

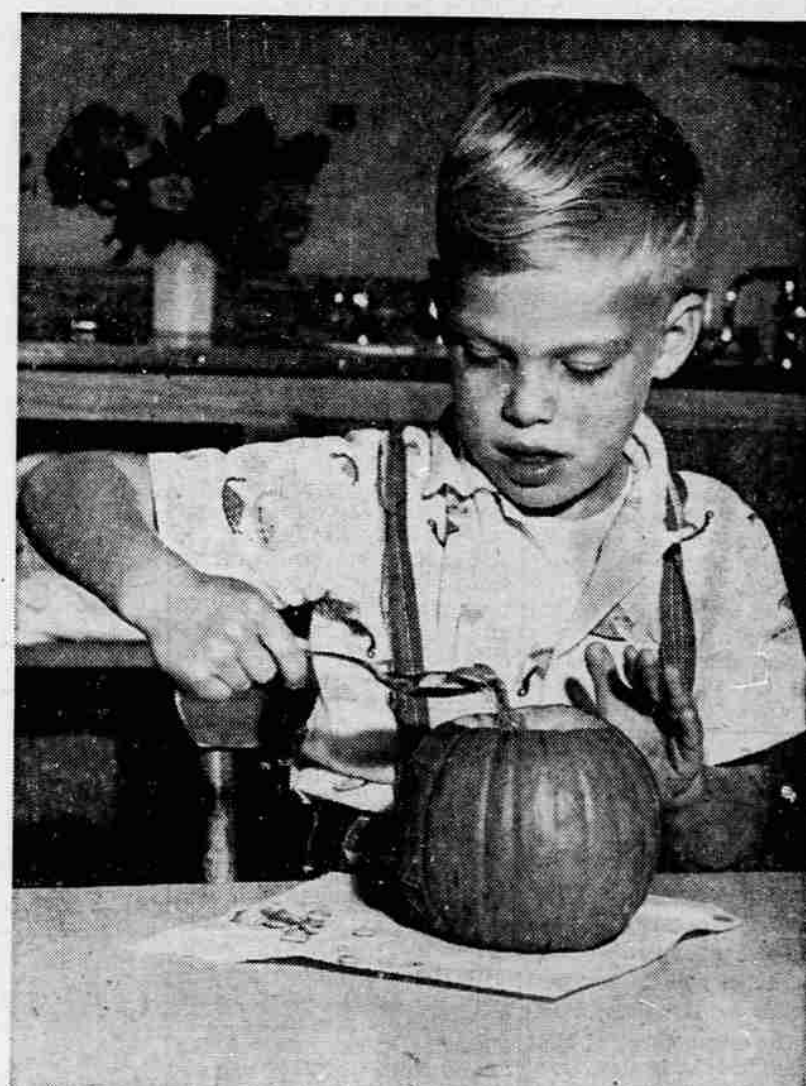
# The Kindergarten Set



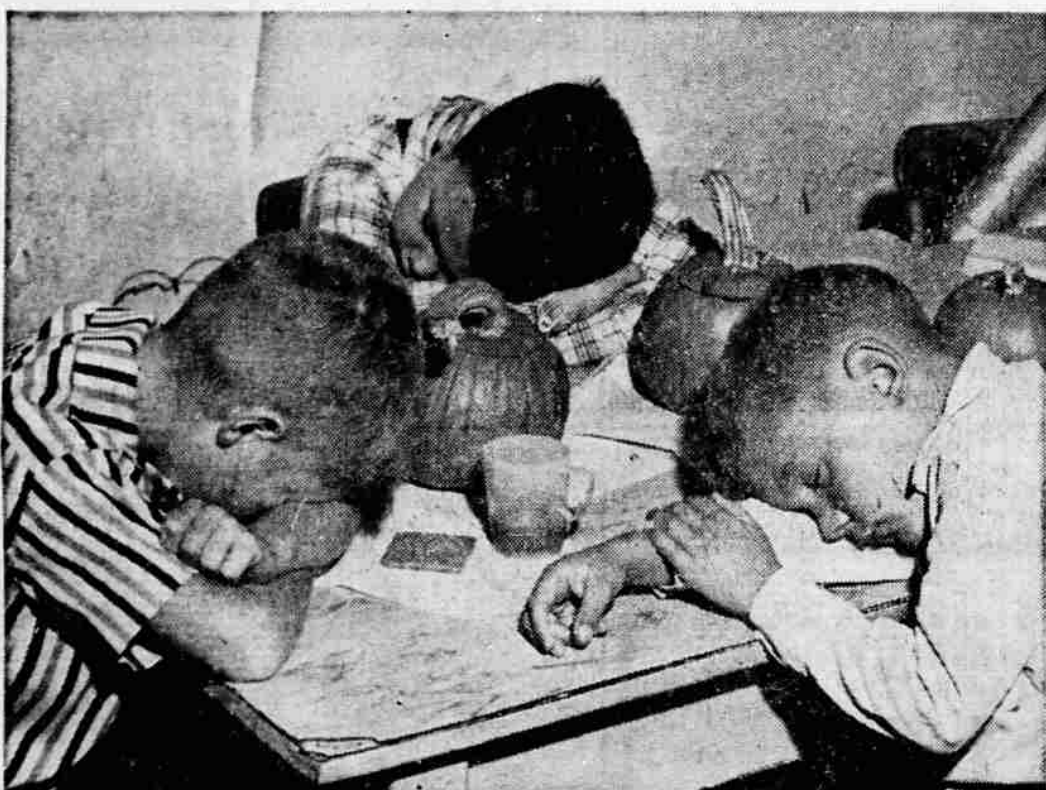
A recent survey made by a representative of the Oregon Association for Nursery Education showed that 18 facilities caring for pre-school age children are now operating in Jackson county. One of these is a kindergarten operated by Mrs. Robert Forbes in the family home on Groveland avenue in Medford and Mrs. Forbes is pictured here reading to the little pupils. From 12 to 20 children is the average size of the schools where there is but one teacher; Mrs. Forbes has 21 but says she manages because all get along well together. Mrs. Forbes, who took her education courses at Southern Oregon college, says the kindergarten activities must be varied to suit the needs of the different children.



Five-year-old Douglas McKenzie, son of the Wesley A. McKenzies, 373 Holmes avenue, was completely absorbed in his brush work when this picture was taken at Mrs. Forbes' school. Art work is considered an excellent intellectual activity for the pre-schooler, and brushes and paint are a part of the equipment of every kindergarten.



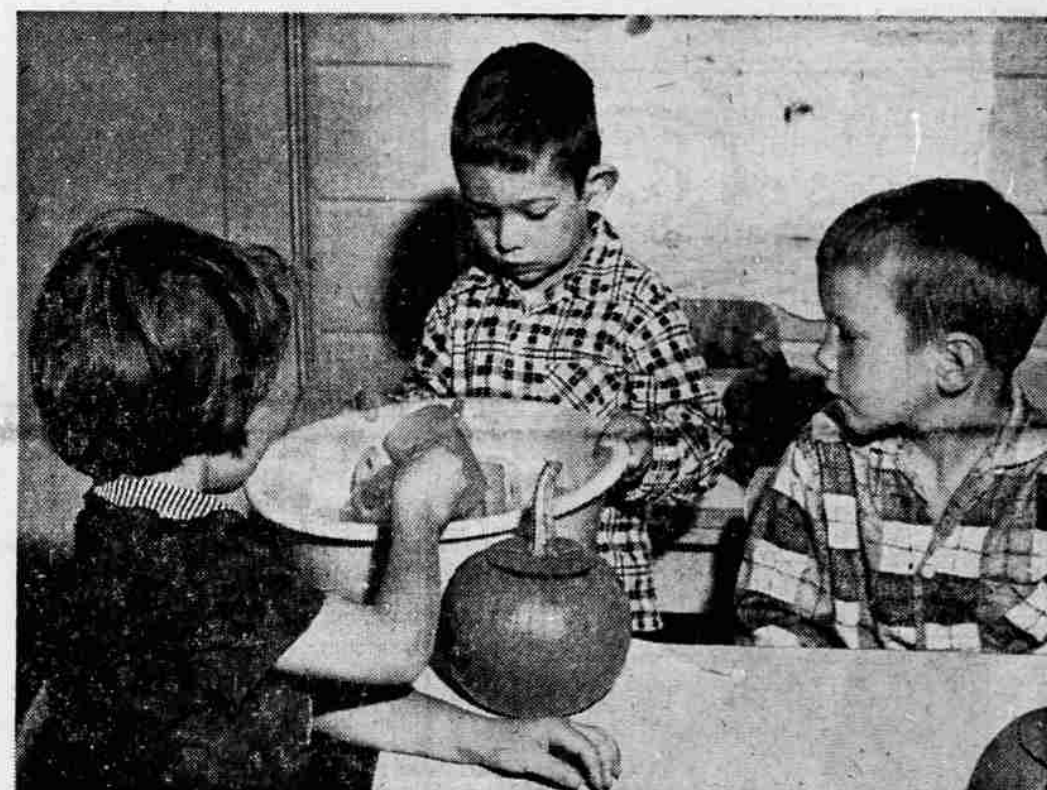
Duane Sidener, 5, and other pupils at West Side kindergarten made their own jack-o'-lanterns last week. Duane, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sidener, Hanley road, is one of 15 pupils at the West Side school, a cooperative operated by the parents. Mrs. Robert Brantley, Medford, who teaches the school, took education courses at Southern Oregon college.



A mid-morning rest period is part of the program in all nursery schools and kindergartens. Pictured here (left to right) at West Side school are Stephen Turner, 5, son of Dr. and Mrs. Bruce L. Turner, Central Point; Harold Van Prooyen, six-year-old son of the Clifford Van Prooyens, Hanley road, and Mark Alan Niedermeyer, 5, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Niedermeyer, Route 2, Medford.



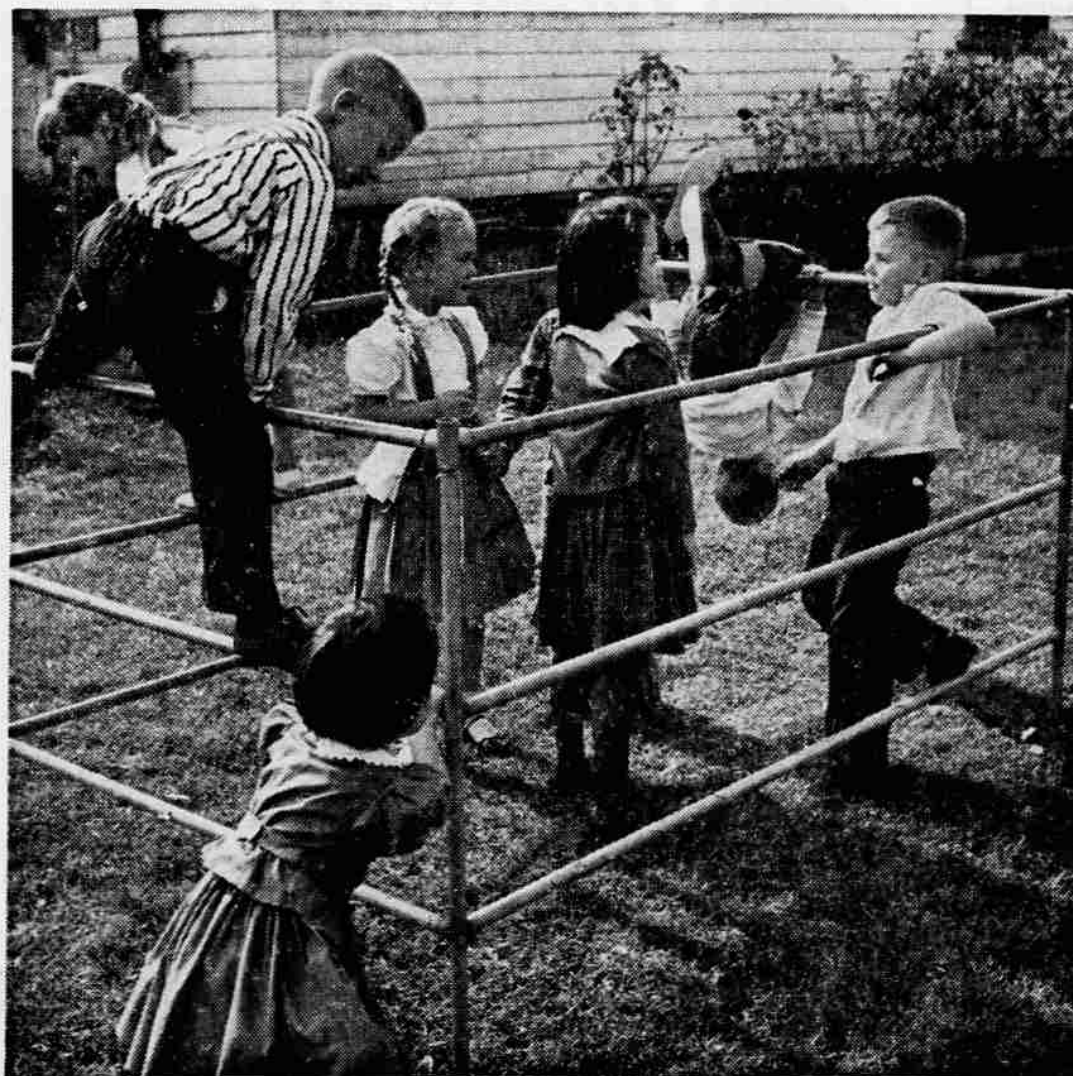
Five-year-olds attending Mrs. O. M. Kesler's kindergarten in Jacksonville spend part of their recess chasing one another on the playground. Having fun here are (left to right) Kathryn Johnson, Dale Noel, Carson Strickling and Sandry Godley. Teachers provide some physical activity at intervals in order to balance periods of sitting still.



Children like to help with the school chores, and at West Side take turns helping to clear up after the mid-morning lunch of crackers and juice. Dale Allan Wolff, four-year-old son of the Robert Wolffs, Central Point, holds the plastic pan while Margaret Stephen, daughter of the Gordon Stephens, Beall lane, adds her cup. Randy Rambo, another pupil, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill P. Rambo, Route 2.



Cindy Davis, daughter of Mrs. Doris Davis, and Carson Strickling, whose parents are the Ralph Stricklings, enjoyed riding hobby horses during a play period at Mrs. Kesler's school in Jacksonville. Proper playground equipment and supplies are a main concern of kindergartens.



When recess time came at the Jacksonville school, half of the 12 children raced for the bars. Mrs. Kesler has a set of playground rules, tells the children what these rules are, and sees that they are not violated too often. Mrs. Kesler, who studied education at Southern Oregon college, has her school in a small building near her home. Most of the kindergartens operate only in the morning, some run two shifts. Three schools provide all-day care.



This trio of little girls at Mrs. Forbes' school find the floor a better place to work puzzles than a table. Pictured (left to right) are Jackie Williams, a daughter of the Kenneth Williams, 1060 Stewart avenue; Laurie LeRoy, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. M. W. LeRoy, 2976 Crater Lake avenue, and Catherine Cooney, daughter of the John P. Cooneys, 301 Valleyview drive. A good nursery or kindergarten endeavors to meet the intellectual, physical and emotional needs of the children entrusted to its care.