

Placement of Handicapped Aim of Employment Service

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UPI Women's Editor
New York—The letter from the girl read, "I have prayed every day for a steady job... now I have one and I will always be grateful."
"We get thank-you notes like this every day," said Fred C. Board, executive director of an unusual organization called "Just One Break, Inc."

J.O.B., which next month will observe its 10th anniversary, is a privately supported, non-profit corporation with one purpose—to find jobs for the physically disabled.

A physical disability does not mean that a person also is occupationally disabled, said Board—a shining example of his own belief. Board, a graduate of Cornell university, lost his right arm in combat in France in World War II. Before becoming director of J.O.B. in 1956, he had worked for the Detroit Edison Co., the Sperry Gyroscope Co., and the National Labor Relations Board.

Handicapped List Growing
The work J.O.B. is doing can make only a small dent in the overall problem of finding productive work for those permanently disabled, Board said. There are an estimated 33 million men, women and children in this country so handicapped. At least two million could be at work. In addition, the list is growing by 250,000 each year, with

Miss Helene Robinson Is Wednesday Speaker

Miss Helene M. Robinson of the Southern Oregon college music department will speak on musicianship at the Wednesday, May 6, meeting of the Wednesday Study club. The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. W. Jermarck, 320 Hargadine street, Ashland, at 1:45 p.m. Miss Robinson will also play several selections and Mrs. H. M. Cecil will sing several numbers.

rehabilitation centers able to handle only 80,000.

J.O.B. is the "one step further," after a rehabilitation center has done the work of "re-developing and building what a person has left, to overcome what has been lost," said the director. It puts the persons back in the labor force—for an employer hires, not from sympathy, but because he needs that worker's talents.

The organization's files are full of case histories—it has helped to place more than 5,000 persons from 18 to 90. "We've placed porters and PHDs," said the director. "Just the other day we located a job for a doctor of jurisprudence... in his field, too."

"Something more than skill is necessary for anyone to succeed in any job," said Board. "It is the desire to work... call it motivation, or whatever you like."

He cited with pride one case history—a young woman victim of polio. The disease left her on crutches, with both arms also affected. But she had use of two fingers on each hand and she learned to type "adequately," J.O.B. located her a job in a company typing pool.

Appointed Supervisor

"I have never seen anyone so determined to earn her own way," he said. "And instead of the other girls resenting someone who didn't clock watch, they admired her apparently. Two years ago, we got a Christmas card from her with a note. She had been made assistant supervisor of the pool. Last year, another card—this time, she was supervisor."

J.O.B. is a product of the need for placing disabled veterans after World War II, Board said, although today it helps one and all. Its original backers included Dr. Howard Rusk, director of the New York University-Bellevue Medical Center, Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and Henry Viscardi Jr., who originally had the job Board now holds. Viscardi currently is head of Abilities, Inc., a machine parts plan on Long Island which employs only the physically disabled.

Flower Show Set Thursday, May 7, At Eagle Point

Eagle Point — Eagle Point Garden club will have a flower show Thursday, May 7, from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Eagle Point Grange hall. The theme will be "Through the Garden Gate."

The show will be non-competitive, but will be judged by student judges and anyone wishing to participate may call Mrs. Earle Jossy, TAlbot 6-4833, who is chairman of the show.

There will be program and a silver tea and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Members will meet at the Grange hall May 6 at 10 p.m. and bring a sack lunch. Dessert will be served at the home of Mrs. Otto Nagel at noon instead of the usual meeting time of 1:30 p.m. Members are reminded to bake cookies for the silver tea.

Ten Tales Compete In Recent Session

Ten tables of players competed Wednesday in the duplicate game at the Riverside Bridge club.

High scores in the north-south position were Mrs. Van Gilbert and Mrs. Paul Hatton who tied with Mrs. Sam Richardson and Mr. Hatton. In the east-west position Mrs. B. B. Hughes and Gen. J. P. Vachon were first.

High scores in the north-south position were also received by Mrs. Josephine Clark and Walter Humes, third and Mrs. F. R. Baker and Mrs. Joseph Clark, fourth.

In the east-west position Mrs. Richard Milestone and Mrs. Howard Boyd were second, Mrs. Dolph Phipps and Ray Pruitt, third, and Mrs. John Dougherty and Mrs. Sam Van Dyke, fourth.

Zuleima Temple Schedules Tea

A tea honoring charter members and past queens of Zuleima temple, Daughters of the Nile, will follow a meeting of the group Saturday, May 9, at 1 p.m. at the Ashland Masonic temple.

The Klamath Falls club, assisted by Mrs. John P. Dougherty, Mrs. C. L. Jimeron and Mrs. Duke Lorton, are in charge of arrangements.

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Spiritual Freedom Is Program Topic Of Women's Guild

Westminster guild of the First Presbyterian church will meet Monday, May 4, at 7:45 p.m. in the fireplace room of the church.

The program and devotions will be on the subject "Freedom of the Spirit" and will be in charge of Mrs. May Brown and Mrs. V. G. Walker.

Hostesses for the evening will be Mrs. Katherine McDonald, Mrs. H. E. Marsh and Mrs. Virgil Bolton.

Applegate Schools Announce Clinics

Applegate-Pre-school clinics will be held in Applegate valley schools May 7, according to Miss A. Lena Mekensen, county health nurse.

Hours at the Applegate school will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and at Ruch from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Children planning to enter the first grade in September are eligible to attend. Immunizations will be offered, and Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer, will be the examining physician.

Health officials ask that each first grade child receive a physical examination at this clinic or from his own physician before entering school.

Jacksonville Eastern Star To Honor Past Officers

Jacksonville — Adarell chapter No. 3, Order of the Eastern Star, will have a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 7. Mrs. Mamie Schrack is committee chairman.

Past matrons and patrons will be honored at the meeting. Mrs. George Mero, worthy matron, will preside.

Grants Pass Girl Winner in Contest

Miss Nancy Butchart, Grants Pass high school student, was the southwest Oregon district's first-place winner of the public speaking contest sponsored internationally by the Knights of Pythias lodges. Dean Goddard, Jackson county winner, won second place and will be an alternate to Miss Butchart's participation in the state finals at Portland in June.

The contest, held Monday evening at the Pythian building, had as its theme "My Favorite Character in History." Miss Butchart spoke on George Washington Carver and Goddard on Roger Williams.

This is the 14th year of the annual contests for scholarship prizes totaling \$3,500, sponsored by the Youth Commission and Foundation Trustees of the Knights of Pythias order.

The final contest will be held in Denver, Colo., August 9-13, for the six international sectional winners. Don Lacy of the Crater High school faculty is contest chairman and a past chancellor of Talisman lodge, the local sponsors.

Mothers Will Hear College Instructor

Mrs. William Bushnell, instructor in education at Southern Oregon college, will speak at a meeting of the Grif-fin Creek Mothers club Wednesday, May 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Her topic will be "Is Your Child Ready for School?"

All mothers with children who will enter first grade this fall are especially invited to attend.

Officers will be installed. Refreshments will be served by first grade mothers.

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