

Rural Reflections

Applegate Valley - Christmas was not so crowded this year but there was time for touches just a little out of the ordinary.

One appreciative neighbor said there hadn't been caroling in 50 years in this sparsely settled community.

Another resident further down the valley, Ellen Childers, had a surprise birthday party the Sunday before Christmas.

Pat Maddox over Sterling way was reminiscing a bit and saying she believes all the time spent with Christmas programs at schools is well worthwhile for the harvest of warm memories it will afford in later years.

Pat went over some high spots of her own childhood spent near the beach in Washington, where one had Indian princesses among the school mates, and sight of Indian people smoking their pipes was common.

Dug Clams - That was where barefoot children dug clams for Friday menus, and sea shellfish and animals were caught alive, and shells were not broken by rugged cliffs.

Central Point - Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Crater Booster will meet at Pioneer club. All men of the community invited to attend whether they have youngsters at Crater or not.

Regional Calendar

Central Point - Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Junior Chamber of Commerce board members, will meet at the home of Gay Hallet, 347 Manzanita st.

Prospect - Thursday, 8 p.m., Prospect Home Extension unit, at home of Mrs. Dean Boyer, Mrs. Gordon Anderson will instruct project on line and design in clothing.

5 Adult Courses Set At IV High

Illinois Valley - Five adult classes will be offered at Illinois Valley High school starting in January, provided enough interest is shown.

The proposed courses are: general clothing, home gardening and landscaping, typing, farm and business law, and farm welding.

The general clothing class is designed to help women sew for themselves and their families. This includes beginners as well as experienced seamstresses.

The home gardening and landscaping class will be concerned with problems centered around the family garden and landscaping around the home.

The farm and business law class is designed for all people interested in their rights and the rights of others.

The farm welding class will be a beginning instruction program in arc and oxy-acetylene welding.

Air Force Display On At CP Library

Central Point - The regular weekly display at the city library is a scene of the United States Air Force air power, depicting 17 planes scaled 20 feet to one inch.

Mrs. Mabel Van Horn, city librarian, says any individual, group, or organization wishing to have displays or hobby items exhibited at the library may call 654-3228.



WITH FEW LESSONS-Mrs. Bertha Lorton of Phoenix in front of one of her art works. Five years ago she couldn't paint a stroke.



ON GARAGE DOOR-This waterfall scene covers the garage door at the Lorton residence, at 507 Church st., Phoenix.

Phoenix Resident Paints Landscapes Despite Having Had No Training

By BERTHA HANSCOM Mail Tribune Correspondent Phoenix - Five years ago, Mrs. Bertha Lorton of 507 Church st., Phoenix, could not paint a stroke.

Today, although she has had practically no lessons, she can take up a brush and a few colors, and put beautiful nature scenes on canvas.

Mrs. Lorton lost her mother when still a child. She lived near the Yakima Indian reservation, and was taken under the wing of an Indian woman who taught her to love these people and their simple way of life.

It was here she learned the real beauty of the surrounding hills, the mystic loveliness to be seen in a tree, a flower, the deep streams, in lakes and in meadows.

Her paintings are landscapes, and she says when she paints a waterfall, tree, or mountain she must feel she is there. Only then can she really paint.

Her first step in painting in oils began five years ago when, sitting in front of her fireplace, she had a desire to paint a picture above the mantel on the wall.

She gathered together all the left over paints she had from decorating her house, and by mixing the colors she managed to produce the shades she needed.

Her neighbors came in each day to watch her paint this first picture. She had nothing to work from but says she could actually see the finished picture in her mind.

Mrs. Lorton's pictures are large. One, a waterfall scene covers the garage door. Other paintings, one of buffalo, another of an old waterwheel.

Mrs. Lorton says she is not finished. To the casual observer, however, they look finished indeed. Mrs. Lorton likes to have visitors come in and see her pictures, and when talking to her one feels this woman is doing something she really likes to do.

The farm welding class will be a beginning instruction program in arc and oxy-acetylene welding.

The typing class will be designed for people who do not know how to type. The course will progress according to the speed of the class with a goal of mastering the fundamentals and then going on to letter typing and manuscripts.

The home gardening and landscaping class will be concerned with problems centered around the family garden and landscaping around the home.

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General clothing, home economics room, 15, Monday, Jan. 14, 7-10 p.m.; Home gardening and landscaping, vo-ag room, 15, Monday, Jan. 14, 7-10 p.m.; Farm and business law, vo-ag room, 11, Thursday, Jan. 10, 8-10 p.m.; Farm welding, vo-ag shop, 11, Tuesday, Jan. 8, 7-9 p.m.; Typing, typing room, 15, Tuesday, Jan. 8, 7-10 p.m.

Regional News

Montague Lighting Winners Picked

Montague - The Montague and vicinity outdoor decorating contest for the holiday season program was a distinct success, states Mrs. Morris Prather, chairman.

The contest was sponsored by the Shasta Valley Garden club and prize money was furnished by Pacific Power and Light company, the Shasta Rotary club, and the sponsors.

First prize for members in town went to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dow for a rooftop, window and door display. First for non-members in town was won by Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Johnson which also featured a rooftop display well lighted.

First for members in the country went to the Morris Prathers with a huge star atop their house containing 75 lights which enables viewers to see it for many miles. First for non-members in the country went to the Orlo Davises in Little Shasta who have a huge Christmas card with a ranch theme.

A special award was given to the Montague Methodist church for a Nativity scene and to the elementary school for a large painted window done by the children.

Second places went to the Paul Weddles for non-members.

NORTHERN CALIF. Television Log

- Wednesday 5:00-Broken Arrow 5:30-Mickey Mouse Club 6:00-Newsbeat Northstate 6:15-Huntley-Brinkley 6:30-International Showtime 7:30-Wagon Train 8:30-Going My Way 9:30-Our Man Higgins 10:00-Naked City 11:00-News Final 11:15-Sportscast 11:15-Tonight Show 12:25-Late News Thursday 9:30-Educational 10:00-Price Is Right 10:30-Concentration 11:00-Jane Wyman 11:30-You're For a Song 12:00-Ernie Ford Show 12:30-Father Knows Best 1:00-Loretta Young 1:30-TV Bingo 2:00-Day in Court 2:24-Holiday Report 2:30-Seven Keys 3:00-Queen for a Day 3:30-Who Do You Trust 4:00-American Bandstand 4:30-Discovery 4:55-Bandstand News 5:00-Super Car 5:30-Mickey Mouse Club 6:00-Newsbeat Northstate 6:15-Huntley-Brinkley 6:30-Father Knows Best 7:00-Guestward Ho 7:30-Ozzie and Harriet 8:00-Donna Reed 8:30-Leave It To Beaver 9:00-My 3 Sons 9:30-Nichelle's Navy 10:00-Fred Astaire Premiere 11:00-News Final 11:15-Sportscast 11:15-Tonight Show 12:25-Late News Friday 9:30-Educational 10:00-Price Is Right 10:30-Concentration 11:00-Jane Wyman 11:30-You're For a Song 12:00-Ernie Ford Show 12:30-Father Knows Best 1:00-Loretta Young 1:30-TV Bingo 2:00-Day in Court 2:24-Holiday Report 2:30-Seven Keys 3:00-Queen for a Day 3:30-Who Do You Trust 4:00-American Bandstand 4:30-Discovery 4:55-Bandstand News 5:00-Jill's Party Time 5:30-Mickey Mouse Club 6:00-Newsbeat

Lady Mail Carrier Used In Central Pt. First Time

By MARY ALICE BRUSHA Mail Tribune Correspondent Central Point - Residents of Central Point got their first glimpse of a lady mail carrier here during the Christmas season.

The Central Point post office found incoming mail before and after Christmas a trifle heavy, but Ben Fagone, a Central Point letter carrier and president of the National Association of Letter carriers, quickly solved the problem.

Mrs. Clinton Charley, a window clerk at the Central Point post office, was the answer. She was sent outside as a lady carrier. Walking from house to house she helped the other carriers disperse the influx of mail.

According to Jack Eidswick, inspector in charge at the Medford Post Office, lady mail carriers are quite common in other parts of the country, and particularly during the last world war they were not an uncommon sight.

But it was a novelty in Central Point. Mrs. Charley is married and is the mother of two children, a grown son and daughter. She lives at Rt. 1, Box 195 Eagle Point. She has been a postal employee for 10 years.



FIRST TIME-Lady mail carriers are a common sight in other parts of the country, but when Mrs. Clinton Charley was called into service to walk from house to house last week, it was the first time a woman had delivered mail in Central Point.

Community Club Board Takes Issue With Move of Phoenix Offices Into Building

Phoenix - The city of Phoenix' action in moving city offices into the community club building here "effectively prevents" the community from using the structure for its intended purpose, the community club board declared today.

In a statement signed by all seven members, the board observed that the city moved its offices into the community club "without any notice to the board."

The statement went on to say, however, that the board intends "to take no further action regarding the city's conduct because of the apparent apathy of the Phoenix community."

In October, 1962, over 200 questionnaires were sent out to parents of junior high school students to determine the extent of their interest in community club affairs. The board pointed out. Only eight replies were received.

The city of Phoenix took over permanent control of the community club in the winter of 1961, stating that club affairs were in a lamentable state and that there was no active, recognized group in charge of the hall.

City officials indicated that control would be returned to a duly elected board after club affairs were put in order, the board members' statement said.

A seven member board subsequently was elected in March, 1962, at a meeting attended by representatives of 21 youth and adult organizations in the Phoenix area.

"By August of 1962, club books and records had been audited and brought up to date, all legal obligations had been met and plans for the future operation of the organization had been formulated," the statement said.

"A letter was written to the Phoenix city council advising it that its conditions had been met and requested an audience with the council regarding return of the facilities to the club corporation.

"To date the city has not formally acknowledged the letter.

Gold Hill Author Will Have 4th Book Published

Gold Hill - Mrs. Ivy Doherty, Upper River road Gold Hill has been notified by the Review and Herald Publishing association, Washington, D. C. that her book entitled "My Carpet Never Wears Out" has been accepted and will be published sometime during the autumn of 1963.

This book is a sequel to "No Need For A Magic Carpet," which was released for sale on Nov. 14, 1962 by the same publishing company.

Theme for the two books is "Life Can Be Wonderful Wherever One Is," and based on true experiences of the author's three youngsters.

Mrs. Doherty was informed that "My Carpet Never Wears Out" has, as was "No Need For A Magic Carpet" been selected for a children's book club for the young peoples department of the General Conference of the Seventh Day Adventist churches throughout the English speaking world.

Other books written by Mrs. Doherty are "The Extra Mile," published in May 1962, and "Susan Haskell, Missionary," published in 1958.

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