

Getting Around ETHEL SIMMO By ETHEL SIMMONS

Franklin's first eating place

Every woman who walked in the door of the Village Tea Room in Franklin just beamed. The charming, old-fashioned decor and the first place, anywhere, to eat out in Frank-

place, anywhere, to eat out in Frajik, in was just too much. Jane Roberta, appropriately jn course, nerved as hostess that day. She and two other Franklin housewives, Sandra Volkin and Rosce Galley took turns working as hostess or toglether in the kitchen preparing ybupa, salads, sandwiches and sandajd. I had been browsing and stroid justine Franklin Village on a sigrem Jump working the quaint shoph that line both side of the street make voly feel like a tourist out of towny. Of course, Franklin know? a "the town that time forget," has managed to keep its residential proceedings despite progress, and its Suppopul center is equally mostalgic.

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"THERE WASN'T even a place, to get a cup of coffee in the village."

Mrs. Roberts explained, as she poured me a cup of coffee in the tearnorm. "Our husbands helped us. Not one of the meaning the cook an old house, built around 1890, and restored the interior was did an one restored the interior was did an one restored the interior was did an one restored the interior was did not not be used to be a considerable of the interior was did not be used to be used

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told the story of the George B. Congleton House, circa 1840.

The original white frame house with cychow windows is early Greek revival architecture. The basement still has original log beams with bark attacked and fleddatore will with a construction of the state of the construction of

NOT HEAVY on oil or spice, it was flavorful with chunky cucumber and tornatoes, served with cheese cracker fingers.

I followed with a sandwich bridge

I lollowed with a sandwich. Frieces range from pennut batter and jeilly for the kids. at \$1.25, to \$2.80 Salads in-clude a Maurice Salad. Franklin Style, at \$3.25, and Chicken Salad on Fresh Melon. at \$3.75

I spotted one man among the cus-tomers, and Mrs. Roberts assured me that men were definitely welcome.

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Congleton House, circa 1840, is now Village Tea Ro

"Franklin Police Special-coffee and cookies, 36 cents .

On a beautiful day, as this was, it's great to sit out in the backyard or Tea Garden, where they were serving bounches in the "good ole summer-turne."

I TOOK a look in the yard after I left the dining room Only a half-dozen tables dotted the green grass, leaving room for lots more. Mrs Roberts said the tea room has

been attracting both shoppers in the village and residents.
"All items in the shop are hand-crafted or antiques, and all are for sale," she pointed out. The cheerful decor was further enivened by these

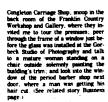
decor was further enlivened by these touches. Come September, the menu will change. Mrs. Roberts said "We go to hot soup and sandwiches, and probably crepez."

I didn't have time to stay as long as I would have liked in "the heart of historic Franklin Village" but I did manage to wander into an antique shop next door, in a red barn originally the

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TALKED ABOUT a banquet of Chinese cuisine in last week's column, but due to limited news space everything but the soup course landed on the cytting room floor Herewith the rest of the menu

The meal progressed to what hostess Neil Benedict described as "mandarin pancakes, the Chanses version" of
a crepe" into which you put slivers
from an "American version of Peking
duck," both the whate meat and
crispy skin, then added a little green
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and folded the pancake to eat
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