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QUARTERLY POTLUCK - GENERAL MEETING

OCTOBER 22, 1996 -- 6:00pm

Program Speaker : Shirley Van Maren
Subject: "the Founding of Citrus Heights"

Location: Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse (UPSTAIRS)
7997 California Avenue.

Please bring a casserole, salad, or dessert to share with members.

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RESIDENT'S MESSAGE : IVA LANGNESS

Be sure to note this date and time and place for the Potluck Dinner on your calendar -- and please bring a friend.

Of course, our programs are so very special to us -- getting acquainted in our local areas- and how great it is to renew friendships.

I offer the following excerpt from an early F.O.H.S. flyer printed during the presidency of Sue Roark -- this seems to be appropriate today, as it was "yesterday":

Of all the suburban communities surrounding Sacramento, Fair Oaks has one of the oldest and most colorful histories. It did not spring into existence as a "bedroom" for Sacramento but rather as a self-contained community in its own right. It might, under slightly different circumstances, have become a city itself, as did its neighbors, Roseville and Folsom.

It is with sadness that we acknowledge the death of Marc Brann on July 26, 1996 since our last newsletter publication. For the neighbors, friends, and Society membership, we extend our belated condolences to Teresa and family.

Fair Oaks owes its existence to the agricultural land promotion that occurred in California in the late 1800's. Easterners by the hundreds, it seems, could be persuaded to come here and invest their money in a new and better California way of life.

The first band of colonists arrived on November 20, 1895, on a special excursion train. They set forth to learn livelihoods in farming and fruit-growing. From an isolated self-sustaining rural community, Fair Oaks grew to become one of the most prestigious suburbs of the area.

This origin, plus the fact that many descendants of the first families still live here, gives it closer ties to the past than most communities possess. This sense of history is reflected in a tradition of independence and an underlying desire for self-direction that flares up whenever the community's welfare is threatened.

The Fair Oaks Historical Society came into being because of the recognition that these historical ties and traditions constitute a priceless heritage... and a conviction that the lives of present day residents can be enriched by appreciation of these ties to the past as much as by its unique attributes as a place to live.

We invite you to join with us in preserving this heritage.

For your information, the following are the firm dates for next year's calendar:

January 28, 1997
April 22, 1997
July 22, 1996
October 27, 1997

A special thank you to Meg and Larry Smart and Warren and Janet McWilliams for the table decorations at the July meeting. And cudos ahead to Meg and Larry Smart for the Halloween decor to come at our October meeting.



PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT: RALPH CARHART

Referring to the "sound system -- \$322.13" entry in the Treasurer's Report, the purchase committee was able to buy a sound system at a very good price without sharing the cost with another organization as had been planned.

Referring to the "FOOC Brick -- \$500.00" entry in the Treasurer's Report, the brick purchase committee made a timely decision to purchase 12 bricks recognizing the following people:

Jennie Huber, the 1st Fair Oaks Teacher	Joseph and Anna Buffum, Fair Oaks Pioneers
John E. Holst, Fair Oaks Pioneer	Charles H. Slocum, Ralph Gore, Bankers
Edward & Wilson Publishing Co, developers	W.W. Hinsey, Manager/Fair Oaks Fruit Co.
Joseph K. Broadley, Pioneer Builder	A.M. Fowler, Fair Oaks Pioneer
Leonard M. Shelton, first postmaster	Robert N. Bramhall, Fair Oaks Physician
Stephen E. Kieffer, Fair Oaks Surveyor	Sim Green, Ford Cars

WANTED: any used hard cover or paperback dictioneries for a speshal no budget elementry clasrum. Please bring to meeting for Nancy/Lowell Sherman for teacher, Susie Sherman Hutton.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT: PETER WHITE

The Officers nominated for the 1997 calendar year are as follows:
President : Iva Langness
Vice President : Steve Abbott
Secretary : Bonnie Drago
Treasurer : (nomination open to the floor at the October meeting).



WAYS AND MEANS REPORT: ROSEANNE CRANDELL

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entertainment.
Do More. Pay Less

Our Society is selling the *entertainment '97* Book as fund raiser again this year for \$40.00. You will be able to pick up your copy at the October potluck meeting or call me at 967-2102 to reserve several books to sell or purchase. Please make checks out to Fair Oaks Historical Society.

Great Christmas gift idea!

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: MARILYN PEARCE

As of October 17, 1996 the Society now includes 132 members. How we have grown! In 1997 I will be turning my duties over to your new Membership Chairperson, Darlene Aylward.



TREASURER'S REPORT : STEVE ABBOTT

Balance as of 7/23/96\$8316.71

Income:	Membership	\$	
	Publications		165.50
	Raffle		159.00
	Wine		<u>58.00</u>
	Total	\$ 382.50	<u>\$8699.21</u>
Expenses:	Sound System		322.13
	Refreshments		57.60
	Newsletter		150.24
	Dues		35.00
	Taxes		10.00
	Brick Project		<u>500.00</u>
	Total	\$1074.97	<u>\$7624.24</u>



DECEMBER'S REPORT : LOIS FRAZIER (967-2967)

Please fill in the blanks and call me.

- January 14 : Lois Frazier and Bonnie Drago
- February 11 : Meg and Larry Smart
- March 10 : Lois Frazier and Elva Reed
- April 14 : Darlene and Mike Aylward
- May 12 : Ed Eubanks
- June 9 : Leigh Landis and June Melvin
- July 14 : Meg and Larry Smart
- August 11 : Marilyn and Chuck Kendrick
- September 8 : Iva Langness and Dottie Dykeman
- October 13 :
- November 10 :
- December 8 :

**THINK CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE: Fair Oaks History Center – December 8, 1996 – 1:00pm.
Call Lois for refreshment donations.**



EDITOR'S COMMENTS : NANCY SHERMAN

The graphic art -- clock, book, candle, and glasses, ^{on the first page} appeared on the front page of an early F.O.H.S. flyer mailed out during President Sue Roark's term of office. I believe it is attributed to the talent of Randy Huggett.

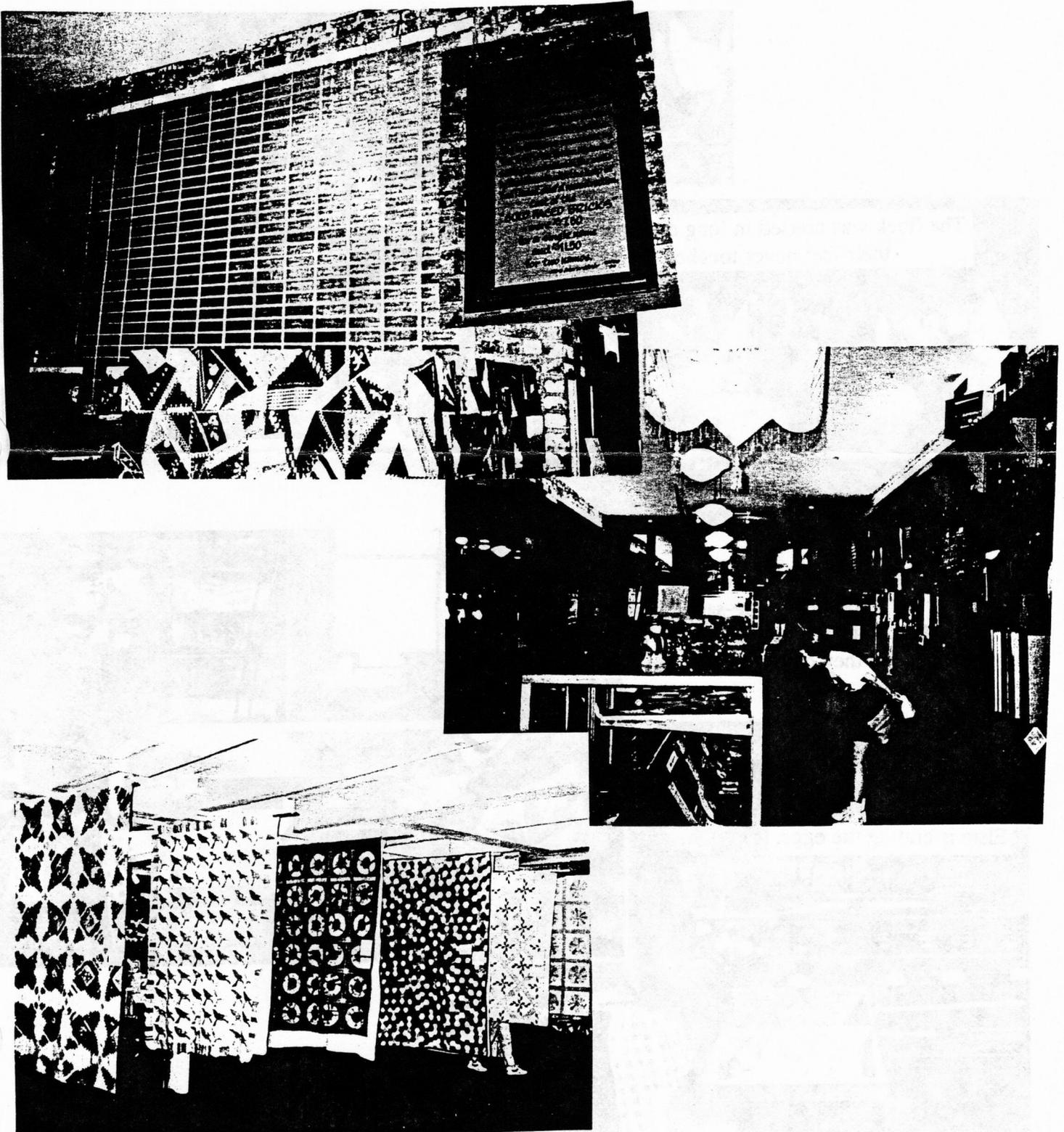
My compliments to the contributors to this column --it's your contributions that make this newsletter happening. Thank you!!!!!!

If you have not yet visited the Folsom Historical Museum, I encourage you to take a look see -- Ooooh, wouldn't it

be nice to have such a similar facility here in Fair Oaks so we can spread out with our artifacts.....A must see -- according to Gayle Anita -- is their current display this month entitled: California Indian Arts.

The Folsom History Museum is at 823 Sutter Street, Folsom --ph# 985-2707.
The Museum hours are Wednesday to Sunday (11:00 am to 4:00 pm).

I visited the Museum during the Quilt Show time and was impressed with their displays, the entertaining gathering of history buffs, and the kindness of the docents. I share the following pictures:

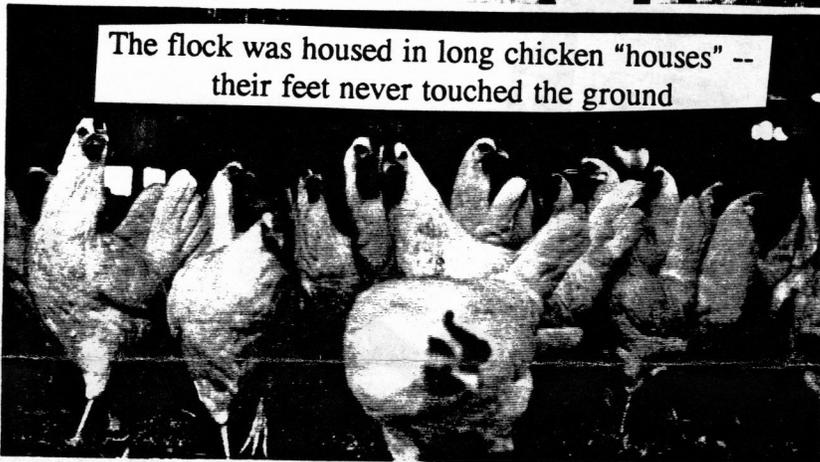
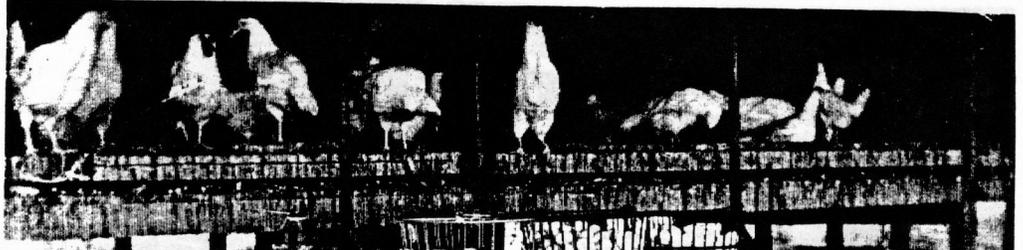


Check out these footsteps.....*what was in the Coop??????*
.....THE MURPHY'S COOPS, THAT IS????

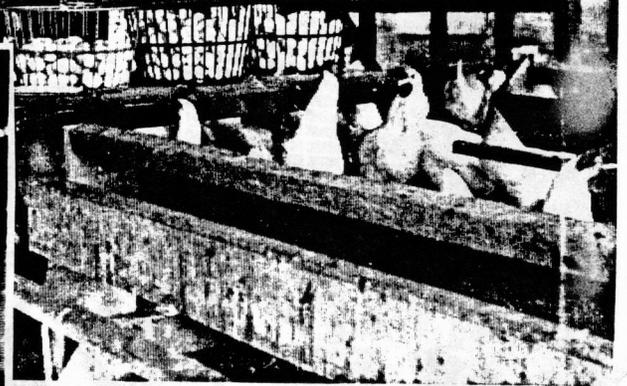


"WHICH CAME FIRST: THE CHICKEN OR THE EGG?"

by-line:Lois Frazier



The flock was housed in long chicken "houses" -- their feet never touched the ground

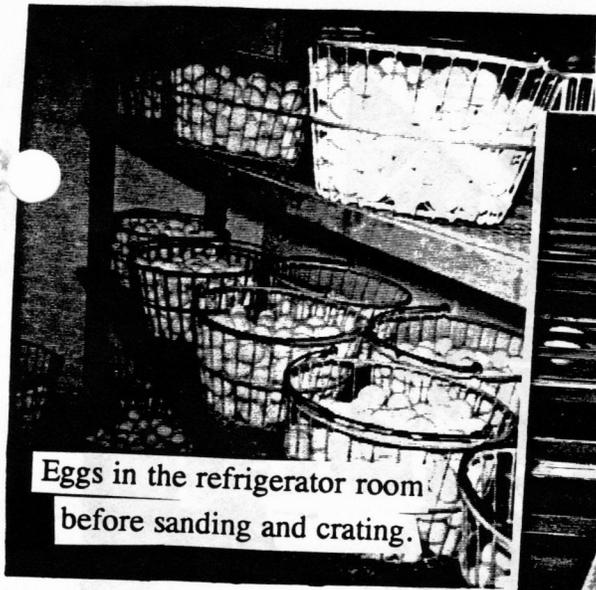


Hason (Pat) Murphy and Elsie Murphy -- they are working the egg-sanding machine. The top is on the machine so you only see the eggs as they come back on the return belt.

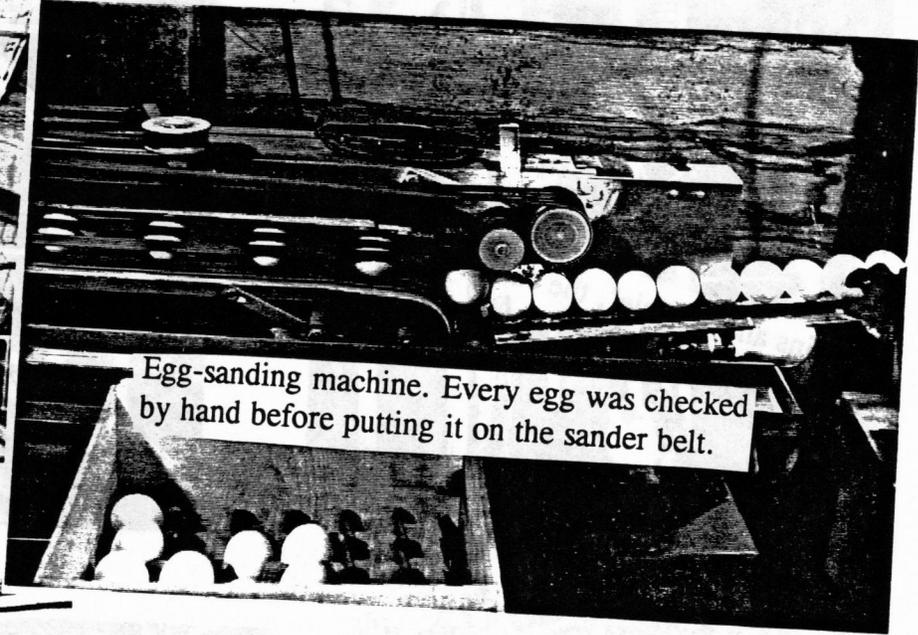


Elsie is crating the eggs.

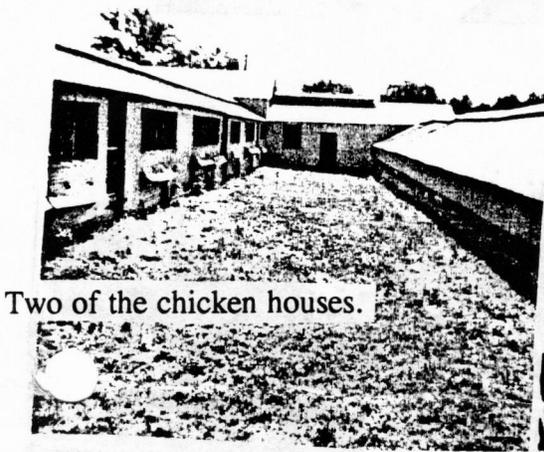




Eggs in the refrigerator room before sanding and crating.



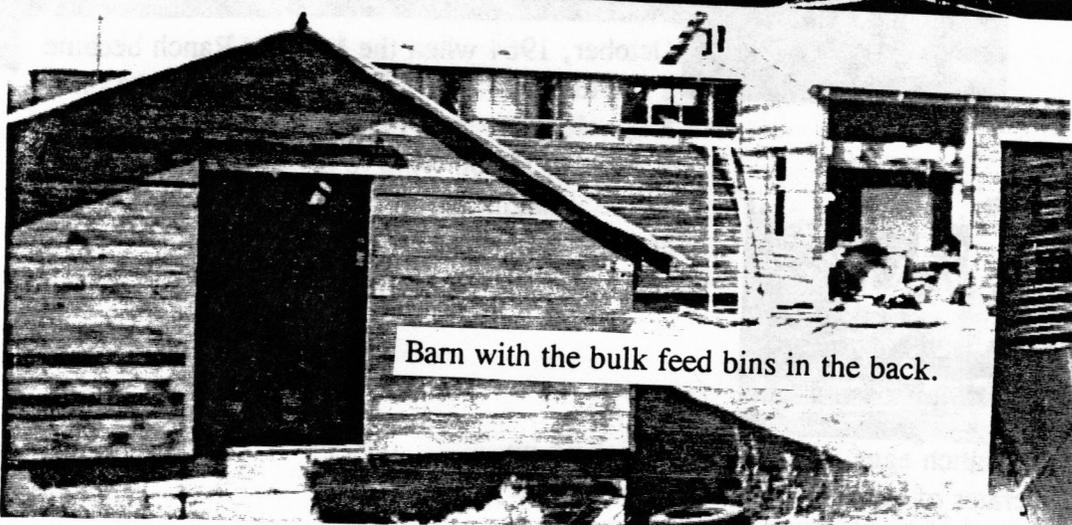
Egg-sanding machine. Every egg was checked by hand before putting it on the sander belt.



Two of the chicken houses.



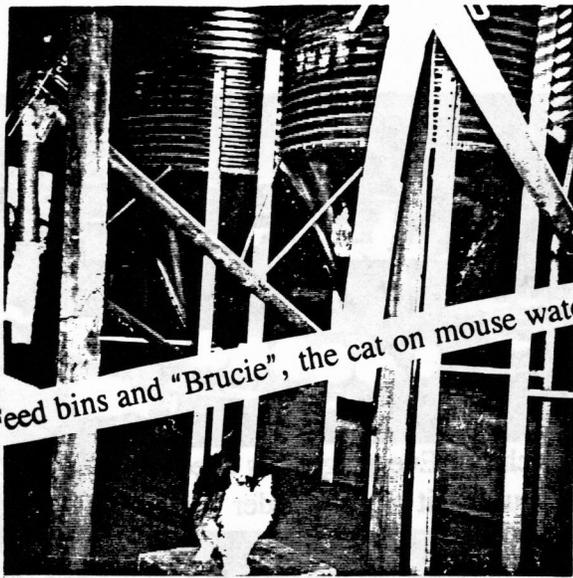
The chicken house floor was high off the ground and had an all-metal roof.



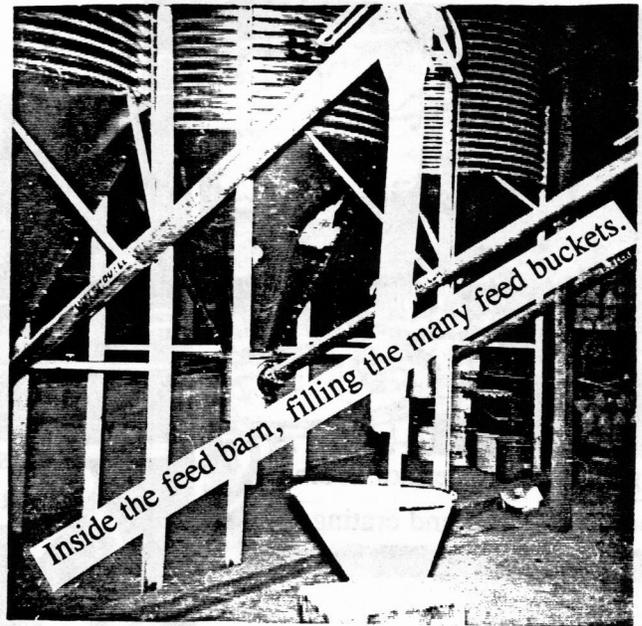
Barn with the bulk feed bins in the back.



Pat Murphy inside by the feed bins.



Feed bins and "Brucie", the cat on mouse watch.



Inside the feed barn, filling the many feed buckets.



Elsie Murphy -- 1949. No! Eggs do not grow on trees, but the plum orchard was especially nice on this ranch.



October, 1964 when the Murphy Ranch became a sub-division and "Glenview" was created on Magnolia between Pennsylvania and New York Avenues. If you were to drive around Oakhurst Circle, imagine all the chickens, barns, orchards and the river view.



Fresh ranch eggs -- nulaid truck picking up the crates of eggs to be taken to the "Poultry Producers Co." on Broadway, Sacramento.

Check out these footsteps.....*what's in the kitchen??????*



Janet McWilliams found this **Tamale Pie** in Marge Dave's kitchen, when Marge spent about 10 years cooking for the Fair Oaks Rotary :

2 T oil	1 ½ lbs. Ground beef	1/4 tsp. Pepper
1 medium onion	1 8-oz. Can tomato sauce	1 T. Chili powder
½ cup chopped green pepper	16 Oz. Can whole kernel corn	1 3 7/8 oz. Can pitted olives
1 clove garlic	1 ½ tsp. Salt	

1)Heat oil in skillet, add onions, green pepper, garlic, and ½ of beef. Saute until meat loses its red color. Add tomato sauce, corn, salt, and chili powder. Simmer for 10 minutes.

2)Meanwhile, mix and heat ½ meat, 1tsp. salt, 3T. butter. Slowly add ½ cup corn meal, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and add 2 well-beaten eggs, 1 cup jack cheese. Add olives to mixture. Turn into 2 quart casserole, or 9x13" baking dish. Spoon cornmeal mixture over top of 1) mixture and bake at 375 for 25-30 minutes.

S Sausage Casserole found in Bonnie Drago's kitchen:

8 slices cubed white bread	3/4 lb grated cheddar cheese
2 lbs. Sausage(links)-cubed and browned	sliced mushrooms sauted
4 eggs	2 ½ cups milk
3/4 tsp dry mustard	1 can mushroom soup diluted w/ 1/3 cup milk

1) Layer bread, sausage, cheese, and mushrooms in 9x13" baking dish.

2) Mix eggs, milk, dry mustard and pour over 1) mixture. Let stand in refrigerator over night.

3)When ready to bake, pour mushroom soup w/milk over casserole. Bake at 300-350 for 1 ½ hours.

.....for a good time, attend the Society's January 28th meeting and tune
up your vocal cords with the Village Singers with a Sing-a-long fest.....

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NAME _____ (circle:renewal/new member) DATE _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____
TELEPHONE _____ amount of \$ enclosed _____ for _____ number of persons.

I would like to be a docent at the History Center for this
month/months _____; no. of people with me will be _____.

ANNUAL DUES -- ALWAYS BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR

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FAMILY	12.00
SUPPORTING -- (Organization/business)	25.00
LIFE	100.00
FAMILY LIFE	150.00

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