



By DICK MILLER
Highland School Librarian

THE LITTLE OLD MAN, by Natalie Norton. Illustrated by Will Huntington. Rand McNally, 1959. \$2.95.

Children and old people have a natural and instinctive attraction for each other, and in this simple easy-to-read story, the author has made use of this fact.

The little old man is a character who will be immediately understood and loved by the children who read about him.

IN A FEW words and beautiful pictures the author and artist have told a charming story about a little old man's way of life and his yearning for companionship. Then a storm comes and sweeps his little house out to sea. But he finds a new and better home, as well as the friends he wanted, in a most surprising way--a way that will seem delightful and completely possible to children.



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This is a book that beginning readers can easily read by themselves and one that is equally successful as a "read-to" book for the very youngest.

NATALIE NORTON and Will Huntington are wife and husband, and this is their first joint venture, though both have illustrated books for other writers. Miss Norton has lived in Massachusetts, and in New York; Mr. Huntington, the son of a Navy doctor, has lived in Puerto Rico, in Vienna, and in various cities up and down the Atlantic seaboard. Now the Huntingtons spend their winters in the "up-island" district of Martha's Vineyard. They have few neighbors, but Mrs. Huntington says, "We have our two boys, two cats, books and music."

In summer, the Huntingtons move to their camp on the south shore of the island where the time that is not allotted to work is spent "swimming, sailing, fishing, clamming, berry-picking, and gardening."

Back-To-School Message

By Dr. James Mason
Superintendent

(Dr. Mason assumed his position as Clark County School District Superintendent, July 1.)

FEW MEN have a greater privilege than has been afforded me as your new superintendent. I deem it an honor to serve you, the Board of School Trustees, the parents, and, most of all, the children.

The past weeks have been most stimulating, providing me with many meaningful experiences through which to learn about this fine school system. I have been continually impressed with the caliber of all of those who have patiently tutored me; I hope their pupil has been an apt learner. Be assured that I will use in a positive fashion what I have learned. You have much to offer me, and I hope you will share your knowledge of our school enterprise as we work together in the years ahead.

This is an exciting time in education. Few will have our opportunities to mold and shape the future of society. There are many avenues down which we must progress in our search for quality; each may pose what seems to be an insurmountable problem. But with initiative and courage we must face these dilemmas and bring to bear the talents and energies of a dynamic staff. Through involvement and participation we can effect a cooperative undertaking that will find a way--a solution--to the most difficult and critical of problems. I will share with you my concerns for the future of the Clark County School District in the months ahead, and sincerely hope that they will become our concerns for the future.

IF YOU ARE new to the School District, then we are neophytes together. If you are an experienced member of the staff, then we who are new look to you for guidance and assistance in developing a team approach toward our professional endeavors. To this end, a maximum effort toward the establishment of a rapport relationship is necessary. I will strive diligently to win and maintain your respect.

We have a unique challenge before us; join me in the dedicated goal of providing educational excellence for each child in Clark County.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

FIRST FULL School-day is August 30 when classes begin.

NEW RESIDENTS who are parents of school-age children who are uncertain as to what school their youngsters will attend, call School Facilities Department, Clark County School District, 736-5250.

Parents who are unable to register children on the scheduled registration dates of August 26 and 29, should call the individual school directly. All school offices are now open full time.

Consult information (113) or call District Office (736-5011) for school telephone numbers that have been changed during the summer, or for new listings.

Applications in all areas except Data Processing, are still being accepted for the Southern Nevada Vocational-Technical Center. For complete details, call Clark County School District Offices (736-5011).

JO MACKEY SCHEDULE

H. P. Fitzgerald, Principal of Jo Mackey Elementary School, announced this week that registration for the 1966-67 school year for students in grades one thru six and Individual Learning will take place at the Jo Mackey school, 2726 Englestad, North Las Vegas, August 26 and 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day with the exception of the lunch hour from 12-noon until 1 p.m. when the office will be closed.

ALL FIRST GRADE students new to the district must have proof of birth, Fitzgerald said. The principal also reports that all teachers new to the school this year are to meet with him in the school library, August 24 at 9 a.m. On hand to meet and assist the new teachers with orientation to the school, will be the grade group leaders.

Leaders selected to assist the principal in running the school this year include Dollye Neske, kindergarten; Lorraine Hall, first grade; Betty Lee, second grade; Ella Blackmon, third grade; Charles Murphy, fourth grade; Curtis Hall, Sr., fifth grade; Herschel Williams, sixth grade, and Margaret Crawford, Individual Learning.

The Jo Mackey School attendance zone extends from the U.P. railroad track on the east to Highland on the west; Lake Mead Blvd., on the south, to Cheyenne Road on the north. For further details or information regarding any phase of the school's operation for the coming year, parents are encouraged to call the school at 642-3287 or 642-3288, and ask for Norma Cherry or Julia House, school secretaries who are now on duty Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Julia House will also double as a deputy voter registrar for the convenience of citizens who live in the vicinity of the school.

TEEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

THE LAS VEGAS Teen Center Chess Club is sponsoring a chess tournament to be held Thursday, August 25 from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Teen Center. Trophies will be awarded to the winners. An entry fee of .50 is required. Deadline for signing up is Friday, August 19 at the Teen Center.

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