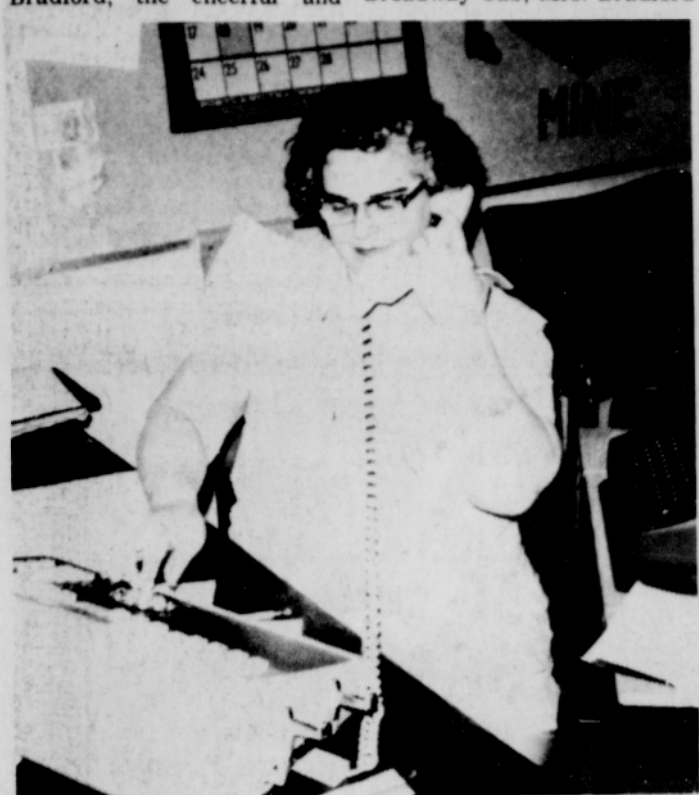


PBX operator keeps busy at Sandy High School

Telephone operator, typist, mail handler, and coffee maker, are just a few of the jobs assigned to Esther Bradford, the cheerful and efficient telephone lady at Sandy High.



SANDY HIGH School's PBX operator, Esther Bradford, assists a caller in reaching the correct extension.

A former clerk in the automotive department of Broadway Cab, Mrs. Bradford was a retired housewife until she caught the "school bug" and enrolled in a concentrated nine month business course at Mt. Hood Community College. While there she acquired skills in office work and became equipped with secretarial abilities SUHS has found useful in so many ways.

As Mrs. Bradford puts it, "What I like about my job most is the change of pace every day. Whenever I come to work, I think to myself that there will be something new to learn today, something new to do."

Hired at Sandy High in October, 1972, Mrs. Bradford had to learn the school's new PBX system for handling incoming and outgoing calls. With the exception of calls phoned directly to the district office at their special number, Esther Bradford manages every phoned request Sandy High receives. The job doesn't seem to overwhelm her, though,

since she has experienced fast-paced work before.

Says Esther, "I worked in a cannery on the production lanes for many years. That's a hard job which keeps you alert, so I'm used to being really busy."

Mrs. Bradford, who lives with her family in Damascus, has instituted a system of filing those numbers which staff members may regularly request. She maintains a large vertical file on her desk that effectively eliminates callers from having to look up numbers every time they go through the school switchboard. Between calls, she sorts mail, types bills, keeps special school records, performs those jobs easy to avoid because they're time consuming and tedious. To Mrs. Bradford, however, they are part of her school assignment and she loves it.

"How could I ever get bored," she exclaims enthusiastically.



CHILDREN WALK, slip, slide and roll down the slopes at Government Camp. Last weekend's festivities at the Ski Bowl area brought multitudes of people to Mt. Hood's wintery environment.

(Post Photo)

Camellia society presents show

"Ballet Dancer", the Oregon Camellia Society's 1973 choice for "Camellia of the Year" will be featured at the society's 33rd annual show to be held March 8 and 9, in the tenth floor auditorium of Meier and Frank Company's downtown Portland store. The show is free and open to the public from 12 to 9 a.m., and Saturday from 9:30 to 4 p.m.

Mr. Olin Wills, show chairman, has issued an invitation to camellia fans throughout Oregon and Washington to enter their own best blooms, grown either inside or out. Bring entries to Meier and Frank's Fifth Street door 8 to 10 a.m. Friday, March 8. Entrants need not be members.

The Camellia Society will furnish all entry cards for use. Separate classes for unprotected blooms, and

protected blooms will be offered. Plants must be grown by exhibitors for at least six months. Decisions of judges is independent, final and not open to question. Gibbed and non-gibbed, separate classes will also be available.

Silver awards will be given to best inside, best outside, best reticulata or reticulata hybrid. Blue ribbons will be awarded sweepstakes winners and best of show will receive the President's Trophy. Rosettes will be given to best miniature bloom, best species bloom, best hybrid bloom (not reticulata), best seedling bloom and best tubed plant.

The Oregon Camellia Society presents the first flower show of the season in the Portland area.

Film program at library

A free "Calendar of Fun" film program for children will be held Thursday, Feb. 21, 4 to 5 p.m. at the Gresham Branch Library, 410 N. Main St. Films from three countries will be shown: "Evan's Corner" (United States), "Punch and Jonathan" (England) and "The Log Raft" (Norway).

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AT SANDY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

UPPER BUILDING NEWS

The Upper Grade chess tournament began last Tuesday with 25 players, under the direction of Mr. Hanson. After five rounds of play the top four contestants will advance to the county chess tournament. From there winners will proceed to the Oregon State Junior Chess Tournament. Hopefully Sandy will be well represented.

Upper Grade rocketry activity will soon be booming off the ground as Mr. Hanson recently received the rocketry permit from the state fire marshal. Students are welcome to participate in the program. Cost of model rockets and engines will be paid for by the participants. Launchings will be held once each week at noon from the grade school track.

FOURTH GRADE NEWS

Mrs. Moore's room reports that Shari Underwood has moved to Milwaukie, Oregon. The students have built some replicas of the homes of the Bushmen of the Kalahari and the Yanomamos of Amazonia while others made murals of the areas. Mike McMains won the final playoff match in their "Digestion Drag Strip" competition. Mrs. Smale talked and showed slides of when she lived in Pakistan and India.

In Mrs. Beehler's room on Valentine's Day, a group of boys and girls put on a monster

play for us called "The Hippy Frankenstein." Dean Barker wrote the play. The children created their own costumes, makeup, backdrop, and sound effects. Mrs. Barker, The Rev. Nuenfeldt, Mrs. Hertrick and Mrs. Smale were special guests. We are still watching "Mulligan's Stew" on T.V. each week for our health class. This week we are making collages of the state of Oregon and food products found here. We are also studying the kinds of food the astronauts used and trying some of them in our room.

Thanks to mothers of students in Mrs. Hazelett's room the boys and girls decorated their own Valentine cookies at their party last week. They had lots of fun doing it and made some very pretty and fancy decorations. In health class they are seeing films about foods they are studying.

First Aid instruction is keeping students busy in health class in Mr. Berglund's room. In Social Studies they are studying the Iboes of Nigeria.

FIFTH GRADE NEWS

Learning math while playing Bingo is keeping students busy in Mr. Flaskerud's room. They are still hard at work on putting the lawn mower engine back together but find some pieces seem to be missing! Janet Wunische brought her pet monkey for a visit and the boys and girls really enjoyed watching him. The gas shortage is the subject of their bulletin board, with students bringing articles from papers and magazines. Most of it recently was concerned with the trucker's fuel problems.

SIXTH GRADE NEWS

Vicky Olson is a new member in Mr. Puckett's room, recently moving here from Minnesota. We're glad you're here, Vicky. In Science the students in Mr. Thomas' room are studying atoms and molecules and how they relate to energy. Students are making periodic charts, illustrations of atoms, demonstrating atom fission and illustrations of internal combustion engines. Sue Nightengale has been sick with pneumonia. We hope she'll be all better very soon and able to

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

SANDY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU

MONDAY, Feb. 25

Wiener Wraps

Mixed Vegetables

Fruit Cup

Graham Cracker

Milk

TUESDAY, Feb. 26

Creamed Turkey

on Biscuit

Buttered Carrots

Cranberry Sauce

Applesauce Cake

Milk

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 27

Spaghetti

with Meat Sauce

Green Salad

Jello Cubes

Buttered Hot Roll

Milk

THURSDAY, Feb. 28

Chicken Noodle Soup

Egg Salad Sandwich

Sliced Peaches

Milk

FRIDAY, Mar. 1

Scalloped Potatoes

with Ham Chunks

Green Beans

Cinnamon Twist

Milk

return to school.

The Lady Bug Theater group presented "Mr. Malion and the Garbage Dump" last Thursday as a special treat for the Intermediate building students. The boys and girls really enjoyed it, particularly those who suddenly became members of the cast! Cleaning up our environment was the theme of the humorous and well-done play. Student volunteers found themselves directly involved with Mr. Malion's problem of getting ride of rusty cans, pop bottles, egg shells, tires, coffee grounds and other pollution problems while cleaning up his garbage dump.

The initial meeting of the Sandy Grade School Budget Committee will be held in the cafeteria of the old building, 207 Pleasant Street, at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 26, 1974.

The deadline for Sandy Grade School board candidates to file a certificate of nomination is April 6, 1974 (30 days before the election on May 6th). Certificate blanks may be obtained at the Sandy Grade School district office.

The regular monthly Sandy Grade school board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 8:15 p.m.

FIRWOOD NEWS THIRD GRADE Miss Salisbury

In science we have finished our four food groups unit and ended our volcano unit with a bang—by exploding a mini-volcano.

The week of Feb. 11-15 we made Oregon booklets and learned some facts about our state, as Oregon was 115 years old on Valentine's Day.

We also made Lincoln booklets to celebrate Abe's birthday Feb. 12.

Our Valentine party was a great success and we all had fun!

Two students moved away this month. We were sorry to lose them.

In math we have two students in Book 28 working on division. Others are beginning multiplication in Book 23-24.

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Mrs. Noble

Twenty-six jolly little faces are in our room to greet us each morning when we come to school. They belong to our gayly-colored hand puppets.

Just to look at their funny smiling faces and strange hair styles of bright stringy yarn makes us want to pick them up. We are looking over samples of short skirts that might be fun to do with our puppets. Some of us have chosen skirts and are trying to memorize the parts.

We decided the cardboard "fireplace" we used for our part in the Christmas program would make a good puppet theater. There is plenty of room for several of us to stand out of sight behind it.

In math we are having fun weighing bean bags and learning how to read a scale. We have just about figures out how to change fractions of a pound to ounces and ounces to fractions of a pound.

We have a new girl in our room, Patti Foust, who came from Texas. We really like her a lot and are glad she is in our room.

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Miss Fast

Valentine's Day was celebrated with a fun party in Miss Gast's room. A special thanks goes to our wonderful room mothers who were responsible for the Dixie cups, a big variety of cookies and candy besides punch. After refreshments we played a fun game called "Elephant" and others. Then we got to open all

our Valentine's. What fun!

Jeff Palmer from our room went to Alaska for a short visit. He brought back some souvenirs. Billy Broughton also had quite a trip—Mexico.

We all are traveling to Timbuctu, Africa, in our social studies class.

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The children in Mrs. Smith's and Mrs. Wagner's room enjoyed playing bells for P.T.A. Friday night.

In Mrs. Wagner's class the children are learning about workers who help to keep us safe and well. They are making

a movie about these workers.

SECOND GRADE Mrs. Smith

We surely appreciated the nice parties our mothers have given us this year. Mrs. Kasch, Mrs. Niemeyer, and Mrs. Layton were in charge. Mrs. Kerslake made us a Valentine box with hearts for shingles and shutters. Floyd Wheeler got to take it home to keep.

We read about Haiku, a poem that has three lines, but they don't rhyme.

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