



All My Children

By GLEN OZONWOOD

ecstatic. In fact, she took it to mean that he would be moving back in. She couldn't be more wrong.

You see, it was only Mona's threat to leave town that prompted Charles to change his mind, not his love for Phoebe. Even Linc stopped by the house the other day to try and get his mother to face the fact that she had lost her husband, but to no avail. Phoebe thinks she's won, and even though Charles told her in no uncertain terms that he wasn't coming back to her, she's happier thinking he's going to.

Not that Phoebe's week was without disappointment. She went to traffic court and was found

guilty. She made up some cock and bull story about rushing to the hospital to get some medication. But the judge didn't buy it and sentenced her to a week in jail, to be served in seven days or three consecutive weekends. You can be sure that Phoebe didn't take it lying down (imagine the judge having the nerve to sentence a Tyler) and though she finally opted for three weekends, it doesn't look like we've heard the last of it.

Uh-oh. Look out for Claudette. She is on the move, and this time she has her sights set on Linc. She went by to see Paul the other day and found out about Kitty's untimely (she must have wanted out of the show, otherwise her death would have taken longer) demise and that was all she needed to know.

She went by Linc and Kitty's

place and though she knew full well that Kitty wouldn't be there, she asked for her anyway. It was all a clever ruse to get Linc to ask her out for dinner (which he did) and if Nick gives her a job at the Chateau, look out. And Danny boy and Brook have been providing some excitement too.

You'll remember (probably not, but it's a good way to start a paragraph) that Dan got a scholarship to go to Pine Valley U. The only catch is that he has to keep his grades up, something that's pretty hard with Brook around 'cause Brook hates to be alone. Between Dan's job at the bookstore and the studying he has to do, he has to leave her alone quite a bit. Well, Brook doesn't dig it and she told him so. The result is that Dan's starting to neglect his books in favor of a woman. It's dangerous business, Danny.

Not that Brook sits home when Dan's away, she's going out with Benny More. But the other night she got caught, by Devin (who wouldn't mind it if Dan got to be more than a neighbor). When confronted Brook told Devin to mind her own business and allowed that she had Dan "wrapped around her little finger." It's not clear whether Devin's going to tell Dan (which would make him jealous as hell) because she knows how much Dan's hooked.

Oh, and speaking of Devin, Mark stopped by to see her mother (it turns out that her name's Ellen, but I was close) the other day and she admitted that she loves him. Love isn't unusual in Pine Valley, but Devin's threatened to leave if her mother keeps seeing Mark. Don't look now Devin, but that's bound to happen.

Oh Phoebe found out that Charles called off the divorce, and despite the fact that she had been sentenced to seven days in jail (more about that later) she was

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Housing shortage causes area-wide 'crisis situation'

By KEVIN HARDEN
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A lack of housing for low-income persons and senior citizens in Lane County has caused a "crisis situation" in providing shelter for welfare recipients and clients of the county's department of Community Health and Social Services, Bob Whittaker told the Lane County Commissioners Wednesday morning.

Whittaker, the head of the Community Health and Social Services Department, told commissioners appropriate shelter, a vital part of the social services provided by his department, is almost non-existent in Eugene and Lane County.

The problem Whittaker said, has reached emergency proportions with the influx of students in to the city for the beginning of the

University's fall term.

A list of available apartments and houses compiled by the social services department includes only 15 rentals with an average monthly rent of \$300.

Whittaker's remarks were made during the regular meeting of the Lane County Commissioners. The commissioners approved a motion to study the problems explained by Whittaker and other members of the Community Council on Specialized Housing.

A letter drafted by the specialized housing council carrying 22 signatures was read to the commissioners. It explained the council has "long been aware of a critical shortage of housing for individuals and families with limited income."

In recent weeks the problem has skyrocketed, council member Kathy Wright, told the commissioners. "As an organization of agencies and individuals involved in coordinating the efforts in the City and County to meet housing needs for special groups, we are highly concerned," she said.

Eugene is slowly beginning to create ghettos for people living on fixed incomes, Bill Uhlhorn, director of the family Shelter House at 2625 Hilyard Street, told the commissioners.

There are only a few apartments in Eugene low income peo-

ple can afford, Uhlhorn said, and those apartments are slowly developing into ghettos where no one else will live.

Although the average family income level has risen only slightly in comparison to rent and housing prices over the past three years, no new relief in the form of grants is planned by the State Legislature, according to Neely of the state Adult and Family Services division.

With no relief or funds to pay their rent, some people are forced into eviction, Jim Kocher, director of the Legal Aid services explained to the commissioners.

"We're seeing people who have lived in an apartment for two years and then get evicted for no reason" Kocher said. The law makes no exceptions for hardship cases, which causes a problem of emergency housing for those evicted.

"In the short range we have to have emergency housing for these people," he explained. "In the long range we need more low-income housing."

No time-table has been set for the consideration of the housing problem. The next step is to hold a meeting and decide what action can be taken to alleviate the problem until housing is provided through the commissioners, Lomont explained.



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