

Out on a Limb

By BOB WALTERS

Life in the Zoo
For most of us, life has its dull moments. Not so, however, for the wife of one of our reporters. To her, the world and its people are a constant source of entertainment. She thinks everyone—and I do mean everyone—looks like some sort of animal. Not even her husband is spared. He, she says, looks like a rabbit. (Let's hope he doesn't take himself too seriously. The population problem is bad enough the way it is.)

All our newsroom staffers, the lady continues, bear strong resemblances to some non-human creature or other. Our staff, as seen through her eyes, includes another rabbit, a polar bear, a seal, a canary, a chipmunk, a panda, a beagle hound, a Siamese cat, a mole and an ostrich.

I found her observations interesting, to say the least. And all things considered, I think I came out of it pretty well. I'm the chipmunk.

No complaints, though. I'd rather be a chipmunk than a mole. Or a beagle hound. Chipmunks can be pretty nice people.

Or should I say people can be pretty nice chipmunks? Anyway, feel free to drop in and see us sometime. But no peanuts, please. Rules, you know.

Speaking of animals, there was a maverick ground squirrel that created quite a stir in Salem a week or so ago. The little scoundrel lived in the park surrounding the Capitol building and bit several people before a policeman ended his lawless career.

UPI's Salem man duly noted the squirrel's demise and in the process aroused the curiosity of a Portland staffer who sent this teletype query:

"Why aren't ground squirrels popular? Eye like 'em."

Replied Salem: "They're Socialist. And fibbers to U."

"Good thing he wasn't a flying squirrel," countered Portland. "He wud only have leftwings."

Our city hall man has come up with a slogan which he strongly recommends the Mail Tribune print across the top of page one each day:

"More people get ink fingers from this newspaper than from any other single source in southern Oregon."

His recommendation will have to go through channels, of course.

Man Confesses Cabin Burglary

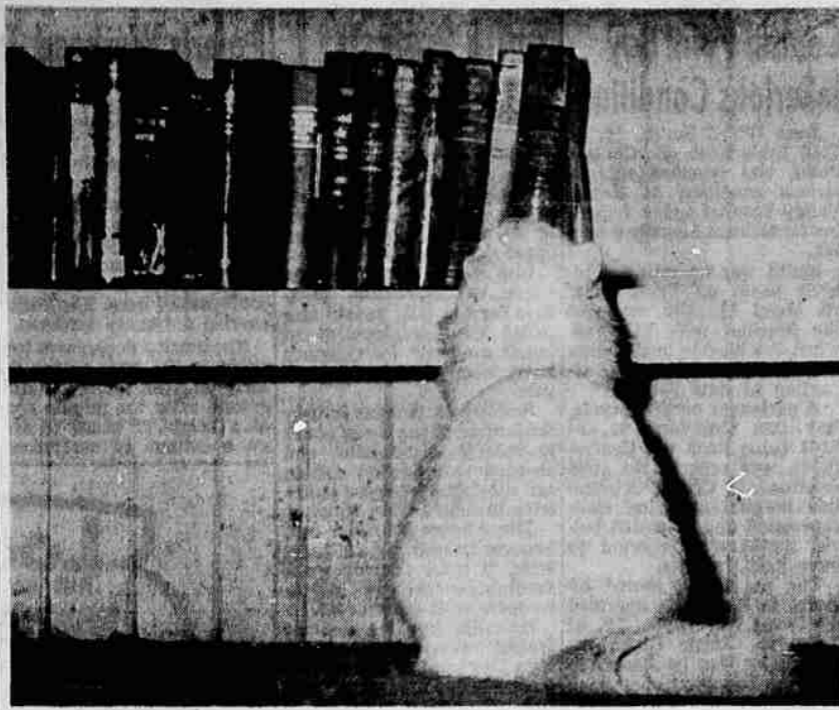
Yreka—A 38-year-old former patient at Veterans' hospital in Kansas City, said he burglarized a cabin on Middle creek in the Scott river area last Thursday. The cabin is owned by Ed Mathews, manager of Siskiyou County fairgrounds in Yreka.

He turned himself in to the Siskiyou County sheriff's office Friday on an intoxication charge and told them of the burglary. He said he had been drinking to excess and wanted to be confined before he committed another burglary.

He also said he needed medical help but his family in Tennessee and paid off his misdeeds, rather than have him hospitalized. A subsequent check with the cabin owner revealed that a burglary had taken place and the man is now in custody.

SELECT FESTIVAL FILMS

Venice, Italy—(UPI)—Fourteen motion pictures, including one Hollywood and four Soviet productions, were chosen Tuesday as entrants to the 21st annual Venice film festival. The American film was "The Apartment," directed by Billy Wilder.



JUST BROWSING—One of the most frequent visitors to the Gold Hill Public Library is this white cat, according to Librarian Mrs. Jewel Routh. Photo was taken by her son, Bob. Mrs. Routh says the cat apparently has read everything in the library—it left after its most recent visit without checking out a book.

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Gold Hill's First Recreation Program Success, Says Myers

By MARY KELL
Mail Tribune Correspondent
Gold Hill—Leon Myers, director of the summer recreation program here, said the program held this summer for the first time in Gold Hill was a success.

He gave a round-up report of activities in which youngsters of this area participated



LEON MYERS
Program Director

during the past six weeks. Miss Grace Gail was assistant director.

The recreation program ended July 29 with a ice cream party in the city park following a treasure hunt. Highlight of the afternoon was a volleyball match between the boys and girls at Hanby Elementary school.

Myers said about 50 youngsters registered for the recreation program, which started Monday, June 20. He said it was set up on a "no-roll call" basis—children who did not wish to attend each day were not obligated to do so. He stated that some of the youngsters came for only a part of the three-hour period if they were not interested in all events, while others came each afternoon for the full three hours to play ping-pong, badminton, shuffle board and other games if they were not interested in the soft-ball, tennis, volleyball, baseball, basketball, or craft schedules.

Something For Everyone
Myers said there was something for everyone to do during the recreation periods, held from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday during the six weeks.

During the last two weeks of the program, football and basketball clinics were held to teach basic fundamentals of the games so that the youngsters could obtain a better understanding of the sport. Myers said he thinks it is just as important for those who do not participate as players to understand the techniques of the games in order to fully enjoy watching them.

Myers stressed good sports-

manship throughout the recreation activities.

The directors said they worked out a diversified schedule suitable for boys and girls of various age groups, which included those who had completed the fourth grade through second year of high school.

Miss Gail was in charge of crafts for both boys and girls. She said the youngsters made hand puppets of paper mache and created costumes for these characters from scraps of fabric that was available at home. One act puppet shows were staged, with the children doing all preparation, including the script. During craft periods the youngsters painted wall plaques that they had made from sand and wheat paste. Other craft activities included braiding key chains with plastic material, various phases of bead work, making leis from crepe paper, copper enameling work, string painting and some tooled leather work.

Miss Gail said the youngsters especially enjoyed doing skills and games outdoors the latter part of the afternoon.

Response Was Good
Myers said with the exception of a few children most of those who attended the recreation program lived within walking distance of the school. He considered the response good, thanks to efforts by several organizations in the community to put the recreation program into operation this summer.

Donald Morrow, chairman of the executive committee of the recreation board, said he was pleased with the results of the first summer program ever held for children of this community. He and other members of the board praised the directors for their good work and said there is no reason why the program could not be held each year. Tentative plans are being discussed for next year's program.

The summer recreation board was made up of representatives from each sponsoring organization. Gilbert Mack, school representative, was chairman of the board and Donald Morrow, Gold Hill Lions club representative, was chairman of the executive committee. Others named by the group to serve on the executive committee with Morrow were H. D. Force, Odd Fellow lodge representative, and Mrs. Ogden Kellogg, who was one of the two representatives of the Gold Hill PTA.

Other sponsoring groups and their representatives were Gold Hill city council, Fred Lester and Delos Walker, Gold Hill PTA, Mrs. Paul Molloy, Gold Hill Health unit, Mrs. Delos Walker, Gold Hill Garden club, Mrs. Ferd Jones, Woman's Society of the Gold Hill Community Methodist church, Mrs. George T. Allan, Gold Hill Grange, Willard Taylor, and Amethyst Rebekah lodge, Mrs. Clyde Kell.

Miss Gail will return to the University of Oregon this fall to enter her senior year in elementary education. A graduate of Crater High school, she attended Oregon State college at Corvallis during her freshman and sophomore years and entered the university for her junior year. She worked at Fairview last summer, where she was in charge of the recreation program. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Norman Gail, Gold Hill.

In September, Leon Myers will return to Hanby Ele-

mentary school where he will continue on the faculty as varsity coach and teach an eighth grade class instead of the fifth grade as he did last year. He and his wife, Ethel, and their four children reside on Ross lane near Medford.

In an interview with this correspondent, Myers, a graduate of Pasadena college, Pasadena, Calif., recalled some of his experiences in youth work. After he finished college, he managed a variety store in eastern Washington prior to accepting a position on the Colfax, Wash., police force where he worked with juvenile cases. Later he was assigned to the position of chief deputy for the sheriff's office in Woodburn county, Wash.

While doing police work with the sheriff's office he was sent to investigate a complaint concerning some youths. He found the disturbance was mainly because these boys were "Scouts without a master." He became their Scoutmaster because he didn't want to see the Boy Scout troop have to be broken up.

Sometime later he resigned from police work to accept a position as assistant executive for the Twin Harbors council of the Boy Scouts of America at Aberdeen, Wash., a position he held for two years until he was transferred to the Or-da Boy Scout council headquarters at Nampa, Idaho, where he was assistant executive for four years.

Takes YMCA Position
In 1949 he resigned to accept a position in Port Angeles, Wash., where he had been asked to organize a YMCA program. He was general secretary of the staff from 1949 until 1955. A considerable amount of his work with the YMCA involved counseling for personal problems that concerned both parents and children.

In conjunction with his YMCA duties, he supervised softball leagues and handled the American Legion's junior baseball league as well as basketball. In the summertime he supervised YMCA recreation that was worked out on a joint basis with the school district at Port Angeles. It included softball, tennis, swimming instruction and other recreational activities.

In 1955, he resigned from the YMCA position and moved to southern Oregon, going to work in the Medford Veneer Plywood mill at White City. He said he missed the work that he loved—working with children—so he quit and returned to school, Southern Oregon college, and later accepted the coaching position at Hanby Elementary school.

Rural Reflections

By MAUDE ZIEGLER

Applegate Valley—The very warm days have brought about a bit of new recreation here. Some of the senior ladies say they are spending all day in the river after not having taken a plunge in 25 years.

Arthritic pains, notwithstanding, they forge ahead in the cooling waters and also find the river an excellent substitute for baby sitting with the grandchildren.

Others of the plus-fifty, dressed for a very nice tea party at McKee park, succumbed to the broad depths of the irrigation ditch regardless of starched dresses gone limp in a split second that had been ironed under laborious conditions the day before.

Regional News

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A 'Shocking' Day For Williams Cows

By ANN KATZENBACH
Mail Tribune Correspondent
Williams—July decided to end up with a "shocking" wallop for the Williams area this year—especially for some cows.

Late Sunday afternoon, huge raindrops started falling and then developed into a raging hailstorm accompanied by thunder and lightning.

Lightning struck on the Orval Lewman ranch, near the barn, during the storm. As a result, one of his cows was knocked down in the stall by the electricity. Lewman and his father, R. F. Lewman, and his daughter, Tess, were doing the milking when this occurred. They were able to get the cow out of the stall and saved her. Within a few minutes, down went two other cows, which they weren't able to save.

The cause was discovered to be the electric water heaters on both the Lewman and John Katzenbach ranches, which were shorted out by the lightning. Both families received shocks by using their faucets.

Ceremonies Slated At Weed Airport

Yreka—August 14 will be the day for dedication ceremonies at Weed airport which has just completed modernization.

Ranch style breakfast will lead off festivities at 7 a.m. at the airport, followed by formal dedication services at 11 a.m. Master of ceremonies is to be Harold Campbell, president of the Weed Chamber of Commerce. Clint Jackson of Weed will be guest speaker. County Airport Coordinator Harold Christensen says he is still looking for a major political figure to be the featured speaker.

Rules Listed for Manual Boat Race

Yreka—The Happy Camp Lions club has issued the following rules for the Labor Day Klamath River Manual race.

1. First day, Sunday, Sept. 4 at 7 a.m. the race will start at the Swallows, near highway 99 bridge and end at Happy Camp, a run of approximately 64 miles. Second day

will be from Happy Camp to Clear creek, beginning at 9 a.m., a run of about 12 miles.

2. Any type of craft will be permitted that is manually operated.

3. Boat crew is limited to two persons. In case of illness or accident one man is allowed to try and finish race but may not alternate with boat service crew.

4. All portages must be manual.

5. A service crew of two is allowed. They may help on repairs and portages.

6. Any entry accepting aid from unauthorized personnel will be disqualified and his entry fee forfeited.

7. All boat personnel must wear life jackets and helmets.

8. Fee of \$10 per boat, payable in advance, is required. Entries must be paid to George D. Walters, P.O. Box 125, Happy Camp, by 5 p.m., Sept. 1.

9. In case of tie for any prize, the purse will be split evenly.

10. First prize will be \$300; second, \$200 and third \$100. The total time from start to finish will determine the winner. One prize only for each entry.

11. All contestants must comply with the above rules and each must assume full responsibility for any damage to person or property.

Readers now have many new selections to choose from and new books are being brought in continuously.

The library now has three new encyclopedia sets and a new reference book for student use.

Any books desired can be obtained by having the local librarian order them through the Medford Library.

Mrs. Edmondson says about 50 per cent of local residents use the library.

BF Library Open 20 Hours Weekly

Butte Falls—Mrs. Kizzie Edmondson, librarian at the Butte Falls Public Library, reports that the library is open 20 hours a week throughout the summer months. Hours for Monday and Tuesday are 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday hours are 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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BF To Receive Power Plant Today

Butte Falls—The city council reports that the auxiliary power plant to be used in the local Civil Defense program is scheduled to arrive in Butte Falls today.

Local residents also are reminded that water must be shut off every evening at 9 p.m. The city park and school will water at night. All dogs are to be tied until Sept. 1.

New York—(UPI)—Mrs. Gertrude Lynahan Sayre, 59, wife of author Joel Sayre, died Tuesday.

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