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SCHOOL NEWS

Hedrick Junior High

By NANCY DUNCAN

Jerome McDougall's homeroom students collected the most points in the recent toy drive to take first place from the other competing homerooms. Second place was won by Mrs. Dorothy Sneed's homeroom and third place was gained by Bert Villanueva's homeroom.

Mike McCullough, assisted by five members, was in charge of the toy drive with the job of assessing point values to the toys gathered by the homerooms.

Several Hedrick students plan to attend the band and choir concert at the Medford High school auditorium today, which features the internationally famous soloist, Raphael Mendez. The high school musical organizations always attract a large number of Hedrick students. Many of the students are aspiring band and vocal music numbers.

Planning a school dance with Christmas as its theme is the task undertaken by the Hedrick band, sponsor of the Dec. 19, activity. Decorating committee members are Jim Gault, Nancy Simmons, Deanna Kunkel, Doreen Huson, and Barbara Myers.

Hedrick's select choir will appear on television Thursday, Dec. 18. Select choir members are Bonnie Lowry, Janet Ayres, Becky Barlow, Kathy Allen, Ellen Montgomery, Susan Hall, Sandy Shugart, Dee Lawson, De Anne Strong, Wendy Hunter, Phyllis Felkner, Sharon Dixon, Deanna Arnold, Charlotte Brown, David Irving, Bob Heide, Paul Bauer, Norman Olson, Jim Henson, Frank Schuchard, Dick Byrd, Jarl Dyrud, Lanny Bostwick, and Renny Vowell. McLoughlin's choir also will participate in the program.

The display case in the library has Linda Cooper's collection of items from foreign lands. Among the numerous items there are salt and pepper shakers, cups and saucers, miniature glass, vases, and articles of clothing. Some of the countries represented in the display are Scotland, Germany, France, and Japan.

Christmas parties are being planned by homeroom clubs. One Christmas party, the Librarians', on Friday, Dec. 12, featured a centerpiece made by Martha Gifford. Members contributed refreshments.

Hedrick was the winner of an exciting wrestling match with South Grants Pass. Wrestlers who won their matches were Jim Spitz, Tom Deakins, Lew Whipple, Gary Wheeler, Norman Olson, Jim Williams, Chuck McNair, Kenny Bradford, Doug Robertson, and Ron Gandee. Hedrick managed to win by a score of 28 to 27.

Hedrick's seventh grade basketball team were idle this week while the eighth and ninth teams traveled to Grants Pass.

Ninth grade basketball team members have been announced. The boys on the varsity are Scott Eaton, Dave Irving, Charles Allen, Renny Vowell, Fred Thompson, Mike Morris, Mike Wickersham, Nick Gier, Mike McCullough,

Brent Mitchell Wayne Cowan, Mike Miller, Dick Byrd, Ken Bradford, John Fisher, Fred Keith, and Ken Ford. Ray Graves, Rick Nissen, and Paul Bauer are managers.

Jackson School

By RAYMOND GURNEY and GARY SMITH

The fourth, fifth and sixth grade students are practicing hard on the Christmas program. The sleigh and reindeer used in the play were made by Curt Nesheim and painted by the students under the supervision of Mrs. Lucille Stroh. The prancing, perky reindeer add much to the play.

Jackson school fifth and sixth grade boys have started the basketball season. Our first game will be Jan. 15. In basketball we call the fifth grade the junior varsity and the sixth grade the varsity. Our coach is Don Perry.

The story, "The Little Fir Tree," by Margaret Wise Brown was illustrated by the pupils in Miss Gray's first grade class. All of us have enjoyed this mural.

Christmas decorations and trees are up at our school. Many new and clever ideas for Christmas presents and decorations are seen in every room in the school.

Medford High School

Edited by Barbara Nulton.

Reporters Rosemary Eismann, Connie Hinesly, Sandra Kay Heidemann, Tanya Enders, Margie Good, and Deanna Russell.

The annual Red Cross food drive was held in MHS on a campaign basis between home rooms last week.

A large box was placed in the home rooms for students to leave their canned fruits, vegetables, apples and nuts. The room collecting the most goods will be awarded a card.

Senior DeWanda Winchell was voted to receive the annual "good citizenship" award given by the Daughters of the American Revolution in a senior class meeting Dec. 11. The award is based on dependability, leadership, and patriotism. DeWanda is student body secretary, vice president of both the art students league and Spanish club, and is active in the First Methodist church.

Others nominated for the honor were Pam Stacey, Janet Snodgrass, and Nyla Murray.

DeWanda will receive a good citizenship award, a pin, \$5 and a chance to compete for the district citizenship award. This award is a \$25 U. S. savings bond.

Home Economics Service club had a meeting Wednesday to discuss the dance Friday night. Refreshments were served.

A "Marshmallow Whirl" was held after the basketball game with Marshfield Friday night. The dance was sponsored by the Home Economics Service club and attendance was high.

Any student wishing to further his Spanish speaking ability may meet with the Spanish conversation group. Meetings are held every two weeks and consist of practicing the use of Spanish.

Tom Prothro, Oregon State head football coach, was the guest speaker at the annual Lions banquet December 9 given in honor of the Medford football squad and the senior players of St. Mary's. The Medford rally squad and the coaches of both schools attended the banquet which was held at the Jackson hotel.

Rafael Mendez, famed trumpet soloist, will be the guest artist at the band concert in the auditorium this afternoon at 2 p.m.

The choir will also assist in this fund raising project, the proceeds of which will help to send the band to the East-West football game in San Francisco.

Mrs. Edwin Durno, an anesthetist, spoke to the Future Nurses of America Thursday on the qualifications and the promises of a career as an anesthetist.

"Those desiring to become anesthetists should take chemistry, biology, physics, math and social studies," was the advice given by Mrs. Durno. She also stated that most ac-

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credited colleges were in the East and tuitions run from \$10 to \$250 for a two-year term. "There is a great demand for skilled anesthetists and I highly recommend the field to all interested," was her closing remark.

Before Mrs. Durno spoke, president Judy Kerr announced that the Christmas project of making bells out of tin can lids had been finished. She also asked members to bring any used cards they have to donate to the Children's Orthopedic hospital. A highlight of the meeting was a demonstration given by Mrs. Durno showing how to set up an anesthetic of penthol.

The Christmas season had even a brighter outlook for Medford high students who have had no choice but to eat cold lunches or to go home for lunch for the past three months when Lester D. Harris, principal, officially announced that the cafeteria would be open Monday and those desiring them.

The prices will be the same as those last year with the only change in procedure being that sack lunches are to be eaten in the new sack lunch room and hot lunches in the main cafeteria. A candy and milk booth will be set up in the new room for those who bring their lunches.

At a senior class meeting Thursday morning, a motion to have the victory bell for the school was carried. Sandy Clark, senior Teen-Age Program chairman, told of the new program planned by the "March of Dimes," and five candidates for the senior TAP princess were nominated.

President Larry Anderson showed students the bell that the classes were to vote on to see if it would be adopted by the whole school.

Sandy told of several projects the senior class is going to use to raise funds, and

urged everyone to work not only for the glory of beating the underclassmen but also for the aid needed in helping those less fortunate than ourselves.

Those nominated for TAP princesses were Allyn Sherill, Sue Moore, Linda Harnsberger, Mary Lynn Pearson and Marianne Samuelson. The girls will be voted on and the one elected will be the senior princess in the TAP competition.

McLoughlin Junior High

By Joel Gregory

Heralding the Yuletide season, McLoughlin art students created the Nativity scene in main hallway display case. The figures of Mary, Joseph, Jesus and the Wise Men are made of paper-mache, hand molded by William Stoughton's fifth period, seventh grade class. Cedars of Lebanon greenery trims the framework of the scene.

Signs in the hallways and visits to the home rooms by the cheer leaders marked the first home basketball game of this season. All three grades met the Ashland Grizzlies.

Grappling with North Grants Pass, the McLoughlin wrestlers won their first match of the season with 35 points against 19 for their opponent in the boys' gym after school Thursday.

The second edition of the Junior Quill was published Friday. New headlines sparked the general appearance. Mrs. Jean Shepherd is the adviser.

What! This startled word was uttered by all who were confused with the new cafeteria lunch line. Don Darnelle reported that all students were to enter the cafeteria from the east entrance to avoid confusion in the hallway.

The sound of clapping, laughing, and looks of dismay ushered in the rhythms session of the P.E. classes. Square dancing was done this week with girls' and boys' classes meeting together. The eighth and ninth grades met in the

boys' gym while the seventh graders had their squares called in the girls' gym.

The vocal music department reports that a television show is being planned for next Wednesday. The McLoughlin group will combine with Hedrick choristers for several songs. Each chorus will also perform separately. The annual Christmas program will take place Dec. 19, at 8 p.m., boys' gym.

Last Wednesday, the speech

department recorded a radio show for station KYJC. Three impromptu speeches were given. Marsha Watson spoke on R. M. Nixon as the Republican candidate for the 1960 election. Delores Smith spoke for the Democrats with Lyndon Johnson. Joel Gregory talked on the legendary hero, Davy Crockett. Mr. Darnelle is speech instructor.

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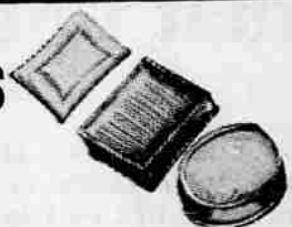
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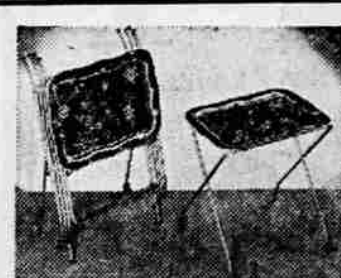
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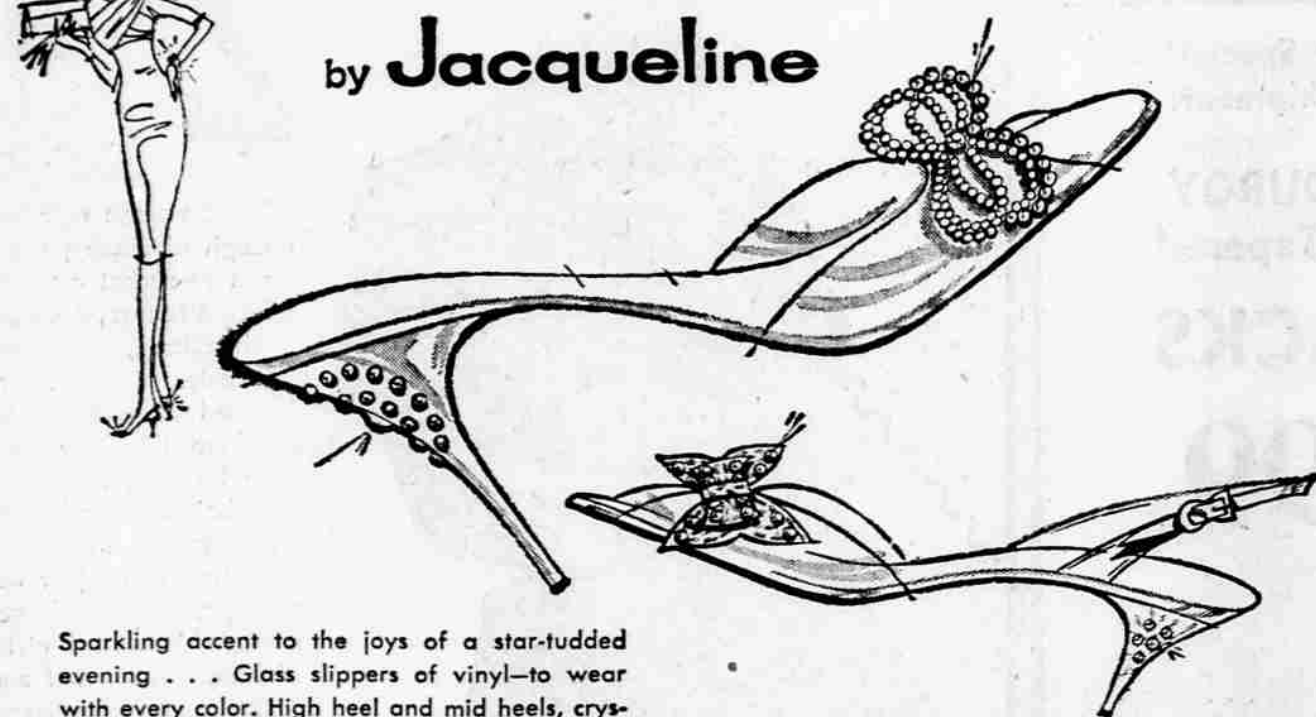
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