

County Raised \$1700 To Care For Miss Lazella Sternberg, Badly Burned Girl

GOLD BEACH — The Lazella Sternberg skin graft mercy fund drive is "over the top" and there are sufficient funds on hand to assure that the 16-year-old girl will receive the medical care she needs, according to work coming from the Welfare commission and Mrs. V. A. Mendenhall Sr., chairman of the drive.

There has been more than \$1700 raised to care for the critically burned girls, and this amount will be sufficient to provide for the girl's medical care until the time that her care is assumed by the Crippled Children's division of the University of Oregon Medical School.

Word received from Dr. John M. Guiss indicates that Lazella still will need a great deal of skin grafting but one skin grafting operation was done on Sept. 19, and another was planned for the first part of this week, Mrs. Mendenhall was informed. The doctor reported that the first skin graft had "taken" very well and that Lazella's "improvement since coming to Portland has been gradual and progressive." He also said that she is quite cheerful most of the time and that she had had a number of blood transfusions and would need many more.

Following is a list of the contributors to the fund and amounts raised: Collection jars, \$455.60; Brookings F. O. E. Dance, \$294.00; V. F. W. and Auxiliary of Gold Beach and Brookings, \$68.56; American Legion Auxiliaries of Gold Beach, Brookings and Port Orford, \$163.60; Brookings Odd Fellows, \$26.00; Pistol River Friendship Club dance, \$179.16; Brookings Rebekah and Odd Fellows dance, \$178.60; individual contributions, \$76.85; collection at the county fair, \$182.20; Gold Beach Rotary club, \$25.00; Sixes Grange \$37.00; Floras Creek Homemakers club, \$25.00; Gold Beach O. E. S., \$13.70.

So far more than \$1000 has been sent for Lazella's care from the funds raised, Mrs. Mendenhall reported. Hospital bills amount-

ing to \$802.76 have been paid. This included the bill to Seaside hospital, Crescent City, for the last 10 days Lazella was there. This was paid, Mrs. Mendenhall explained, because this period was not covered by the girl's hospitalization insurance.

Twenty dollars was paid for Lazella's ambulance transportation to the plan at Crescent City; and \$268.50 has been paid to Dr. Guiss. Total expenditures amount to \$1091.20. This amount subtracted from the \$1724.27 of the fund, leaves balance of \$633.07 on hand. When this amount has been used Lazella's care will be assumed by the Crippled Children division of the University of Oregon Medical School.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. L. Hagen and Mrs. R. L. Reynoldson drove to Eureka on business last week-end.

Mrs. Budd Carr went to Grants Pass for further medical treatment on Monday.

Chick Chats

Always House Good Pullets

Although the laying flock may be housed any time during the growing season, it is best to house pullets just before they are ready to lay their first eggs. Some poultrymen already have moved their layers from range to laying house, but others who have yet to transfer their pullets should keep the following information in mind. Housing time is extremely important, and the selection of the prospective layers has considerable influence on the productivity of the flock.

There are certain characteristics which are indicative of a pullet about ready to lay. For one, she usually becomes tamer. And her comb grows or enlarges

and becomes brighter red in color. Upon inspection, a raiser may notice that the vent is moist and that it is beginning to lose some of its yellow color. In addition, the pelvic bone (the bone on each side of the vent) will begin to spread apart when the pullet begins to lay.

Look For Well Grown Birds

Any pullet that is placed in the laying house as part of the laying flock should be well developed. For example, pullets of the light-weight breeds, such as Leghorns, should weigh 3½ pounds or more when housed. On the other hand, Barred Plymouth Rocks, White Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, New Hampshire, or Cross breeds should weigh 5 pounds or more. Bright red faces, combs, and wattles should be characteristic of all of these birds.

In choosing healthy pullets, look for a bright clear appearance of the eyes, the smooth well-finished condition of the plumage, and the deep yellow pigment of the skin, shanks, and beaks. Birds which lack a comparative amount of color usually are of poor quality. Such birds are likely to have feathering which is not fully complete and dull in appearance.

Give Others a Chance

For those birds that do not measure up to all the standards of a good laying pullet, do this: Leave them on range until a later date and give them an oppor-

tunity to make further growth and development. If some of the pullets in this group are laying, confined them temporarily in a separate pen. If they show irregular production and low vitality as the season advances, it will be wise to market them.

Remember—choose the best pullets for your laying flock. House birds that are healthy, full-fleshed, heavy, deeply pigmented, and sexually mature.

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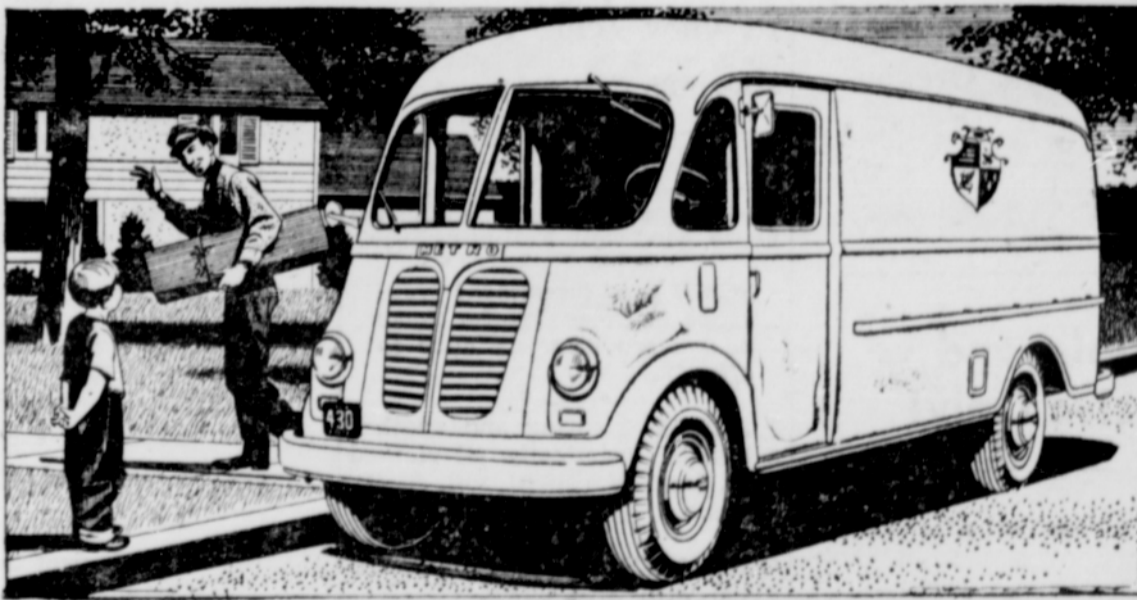


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