It looks like November ... it feels like November ... and it is November - no question about it. Guess we can be thankful that it is a little warmer - especially when you hear what is happening out in the midwest!

Been a busy two weeks since our last meeting - a sad one in several instances - and just plain busy in other ways.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Sister Amy Whitcomb on the death of her father, Ed. And our sympathy also to David Seelye on the death of his father, Norris. A seventynine year member of Beacon Grange, Norris celebrated his 99th birthday on October 18th.

Louise Warren lost her brother, Charles Francis, during this past time, and Brother Joe Vincent lost his wife, Laura. Our Chaplain did send cards to both Louise and Joe And our Chaplain spent several days in the hospital herself --- but is feeling much better now, for which we are very thankful!

I am uncertain just what is happening on refreshments tonight.... but at least we do know there will be food.

Next meeting we will have Sue and Bud doing the cooking and I will fold the napkins. Don't laugh . they might surprise you.

Good dinner this past Sunday not as big a crowd as sometimes,
there is a lot of sickness about but we still had a good profit, and
also a good food sale. Many thanks
to all those who do the baking and
also for our pie makers - such a
good bunch!

Our next dinner will be Dec. 13 - it is a crazy calendar in a way. November was so early - and December seems late. Can't do much about it!

Think Arline is going to be back with us tonight...and that her "tripping" around is over for a while anyway! Hope she had a good time - and that Charlie and Mary Anne are well.

Nice Pomona meeting last evening in Litchfield. We had 7 at the meeting. Banners went home to Riverton and Beacon. Had a good collection of canned food - some of it went to Torrington, and some of it is here to give to Mary to take to the Clergy Food Share where she and Don and Eleanor are doing so much.

Not sure whether or not we mentioned that our new deputy is George Russell - and that our Deputy Dick is now Pomona Deputy Dick - West. The other Pomona Deputy is Bill Sanborn.

Next Pomona meeting will be December 14 and it will be the Christmas meeting and here in Winchester. We will need some help with refreshments and with the serving. Plenty of time to think about that, I guess.

The National session opened in North Carolina yesterday - so we are wondering whether or not any of our Juniors were winners on a National level. We should hear by the weekend anyway.

A committee was appointed last evening to think about setting up a Pomona Degree Day. Some of you may remember this being done before, some time ago. The first and second are given in the afternoon, followed by a potluck supper, followed by the third and fourth. It is a good way to do, if there are candidates waiting for degrees More about this later.

That is just about all for tonight. Stay dry.