

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By CLIFFORD P. ROWE

The lady of our house really had something for which she could be truly thankful for this past Thanksgiving. On Sunday before the holidays, we put her on the bus for Eugene so that she could spend a goodly part of a week away from us all.

Now on the surface that might not appear very much for which to be thankful; but believe me, after almost two decades of married life, I am convinced that the greatest break any long-suffering wife can get is to pack her suitcase and get out of town for at least a week with her family left behind.

Now I have always felt in my own mind that I am a pretty good husband, as husbands go; and I am equally certain that our two offspring are the best in the world. But put us all together in the same house day in and day out the year around, and even the most patient of wives could not be blamed too much for thinking that she was living in a nightmare.

Of course, we finally joined her for the Thanksgiving week-end at her folk's home and then brought her back with us, but those four days before we arrived must have been truly wonderful. The very fact that she did not have to go through the daily ordeal of getting us all up in time for breakfast and off to work and school must have been a treat in itself.

A vacation from planning meals, shopping, setting of tables, washing dishes, and keeping the house

WHAT NOW?

Figures which might be used in comparison with the census shifts in Curry County, from 1940 to the present are found in the first 160 men called for the draft in 1940.

Twelve percent of these men came from Brookings and Harbor, 19 percent from Gold Beach, 31 percent from Port Orford, and 14 percent from registrants in the Sixes-Langlois area. The rest, some 21 percent were scattered among the minor areas.

There would probably be a very noticeable change if a similar call was made of the same category of young men now resident in Curry, not only as to numbers whose names might appear on the registration list, but also their home addresses within the county.

CAROLINE KERR VISITS

Miss Caroline Kerr is visiting her parents and other relatives, locally. Caroline used to be the Greyhound agent in Brookings and has been with the company in Portland, ever since leaving here.

Spick and span would certainly have many arguments in its favor. And to be relieved from refereeing fights, from having to make decisions as to whether studies came before movies or television, and from having to console the master of the house after rolling a lousy score at the bowling alley must have seemed like heaven on earth.

But we know her well enough to know that as is typical of all wives and mothers, she was just as thankful that she had her zoo to come back to after her short reprieve. And as far as we were concerned here at home, we were delighted to have her back snapping the whip.

Over \$8,000 Paid In Taxes For Veterans Homes

Veterans with homes and farms financed by the Oregon veteran's loan program paid state property taxes on 10,832 pieces of property in the amount of \$1,240,832 for the year 1955-56, Director H. C. Saalfeld of the Department of Veterans' Affairs reported this week.

In Curry County, 69 veterans with homes and farms financed by the state loan paid \$8,099.78 on their real property.

The veteran doesn't pay these taxes direct to the tax collector. He pays one-twelfth of them every month to the Department of Veterans' Affairs along with his monthly payment. The Department in turn pays the tax collectors, and does it in advance of the November 15 deadline in order to give the veteran the advantage of a 3 percent discount.

The tax savings effected for the 10,832 property holders this year amounted to \$38,376. The average tax paid by each veteran was \$114.55, compared to last year's \$106.24.

The Department collects the veteran's taxes for two reasons—to relieve him of necessity of paying his own taxes in a lump sum, and to prevent tax delinquencies.

UP TO NELLIE'S

The regular Christmas Party and Gift Exchange of the Home Extension group will be held on December 21st, at 1 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Nellie Jaggers. The place is on the North Bank Chetco Road, just to the left of Harbor's Snug Harbor.

HOME EXTENSION MEET

The Chetco Home Extension meeting, December 7th, will begin with a potluck at 10 a.m., at the Grange Hall. The meeting will be a workshop on upholstering club chairs. Those interested are asked to bring a yard and a half of muslin and three dozen spring-type clothes pins to make the pockets for the springs of the chair seats.

For any further information, please call Bernice Hewitt, 3651.

ART GROUP FORMED

Sixteen men and women, interested in Art, have formed themselves into a group known as the Pelican Bay Art Association. They have selected Mesdames Virginia Manley and Marian Chapman as their leaders and meet from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., in Clive Manley's Studio. Anyone interested in joining this group will be welcome. All that is needed is to show up, sometime Friday. Bud Pisarek has offered to be present the first Friday of each month, to offer such criticism as he thinks necessary.

FIRST COUNTY BSA MEET

The First District meeting of the Curry group, Boy Scouts of America, will be held at Ophir, at 6:30 p.m., Thursday evening, December 1. Several from Brookings are planning to attend.

FRANK CHAPIN HERE

Frank Chapin, who used to be associated with the Brook-Ply, and shifted back to insurance, was about town, this past week.

GOLD PRICES

Considerable agitation is building up for the placing of gold either in the free market or a boost from the pegged price of

RARE STAMPS HERE

Erskine Miller recently received a selection of stamps, on or off envelopes, and some on First Day Covers, from a correspondent in Nepal and Tibet. The countries, being without the Universal Postal Union, have to send mail to the outer world through the British Consulates with Indian stamps attached. Within and between the two countries, their own stamps are used and those of Tibet are quite crudely printed and very rare. Erskine recently had an extensive article in Linn's Stamp Weekly, on the use of International reply cards. The weekly has the largest circulation in the U. S. stamp field.

\$35 an ounce. It is also unlawful for a private individual to deal in gold in any form without a license. Should there be a lifting of these restrictions, it might mean quite a little to Curry County from which, considerable gold is taken and there is a probability that more could be profitably mined.

Kenneth Pierce and Bill Bacon of Klamath Falls, were weekend guests of Kenneth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Pierce.

HOLY LAND ALUMNI MEET

People who have visited the Holy Land, under the guidance of Dr. Joseph Free, of Wheaton College, have a reunion every year. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kerr, who made the tour of the Holy Land in 1951 attended the meeting which was held at Mt. Herman, near Santa Cruz, California. The tours have been an annual event since 1937 but were discontinued during the war years. After showing the people about, Dr. Free remains to carry on his excavations. He is an archeologist of world-wide renown.

BISHOP IS COMING

Rt. Rev. Benjamin Dagwell, the Episcopal Bishop of Oregon, will hold Holy Confirmation services at 8 p.m. the evening of Tuesday, December 6th, at St. Timothy's Church, Brookings, and will also officiate at confirmations in Gold Beach, 8 p.m. Wednesday evening, following at St. Mathews Church.

FROM SWEETHOME

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Horner, of Sweet Home, were Saturday callers at the Charles Christianson home.

This was her second serious surgery in a year and all her many friends join in hoping that her troubles will let up, for a while at least.

MRS. STEFANI HOME

Mrs. Lloyd Stephani recently returned from a major operation at the Kiser Hospital, North Bend.

NOTICE

Having heard rumors that I am denying the Father of my youngest daughter's child visitation privileges, I wish to state that he may have access to my home for that purpose at reasonable times, providing he comes alone, and has requested this privilege of Delores, by registered letter, so that we may all agree on a mutually accepted time.

Signed: P. D. STARK

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