomfortable your guests will be uncomfortable too. So, plan a party that will be the least strenuous for you. I'm not suggesting that you should be so lackidasical that the party might fall apart at the seams before it starts, but planning well ahead of schedule will give you time for details; then you will be so organized that you can relax, knowing that everything is well-planned.

When you entertain, plan refreshments that can be prepared the day before, or at least the bulk of it. For example, a refrigerator dessert that could stand overnight, or cookies, or sandwich fillings that could be made ahead of time. Too much last-minute work on refreshments can be frustrating when you have a houseful of guests. I've found it a good idea to try out refreshments on my family first. Something that sounds "out of this world" might turn out to be far from what you had in mind. Line up dishes, silver, napkins, trays and extra chairs and have them in readiness. Remember, it is no crime to have to borrow from a good friend or neighbor to fill in what you need, but don't go to extremes. This is your party, not hers! You wouldn't want your friends to think you were putting on a show with the neighbor's best china -that yours weren't good enough. Use your own as far as possible, but borrow if you need.

Now that you have your refreshments, dishes, etc., you can turn your thoughts to the house. I would say that this is "setting the stage." Try to do the bulk of your cleaning the day before so you have a good night's sleep to rest your weary bones, for it is something to get your house ready for company. Especially so if you are exceptionally busy or have young children. Most homes aren't always ready for company! Make a point to have a few "conversational pieces" around, perhaps a collection of the latest portraits of the family on the piano or a choice family heirloom on a side table a few items of interest if conversation drags. These can be "life savers" to you if conversation doesn't come easily to you or your guests. When the house is clean and in order the day before you have only a bit of dusting and picking up to do the day of the party and you don't wear yourself to the point of exhaustion with no time to relax before guests start arriving. That day prepare simple meals for the family with as few dishes as possible. They won't suffer this one day!

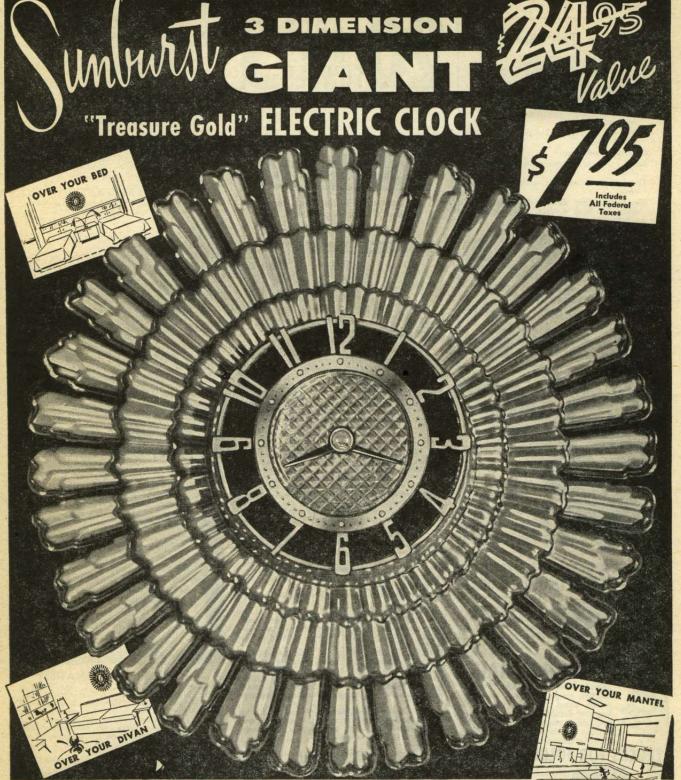
Have everything in readiness at least a half-hour before time for your company. This gives you time to sit down and compose yourself. (Also, you never can tell when someone will have to arrive early! Maybe her husband has to drop her off on his way to an earlier appointment. At least, you are ready and waiting and not in the midst of changing your clothes. Embarrassing a guest would be a poor start for any party.) I don't know why it is, but the first guest is always embarrassed at being first to arrive. Surely someone has to be first. We can't all be last. If you are ready you will let her know how overjoyed you are that here you have been sitting, just waiting for the first to arrive and how glad you are that the guests are arriving.

LITTLE ONES' PRAYER

Thank You for the rain, Lord, That you sent us last night. Thank You for the sun, Lord, That made the morning bright.

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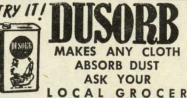
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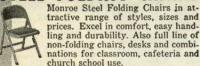


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