

Tablets

By REVEALON

Table Rock - The Sunday School rally held for Sunday schools in the Medford district, supervised by Garland Shinn, local missionary for the American Sunday School union, was held last Sunday in the Forest Acres church and was attended by some 100 members, including five ministers.

The banner for the Sunday school with the highest attendance was won by Forest Acres, and Savage Creek was winner for the highest percentage of members present. Mr. and Mrs. Milton Skank brought most of the Savage Creek members in their station wagon.

Evangelistic meetings are continuing through Friday, with Don M. McFarling, representing the American Sunday School union, conducting the services.

At the annual meeting of the local Ditch Company shareholders, held last Saturday, the same board of directors was re-elected—Ed Taylor, Larry Hull, and Orville Hamilton, who will also act as secretary-treasurer. The attendance was small, and the same assessment of \$6 per acre will be maintained during the year.

Smudge pots have been placed on the firing line in our local pear orchards, all cocked and primed for the expected, but unpleasant battle with Jack Frost. Larry Hull, of the Hull orchards, tells us that pot lighting generally begins about March 20, but may come earlier. Larry says the pear men really suffer more from smudging than others, as they are right in the thick of it, get kicked in the pants for creating a nuisance, and have a terrific expense for oil and labor.

Since we have been getting reports relative to the price of milk being so high that some families cannot afford it for their children, and hearing also that some have empty beer bottles on the back porch, we decided to investigate.

We checked in a Medford store, and found that a quart of beer sold for 45 cents, and smaller sizes priced in proportion. The average price of milk was 26 cents with gallons cheaper. If prices were the same, beer could not in any way compare with milk, with its energizing effects, minerals, and vitamins to grow strong bodies, bones, and teeth.

Don Willem, Eagle Point farmman, was a visitor here Tuesday, looking for ground to lease for the growing of English corn.

Paul Culbertson, who lives about 10 miles from the city, reminded us of a happening there some 50 years ago. A man who owned one of those sticky farms had a herd of hogs pasturing in one field, when the rainy weather set in. When this type of soil gets wet, it will stick to anything. The man decided one day to call his legs to the barn, but after several attempts got nary a leg. So he went to the field to see why, and met with a painful sight.

The hogs had long tails, and the wet sticky gathered on their tails, and balled up to such a size that the weight couldn't close their eyes or follow a straight course of direction.

Mrs. Eve Ringo of Medford was a local visitor Monday, and went over some of the familiar places here, including her old home, now belonging to Jim Glenn. We and our better half took her to the Medford disposal plant, built by the Army, and said to be one of the best in the country, and through the courtesy of Raymond Fish, the man in charge for the past 18 years, were shown how the big plant worked in the purifying process.

There we saw offal or should we say "fall out," from the city of Medford, come swirling down in a big volume of water, from the Big Butte springs, then pass through the aerasors, then to the dryer, and later ground and sacked much of it is used to keep Medford's lawns so beautiful.

While in the basement of a building chucked full of gadgets, we were looking at a gas furnace operated by gas accumulated from the cleaning operations. We asked Fish if it ever exploded. He said it did one time, caused by a faulty connection, and did extensive damage to equipment.

Hearing this, the women folks started for the door, and if a jet plane had broken the sound barrier about that time,

Baseball Clinic at School Tomorrow

By MARY KELL
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Sams Valley - Russell Carr, principal and coach at Sams Valley Elementary school of District 6C, has announced that a baseball clinic will be held at the school tomorrow, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

It will be the first such event held here and was instituted by Carr. He said this sports program is primarily for fifth grade through high school students of the immediate area.

However, he added, other persons who are especially interested in learning about the game of baseball are invited to attend the event Saturday. The day's schedule will consist of the following: 10-10:15, warm up; 10:15-10:45, fundamentals of catching, throwing and fielding; 10:45-11:15, fundamentals of running and sliding; 11:15-12, fundamentals of hitting and batting practice; 12-12:30, lunch time (everyone attending is asked to bring their own sack lunch); 12:30-1:30, position of play and rules; and 1:30-3, the day will conclude with an intra-squad baseball game to put all of these fundamentals to actual practice.

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Regional News

Area Family Shares Home With Monkeys, Parrots, Dogs, Cat

By BOB WALTERS
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Horse Creek - On highway 96 leading to Happy Camp, there's a suspension bridge stretching across the Klamath river. At the other end of the bridge is an attractive four-room house with a big picture window in the living room.

From the outside, it looks about like any other house. But inside, it's a different story.

The occupants include a gibbon, a French poodle, a small ring-tailed monkey, a dachshund, a half-moon parrot, a tiny black chihuahua, a macaw, a Siamese cat, a magpie, a Mexican double-yellow-headed parrot, a mynah bird, 40 or 50 parakeets and eight canaries.

People live there, too. Les Applegarth, his wife Mildred ("she's the one who's responsible," says her husband) and their son Jack are the human occupants and sole caretakers of their approximately 70 two-legged and four-legged boarders.

The Applegarths have owned their 20-acre plot, located about 33 miles from the highway 99 cutoff, since 1945. The house at first was only a one-room cabin and they have added the new rooms themselves.

The 200-foot bridge, which gets a little bouncy when you reach the middle, is the third one the family has built across the river. The first two were destroyed by long limbs which jutted from logs sailing down the river during the high water season.

The family has an obvious reason for living where it does. "You list all those animals," says Les, "and no one will have to ask why we live on this side of the river."

A chimpanzee may be the next addition to the family's "zoo." They plan to buy one when they're in San Francisco later this month. Other pets in the past have included several deer, a few raccoons and a bear cub.

Right now, however, "Gibbon" is the star of the show. Late Sleeper. He apparently spends most of his time asleep, since he doesn't rise until about 9:30 in the morning and likes to turn in - with his stuffed toy cradled in his arms - at around 4:30 in the afternoon.

Gibbon, who scales about 30 pounds, scampers through the house during the day but isn't too destructive, according to the Applegarths. "Actually, she's more curious than destructive," says Mrs. Applegarth, but she admits Gibbon once tossed a chair through a window.



GIBBON WITH JACK
... just curious, not destructive ...

er took up crocheting about 20 years ago. "She got tired of that," he says, "and started knitting. Then it was hook rugs, then birds - and now, monkeys." Why no goldfish? "They have no personality," replies Mrs. Applegarth matter-of-factly. A large tapestry showing a black panther is Les' favorite pet, he says, because "it's quiet."

And he adds what might be considered an understatement: "Sometimes it does get kind of noisy around here."

Donkey Basketball Set at Happy Camp
Happy Camp - Lions club President Al Swaim has predicted a record turnout for the Happy Camp-Seiad Valley donkey basketball game set for the high school gymnasium here two weeks from tonight.

The annual contest, sponsored by the Lions club, will get underway at 8 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from club members, at the Happy Camp Drug store or at the door.

The public is invited. Club spokesmen have announced that accommodations will be available for out-of-town visitors.

Regional Calendar
Applegate Valley - A general meeting of 4-H clubs of Ruch will be held at Ruch school tonight at 8 p.m. Sheep club members are hosts and will present a program, including a film on meat production and prevention of disease in Oregon. Mrs. Harlan Cantrall is general chairman of the clubs. Everyone interested in 4-H work is welcome.

Health Unit To Sponsor Cancer Education Movie

Gold Hill - Members of the Gold Hill Health unit made arrangements at a recent meeting of the group at the home of Mrs. George Dorman to sponsor a film on cancer education sometime in April. A tea will follow during the social hour.

Mrs. Paul Molloy, local cancer chairman, announced that the film, entitled "The Other City," will be shown at the Holly theater in Medford Tuesday, March 22 at 8 p.m. and Wednesday, March 23 at 10 a.m. She said a medical panel discussion will follow the showing of the film.

These activities will precede the annual cancer education drive which is slated to open in Jackson county, Tuesday, May 3. Mrs. Molloy attended a luncheon and training session in Medford recently to prepare for the door to door canvass which will be held in Gold Hill on the opening date, in conjunction with the county program, which is sponsored by the American Cancer Society to inform the public.

Mrs. Molloy stated that dressings and equipment needed by cancer patients in this community are available. Further information may be obtained by telephoning her at UL 5-1222.

Miss Elizabeth McGalliard, public health nurse, said the pre-school clinic will be held Wednesday, May 18 between 9 a.m. and noon at the Patrick school for all youngsters who will enter school for the first time next September. Mrs. Melvin Burnett is chairman.

Mrs. Meta Power turned in five pairs of washable cotton slippers which she had completed for the unit's project of supplying these articles to be used by patients at Rogue Valley hospital in Medford through the cooperation of the hospital auxiliary. Members of the unit have donated an estimated 50 working hours on this project.

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Lowry Elected to Club Presidency

Tiller-Drew - Virgie Lowry was elected president of Club 227 at the group's monthly meeting last Friday night at the home of Ralph Stauch.

Other officers elected were Gilbert Bonnet, vice president; Mrs. Gilbert Bonnet, secretary; Mrs. Joe Zimmerman, treasurer and Glenn Rogers, three-year trustee. Other trustees are Stauch, one year, and Zimmerman, two-year.

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