

"ROUND THE TOWN"

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Bill J. and I aren't alone with "bloopers," (and I sure hope he spells that one right; I can see an "M" instead of a "P" in that one already.) Heard from a newscaster. "This is your 11 o'clock newscaster, bringing you an on the pot retort — I mean on the spot retort — I mean on the tot resort — oh, well, let's just skip it!" Or the one by two actors — First actor: "What are you in jail for? I'm in for petty larceny." Second actor: "I'm in for armed robbery — some dirty squel pigeon stooped on me!"

Free advertising. Since I believe in local shopping, if it benefits the local sellers and buyers, I'll try to push it. This time it's Bill J's business, in 2 ways. First, have you seen his new book showing the modern look of wedding invitations? You can have the invitations made with your portraits pictured on the cover, or bordered with dainty flowers, or bright colors, etc. These can be delivered in 2 weeks. Secondly, he just printed me some nice antique advertising cards — and, no bloopers.

Please give me a home! I'm a loveable, housebroken 2 year old, orange striped male cat and am waiting for a permanent home since my former owner is too elderly to keep me and I am now at Alberding's on Madison St. I'm free.

A constant once or twice monthly grey cat visitor at Bob Alberding is Tommy. His first home was Tower St. then although adopted by a loving Foley family, 4 miles away he enjoys the walk, free meal and car ride back to Foley's.

Two everyday school animal visitors are guinea pigs, one named Sandy, belonging to Mrs Vi Hartley, 3rd grade teacher and the other called "Wig" (has long hair) brought in a box, by a 4th grade teacher Deanna Prior. Wig is allowed to have week end house parents by the children, if their mom writes an O.K.

A year ago from Clinton, a Fox Hound gave birth to 18 pups. This is Bob Alberding's highest pup total so far. 24 is the national high total, so far recorded.

Mr Richard Brown doesn't know it, but when he walks his vocalising coon hound near Whaley's, the canine has been giving free singing lessons to our Fox Terrier, Sam. Sam has really shown development, from a little bark, to a loud long howl. We are very proud of his hidden talents. We do wish he'd change his love life style. So far he has two "steadies" a retired, tall female cocker Sp., named Candy and a 3 foot high mixed up boy dog and hates all others.

Welcome to Waterville, Mr

and Mrs Luke Hardin and Mrs Nethie Hafford, former 20 year residents of Wyandoite, Mich. They are the parents and aunt of Mr Travis Hardin of White St. After making the trip, March 22, in a U-Haul truck in 11 hours, Mr Travis found his hardest maneuver was making his own driveway, taking a long 45 minutes.

On April 3, the Hardins had as their guests, Mr and Mrs Walter Imhoff and 2 daughters, formerly of Boston and recently returned from a 2 year assignment in Etheopia.

Marilyn Fivaz of Wilton, Conn., has been visitng her mother Verness Briggs for a few days. They also visited Verness sister-in-law, Hazel Slocum in Richfield Springs.

Alma Hughes of Madison St. is the proud possessor of a BS degree. A March graduate of the "Alpenines of Oriskany," taking her courses in Clinton, she is now entitled to wear a short granny-type dress, ruffly slip, short panatloons and square dance to her hearts content! She also should get some kind of degree for pie making, after baking 6 pies (4 varieties) for the Easter family dinner held at her daughters (Mrs Claude Earley on Rt. 20). Linda had 17 for dinner. Pinochle was the afternoon entertainment, with Linda's mother-in-law, Mrs Dorothy Hinman the winner.

A small party was held for Shari Conte Sunday after her confirmation at St. Bernard's Church. Guests attending were Bob and Jessie Gibbons, Peg and Bill Glendening, Paul and Blanche Alger, Gertrude Naylor and John, Trudy and Toby Karam (Trudy is Shari's godmother and sponsor.

Spending a few days at the home of Ralph Conte and family is Blanche Alger from Leonardsville. Shari and Michele always welcome Gramma Blanche because (for one reason) she always insists that she will make their beds, pack their lunches, do their dishes, etc., etc.

Jeanne Pray has written that 18 mo. old Beth would like to say "Happy Birthday" to her Grandma, Charlotte King, on April 19. (The last I heard was "goo-goo" and "da da," but realize how imaginative mothers can be.)

The Mem. School children were shown a movie on constructing items made from paste board boxes. Lugging home boxes of all sizes their creative minds and hands turned these into 2 or 3 foot high houses, barns, churches and even a steam shovel. Their finishing touches, such as cut out windows and paint were helped by the art teacher, Mrs Marcia Silverman. The teachers not only have high praise for Mrs Silverman, but the children look the children look forward, eagerly to her classes. Drop in some time and observe the school halls, always decorated with her inspirations and the child-

ren's work. There have been construction paper made sweat shirts, crepe paper butterflies, kites and currently, a showing of yarn paintings.

Jeffrey McIlrath has taken his first 3 steps alone at 15 mo. His brother Steven age 4 has finally decided on his future career — a minister like his dad. Last month, it was to be a fireman. After witnessing his wig-gelitus in church and waving at his mon in the choir, I feel he has chosen the right future for him. (Can you imagine a fireman waving at his mom or wiggling while cleaning their pool.)

A nice tribute is being paid to Rev. John Wetherbee, the Baptist minister this Sunday by Brian Cleary and his 2 children who are traveling 40 miles to be baptised by him.

Last Sun. Armata Speer of Sanger Ave., had her mother Mrs Ann Cleary of Poland for the afternoon and dinner. The Speer's home was built in 1890 and originally called "the Scarlett Oakes," now there is only one live oak tree. The Speers family have lived in Waterville for 4 years and have 3 sons, the youngest, Brant is a 4th grader.

After traveling for 4 mo., Mr and Mrs James McManus have returned to their home on Osborne Ave. Married in Richfield Springs, 45 years ago, they celebrated their anniversary, at their daughter's Mrs John Manion of West Winfield, Sunday. Eleanor served a lovely buffet dinner and wedding cake. Their day was made pleasant by the many friends and relatives who dropped in with their good wishes, gifts and flowers. Mr and Mrs McManus have 3 daughters, 2 sons, 13 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Mon. night the firemen held their annual election and Larry Fletcher is the new Fire Chief.

A stag retirement party was held Sun. in Deansboro starting at 1 p. m. for the former Fire Chief, Royce Manion. The only information I've gotten so far — refreshments (probably a choice of coke or ginger ale), entertainment probably hopscotch, and ending with some home at 6 p. m. By the next issue of the "Times" probably some of the home fires will be cooler and I'll get more interesting details.

A surprise retirement dinner for Eleanor Curtis was held at Hart's Hill Inn on Sat. night. She was presented with a corsage of baby sweetheart roses and a Smith-Corona portable typewriter. 36 of the office help including the supervisors their wives, husbands, plus Eleanor's husband, son and sister attended. Except for a short time, being a mother to 3 children, she has worked for the Waterville Tex. Mills since 1928!

Blood mobile results of Mon: 87 donors and 8 disappointed turn downs. A special thanks goes to those who tried, the workers, and to the participating organizations and to Bill Rudge from Clinton, who is working on his Eagle Badge.

Spring is here even when you see snow in April in Waterville. Can't you remember seeing it here in May, a few years back? I do, it was my birthday sur-

prise. What about the poor birds? Some of the Robins stay here all winter. In the past, I've seen babies in their nests with snow coming down while ma and pa took turns bringing back food. This year, there were plenty of bare spots between drifts for their buggy diet, which probably tasted more like our frozen TV style dinners than the wiggly fresh. Many birds are spring courting in my backyard (another proof of spring). The Blue Jays have had to get up a little earlier to yell at me for dessert, but the tall sun flowering plants at Alberdings next door are still filling 'em up. The grackles? They fight over every kind of food anyway and if they run out, I'm sure they would eat each other. (There is a tailless one on Putnam St. now!) The rabbits? I saw a "she" running about 90 miles an hour and "he" far behind at about 60. Result — she slowed up and I'm quite sure they are now newly weds. Nof, if you get worried during the next snow storm, get off your fannies and feed them some vitamins, bread crumbs, etc. Stop worrying about the poor four legged heifers being cold. Some of the two legged heifers are keeping the barn hay loft off Sanger Ave., very warm. Think positive — White is beautiful the snow mobilers and plowers got an added bonus; the Sunday after Easter churches were fuller (roads to bad to travel). If any of this didn't warm you up maybe my hot temper will. You still don't get the news to me and I'll put you back on the hemroyed treatment. I don't like to beg you for news. PLEASE CALL and before Tues. if possible.

Harry Northrop Jr. has returned home following surgery in St. Luke's Memorial Hospital in Utica.

NAMED TO WHO'S WHO

Thirty-two outstanding young people at the State University of New York, Agricultural and Technical College at Cobleskill have been named to "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges" from a senior class of about 1,000 students. These students were nominated for the honor by their Classmates and faculty who kept in mind qualities of leadership, initiative, integrity, and service to the College, as well as scholarship.

Included among the honored students was Robert Pound, son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Foppes of 143 East Bacon St., Waterville.

Hubbards Corners

Mrs. Arthur Whitacre
Correspondent

Miss Gail Coe of Cooperstown visited her grandmother Mrs Nellie Hughes Friday.

Mr and Mrs Percy Blair and family of Washington Mills were Sunday visitors at the Beebe-Blair home.

Little Stephanie Hughes of New Hartford visited her grandparents Mr and Mrs Earl Simpson Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Whitacre called on Mr and Mrs Theodore Derosia of Cassville Saturday.

LYNN LARABY JR.

Lynn Laraby Jr., 30, died Sat., April 5 in St. Luke's Memorial Hospital Center as a result of injuries he suffered in an automobile accident March 28.

Laraby was born in Bridgewater, son of Lynn and Mary S. Laraby.

He was employed as a machinist for Mohawk Containers.

He married Barbara Burdick in 1962.

He was of the Baptist faith.

Besides his wife and mother, he is survived by three sons, Lynn J. III, Glen and Brian Laraby and four daughters, Wanda, Monica, Christine and Connie Laraby, all at home a brother Douglas Laraby of Brookfield and two sisters, Mrs Sylvia Garrow of Brookfield and Miss Eloise Laraby of Utica.

The funeral was from the Harry Northrop Jr. Funeral Home, Waterville. Burial will be in West Winfield Cemetery in the spring.

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