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NEWSLETTER

"In looking forward to the moment, which is intended to terminate the career of my public life, my feelings do not permit me to suspend the deep acknowledgment of that debt of gratitude, which I owe to my beloved country—for the many honors it has conferred upon me; still more for the steadfast confidence with which it has supported me; and for the opportunities I have thence enjoyed of manifesting my inviolable attachment, by services faithful and persevering, though in usefulness unequal to my zeal."

Farewell Address
George Washington

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FEBRUARY, 1980

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday

February 19, 1980
8:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Hall
Brooklyn Avenue & 7th Street
Valley Stream

PROGRAM

Another treat for the armchair travelers...

INDONESIA

Charlotte Cascio, a teacher at North High School and international traveler, will share with us her experiences in this remote part of the world that most of us have yet to visit.



VALLEY STREAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP CONTEST

First Prize... Jefferson Mystery Clock
Second Prize... Camera
Third Prize... Portable Electric Mixer

Contest ends June 1st. Prizes will be awarded at June meeting.

Rules

1. Object of the contest is to see how many new members you can bring into the Society.
2. A new member is anyone who has not belonged or paid dues for the past two years.
3. Prizes will be awarded to those who bring in the most new members, as decided by the Membership Committee--Florence Gear, Mary Gear, Dwight Young and Claire McMahon.

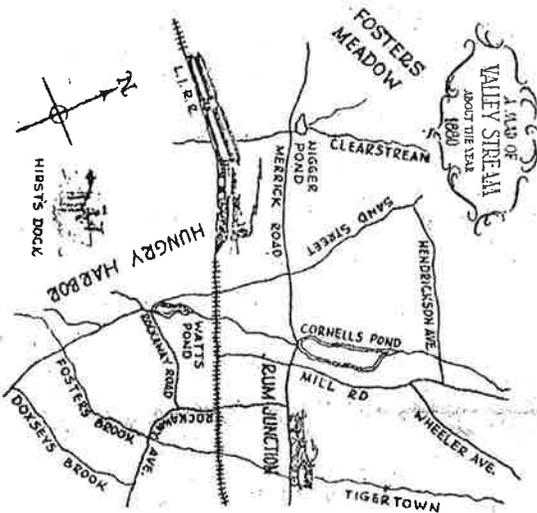
GOOD NEWS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

1. The membership year has been extended from March 1980 to June 1981.
2. General membership dues have been reduced to \$3.00.
3. Student membership is \$1.00.
4. Family of four or more is \$10.00.

With the exception of student and family memberships,
membership dues are now \$3.00.

I would greatly appreciate items of interest about Valley Stream, its people, landmarks, events, etc. that anyone would care to pass along to me. There are so many of us who have lived here all our lives, so how about sharing some memories? This is certainly a good way of keeping some of the past alive and preserving it for future generations to enjoy.

Evelyn McQuade,
Editor



VALLEY STREAM... 100 YEARS AGO

During the early eighties, Valley Stream progressed from just a group of farm hamlets to the status of a village, with the rudiments of a business center, having a blacksmith shop, butcher shop, tailor establishment and several taverns doing business at the railroad and at Merrick Road and Central Avenue, which, by that time, had become the center of the town. Even at this late date, Rockaway Avenue was a dirt road, and the property that bordered it was woodland and inexpensive.

(Map and above information from *History of Valley Stream* by Howard Ruehl)

REAR WINDOW

The Covered Dish Supper was a huge success, and how nice it was to see so many "long-time Valley Streamers" among the more than 100 attendees--a fitting tribute to Lili Weaver's careful planning and hard work! As usual, the members did a fine job in the food department--*delicious!*

We were all so pleased, too, by the lovely voices and attractive costumes of the North High Madrigal Singers, our after-dinner entertainers. They were a credit to Miss Paula Solomon, who is doing such an admirable job in directing and guiding them and their talent.

President Ted Libath made a few brief announcements at dessert time, among them that Emma Bitowski will be chairing a hobby night for our March 18th meeting. If you are interested in sharing your collections with your fellow members, please call Emma at VA 5-4002.

Also, for the February meeting, Emma will need cakes for refreshment table. If you care to donate one, please call her by Monday, February 18th.

By popular request, we are again printing Noel Wendel's Spinach Quiche recipe:

Ted also advised us that our Historian, Alphonse Mayernik is recuperating nicely from recent heart surgery at his home, 69-33B 213th Street, Bayside, New York 11364. Why not drop him a card or note? Another member who has been laid up and absent from recent meetings is Frances Lieberuth, 30 Cambridge Street, Valley Stream 11581. Frances, her hip and husband, Otto, are coming along very well, too.

SPINACH QUICHE

- 2 packages Frozen Chopped Spinach
- 2 Eggs
- 2 cups Shredded Jarlsberg Cheese
- 2/3 cups Milk
- 2 heaping Tablespoons Onion Soup Mix
- 2 Tablespoons Onion Flakes

COVERED DISH CORNER

Cook spinach and drain very well. Beat eggs and milk together. Mix spinach, onion soup mix, onion flakes, 1 cup of the shredded cheese and 1/2 of the egg-milk mixture together. Put mixture into lightly greased pie shell or Corning dish or tin pie plate. Cover spinach with remaining 1 cup of cheese and then pour egg mixture over the cheese. Bake 35 minutes at 350 degrees. Serve hot or warm.

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MARCH, 1980

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday
March 18, 1980
8:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Hall
Brooklyn Avenue & 7th Street
Valley Stream

Hobbies



Program

It's SHOW AND TELL time again. Emma Bitowski has lined up a number of members to exhibit their collections and hobbies and tell us a bit about how they became interested in them. Who knows, we might even learn of something new that could set our own leisure-time hours on a whole new course.

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EMMA REPORTS... In January, Emma and Ed Bitowski represented VSHS at a meeting of the Association of Nassau County Historical Organizations at Nassau Hall in Syosset. It took them quite a while to find the building as the roads were very dark and it is set way off the road. Emma said, "we found it and were pleasantly surprised as we had imagined a modern office building. Instead we went down a long drive and came upon a beautiful Georgian-type mansion. The inside was just as impressive as the outside. The main floor was furnished in antiques and gave the appearance of a gracious home. It was all very elegant and I felt we should have been wearing formal clothing. We signed in and proceeded to get acquainted with the other delegates. We were offered coffee and delicious, fattening cookies and then were ushered into a room where chairs were set up for the meeting." Following the ratifications of the By-Laws of ANCHO, the slate of officers were sworn in by County Executive Francis Purcell. Emma continued, "then we got down to the "nitty gritty" and discussed our aims and purposes, the idea being that all the museums in the county help each other and work together so that we can learn how to improve our individual organizations. Many suggestions were made such as: classes and aid on how to mount exhibits, technical assistance for newsletters and publications, and the inter-museum loan of exhibits and exchange of speakers. One of the most important suggestions made was Ed's, and that was to print a calendar of the Museums and Historical Societies, their meeting dates, officers, programs, special events. This would enable any person from the other Societies to attend other meetings which might be of interest to them. This suggestion was heartily endorsed by the other Societies, and a form will be sent to the participating organizations so that a calendar can be printed as soon as possible." Emma and Ed feel that VSHS will greatly benefit from this organization (which has representatives from all over Nassau County), and as we are the youngest such organization, we can learn from the mistakes of others and try to avoid them, thus making us better than ever!

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DON'T FORGET to send in your dues renewal form if you haven't already done so. And, how are you doing in trying to interest new prospective members to join? The prizes for those bringing in the most new members will be presented at the June meeting and are items any one of us would be glad to have. Just in case you've forgotten, the dues schedule is as follows: Individual--\$3.00; Student--\$1.00; Contributing--\$7.50; Family--\$10.00 (four or more members of one family); Organizational--\$15.00 (clubs, business organizations, etc.); Sustaining--\$50.00 (tax exempt gift); Life--\$100.00 (tax exempt gift). This dues period is from March 1, 1980 through June 30, 1981--truly the best buy in town!

ALL HAIL TO THEE, O CLARENCE BIRDSEYE... Fifty years ago this month in Springfield, Massachusetts, a 26-item line of frozen foods went on display in 10 retail stores, with special salesmen on hand to explain the freezing process and describe cooking techniques. While put out by the Postum Co. (now General Foods), they were the brain child of Brooklyn-born (1886) Clarence Birdseye, a naturalist and surveyor, who while on a biological field expedition to Labrador shortly before WWI was the first to recognize the importance of quick, sub-zero freezing in maintaining the cellular structure of food. Intrigued when he realized that fish frozen in those low temperatures maintained the qualities of freshness when thawed, he spent a decade studying and experimenting, combining Eskimo knowledge with modern scientific theory. (His name should be right up there with Thomas Edison and Alexander Graham Bell for their contribution to the American family!)

OUR "COUNTRY STORE"... has some interesting merchandize to offer: handy "Drum of Tools"; inexpensive, but decorative plastic trivets; useful, everyday pens; a new supply of theme towels (as well as Long Island map towels--always popular); and, stand-by items such as Village Green coffee mugs and the Valley Stream History Book. (When ever Village Historian, Howard Ruehl, is present at our meetings, he will be happy to autograph your copy of the book.) A limited number of Society ash tray/candy dishes are still available at this writing. When you attend our next meeting, be sure to stop at our store!

Lil Weaver, Prop.

REAR WINDOW... A fascinating evening was afforded us last month with personable Charlotte Cascio's lively commentary on the experiences she and her two companions shared while actually living in with an Indonesian family, sharing their food, joys and sorrows. We look forward to another visit to see and hear the rest of the story... We thank all the members who volunteered to bring cakes for the next few meetings... Our March meeting will be on a Tuesday evening as was February's, but we go back to Wednesday evenings again in April (the 16th)... Plans are being made for a Flea Market in May... Anthony Fiero will be heading a Nominating Committee this year. Have you given any thought to becoming more active in the Society?... Have you noticed how many more license plates you see with names or words on them rather than just numerals and letters? Last Saturday on Franklin Avenue there was a car with Florida plates which read, B'KLYN, NY. What fun he must have with those! Guess you can take the man out of New York, but you can't take New York out of the man. We're a special breed, we New Yorkers!... A note from Mrs. Hazel Shull of 30 Doxsey Place, Apt. 315, Lynbrook, N. Y. 11563 advises that she has been recovering from a broken leg suffered last April. She hopes to be able to attend the meetings in a month or so, and we do, too!... Emma Bitowski is recuperating from recent eye surgery at her home, 8 Sylvan Place, Valley Stream 11581.

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"Spring

You have to believe in happiness
Or happiness never comes...
Ah, that's the reason a bird can sing --
On his darkest day he believes in Spring."

Douglas Malloch

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APRIL, 1980

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, April 16, 1980
8:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Hall
Brooklyn Avenue & Seventh Street
Valley Stream



Leonardo da Vinci
Self portrait

PROGRAM

Mr. Dominic A. De Napoli of LILCO will be presenting a film depicting the life of LEONARDO DA VINCI, Italian painter, sculptor, scientist and engineer, considered as the supreme example of the Renaissance man. The many-sided mind of Leonardo gathered from his paintings, notebooks and contemporary records is as fascinating as it is awe-inspiring. The film was shot on location in Italy and France.

PAUL REVERE'S RIDE

Listen, my children, and you shall hear
Of the midnight ride of Paul Revere,
On the eighteenth of April, in Seventy-five;
Hardly a man is now alive
Who remembers that famous day and year...

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



Paul Revere's Ride, 1775

While there was hardly a man alive to remember Paul Revere's Ride in Mr. Longfellow's time, we will be most fortunate to have a direct descendent of Mr. Revere right here in Valley Stream for our April meeting. MISS MARY REYNOLDS of Red Bank, New Jersey, has graciously consented to discuss the Revere family and their annual commemoration of this historic event.

(There's hardly a man alive today who should miss this super double-header program!)

A GOOD NEIGHBOR... Mr. Robert Meyer, Manager of Home Federal Savings & Loan Association, 195 Rockaway Avenue office, has been most helpful to our Society in the sale of the linen Long Island map towels. The attractive frame he made to display the sample towel in the Bank's lobby has evoked much interest in the towel, and sales have increased greatly. THANK YOU, BOB MEYER!

Lillian Weaver, Prop.
"Country Store"

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REAR WINDOW

... Emma Bitowski writes: "I usually thank all those who participated in our "Show and Tell" evening with a personal note. However, due to my eye surgery I am unable to do so this year. Therefore, I would like at this time to thank all those whose efforts, talks and displays made the evening an interesting and enjoyable one:

Maria Wendel (braided rugs and dried flowers)

Elizabeth Kubermann (old and new postcards)

Ted Libath (latch hooked rugs)

Mildred Schiller (souvenir spoons)

Dagmar Fickin (Colonial-style hooked rugs)

Agnes George (stamps)

Edward Moore (marquetry)

Mildred Zulch (Lincolnlana)

Carolyn Young (handmade bedspread/afghan)

Ed Bitowski (ceramics)

Lillian Weaver (WWII headlines)

Howard Clinchy (a surprise exhibit)

Thank you, all!!" Emma

... At our last meeting, the following offered to donate cakes for the April 16th meeting: Agnes Libath, Etta Berger, Agnes George, Beryl Smith, Dorothy Cronin. Thank you, ladies!

SIGNS OF SPRING

"The Androscoggin River has been slowly rising the past week.

Robins made their first spring visit, Fast Day Morning.

The winds of March are blowing April's face.

The milkman now asks 7 cents per quart for milk."

Lewiston Evening Journal,
April 8, 1867

NOTE: Please contact Jim and Audrey Boerckel (561-7138) if you have new or "white elephant" items to donate for the Chinese Auction to be held at the June meeting.

PLACES TO VISIT

... Emma and Ed Bitowski had the pleasure of visiting the miniature period rooms by Frederick Hicks at the museums at Stony Brook on Route 25A in the village of Stony Brook. There are fifteen miniatures and furnishings built by Mr. Hicks between 1936 and 1942, the largest collection in the eastern United States. All are recessed into the wall and are well-lighted. They consist of Elizabethan, 17th Century, Georgian, Colonial, Federal, Samuel McIntire, 19th Century, Early American, Moderne, Chinese, and an antique shop. A booklet with photos and descriptions of each room is available.

A pleasant day can be spent here, visiting the carriage museum, fountain, barn, school house, blacksmith shop, corncrib, carriage shed, burying ground, art museum, and The Dark Horse museum store. The Stony Brook Grist Mill is up the road and the Hawkins Mount House and Women's Exchange are in the old museum near the Three Village Inn.

... The New York Botanical Gardens in the Bronx has Sunday guided walks through the natural areas and gardens of the NYBG for an informal study of trees, shrubs and flowers. \$1.50 each walk. For further information, call (212) 220-8747-8.

WHAT'S AHEAD? - Sunday, May 4, 1980

FLEA MARKET

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Hendrickson Pool Parking Lot

Vendors call: 825-1526 (2:00-5:00 p.m.)

791-8292 (6:00-8:00 p.m.)

We are sponsoring this Flea Market and will also have our own table for saleable items contributed by members. If you care to have your own table, please call either of the above numbers. As this is a fund-raiser for the Society, we need your support!

Springtime greetings to all--Happy Passover and Happy Easter.

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THE MONTH OF MAY
Among the changing months May stands
conspicuous
The sweetest, and in fairest colors drest.

James Thomson
1700-1748



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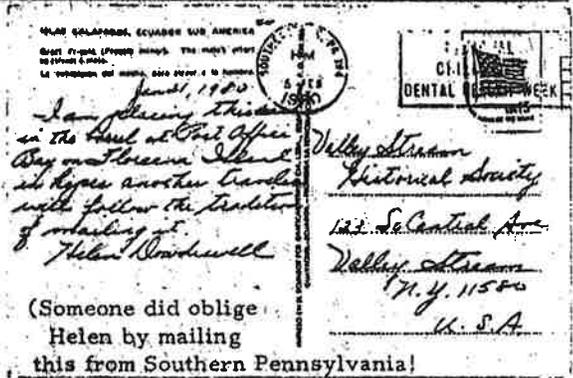
NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, May 21, 1980
8:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Hall
Brooklyn Avenue & Seventh Street
Valley Stream

PROGRAM

Another travel treat... HELEN DOWDESWELL and JIM POLYCHRON will join forces and describe by word and picture their respective trips to the GALLAPAGOS ISLANDS, an archipelago of volcanic islands in the Pacific Ocean, about 650 miles west of Ecuador, to which they belong. The islands were discovered in 1535 and are known particularly for the abundance of wildlife and were visited by Darwin in 1836.



The election of officers will precede this program and the slate submitted by the Nominating Committee is as follows:

- President..... Wilbur Fare
- Vice President..... Claire McMahon
- Recording Secretary..... Elsie Fare
- Corresponding Secretary..... Mildred Zulch
- Treasurer..... Dagmar Ficken
- Trustee (3 years)..... Anthony Fiero
Ted Lipath
- Trustee (2 years)..... Alphonse Mayernik
James Boerckel
- Trustee (1 year)..... Evelyn McQuade
Audrey Boerckel
Robert Presbrey

Nominations will be accepted from the floor preceding the election.

LOOKING AHEAD... At the June meeting we will have the installation of officers, our annual Strawberry Festival and a Chinese Auction. Jim and Audrey Boerckel are chairing this event and ask that members kindly donate "white elephant" items in good shape (not shabby new items, homemade baked goods, plants, etc. Please call them at 561-7138.

MISCELLANY... On May 19, 1780 darkness fell at noontime, leading many to believe that the end of the world had indeed arrived. An explanation has never been found for this phenomenon.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Are you one of the few
Who forgot to renew
Your membership dues?
If so, we have bad news
This issue of PANORAMA will be your last.
So please, please rejoin us real fast
We don't want to lose you.

Our membership contest closes as of June 1st. Remember, we have three nice prizes, just waiting to be won. They will be awarded at the June meeting.

- 1st Prize..... Jefferson Mystery Clock
- 2nd Prize..... Camera
- 3rd Prize..... Portable Electric Mixer

Claire McMahon, *Chairman*
Membership Committee

Individual	\$3.00
Student	1.00
Contributing	7.50
Family	10.00
(four or more members of one family)	
Organizational	15.00
(clubs, business organizations, etc.)	
Sustaining	50.00
(tax exempt gift)	
Life	100.00
(tax exempt gift)	

Please make your check payable to the Valley Stream Historical Society and mail it to 123 So. Central Avenue, Valley Stream, N. Y. 11580. Or better still, come to the May meeting and deliver it in person!

THOUGHTS FOR MEMORIAL DAY... A-

mighty God, who didst never promise to thy children a life of ease, or the luxury of freedom without sacrifice or fearsome decision, we gather to give thanks for the wisdom of the past, for our heritage of freedom, for the sacrifice made by others for our benefit, and for the ease which we do in fact enjoy... Be with our country and its leadership, with those who are held hostage... through the muddle of human frailty give us the strength to act when needed...

(Excerpts from *Invocation delivered by Dr. Stanley E. Niebruegge, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of Lansdown, Pennsylvania.*)

REAR WINDOW... We are so grateful to Miss Mary Reynolds and Mr. Dominic Napoli for making our April meeting so interesting and informative about the lives of Paul Revere and Leonardo da Vinci respectively... We welcome three new members to our ranks: Margaret Dalton, John O'Brien and Anthony Medillo... Harry G. Curran, Editor of the MAIL Leader, called Audrey Boerckel to say how much they appreciate the MEMORY LANE column. In case you missed it, here is a reprint of one of Audrey's own contributions:

Memory Lane

Oh, how we complain of food prices as we leave the 70's and enter the 80's. Recently, I was shown a sales slip which had been saved from an order placed at a Valley Stream delicatessen in 1936. The food was to feed a group of about 35 people, and the prices ran as follows. (You had better sit down before reading them!)

4 lbs. ham	\$3.20
2 lbs. Swiss cheese	1.00
2 lbs. loquats	.80
6 loaves white bread	.60
4 loaves rye bread	.40
3 lbs. butter	1.29
2 lbs. mustard	.24
3 lbs. potato salad	1.05
10 # jelly	.50
1 jar giant olives	.40
2 lbs. coffee	.50
2 lbs. table sugar	.20
1 quart milk	.15
1 quart cream	.73
Total	\$11.95

My mother, Helen Pierce, who has lived in Valley Stream for almost 51 years recalls these same days when gasoline stations had price tags and advertised 8 gallons of gasoline for \$1.00! She also remembers having our 8 room house and garage painted inside and out at a cost of under \$500.00 for labor!

Submitted by Audrey Pierce Boerckel

This delicatessen was owned by Jim Polychron's father and uncles, prior to Mr. Polychron's opening of his own liquor store. Polychron's is reputed to be the oldest family-owned liquor store in New York State. (Jim has promised to ask his dad for some of his recollections of his early days in Valley Stream.)

We were saddened to learn of the death of one of our charter members, Mrs. Margaret N. Clamser, and extend sincerest sympathy to her daughter, Peggy. Mrs. Clamser's late husband, Samuel, and his family settled in Valley Stream in 1903.

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In this resplendent summer (1838) it has been a luxury to draw the breath of life. The grass grows, the buds burst, the meadow is spotted with fire and gold in the tint of flowers. The air is full of birds, and sweet with the breath of pine, the balm-of-Gilead, and the new hay. Night brings no gloom to the heart with its welcome shade. Through the transparent darkness the stars pour their almost spiritual rays. Man under them seems a young child, and his huge globe a toy. The cool night bathes the world as with a river, and prepares his eyes again for the crimson dawn. The mystery of nature was never displayed more happily.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

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JUNE, 1980

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, June 18, 1980
8:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Hall
Brooklyn Avenue & Seventh Street
Valley Stream

PROGRAM

Installation of Officers
Awarding of Membership
Drive Awards
Strawberry Festival
Chinese Auction

It's still not too late to donate articles for the Chinese Auction. Drop off at Audrey and Jim Boerckel's, 127 East Carpenter Street (561-7138), or bring them to the meeting. Suggested items: "white elephants" (in good condition), costume jewelry, scarves, toiletries, plant baked goods, wrapped mystery gifts, etc. The prizes, the more fun!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another year has passed by quickly and another added to the history of our organization. We find ourselves in a healthy condition relative to membership and finances. It has been a real pleasure serving in this office, and I am most grateful and thankful to those who served in officer, trustee and committee capacities. Even though we had the services of these wonderful persons, we would have very little to work for if it weren't for excellent attendance and support we have of our regular members. To those of our local members who haven't been as active as they would have liked to, you missed some very interesting meetings. My hope would be that in the coming year even a greater effort is given in support of your new officers and our Society.

TED

HISTORICAL NOTE

June 14 - FLAG DAY - commemorates the passage by the Continental Congress of the resolution authorizing the flag of the United States, June 14, 1777.

Betsy Griscom Ross, purported maker of the first Stars and Stripes, born in Philadelphia on January 1, 1752 and died there January 30, 1836. At Friends' School she showed considerable talent for fine needlework, and after her first of three husbands, John Ross, was killed in a gunpowder explosion in 1776, she became an upholsterer, flag making being a part of her business. A Ross family legend is that George Washington requested that she make the first American flag.

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REAR WINDOW

Many thanks to Helen Dowdeswell and Jim Polychron for a fascinating program about the Galapagos Islands...We welcome new members--Judy Klein, Michael Duff, Monica and Robert Kerner, Jr., Margaret Luca, Richard Lupoletti, Mary Reynolds and Marie Taormina...Glad to hear that Allan Dowdeswell is off the sick list...The following ladies have offered to bring plain cakes or cookies for the June meeting: Audrey Boerckel, Margaret Warrell, Mildred Zulch, Elizabeth Kuberman and Albina Musicoff...Net profit from Flea Market was \$200.

FROM THE REVIEWING STAND

We had 23 representatives in the Village Memorial Day Parade on May 26th. Cheered from the sidelines were Ted Libath, Bert and Peg Keller, Wilbur, Elsie and Edwin Fare, Ruth and Bob Presbrey, Claire McMahon and son Michael, Mabel Kerly, Eileen Brennan, Mary Graham Smith, Helen Dowdeswell, Carol Gladky, Jane Simon, Margaret Luca, Margaret Warrell, Mary and Florence Gear and their cousin Margaret Glosch and her 7-year old son, Owen, from Eastcote, England (a suburb of London). Owen had a great time and we enjoyed having him and his mom with us. While not in the line of march, Al Mayernik and his clicking camera trailed along every inch of the way.

"OLD TIMER" PASSES

Stuyvestant Pennell died a few weeks ago--he was one of the first Valley Stream policemen. Jim Boerckel thinks that after he was on the County Police Force, he was credited with developing the use of laundry marks on clothing as a means of identification.

SORRY HE ASKED

Around the turn of the century, a freshman congressman from Missouri waited appropriately long into the congressional session before he made his maiden speech from the floor of the House of Representatives. As soon as he finished, he rushed to the office of the Speaker of the House, Mr. Thomas Curtis of Missouri, and asked, "What did you think of my speech?" Mr. Curtis pondered a while and said, "Some of it was new and some of it was good. What was new wasn't good and what was good wasn't new."

THE GOOD OLD SUMMERTIME

Another season has drawn to a close and we will not meet again until September. If you have not yet renewed your dues, this will be the last issue of PANORAMA you will receive. That will mean that you will miss out on Jim and Audrey's programs for the fall--in September, Ray Chambers will tell us about the Vanderbilt Parkway; the October meeting will be held at the "Cradle of Aviation Museum" via car pools; November will find us learning of the history of paper making by a talk by Mr. Nicholas A. Meyer, Historian of the Village of East Williston. In the meantime, enjoy a happy and healthy summer, and remember... "When the glass is at ninety, a man is a fool, who directs not his efforts to try to keep cool." (Joseph Ashby-Sterry)