

Illinois Valley News

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for church news and organizational news of the previous week is noon Tuesday. Deadline for all other news and for advertising is noon Wednesday. News received after the deadline will be published the following week if it retains sufficient news value.



MEDICAL CENTER PROGRESS REPORT

At the request of the editor, the board of directors of the Illinois Valley Medical Center has prepared the following brief summary of the Medical Center's aims and the progress that has been made to date. Any person who feels that any aspect of the project has not been sufficiently explained may address a letter requesting further information to the Illinois Valley News, and the answer will be published the following week.

It has been the sincere desire of the entire board of directors of the Illinois Valley Medical Center to keep the Valley posted on events concerning the proposed Medical Center. Realizing that there may be a few who have not been reached, the following is a brief review of developments:

Federal and state funds set aside for the establishing of hospitals was not practical in this area. In order to avail ourselves of these funds, it would be necessary to raise a larger sum locally than the proposed Medical Center will eventually cost. After a careful survey it was determined that the area could support a 10 or 12 bed hospital. It could not support one built to the larger specifications necessary for federal aid.

For this reason it has been necessary to ask each family in the Valley for financial contributions.

The nearest hospital is in Grants Pass — 30 miles from Cave Junction. There are times when the extra drive in an ambulance or car can have an ill effect on an injured or seriously ill person. Trips to the hospital in Grants Pass or Medford by relatives are expensive and inconvenient and at times during the winter months are even dangerous.

We are fortunate in having good medical and surgical assistance in the Valley, but time spent on trips to and from Grants Pass or Medford could be used to better advantage by the doctors in treating patients in the Valley.

The location on the Caves highway was finally selected by the board of directors for the Medical Center; it is centrally located and is approved by a majority of the residents. At a public meeting in July, 1951, the board of directors was instructed to place an option on the Penguin property. This was carried out and when on October 1, there were still not sufficient funds to buy the property, an extension of time was asked for and granted—to December 31, 1951. The money collected by personal contacts and by various benefits staged by the organizations in the area was short by \$5,500 for the purchase of the property

at the end of December. Rather than lose the \$1,000 which had been paid as an option on the purchase price of the property, the board of directors personally borrowed the money from the Bank of Illinois Valley to complete the deal, since lending agencies are not allowed to loan money to non-profit organizations.

There are at this time no funds available to make the necessary additions and buy equipment for hospital facilities. A few alterations have been made to the present building which will bring in an income to retire the bank loan and maintain the premises.

Dr. C. N. Versteeg has moved his offices into the building. Dr. T. W. Smith is planning to resume his weekly trips to the Valley in about 6 weeks and will have office space in the building. Contacts have been made to bring a much needed dentist to the Valley.

The rental from these offices, when hospital facilities can be furnished, will help to support the hospital. Any income from the building above the sum necessary to maintain a hospital will be used for research and welfare work in the Valley.

Members of the board of directors have not received and do not now receive any kind of remuneration. The Medical Center will be governed by a board of directors, serving without pay. Only those employed by the board to properly care for patients and maintain the premises will receive salaries or wages.

The Illinois Valley Medical Center, under its articles of incorporation, will be a non-profit organization, community owned and administered under the State Hospital and Health regulations. No one organization or person will own it.

Most of the work done on the building in making necessary alterations has been donated and materials were furnished by the local business houses at cost. The board of directors is especially grateful to the following for their assistance: Bob Ford, Spears Wilson, Henry Gemmel, Ted Terrel, Virginia Steimer, Mrs. Fred Beauvais, Frank Dietcher, Frank Hamilton, Sam Bunch, Cecil Hathaway, Charles Downing, Bob Breckenridge, Hal Moore Jr., Guy Stem, George Mulvey and Marvin Cross.

The Lions club has pledged to furnish a room when the building is ready to be equipped. Your prompt contribution to your Medical Center will bring hospital facilities to the Valley sooner. Contributions may be left with any member of the board.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Selma, Oregon
Box 141
March 1, 1952

To the Editor:

How wonderful that we do have people like dm, whose letter appeared in this week's Illinois Valley News. How comforting to know that a country claiming democracy does have some people in it with democratic views. How refreshing to know that the spirit of altruism does abide in the hearts of some of the people here who do a lot of democratic preaching and so little practicing of same.

If we are going to let the dollar come between us and humanity then pray tell me what are we in this war for? Are we expecting to reap a big financial gain in the future or it is a fight for equal rights and freedom for all earth's peoples?

Discrimination among races is anything but Americanism. Can it be that we have gotten the cart before the horse, and are trying to teach Asia and Europe democracy when we know little about it ourselves?

I have had Negro neighbors. I have lived by Jews, French, Italian, etc. I have found them to be wonderful neighbors and more to be preferred than some white(?) neighbors I've had. I've never had a Chinese for a neighbor, but I'm quite sure you can find nice people among those too.

We don't have freedom here if a man can't live where he chooses because of his race or color. Stop preaching democracy and start practicing it. "Actions speak louder than words." We get mad because the Kremlin reads our headlines and broadcasts it over the radio. Let's live and carry on so that our headlines won't be such a disgrace to us. In short, let's start learning how to be really Democratic!

Anne Morgan

Do you read the newspapers, listen to the news on the radio, and the "statemen" on the radio, trying to tell us the condition of our nation?

Do you pause and think just how this daily news is affecting you?

Do you have the feeling that your vote is not needed on the issues of the day?

Have you let your right to vote lapse by neglecting to vote at past elections?

Read and listen, for your duty to yourself, your children and your community is to exercise your right to vote.

Don't lose that right by negligence, in passing up elections. Exercise your right by voting at every national, state, county and city election.

If you have to register again, do it now. You can register at the home of Mrs. Elwood Hussey in Cave Junction, and Mrs. Harry Floyd in Holland.

Read and listen and realize how important your right to vote is, not only to you today, but to the future of your children's freedom. Register and vote.

Fred Salvage

Illinois Valley H. E. U.

The Illinois Valley H. E. U. will meet Tuesday, March 11, at 11 a. m. at Mabel Ramsey's home in Kerby. Members are urged to attend as a very important topic is to be discussed. A pot luck lunch will be served at noon, and everyone is to bring his own service.

Rizpah Douglas will demonstrate storage space at this meeting.

New members are cordially invited and children are always welcome.

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cross and daughter Lylabelle and Carol Preston had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Simmie Hilliard.

Leslie Martin, senior at IVHS and son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Martin was quite ill the earlier part of this week.

Mrs. Diamond of the Town and Country motel has been quite ill with an attack of flu.

The Abner Castleberry family, formerly of the Penguin cafe, have moved to Kerby and are living in the former Tabor home.

Rev. and Mrs. George Gray returned early last week from their three weeks absence up north, where they visited friends and relatives in Spokane, Seattle, Portland and Umatilla, and report having had a wonderful time.

LOCAL COURT NEWS

The following cases were adjudicated in Illinois Valley Justice Court during the month of February:

Lewis Duncan, driving while license revoked; fine \$54.

Margaret Brewold, driving on left side of road; fine \$19.50.

Frank Sloan Jr., inadequate brakes; fine \$5.

M. L. Yarbrough, inadequate muffler; fine \$7.

Otto Tryon, inadequate muffler; fine \$7.

Harvey Zoan, truck speeding; fine \$14.50.

Jack McGuire, no headlights; fine \$7.

Francis Badden, no vehicle license; fine \$9.50.

Edward Jankovich, no warning device; fine \$7.

Archie Masan, no operators license; fine \$7.

Alvin Mackerell, no operators license; fine \$9.50.

Alvin Mackerell, no operators license; fine \$12.

Paul L. Huffman, no operators license; fine \$7.

Leo Guy Knapp, no operators license; fine \$7.

Leo Smith, no operators license; fine \$7.

George L. Ladd, no operators license; fine \$7.

F. J. Pietrich, no operators license; fine \$7.

Leslie Capps, no operators license; fine \$7.

Joseph E. Smith, no operators license; fine \$7.

William Huffman, no operators license; fine \$7.

Paul L. Huffman, no operators license; fine \$7.

William R. Davis, no operators license; fine \$7.

Lyle M. Mitchell, no operators license; fine \$5.50.

Arthur J. Rhoads, no operators license; fine \$7.

CAPITAL PARADE

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attempts, headed a hunger strike last year and celebrated halloween by locking guards in cells.

Other convict leaders accused him of tipping off a planned escape. Ralph feared they would take his life in revenge. Prison officials shared his apprehension and he was sent to Folsom Prison, California, where he is wanted for a parole violation.

BLESSED EVENTS

HILL—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis D. Hill, Cave Junction, Wednesday, February 27, 1952, at 1:50 p. m., a son weighing five pounds.

PHILLIPS—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford E. Phillips, Kerby, on Wednesday, February 27, 1952, at 4:08 a. m., a daughter weighing nine pounds, five and three-quarter ounces.

SOLOMON—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Solomon of Cave Junction on March 1, 1952, at Josephine General hospital, a daughter weighing eight pounds.

Mrs. Corbett Brewer of Kerby sustained multiple cuts on her right hand Sunday while reaching through a window to rescue some of her possessions while the house was burning.

Honeymooners Return

From L. A. Trip Sunday

Ole and Daisy Nassen returned from a long-delayed second honeymoon Sunday after spending nearly a week in Los Angeles, "watching television," according to Ole.

Daisy reported that they enjoyed visiting friends and got around to see a few of the sights.

Mrs. Nassen also said that her husband, being unused to these newfangled gadgets, was inclined to take the television commercials much too seriously; every time the announcer held up a fifth of Old-Aged-in-the-Stump corn extract and urged that the viewer sprint down to the nearest apothecary and lay in a supply, Ole would nod agreeably and reach for his hat.

She was only a grave-digger's daughter, but you ought to see her lower the beer.

Special Purchase NYLON HOSE

FIRST QUALITY NYLON HOSE
New Spring Shades



60 — 15

Luxury Sheers

98c Pair

3 for \$2.79

51 — 15

Afternoon Sheers

89c Pair

3 for \$2.50

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CAVE JUNCTION



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

They Do
"Give A Hoot" For Easy

Easy Roberts finally got rid of the noisy pigeons that used to whoop it up under his eaves.

He must have tried a dozen ways to scare them off. But no matter what he did, they would be right back cooing by his window the next morning.

Then Easy thought of an old stuffed owl he had in his attic. He propped it on the roof so's all the pigeons could see it. They left ... and three hoot owls have taken their place. Easy swears the hooting is even worse than the cooing of the pigeons.

From where I sit, quite often a "bright idea" will turn out to be "not so bright" after all. That's why we should never be too cocksure of our ideas and opinions—but always try to keep an open mind. I believe a refreshing glass of beer is the best thirst-quencher—you may believe differently. But who's to say one's right and the other is wrong? Let's just practice tolerance. It'll save a lot of hootin' and hollerin'.

Joe Marsh