

ALONG NATURE'S TRAIL by KEN McLEOD

The Oregon Division of the Inaak Walton League made known and presented its Beaver Awards at its annual meeting November 26 in Portland, Oregon. The trophy, a sitting figure of a beaver, mounted on a wooden pedestal, which is faced with an engraved plaque, is given in recognition to Oregonians who have been outstanding in their contribution to the cause of conservation.

The Oregon Division's highest honors for conservation activities, "Beavers," are awarded to four men or women who during the year have done the most to advance the cause of conservation through their work in the Public Schools, Newspapers, and Magazines, Radio and Television, and in the capacity of just Plain Citizens.

Governor Patterson was the recipient of a "Beaver" for his efforts as a citizen in furthering the cause of conservation, especially his efforts in promoting legislation that resulted in the formation of the Oregon Water Resources Survey Committee whose program is to be presented to the next legislative session is expected to be of great importance in the future development of Oregon's water resources provided the Legislature adopts the recommendations presented.

Since the duck happens to be the symbol of Governor Patterson's alma mater the Wallonian, presented the Governor a live mallard duck just so that there might not be some collegiate criticism of their selection of the Beaver.

Former Governor Charles A. Sprague, publisher of the "Oregon Statesman" was the recipient of a "Beaver" for his contribu-

tion to the cause of conservation in the newspaper field.

Owen C. Dunning, Portland television commentator, was awarded a "Beaver" for his contribution in the Radio and Television field; and William P. Edwards, principal of Sisters High School, a "Beaver" for work in conservation in the field of education.

These annual awards serve to focus attention on conservation achievement and to stimulate greater public interest in the subject of conservation, are expected to emphasize the advancement that the subject of conservation has made in Oregon. Each "Beaver" award winner merits the public recognition he receives for each has been a leader in his own field. The Inaak Walton League's award is made only to individuals and is not confined to members of that organization. The award of the "Beavers" undoubtedly will do much to advance the cause of conservation in Oregon.

The panel discussions held during the meeting strongly stressed the problems of wildlife and the problem of migratory fish was one topic that received a considerable degree of attention. The threat of Big Dams to the fishery resource was thoroughly discussed and there appeared to be some threat of hope that the construction of Dams on the Columbia might not entirely destroy this great resource.

Frank R. Butler, Game Commissioner for British Columbia, sketched the latest work being done in his area to try to solve the problem of the high dam over which the construction of fish ladders are considered to be impractical at the present time. The fish are collected in pools below the dam and transported by trucks to the river above the dam. The problem of getting the fish up the stream appears to be easily answered, the problem of getting them back down the stream from the spawning grounds to the ocean is much more difficult. In British Columbia, the fisheries people are now trying out a new design of spillway over the top of the high dam, one in which they hope will be able to allow the young fish to pass in a long slide down the face of the dam and arrive without damage in the river below. Screening methods have been tried to direct the young fish to the proper channel for escape and electrical currents of a special nature have been experimented with which possess the property of repelling fish from danger zones.

The importance of stream improvement was stressed in the discussions and much work is now going on to remove obstructions in streams to permit the passage of fish into the upper reaches of streams, that heretofore were blocked to their travel. The importance of spawning beds was emphasized this year on the Frazer River where a great deal of improvement work has been done. This year the Frazer River had a most encouraging run of salmon and it was pointed out that in the value of fish hatched from each acre of spawning bed produced a yield of fish that amounted to \$48,000 in the can, not to say what values accrued to the sport fishing industry in the area.



"I finally started my Christmas shopping today—I bought a new hat, dress and shoes to shop in!"

BONANZA

By CORA LEAVITT

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Givan, Eugene, Gordon Givan, Portland, Pat and Bob Givan, Klamath Falls, spent Thanksgiving with their parents the Ernest Givans and grandfather, Dan Driscoll.

Pat Wakefield and her committee collected over \$100 for the United Fund from Bonanza residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Sparks entertained the following guests Thanksgiving Day: Mr. and Mrs. Everett Sparks and family, Klamath Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Malpert, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sparks, Bonanza.

Jess Whitlatch received the sad news of the death of his brother Harvey Whitlatch of Bonanza, Kansas, November 22. He had been ill for sometime. Harvey and his wife spent a month here and at Henley two years ago and knew a lot of Klamath people.

Mrs. Christine McCormick, who teaches at North Bend spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her daughter Mrs. Ivan Bold and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan House and family had as dinner guests on Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin House, Medford; Mr. and Mrs. Bill House and son, Mr. and Mrs. Tom House and family, Mr. and Mrs. David House and family, Bly; Mr. and Mrs. Elliott House, Langell Valley.

Betty Ralph, Portland, spent the long holiday weekend with her parents the Don Ralphs.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown, Deanna and Trudy, Mrs. Ruby Brown and Harold Snyder spent Thanksgiving in Langell Valley with the Wes Dearborn family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and Margie enjoyed Thanksgiving din-

ner in Klamath Falls with daughter Adele Hiltson and family. Mrs. Brown recently returned from Plummer, Idaho, where she visited her parents and other relatives and friends. John's brother Bill and family brought her home and spent several days here.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Oberheide and Linda spent Thanksgiving at Eugene with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Malpert are spending the long weekend at the coast, and the Bill Bechholdts are on a fishing trip at Smith River. Vern Haley of Corvallis was home for the holidays.

The Bonanza Women's Club will meet at the Library December 7, at 2 p.m. After the business meeting there will be a Singer sewing machine demonstration. Hostesses will be Norma Bechholdt, Betty Rice and Pat Wakefield. President of the organization, Esther Brown invited all interested to attend the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Pepple entertained with a family dinner on Thanksgiving Day, present were her sister, Georgia Sealoff, Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Wells, Tulalake; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Pepple, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pepple and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pepple and sons, Klamath Falls. The Pepples and Miss Sealoff spent Saturday at Tulalake with the O. C. Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Puddy went to Hood River to spend several days with his sister and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Enos Bland and daughter Debbie have moved from Macdoel to the Cliff Sewald ranch which they bought. Thanksgiving Day they had as dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Howrey Roberts and children, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Elva Maxwell had Thanksgiving dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Carl Prough and Craig, Klamath Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Maxwell and Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Prough.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Whitlatch spent Thanksgiving Day at the Roy Whitlatch home.

Don't forget the big annual bazaar given for the benefit of the Bonanza Library, at the library starting at 2 p.m. December 4. Parents and Patrons meet December 1, at 8 p.m. All interested adults invited.

MALIN

By GLADYS HALOUSEK

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Johnson and family spent Thanksgiving at Dallas, with Mrs. Johnson's mother, Janet Elmore, Portland, spent Thanksgiving in Malin with her parents. She was recently initiated into membership of the Lewis and Clark Chapter of the Future Teachers of America.

Another local girl in Portland is Shirley Travis, who is working at the Portland Public Library.

George Clark, state highway department engineer and wife, Roseburg, and John Hatch, Bureau of Reclamation engineer, Medford, were visitors recently of Mr. and Mrs. Ben J. Daniel.

Elizabeth McVey and college friend Mary Lee Ford, North Bend spent Thanksgiving with Elizabeth's parents, the Earl McVays.

Mrs. Kenneth Huffman and daughter Judy, recent victims of an auto accident have returned to their home after spending nearly a month in a Klamath Falls hospital. Judy is able to attend school, but must go with the aid of crutches.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George Browning, who became the proud parents of a baby son, Billy Shippy, USN, brother of Mrs. Jerry Micka, recently spent a three day leave here visiting the Jerry Micka family. He had just returned from Japan where he had been stationed for the past 18 months. He made his home with the Mickas before entering the service and has many friends here.

Henry O'Keefe has been discharged from the Army and is back home with his parents, the Tom O'Keefes, after having spent the last three months in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Plazil, San Francisco, were guests of Mrs. Mary Hensel during the hunting season.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Halousek and sons were at Redmond for the Thanksgiving holiday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Daniel.

Dinner guests of the Emil Totells Thanksgiving Day were Mr. and Mrs. Ab Herringshaw and family of Henley.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mullanix and family returned home Saturday from Placerville, California, where they had visited with Mrs. Mullanix's mother.

Spending Thanksgiving in Walla Walla, Washington, was the Ed Stastny family.

The Ted DeMerritt family spent Thanksgiving in Sacramento with relatives. Joan DeMerritt, who attends Oregon State College joined them there. They also enjoyed a trip to San Francisco, to see Cinerama and other interesting things.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rick and Larry and Mr. and Mrs. Orin Dokken spent Thanksgiving at Idanha, Oregon, with Mrs. Rick's brother and family the Edwin Evenses. They returned home Friday afternoon.

Thanksgiving day was spent at Orland, California, by the Robert Holl family at the home of Mrs. Holl's mother, Mrs. S. E. Loveness.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Loveness and children spent last week in Orland with Mrs. Loveness' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Wickland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Daniel returned home Saturday from Redmond, where they had spent Thanksgiving with their son and daughter and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips recently made a trip to San Francisco, where they visited with John's sister Frankie and with his father John Madden, who was there at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Wagner and boys spent Thanksgiving at Portland.

EXPERTS

ROME (AP) — Soviet Russia is showing strong interest in the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organization after spurning it for years. Seven Soviet agricultural experts have arrived here to study FAO's program and operating methods.

PENALTY

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — The prosecution yesterday demanded the death penalty for two Muslim Brotherhood leaders charged before a military court with "activities against the security of the state." The two, Dindawi Duweir and Ibrahim el Tayeb, pleaded innocent.

land with both their parents.

The Vince Havilmas' picked up daughter Barbara at Ashland, where she attends SOC and drove to Lodi, California to spend Thanksgiving with Vince's mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fisk and family returned home Sunday evening after spending Thanksgiving at Prairie City with both Mr. and Mrs. Fisk's parents.

Donald Loveness, University of Oregon student, spent Thanksgiving with his parents, the Loyal Lovenses.

Among the college students spending Thanksgiving in Malin with parents were, Ruth Kalina, Pearl Ottomano, Patti Smith, Susan and Shirley Schofield, Phillis Johnson, Wesley Hamilton, Darla Sa-

rutski, Martha McAniff and Leslie Martin.

Sympathy from the community is given members of the family of Mrs. Katherine Spolek, who died last week at the age of 76. Funeral services were held for her Monday.

day. She was buried in the Malin Cemetery.

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Youth Given Life Sentence

MEDFORD (AP) — Donald Chesley, 19, Coos Bay, who was accused of participating in the slaying of a housewife here last April, pleaded guilty Tuesday to a reduced charge and was sentenced at once to life imprisonment.

Circuit Judge H. A. Hanna imposed the sentence after Chesley pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and assault and robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon.

The district attorney said he reduced the charge after Chesley took a truth serum and underwent questioning about the slaying of Mrs. Fern Hile in a robbery attempt at the Hile home April 24. The district attorney said Chesley apparently did not take part in the actual slaying.

Chesley's companion in the robbery attempt, James Norman Jensen, 25, Larkspur, Calif., was sentenced to death after being convicted of wielding the hatchet. The execution date was set for Jan. 7, but a motion for a new trial for Jensen now is before Judge Hanna.

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