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SANDY PARTY-LINE

By ELIZABETH HARTMAN

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When I asked Jim to give me an idea for something to write about this week he said, "Why not write about the dust? There is plenty of it decorating the furniture around here."

"Most of it comes from all that mud you and the boys track into the house on your boots," I said. "Besides, I don't want to write about that dusty old dust as it is a subject that has absolutely no interest for me and, outside of the O'Ceard people, few others I'm sure." It was plain to see that Jim wasn't going to be any help this week and that I'd better look elsewhere for inspiration.

Of course I could remind you that (excluding Sundays, which seldom are these days) you have only 15 shopping days until Christmas — but why spoil your afternoon? With most of us it is really not a matter of how many shopping days, but how many shopping dollars we have left.

When it comes to shopping for my various relatives and friends my problem is to find them something I'd like to give that they'd like to have at a price that makes both impossible. To further complicate the situation I have a pair of cousins with whom I am completely out of phase in the gift exchange business. We used to send small seasonal tokens to each other — something around a dollar —



Mrs. Audie A. Lionberger of Wemme, 1st prize winner in Elizabeth Hartman's "name the column" contest, receives her prize of a set of Hallite aluminum cookware and a magnificently decorated jar of "Lively Lizzie's Lusty Little Pickle Hunks." If pickles are half as spicy as the hand-lettered label, they'll be super-pickles. Among label goodies were "Our motto—'A Pickle in Every Puss'" and "Taste Tested for Pucker by E. Hartman."

(Sandy Post photo)

and that was that.

Then one year we got this tremendous present from them — a set of fireplace tools! We'd already sent them our usual bargain basement parcel and it was too late to add to it anyway.

However, the next Christmas we sent them a beautiful ivory handled carving set and they gave us a pair of dish cloths. Then we sent them a couple of wooden coat hangers and that year they gave us the electric ice cream freezer. It's been going on like that ever since, feast one year and famine the next and neither of us has the courage to stop.

But thank goodness, this year it's my turn to send the cheap present and I know exactly what it will be — a jar of homemade pickles!

With so many nieces, nephews and assorted godchildren to remember at Christmas it is regrettably necessary to keep the cost as low as possible. Then in an effort to make the gifts look like something I often spend more money on the wrapping paper and ribbons than I did on the present in the first place. This is foolish and not in the true spirit of Christmas, but there you are.

I know one Christmas shopper who always insures her packages for at least ten dollars even though the contents aren't worth one. It gives her gifts prestige, she says, when they have to be signed for on arrival, and the few extra cents spent that way add immeasurably to the value of the gift in the mind of the recipient.

While we are on the subject — be sure to read the special ads in this week's Post. Do as much of your Christmas shopping locally as you can and you'll save time and money as well as wear and tear on the arches. There is no substitute either for the bonus of guaranteed satisfaction you get by trading with merchants you know and trust.

A test in the Sunday paper has just revealed that simply because I am unable to recall the phone number we had when I was twelve (I'm not even sure that the phone had been invented way back then) or my bank account number or my social security number that I have no knack for planning and scheduling and am therefore a rotten housekeeper.

They say I probably burn the oatmeal every morning and don't get the roast into the oven in time for dinner. I don't see how a silly test could tell them all that about me. (I suspect they've been talking to Jim) but it is all too true.

I've burned so much oat-

meal in my time that my children were in the scouts before they discovered it didn't have to taste that way. As for getting the meat done in time for dinner, well I like it rare, but do agree that turkey tastes better not quite so pink as I sometimes have served it.

This article points out that I shouldn't feel downhearted about being a poor housekeeper any more than I should about not being able to paint or play the violin. Good housekeeping, it seems, requires specific talents and is not just an inherent characteristic of the female sex. This is very comforting and undoubtedly nice to know, but in the meantime there is a heck of a lot of housekeeping around here to be done — talent or no.

The author of this article suggested there isn't much that can be done in cases like mine and advises that I get help or throw out unnecessary work like ironing and putting up preserves (love that author!).

As a final measure short of suicide she suggests "turning on the charm" so that your family and-or guests won't notice the dirty dishes, full ash trays, opaque picture window, rough-dried hostess gowns, scorched soup or underdone meat.

Obviously this will require overwhelming amounts of charm and catches me with my talents down again. For the results of a test I took last month in a magazine revealed that I have no ability whatsoever in the charm line, and suggested that I concentrate on being a good housekeeper to make up for it. So—goodbye cruel world!

Before I go, here's a simple word square puzzle that should be easy to solve if you've been paying attention:

ACROSS

1. Housekeeper's bane.
2. Continent.
3. Scorched soup is on it.
4. This word was formerly in use.

DOWN

1. This one has no charm either.
2. Employer.
3. My housekeeping ones are many.
4. I am not, but this is neat.

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Council Arranges Bond For Police Chief Smith

The question of bonds for the new Sandy Chief of Police was brought up at Monday night's council meet. It was brought out that no bonds had been arranged for as the appointment had not yet been cleared by council action.

Councilman Duane Knapp moved that a fidelity bond be arranged for and a transfer of false arrest policy be made. This was voted on favorably by the council.

Councilman Phil Jonsrud said he felt more information was needed on the false arrest policy and that perhaps the League of Oregon Cities could supply such information.

Knapp said he considered this a good thing for the League to investigate.

The current policy was obtained for study by City Attorney Paul Biggs.

City Recorder Ruth Lounsbury made the motion of the council be made on the hiring of Police Chief Bert Smith so that it could be on record.

The previous week's special meeting had discussed a \$25 raise for him, but had taken no formal vote on his hiring.

It was voted to hire Chief Smith at a starting salary of \$350 per month with a raise of \$25 effective Dec. 1.

There was some discussion of payment for extra work Chief Smith has done at the disposal plant weekends, but the outcome was that Smith had received sufficient remuneration for the work he had done and would be paid on a monthly basis of \$20 for this work.

Other business before the council was the past due rent on the Orr property. It was brought out that Mr. Bessant, the renter, is again working and has promised to pay the rent up soon.

Street Report

The street committee reported that rock will be delivered this month for use on road shoulders. Mayor Hoffman said he would contact Craswell about the hauling.

Ivan Barker told the council he had contacted the highway people concerning location of street signs and they could be placed by telephone poles.

Knapp reported he had checked Main street and found it in "not too bad a condition". He said he had not checked Cherry street by the Shelley house where it was reported breaking up. This was to be checked.

Work on Bluff road and county work was reported planned for spring.

Regarding sewers Don Lounsbury reported that a set of plans and specifications had been received from engineer Boatwright.

Sewer Participation

He said he had talked with Marshall Glos and Dr. Roy Carrothers about sewer participation costs. Lounsbury said both men had told him they would attend the meeting, but they did not appear.

Lounsbury was to check further with the two men regarding payment and it was decided that if they would pay after the first of the year the council would "go along" with it.

City Recorder Ruth Lounsbury mentioned the fact that the combination to the city safe had been written down and placed in a sealed envelope and given to Mayor Hoffman three years ago as an emergency measure. She said she felt someone should have it in event she were unable to report for work.

She suggested it be returned to the city and, at the discretion of the council, it either be destroyed or placed in custody of someone for use in emergencies.

Council voted to give the combination to the safe to the city treasurer and Mayor Hoffman said he would deliver it to Mrs. Eugenia Alt the next day.

The meeting was adjourned to Monday, Dec. 10, when sewer bids will be opened.

Student Guidance Set This Thursday

A guidance session covering preparation for college or other training beyond the high school level will be held for the students of Sandy union high school Thursday, December 6, at 8:45 a.m. Principal Dave Wienecke announced that a visitation team from the state system of higher education has been invited to conduct the meeting.

The state system team will include a member of the central office staff of the High School-College Relations Committee of the State Board of Higher Education; representatives from each state institution of higher education; and a representative from Oregon Technical Institute. The importance of beyond high school and the urgency of adequate preparation early in the high school years will be explained. A description of other training beyond the high school that "adequate preparation" entails, career opportunities, costs, scholarships, and mechanics of school application and entrance will be stressed.

Representatives from each of the state schools will explain their respective academic offerings and point up each institution's specific requirements. Opportunity for questions by students is given to provide individual guidance.

Register Now For Ski School

Registration is open now for the third annual Gresham Outlook and Sandy Post Ski school.

Classes for the special five-week course begin Saturday, Dec. 29. Included in the \$26 fee, are the following:

Instruction, transportation by chaperoned bus and insurance.

Buses will pick up ski students at the Outlook office in Gresham and at the Rexall store in Sandy each Saturday morning at 8 a.m. and return by 5 p.m.

SNOW CHATTER

Around Wemme and Brightwood

By GRACIE SHAVER

Hood-Land 547

Frozen particles of vapor floating gently down late Saturday night brought about our first snow fall by Sunday morning. Around Wemme area there was about a two-inch fall. Will have to admit the snow is beautiful but can truthfully say I was glad it didn't last too long. We have a much longer driveway to shovel out now. Nell Howe, you can stop predicting weather.

Speaking of a fellow scribbler — Audrey Colson. Glad to see Hopalong Colson up and about after her recent accident. Audrey will admit those telephone poles just don't give way much.

LETTER BOX

To The Editor:

Dear Sir:

The Clackamas County Democratic Central Committee wish to express their appreciation to the newspaper for publishing notices and pictures of our candidates, and the cooperation you gave us.

Also the Central Committee wish to thank the volunteer efforts of our precinct committeemen, committeewomen, and all who worked on the campaign and election.

The work of you people was of inestimable value to the Party, and to the candidates in their efforts to get elected. There was so much work to do, and we know without this help, we could not have accomplished so much.

We feel sure that the large number of voters who turned out was a testimony to the work done by the Blitz Committee, who distributed 20,000 fliers, the Telephone Committee, who called approximately 15,000 phone numbers, and those who distributed 450,000 pieces of campaign literature and sample ballots.

With personal regards.

Sincerely,
Hal White
Chairman

Classified

Ads Get Results

Now to mention Hitchalong Hartman. I demand a recount on your latest contest. After all my artistic work I was not even eligible. I really thought that Sandy Party Line should be changed to Hartman's Phonitus. Betty is now Hitchalong Hartman after last Thursday night. Anyway, Betty, hope the hitch is gone by press time.

Another rush trip to the doctors for the Bourn family. Judy Bourn received a slight accident Friday. After X-rays again no damage was found. So all is well even down to Faye. Faye is up and about after a seige of the flu.

Sylvia Mathews is home again after spending two weeks in the hospital. Sylvia got home in time to see our first snow fall. Glad that all worked out well for Sylvia.

Three one-act plays were presented Friday night by the seventh and eighth grade classes of Welches school. The kids were wonderful. Proves to us parents that we may not all have gifted children but they are talented. May I offer my congratulations to both Mr. Gelford and Mr. Beauchamp.

Wilda Cox has finally gotten out of the old cast only to be put back in a new one. This one from the waist down. If all goes well maybe in two months the cast can be forgotten.

Madras has gained our T.V. expert. Harvey Miller has

moved his T.V. shop over to Madras. Sorry to lose a fine young man. Hope his new move will be to his betterment.

Colette Purdy and Merrill T. Bartruff of Zigzag will be married Monday, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. at the Sandy Lutheran church. Congratulations to the young couple for a long and happy life.

While the Purdy women are bustling about with plans of the wedding, Loren has been busy changing his station. Brightwood towing is now a Mobil station and distributor.

Did you know the state of Oregon has an area of 97,442 square miles, 1,092 square miles of which are water? Now if the clouds don't quit weeping, more miles of water will be added. Then all the encyclopedias will be all wrong. So with that bit of great information, shall say Have Pen will write — Have phone will answer.

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Corner Strauss & Pleasant
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