

Family Visits From Tehran

R. E. NEALON
Table Rock — Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Dooley and two small children arrived home Thursday after a 12-day trip from Tehran, Iran, where they have spent the past two years.

Dooley holds a position as Agricultural Engineer with the Near East Foundation. Mrs. Dooley states that she is exceedingly happy to be back home here with friends and home folks, although she and her husband enjoyed the work there very much with the kind, friendly people.

When asked if the farmers there still used horses for their motive power, she replied that they used oxen. The purpose of the Near East Foundation is to teach the farmers to use tractors and more modern methods in their farming operations.

The Dooleys will leave here Aug. 15 for South Dakota to visit relatives. They will leave there about Sept. 15 for Tehran to resume their work.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Weston, of Los Angeles, were visiting with old time friends here last week.

Mrs. Weston, the former Grace Dickson, grew up here. The Dickson family some 50 years ago owned and operated what is now the Red Skin orchard, the Morris farm on the south side of the road, the Table Rock orchard, and all the Tuttle subdivision on the north side, the east boundary running along the Modoc road, and the west at the Baker farm.

Dan Sage, of Coquille, was a recent visitor in the valley on his return from his naval reserve hitch in the Panama Canal zone. He reports having taken a position in the Hayward, Calif., school system for the next school year.

Tree crops are beginning to appear in local pear orchards where an average, or better crop of pears is rapidly growing to maturity.

Many Table Rock ladies, bearing the usual appropriate gifts for such occasions, attended a pre-nuptial shower for Miss Lucille Smith at the home of Mrs. Norman Mayfield on Wilson road Thursday.

Eugene Childers, who died recently in Medford, lived here and attended the Table Rock school back in the 90s. The Childers family at that time operated a farm which is now part of the Reter holdings, and lived in the house now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. George Hunst.

Among recent Table Rock visitors were the Herman Priems of the Beagle district. Herman was searching for a photograph of himself when he was a school boy and better looking, so he says, than now.

The Sam Glass corn patch just

across the road from us, keeps reaching toward the sky, and has already shut off our view of the neighbor's house. If it keeps up this pace will soon shut off our view of Upper Table Rock.

Mrs. Glen Smith passed away Saturday in a Medford hospital after a long illness, being a victim of cancer. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have lived at the Modoc orchard for the past five years, where he was employed.

A newcomer to the neighborhood is little Trudy Coleen Plummer, born July 17, at the Sacred Heart hospital, and weighing in at 7 pounds. The Plummers are leaving here on August 2 for Portland, Ore., where Plummer is being transferred by his company.

We understand that one of our enterprising farming firms has taken on a side line of raising skunks for pets and has a number on hand. The price is said to be \$35 for the deodorized, and \$30 as is, or an even trade for a nutria of the same age and color.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vincent, of Central Point, and Miss Nellie Collins, from St. Joseph, Mo., were callers in Table Rock Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent were former Table Rockers, Miss Nellie Collins, who is Mrs. Vincent's cousin, taught for several years in the schools of Jackson county. She is now a music teacher in the St. Joseph, Mo., schools.

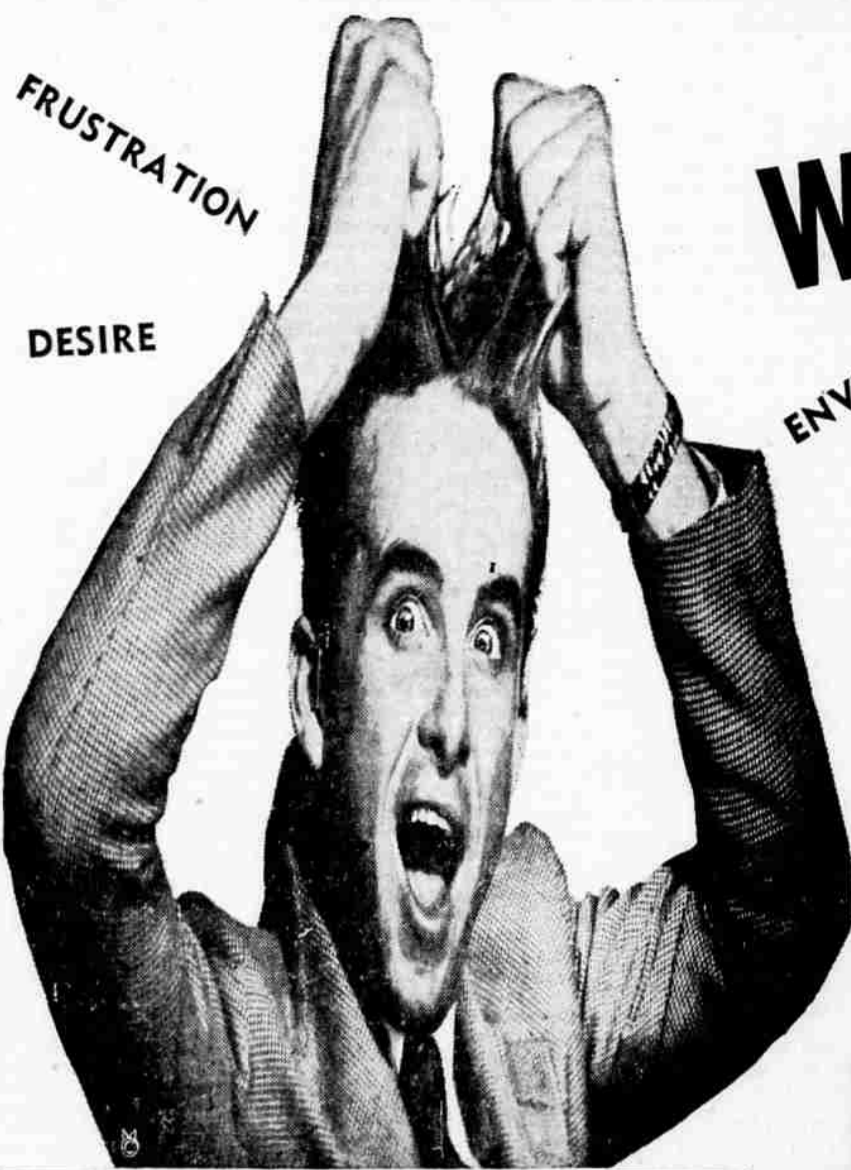
Table Rock Teenage club joined Sams Valley teenagers on a hay ride which ended at the Bill Duggan ranch, where a wiener roast and potluck supper was held at midnight, Saturday, July 20.

Fred Smith and children, Wayne and Lucile, accompanied by Glenna May Brown, left Thursday, July 18, for the week end at Diamond lake. They were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith and Jim Gann on Friday night.

Allan Ray and Roger Sharp stayed with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Doran, while Mr. and Mrs. David Doran were on a trip to California.

The Kenney Wyatts of Hayward, Calif., were week end visitors with home folks here at the Ray Wyatt home. Kenny has a responsible position in the school system there.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Halley Head, held recently in Medford. Mrs. Head, the former Elsie Beebe, is the oldest of the Watt Beebe family. In past years, when people traveled with horse and buggy she used to attend and take part in local social functions as did other folks in the Agate district.



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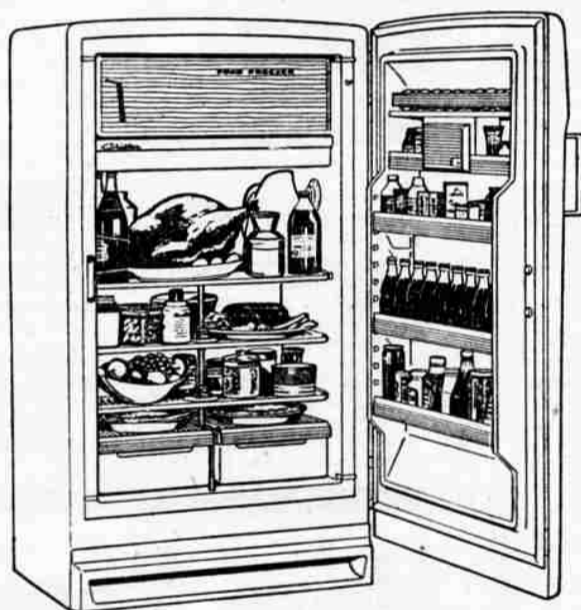
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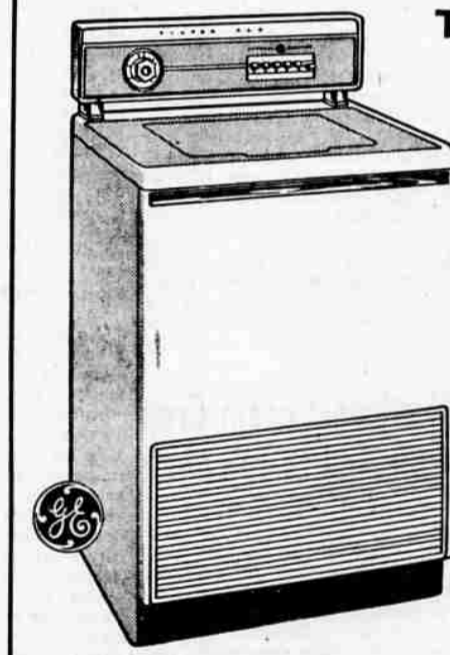


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Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS
Ranger-Naturalist

A Philadelphia Bulletin reader asks: "Do you believe in these stories about children being raised by wild animals—such as these wolf-reared children we hear about in India?"

Many legendary heroes from Zeus of olden days to Tarzan of this 20th Century were credited with having been reared by animals. But the commonest tales concern children who are reared by good humane wolves—ever since that very famous story of Romulus and Remus being suckled by a wolf and then going on to greater and better things, founding Rome, the Eternal City.

These days, hardly a year goes by but what some account comes from southeast Asia telling about Indian wolves (some what smaller than our timber wolf) rearing human children.

A fairly recent report concerned an Anglican minister, J. A. L. Singh. It told of how the Reverend had rescued two girl "wolf children" from a den in India. Dr. Singh supposedly kept these girls in an orphanage—and he kept the matter secret for six years, the account says, so that their background would not prejudice their marriages.

The story received wide acceptance in the U.S.—in fact, Dr. Arnold Gesell, director of Yale's Clinic of Child Development, wrote an article for Harper's about these two girls and later published a book, *Wolf Child and Human Child* (Harper's, N. Y.).

Unfortunately when investigators tried to verify the details on the spot the children had died and so had Dr. Singh. All that remained was his diary and some very, very vague photographs.

Mystery Remains
For the record, then, wolf-reared children remain a mystery. There is considerable question: were the children raised by wolves? Or were they picked up near wolves—and so supposed to have been reared by them?

A small child may be carried off by an occasional wolf in India but the likelihood of surviving for any length of time seems remote.

It is not totally inconceivable that a female, nursing pups would befriend a helpless child, states Dr. George C. Goodwin of the American Museum of Nat-

ural History. He points out: "Cats that have lost their kittens have gone out and found and raised baby rabbits, and a wolf might do the like. If only once in a thousand times, the circumstances might be favorable—the right wolf might meet the right child, one that happened to show no fear."

So . . . to answer the reader. Perhaps once in a thousand kidnappings the conditions might be favorable. But the likelihood seems extremely remote. (Released by McClure Newspaper Syndicate)

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Stratojet Crash Kills Four Crewmen

Ablene, Tex. — A B47 Stratojet, taking off from Dyess Air Force Base, nosed to earth Wednesday night, erupting into an explosion seen 15 miles away and killing its four crewmen.

Witnesses said the jet bomber was only about 200 feet in the air after taking off when it suddenly "hung in the air," nosed down and crashed into a creek just off the runway.

Persons 15 miles from the scene reported seeing the blast, which scattered pieces of wreckage over 1,500 yards about the scene.

Names of the dead pilot, navigator, observer and crew chief were withheld pending notification of next of kin.

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