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NORTHERN TEACHERS "CAPTURE" M.S.H.

It was a field day for Mendocino State Hospital, Tuesday, Nov. 22nd, when members of the "Teachers' Institute" honored us with a visit and tour "en masse". There were approximately 350 educators in the group, mainly of the fair sex, who were met and personally conducted over the large area by Dr. David B. Williams, Superintendent, Dr. Lochen, Dr. Green, and their able assistants.

To expedite the proceedings and enable the teachers to see as much as possible with convenience, they were formed in several groups with the aid of Mr. Kyle, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Schelling, Mr. Dryden, Mr. Carmichael and several assistants.

After visiting the various wards, the tour included stops at the Industrial Shop and Art Room; the Farm, and Receiving Building,

Much surprise was noted at the Farm, which is one of the finest in the State, with pedigreed stock; while others commented favorably upon the shops and the art program progress.

Much interest was also shown at the Receiving Building, with its newer equipment, lighting and other installations. (Cont. on page 8)

CANTEEN PLANS

The much needed and wanted Canteen for our hospital will eventually become a reality according to our Superintendent, Dr. David B. Williams.

Upon the completion of the new Men's Ward buildings, the structure where Ward 10 is presently located will be converted into a Patients' Recreational Center.

The tentative plans call for the installation of a Canteen with counter and stools, also tables and chairs. A Beauty Parlor for the women and a Barber Shop for the men are included in these improvements.

It will be some time before these plans materialize, but the future looks brighter as progress is made.

FORMER STAGE STAR RETURNS FOR SHOW

Patients, staff, personnel alike were delighted Sunday at the arrival of Larry deR, Star and director of the recent MSH stage production hits, "Westward Ho!" and "Happy Daze".

Larry returned to entertain the Teachers Institute group at a command performance Tuesday afternoon, assisted by Stars selected from the Theatrical group here at the hospital. The teachers were holding a convention in near-by Ukiah and were the guests of the hospital on Tuesday.

However, Larry came up in advance to re-new and encourage his friends and co-workers. This has always been his way. Aside from his natural charm and talent he is very modest and self-effacing. All who came in contact with him here, will long remember his untiring efforts, and patience with the cast, beside his own highly specialized numbers.

Since leaving here, Larry has been visiting his folks at his home in Santa Barbara where he was raised. He also visited in Riverside, Wilmington and Los Angeles.

Larry is planning to take a hair-dressing course at a Hair-Styling school in San Francisco. Being a lover of the sea, he intends to apply his new vocation aboard one of the big "Liners" which sails the "briny deep".

Along with his musical and other (Continued on Page 8)

INSPECTOR HERE

Dr. William R. Albus of Chicago, visited here last Monday. He was making an annual inspection for the American Medical Association and the American Psychiatric Association. Dr. R. B. Bramkamp accompanied him on the tour of the hospital.

A report of this inspection will be received from the Associations which Dr. Albus represented.

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY:

Movie: "Chicken Every Sunday" (Fox)
(Dan Dailey & Celeste Holm)
"Everglades Adventure"
"Hounding Hares"
Patient's Dance--1:30 till 4 pm.

SUNDAY:

Church Services (See Page 8)
Folk Dancing Class, 1 to 3 pm.
A.A. Meeting 6:30 pm--Auditorium

MONDAY:

1:30 & 3 pm Group Therapy Meeting, Ward 9 Conference Room.

TUESDAY:

Arts-Crafts, Auditorium, 6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY:

Group Therapy Round Table Discussion at 1:30 & 3 pm in Ward 9 Conference Room.
Sam Ray Jr., Veterans' County Service Officer. Appointments made at Supervisor's Office.
Pomo A. A. Group Meeting in the Auditorium at 6:30 pm.

THURSDAY:

Orientation meeting for all new Alcoholic Patients, 2 pm.

FRIDAY:

Cromer G. Nelson, C.S. Christian Science Representative.
Movie: "Paleface" (Paramount)
(Bob Hope & Jane Russell)
"Base Brawl" - Newsreel

ALCOHOLIC PROGRAM

Alcoholics are encouraged to attend meetings and will be relieved from any work assignments to make this possible.

IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, WARD 9

1:30 pm Monday and Wednesday, group Therapy Meetings for more intensive discussion of problems of personal, emotional adjustment.

3 pm Thursday, Orientation Meeting as you are notified by Herschel Mason. Individual interviews may be arranged with Mr. Mason, Social Worker, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons by appointment.

IN THE MSH AUDITORIUM

6:30 pm Sunday and Wednesday, Alcoholic Anonymous.

Out-patients are requested to contact Gordon McHirter at 507 Polk St., Room 200, Phone GR4-0766, San Francisco, Monday through Friday. For appointments call before 10:30 a.m.

NEW DINING EQUIPMENT

As the result of Dr. Frank F. Tallman's visit to Mendocino, all wards will receive new heavy plastic dishes and dining hall chairs and tables, the type now being used in the Receiving Ward.

Due to insufficient funds, it was impossible to furnish the entire hospital with this new equipment. Dr. Tallman, State Director of Mental Hygiene, stated that he would see that an appropriation was made to cover this order when it was submitted.

Mr. J. J. Garvey, Business Manager, has completed his requisition and the new equipment may be expected in the near future.

TWO NEW TRUCKS FOR MSH

The MSH motor pool received two new Ford "6" trucks this week. They are stake bodies of the 1½ ton class. Two new Ford pick-ups were added to the fleet a short time ago.

The "Big Gang" is sporting one of the new trucks with their bossman, David Scudero, better known as "Skid", behind the wheel. This outfit, with the muscle men, do all the heavy freight hauling here at the hospital. The personnel consists of Billy N, Aaron K, Julius, Edward G, Frank K and Charlie "the flash".

RECEIVING WARD GLITTERS

Things should be much brighter on the Receiving Ward from now on.

The MSH Electricians have just completed the installation of the new florescent lighting fixtures in the halls and offices of the building.

Wards M and 9 each received 14 of the two tube neon overhead fixtures for the halls. Surgery had two of these lights installed. The X-Ray Room and Laboratory are glowing from a larger, four tube type installation.

The total number of livestock and poultry on the State Hospital farms include: 2,500 cattle, 5,300 hogs, 95 horses and 40,000 chickens and turkeys.

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WARD NEWS



WARD 9

The following new patients were processed through the Receiving Ward last week and the wards to which they were assigned: Wallace G; Vernon N, Scottle T, Roy L, Dean R, Franklin S, Charles H, Albert H, Rupert H and Frank C to Ward 8. Charles W to Ward 1. George F, Carl S, and Joseph F to Ward 15. Eugene Z to Ward 4. Clyde S to Ward 16.

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TAKING REFLEX TREATMENT:

The following patients are temporarily housed in Ward 9 taking the reflex treatment: Howard E, Walter R, Charles E and Leonard M.

WARD 8

New arrivals at Ward 8 and their work assignments are: Wallace G, Vernon N, Roy L, Charles H, Albert H, Rupert H and Frank C to Kitchen. Franklin S went to work for Jack Moore in the butcher shop. Dean R was assigned to Dr. Green's Cottage.

Chef Goddard took the majority of the new patients for the Kitchen as he has been short-handed and needed additional help for the big Thanksgiving dinner.

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Harley B was transferred to Ward 9 for treatment of a back injury.

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Marion A has been transferred to Ward 15.

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Basilio H of Ward 8, was visited by his mother, his brother Pete, and sister Lidia on Monday.

They drove up from Fresno and returned the same day.

WARD 10

There was considerable activity on this Ward when the News reporter made his weekly call on Tuesday morning. The 14 male and 5 female patients were being revived from the insulin shock treatment. The Nurses, Attendants and working patients were busily administering the sugar water solution which restores the sugar in their system that the insulin has burned out.

This reporter was also treated to a cup of delicious coffee from Bill M's little kitchenette.

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Paul T has been transferred to Ward 10 from Ward 15. He will continue his duties at the Industrial Shop along with the theatrical work.

WEEK'S ADMISSIONS, RELEASES

Admitted: 21 Released: 17

WARD 12 BALLGAME

As we are crowded for space this week, we will have to give you a thumbnail sketch of the games at Ward 12. Didn't anybody tell them this is pigskin and basketball season? But carry on, boys and have fun.

It seems like the fighting Jerks finally won a game Sat. 5-3. Now come Sunday we find a double header. What is this? Jerks 5 Yanks 1. Looking down a bit farther we find --Can this be right? Jerks 7-Yanks 4. Why, this changes the whole complexion of this fray giving the Yanks 4 out of 7, or the series. Well, that's baseball for you.

Emerson D, Yanks short stop took up their pitching chores with a good performance, while Eddie E took over the left garden, but had to replace his old pal to save the game.

Salvador C, an old Sonoma player belted a homer for his Jerks, saving the day. It could have been a shut-out but for an error.

Wm. C, who has been out with a sore arm, pitched a good game for his team. So it looks like a grand time was had by all, except perhaps the poor Yanks.

Fellas, knock over a foul sometime, so we can get in to see the game.

NEW CLOTHES CLOSETS

Three new clothes closets are being built at the Carpenter Shop by Joe Addor. Two of these are going to Ward 7, and one to Ward F. They are 7'x4'x2' and should be a welcome addition to the clothes rooms in these wards.

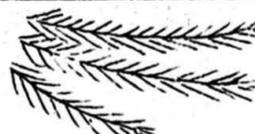
BIGGER THAN RHODE ISLAND

Willie Jones, a sawed-off little fellow, was arraigned in a Texas court on a felony charge. The clerk intoned:

"The State of Texas versus Willie Jones."

And Willie almost disrupted the session when he exclaimed:

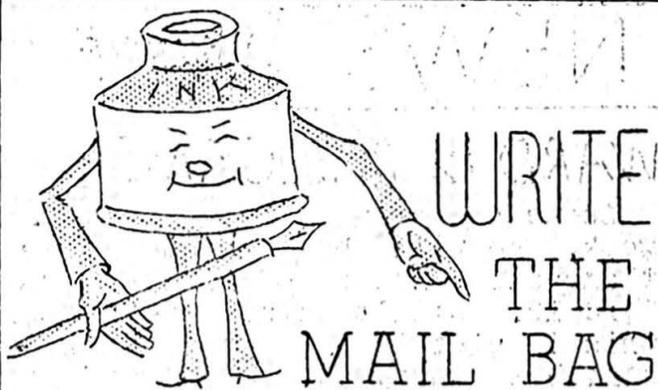
"My gosh, what a majority!"



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Editor, The Pomo News:

Instead of so much occupational therapy for patients, how about a therapy class in manners for certain male attendants who escort patients from some of the wards to religious services. Last Sunday, at mass, the attendants who escorted the patients to the Auditorium were apparently holding a meeting of their own, all during the mass. They kept up a conversation during the entire services, interpolated with profanity. They might at least hold their meeting outside of a place of worship. I'm mentioning this not only for myself, but for all the other patients who attended the mass.

Dick K, Ward 8

Editor, The Pomo News:

I believe it was in the early part of this year that I parted with a dollar from my hospital account for a subscription for Mrs. Irene Brady, Middleton Springs, Vermont.

Will you please let me know what the status quo of this subscription may be at the present time?

Today was my third anniversary in the hospital. Does this entitle a fellow to a cake with 3 candles and congrats?

Edward B, Ward 14

Editor's Note:

For your information this subscription expired in October.

Editor, The Pomo News:

Relating to your "Question of the Week", I am reminded of two famous sayings; "Man cannot live by bread alone" and "The way to a man's heart is through his stomach".

Improvement as to the food quantity, especially milk, would help. Not knowing the allocation of funds

for food, I cannot gripe about that, but I do know that a little more care should be taken in the preparation of the vegetables. Potatoes are evidently merely run through a peeling machine and then cooked. Patches of potatoe skins do not look very appetizing. Ditto for carrots and squash.

Jerry M, Ward 12

On the payrolls of the California State Hospitals are 262 Farm Employees and 183 Doctors.

Editor, The Pomo News:

Have been very busy of late racing hither and yon, but I simply must take time out to compliment you on your recent "Thanksgiving" issue. About the best I have seen. I don't know just which I liked best; those small emblems of turkey and pudding on the cuts or the stories and news items. The art work in the paper was certainly a stand-out feature. The color sheet for the front was a nice idea and the printing was clean and clear. So I'll just say "Good" as a whole. Nice going, fellows and gals.

Elmer S, Ward 8

Editor's Note:

It is gratifying to the staff when this kind of comment is received. Most of the criticism that we hear is in the "fault finding" category.--J.W.

Editor, The Pomo News:

I have found a subject of importance that might be of interest to the patients.

I believe it would be beneficial to many of the church members of various denominations to have Bible classes and Sunday school lectures on Sunday afternoon. These classes could last for an hour or two and be carried out under the auspices of a competent Sunday school teacher. It would give many of the men and women, who are not inclined to dancing and shows, to get together and discuss the Bible.

It is true we do have church services nearly every Sunday. The sermons do not last very long. The ministers who are engaged, do not have time to elucidate on the Bible as much as should be done. They have missions elsewhere and must keep their appointments in their respective work:

Frank O, Ward 8

Editor, The Pomo News:

A cheery smile and a host of good wishes for a quick convalescence to Mrs. Minnie Nehring. I wish her luck, health and happiness along with a happy Thanksgiving and coming yuletide season. This goes for all my friends in the hospital.

Miss Rose Pollock
Oakland, California

To Earnest B of Ward 12:

Your subscription for the Pomo News has been filed and your sister will receive the paper for one year, starting with this week's issue. Thank you.--J.W.

The Mail Bag is crammed with letters from the boys, but 'nary a line from the gals. So the conclusion must be that our gals here have no lines????

Let's hear from the weaker sex next week.

SPORTS

WHO GOT THE BIRD ?

"High-Lee The Cherry-O, A Hunting We Will Go!"

With a song in their hearts, a smile on the "pan," and fully equipped, a brave and dauntless quintet set off last Thursday at high-noon in quest of the elusive pheasant.

The party was composed of Bill Barton, Ken Dillon, Del Dagwood, all crack cooks at MSH; Roland Jeffers of Ukiah and Jack Brewer, an ex-cook here.

After a long deploy over the Sacramento Valley the party returned Friday night, unharmed.

There were no casualties on our side, and but two among the enemy. Quite a mystery has developed, however, about who got the "Bird."

Our dough was riding on Mr. Barton, ex-service man, crack shot and experienced hunter. Still and all and alas; his bag was empty. Handsome Del, who couldn't hit a range with a flap-jack, had a pheasant in his pouch; still they insist Barton got the Bird! As we go to press, this mystery is still unsolved.

GAME POSTPONED

The famous Sunday morning classic on the soft-ball diamond was postponed last week, because several of the "Stars" are in the MSH orchestra, or theatrical group, who were rehearsing for the Tuesday Teachers' Institute show.

However, the soft-ball games will be resumed this week, weather and unforeseen events permitting. This sporting event between the wards is looked forward to by many patients.

Many new faces were seen on the practice field over the week-end, so various teams better be on the alert.

Pomo Sports Reporter Stymied

Reporter- You are quite a sports fan. Who, in your opinion, is the best Wrestler?

Cleo- Muscle Shoals.

Reporter- Hmm! And could you by any chance name two ancient sports?

Cleo- Demurely, "Why shore; Allan Gardner, and Antony & Cleopatra.

A big dance was held in the Auditorium on Thanksgiving Day.

The attendance was large and a grand time was had by all.

PHEASANTS PLANTED

The State Division of Fish and Game announced that it had released a total of 76,689 pheasants in 42 counties this year, topping all previous records.

The record total, the division said, will be supplemented by release of more birds after the 10 day shooting season which opened last Friday morning, to start the supply for next year's shooting.

All male pheasants released, according to Carl Van Ornum, chief of game farms, are banded, and hunters are urged to return the metal leg band to the division's Ferry Building office in San Francisco, giving the location and date of the kill.

The state maintains 14 game farms, and the cost of raising pheasants for release is about \$2.25 per bird, according to estimates made by officials of the division.---Redwood Journal Press-Dispatch.

MORE HUNTING

One of the most ardent hunters among the employees here at MSH is Fred Figone, head groundsman.

Fred and his friend, Pete German, left early last Friday morning for Gridley in the Sacramento valley. They had little trouble getting the limit of four birds the first day, but on Saturday they were able to bag only two pheasants.

Mr. Figone related that this favorite spot of his was lacking the thick under-growth this year. He also said that he needed some target practice with his shotgun, as he missed several good shots.

Floyd Bales, Jr: Why do you call your dog baseball?

Betty Abbott: He catches flies, chases fowls and runs for home when he sees the dog-catcher coming.



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CHURCH SERVICES

November 27, 1949

Protestant Church - 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month in MSH Auditorium and Ward 12, 8:30 am; Rev. Lindemann and Rev. Brown.

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Catholic Church - 3rd Sunday of the month in Auditorium; 3rd Thursday of the month in Ward 12; Father Anderson.

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Lutheran Church - 3rd Wednesday, of the month in Auditorium. 1:30 pm; Ward 12 immediately afterward.

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Jewish Services:

Charles M. Stern of the Jewish Committee on Personal Service in State Institutions visits the Hospital once every three months.

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Christian Science Churches:

"Ancient and Modern Necromancy, alias Mesmerism and Hypnotism, De-nounced" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon for Sunday, November 27.

The Golden Text is taken from II Chronicles; "The eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him" (16:9).

Library Notes

Donations to the Patients Library during the past week were:

Mrs. Stevens, MSH Employee,
6 Magazines

Cromer Nelson, CS, of S. F.,
7 Magazines

Mr. J. Lavell, MSH Employee,
19 Magazines

Mrs. Howard, MSH Employee,
33 Books

DRIVING HAZARD

Employees driving to work during the early morning hours before sunrise, and with the foggy, rainy season coming on, are complaining because the painted white lines on the Hospital roads have become indistinguishable or completely obliterated.

This constitutes a driving hazard with the streets being so poorly lighted.

It is suggested that this safety measure be brought to the attention of the proper department and immediate action taken.

A SONG IS BORN

A smile, a twinkle of the eye from a sympathetic friend, can brighten a life, that, because of some miscalculation in the "Plan" ... has to be lived in suffering, privation, and often immobilized. In just such circumstances was the song, "The Sunshine of Your Smile" born, according to Elvye "L", talented colored vocalist and pianist. Elvye has one of the solo numbers in the forthcoming Xmas pageant Mrs. Buchanan is readying for presentation, December 21 and 22.

Elvye, before coming to MSH, attended Cornell University, and followed through with a course in music at Ithaca, New York. The song, "The Sunshine of Your Smile", is a favorite of Elvye's, and his interpretation, singing and doing his own accompaniment on the piano, is inspirational to anyone who has had the pleasure of hearing him sing it. Elvye's aunt, Annie Blanche Range, a coloratura soprano, the highest quality of female voice, was the first soloist to do the number in the United States.

The song was composed by an English woman. Confined to a sick bed for years, according to Elvye, this song was written and composed by this suffering soul. Of the many neighbors and friends who came to call, from time to time, there was one whose smile was always eagerly looked forward to ... the one person, of all the rest, who caused the sick woman to forget her suffering and despair. "Give me the right to love you all the while. I could live forever in 'the sunshine of your smile'" ... she wrote. How true it is, just one good friend who understands, whose smile we look forward to so eagerly ... so yearningly ... someone to love ... worthily ... and to be loved, is enough of Paradise for any of us.

So Elvye, our talented colored friend, sing your songs and dream your dreams, and here's hoping that you, too, may have someone whose smile "means the world to you."

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If I have strength, I owe the service of the strong. If melody I have, I owe the world a song. If I can stand while 'round me men are falling. If I have bread when hungry mouths are calling. And, if my torch can light the dark of any night. Then, I owe the world a debt of living light.--Al G.

Two million dollars worth of Produce, Meat and Eggs were raised and produced on the California State Hospital farms in 1948. There are 5,961 acres under cultivation on these farms.



EMPLOYEES ACTIVITIES



VACATIONS

Attendants newly listed this week as taking time off for vacations include the following: Pruett Edwards, C. H. Munson, R. E. Gillespie, E. R. Stillwell, E. J. Richter, William J. Raney, George F. Vose, Donald White, L. E. Miller, Thomas Giles, Glenn Pool, Clarence Jensen, Ella Coleman; Daisy Edminister, Irene Shanyfelt, Hannah DeVoe, Kyra Edwards, Mamie Jensen, Wland Swindell, Elsie Frazier and Francis Burris.

Attendants on leave of absence include: Idamae Mazzanti, Dora Ryan, Jean Burnham, Ethel Smith, Patrick Ryan, Russell Clarke and Mable Russell.

Listed as sick last Monday were: James L. Miller, May F. Chadwick, and Ethel Friend.

VISIT IN SACRAMENTO

Earl Oakes, night Attendant on Wards 5 and 6, accompanied by Mrs. Tina Young of the ODR, motored to Sacramento last week. They visited Mrs. Young's sister and family.

Earl is an ardent sportsman so his fishing tackle and can of worms went along.

VACATION RELIEF

Attendant Mrs. Lillian Addor has taken temporary charge of the Sewing Room during the absence of Mrs. Williams, who is on vacation.

BACK IN THE KITCHEN

Jack Buchanan, popular MSH cook, is back on the job again after a very pleasant two weeks vacation.

Smiling Jack spent a few days in San Francisco, and the rest of the time with his brother Walter in North Hollywood. Jack had no comment to make in regard to the famed night spots, saying that he spent most of the time at the Zoo and Observatory, (observing what?) we wonder!

FOR SALE - Washing Machine.

Like new. Call or Phone Mrs. Harkson after 3 pm at Ward A, or this office.

FOR SALE - Dining Table with six Chairs. Large Oil Heater (Allen Twin burner). Contact Del Dagwood at Kitchen or The Pomo News.

Merchant: "Our motto is 'We aim to Please'."

Customer: "Well, you should spend more time at target practice."

FIREMEN HAVE A PARTY

The MSH Fire Department held a stag dinner at the firehouse on Saturday evening, November 19th.

Nineteen of the hospital fire-fighters were present at this big "spread", which consisted of roast beef, spaghetti with home-made sauce, asparagus tips salad, Italian garlic bread with salami and home-baked cake.

David "Skid" Scudero was the head "chef", assisted by F. J. Gibson. The delicious cakes were the efforts of Ed Veronda who, it is rumored, learned this trade from Louie, the old time baker.

It was reported that the food was "super" and the evening enjoyed by all.

A BACHELOR'S LIFE

If you have noticed the operator of "Duffy's Tavern" during the past week, you would have wondered what tragedy or problems were hanging heavily on his shoulders. Even being No. one on his own roster for the reflex treatment would not bring on such a sad state of affairs.

After inquiring it was disclosed that Jack's wife, Mrs. Lavell, is on a well earned vacation. She is visiting her family in Billings, Montana.

MISS JETTER IN S.F.

Word was received this week from Miss Lucille Jetter, former social worker here at the hospital.

She has spent the time, since her departure from MSH on November 12, visiting in San Francisco. According to her card, Miss Jetter has fallen in love---with the city that is, the weather being wonderful and the temperature ideal.

Her plans included a trip further south, but due to her father's sickness she will return to her home in Michigan.

PAGE MARK TWAIN

George Brehman, Jr: How did you find the weather when you were away?

Elizabeth Lockridge: I just went outside and there it was.

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The Pomo News needs for their staff a typist and reporters. Many advantages and privileges are offered in these positions. If you can qualify and are interested see your doctor, the social worker, or call at the News office.

HOLIDAY DINNER

Turkey on the front page last week, now Turkey on the back. But it was worth holding up the press. Chef Goddard really put it on and didn't spare the horses. The entire kitchen and dining room crew gave up their day off to see that everyone had a fine dinner and good service.

All the cooks, resplendent in white, made a striking picture in the midst of over 130 odd Tom Turkeys, average weight 25 lbs. Including the Wards, over 3200 lbs were served.

The A. D. R. dining room in charge of Mrs. Mosley was groaning with goodies. Cooks Mary Von Kageler and Del Dagwood assisted her with the serving.

Mrs. Mosley's figures for the attendants and their guests was 165.

Reports from the Wards also say that it was the finest Thanksgiving dinner yet. So Congratulations to Chef Goddard and his entire staff.

Our Larry

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abilities, his friends feel that he can't miss. Larry was a protege and one of the many finds of Mrs. Dorothy Buchanan, Recreational Director, to whom he attributes much of his success here.

When one reads, "Produced" -- "Directed" -- "Starred" there just isn't anymore. So, one and all, we wish you "Bon Voyage", and lots of luck, old friend ----

Albert McC.

NORTHERN TEACHERS

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The group finally wound up at the Auditorium of the main building where the orchestra was in session. Mrs. Buchanan, Recreational Director of dramatic therapy, was there with her charges to wind up the entertainment.

A short program of selected acts from previous hit shows was presented. Dr. Lochen M.C.'d his charges, after a short introductory speech, pertaining to the aims, ambitions, and progress of the Institution; stating that each member of the cast and orchestra was a patient.

Larry D. whose background is elsewhere in this edition, highlighted the show with a few songs and skits from his "repertoire". Larry was ably assisted by Myrtle M. singing, "Besame Mucho", and "Gianninia Mia"; Jack D. with "Lucky Old Sun", and the rollicking comedienne, Marie B. with "Just a Girl That Cain't Say No!"; Cleo W. and Helen N. assisted with the dancing and costuming.

Dr. Lochen surprised all and sundry by pulling a new patient out of the bag in the personable young Robert E. who presented a Monologue about visions of grandeur, "A La Shakespeare". We hope to see more of Robert.

The artistry and scenery of Paul was conspicuous by its absence, also the grand finale of the productions, but for the limited time it was well presented.

As the smiling teachers filed toward the exit, an unexpected attraction was found at the entrance to the auditorium - a Women's Art Display. This contained many fine pieces of crochet and needle work; also drawings and oil painting from Wards A.B.C. & K, F. & H.

Mrs. Herschel Mason is in charge of this work which she is planning to introduce to other women's wards.

The important feature of this extraordinary visit to us patients here at the hospital is that they are educators, and, a first-line contact with the public.

We hope they carry away with them some insight of our peculiar, and difficult problems, our struggles and our hopes.

Come again, folks. -----A. McC.

ALCOHOLICS INVITED TO MEETING.....

There will be a meeting, Tues., 11-29-49, at 2:00 P.M. in the auditorium, for all alcoholic patients. Mr. Gordon McWhirter, Bureau of Social Work, will be visiting the hospital, and he will bring with him, Mr. Paul Gardner, of the San Francisco A.A. Institutions Committee. Please plan to attend.