

Patchwork: West Potsdam Area News

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So far November has been a real nice month for the North Country. The highlight of the week has to be the return of the area's four hunters from the Aspen area of Colorado. Charlie Bates, Ron Richardson, Otis Blanchard and Bill Dunlap have made a flashy return. About 3 p.m. Thursday afternoon Ardie Richardson called to tell me to look up the road at Charlie Bates's place. I did and there were cars stopped on both sides of the road and people standing all about. Seems the hunters had returned and Charlie had hung his bull elk in the maple tree next to the house. Only in zoos have I seen animals that big. At Otis Blanchard's the scene must be more eye-

popping as he has hanging a buck mule deer which I'm told is much larger than Charlie's bull elk. Also hanging there is the cow elk that Bill Dunlap got. The men were to butcher them at Otis' Friday.

The four men left about three weeks ago for the Aspen area, driving two four wheel drive trucks and pulling a trailer and a pop-up camper. They had their tags and arrived just before the season opened.

To get an out-of-state license for elk one must pay \$135 and the deer license is \$900. The hunting there has to be very popular as these men ran into a hunting party with Bob Wilson from the Parishville area and hunting parties from Texas, California, Pennsylvania, Missouri, and of course, Col-

orado. There was snow in that area and in places it was crotch deep. In fact the party had an 11-day hunting pass but due to heavy snow falling left after nine days of hunting. They also met a party of hunters from the Louisville area.

The men say the country out that way is just breathtaking. As Ron Richardson said, "That country can make a man feel very small."

Still on the subject of hunting, I called Jean Miller and Jean said her husband Gilbert and friend Gay Fletcher will be leaving soon for deer hunting in the Southern Tier in the Naples area. Also, Kenneth Pierce and Don Winters have been hunting in the South Colton area, but no deer have they brought home.

Thanksgiving is the next topic that has everyone busy planning for. It seems that everyone is and has been so busy lately that now we fly into the holiday season when really what we all need is a good rest. Saw Barbara Burdick in the store recently and she was hurrying trying to get four birthdays in the family in order, besides Thanksgiving. And Kay Thompson is trying to recover from a bad cold and flu to get herself ready to have her family in for Thanksgiving. Barbara and Jay Pelsue and Jodi will be coming from Rochester; their son Dale is stationed in Puerto Rico and won't be home. And locally Bonnie and Bob Munson and son Darrin and Greg (Marty is in the Army in Korea) and Paula and Leon Martin and children

Randy, Belinda, and Lyn will be there.

I helped work the recent Clarkson ROTC-sponsored two day blood clinic on Wednesday. It always amazes me at the large number of ROTC men in uniform working and also the large number of other volunteers. Gave Ev Duncan a call for some figures. Ev also works the clinics and acts as chairman at times. They collected 144 pints of blood on Wednesday. The 119 volunteers worked a total of 373 hours. On Thursday 180 pints of blood were collected for a total of 324 pints. There were 194 volunteers working 329½ hours. On Wednesday there were 28 members of the ROTC and Thursday there were 24 members of the Army

ROTC.

Ev and "Doc" Duncan will have Thanksgiving dinner with son Rory and wife Jay and their two children in the Albany area. The total at that table is still being counted as the Duncans have two other children married with families in the area plus other Duncans may just show up from other areas.

Mary Berger's father Patrick Fitzpatrick is in serious condition at the Potsdam Hospital. His home is in South Colton. Mary said her mom is suffering from arthritis plus she injured her back when Patrick fell and she tried to get him up.

Young Karen Grant will undergo surgery in December to have a small cyst located near her ear removed. She has been ill lately so the surgery will wait until December. Karen's parents are Bill and Betty Grant.

The ladies auxiliary prepared and served, with the help of the firemen, a roast beef dinner for Beacon Feeds Tuesday evening. They served 199 meals. It was a great evening but Linda Perry who had just had two teeth pulled was in some pain.

The church services for the West Potsdam Methodist Church have been moved and are now held at the fire station. The reason for this move is the cost of heating the church. The fire station must have heat on so why not use it?

At this time of the year it seems strange to see so much green grass. I had just mentioned that fact to son Peter and then looked out at the back lawn. And would you believe it actually needs mowing again. I told this to Peter and he nicely said: "Ma, no way, am I going to mow the lawn in the middle of November." And he didn't.

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the St. Lawrence County Fire Chiefs Association was held at the Woodlands Restaurant on Rt. 37 outside Ogdensburg. The Morristown Fire Department hosted the meeting. Attending the meeting from West Potsdam department were Ric Miller, Bill Grant, Spencer Blanchard, Fred Henderson, David Wright and Weldon Lumley.

There were 80 chiefs present. Included among the topics of discussion were the FASNY (Fire Association of the State of New York) legislative conference, the St. Lawrence County Fire Training Center site, the selection of the fireman to receive the annual recognition award, the setting up of a central dispatch system and the establishment of a project "Fire Safety for Rescue of Life" for grades nine through 12.

Nov. 20 has two in the area celebrating a happy birthday, Ardie Richardson and Gerald Pierce. Have a happy Thanksgiving wherever you are.

Supplemental Benefits Are Cut To Six Weeks

ALBANY — The New York State Department of Labor is advising recipients of Federal Supplemental Compensation (FSC) that their unemployment payments under the program will be reduced from eight weeks to six weeks.

FSC benefits are paid to persons who have used up the basic 26 weeks of state unemployment benefits and are still out of work.

"Unfortunately, a narrowly defined federal guideline has chopped off two weeks of unemployment insurance for 14,000 jobless New Yorkers," noted State Labor Commissioner Lillian Roberts.

"However," she added, "the New York State Department of Labor will closely watch the index and immediately notify unemployed New Yorkers if the percentage goes back up. We want to ensure that all unemployed workers receive the full benefits they are entitled to."

Federal regulations gear the weeks of payment to a special unemployment index. When that index is at 3.5 percent or higher, eight weeks of FSC benefits are paid. When it falls below 3.5 percent, only six weeks can be claimed.

The index, which had been running above 3.5 percent in New York State since the program started in early September, dipped to 3.49 percent in the week ending Oct. 31.

As a result, benefits will be terminated for anyone signing up for a sixth or seventh FSC payment this week or for a sixth payment in any later week.

If the index rises to 3.5 percent again, however, the eight week ceiling will be restored and persons who received fewer than eight weeks will be notified by mail to return to their local unemployment insurance offices. These people will then receive one or two additional weeks of FSC, depending on their status.

For the week beginning Nov. 15, about 44,000 people in the state had exhausted their FSC benefits. Of that number, 14,000 were cut off because of the federal formula change. The others were cut off because they had exhausted the eight weeks of benefits.

The FSC program runs until April 1983 and is expected to involve \$200 million in benefits to New Yorkers.

People

ATTEND SEMINAR

Ottile Rollins, president, and K. Briggs, vice-president for membership of St. Lawrence Branch, American Association of University Women joined 500 women from 46 states and Canada participating in a two-day United Nations Seminar on peace and national security in New York City in mid-November.

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ea.

YOUNG ROYAL ROCK
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Top Frost "Grade A" 16 to 22 lbs. Avg.
SELF-BASTING TURKEYS lb. **68¢**

Swift - 10-24 lbs. Avg.
BUTTERBALL TURKEYS lb. **88¢**

Food Club
STUFFING BREAD
2/79¢
16 oz. Loaf

Food Club - 8 oz. Container
SOUR CREAM **38¢**

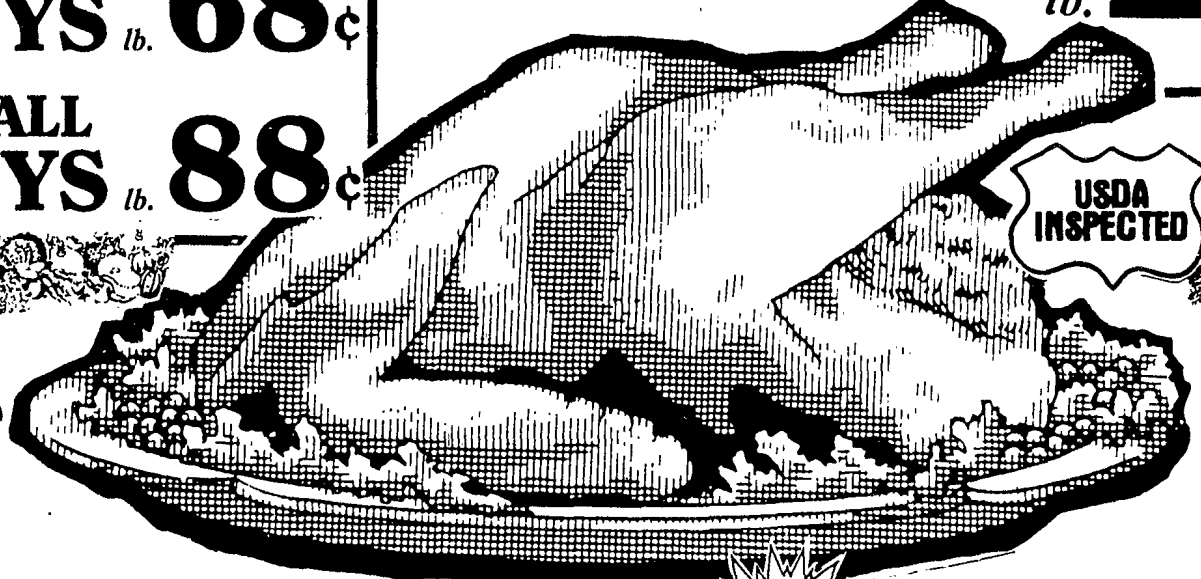
Crowley
EGG NOG 32 oz. Carton **88¢**

Quarters - 1 lb. Package
LAND O' LAKES MARGARINE **48¢**

Food Club - 8 oz. Pkg.
CREAM CHEESE **58¢**

Land O' Lakes - 4 Quart Extra Sharp or Sharp
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SWISS CHEESE **\$1.48**

Crowley - 15 oz. Container
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MINCE MEAT PIE ... 25 oz. **\$2.59**
Fresh Baked
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Fresh Baked
PUMPKIN PIE
\$1.99
25 oz.