

## OES Chapter Initiates One

At the regular meeting of Nehalem chapter, OES, Wednesday, November 3, an impressive initiation was held at which Cliff Norwood received the degrees of the Order. His sister, Dorothy Waddle, associate matron of Ridgfield Chapter 182 of Ridgfield, Washington, acted as a courtesy candidate.

Other visitors were Hallie McMichael, past matron, from Ridgfield and Margaret Sinclair of Knowles Chapter, McMinnville.

Plans were made to assist with the birthday party at the Masonic Home at Forest Grove this Friday, November 10.

Lillian P. Davis, past grand matron, is attending General Grand Chapter in Washington, D. C., from November 3 to November 10. An interesting report is expected when she returns.

The members of the social club have been busy taking the city census. This will be completed this week.

At the next chapter meeting, November 15, there will be a re-obligation ceremony to observe the Chapter birthday. There also will be observance of Thanksgiving.

During the social hour last Wednesday, the pumpkin pie with whipped cream were served at tables prettily decorated with fall flowers and leaves.

## Christmas Club Checks Mailed

Nearly \$2 billion has been sent to 15,400,000 Christmas shoppers in the United States who were members of Christmas clubs at financial institutions this past year, according to LeRoy B. Staver, president of U. S. National Bank of Oregon.

In making the announcement, Staver said that this was the most money ever paid out to Christmas Club members. He said that U. S. National issued checks totaling nearly \$2 billion the past week to its Christmas club members. The total included interest earned on the accounts.

Surprisingly only \$755.5 million, or slightly more than 38 percent of the total savings from Christmas Clubs, will be spent for Christmas gifts, while \$620 million will be put into permanent savings. The remainder is used for a variety of purposes ranging from winter vacations to the payment of taxes.

Not so surprising is the fact that seven out of every 10 Christmas club checks go to women since American women now handle 75 percent of family banking transactions.

## Veterans Day Dinner Planned

The American Legion Auxiliary issues a reminder this week of the plans made by them and the local Legion Post for the annual potluck dinner at the hall to observe Veterans day. The dinner is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Saturday and in addition to members of the organization, other veterans and families, all interested persons in the community who wish to bring potluck dinner and join them are invited to do so.

The three girls who attended Girls State at Salem last summer are to be guests at the dinner and will give their reports from those sessions. These promise to be most interesting.

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## MEN IN UNIFORM

In a letter received by his mother Mrs. Harold Shipley, from T. Sgt. Jack Gates, Phu Cat, Viet Nam he says that weather there is around 85 degrees day time and 70 degrees at night. He mentions the fact that after living in the Sacramento area for several years, he is used to the heat, but it takes some of the boys a couple of months to get acclimatized.

When it rains it is fantastic, he states. It comes in big drops and it really rains hard, then it seems to break up and makes a mist, so it is almost impossible to see any thing. But so far the rains have only lasted about one hour and then it slacks off so things can move about again.

To quote from his letter: "I work in the control room, same as I did at Mathers A.F.B. - Control what aircraft will fly assign priorities to jobs and send the mechanics out to priority jobs first. All of the aircraft is on a board and know the status whether it needs parts work or what."

"We have radio and TV so things aren't too tough here!"

"We have one aircraft set up for carrying wounded and when the Army calls for that we know they have been hit, but the helicopters bring them to the small strips then our caribous take them from the strips to the hospital. We get a lot of them in the hospital 30 minutes after they have been hit."

"We have another set up for relay of radio messages. This plane stands by. If the Army gets pinned down some where, we fly this one in with the big radios aboard. The Army calls the airplane and they relays messages for support or what they need and where. Mostly though we fly to An Khe and move Army troops in and out of trouble spots etc. We support the 1st Cavalry."

T. Sgt. Jack Gates

## Entertainers Billed at Show

Stealing an Auto Show isn't easy, but the Frivolous Five may do just that. The five middle aged women who kick up a storm of Dixieland could commit the theft at the Portland Auto Show in Memorial Coliseum November 21 through 26.

Although Rick Nelson, the young singer-actor with eight gold records behind him, tops the variety show bill, the ladies with the funny hats and hot licks have a knack of avoiding second fiddle.

From Jane Sager, the Stevens College alum who taught Herb Albert about the trumpet, to Jean Skinner, drummer and another alum of Ina Ray Hutton's all girl orchestra, the ladies are all "first chair." Highlighting their stomping style of jazz with comic patter, the "girls" have been regulars at the Al Hirt club in New Orleans and at the Alladin in Las Vegas.

Besides Rick Nelson other spots on the six evening and three matinee stage presentations will be filled by comedian Don Rice, swaypole stunter George Bruno and trumpet swinging master of ceremonies Johnny Matson.

The Auto Show will offer nearly 300 glistening examples of the 1968 look in domestic and import automobiles exhibited by the 37 member dealers of the Automobile Dealers Association of Portland.

## Good Turn Day Nov. 18

Goodwill Industries is a place where handicapped people, unable to find a job elsewhere, get their chance. Usable clothing is the main support of the Goodwill program. Boy Scouts and Cubs playing Santa Claus early do their Good Turn for Goodwill on NOVEMBER 18th. Please fill the bags they leave at your door next Saturday with repairable clothing you no longer need. The Scouts shall return for your gifts to Goodwill Saturday, November 18th.

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EIGHTH GRADE members of the cast for the play "The Ghost Goes West", are shown in a tense moment at a practice held this week. Mystery and comedy combine in the play which will be presented Friday night.

## Markham Attends IOOF Convention

P.E. (Jim) Markham spent from Thursday to Saturday of last week at Wenatchee, Washington attending the Northwest Odd Fellows Association convention. There were 247 delegates from British Columbia, Washington, Idaho and Oregon. All branches of the order were represented.

Emphasis was placed on the fraternal wheel of progress with special significance placed on each part of the wheel in relation to Odd Fellowship. Both sectional and general meetings were held. In evaluating committee reports, the one from Idaho was given by Grand Warden Frank Markham of Mt. Home, Idaho, son of P. E. Markham participated in the events for the Association Ladies Auxiliary, Patriarchs Militant.

Among those at the convention from Oregon were the grand master, Oscar G. Beech and Ralph Paul.

## Clason Children Receive Toy Award

Two more Vernonia youngsters have been honored for designing an original model from Tinkertoys. They are Joyce and Robert Clason, youthful residents of 101 North street, Vernonia, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Clason.

The award, a junior engineer certificate from the Toy Tinkers, division of A. G. Spalding & Bros., Inc., reads: "In recognition of creative imagination, ingenuity and skill, the Toy Tinkers offers this certificate as evidence of this achievement."

Along with the certificate, they automatically will be entered in the 1967 scholarship award program to find the most imaginative creation of the year.

Mary Odam was previously announced as a winner of this award.

## Spice Shelf Lesson Due at Unit Meeting

The Vernonia Home Extension Unit meets Thursday, November 16 at 10:30 a.m. at the West Oregon Electric building. Every home maker is cordially invited to attend.

The project is "Exploring the Spice Shelf", so it should be an interesting meeting.

Constant dredging is needed to keep sand, blown in from the nearby desert, out of the Suez canal.

## Golden Agers To Hear SS Man

The recently organized Golden Age club will hold a potluck dinner at the Vernonia Community Center in the VFW hall Friday of next week, November 17, at 12 noon, after which they will hear Woodrow Moe, field representative from the Portland Social Security office, explain medicare.

The club was formally organized at a meeting at the center October 27. This followed several get-togethers during which the group decided they would like to form a club.

Officers chosen for the club are as follows: Chairman, Norman Davis; vice-chairman, Mrs. Norman Davis; secretary, Mrs. Orville Armstrong and treasurer, Mrs. Lona Weidman. Mrs. L. F. Lahmeyer will serve as chairman of the entertainment committee and will be assisted by Mrs. W. C. Rundle and Mrs. Carolyn Keasey.

There were 27 present for the November 3 business meeting at which plans were made for the events of November 17. The group plans to hold a business meeting the first Friday of each month and a social the third Friday. All persons aged 55 or over are invited to attend and join the club.

## Ray Honored as Month Trainee

Chet Ray of Mist route, representative of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the U. S., was presented a plaque honoring him as "Top Trainee" in the Fanning Agency in Portland during their recent campaign, "The Protectors".

He was the only "Presidential Protector" (over 1,000 points) in the Biden district.

Mr. Ray, who has been with Equitable since June 1, 1967, was also named "Trainee of the Month" for September.

Mr. Ray has offices in the Weil Arcade in Hillsboro. He and his wife Georgia have been long time residents of Vernonia.

## Timber Route Unit To Study Seasonings

Timber Route Extension Unit will meet Tuesday, November 14, 10:30 a.m. at the West Oregon Electric building.

Project leaders Mrs. F. E. Fuquay and Mrs. G. L. Smith, will present the lesson on "Exploring the Seasoning Shelf."

Members are reminded to bring ideas for Christmas gifts and decorations. A potluck luncheon will be served at noon.



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