

THE VALLEY NEWS COLUMNS

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Students' Pennies Buy Canary For Woman Who Loves Birds

LEBANON—Tears of happiness flowed from the face of 71-year-old Miss Myra Howell Friday afternoon as 32 sixth-grade students from Green Acres School paid a surprise visit to the friendly little lady at her home here. For the students brought with them the gift of a singer canary to replace the one that died two weeks ago, a canary that had been the woman's companion for eight years.

Behind the gift is a story which has its beginning several years ago during a raging snow storm. The students, then in the early grades of elementary school, saw Miss Howell daily feed the wild birds with food purchased from the meager pension check she receives each month.

Miss Howell liked the little children, and they in turn grew to love the little lady who always had a cherry remark and a friendly word for all of them.

Miss Howell also cared for her 92-year-old mother until her death last Easter Sunday.

In addition to her canary, which she had named Dickey, Miss Howell has a small dog she calls Frisky. The dog and bird, and especially the latter, were close companions of the woman.

But old age caught up with Dickey and two weeks ago he died. Miss Howell longed for his companionship, and several times visited a downtown feed store where she admired a beautiful singing canary. Although she longed for another bird, Miss Howell couldn't afford to pay the price from her small pension fund.

Little children have a way of finding out things, and that is just what the sixth graders learned, with the aid of their teacher, Mrs. Ora Sallander. They accumulated pennies and nickels, and then each youngster brought batches of homemade candy to school which was sold to other students.

All the money was placed in one fund, and there soon was enough to buy not only the canary, but a new cage, some bird seed, and a few pennies left over for additional feed.

All 32 members of the class, with their teacher, descended upon the Howell home. While all but two of the students were inside singing songs, reciting poems, and repeating the 23rd Psalm, the remaining dozen slipped the bird and cage into Miss Howell's kitchen.

Then, as their brief and happy program ended, the bird was brought forward and presented by the class spokesman, little Judy Holmbeck.

Summed into silence at first, the little lady finally murmured, "Oh, I love you. I love you all," as she smilingly dabbed away a tear of happiness.

But as great as her happiness might have been, the smiles upon faces of her 32 friends as they left for class showed the job was being shared equally by all of them.

Scouts Select Sheridan Man For Jamboree

SHERIDAN—Bert Wepster, Sheridan walnut grower, has been named Jamboree leader for the Boy Scout Jamboree in Los Angeles next July. He was named by the Portland Area Council of Boy Scouts. There will be Scouts from 43 countries attending the Jamboree. About 7,000 eligible Scouts in the Public Area Council were considered for the leader positions.

Leon French has taken over duties as Scoutmaster of D Boy Scout troop. Meetings are held each Wednesday evening at Chapman Grade School.

Sgt. Robert I. Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Iloff Harris, returned to Blaine, Wash., this week. He is stationed there with the Air Force.

Mr. and Mrs. George Marrs have returned from a two-months trip to Ohio. They visited many historical and scenic places on the trip.

John Schuchman, son of Mrs. Kenneth Doyle, is serving with the Merchant Marine and is on a trip to Japan and Korea now on the Gainsville Victory.

A union Thanksgiving program will be given Nov. 27 at 10 a.m. at the Assembly of God Church, with the Methodist, Christian and Nazarene churches also taking part.

'Get-Acquainted' Supper Planned by Lincoln-Zena Club

ZENA—The new Parents Club of Lincoln and Zena School districts is planning a no-host "get-acquainted" smorgasbord supper for Friday, Dec. 5. Mrs. N. E. Gresham is president of the club and Mrs. Phil Brandt, secretary.

Many parents were present at the open house held by both schools Thursday night. Arthur V. Myers, supervisor of suburban schools in the Salem district, was a guest.

Another recent activity was the presentation of a flag to Zena School by Mrs. Dale Mott on behalf of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post at Salem.

Gibbins New Grangemaster At Monmouth

MONMOUTH—Tom Gibbins is the newly-elected master of Monmouth Grange.

Also elected: Overseer, Erick Swenson; lecturer, Claude Snair; chaplain, Alma Speas; steward, Harvey Young; treasurer, J. L. Van Loan; secretary, Lydia Carmichael; gatekeeper, Guy Thornbrue; Ceres, Mabel Lotte; Flora, Mrs. Guy Thornbrue; Flora, Mrs. Claude Snair; assistant steward, William King; lady assistant, Mrs. William King; executive

Valley Briefs

Brooks—Discussion topic at the meeting of the P-TA Family Relations meeting at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday will be "Stepping Out in Teen Society". Mrs. J. W. Pitts is chairman of the group which will meet with Mrs. W. R. Fian.

North Howell—Mrs. W. M. Oddie, who submitted to eye surgery at a Salem hospital last week, has returned home where she is able to take care of home duties to a small extent.

Middle Grove—The Mothers' Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the school basement. Two films, "New Tools for Learning" and "Children's Growth" will be shown.

Aumsville—Aumsville P-TA will meet at 8 p.m. Monday at the schoolhouse. The program is a secret of the men who will present it in competition with women members. The losers will give the winners a party. Lunch Monday night will be furnished by second and fourth grade parents who are to bring cakes.

Pratum—Pfc. Lawrence Fischer has been spending a 20-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fischer. He left Thursday night and expects to see duty in Europe soon.

North Howell—Leroy Beals, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Beals, came home this week following his discharge from the Army. He has been in Korea for the past year with an engineer construction unit.

Williams—The Civic Club will meet Thursday at the Rebekah Hall. The hostesses will be Mesdames Leona Zetterberg, Esther Dentel, Ann Call and Olive Watts. The speaker will be from the Children's Farm Home at Corvallis.

Sheridan—The Public Library is sponsoring a children's contest during Book Week, Nov. 18-22. The contest is open to children from the fourth through the eighth grades.

Monmouth—Polk County's annual 30-40 banquet will be held Tuesday night at 7:30, at the IOOF Hall. Members, wives and friends are included, says Don Rowland, president. Wives of members are sponsoring a duck-calling contest and a dance will be the final feature.

Hayesville—The Hayesville Woman's Club will meet Thursday at the home of Mrs. Charles Garrison on Claxter Road. Assisting the hostess at the 1:15 p.m. dessert luncheon will be Mrs. Garland Black and Mrs. Marc Saucy. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Marc Saucy will speak on her recent trip to Switzerland.

Four Corners—The executive committee of Cub Scout Pack 105 will meet Wednesday immediately after school in the multipurpose room at Lincoln School with den mothers and all parents and boys interested in Scout work. Boys 8 to 11 years inclusive are eligible to join.

Williams—The high school P-TA will meet Monday at 8 p.m. at the high school. The program will be under the direction of the speech department. Paul Yoder will conduct the business meeting.

Four Corners—Mrs. P. F. Gates has sold her residence at 200 South Lancaster Dr. to Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Nordvold of Zumbrota, Minn. Mrs. Gates has moved to Portland.

Mt. Angel—Lt. William Brockhaus, whose wife Kathleen and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brockhaus, live here, has returned to this country after 7th Fleet duty off Korea the past seven months. He served on the other Nevasota, new back at Long Beach, Calif.

Due at Dallas Tuesday



DALLAS, Ore.—A big celebration will be held at Dallas Tuesday in honor of native son Johnnie Ray. The popular singer will be accompanied by his wife, the former Marilyn Morrison of Beverly Hills, Calif. Picture was taken shortly before they were married, May 25, at New York City. (Story on page 1).

Labish Club Plans Yule Greens Show

HAZEL GREEN—Plans for the Christmas Greens Show, which will be held at Hobson's real estate office on Portland Road December 13-14, were completed at the meeting of Labish Meadow Gardeners at the home of Mrs. Hattie Van Cleave Thursday.

Following the dessert luncheon, members inspected the building where the show is to be held so that they could plan for the show.

Mr. and Mrs. Halver Omholt had as guests this week Mr. and Mrs. August Weber and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith, Cheyenne, N. D. All were former neighbors in North Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McClaughry returned home Wednesday from a sight-seeing tour of Nevada and California.

"Gifts From Cloth" will be the topic at the Hazel Green Home Extension Unit which meets at the home of Mrs. Ed Zielinski at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. Mrs. Ruby Wackon and Mrs. Dorothy Zielinski will present the lesson. Those who attend are asked to bring their own sandwiches. Salad and dessert will be furnished.

Scout Troop 57, Hazel Green, accounted for two advancements given at the Silver Falls district court of honor at Woodburn Thursday evening. Lonnie Page and Alvin Zielinski were advanced to second class scouts. Leo Hawley was awarded a merit badge.

Cascade High Plans Education Program; Stayton Folk Invited

TURNER—A program designed to attract many parents will be held at Cascade Union High School at 8 p.m. Tuesday in observance of National Education Week.

Stayton students, faculty and parents are invited as well as those of Cascade district.

Featured will be addresses by County School Superintendent Agnes Booth, "A Tribute to Teachers," and State Rep. Mark Hatfield on "Education for Freedom and Peace."

Paul Scheele, Cascade student body president, will be master of ceremonies. Introducing Mrs. Booth will be Clarence Hinricks, student body president at Stayton Union High School.

The Cascade band and girls' glee club will perform. Both are directed by William Hessel. The Turner Home and Garden Club will furnish for all faculty members who attend.

Late-Planted Seeds Bear a Watermelon

JEFFERSON—Delena, nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Gurgulich of Taylor Road, planted some seeds from a watermelon the family purchased at the market this summer for table use. On Armistice Day, she picked a perfectly ripened melon from the vine.

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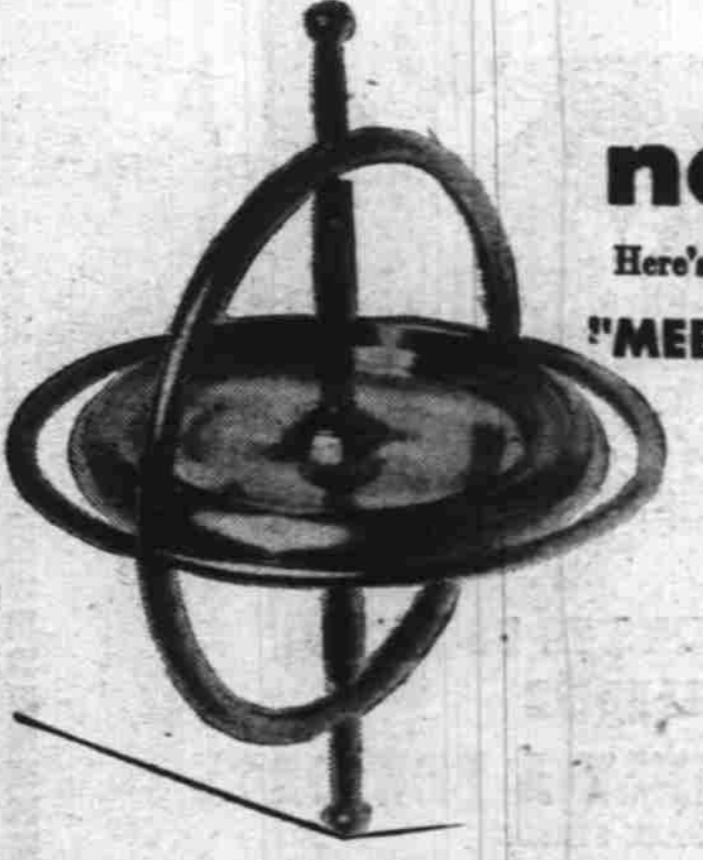
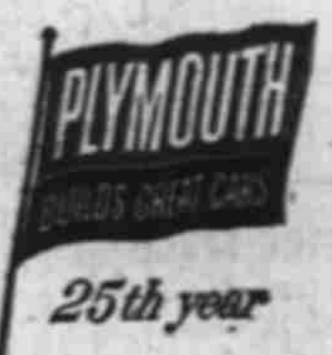
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