

White Shadow in the South County

Given the opportunity to speak, White Shadow would probably insist that an alarm clock is no suitable substitute for a mother.

White Shadow is a West Highland White Terrier, which might look to you exactly like a White Scottie. She's only two months old, and a brand new resident at the home of Mrs. Esther Dunningan, 8007 Parsons Road, Castro Valley.

The tiny doggie whined and whimpered through her first night away from her mother, but friends of Mrs. Dunningan knew how to cure that.

"Put an alarm clock into her box with her," they advised. "Its loud tick will keep her company and she'll be quiet. She'll think it's her mother's heart beating, or something."

So Mrs. Dunningan did and White Shadow did and all was quiet.

Come the next evening and Mrs. Dunningan went to wind up the clock. The wind-up knob was missing. It wasn't in the box, it wasn't on the floor, and Mrs. Dunningan looked suspiciously at White Shadow.

So did Dr. Bob Clemens, Hayward veterinarian, with an X-ray. He found a shadow, dark inside of Shadow White. The dog had swallowed the knob.

Apparently White Shadow felt that a clock substituting for a mother should provide a bit of nourishment in addition to a tick.

The problem of how to get the knob out is still unsolved. White Shadow is too young for a major operation, and there is hope that Nature will eventually take care of the problem.

In the meantime, however, it's nice to report that White Shadow doesn't whine any more. And she hasn't started to tick, either.

Background of Music

In an impressive ceremony, the Orinda Community Church conducted a baptism of babes at its 11 o'clock service Sunday.

Dismissal music, at ceremony's end: Water Music, by Handel.

Seen From a Distance

Texas newspapers may be okay for Texans, but they don't satisfy expatriates from the Eastbay.

At least they don't satisfy Lt. and Mrs. Robert D. Frelow, who because of the former's Air Force assignment, have been living in Texas for the past several months, after a lifetime here.

Texas news, to Texans, seems to be the only news worth printing, they report. Nothing else gets into type.

News, even if a few days late, is better than no news at all, they decided, and they forwarded an order for a mail subscription to the Tribune.

"All our thanks in advance for the best paper in the United States," they wrote. "We had to leave home to completely appreciate The Tribune."

Contests

Well, sir, for every angle there's an angle, which explains why a New York concern is capitalizing on the innate desire of practically everybody to get something for nothing.

You may have noted that there are manufacturers in the country who hope to make sales soar by conducting prize contests in which winning contestants receive fabulous prizes. Such as \$5,000,000, a personalized doormat, or a free trip to Mill-app-it-as.

The New York outfit is now advertising that it will do all the hard work, for a fee, for people who hope to win homes, autos, or a free trip to the moon in such contests. It will provide any written compositions which may be required, and any necessary box tops or labels. All the contestant need do is sign his name, and mail.

But there's one small hitch to the offer, which has been noted by the eagle-eyes of the Oakland Better Business Bureau.

It's a small matter, but important.

Most major contests stipulate that entries must be the original work of the contestant. And "ghosted" material may be "original"—but it's still not the work of the contestant. Oaklanders, the Bureau feels, will be wise to make their own contest entries.

Walk of the Town

Danville's Russ Glenn, back from Dayton, Nevada, where he bought a Virginia and Truckee railroad car from Malinda Setter. Reports Dayton famed for Malinda Setter and the fact that in the old, old days camels were corralled in the town. (Account Virginia City banned the beasts; they panicked the horses.) Malinda Setter's fame? At 75, she's still a busy bee, wrecking homes. That is, she's a house-wrecker. Probably the only lady house-wrecker in the country.

Britishers didn't panic when that January midnight-in-the-afternoon descended on London, despite news reports to that effect. R. L. Farnden of Walnut Creek offers absolutely incontrovertible proof.

When the strange blackness settled over the city, and millions of Londoners wondered what in blazes was going on, everybody including the British Broadcasting Company kept a stiff upper lip. Let the birds roost, the cats caterwaul. Good old BBC kept right on broadcasting a talk on how to garden. Hours later, at the regular 6 p.m. newscast, BBC mentioned the matter, carefully advised that all was well with the Empire. Next time you read about Britishers panicking, remember this.

Local taverns are being invited to stock a two-for-a-quarter "hangover cure" which, claims the Milwaukee manufacturer, is a "non-habit forming food tablet" which "contains no drugs and couldn't hurt a baby." This wonder-product can be taken during or after drinking, "depending upon whether one wishes to avoid the hangover altogether or simply relieve it later, if need be." The tablets have another recommendation which makes the manufacturers positively glow. The cure does not, they cry happily, prevent drunkenness.

One for All

Very fine arrangement, that in Apt. 4 of 2409 Bowditch Ave., Berkeley.

One occupant of the apartment is Beverly Mitchell of San Mateo. She's a U.C. journalism senior, a rabid Republican, and publicity chairman of the Northern Alameda County Young Republicans.

A second occupant is Barbara Rosenthal, of Los Angeles. She's a U.C. journalism senior, a rabid Democrat, and publicity chairman of the Berkeley Young Democrats.

The girls are pals when they discuss classes, dates, high cost of nylon hosiery, men, dates, movie stars, men and dates. When the conversations slip into politics, the excitement starts.

That's when a third apartment roommate becomes important. She wanders up and down the living room, waving an American flag. A young U.C. journalism sophomore, Oakland's Betsy Ross.

—THE KNAVE

Piedmont School Is Dedicated

The new Franck C. Havens School in Piedmont was dedicated last night. Pupils moved into the new structure, which includes 11 classrooms, one kindergarten room, an administration wing, library, cafeteria and multi-purpose room, at the opening of the fall semester. The original Havens School was completed in 1909.



Leaving one of the Havens classrooms are Mrs. Grace MacMartin and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Langdon.



A pine tree grows at Havens school, purchased from proceeds of cake and cookie sale. Also attending rites last night were George Muller, Mrs. John L. Farley Jr., Janet and Susan Farley, and Buddy Breston.



Havens students are Jeffrey Earl Warren (left) and James Lee Warren, grandsons of the U.S. Chief Justice. With them last night was their aunt, Virginia Warren.



Taking part in last night's Havens dedication ceremonies were (from left) Russell H. Wilson, vice president of the Piedmont Board of Education; Winslow Hall, general chairman of the school bonding committee; Loring Winsor, board member; Gordon Huber, president of the board; Mrs. Margaret R. McIvor, Robert M. Wells, board members.



Robert S. Brown, principal of Havens School, is on the radio-intercom system which has outlets in each classroom. In background is Mrs. Stanley Cocks, who is president of the Havens School Mothers' Club.

Civil Service List for Police Dept. Extended

An eligibility list for appointment to the rank of lieutenant in the Oakland Police Department has been extended 90 days from March 15.

The Civil Service Board voted 4 to 1 yesterday to continue the list beyond the usual two-year limit after it was pointed out that it was in effect frozen after 14 months by litigation which delayed holding an examination for captain.

This litigation was precipitated by Lt. Arthur Waters who challenged the two-year rule on experience in rank. The Alameda County Superior Court upheld his contention that the two years is not necessary and thereby forestalled holding the captain's examination. The case has been appealed by the city attorney's office to the State District Court of Appeals.

CITY ATTY. RULING

In an opinion to the Civil Service Board, the city attorney's office has ruled that a promotional examination may be held for captain, pending settlement of the case.

The officers who petitioned the board to extend the duration of the list are: Joseph E. Lawrence, Arthur J. McQuillan, James J. Mangini, Robert M. McChesney, M. C. Enders and Donald D. Ainsworth.

Mangini, as spokesman for the group, asked for "a fair chance for promotion."

Raymond C. L'Heureux, a member of the board, asked whether the board had taken similar action before.

Clifford Pollock, acting secretary and chief examiner, said lists had been extended before, but only for a few days.

Silas (Cy) Stullings, board chairman, said the situation is unusual and therefore should be handled differently.

Opposition to the proposed extension was expressed by Police Inspector Don Richardson, chairman of the Coordinating Council of the Police and Fire Departments, and Eugene E. McNamara, head of Local 55 of the AFL International Firefighters Union.

OPponents' STAND

They contended in principle that lists of eligibles should not be extended because this practice "defeats the purposes of civil service."

Lawrence, although he has already been appointed lieutenant, said he still is in favor of extending the list.

Joining with Stullings in favor of the extension were: L'Heureux, George Jacopetti and Harold Lorenzen.

Harvey H. Bechtel cast the only vote against the extension.

In other business, the board postponed action on a proposal to hold an examination for captain.

Red Cross Kickoff Meeting Tomorrow

SAN LEANDRO, March 9.—A kickoff instructional meeting for the annual house-to-house membership campaign of the San Leandro Branch of the Oakland Chapter, American Red Cross, will be held tomorrow at 10 a.m. in the basement of the city hall.

Presiding at the session will be Don Silva, branch chairman, and Mrs. Howard Dennis and Miss Matilda Harris, drive co-chairmen.

Some \$2,300 in new memberships was collected in the house-to-house campaign conducted last year.

Schools Ask for New Furniture

\$103,368 Worth of Equipment Is Sought for This Year and Next

The Oakland public school system has asked the Board of Education for \$103,368.40 worth of new furniture for the balance of the 1954-1955 fiscal year and for reserve to meet new enrollment needs in the 1955-1956 fiscal year.

Arthur C. Pokorny, assistant business manager for the schools, recommended at yesterday's board meeting that the Cole School be refurnished at a cost of \$29,000 and the Maxwell Park School at \$22,500 and that \$51,868.40 worth of furniture be bought for 1955-1956 growth and replacements.

Pokorny said the Cole and Maxwell Park schools were selected for refurnishing "because both are structurally sound, according to present state standards, and will remain substantially as they are for an indefinite period."

Old furniture released from these two schools will be returned to service in other old schools, he said.

Pokorny noted that old furniture is often refurnished for further use but that "the furnishing of 40 new classrooms in January practically cleaned out our stocks of both new and used furniture."

Spencer D. Benbow, business manager, said the new furniture could be financed by the transfer of funds from the undistributed reserve.

Board member William Hoffman said he believed the recommendation for the furniture should be considered with other requests from the school system and moved that it be referred to the salary and budget committee. The board did this.

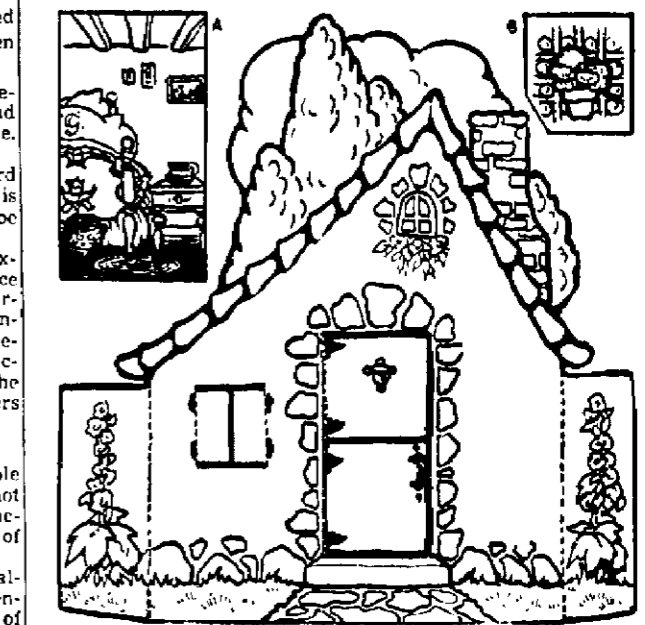
Frank McClure, senior structural engineer with the architecture and engineering department of the school system, presented a report and color slides on damage caused by schools and other buildings by the recent Eureka earthquake.

Bad Check Passer Gets Prison Term

Donald McPherson, 29, a transient, today was sentenced to one to 14 years in San Quentin on three charges of passing bad checks in Oakland stores.

McPherson admitted to Superior Judge Chris B. Fox that he had left a trail of 30 to 50 worthless checks from Los Angeles to Fresno. He also said he was recently released from the Texas State Penitentiary at Huntsville.

TODAY'S ASSIGNMENT FOR JUNIOR EDITORS



LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD—3 GRANDMOTHER AND THE WOLF

While Little Red Riding Hood was strolling happily through the woods, the sly wolf was running along another path he knew would take him to the grandmother's house before the little girl could get there.

Hurrying up to the pretty cottage, he rapped at the door: tap, tap, tap.

"Who's there?" called the grandmother.

"Little Red Riding Hood," said the wolf in his softest voice. "Lift the latch and walk in, dearie." Grandmother said.

The wolf bounded into the room. Grandmother was so frightened she jumped out of bed, ran into a closet and locked the door so the wicked wolf could not catch her.

The wolf, angry because he couldn't catch the grandmother, put on a night cap and jumped into Grandmother's bed to wait for Red Riding Hood.

Color the cottage and the two smaller pictures as you wish. Paste the page on stiff paper and cut it out along the heavy lines, including the dark lines around the door and the window. Fold the door and window sides forward. Paste the drawing marked A behind the door opening. Paste the drawing B behind the open window. Fold back the sides of the house along the dotted lines and it will stand up.

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