

Small Worlds Around Us Lynn W. Watkins By Register & Tribune Staff

Lots of Work Goes Into Making a Jack-o-Lantern At first it was just a tiny knob at the base of a simple yellow flower, growing on a vine that reached farther and farther, its exploring end almost racing away from the parent root. The little knob grew; the pumpkin became as large as a tennis ball, and kept on growing, all during its younger days. It was watched over by a scarecrow, an eerie being of no substance in faded rags and unshining straw hat whose fleshless arms waved and flapped in the warm, summer breeze. Under the warmth of the summer sun, and during the soft, mellow nights, the lonely cornfield received the huddling rain and bowed to occasional winds, these agencies were conspiring together to bring about the growth and eventual fruiting of the pumpkin and the corn. When the nights were warm and muggy, the growing pumpkin heard the rustle of the corn stalks, for "it" said the noise of growth in a cornfield is plainly audible, so rapid is the expansion of the tissues of healthy cornstalks. In the night, too, small animals scurried back and forth through the cornfield, stopping occasionally to look at the expanding green globes on the pumpkin vine. In the daytime, birds sang, rain came and the season marched on. What before had been a murmur of leaves when the wind rustled the corn now became a roar as the corn plants towered several feet above the earth. Along the ground, in the towering forest of corn the pumpkin grew. Ridges etched the plump pumpkin's body. The green slowly faded. A yellow blush spread over the fat sides, tinted with golden streaks. Days and weeks passed; balmy nights gradually turned cooler. The sword-like leaves of the corn turned brown; the heavy ears, bowed from their own weight, pointed earthward. There one night a stranger visited the cornfield; a heavy frost came. The morning sun glistened on frost crystals. The vine on which the pumpkin grew withered and browned. The harvest moon shone in the night sky. Then came the men with wagons, tractors, harvest machinery and determination. The fat pumpkin, along with all its fellows was loaded and carried away. Row after row of corn plants fell to the slashing blades; the corn - forest was laid low. Off to a home field, where it had matured, the pumpkin - folk journeyed and moved in the truck body on its ride to market. Finally, it, along with others of its kind, was removed and displayed in front of a roadside vegetable market. There it was seen by eager children who patted its fat side and imagined what it would look like with holes cut in its rounded body. It was a happy child, the one who finally owned it. Incisions were made in the bulging side. Eyes, a triangular nose, and an inverted new-moon mouth were cut into one side. A round opening was cut in the top, with the stub end as a handle. The tissue and the seeds were scooped out. It was now a hollow, yellow globe - a jack-o-lantern. Inside, the light of a smoking candle danced and flickered, throwing a faint yellow light out through the fat sides. Much brighter was the light that eerily emerged from the eye, nose and mouth openings. Through the unsterilized impulse of growth, over months in a lonely cornfield... after being watched over by a scarecrow, drenched by rains and warmed by the summer sun, with its only companions the wild things of the woods and fields and the growing corn, the great, yellow pumpkin had at last kept its rendezvous with destiny. It became a jack-o-lantern for Halloween.

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Fourteen Convicts Escape Jail in Atlanta County

MAYE LANBING, N.J. (UPI) - Fourteen prisoners cut through steel and concrete at the Atlanta County Jail Tuesday night in a mass escape that was "months in the making." Four of them were captured Wednesday. Authorities seized two of the fugitives in Berlin, N.J., and two others in Hammoncton. The spectacular break was not fully covered until the arrests in Berlin, hours after the escape. Hammoncton patrolman Frank La Sasso arrested Ronald Mitchell, 21, Atlanta City, as he walked along 12th Street at 9 a.m. State troopers from the Hammoncton barracks picked up Walter Reber, 19, Linwood, 30 minutes later. State police recaptured two of the men in Berlin, N.J., early today in a stolen car. None of the escapees had been missed from their cells until state police notified them that they had picked up James Harris, 19, Atlantic City and Albert Young, 22, Philadelphia. The most serious charge against any of the prisoners was a r.m.e.d. robbery, police said. Sheriff Gerard Gormley said the prisoners cut through a steel ceiling and four inches of concrete to reach an air vent. They then crawled through the vent into a room where they removed a metal grate covering the vent opening.

Thornton Warns of Violation of Law During Halloween

(K32 K3K300 Wren nationa SALEM (UPI) - Ghosts and ghouls and things that go bump in the night had all best beware-Atty. Gen. Robert Thornton hooted as he rattled some legal bones to take some of the spook out of the Halloween spooks. "Spooks and haunts roaming around on Halloween should know that while there is no specific state law against soaping windows, any bit of mischief that amounts to defacing property is severely frowned upon," Thornton noted. Halloween is tonight. He said such school or church-sponsored activities as collecting funds for UNICEF have his full approval-but he warned any goblins falsely representing to collect money for charity would run into a real live nightmare. "Even the ghosts or witches who are traditionally supposed to frolic in graveyards at midnight had better be careful, because the state laws against disturbing the dead, toppling gravestones, or otherwise being a nuisance in cemeteries," Thornton said. Besides grave markers, there are a great many specific objects protected by state law from damage or defacing, including buildings, cars, fences, gates, bridges, machinery, monuments, motor vehicles, shrubbery and signposts, the attorney general reminded.

Oregon Said to Have Tremendous Business Future

PORTLAND (UPI) - Oregon has a "tremendous business potential," the operating head of Dean Witter & Co. said Wednesday as the firm opened new electronically equipped offices in the Standard Plaza building. John Witter, managing partner in charge of operations, said the company was impressed by Oregon's progress in moving from a one-product lumber economy to a "well diversified one which includes an ever expanding number of highly reputed manufacturing enterprises." Future Prospects He said Oregon has no lopsided dependence on defense business "at a time when some skepticism has been voiced here and there about the future prospects for many defense industries." Witter praised the state's "healthy political climate," relatively low per capita public debt, a crime rate far below the national average, and above-average educational levels. He said the Oregon population should grow from 30 to 37 percent in the 1960's. William B. Boone, resident partner, told a breakfast audience that shareholders in Oregon had grown in 10 years from 50,000 to 150,000, and were expected to reach 225,000 by 1970. The Netherlands has an area of 15,764 square miles.

