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" About six times out of every year, the Methodist Ladies of Lewis town, put on a Church supper, which is one of the church's ways to raise necessary money for it's various funds. These suppers have always been a big hit with the people of Lewistown and vicinity and they are all very well attended by men, women and children. Our church kitchen is in the basement of our church and equipped with all of the latest equipment. We have several large cupboards for storing pots, pans, and dishes. We have a large coal range and also an electric stove. The basement is finished and has a fine cement floor. We have three long tables and more than enough benches to seat the customers. Whenever we plan a supper, the Public is notified by our advertisements which appear in our local newspapers several days before the supper is to be held. We have a small charge for these suppers and place tickets on sale at a few of the local business houses and also sell tickets at the door of the basement for the convenience of those who may have failed tp purchase them or for those living in the country who do not get into town until the night of the supper. Our charge for the suppers is $0.75 for the adults and $0.35 for children. We always sell out of tickets and have to use homemade ones. Out of the money taken in, we pay for all the food, lights and heat and what is left over, we place in our various church funds.

All during the day, when the supper is to be held, our church members gather at the church and get busy. There is much to be done. The tables and benches must by cleaned and polished and the white tablecloths laid. Then the dishes must be washed and dried, likewize the silverware. After this is done, the tables are set, so many places to each side of each table. There is a cup and saucer, a large dinner plate and cutlery. All up and down, the center of

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each table, are large center pieces, for decorations. Besides these, there are the salt and pepper cellers; creamer and sugar bowl; plates containing pickles, sweet; sour and dill, sliced; also olives; butter platters containing butter slices and plates containing brown and white breads; and celery.

At each table, there is enough room to seat twenty five adults on each side. The dinners are served during the hours of from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Those persons having purchased their tickets for the dinner earlier, are the first ones to come to the dinner. They all go into the dining room and seat themselves at any table they choose to sit at and at any place they wish to sit. The dinners are served cafeteria style and each person attending the dinner passes by the kitchen window, where he is given his plate, containing medium amounts of all there is to eat. The dinners are mostly chicken or turkey and all the trimmings. Each plate is given a large piece of richly, browned turkey or chicken; steaming hot, baked dressing; a large scoop of mashed potatoes and brown or white gravy; a helping of peas or string beans; sometimes there are pickled beets; cranberry sauce and potato salad. Then after the people have eaten their dinner, they are served a dessert. The desert is sometimes a fruit salad, jello and whipped cream or ice cream. To go with the dessert, they are served either cake or pie. Every one attending any of these dinners have each had a good word for what they received for their money and everyone feels like their money has been invested in a worthy and just cause and many people attend all of the dinners put on by the church and come back every time a dinner is served."

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