

It Happened This Way New Pine Creek

By IRVIN FARIS

This week has been a bear-catt! It started out with the arrival of the district's new fire truck about a week ago and has been gaining in suspense and momentum each day. During a strange contraption so full of petcocks, valves, pipes, etc. in nearly zero weather can put the doom of cuckoo on a bunch of green-horns. What sort of scared us, was week ago last Sunday at a truck operational meeting—held out at certain spots—underneath and we couldn't get the pumper started—she sucked air—poison or something lethal. She was a dead baby! Surely the Guru of the District had been laid upon the district!

But dear old Abbit, the Nelson Equipment company's mechanic, came down the next day—put in some more valves and petcocks for draining—waxed his music wand over her, a few times and the pumping apparatus of the neat looking job with only 1700 some odd miles on her speedometer, again hummed a song of pulsating security.

On Wednesday Bill White of the Oregon fire insurance rating bureau, gave the job a thorough test—pumped down at the Willow River road. She'll have a tag that will lower our insurance rates some—perhaps 5 percent—but it won't be the more brilliant rating for which we had at first aimed. You can't be too choosy when your working capital is just a little nest egg. But don't let anyone kid you—our paltry five grand expended on that job is just a mighty fine investment in case of fire.

Under official test the rig threw 481 gallons per minute whistling out through her nozzle with 120.19 pounds of pressure.

A class "A" job would have had to put out 500 gallon with 250 pounds of pressure—that was what the board originally strove for but that kind of a job would have cost the district around \$14,000. For all practical purposes in this area, 350 pounds of pressure is not nearly as important or hardly ever used like in the cities where there are huge buildings. The only advantage of such equipment would have been a possibility of lower insurance rates. It is subject to other qualifications and requirements that the district does not have at this time but is gradually built into.

In time, it is hoped by the board, when the district finances will have improved so that a greater investment in equipment becomes more justifiable, a better layout can be purchased.

The next thing on the fire district docket is to get a good live firemen's organization whipped into action. Fire Chief Kelton Butler is charged with this responsibility with the aid of the board. Every property owner in the district has an interest in the fire truck and it behooves all to rally around in full support and cooperation with the fire chief to get a lively organization activated as soon as possible.

The board has discussed this procedure and to build the new organization around the social aspects and latent possibilities within the local area, centered upon the common objective of getting the 16 well trained firemen efficiently reared for action.

Badges for the firemen have already been ordered and big things socially are planned for the district which will be more or less hand-picked until a new fire truck can be erected to serve as an accommodative meeting place. It will be a distinct honor to serve as a fireman in the district when all the angels have been worked out, it is the belief of the board.

The Home Ec ladies held their Christmas party last Thursday evening, December 13, at which business was mixed with pleasure and a fine social time was enjoyed. While the ladies' men folks decorated the big tree, they did the job of it, the women prepared the treats for the kiddos at the Grange Christmas party. A wonderful supper was thrown in for good measure and all present thoroughly enjoyed it. The ladies also revealed the names of their secret pals and an exchange of nice gifts took place.

At the regular meeting of the Grange held last Saturday evening it was decided to hold a benefit

dance on Monday, December 31—a great big New Year's dance—to dance the old year out and the new one in. Serving on the dance committee will be John Richardson, chairman; Paul Turner, Lee O'Neil and Alvin McKune. A big time is expected for it is probably the most celebrated holiday of the year. The Grange orchestra will provide the music.

Following the Grange meeting the members held their annual Christmas party. There was a nice appropriate program of musical numbers, recitations, skills and readings.

When Santa came—what a sight! But with him came the distribution of a lot of good things to eat for the kiddos—candy, nuts, apples, oranges and other favors which they all enjoyed.

Here's a tip—if you ever consent to playing Santa Claus remember not to talk too much and don't wear an extra pillow especially if you weigh over 200 pounds. For one little girl—11 was the four-year-old daughter of Bill and Hazel Van Cleve—said cryptically, "Isn't he cute—he's about to lose his pillow."

This awareness destroys any confidence that you might otherwise have and brings you right up into the ring. Anyway Santa Claus thoroughly enjoyed looking into the faces of those sincere little fellows—all eyes and no questions asked.

Dancing followed the program and a little later supper was served. Dancing continued until about 1:30 a.m. Then two sets of square dancing until about 3 o'clock.

The Happy Hour club held its Christmas party Monday evening December 17 with nearly all of its members and their families present.

After a very complete and improved program was held consisting of two plays, and some musical numbers. One play was a "Style Review" with Mrs. Alice Allen, impersonating the announcer (a foreigner) who elaborated upon the models as they appeared in succession. "Our Happy Home" was played by Mrs. Dorothy Leehman and Mrs. Amy Cloud. It was a kick—they laughed when they shoulda cried.

Fisher played the accordion accompanied by her sister, Anna Mae on the piano. The numbers were "Silver Bell" and "Here Comes Santa Claus." Mrs. Margaret Carter and Mrs. Eunice Cosburn sang a duet "Joy to the World." About that time Santa Claus arrived, impersonated by Mrs. Hilda Holt of Lakeview. The children were delighted among the laps of the older folks. The secret pals exchanged gifts and what I mean they were beautiful gifts. Every lady's gift was a exquisite hand-picked piece—usually of precious design.

A lovely dinner was served which concluded the evening.

Oh—yes! Grandpa is doing the column this week. Just happened today. Daughter Sue was visited by the stork about 10:30 this morning, December 1, and it's a boy. His name is (don't know yet) and he weighed 12 1/2 pounds.

The stork came in on the wings of schedule following the old rule "all Christmas packages should be delivered early" and was met by Mrs. Margaret Carter and Mrs. Kelton Vincent are proud parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bradley stopped Tuesday noon to bid adieu and pick up a few edibles as they were leaving on a month's vacation down into the sunny south. They will visit in Modesto, and Los Angeles and drift on down to San Diego where some friends of their own a cabin launch. Here they have been invited to go deep sea fishing. Then they will float over the border with the ultra-modern house trailer into old Mexico and relax to Mexican hospitality. They will probably return via Arizona.

Mrs. Erby Mulkey received word Wednesday, December 12, that her mother, Mrs. Maudie Phoenix, Ariz., was not expected to live. Mrs. Mulkey left immediately. It was later learned that Mrs. Mantle had passed away.

Mr. William Franz and daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Gentry, returned last Wednesday after having spent several weeks visiting back in Illinois. They never encountered any snow until they got home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson entertained with a turkey dinner December 12 in honor of Mrs. Helen Brausey's birthday. Mrs. Richardson's guests were Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bradley, Carl Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Turner, Patsy Byrd and Mrs. Alice Hammersley of New Pine Creek. After dinner the group played cards and bingo and had a very pleasant time.

A banded mallard duck shot on October 27, 1951 by Stover Farm was reported to the department of interior. A reply to the report was that this bird was banded when shot at the Gray Lodge refuge in Gridley, Calif. two years ago on October 30, 1949, by the California division of fish and game.

By means of these numbered bands important investigations relative to the migrations and life histories of North American birds are being carried on. The pamphlet reads: "The bands are attached to the birds by volunteer operators who serve without pay. These operators are scattered over the continent in Alaska, Canada, Mexico, and the United States, and in South America and the Hawaiian Islands."

Wild birds banded and released in North America have been covered as far away as Argentina, Siberia, Africa, Greenland, France, and the North Cook Islands of New Zealand in the Southwest Pacific.

From these recovery reports the ages which birds attain in the wild are being ascertained. A few samples are: Black Duck 17 years; Caspian Tern, 22 years; Chimney Swift, 12 years; and Chickadee, 9 years.

Scientific banding or "ringing" dates back to 1859 in the old world and was first organized in this country by the American Bird Banding association in 1909. In 1920 the program was taken over by the U.S. biological survey.

The Fish and Wildlife Service, by the Migratory Bird Treaty act, bird-banding in North America is under the general direction of the U.S. department of interior. In cooperation with the California Wildlife Service of the department of resources and development, special permits have been issued to some two thousand volunteer cooperators who do most of the actual banding.

Nearly six million birds have now been banded and some four or five hundred thousand more are being banded each year. From these birds some five hundred thousand recoveries have been obtained. The success of the bird-banding work is dependent on the voluntary cooperation of the general public in reporting all the banded birds which are found.

Four-H News

MALIN BEEF CLUB Norman Oliva was elected president of the Malin Beef club at the home of Earl Wilson, December 2. Other officers elected were Harry Wilson; vice president and Harry Wilson; leader; Marvin Macken, secretary, Roxanne, Harry, and Farrell Wilson, Norma and Norman Oliva, William and Jerry Rajnus, Shirley Mook, Marvin Macken, Donnie Micka, and Jimmy Parker.

Kathleen Wilson reported on how to start a call on feed. The next meeting will be held at the home of Jimmy Parker, January 6. Rope halters will be made. Club members present were Lou Ann and Gordon Kandra, Shirley and Steven Schofield, Sharon, Beverly and Jimmy Scott, Kathleen, Roxanne, Harry, and Farrell Wilson, Norma and Norman Oliva, William and Jerry Rajnus, Shirley Mook, Marvin Macken, Donnie Micka, and Jimmy Parker.

THE GAY SEWING CLUB The Gay Sewing club of Altamont met at the home of Mrs. Charles Thurman, November 1. The meeting was called to order by Pres. Shirley Brady. Minutes were read by Secy. Lorraine Clark. A report was made by Delores Tracy about assembling our sewing kit.

All the girls started making a needle case.



MR. AND MRS. WRIGHT A. CARLETON, who were married in the Trinity Methodist church in Chico on November 23. The couple will be at home in Corvallis, where the bridegroom is a senior at OSC. —Photo by Staples, Chico

Marzolla - Carleton Vows Exchanged in Chico

Trinity Methodist church in Chico, was the scene of the marriage of Mary Ruth Marzolla to Wright A. Carleton when Rev. William Gould read the evening service before a number of friends and relatives on November 23. Mary Ruth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene W. Reed, Chico; and her father gave her in marriage.

Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Carleton, 264 S. Eldorado.

Baskets of white chrysanthemums flanked with seven branched candelabra and jeweled with fern tied with white satin ribbon formed the background for the double ring ceremony.

The bride's gown was of Chantilly lace and net over white tulle with full length sleeves pointed over the wrists. Her illusion veil was held up with white satin ribbons. The bride carried a bouquet of orange blossoms and she carried a bouquet of white carnations and stephanotis.

Myrtle Robertson of Toledo, Oregon, was maid of honor wearing lavender tulle. Secondary attendants were the bride's sisters, Arlyne Marzolla and Bettie Lewis of Corvallis in gold tulle gowns. Each carried bouquets of bronze chrysanthemums.

Little Cheryl Stamats, niece of the bridegroom, from Oakland, was flower girl. She wore a pale pink tulle frock and her headpiece was of pink roses. Candelighters were Elsie Marshall of Chico, and Mary Knudson, Corvallis. They were in gold and green tulle frocks, respectively.

James Cresswell of Klamath Falls was best man. Ushers were Don Erickson and Don Mesner, also of Klamath Falls.

Following the ceremony, Carl Hunter sang "Give Me Your Hand," "Because" and "The Lord's Prayer." He was accompanied by the organ by Mrs. Paul Hill.

For her daughter's wedding Mrs. Reed chose a charcoal gray ensemble with pink accessories. Mrs. Carleton wore navy with gray accessories.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at Hotel Oaks. Patricia Stoddard was in charge of the guest book.

For her going away costume the bride wore a gray suit with black accessories. The couple honeymooned in southern California and Mexico.

Mary Ruth was graduated from Chico high school in 1950 and attended OSC for one year where she was affiliated with Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

The bridegroom is a senior at OSC. The young couple is making their home in Corvallis while Wright completes his studies.

Out of town guests included: The bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Carleton, Mr. and Mrs. Stamats and daughter of Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carey of Woodland; Mrs. Gerald Sutton, Redding; and Mrs. Lois Cowen, bridegroom's aunt from Oakland.

MALIN The Malin Home Extension Unit met December 4 at the high school home ec room. The meeting was opened with scripture reading by Mrs. Smalley, followed with a short cut method of frosting cup cakes demonstrated by Mrs. Ben Johnson. Roll call was answered with each member placing a used toy in the box, to be given to the firemen who will distribute them to children at Christmas.

"Silent Night" was sung by all. The project for the meeting was freezing precooked food. Precooked and frozen foods were brought and compared to the same foods which had been cooked that day. Teams with four women each examined and tasted the foods to determine which was the fresh and which had been frozen and thawed. The project leader was Mrs. Elva Smalley. Those present were: Elva Johnson, Emma Morelock, Bonita Mautney, Elva Smalley, Beattie Cornett, Gladys Rajnus, Violette Kunz, Virginia Rajnus, Betty Halousek, Norma Petrasek, Irena Jelinek, Elsie Mook, Mildred Rajnus, Gladys Halousek, Mildred Helm, Opai Day and Caroline Lovness.

Rainbow Girls At Malin

MALIN —Rainbow Girls were honored Wednesday evening, December 12, with the visit of Mrs. Verna Gray of Seaside, supreme inspector of Rainbow Girls in Oregon. Accompanying her was Doris Groves, Lebanon, grand worthy advisor of Oregon Rainbow.

The officers of the Malin assembly exemplified the work for Mrs. Gray's approval.

Escorted in the east besides the distinguished guests, were Ann Payne, worthy matron, Prosperity chapter OES, and Charles Hamilton, worthy patron.

Members of the local Rainbow board were present as well as several visitors from Manzanita chapter, OES of Klamath Falls.

During the business meeting the girls voted to make and take cookies to the old folks at the county farm for Christmas.

The meeting was preceded by a potluck supper, which was served from delightfully decorated tables carrying out the Christmas theme.

Pinochle Party

LANGELL VALLEY—Mrs. Louis Staller entertained at her home on December 11, with a pinochle party. Her home was attractively decorated with a Christmas motif and the refreshments were carried out in red and green.

Mrs. Charles Schmiedl won the high prize. Mrs. Joe Poturek got low and Mrs. Kermit Keyser won the travelling prize. Others present to enjoy the afternoon were Mrs. Ted Schmiedl, Mrs. George Fernlund, Mrs. John Sullivan, and Mrs. Dick Holman.



THE NEW MR. AND MRS. RAWLAND E. MUELLER, who were married in the Sunnyside Methodist church in Portland, November 24 at 4:00 p.m. Dr. William Bowman officiated. The couple are now at home, 4691 Cannon avenue. They are shown with their attendants, John Hamstreet and Mrs. Robert Kendall, best man and matron of honor. —Photo by Kennel Ellis, Portland

COUPLE WED IN PORTLAND

Sunnyside Methodist church in Portland was the scene of the wedding of Velma Buzzee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Buzzee, 1616 S. E. 34th street, Portland, to Rawland E. Mueller, son of Mrs. E. G. Patrick, 4691 Cannon avenue. Dr. William Bowman officiated.

Escorted to the altar by her father who gave her in marriage, the bride was gowned in an aqua tulle dress, ankle length, with net overskirt lace sleeves and high lace collar. Her fingertip veil was held in place with orange blossoms. The bridal bouquet was of white chrysanthemums centered with a white orchid.

Before the ceremony Richard Denner sang "Always" accompanied by Mrs. C. Grover at the organ.

Candelighters were Sandra Benson and Diana McInosh. Matron of honor was Mrs. Robert Kendall in ankle length tulle dress with net overskirt. Her nosegay was of yellow chrysanthemums.

The three bridesmaids were dressed alike in aqua tulle dresses styled as the matron of honor's, and they carried nosegays of rust chrysanthemums. They were Josie Lou Buzzee, JoAnne Mahan and Vivian Repp.

The Gay Sewing club met at the home of Mrs. Thurman again November 26. The meeting was called to order by Shirley Brady. The group sang "Do You Hear My Hang Low?" and the "Night Herding Song."

The program was planned for the year. The girls voted that they would draw names for Christmas gifts.

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