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"Prominent outstanding member of rural community" is code for like the Police Chief who fucks kids etc. The upstanding School Principal who fucks kids. The Town Priest who, you guessed it...

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The prominent, outstanding members of rural communities don't have posts like this made about them even if they are eccentrics. The fact is poster didn't know him and thought he looked weird, it's not that complicated.

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The "Prominent Outstanding Members of Rural Communities" -- Freemasons, Elks, Knights of Columbus, Rotarians-- the black coffee breakfasters at the sales convention in the Motel 6 off the highway. All that can be imagined of the Epstein Elite is a routine occurrence amongst these "Prominent Outstanding Rural Community Members."

My town had a population of 2.6k people. It was zoned for agriculture. People rode their horses past my house regularly in suitable weather. The "Prominent Outstanding Members of the Community" whose ancestors had streets named after them for centuries-- these people were always doing weird shit.

It's all so romanticized by people who aren't from places like that. I never found it romantic. I related it immediately to Southern Gothic-- decay, decadence, movies like Blue Velvet, the book Winesburg Ohio still makes me cry. Suicides, overdoses, deaths of despair.

"Prominent Outstanding Rural Community Member" is the circle of townies who control the selectmen board of the town petitioning every year to bring dog racing, horse racing, casinos, gambling to the town. "Job creators." The local big wigs.

Stories like "So she divorced the father, married his brother, so now his uncle's his step-dad."

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