

# Former Lady Hop Grower Now Breeds Fine Show Dogs

By MAUDE ZIEGLER  
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Applegate Valley—There is a way a plenty going on where 150 little dogs are concerned. At Rogueland kennels in Applegate, Wilma Smith has carved a niche for herself in the international business of breeding fine Pomeranians.

This week three puppies, at the tender age of six months or so, are sitting on the ironing board, posing on the table and are being walked up and down the road so they will know how to lead and stand at the dog shows this fall.

Also visiting at the kennels were more than 20 puppies awaiting their shipment by air to Maine. When Mrs. Smith ships dogs of her own, she also sells for other kennels in the county to make up the consignment.

These pups were from the Weeping Birch kennel at Talent, Delta Waters kennel

near Medford, and the Smith kennels on Jacksonville highway.

**Dog Wins Honors**  
And just last month Rogueland's Dark Magic, a two and half year old "Pom" won honors at Great Falls, Mont., in a series of shows known as the Montana Copper circuit. He chalked up more points toward becoming a champion.

And speaking of champions, the aristocrat at the kennel, but not appearing the least bit affected by his accomplishments, is "Rogueland's I'm a Warrior To," who is the champion dog of United States and Canada. He won over all breeds, even beating a Pekingese who held top place for two years.

Last year Mrs. Smith had two champion dogs and usually has one every year, all "Poms," except one toy poodle.

She has innumerable trophies and ribbons from win-

nings at the dog shows, although she seldom attends. Instead she leaves the dogs with a handler, because it is difficult for her to leave her business. She has attended, however, the shows of the Southern Oregon circuit at Medford, Klamath Falls and Eugene.

**Wide Sales Made**  
Mrs. Smith has sold dogs to every state in the Union, and has sold in Canada, Guam and Japan, as well as receiving inquiries from Cuba, Panama and South America.

She has been in the business for almost 30 years and became interested when attending a dog show in Los Angeles.

"I didn't even know what a Pomeranian was, but I bought two and a Pekingese, and from there on the business grew," Mrs. Smith said. "All the money I could get went into dogs," she continued. "Believe me, I've worked at anything I could do to make money, even to jobs in logging camps."

**Was Lady Logger**  
For four years she worked with the Kincaid logging company on Thompson and Williams creeks. She measured logs for the fallers and on Saturdays set choke and helped to load trucks.

When the Clute hop yards were in their heyday, she did every kind of job in the fields from irrigating to running the picking machines and driving tractor.

"I know how to grow hops as well as dogs," she says, but the dogs are paying for themselves now.

Busy as this dog owner is, she takes time out to do a "descentectomy" on a pet skunk of the neighborhood.

The business of dogs has its worries and when Mrs. Smith once shipped five German shepherd pups to Guam, she was afraid something would happen that the \$450 air freight bill would not be paid at the receiving end.

There are little unexpected high spots tucked here and there, too. One time she sold a miniature Schnauzer to a pet shop in St. Louis, Mo. Afterward she received a letter from the woman who had bought the dog. She also sent a snapshot of her daughter, who was training the dog to show.

**Assistants Named**  
Mrs. Smith soon expects a visit from her niece, Patricia and Claudia Purse of Chico, Calif. The girls are seven and 13, and since they make annual trips here, they are adept at handling and helping with the dogs. Mrs. Lindy Elan, who lives at the Smith home, is an assistant, as is Mrs. Pat Basnett of Grants Pass.

Rogueland kennels flourish in a thicket of shrubbery that provides shade for summer days, and no little pet is confined to pen or cage; they have large runs and cozy buildings for housing.

Two years ago Mrs. Smith and her kennels rated an article in "Pomeranian Review," publication of the American Pomeranian club.

Mrs. Smith was credited in the article with the gift of knowing how to pick a future champion in a litter of pups. Mrs. Smith was born in Grants Pass, and is the former Wilma Eggers.



ROGUELAND'S I'M A WARRIOR TO  
Champion of the United States and Canada

## Regional News

### Tablets

By R. E. NEALON

Table Rock - As this is written the curtain is being rung down on another great show, at which Richard Nixon became the Republican party's nominee for president of a great country, the United States of America.

Each party now has a young and vigorous candidate and we may expect a red hot campaign with no holds barred. With all the noise, demonstrations and nominating speeches, we can't say the Republicans didn't show both sides of the picture. They told of the great things they had accomplished in the last seven years, but also told of the many serious mistakes the Democrats have made recently, and for many years back.

Personally, Nixon seems to feel that his fitness for the presidency stems from the fact that he has been hard up for money from his boyhood days until even now. His salary and \$10,000 expense money, with prices what they are, are merely chicken feed.

If we don't miss our guess, both candidates will have plenty of dough to carry on one of the hottest and most expensive campaigns ever held in these United States. It's no crime to have been poor. Maybe it's an asset. Now it is a crime to have plenty of money, if it was made honestly.

A 73 foot well, supplying 1,000 gallons of water per hour, was recently drilled on the Guy Nelson farm by the Goff Brothers, well drillers of Medford.

We notice the white, which will eventually replace the yellow line, is beginning to appear down the center of some of our highways. This should please O. T. Wilson, who has claimed for a long time that this color would be more easily seen and last longer.

The wind and lightning of Wednesday night caused us to wish we didn't have so many pretty trees so close to the house and other buildings.

In our last Friday's column, the name Morrie, given in the horseshoeing story, should have been Morine, who lived here some 60 years ago in a house almost the same place as the present Benny Peek home.

Mrs. Leah M. Hull and three granddaughters are expected home this week end from a motor trip to Canada.

Miss Anne Sharp is spending some time visiting at her uncle's Big Flat ranch at Smith River, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Allen Jr., have sold their home on NEEDMORE ROAD in Sams Valley and are now living in Al's parent's house while they are on a tour of Europe. This is near the plant where the Rogueland Wood boats, which Al designs and builds, are manufactured. Also he has a dealer's franchise from a jet boat manufacturer and reports the boat business as being very good.

The Table Rock Sunday school has accepted the bid of Gilbert Johnson, Medford, for painting the school house.

China pheasants have started picking holes in melons. This is earlier than they generally begin this destructive work.

Mrs. Geo. Chandler and daughter, Marjorie, of Bandon, Ore., were recent visitors with relatives at the Guy Nelson home.

The Donald Richardson family arrived Saturday from Portland to spend their annual vacation with home folks and friends, to swim in the cool waters of the Rogue, attend the Shakespearean Festival and fish in the high mountain streams, where the fish in the cold waters are the finest in the world. Miss Debbie is spending much of her time with Auntie Sis and Uncle Emmett.

Last week, we had as our house guest, Miss Norma Marlin of Cave Junction, who was here to supervise the daily vacation Bible school sessions.

Friday night's program given by teachers and their respective classes was well attended and showed that during the week's session, the 23 students had gained a goodly amount of knowledge of the Bible. Several youngsters were given certificates for perfect attendance.

Dale Scuz, the Sams Valley farmer and harvester, has finished threshing the barley on the Richardson farm and reports that the yield and quality are excellent.

Thought for the day: Practice What You Preach

**TRAILER PARK PURCHASE**  
Happy Camp - Mr. and Mrs. Farley of San Rafael have purchased the Card's Trailer park of Happy Camp. They have already moved into their home at the park and are now operating it. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Card bought a new car and trailer and plan to travel for some time.

## Student Council Delegates Study Honor Code

Eagle Point - Aedene Jensen, recently returned from the 24th National Conference of the National Association of Student Councils, reports that one of the most beneficial study sessions was entitled, "Development and Use of the Honor Code."

One 5,000 student school has used the honor system for four years now. For the past two years the teachers have not been present in the room during tests and absolutely no cheating has taken place.

During the lunch hour a song is sounded and everyone stands, bows their head and sings a simple blessing, regardless of location.

The teachers were the hardest ones to switch over to the honor system, it was reported.

Miss Jensen was one of the seven boys and four girls representing Oregon and Washington at the conference. Chaperon for the group was Vernon Larsen, formerly of Illinois Valley, now with the State Department.

Knee cap length dresses, stockings about four inches below the knee and dirty tennis shoes were the dress fad at the conference. Aedene stated that they never wore clean tennis shoes unless they wanted to return home with sore feet as well as dirty tennis shoes.

Forty seven states were represented. All schools that have a recognized school organization or have plans to organize one are eligible for membership. The emblem contains a torch which symbolizes leadership and ability; a scroll, honor and citizenship; the gavel, authority, and the quill, thought and recorded action.

Miss Jensen stated that she would like to see more interest taken in the student councils by the students. She said that she is sure when they find out the many real functions and possibilities of the self governing group that they will take a keener interest.

## Eagle Point Boys Study Safe Hunting Procedures

By DOTTIE HARBISON  
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Eagle Point - Ten boys graduated from the first Oregon Hunter Safety course sponsored by the Oregon State Game commission in cooperation with Oregon State Police, the State Board of Education and Affiliation of the National Rifleman's association at Eagle Point recently.

All boys received their Oregon State Hunter's Certificate of Competency and were given a gold cloth patch with blue outlining of Oregon State and lettering which reads "Oregon Safe Hunters" to be worn either on their hat or shoulder.

Volunteer instructor Ted Hoffman stated that the course concentrated on safety rather than marksmanship. No guns or live ammunition were brought to the class by any of the boys until they have been thoroughly taught to handle a gun properly, carry and walk with the gun safely, how to correctly cross fences and ditches and logs with a gun, proper care and cleaning, how to care and store their ammunition, how and what to shoot at and the courtesies of hunting.

The boys were taught the proper respect for their fel-



SAFETY COURSE GRADUATES—Ted Hoffman, instructor for the hunter safety course in Eagle Point, shows part of his class how to place a gun barrel in a hat if a fence must be crossed alone. Looking on are (L. to R.) Rusty Clave, John Linder, Joe Munshaw, John Munshaw, Rick Chamberlain, Ronald Brown and Dave Callaway. Other graduates of the course include Dick Ayres and Earl (Victor) Eccleston.

## Post Office Opening Set For Saturday

By MARY KELL  
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Gold Hill - Gold Hill's new post office will be dedicated at 2 p.m. Saturday. Postmaster H. D. Force announced today.

"Our beautiful new postal facility is symbolic of the modern, businesslike approach now being applied to postal improvements throughout the entire nation," the postmaster said. "Under the leadership of Postmaster General Summerfield, the United States Postal Service has undergone the most far-reaching reorganization in the long history of the Department."

"Postal Service is being expanded and improved in many ways. Major changes have been made in operations, methods and techniques to hasten delivery of the mail. Last fiscal year alone, mail service was extended to over one and a quarter million additional American families, nearly 100,000 additional business concerns and nearly 4,000 new city delivery routes, including city delivery for the first time in 110 communities."

The new facility, located at the corner of Second and Fifth st., is part of the Post Office department's unique Commercial Leasing plan, the force explained.

**Leasing Plan Explained**  
Under this program, investment financing is used to obtain needed facilities which remain under private ownership, pay local taxes to the community and are leased to the federal government.

At the same time, the need for large outlays of money from the federal treasury for construction purposes is eliminated.

New post offices are built to postal specifications and designed for efficiency. The Department has built, or placed under contract for construction, approximately 3,500 buildings since 1953.

Another 12,000 more post offices must be replaced, due to the lack of space and obsolescence, to achieve the Postmaster General's goal of complete modernization of the entire plant.

Force said, "Our patrons will derive more enjoyment from doing business here, their mail will be handled more efficiently and this building and its up-to-date equipment will enable our postal employees to work under the best of conditions."

**Will Serve As A Link**  
"The new facility," he added, "will be a link with a postal system that today has over 35,000 post offices. This system serves more than 179 million persons, and handles over two-thirds of the world's mail. Our over 500,000 postal employees are handling more than 62 billion pieces of mail

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## Rural Reflections

By MAUDE ZIEGLER

Applegate Valley - A very strange love was born. Perhaps it was to fill the awful vacancy when the black silk on Dinah-spaniel lost her life to the speeding wheels of the public highway. But this new creature lay sleek and gray, grasping with his paws for the first time a doll's nursing bottle filled with formula. He had the ugly-beauty of the newborn, a slim tail yet to receive its full plumed elegance, and the leg structure over proportioned where hind legs were concerned.

It was a strange love because he was a baby gray squirrel and Sister, the Siamese cat, had brought him home, not as prey, but proudly watching him follow behind. They came out of the forest together. Probably from confusion, the Baby found the Man's shoe and a place to climb, and was sitting on the Man's head soon after arrival. Sister watches with interest around his bed of soft flannel and the Folks know she can be trusted alone with him.

The Lady says the little stranger went right to her heart, and she wonders what new developments will take shape. A squirrel would find it fun to climb the heavy drapes, but after all, drapes can lend themselves to purposes other than the conventional, she says. And there will be a name to select.

## Buying and Selling Noted, Happy Camp

Happy Camp - There has been quite a bit of buying and selling of property lately in Happy Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Curtis bought the Lester Flannigan home and plan to move in about one more week. Mr. Curtis owns and operates the Three Rivers Gas company.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haskell bought the Ester Applegate home and they will soon move in. Mrs. Applegate and her family have moved to Redding to be near Mr. and Mrs. Eddie McBroom, her son-in-law and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Spence bought a partially finished house from Mr. and Mrs. John Reedy. The Spences plan to finish the house and move in soon.

## Regional Calendar

Eagle Point - Work on the Community building is scheduled to start at 8 a.m. Saturday. Potluck lunch is set for noon and homemade ice cream will be served in the afternoon.

Happy Camp - D. V. Gilmore has started preliminary work on a copper mine near Preston Peak. He has a crew of 4 men with him on the job.

# How do you dare send a child to the store?

How is it you know you're taking no chances when you let a youngster take your shopping list? Isn't it for the same reason that you buy 70% of your family's food without actually seeing it? You know that

A good brand is your best guarantee . . . and that the name on the label is your best buying guide. You have learned to count on good brand names. You know the company stands back of them. You know they protect you.

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