

## Young Mother Tackles Lonely Teaching Post in State of Utah

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White Canyon, Utah —(U.P.)— Pretty Carol McEntire is a modern day version of the pioneer schoolmarm. Her territory—the near wilderness of the uranium country.

She teaches 19 pupils in a one-room, shack-type school at White Canyon, on the northwestern fringe of the uranium-rich Colorado Plateau.

Why select an isolated section?

"For the money and for an experience I'll never forget," she said.

Uranium had nothing to do with her taking the job, although her husband, Earl, a former engineering student, said he had been "doing some prospecting but haven't found anything yet."

Late last year, Mrs. McEntire, comfortable in her farm home at Preston, a thriving agricultural center in southeastern Idaho, read in the Desert News and Telegram of Salt Lake City of the trouble White Canyon was having with its school's "faculty."

### Teacher Left

White Canyon is on the banks of the muddy, meandering Colorado River, 225 airline miles southeast of Salt Lake City. The menfolk of its population of 80 work in nearby uranium mines. The families live in trailers and clapboard shacks in a cottonwood grove where White Canyon creek meets the Colorado.

The San Juan County school board hired a teacher last fall, supposedly for the entire 1954-55 school year. But early in December the teacher asked for an "emergency leave" to attend to family business in New York—and failed to return. A substitute sent to White Canyon stayed only three days.

Women of the tiny community tried to take over, but admitted they weren't prepared for the teaching job.

That's when Zenos Black, district schools superintendent, issued an appeal for a teacher. From the story in the Desert News and Telegram, which was widely redistributed over wires of United Press Black received more than 70 applications.

One was from Carol Allen McEntire, who taught a couple of years after college and then married.

Her husband runs a farm in Preston. They now have two children—Morgan, 3, and Shannon, 18 months.

### People Wonderful

"When I heard of the problem at White Canyon, we talked it over," Mrs. McEntire explains. "We're trying to buy our farm and could use some extra money.

Things on the farm are slack in the winter. So, without telling either my folks or Earl's I called Mr. Black and applied for the job."

The McEntires left their daughter, with grandparents who, "were shocked that we'd go down to a place like White Canyon." The boy, Morgan, went along.

McEntire joined his wife "for a bit of a vacation, to look over the place, to do the housekeeping in the trailer we rented, and to look after Morgan." He'll return to Preston about April 1, when farm activity resumes.

Mrs. McEntire said that White Canyon looked "better than we thought it would—we didn't realize that there was even a small store." The people, she said, "are wonderful."

Whether Mrs. McEntire will remain in White Canyon after the current term is an unanswered question. "We'll wait and see," she said.



Cotton gets a French accent in this striking gown by Parisian couturier Paton. The noted French designer created the gown in an American fabric—Everglaze cotton satin in pastel pink—to present to the U.S. cotton industry's 1955 Maid of Cotton, De Lois Faulkner. The designer cuts the skirt in a slim column and works an enveloping drape of the cotton satin around this for a regal effect.

## Local Woman Will Conduct State Meeting

Mrs. Don Anderson, grand gila monster of the Military Order of the Lizard, will preside at the organizations annual grand convocation of Oregon at Bend, on July 19. Mrs. Anderson also serves as junior vice-president of the department of Oregon, United Spanish War Veterans auxiliary.

Among those from this area attending the convocation will be past grand gila monsters, Mrs. Hans Rammin and Mrs. Harry Barneburg, grand horned toad, Mrs. Rene Grosh, and grand pollywog, Mrs. James Cech. Mrs. Cech, president of Colonel Sargent auxiliary of Medford, will be the department musician at the department convention at Bend, July 17 to 20.

Mrs. Rene Grosh will represent the Rogue river camp of Grants Pass at the Bend encampment.

Mrs. Barneburg also is department parliamentarian, and Mrs. Rammin, department assistant guard.

### Kitchen Efficiency; Gadgets Plus Brains

Carbondale, Ill. —(U.P.)— The labor-savers the homemakers found under the Christmas tree need to be used with brain work if they are to be of any real help.

So says Mrs. Agnes Ridley, Southern Illinois University home economist, who claims that such equipment calls for organized thinking.

The good-natured male who played Santa with abandon this season may be chagrined to learn that, according to Mrs. Ridley, "a husband who buys all the latest household devices doesn't automatically find himself with an efficient wife."

"For one thing," she warned, "if she haphazardly stores the gadgets with no thought of convenient placing for future use, her housekeeping will be nothing short of a nightmare."

Mrs. Ridley has sound advice concerning seasonal equipment. Into her attic about now go such items as the turkey roaster, favorite holiday recipes, fancy cutters for cookies or relishes, table decorations and notes on how to improve her next holiday meal.

Turning to utensils that get everyday use, the home economics expert said nothing is more important than storage that eliminates stretching and



Mrs. Don Anderson



Mrs. James Cech

stooping.

"I can't understand why women stick to the old-fashioned storage systems that keep pots and pans under the sink instead of in wall cabinets where you can get at them right away," she said.

Some of her other tips on energy-saving are:

Stack often-used dishes to the front of cabinet or shelves; stack only like plates together; store items within normal reach; store heavy things at arm level to avoid lifting.

### ALERT POSTMAN

Fairbanks, Alaska —(U.P.)— The University of Alaska Friday received a magazine from the University of Mexico addressed:

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## Phoenix Garden Club Studies Propagation, Flower Arrangements

Phoenix — Flower arrangements and propagation of cuttings were demonstrated at last Sunday's meeting of the Phoenix Garden Club.

After a flower arrangement workshop conducted by Mrs. W. I. Sutherland, Central Point, members then experimented with various sorts of arrangements, held a small flower show and judged the results of their experiments.

A discussion on propagation of cuttings was held by Mrs. L. O. Penland. She explained how propagation is achieved by seeding, division of plants, cuttings, air-layering and ground-layering, and recommended sand and peat moss as excellent starters. After Mrs. Penland's talk, Mrs. Charles Hockersmith demonstrated air-layering.

Reports of the State convention of Garden clubs, held in Portland in June, were made by delegates sent by the Phoenix club. Mrs. A. C. Lewis gave a general report. Mrs. Thomas Carter spoke on convention highlights. Mrs. A. O. Floyd, Siskiyou district director, gave some of her impressions of the convention and also announced the Fall district meeting, to be held at Eagle Point Sept. 29.

Hostesses Mesdames W. I. House, A. O. Floyd, W. A. Shutt, and J. E. Harper served a desert lunch.

Guests were Mesdames W. I. Sutherland and Charles Jantzer, Central Point; and Mesdames Edna Gay and L. J. Knox, Medford.

Four new members were initiated: Mrs. John Klassen, Mrs. Mona Ferns and Mrs. C. E. Schleigh, Phoenix; and Mrs. T. A. Klarin, Talent.

### House Guest Visits In Jacksonville; Family from Trip

Jacksonville—Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKeen, Jacksonville, have as their houseguest, Mrs. Ida Jewell McKeen, from Roseburg, mother of Mr. McKeen. She also is visiting other relatives while in the valley.

Jacksonville — Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKeen, Jacksonville, with their son, Charles Jr., arrived home during the week from a two-week vacation at Lake o' the Woods. Mr. McKeen is associated with the First National bank, Medford, in the note department.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

Sunday, July 17, 1955

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—SEVEN

## Air Conditioning Test Village Report Given

An air-conditioned village in Austin, Tex., celebrates its first birthday this month. At the beginning of the hot summer season, the occasion brings refreshing news for homeowners.

Houses and their occupants in the village have been "guinea pigs" for the past twelve months in an unusual research project, sponsored by the National Association of Home Builders.

To the man trying to decide if he can afford air conditioning, a preliminary report from the village should be like a cooling hand on his perspiring brow. For, say the home builders, the year-old experiments indicate that summer cooling is economically practicable in a moderately priced dwelling. This is particularly true if proper attention is given to sun orientation and outside shading of windows.

Used to shade windows on six of the 22 homes in the air-conditioned village, cotton canvas has played an important role in the project. Awnings of this heavy colorful fabric, the National Cotton Council reports, have effectively checked sun rays and helped reduce the cooling load of the air conditioning equipment.

Owners of the canvas-shaded homes are well pleased with

their sun stoppers, which are decorative as well as practical. Awning fabrics in solid hues and striped patterns harmonize with exterior walls.

Sliding Patio Roof  
Canvas sun shades on the air-conditioned homes show that there are more ways than one to foil Old Sol. Operated by pulleys on overhead steel cables, a sliding patio roof provides a shady spot by day and a cool open area by night. Canvas panels laced with rope to metal

frames protect a window wall and also afford increased outdoor living area. Hinged to the outside of a wide overhang, the panels may be extended horizontally as a terrace roof or dropped to hang vertically in front of the windows.

Architects and builders agree that the time to solve sun problems posed by unshaded windows is before air conditioning is installed. Once solar rays have passed through glass, indoor temperatures will soar rapidly and so will operating costs of cooling units. Canvas awnings placed outside windows screen 75 per cent of the harmful sun heat, the Council points out.

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