

Chance Of Lifetime Comes To Scribe: Beautiful, Free Ride To Planet Mars

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK.—(AP)—Every year or so a man opens his morning mail and finds a pleasant surprise—or a real opportunity. That's how lucky I am today.

I've got a chance to take a free ride to Mars! Each day I get all sorts of odd invitations. One day somebody wants me to go over to the Waldorf-Astoria to attend a cocktail party for a new tractor. Another day an opportunity comes to be a judge in a contest to "pick the most beautiful pigeon in America." It turned out to be a complete waste of time—all the pigeons had feathers.

But this is the first time anybody ever offered me a hitchhike ride to Mars. I would be suspicious that somebody was just pulling my leg except for one thing—the man who made the offer said he had already been there himself. So it must be the Makart McCoy.

The invitation came in a letter from a gentleman in Missouri, and his first name isn't Harry. "I have just come back from Mars, and I had a wonderful trip," he wrote. He explained he wanted me to accompany him on his second trip, because he wished the people of earth to have a word picture of life on Mars. He said that as a professional writer I would be able to do this better than he.

Sounds Good Anyway
The voyage certainly sounded attractive as he outlined it. "We will be gone only a few days," he wrote, "for the simple reason that our rocket ship begins to gain speed as soon as it leaves the atmosphere, and we travel about as fast as light."

The only hazardous part of this trip would be in landing when we get there. However, our



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Elkton

By PHYLLIS A. SMITH
Members of the Elkton Boy Scout troop that left Sunday for summer camp on Little river included Gordon Riley, Billie Binder, John Beckley, Ralph Rust and Scoutmaster Lloyd Smith.

Bob Slofensky underwent a minor operation Saturday at the Eugene hospital.

Friends of the Art Hardesty's are building them a new home. The Hardestys were burned out a number of years ago.

Roseburg visitors this week included Mrs. Roy Fisher and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Smith.

Barry Bloom of Sawyer Rapids is spending the summer vacation at the Bill Emil home in Long Prairie, while his parents are on a business trip to California.

Mr. and Mrs. James O. Haines and family visited last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fay Madison of Tillamook, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. William Binder and daughter Ann, visited for a few days last week at the Ray Hoffman home in Maupin. The Binders drove home through eastern Oregon and visited all points of interest along the McKenzie pass route.

Weekend guests at the Jim Mitchell home included Mr. and Mrs. Bob Farmer and family, Mrs. Sarah Farmer, and Mr. and Mrs. Zenith Butterfield and family, all of Springfield.

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ried sister, Mrs. Clifford (Ardaye) Lowrie at Kent, Wash.

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Church Basement Is Being Remodeled

Remodeling of the First Presbyterian church basement to provide more Sunday school class rooms has been started by John Runyan, contractor. City building permit for \$2,000 has been issued for the project.

A new concrete floor is being laid, the partition separating the furnace room from the Sunday school room is being rebuilt, and additional class room space provided.

Dr. Morris H. Roach, pastor, said two departments will meet in the basement on completion of the project. These probably will be the junior and beginners departments. The primary department will meet on the main floor and the nursery in the old manse.

Sutherlin School Sets Dates For Registration

Sutherlin and Nonpareil schools will soon be registering children who are 6 years old on or before November 15. Principal Harold Austin of Sutherlin school said registration for both schools will be held at the Sutherlin school on Thursday, August 4, for children whose last names start with A through L. On Thursday, Aug. 11, children whose last names start with M through Z will be registered. Time of registration is from 1:30-5 p. m.

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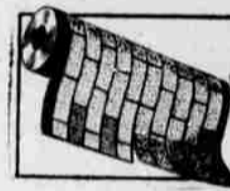
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Revelation 7:16, 17.

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