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SON of A GUN

Lately the towns, county, ABC boards and so on have had their audits. It is not always clear just what an audit is. There is an implied meaning or an assumption that everything is all right if the audit passes, or if the exceptions are few or none. Well, this implied meaning is not true. About all an audit does is to say the bookkeeping is in order. That things are charged to the right account in the books. Whether it was charged to the right account when it was bought is another matter. This audit does not show if someone bought roofing shingles with town money and put the shingles on his house. It does not show that tires bought with town money was put on a personal car. It does not show that town or county vehicles are used for personal gain. (By the way, a town or county using state permanent license tags cannot give permission, legally, for a vehicle to be used other than on town or county business). This audit does not show if town or county gasoline is being used for personal cars. It does not show that deposits were not listed and pocketed. So, when you see that your town or county has been cleared by an audit, it is not necessarily so. Usually the audit lists things that should be done to prevent these things; however you never hear about this. Most often these things to prevent thefts of tax payers' property and money is deemed to be a lot of trouble. But, right is right, and employees who may be doing these things should be stopped, if not fired, and forced to repay those things he or she used personally.

Another year is coming to an end, and a new one is beginning. I hope Son-of-A-Gun has enlightened your past year. It was only possible due to your cooperation. The phone calls, the letters, the personal contacts made the few items looked into possible. There are a lot of things that were not possible. In some cases I was asked not to indicate who gave me the information, and honoring the request made it impossible to really get into some of the problems. But, it has made me aware of the problem and when an opening does appear, I will be better equipped to handle it. Other times when I have been told of problems and looked into them, those involved straightened out the problems, and thus I saw no need to write about it. After all, if the problem is solved, that is what was wanted in the beginning. In Son-of-a-Gun I express opinions, and if it comes about, if something is changed, you have not, nor will you ever see Son-of-a-Gun brag about it or even mention it again. It is hoped Son-of-a-Gun has helped you see the other side of a front page story, or see the story that is not printed. I will continue to try and inform and amuse you during 1984. I hope your New Year will be the best yet. Son-of-a-Gun.

Kenansville News

Silver Streakers
The December meeting of the Silver Streakers was held Monday afternoon when 26 of the senior citizens gathered in the fellowship hall of the Kenansville United Methodist Church. Mrs. W.M. Ingram called the meeting to order and presided. The welcome was given by Mrs. H.D. Taylor. After the opening prayer by the Rev. James Harris, the group sang Christmas carols led by Merle Creech with Nancy Williamson at the piano.

Jack Ireland read four short Christmas stories: The Christmas Kitten, Santa Claus and the Mouse, The First Christmas that Santa made Around the World, and 'Twas the Night Before Christmas. Special music was presented by Nan Williamson on the flute accom-

panied by her mother. They played Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, Silent Night and Silver Bells. A social hour followed while Mesdames Carolyn Hall, Ruby Newton and Viola W. Quinn served punch, cake squares and salted peanuts.

The T. & C. Club
Mrs. H.D. Taylor was hostess for the Town and Country Bridge Club when it met with her Tuesday night. Mrs. Mattie W. Barbee substituted for an absent member. Club high score prize was won by Mrs. J.J. Wells. Mrs. Barbee was also given a gift. For refreshments Mrs. Taylor served party cake squares, red jello topped with cream, and assorted nuts and coffee. Christmas gifts were exchanged prior to departure.

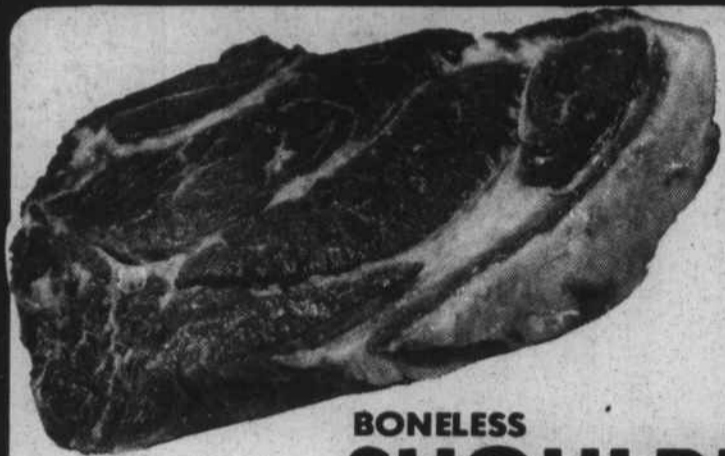
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FOOD STORES
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\$1.48 LB.

BONELESS SHOULDER ROAST
\$1.69 LB.

GROUND CHUCK
\$1.79 LB.

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\$1.89 LB.

FROZEN FRENCH FRIES POTATOES
2 LB. BAG 2/\$1
CHEF BOYARDEE FROZEN PIZZA
10 OZ. 99¢

SHAWNEE FLOUR 5 LB. BAG 79¢
MERICO BUTTER-ME-NOT BISCUITS 9 OZ. 2/\$1
BLACK EYED PEAS LB. BAG 39¢
OLD SOUTH ORANGE JUICE 1/2 GAL 99¢



SMOKED FROSTY MORN PICNIC
CUT OR SLICED EXTRA 68¢ LB.

DOLE BANANAS 25¢ LB.
3 LB. BAG YELLOW ONIONS 89¢
RED GRAPES 59¢
TOMATOES 39¢ CARTON



OLD HICKORY BARBEQUE
\$1.77 LB.

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