

HAVE A HAPPY

Thanksgiving



Carol Skillo

An American Holiday

The women in the big farm house kitchen busily prepared Thanksgiving dinner. Delightful aromas came from the oven. Someone rolled dough for a pie. Cranberries were poured into a dish while someone set a table for the big family.

This is the typical scene of Thanksgiving Day in the United States. It all began with the pilgrim episode.

The Canadians have a harvest festival similar to our Thanksgiving. At the end of harvest, the Governor-General sets aside a holiday. Usually the day is the last Monday in October.

Other countries have held harvest holidays for centuries. But in the United States the pilgrims started it all. Their celebration was their way of giving thanks for an abundant harvest.

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The Editor Rides

Tomorrow is Thanksgiving Day. All of us will probably sit down to a sumptuous feast of turkey, dressing, potatoes, pumpkin pie, and all of the trimmings that go with the meal. This is what Thanksgiving has come to mean in many American homes today.

Way back in 1621 it was an entirely different story. Governor William Bradford, who was the leader of our pilgrim fathers, set aside this day so that the pilgrims could stop their many tasks and thank God for the many blessings which had been bestowed upon them.

This is the true meaning of the day. It isn't much time to set aside for giving thanks considering how many blessings we receive each and every day. So tomorrow, when you sit down to your dinner, just bow your head in a moment of prayer, thanking God for the multitude of good things which have been bestowed upon you during the year.

Your day will be much richer for it.

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Mr. and Miss R.J.H.???

In some issues of the Rough Rider will be the mystery Miss R.J.H. and Mr. R.J.H. They will be chosen on: scholarship, friendliness, citizenship, leadership, responsibility, and cooperation.

Try to guess who this week's Mr. and Miss R.J.H. are. In next week's issue the names will be printed along with a small article on each.

	<u>Mr. R.J.H.</u>	<u>Miss R.J.H.</u>
Grade:	Seventh	Ninth
Weight:	80 pounds	110 pounds
Height:	4' 11-3/4"	5' 4 1/2"
Birthday:	November 4	December 27
Birthplace:	Eugene	Brooklyn, N.Y.
Favorite Actor:	Ernie Ford	Jeff Chandler
Favorite Actress:	D. Reynolds	Kim Novak
Favorite T.V.Show:	Ford Show	Steve Allen
Favorite Subject:	Science	Algebra
Hair:	Brown	Blond
Eyes:	Brown	Blue
Make of car:	Edsel	Edsel

Girls' League Meets

The Girls' League officers and representatives had a meeting last Wednesday noon and discussed a service project. A committee was appointed to decide what the project would be.



"We made it, dear! We made it!"

Volleyball Champs

Roosevelt, after beating Wilson, Cal Young, Kelly, and Jefferson, became the volleyball champs. Jefferson is the only team that has beaten the Roosevelt 9th grade.

The 8th grade didn't do quite as well, but in the eyes of the Roosevelt students they did just as well as the 9th grade.

The basketball season will start with the Jamboree at South Eugene High School, December 13, 1957.



Student Help in Office

The office helpers do a lot to help our school's secretaries. They sell lunch tickets, collect the absentee slips that the teachers fill out each period, and run errands such as taking phone messages to the students and teachers, and make sure that students get their lost lunches. They also do many other odd jobs that occur around the office.

When there isn't much work, they have time to study, which probably lightens their homework.

There are four office helpers, and they are Nancy Gilbert, Chloe Holland, Cynthia Callen, and Barbara Burke.



Beauty Contest?

Science Scene

What's on the other side of the moon according to the November 18, 1957 issue of Life magazine, we won't know until we build a rocket with enough power to get there and look around a bit.

Werner von Braun, chief of development of the U.S. Army Ballistic Missile Agency says that America "should be able to send men to the moon and back within 25 years." One difficulty in getting a missile to the moon lies in the type of fuel which will be used.

Life briefly sums up the fuels available at present. Since these fuels are of great defense value as well as scientific, not a great deal is known publicly about them. There are storage and handling difficulties attached to the liquid fuels and engineering and radiation problems in "monkeying" with fission and fusion types of power. So they all have their advantages and disadvantages.

He is fairly certain, though, that one or more of these fuel types will take us to the moon ultimately.

How about the other scientific, political, and military problems? Take a "gander" at the Life issue in the library.

Report Cards Next Tuesday

Look out! Here they come! What? Why report cards, of course. Are you going to be joyous; or sad; or afraid to go home? If it's the first, good; if one of the others, you know what to do about it!