



A SACRED ARRANGEMENT, which used the praying St. Francis as the central figure, won for Mrs. Garry Tullis first place honors at the annual Christmas Show, sponsored Friday and Saturday in Heppner by the Lone Garden Club. (G-T Photo)

Viewers Enjoy Christmas Art Work At Lone's Garden Club Show Here

Gay combinations of artistic holiday materials were used by exhibitors in the large array of entries at the Christmas Show on Friday afternoon and Saturday, bringing many favorable comments from the large audience which viewed the show.

The Lone Garden club sponsored the show as a public service to the communities, held in the Gilliam and Bisbee building, bringing inspiration to Christmas-minded youth and adults alike. The show attracted 250 persons, with 220 signing the guest register.

Grand sweepstakes honors were awarded Mrs. Garry Tullis, lone, for her outstanding entries, on which the judges placed nine blue ribbons and two red ribbons. Second place, for adults, went to Mrs. Kenneth Smouse, lone, with five blue ribbons placed on her entries. Mrs. C. C. Jones, Lexington, received honorable mention, with four blue and two red ribbons.

About 175 entries were judged in groups of six main divisions placed about the large room, 50 of which were entered in the junior divisions.

Three junior sweepstakes winners were tied for honors, with each receiving two blue and two red ribbons. These were: Tami Meador, Stephen Kessler and Michael Jones. Honorable mention went to Barbara Palmer.

Best in the show in all adult divisions was the sacred arrangement of Mrs. Tullis. Central figure was the praying stately stone figure of St. Francis with a base arrangement of long pine needles and dried hydrangea in harmonizing tones following the graceful line of a heavy curved pine branch over the head. A touch of artificial snow highlighted the arrangement.

Judged best in the show in the junior division was a handmade gold madonna, created by Lisa Collins, a mache figurine of molded starched material. Judged for honorable mention was the "Around the World" through Christmas cards, entered by Karla Weatherford.

Coming from out of town to judge the show were Mrs. Bruce Winegar, Tygh Valley; Mrs. Ned Underhill, Dufur, and Mrs. Irene Hunt, Maupin. The high quality of entries was noted by the judges, and they also had words of praise for the large number and wide selection of junior division entries.

Guests enjoyed the informality of the silver tea during the two-day show under the direction of Mrs. Vida Heliker.

Beautiful arrangements, fitting for a number of formal or informal occasions, made use of both green and artificial materials. The use of various types of figurines, particularly the sacred madonna, brought out impressive moods, as well as candles, handmade figures of starched cloth mache, lights, and even bright feathers. Organizations provided decorated Christmas trees, both artificial and live. Wreaths and swags presented decorative ideas for walls and doors. Several ideas were shared on gift wrapping and in holiday table settings.

The following were blue ribbon winners: Lou Crum, Birdline Tullis, Delpha Jones, Pearl Wright Frances Smouse, Ardith Hunt, Elaine Rietmann, Helen Martin, Vida Heliker, Delta Huber, Carol Rhinehart, Edwin Kessler, Kay McCarty, Sue Jones, Virginia Wietzer, Hilda Yocom, Nancy Wilcoxon, Mary Van Blokland, Jean Nelson, Jean Ann Turner, Ione Sorority, Lexington Grange, Co-op Biddies, Holly Rebekah Lodge, Peggy Henry, Dorcus Society, Tami Meador, Barbara Palmer, Stephen Kessler and Michael Jones.

There were also 41 red and

Director's Illness Handicaps Program But Show Goes On

Illness of Mrs. Ola Mae Groshens, director of the Heppner grade school's Christmas program, brought temporary consternation to the pupils and staff at the school during the week. The program, "Christmas Windows," was set for staging Tuesday night, and the talents of Mrs. Groshens are vital in the production of these programs.

But the entire school staff and the pupils of the first five grades arose to the occasion, and the show went on as scheduled. It played to a jam-packed house.

Principal Al Martin said Tuesday evening, just an hour or so before curtain time, "We've been working all day rehearsing and re-doing the program. We have a talented staff and a marvelous group to work with. We're going ahead with it, and we're going to have fun doing it."

While Mrs. Groshens remained at home with a rather severe case of influenza, "Christmas Windows," which she conceived and wrote, went on stage as scheduled.

A big Mother Goose book was featured in the production, and costumed characters came out of it while choruses sang accompanying music.

Windows in the production were takeoffs on local businesses, such as "Murray's Curries Book Nook," "Crate's Furniture Store" and "Farra Shoe Repair." All teachers in the school had a share in the production. Children of Miss Terry Lincoombs' art classes worked on the art and scenery production.

Costumed characters included a wide range—from mice to Santa Claus.

The trouper spirit made a success of "Christmas Windows," but one little girl said after the program, "It sure was hard without Mrs. Groshens there."

Poem is Published Of Former Student

A poem, written by Miss Gail Silva, a student at Heppner High school last year, has been published in a national Christian Church youth magazine, "Straight," according to information from Rev. Al Boschee, local pastor.

The religious, thought-provoking poem, "Delinquency," is featured, appropriately, presenting the answer to youth's problem of "searching for understanding." She wrote it in her English class here last year.

The national magazine is read by Christian youth over the United States, and the local church uses it as study material in Sunday School classes.

Gail is now attending Reedsport High school. Her mother, Mrs. Opal Silva, taught last year in the lone grade school, and the two made their home in Heppner. Gail was active in Christian Youth Fellowship ship work here last year.

Teachers Propose Salary Increases In District R-1

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start at \$6240 with no experience and could climb to \$8880 by the end of the 11th year. One with a master's degree (or bachelor's degree plus 60 hours) would start at \$6480 and could advance to \$9840 by the end of the 13th year. One with master's degree plus 30 hours would start at \$7440 with three years experience and could reach \$10,320 at the top of the schedule, 15 years' experience.

Provision is also made for teachers with less than a bachelor degree, with starting salary (no experience) at \$4800, and the maximum going to \$6240 at the end of the sixth year of experience.

Added Cost \$65,000
The proposed schedule, if applied to the present staff of teachers in the system, would bring the instructional salaries to \$695,520 from the present \$630,000 provided in the budget for 1966-1967. It cannot be figured exactly what it would entail for the year 1967-68 because it would fluctuate according to training and experience of teachers composing the staff. The increase, if applied to this year's staff (for comparison purposes only), would mean the approximate \$65,000 additional in salaries, the average going to about \$7,793 per teacher as compared with \$7,000 at the present time.

The negotiation committee also had several other recommendations to make relating to advances for illness or injury (pay to be allowed up to 10 days per year) and providing cumulative sick leave up to 100 days over a 10-year period; proposing three year continuing contracts for each teacher after three year probationary periods, with contracts subject to review each year; proposing personal leave for teachers for community activities or special personal business upon administrative approval without the leave affecting the salary.

Supt. David Potter said after the Monday night meeting that the proposed schedule will be discussed thoroughly at ensuing budget meetings, beginning February 6 at lone. He said that he believes it imperative to reach teacher salaries if the district hopes to keep high caliber teachers.

"The majority of schools comparable to ours are now above our present schedule," he said. All members of the negotiating committee, except one, were present at the board meeting. They are Clint Agee, Jim Marvin, Ron Black (absent), Gladys Hobbs, Ron Daniels, and Dick Carpenter.

Booklet Approved
Use of the booklets, "A Boy Today—A Man Tomorrow," and "A Girl Today—A Woman Tomorrow," in health classes at the seventh grade level was discussed by the board. The booklets are an introduction in sex education. Approval to their use was given.

Drinking Discussed
The board went into executive session to discuss some recent cases of high school students coming to school functions under the influence of alcohol. It

was decided that a policy will be followed of suspending such students until they appear with their parents at a school board meeting to consider the matter.

It was also decided that the subject will be presented to student councils in the county to consider the problem and hear of their recommendations, as well as to help develop a policy for second offenses.

OSAA Approves League
It was reported that the Oregon School Activities Association has approved the realignment of the Greater Oregon athletic league with the "West" including Wahtonka, Madras, Sherman, Heppner and Pilot Rock and the "East" including Enterprise, Nyssa, Vale, Burns and John Day.

Supt. Potter also announced that the Title I summer program has been approved by the federal government and application for the coming summer will be submitted this week. The program provides for special work in mathematics and reading at the elementary school level.

Application for the Title II program has been submitted. This provides about \$3 per student, up to \$3600 per year, for library assistance.

Pool Work Advances
Work of repairing the lone pool is coming along well, it was reported. Sandblasting has been completed. This work was approved at the previous board meeting. It was also reported that acoustical tile work in the Heppner gymnasium has been completed with considerable improvement in acoustics being experienced.

The board discussed the matter of reimbursing parents who are sending a child to a private school for special education. It was pointed out that the district cannot legally pay a private school for such special education, and the question arose as to whether the district might reimburse the parents. Supt. Potter, Director Don McEligott and Principal Harold Boes of lone were named to a committee to determine the answer.

Director Jack Sumner reported on the recent meeting of the Oregon School Board association in Portland, and Attorney Bob Abrams reported on progress at Blue Mountain College.

School Census Shows Drop
Report on results of the school census showed that there are 201 less children in the county than in 1964. There are currently 1439 between the ages of 4 and 19. In 1964 there were 1640.

Date of the January meeting of the board was changed to Monday, January 9, at the Heppner High library from Monday, January 16. Discussion also was held on whether Riverside High school and A. C. Houghton should divide classes next year as they will be split after the completion of the new school at Boardman. Eventually grades 7 to 12 will go to Riverside and those in grades 1 through 6 will go to A. C. Houghton. At the present time, however, all those in

the north end in grades 9-12 go to Riverside High. Boardman primary includes those of that area in grades 1 to 4, while the other elementary pupils go to A. C. Houghton, including those of grades 1 through 4 in the Irrigon area.

Further consideration will be given to the matter at the next board meeting.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital during the past week, and are still receiving medical care, are the following: Myrtle Cloud, Heppner; Jessie Patten, Condon; Vera Bothwell, Heppner; Margaret Rippee, Heppner; Alvin Barlow, lone; Lonnie McCabe, lone; Joyce Espy, Condon, and Martha Lane, Heppner.

Those who had medical care, and were later dismissed, were the following: Archie Bechtold, Hardman; Don Strober, Heppner; Thelma Tillson, Grass Valley, Ariz.

Mr and Mrs. Lawrence Richard Barnes, Jr., lone, became parents of a son on Saturday, December 10, weighing 7 lb., 3 oz. He was named Lawrence Richard, III, and joins a sister, Kay Lorraine. Grandparents are Mrs. Irene Beck, Mrs. Daphna Barnes, and Justin Fish, all of Santa Barbara, Calif.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Darrel William Cecil Hardman, on Monday, December 12, weighing 6 lb., 7 oz. and has been named Rebecca Brook. She will join a brother, Darrel Gene. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George F. Hinton of John Day.

Elsie M. Beach Dies in Portland; Service Friday

Elsie M. Beach, 84, who had lived nearly all her life in Morrow county, died Tuesday, December 13, in a nursing home near Portland, where she had lived the past year and a half following a stroke.

Funeral services will be held Friday, December 16, at 1 p.m. in her home community at the Lexington Christian church. Officiating will be the Rev. Al Bosches, and interment will be in the Lexington cemetery.

Born March 3, 1882 in Iowa, she was brought west when a baby of six weeks. The family first settled in Pilot Rock, then moved to Morrow county the next year.

She was married to Karl L. Beach in January, 1905, and the couple operated the Lexington Implement Co. Mrs. Beach continued the business after her husband's death, later moving out to the family ranch in Sand Hollow and in 1961 to Hermiston to be near her family.

Surviving are two sons, Laur el E. Beach of Portland and S. Harold Beach of Hermiston; also three sisters, Mrs. Dee (Gent) Cox, Heppner; Mrs. Edna Munkers, Lexington, and Mrs. Grace Frieze, Drain; ten grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

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