

MARMOT LOCALS

More animal troubles. For some time we were aware of a small boarder in our home.

Signs pointed to a mouse but it behaved like no mouse I'd encountered. Every morning I'd find the contents of one of my flower pots scattered around, with the plant almost dug out. I set traps all over the house, baited with every thing dear to a mouse's heart, cheese, cake,

bacon, but no results.

One night I covered a trap with uncooked cereal. In the morning the cereal was eaten around the trap but wasn't touched on the catching part. I was in despair how to catch it but help was on the way.

The other night we were watching with baited breath a particularly harrowing episode on TV's "Climax". The end was drawing near where the hero was polishing off the crook who had relentlessly been pursuing him for no good purpose. My eyes were attracted to a movement on the floor directly in front of the TV screen. Tiny limbs were writhing in unison with the death struggles of the villain in "Climax". As the play ended, so also ended the movements on the floor. Recovering from our astonishment we examine the remains.

It belonged to the mouse family without a doubt but was a different specie. Its under parts were a pinkish tan, its back a light brown. It had a very long tail for a mouse and sharply pointed ears. Where it came from is hard to say but the man of the house said later that he thought he had seen one like it last summer in the hay fields.

Well, a new use for TV. If you can't catch a mouse with a trap turn on a horror program. I bet Boris Karloff could slay a whole colony. Rather sad though. Perhaps the victim was a literary mouse seeking culture and its sensitive little soul couldn't stand realistic acting. P.S. We did have some rat poison on one of the cupboards.

Good Weather Brings Visitors;

KELSO — Miss Martha Reckman had as overnight guests, Miss Linda Furst of Pleasant Valley Saturday and Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. John Furst had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reckman.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy German received word of a new niece, Tuasia Ann of Arcata, California.

The Alvin Bakkes and the Edgar Linds celebrated birthdays by attending the Harlem Globetrotters game in Portland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Dobson and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Merlyn Felsman of Troutdale last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Levan spent Friday evening with the Kenneth Flaths of Sandy.

Mrs. Olive Davis and Mrs. Violet German attended a birthday party Tuesday evening for Mrs. Roy Graham.

Mrs. Franklin Cassidy and Mrs. Robert Sandblast gave a stork shower for Mrs. Larry Parker last Friday, February 15. After playing several games, refreshments of cake, jello and coffee were served. Mrs. Parker received many gifts from the ladies who attended: Mrs. John Johnson, Mrs. Kate Hauck, Mrs. Adolph Amstad, Mrs. John Amstad, Mrs. Carl Boyko, Mrs. Virgil Dobson, Mrs. Paul Levan, Mrs. Dave Beedle, Mrs. Nogi Asakawa, Mrs. Arnold Zimmerman, Mrs. Roy German, Mrs. Thomas German, Mrs. Bob Sandblast and Mrs. Franklin Cassidy.

Mr. David Beedle, of Boring, gave a surprise birthday party for her daughter, Nancy, at the Jack Hashagen home last week. A group of 25 guests from the Portland Bible College came to help celebrate the 16th birthday anniversary of the guest of honor.

Mrs. Leonard Osburne, Boring, underwent surgery last Monday and is reported to be getting along fine.

Mrs. Larry Parker attended

a baby shower for Mrs. Donnie Parker, given at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Myers, Boring, on Sunday, February 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Zumwalt, Troutdale, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Zumwalt, Thursday evening, February 14.

Lloyd and Ruth Mattox of Portland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Mattox on Monday evening.

Mrs. Rosa German and Mrs. Violet German had dinner with Mrs. Edith Jolleff of Milwaukie on February 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Lewis spent one evening last week visiting with the Roy Germans. Mrs. Lewis has been taking treatments for her back and is getting along much better now.

A group of families got together for an evening of fun and to get acquainted with neighbors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis last Friday, February 15. Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Mattox and Lela; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Zumwalt; Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Zimmerman; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Cassidy; Mr. and Mrs. Roy German; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas German; Mr. and Mrs. Nogi Asakawa and family; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis, Karen and Sharon.

Mrs. Florence Hite is reported to be feeling much better after several days of illness.

Twenty-seven friends of Carroll Davis helped celebrate his birthday last Thursday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis.

The Kelso Helpers Club met last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Virgil Dobson. The outgoing officers presented each of the new officers with a hankerchief corsage. The ladies planned to visit Fairview Home in Salem on Wednesday, February 20. The next regular meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. Rosa German on Friday, February 27.

Mr. Robert Sandblast is reported better after an illness of

several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Hank Fredland, Portland, were visitors at the Franklin Cassidys last Sunday. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Nelson and Harold Freshour on Saturday.

Youth Rally Due Monday

A Christs' Ambassadors youth rally will be held Monday, February 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sandy Assembly of God church. A 30-voice choir from the Gresham Assembly is scheduled for the program as well as special music provided by the young people from the Molalla Assembly.

Speaker for the evening will be Reverend William Ross who is pastor at Woodburn.

Training Set At Church

A Sunday School teachers' training program is scheduled for Friday, February 22, for instructors at the Community-Presbyterian church. The work will be under direction of Miss McClure, Regional Director of the Presbyterian Board of Christian Education.

The schedule for the training program is: 1-2 p.m., Nursery; 2:15-3:15 p.m., Kindergarten and Primary; 3:30-4:30 p.m., Junior. Evening session, 7-8 p.m. will be for junior high and high school teachers.

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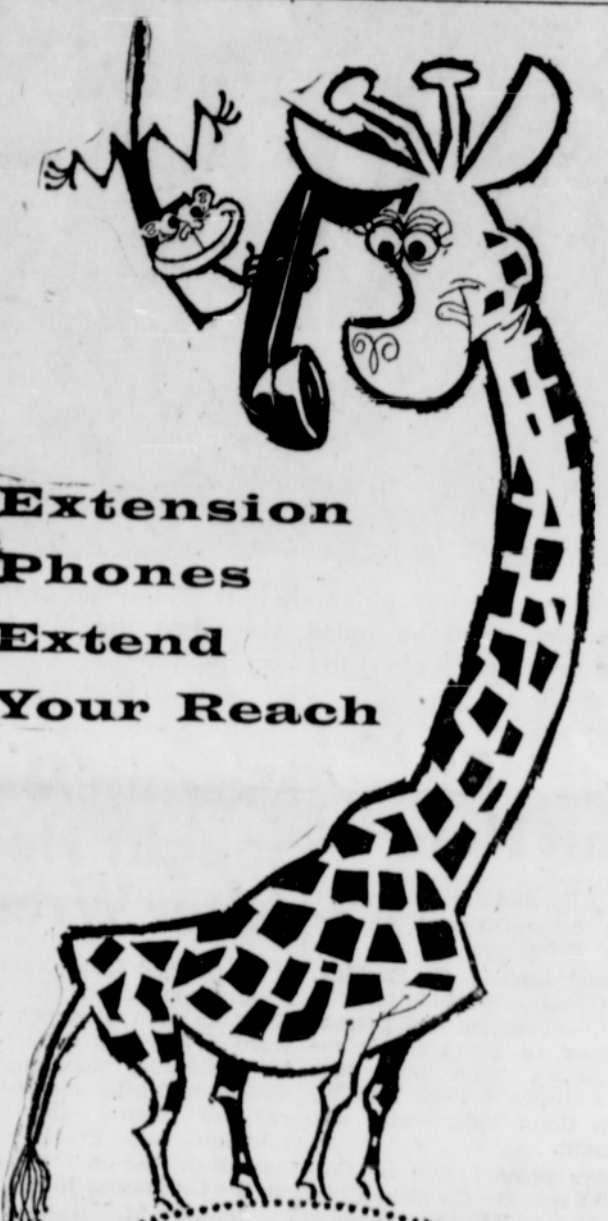
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