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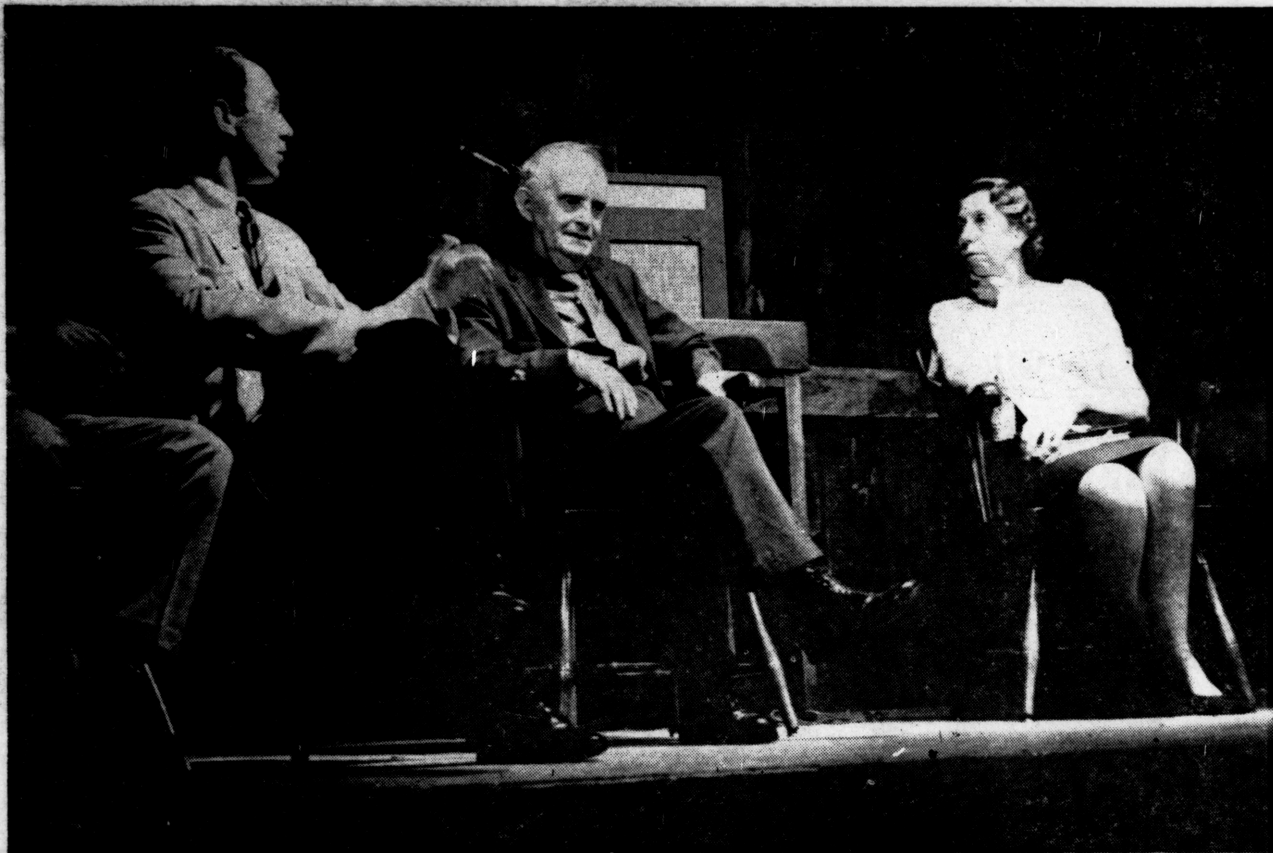
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The Week Of The Written Word

Site: Suffield Academy . . . Manuscript Chairman: Enfield's Mrs. Edmund Krochalis . . . Purpose: "Exchanging Ideas On The Creation, Understanding And Enjoyment Of The Written Word."

Suffield Academy was the scene last week of the Suffield Writer-Reader Conference—a literary mecca now in its 10th year and attended by many notable writers.

Among those participating in last Saturday's drama symposium held in the Theater Barn, were (above, from right) Miss Eudora Welty, short-story writer whose works depict the American South; Padraic Colum, Irish poet, dramatist and folklorist, and Jacques Cartier, artistic director of the Hartford Stage Company.

Basing their discussion on the premise that a conflict exists between literature and the theater, novelist Jay Williams, in photo at lower right, drives home his point on the role of the director in interpreting drama.

Daily seminars, readings and lectures were held during the one-week conference, and in addition to the above writers, staff lecturers included: William Jay Smith, Williams College poet and author, who spent last year as Ford Foundation poet-in-residence at the Arena Stage in Washington, D.C.; and Benedict Kiely, who has been literary editor of the daily paper, The Irish Press, for the past 14 years and is the author of seven novels and a biography.

During his lecture on Wednesday, Padraic Colum presented highlights of his most recent trip to Ireland. He had delivered the address at Ballylea, Galway, when the Yeats family gave the famous poet's home, *Tour Ballylea*, to the Irish nation. A close friend of William Butler Yeats, Mr. Colum described the 75-foot medieval tower at Ballylea as magnificent and expressive of Yeats' strength of character.

Participating in the daily seminars and workshops, according to Mrs.

Edmund L. Krochalis of Enfield, scholarship and manuscript chairman, were 40 persons, published as well as aspiring writers, from various sections of the country. Evening lectures, open to the public, were held in the Theater Barn.

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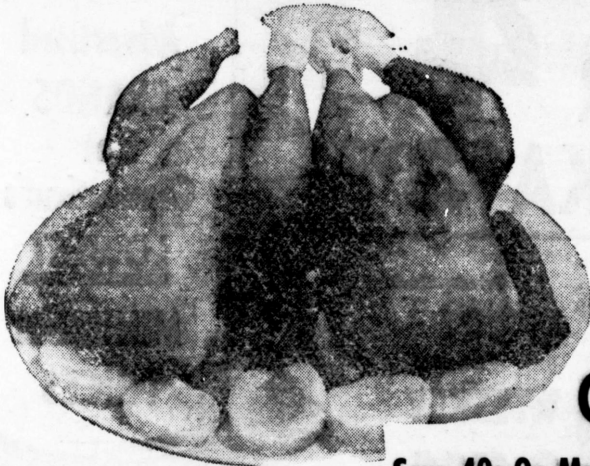
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The Second Most Famous Fourth

The first Fourth of July, in 1776, was, of course, the greatest. But another one, in 1826, vies with it in national importance.

In 1776, John Adams, later the second President of the United States, had this to say about Independence Day:

"I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as a day of deliverance....It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other, from this time for evermore."

But that wasn't what happened.

After the Revolution the new American statesmen had a hard time getting along with each other. The Glorious Fourth became a day for partisan speeches. The Federalists, under John Adams and Alexander Hamilton wrangled with the Democratic-Republicans under Thomas Jefferson.

National pride in independence was lost amidst the verbal brickbats that flew between the political enemies. In the 1790's, Jeffersonians used every holiday to denounce John Adams as a tyrant. In 1800 two men—Adams men—stormed out of a Fourth of July meeting when someone insisted on reading Mr. Jefferson's Declaration of Independence. The reverend gentlemen considered that document seditious!

Later, relations between Adams and Jefferson grew so bad the two men didn't speak. In 1801 Adams, the outgoing President, refused to attend Jefferson's inauguration. In the next years, the Fourth of July degenerated into a day of brawls between the party in power and its out-of-office rival. Flowing whiskey and flying fists were its trademarks.

Time passed, however. Temperatures cooled. The shaky young nation fought off the British and the French. A new national confidence arose. All citizens felt pride that the experiment in government-by-the-consent-of-the-governed was succeeding. In 1818, Henry Clay exulted in the appearance of new republics in Latin America. He cried, "They adopt our principles, copy our institutions, and in many instances, employ the very language of our revolutionary papers."

Gradually, the Fourth of July became respectable. As the 50th anniversary of the signing approached, in 1826, Americans of all parties were delighted to discover that the old warriors Adams and Jefferson, were still alive. They were sick and feeble. Adams lived in Massachusetts, Jefferson in Virginia, but they had long since made peace with each other. They were corresponding regularly. Their letters were full of wisdom and mutual love for the United States.

Invitations to the Fourth of July celebration in Washington went out to them. Neither was strong enough to accept. But Adams, 91, replied with a toast. "I will give you," he said, "In-

dependence forever." And Jefferson, 83, sent back one of the most eloquent tributes to independence ever written. After hailing the 50-year-old nation, he said:

"All eyes are opened or opening to the rights of man. The general spread of the light of science has already laid open to every view the palpable truth, that the mass of mankind has not been born with saddles on their backs, nor a favored few, bootied and spurred, ready to ride them legitimately, by the grace of God. These are grounds of hopes for others. For our-

selves, let the annual return of this day forever refresh our recollections of these rights, and an undiminished devotion to them."

On the Fourth of July, 1826, while skyrocketed zoomed in the lusty Republic, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson died peacefully in their homes. Their passing on the 50th birthday of our country was considered a symbol of eternal unity for all Americans.

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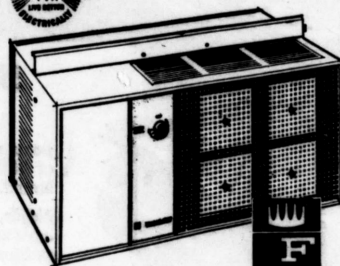
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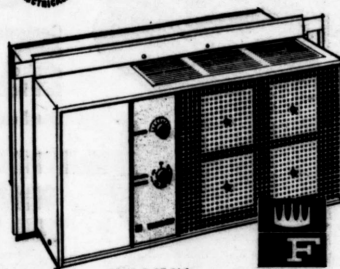
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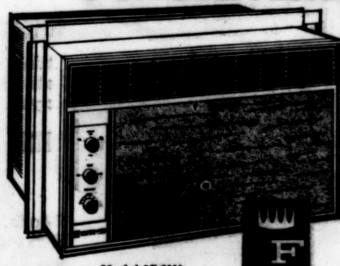
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Jack Hanjack, Letter Writer

Swing Fan Knocks 'Shindig'

Although the father of five children — three teen-agers among them—John Hanjack of 29 Second St., Suffield, nevertheless has the courage to criticize the present dance crazes.

Commenting on such TV programs as "Hullabaloo" and "Shindig," Hanjack was quoted in a recent issue of TV Guide (in a letter to the editor) "... it all merely reminds me that we are not as far removed from the jungle and cave as we think we are."

Elaborating on this statement, the father of five said that he feels the teen-agers who indulge in all this shaking and wriggling are merely doing poor imitations of some rather good art—art, that is, if it is done artistically and in good taste. As an exponent of this, he pointed out Chubby Checkers, who is OK in Hanjack's book.

Hula dancers are another example of beauty, culture and art, Hanjack stated, but when imitated, they can appear to be vulgar and sexy. He believes that the present dance exhibitions have a demoralizing effect on teen-agers, and believes that this style of dancing may lead to something worse in the next generation.

"My own kids don't jiggle themselves around like a bunch

of animals," Hanjack asserted, but he admitted that his wife enjoyed watching rock 'n' roll. "We have several TV sets in the house," he explained. He noted that "I'm a swing fan myself," listing some of his favorites as Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw, the Dorsey Brothers and Lawrence Welk.

On a more serious note, Hanjack said that he feels immorality is getting stronger in America. "We are a materialistic nation. It is strictly hypocrisy to say that we are a religious nation. Our churches, instead of being centers of worship, are becoming social centers. Our success is judged by our shrewdness. Our values are distorted. In many families, children seem to be secondary. Parents just do their duties, but they don't give that little extra. That little extra is love, and love is being displaced by other values."

Hanjack is a production supervisor with Clothing Care Inc. of Windsor Locks. In his spare time, he says, he gives considerable thought to the problems of youth and other worldly matters. He frequently writes "Letters to the Editor" of various newspapers and magazines, considering it his way of "doing something about" the issues on which he feels strongly.

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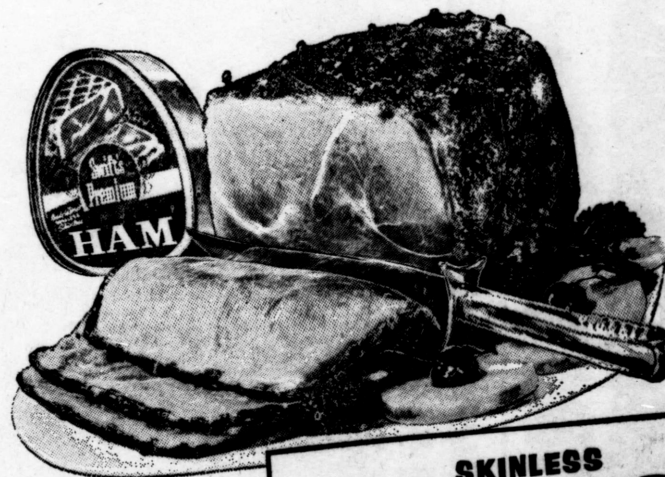


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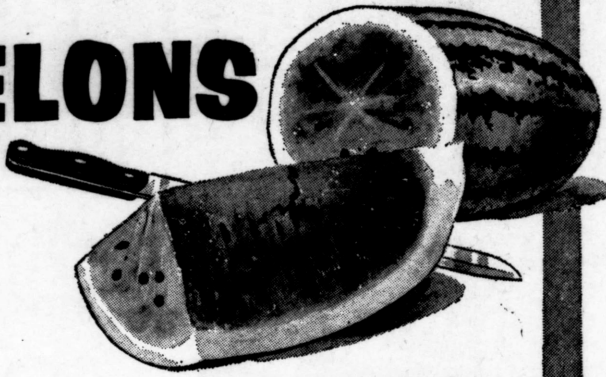
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BY BETTY STEVENSON
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would be a more apt title than "The Barn Door."

This past week has seen a definite accent on youth, with junior high dances, graduation, something called "Step-up," and even a youth division in the First Annual Somers Art Show, which we'll get to later.

High school graduation was impressive and sad-happy. It's a time which just can't seem to come soon enough for students. Our three clergymen, the Rev. John Knight, the Rev. Jack Allen, and Father McShane, contributed meaningful prayers, and I especially liked the point in Mr. Knight's prayer, where all was silent and each person

present prayed in his own way for a member, or members, of the graduating class. It was an eloquent moment of absolute silence . . . Frank Lamson did a fine job of planning the commencement exercises. And from such an outstanding group of students, it's hard to single out one or two—but what an unusual address Vera Backstrom presented, speaking metaphorically of the Abominable Snowmen, and concluding, "We are young adults now. Let us find our own way to success." Vera has marvelous stage presence and an enviable sense of humor. We know she'll have no difficulty "finding her way to success." . . . Our wonderful principal, Robert Day, in congratulating the

parents, spoke of church, school and parents molding young people, and made one short statement that may make some of us think a bit about our daily contacts with folks, young and old. "A chance meeting in town may sometime give the guiding light to change someone's thinking about the future." . . . A special certificate of award was given to Cindy Phillips, though Principal Day admitted he could have given 57 more to the class. . . . In looking around, I saw Charlie Osborn, the Howards and the Champions, proud of Jane Howard, who was a member of the class, and Allen Howard, who played the organ. I can remember Allen, at the old kindergarten, which used to be held at the Town Hall. Couldn't believe my eyes when I saw him at the organ. . . . That also is one of the sadnesses of graduation—the reminiscences can make us feel as old as Methuselah . . . We'll miss John and Mary Hughes, whose daughter Ann was a picture, with her long, dark hair against the brilliant red of her gown. . . . The Longueuils were out in force, as were the Geers, Bandlows, Girshicks, Phillipses, Bill Richards, Streeters, Merrills, Pecks, to name only a few. To the class motto: "With Us Goes Spirit," we add: success, happiness, and good health.

The eighth-graders had a graduation dance, which we understand was a huge success. Among those attending: Frank Keeney, Dick August, Judy Rank, Debby Duncan, Mary Baukat, Christine Wyse, Theresa Martin, Jimmy Hurlbert, Wendy Crandall. We'd be willing to bet that one of the most popular boys there was our friend, Steve Tozier, with his wonderful personality and grin. . . . The Boy Scouts, under Bill Finley's leadership, had a weekend campout just across the brook from our house. We

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enjoyed the Friday night singing, but think gals have the edge on the boys when it comes to singing. I'd hoped to smell bacon cooking over an outdoor campfire Saturday and Sunday mornings, but guess the wind was in the wrong direction. Could that have been Scott Burge playing (blowing) reveille at 7 a.m. Sunday? . . . The young folks were very well represented at the art show at the Somers Congregational Church, among them John Sherman, Jonathan Knight, Sue Merrill, Jeanette Bates, Cheryl Crandall. We purchased one of Cheryl's pictures and have great discussion as to whether the house in the picture is Eunice Fletcher's, or possibly Art and Gail Karszes' new house. Must ask the artist. . . . There's been much comment about making this art show an annual affair. There seems to be plenty of talent in Somers—perhaps more than meets the eye.

With school closing, it has occurred to us that we won't be seeing quite as much of Mr. Hood, at the corner of Main St. and Springfield Rd. He makes a mighty fine appearance with his white hair, his ruddy complexion, bright eyes, and very erect posture. We also admire him for his respect for law and order, and for his alert interest in town affairs. . . . Had an interesting session at the Plaza Restaurant with ebullient Dick Paris and Larry Hogan. Much heated discussion about recreation facilities (or lack of them), seeming disinterest on the part of most folks, and two tennis courts offered, but not accepted. . . . And I'll close with something I had every intention of mentioning first. Your former "Barn Door" writer, Evelyn Phillips, is now at Connecticut General in Bloomfield, in what is referred to as "Creative Corner," writing and doing public relations work. I do know she loves the job, and work certainly can't seem like work in such beautiful surroundings.

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DEAR AMY BRADFORD:
What can I say to my wife to persuade her to be more casual about entertaining? She always makes a big production out of it. We can't invite a few friends over to eat or even just for a drink without her spending so much time cleaning the house and fussing with special recipes that she's nervously exhausted by the time the party begins. None of the other wives seem to take it so hard. They give us a darned good time on the spur of the moment with some beer and stale potato chips, and if their kids have left wet towels all over the bathroom floor, what the heck? Who cares? My wife seems to enjoy the easy-going atmosphere when we're out just as much as I do, but when it's a party at our house, it's the same old story. Last night we had invited another couple over just to play bridge, and when I got home I caught her polishing the silver and copper, and sure enough she had a headache when they arrived. The evening was a flop even though we had sandwiches cut in real fancy shapes with our drinks. How about coming to the rescue, Amy?

GEORGE

DEAR GEORGE: There's nothing you can say to change her, but there's something you might do. Buy the fixings for a party on your way home from work some day and then spring the idea on her suddenly after dinner. If she would give in just once, without having time to think about it, she'd probably discover for herself that it was great fun—far more successful than her planned affairs.

DEAR AMY BRADFORD: My husband has practically accused me of being an unnatural mother and I'd like to know what you think. We have five kids and togetherness is what he likes and this goes for 365 days a year. We had a real row yesterday because I suggested that for one week of his vacation we leave the children with the two grandmothers (they've offered a hundred times) and go to the shore by ourselves. Jim said he didn't understand me at all. He said I'd wanted a big family and now that I have it, my one idea was to get away from the children and what was the matter with me, anyhow! He said he couldn't enjoy a week at the shore without the kids because every time he went in swimming he'd feel guilty about them missing it. It's true that I get fed up with them, but that's the very reason I long to get away from them and I know then I'd be dying to be with them again. Am I unnatural, Amy?

RESTLESS

DEAR RESTLESS: No, you aren't. You are with them more constantly than he is. However, he's right about leaving them behind when you go to the shore. I'm sure you'd feel guilty yourself. Instead, get the restlessness out of your system by going to New York for a few days with a foot-loose friend.

DEAR AMY BRADFORD: I don't know what to do. The 16

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and so is my best friend, Jen. It's about her father that I'm worried. He's very good-natured but he gives me the creeps because every time I see him he's always very demonstrative and I don't like him to touch me. Jen's mother doesn't seem to notice that he always manages to sit beside me on the sofa and then his arm is always stretched out behind me, and while he's laughing and talking he plays with my hair or strokes my neck. Ugh! I try to avoid him but every time he manages to give me a pat or put his arm around me. He's a friend of Dad's and when I mentioned this to Mom she just laughed at me.

SALLY

DEAR SALLY: Don't build this up in your mind as something to worry about. Some fathers let their fondness for their daughters and their friends go too far—that's all. But since it bothers you, do manage to elude Jen's father. Stay away from the sofa and when you depart for home, slip away fast!

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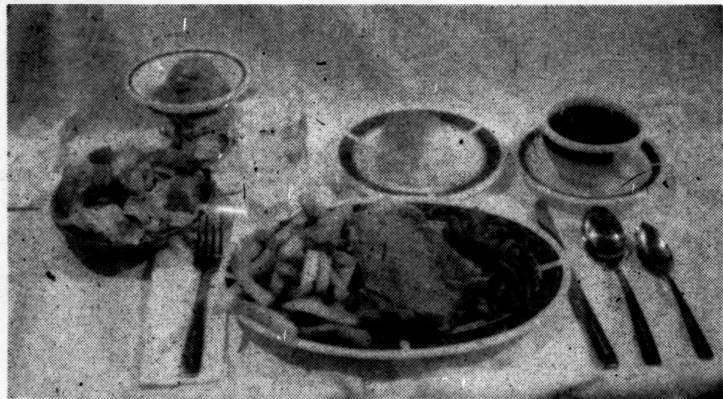
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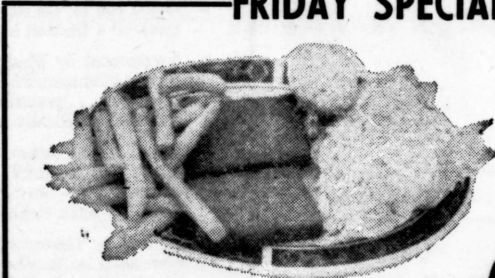
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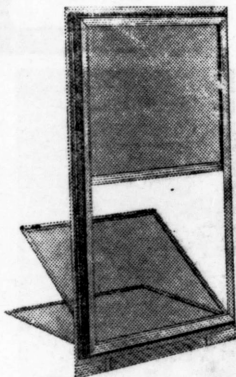
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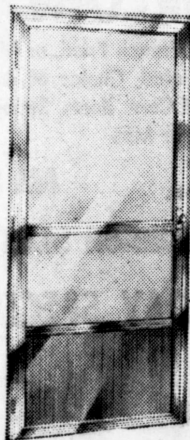
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Things And Feelings

Three weeks ago I wrote about the old-fashioned "soap shakers" that were found in almost every kitchen, but that I hadn't been able to find any these days in stores or at auctions. Now I have one for the kitchen and one for the bathroom!

At the Grange meeting following that issue, a Grange sister called to me saying she had a present for me. I could hardly believe my eyes. A few days later, a package arrived with a Suffield return address I didn't recognize. When I opened it, there was a soap shaker exactly like the one we had at home so many years ago. I am delighted with them and have put them into use. But more than that, I am touched that those two good people were so nice as to go to the trouble of finding and giving me the shakers. I have thanked each of them—one per-

sonally, the other by letter.

Sometimes when I stop to think about it, I feel a little sorry for the young folks who start housekeeping with brand new furniture. They have nothing to "connect" with their furnishings. Of course, years will correct this, but not to the extent of having things "handed down" or given to you by others. For instance, there aren't many memories that go with this day-enport. I simply went into a Hartford store and bought it and they sent it out here. But this small table my typewriter sits on: This is old. When I was a little tyke it stood beside my father's bed. Over by the window is a three-legged stand where I have plants getting the sun, but I remember it best sitting in my mother's parlor holding a beautiful Egyptian-style pitcher of graceful lines. One stand makes me think of my father, the other of my mother. One clock here reminds me of the dining room in my childhood home, for always it stood on the shelf between the kitchen door and the so-called "silver closet." The soap shakers will remind me of my good Grange friend and of a gracious stranger thoughtful of others. I don't constantly "connect" people with things I treasure, but there is a mood that

seems to go with each thing that reaches out like a subtle kind of fragrance and can influence my mood at times.

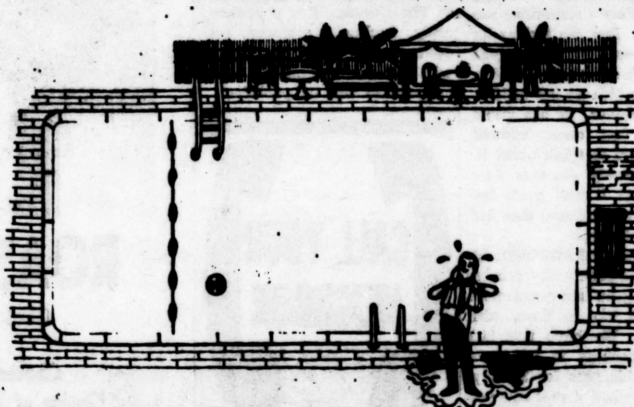
There is a delicately "warm" feeling that emanates from some things, perhaps from long-thought impressions now imbedded in the subconscious. And I do think that our lives can often be influenced by "things" in this way. For instance, I couldn't harbor angry thoughts if I were "swishing" the soap shaker around in the washbowl to get soapy water! Not that it has anything to do with the soapiness, but with the deep-down thought that will always stay with the shakers, a mood of warm comfort because someone was considerate enough to send them to me.

ELLINGTON

A-1c Donald L. LeDuc, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard LeDuc Sr. of Job's Hill Rd., is a member of the Air Commando Squadron stationed in Tan Son Nhut, near Saigon.

David Dooman, director, has announced plans for this season for Earleen Grove Day Camp, owned and operated by Parker Enterprises of Ellington. It's lo-over the line in Tolland. Boys and girls age six through 12 may register for two weeks or on a seasonal basis. The season runs from July 5 through Aug. 27. Camp hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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On June 18, Ellington High School held graduation exercises for 135 students. Miss Susan Magdefrau gave the valedictory address and Miss Claudette Berube, the salutatory address. The Rev. Edgar A. Reed of the Crystal Lake Methodist Church gave the invocation and the benediction. Fifteen scholarships, totaling \$3,000, were presented by Charles Pfrommer, president of the Ellington Community Assn. Special Rotarian awards were made by Principal Gordon Getchell, aided by Assistant Principal Robert Healy to the following: Susan Magdefrau, mathematics and social studies; Ralph Morrell, industrial arts; Kathy Griffin, home economics; Thomas Lisk, English; Mary Rossignol, foreign

languages; Jean Roszczewski, art; Wayne Cole, music; Marilyn Kington, physical education for girls, and Manuel Simmons, physical education for boys. Miss Magdefrau also was awarded the Bausch and Lomb science award, Linda Usher the Sir William Osler and Gordon Miller the Rentschler Math awards. Students with the highest four-year academic averages were: Claudette Berube, Bruce Iver Bertelsen, Lois Elaine Bock, Donna Marie Gagnon, Kenneth Kobus, Susan Magdefrau, Lois Elizabeth Neff, Mary Ellen Rossignol, Jeanne Ann Roszczewski and Linda Mae Usher.

The exchange student from Germany, who has spent the past year going to school here, Albert Graveman, was among the graduates. He has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Ragl of Crystal Lake. He now is scheduled to go to Green Bay, Wisc., to join some 250 other exchange students for a conference. From there, it's back to New York City and to Germany. His plans are to enter the Dortmund University of Mechanical Engineering there.

Longview School held its graduation exercises at the high school on June 19. Fortunately, the storm which raged so hard between 6 and 7, cleared away before 8 p.m. Diplomas were presented to 130 students. Special awards were presented—three for math, one for high academic average, and five to outstanding graduating students.

BROAD BROOK

Two local students at Bryant

College of Business Administration in Providence, R.I. have made the dean's list for the final marking period: Patricia L. Nadeau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albenie Nadeau of Mill St., a graduate of East Windsor High School, who also holds Bryant College "golden key" award given for outstanding scholastic achievement; and Ellen Margaret Pease, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Pease of Melrose Rd. and a local high school graduate.

The Rev. James A. Birdsall leaves Grace Episcopal Church, where he has been vicar since 1961, and on Sept. 1 will become full-time vicar of St. Peter's Church of South Windsor. He will move to the rectory in South Windsor. The church will hold a special vestry meeting on June 29. It will include diocesan representative, the Rev. Sherrill Scales. Father Birdsall was spiritual leader of the church during the period of planning and construction of a new Grace Episcopal Church built on Old Ellington Rd. and recently dedicated. Until the new church was ready, the Episcopal church shared facilities and summer services with the Congregational church.

EAST WINDSOR

The largest class to be graduated from the East Windsor High School received their diplomas this month—103 members. What next? More than half—that 59

per cent—of the senior class will go on to schools of higher education; 28 per cent plan to take jobs; eight per cent will go into the Armed Forces and five per cent are still undecided.

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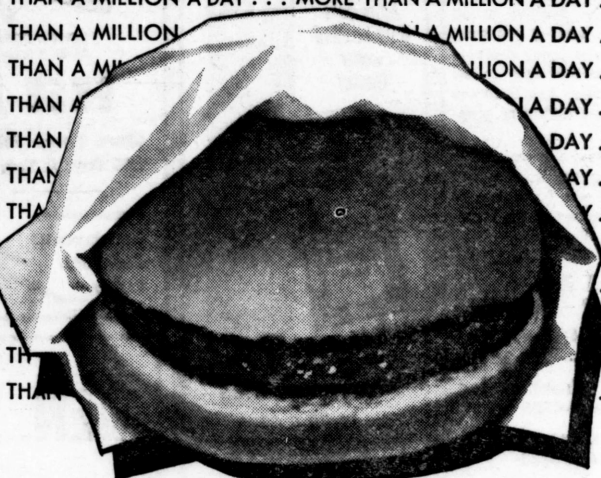
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Suffield Chatter

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Bits of news of the young set: **Gordon Kenyon** has left for some summer courses at Middlebury, Vt., before tackling his M.A. in the fall. . . . **Pierce Hayward** is at ROTC camp at Ft. Devens. . . . I was glad to have the handsome **Chris Hull** drop by last week on his way over to

Somers to look up **Dave and Chuck Lamb**. He had also seen the **Tinkers** (now in North Granby, formerly of Suffield) and **Johnny Tinker** is picking up some extra credits at the University of Hartford this summer, while **Malcolm Jr.**, a lieutenant in the Air Force, is based on the West Coast and may be sent to Vietnam. Can't help but hope for a change in those orders. . . . **Sam Fuller**, Mapleton Ave., is working in Philadelphia for the Natural History Museum collecting mollusks. (The dictionary tells me this includes snails, squids, bivalves, and octopi!). **Chris** also reported that his brother, **Tony**, is still the happy bridegroom cozily ensconced in a wee house near Sudbury, Mass.—his pretty and petite bride, **Doris**, has just graduated from Wellesley. **John Smith**, recently graduated from UConn, and headed for the Hartford Theological Seminary in

the fall, was asked to preach his first sermon, as a substitute for the regular minister in a small nearby church. Not a reverend yet, but he did nobly—I can picture **Pat**, his attractive wife, sitting in the congregation bursting with pride! . . . **Eleanor Swanson**, So. Main St., home on vacation from Simmons College, has taken the job of assistant to **Muriel Bard**, full-time tennis instructor at the country club. . . . **Teddy Adams**, Mapleton Ave., recently won the roller skating derby in New Canaan. . . . **Chick Miller**, N. Main St., has graduated from the Hudson Valley Community College in Troy and will be working at the Conn. General Life Ins. Co. in Bloomfield for the summer. . . . **Cynthia Roberts** has a summer position again at Grants in South Windsor. Her family has just bought a very attractive new house (built by John Sherwood) on Hale St. and they have sold their former home on South Main St. to the Suffield Academy. (Could I mention that **R.H.B.** was in-

involved in the negotiations?) . . . Another bit of real estate news is that **Fred and Marge and Cliff Heller** have departed from Spruce St. and have moved into their recently purchased home on North St., formerly owned by **Betty and Buster Romano**. Now they can relax on their wonderful back screened porch and enjoy the great variety of unusual trees that **Buster** planted years ago, and hated to leave behind when he moved to **Ratley Rd.** . . . Now the **Hellers** can enjoy life while they leisurely work on plans for their West Suffield mountain dream house, which they still want to build "some day". . . . Glad to hear **Gail Gunshanan**, daughter of **Bob and Irene Gunshanan** of N. Main St., is feeling fine, although she is confined to the Hartford Hospital (Room 851). . . . **Barbara Goodsell**, Women's Club press chairman, tells me **Christy Dabkowski**, Spruce St., is the recipient of a "campership" for the Greenwood Nature and Conservation Camp, sponsored by the Conn. Federation of Women's Clubs, and

Sears and Roebuck. The selection committee was composed of **Val Gallivan**, **Mrs. Harry Oppenheimer**, and **Miss Anna Tobin**. . . . **Della Zera** and her husband are tripping in Europe this summer. . . . **Diana Miller**, with her father and mother, **Jo and John Miller** of Russell Ave., left Australia last week and are headed for Japan on their leisurely flight around the world. . . . Attractive **Linsley Gregg** and pretty **Kay Berry** of North St., have begun their nursing careers at the Hartford Hospital following their June graduations. . . . **Curt Rose**, publicity chairman tells me there is to be a Rotary Club chicken barbecue on July 5 and to be held in front of the town hall from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.—admission: \$1.75. **Waldo Ford**, who will become the new president on July 1, and **Cookie Sweatland** are lining up their helpers. . . .

Billy Dupont, along with other Main Streeters, rubbed his eyes when he saw a driverless sulky and a beautiful Morgan horse galloping through his garden the other afternoon! The wheel of the sulky caught on **Bill's** car and away dashed the Morgan unrestrained! Horses in the dahlias—sulkies in the tomato plants! I understand this escape "broke ranks" as he was being hitched up (in Windsor Locks!) and just took off for neighboring Suffield. No serious damage done—a broken headlight and some other souvenirs in a few gardens. . . . **Linsley Gregg**, Day Ave., is graduating this month from the White Plains Hospital's School of Nursing. Speaking of the **Gregg** family, I hear **Mildred Gregg Zucco**, owner of the famed **Riverton Inn**, had as guests not too long ago about 32 members of the choir of the Second Baptist Church. . . .

Jane Pitkin Martyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Lyndon S. Martyn**, 51 So. Grand St., West Suffield, was graduated from Mount Holyoke College with "distinction" for her outstanding academic average throughout the college course, and with "honor" for her study in Latin. She has been named a Mount Holyoke Scholar, a **Cornelia Coulter Scholar**, a **Sarah Williston Scholar**, and a member of **Phi Beta Kappa**. She is a graduate of Suffield High School. Also graduated from Mount Holyoke College was **Mrs. Judith Mirick Gooch**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Richard W. Mirick** of Shies Rd. **Ring Restland**, West Suffield, was the scene of a picnic recently. About 20 patients from the home were joined by another 30 who arrived by charter bus from the Ring Nursing

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(Homes in Springfield. Mr. Joyce Colcombe, in charge of nurses at Restland, was hostess. Many of the nursing staff and aides and occupational therapy workers volunteered their off-duty time to help out. Among the Suffield patients who participated: Rev. David Noggin, 98, was active on the croquet field, as was Fred Lincoln. Mrs. Clara Loomis and Miss Ella Clarkin were among the prize winners. Other Suffield people who were seen having a good time at the affair were Mrs. Jenny Zielak, Mrs. Burdick Eltingwood, Mrs. Isabelle Bell, Robert Hamilton, Mrs. Daisy Ford, Richard Adams, Miss Margaret Adams and Mrs. Louise Easton.

Hither and Yon: Nicest bit of "togetherness - transportation" I've seen — Frankie Connelly (Mrs. William) of North Main St., and her young handsome son, Dicky, on her new blue tandem bike! What a nice Mother's Day present! I hope the rumor is true that is floating around Suffield — that Dr. Karpinski is returning to his home town and opening a general practice office here in the family homestead on Mapleton Ave. . . . The Sydney Fullers and the Sam Fullers with their families, took off for a weekend at their cottages at Madison. Sue Fuller is off to visit her mother, Hazel Rathmell in Williamsport, Pa., I understand. . . . Evelyn Sisk has returned from visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hansen, on the Cape. Fran and Per Gates, of Kings Field, North St., are off again—this time to their summer home on the island North Haven, off the coast of Maine. . . . Val Gallivan, outgoing president of the Suffield Garden Club, reports that the club's house tour took in \$475. . . . The tag sale of estate furniture, held the same day at the Hathaway Barn, was also a great success. . . . Bessie Perry, North Main St., is in the Massachusetts General Hospital. We send her get-well wishes from her many friends, as we also send to Dot Bissell, who is still at the Hartford Hospital, after a hip operation. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vance were receiving congratulations after church on Sunday, on celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary. Speaking of anniversaries,

we sat at the same table last Sunday night with two celebrants at the opening party for the reader-writer conference at the Suffield Academy — Allan and Vera Fuller, Mapleton Ave., married 26 years, and Gail and Paul Sanderson, accepting congratulations on their 12th. The conference, as usual, attracts a most interesting group from far and near. I sat next to a delightful Mrs. Marshall from Hamden, whom it had taken six hours to get to Suffield, due to bad bus and train connections on that hot Sunday afternoon! Someone was there from Michigan, and I met a charming couple, a Mr. and Mrs. Murphy from Albany. William Jay Smith poet, formerly of Williams Col-

lege, now of Washington, D.C., had driven nine hours to make this opening affair! He has been here many times before and is very popular, I could see. Ed and Mary Duder were there, our friends from Canton, who live in the charming remodeled barn and are many times blessed with talent. Ed is the poet (just published "Time Is a Gypsy") as well as co-publisher with Mary of the magazine, "The Lure of the Litchfield Hills," and just to fill in their spare moments, they run a thriving real estate business! The Krochalis from Enfield were there (Jean is Paul Sanderson's "right hand"), along with Virginia Lloyd, Mary Ann Zak, Elizabeth Biggerstaff, Dot and El-

eanor Smith, Anna Tobin, with two attractive guests from New York, Val and Tom Gallivan (Tom is still writing his real estate law book, a project which will take about two years!). Paul Sanderson, director of the conference, welcomed everyone, after a delicious buffet put on by Paul Coppi of the academy. He introduced Frances Edwards as "Mrs. Suffield" which brought forth a burst of approving applause. Fran has been a staunch supporter of the conference since it began 10 years ago. The academy theatre barn was jammed the other night to hear Mr. Kieley, from Ireland and editor of the Irish Press. What a wonderful lilting brogue he had—wish I knew as much about Irish poetry as Virginia Lloyd and Mary Ann Zak. Enough chatter for now—see you next week!



By Ed Woodruff

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