

Clean-Up Month Set

Most any old girl of 50 years will look better with some fresh paint and Sandy, celebrating her 50th birthday this year, can use quite a lot. That's why Mayor Mike Paluck declared the month of June "Paint - up, pretty - up Sandy" month.

"I would like to see our town cleaned up in time for our big weekend celebration in July," Mayor Paluck said. "The city will do all it can, but it's up to individuals to paint and cut grass and see that there aren't any unsightly spots when all the guests we're expecting arrive for the fun."

The mayor says the new city maintenance man, Bob Powell,

started to work last Monday and the second man will begin work this next Monday, so the city will be able to do a lot.

Right now the council is looking around for a good used dump truck, but there are pickups available and if citizens will pile brush and debris in front of their places it will be picked up on the weekend.

Paluck says he is hoping the women's groups of Sandy will take an active part in the "Pretty up" program. "If the women's clubs could come up usually have more ideas along this line than any man—I feel sure the Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis would work with them to carry

out their plans," he said.

Paluck also asked that the Mt. Hood Jaycees and the Sandy Lions Club members meet at the fire hall with the volunteer firemen next Wednesday evening, June 12, to plan an active clean-up program.

The city will get busy right away to fix the chuck holes in the streets, Paluck says. A scraper blade, badly needed to clean up edges of city streets, has been offered the city by County Commissioner Darrell Jones, on a loan basis. This will be a great help in the clean-up program, Paluck says. It is especially needed in clearing drainage ditches.

Community Coverage To Close Office Here

The last day area residents will be offered the Mount Hood Community Coverage plan is this Saturday, June 8. The two prepaid medical plans sponsored by the Physicians Assn. of Clackamas county have drawn much interest in Sandy and Walter Dicken, association representative.

For those whose previous medical insurance is still in effect, Dicken says the Mt. Hood plan can be purchased now with the stipulation that billing and effective date will be postponed until present coverage expires.

These doctor - sponsored

plans will not be available again in this area until next May. Plan 1 is a comprehensive medical coverage that includes preventive medicines, complete physical examinations, well-baby care, inoculations, medical - surgical and hospital care for illness, plus paid in full maternity coverage.

Plan 2 is a budget plan designed especially to provide hospital care and surgery for serious illnesses or injuries. There is also a secured retirement plan offered through Centennial Life Insurance Co., which may be added to either of the two medical plans.



In honor of their city's golden anniversary the Mt. Hood Jaycees are sporting some fancy chin whiskers. The beard above, which loses much in a black-and-white reproduction, belongs to Jerry Lawson and is a vibrant golden red. Back in the days when no man worth his salt went around with his face bare, Sandy was a lively little village. Though it had been growing for quite a number of years in its protected spot on the lap of the mountain, it was not until 1913 that it became an incorporated city. In 1914 it got its first electric lights. Early mayors were Blanche Shelley, Casper Junker and Ed Bruns. In 1922 the City of Sandy took a silver trophy for third place with its Rose Parade float. The trophy is presently in the case in Schmidt's restaurant on Main st. (Sandy Post photo)



Fifty years ago the Sandy Woman's Club was a new, but very active organization, as this photo of the original membership shows. In the front row are Mrs. Grunert, Mrs. Shelley and baby, Mrs. Eddy and Mrs. Shminwy. Others, from left, are first lady, unidentified, Mrs. Edna Esson, the next two

are unidentified, then Mrs. Beaton, Mrs. Barendzick, Miss Eddy, Mrs. Bob Smith, Mrs. Alice Seales, Mrs. Purcell, Mrs. Barendzick's sister, Wanda Hoffman, Mrs. Junker, Miss McGugen and Isabell Gray (Mrs. Jim Wolf). (Photo courtesy Mrs. Frank Schmidt)

Arson Trial Gets Under Way

Tuesday morning saw the start of the trial of Howard William Baker in Judge Holman's court in Oregon City. Baker is charged with first degree arson growing out of the destruction by fire of the Sandy General Store last Dec. 27.

The jury was impaneled by about 11:30 a.m., after which a number of persons were called to testify. Among those giving testimony were Deane Wesselink, Lyle Seaman, Vickie Aden, Johnny Clark, John Mills, Jerry Swails and Police Chief Bert Smith of Sandy and Charles Zuloff of Boring.

Jurors Questioned

Questioning of prospective jurors by defense counsel Robert Mulvey stressed insurance, and whether those called for the jury carried insurance on their home and other property, notwithstanding the fact they still were in the process of buying the homes or other property.

Another question asked was whether prospective jurors would put more weight on testimony of police officers merely because they were officers than on that of other persons. Mrs. Baker, who is also charged with first degree arson, will stand trial separately. She and her daughter were in the audience in the opening session of the court.

The defendants were charged with arson following the fire that destroyed the pioneer store in Sandy last December in the early morning of the day on which foreclosure proceedings were slated for circuit court hearing on the contract under which Mr. and Mrs. Baker

were buying the store.

Store Was Landmark

The general store, with its high veranda spreading across the front of the building and its "early Clackamas county" architectural style, had stood as a landmark in Sandy for

many decades.

There was an unpaid balance of from \$30,000 to \$35,000 on the contract under which the defendants were buying the building from descendants of Paul Meinig, original builder of the pioneer store.

Oregon City Hosts Grange Convention

Granges in East Multnomah County and North Clackamas County are expected to send sizeable delegations to the 90th annual convention of the Oregon State Grange next week.

The meeting, first to be held in Clackamas County in 21 years, is considered important as the groundwork will be laid for the National Grange meeting in Portland next November.

The sessions will begin Monday and end Friday.

Official delegates are the masters of Granges or their elected alternates, but any Grange member in good standing may attend committee meetings or general sessions.

Those from the Sandy area on committees are: for sale of 5th and 6th degree tickets—Wava Ludi, Pamona secretary; road signs and markers—Anton Malar; general planning—John Ludi, Pamona executive committee; in charge of cafeteria meals—Agnes Steiner and Wava Ludi. Al Gantenbein of Gan-

tenbein's Kelso Store, was helped out by securing part of the needed groceries for the state session.

Local Grange members will be taking their turn at working in the cafeteria on Friday.

More than 100 resolutions have already been adopted by Subordinate (local) or Pomona (county - wide) Granges and have been submitted for consideration by the State Grange. This work will be handled by one or more of two dozen sessions committees which have been appointed by Allen P. Wheeler, Portland, master of the Oregon State Grange.

An innovation this year will be a community church service, sponsored by the State Grange, to be held at 8 p.m. Sunday in the Oregon City senior high school gymnasium, where most of the week-long convention will be held.

Wheeler expressed the hope that churches of the Oregon City area will join with the Grange when it holds its non-denominational evening service.

Monkey Business Routine to Wemme Resident Hanson

By JOANNE DUNN

Ever baby sit with a full-grown lion, trim the toe nails of a large porcupine or monkey with a monkey?

Elmer Hanson of Wemme has this to his credit and much more in a lifetime of owning,

doctoring and loving animals and reptiles of all descriptions.

The lion belonged to a friend and Hanson kept it for two months. "It was an over grown lazy tom cat," according to Hanson. Raised in captivity the lion was almost a vegetarian

and, "quite friendly." Hardest job was to keep the beast clean, Hanson said. "It took a lot of scrubbing."

Hanson's secret in trimming the porcupine toe nails is a tranquilizer. He got the prescription from Sandy Drug store. It was issued in the bristler's own name, Mr. Pine. Now three years old, Hanson found the black porky in the mountain woods and brought him home to the family.

Meet Maggie
Maggie, the monkey, is one of the great loves of his life. She's 11½ years old and has been with Hanson for ten years.

Only drawback here is that Maggie's jealous of his wife, Dorothy. "It's like having two wives, Hanson laughed. He said the monk loves and accepts his wife and daughters, but warns them, "Keep your hands off daddy."

Maggie is a Macaque monkey and comes from Indo-China in the mountains near Tibet. She was ordered by a man, employed by a steamship company, for his wife. A native captured a pair - male and female - and brought them to the ship.

The male had died and Maggie was extremely sick when the ship docked in Florida. The man and his wife drove from Oregon to get the monkey and nursed her all the way home. It was shortly thereafter that the man was transferred and Maggie went to a pet shop. The owner called Hanson and "it was love at first sight," for the two.

Maggie was tiny primate of eight or nine pounds when she came to the Hansons, and now weighs about 30 pounds.

Monkey Spoiled
"She's fat as a pig, and

spoiled rotten," Hanson admits.

Hanson warns any prospective monkey buyers that "you're taking a bit of the jungle into your home when you buy one. They can be as savage and dangerous as a lion and tiger," he said.

Mrs. Hanson may agree - she's had 15 to 18 stitches in her arm because Maggie was upset.

Lots of understanding is needed to develop a feeling of security within the animal. He said he knows Maggie would fight for him - he's her security. He even has to be careful about shaking hands.

A scholar on the subject of simians, Hanson says that monkeys have no fleas. That pastime of picking at dead skin containing salt. In the monkey world it is the highest form of social etiquette for one to assist another in this task.

Life Never Dull
Life with Maggie has been anything but dull, according to Hanson. He remembers when he first got her. He had no interest in training her for tricks, but wanted to watch her natural adjustments to the family.

Every evening he would put her cage in the center of the group and let her watch the activity. One night Mike, the Persian, a loving and trusting soul, rubbed up against her pen. Maggie grabbed his tail, pulling the cat tight to the bars and bit it as hard as she could.

The cat, cage and monkey did four laps around the house before Hanson could head them off.

Maggie looked like she'd never had so much fun in her life,

Hanson said.

One morning she got out of her cage and prepared her own breakfast while the family was at church. Hanson suspected she even fed the dog while she was at the culinary arts. Not much mess either, he added proudly.

Serves As Warning

The monkey is a good warning system too, Hanson says. On walks in the woods, she'll tell him of nearby bears and wild cats.

Once she slipped up and they came face to face with a bear. She went purple with rage, Hanson said, and tried to drag

him away. He stood his ground so she jumped on his shoulders and there he stood, facing a bear with a monkey pulling the hairs out of his head.

The bear looked for a couple minutes and took off in the opposite direction.

"Maggie was so upset, she growled and bubbled for an hour after," he said.

Even now when they come near the place, she remembers and - "stands like a sailor on a mast looking for land."

But while Maggie may be queen in the Hanson household, there are others to be considered. He had two tortoises,

Pedro and Conchita. They're called red-footed tortoises and rare from Brazil. He doesn't know their age exactly, but females are known to lay eggs at the age of 20 years and Conchita laid three about two years ago. She laid one this year, but it was broken after 35 days. Hanson's hope is to hatch one.

Squirrels There Too
Rounding out the present menagerie are three Golden Mantel squirrels, Barker, Twiddle Dee and Twiddle Dum. They were born right there in the house and have never known the out of doors, he

said. The mother was turned loose after the little ones were weaned. The squirrels, somewhat like big chipmunks, belong to daughter Martha, 15.

Throughout his lifetime, Hanson has kept prairie dogs, coyotes, wolves, badgers, coons, bob cats, cougars, bears, coie (South American bear), wild rabbits, muskrats, beavers, minks and squirrels, dogs and cats, at one time birds, and snakes.

He operated the Reptile pit at Brightwood for three years. In his youth in Colorado he worked with curator of the Reptile department of the San Diego zoo. He assisted him in collecting more than 5,000 rattlesnakes.

Fear and ignorance are the two things to be combatted in dealing with snakes, according to Hanson. He handled them from all over the world. He finds that snakes have personalities after a person has associated with them for some time - "friendly, quiet and cantankerous." He even had a rattler that was so calm, it wouldn't rattle. One favorite was Gertie, a boa constrictor that he sold.

He's had some bites from non-poisonous snakes, but suffered none from the other. "It would be like a carpenter cutting himself on his own saw," Hanson compared, adding quietly, "it could happen, I suppose."

Hand-Fed Snake

He had a sand viper from Algeria that he fed from his hand. It would glide over to him to see if he had any food and, a sand viper's bite can kill a large rat in 19 seconds. Other snakes bites take from 5-7 minutes.

For some years he was a

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