

Society and Clubs

By LOTUS KNIGHT PORTER

MILDRED SINNOTT AND CARL B. NEAL MARRY IN CALIFORNIA, MARCH 3RD

Miss Mildred Sinnott, daughter of Peter Sinnott, of Roseburg, and Carl B. Neal, supervisor of the Olympic National Forest, Olympia, Wash., were married at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Piedmont, Calif., March 3rd. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph F. Johnson, of Piedmont brother-in-law and sister of the bride, were attendants. Mrs. Johnson was formerly Florence Sinnott of Roseburg.

A wedding dinner followed at the Johnson home.

After a honeymoon at Palm Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Neal returned to Olympia to make their home, following a short stop over in Roseburg to visit relatives. Mr. Sinnott went to Piedmont to attend the wedding and to visit his daughter Mrs. Johnson, and

family, and has since returned to his home here.

The bride was graduated from Roseburg High School and attended University of Oregon. She has been employed as secretary to the Regional Forester in Portland for a number of years. Mr. Neal was graduated from Yale and was formerly supervisor of Umpqua National Forest with headquarters in Roseburg.

ART AND EMBROIDERY CLUB TO MEET

The Roseburg Art and Embroidery Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Cluck on Umpqua Avenue. Members are asked to each bring a white elephant wrapped gift not to exceed 25 cents in value. A fish pond will be enjoyed and the proceeds of the afternoon will go to the Red Cross drive.

WEST MELROSE CLUB MEETS ON THURSDAY

MELROSE—The West Melrose Club met at the home of Mrs. Elsie Sanders Thursday. Dessert luncheon was served by the hostess and the remainder of the afternoon hours were spent with the business meeting and visiting. Those present were: Mrs. Lyle Kobersnik, Mrs. C. O. Critser, Mrs. E. L. Moon, Mrs. H. G. Thompson and Mrs. Sanders.

The next meeting is to be held at Mrs. Thompson's Thursday afternoon, March 21. All members cordially invited.

CALAPOOIA LADIES CLUB TO HOLD MEETING

The Calapooia Ladies Club will meet at the clubhouse Wednesday afternoon, March 20. Hostesses include Doris Bacon, Hazel Haines, Dorothy Williams and Lucille Starr. Members and friends are cordially invited.

WEST MELROSE CLUB TO HOLD MEETING

The West Melrose Club will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. G. Thompson. All members are most cordially invited to be present.

CONCERT ASSOCIATION TO HEAR NAN MERRIMAN ON FRIDAY EVENING

The "winning" Nan Merriman is an appropriate adjective for this sensational young singer, who is appearing for the Roseburg Community Concert Association Friday evening, March 22, at 8:15 o'clock at the Junior High School auditorium. It not only describes her personal charm, but with her lovely voice, it has meant little effort for her to enter contest after contest and come out the winner.

The thrill of winning contests was nothing to the great moment when Toscanini sent word one day that he wished to hear her in private audition. The maestro had listened in on the air and happened upon the program in which she was singing. Evidently he, too, concurred with those who were comparing the voice to Melba in its prime.

Just always invited Toscanini, when I was fourteen I cut a large photograph of the maestro out of Life Magazine, and later bought me a beautiful frame for it. From that day it occupied a place of honor on the piano, and as one with me on all my travels. It was always to him that I sang, scarcely daring to dream that I should ever sing for him in real life.

But the miracle happened and with her accompanist she went to the audition with exultant heart. She had decided on an aria from one of Verdi's operas and had sung about three measures when the maestro suddenly jumped from his chair and dashed over to the piano, motioning to the accompanist that he should give up his seat on the bench. "It was a terrible moment for me," Miss Merriman again takes up the story, "to say nothing of the poor accompanist's state of mind. I didn't know whether it were myself or the pianist who had displeased him. But it wasn't anything against him or me—it was just the (Toscanini) love music so much, he just has to take part in it." Miss Merriman said that after the first aria he asked for something else. The audition finally stretched to an hour and a half, Toscanini playing everything from memory. She wound up the audition with the third act from Rigoletto.

It was this audition that decided Toscanini to engage her as soloist in his All-Verdi program. He told Miss Merriman so before she left. Meanwhile, the appointment she had at Sate Fifth Avenue was already a half hour in arrears. Miss Merriman was so excited by the marvelous news she had to impart, that when she spied her friend in the store, she shouted it half an aisle away. Then, rushing up, grabbed her by the arm and dragged her to a telephone office, so that she could send a wire to her mother. And that was how Nan Merriman won her opportunity to sing under the baton of the great maestro, and was re-engaged the following year for the Red Cross benefit concert and re-engaged the year following that, for the General Motors Easter concert.

DILLARD W. S. C. S. HAS FINE MEETING

The Dillard Woman's Society of Christian Service was very graciously entertained on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Stanford Buell. A delicious one o'clock luncheon was served at tables beautifully decorated with carnations, begonias and other spring flowers. A pleasant hour of visiting and holding an Irish contest was enjoyed, with the hostess presenting prizes. The business meeting was in charge of the vice president, Mrs. Merce Buell, with the devotionals in charge of Mrs. Cornelia Smith, assisted by Mrs. Carol Hercher. Business matters were discussed, several committees reported, followed by Missionary readers by Mrs. Helen Rummel and Miss Gladys Johnston. A special meeting will be held at the Dillard church, Thursday, March 21st. Present for the meeting were Mrs. Grace Barnes, Mrs. Bell Clark, Mrs. Merce Buell, Mrs. Bertha Lundquist, Mrs. Nora Williams, Mrs. Helen Rummel, Mrs. Cornelia Smith, Mrs. McKay, Miss Gladys Johnston, Mrs. Rosa Heinbach, Mrs. Effie Webster, Mrs. Virginia Laurance, Mrs. Vivian Laurance, Mrs. Carol Hercher, Mrs. Stoner, Mrs. Carol Hercher, Mrs. Allen Andrus, Mrs. Mona Hult, Mrs. Myrtle McAlpine and the hostess, Mrs. Helen Buell.

Those present were: Mrs. Harold Boucock, Mrs. Elsie Coffell, Mrs. Anna Blomstrom, Mrs. Anna Ahle, Mrs. A. Sanders, Mrs. E. Pfaff, Mrs. Bertha Emmmons, Mrs. Eva Schuett, Mrs. Edith S. Ackert, Mrs. J. R. Wilson and Mrs. W. H. Carter.

REBEKAH LODGE HOLDS MEETING

Roseburg Rebekah Lodge No. 41 met at the L. O. O. F. hall Tuesday evening with Blanche Mar, noble grand, in charge. Several members were reported ill and the visiting committee was instructed to send flowers and cards.

Reba Hartley, Ruby Bloom, Amy Adair, Ora Carter, Mary Peterson, William Adair, Clarel Houck and Arthur McGehee were appointed to serve on a refreshment committee for the March 26 meeting, which will be held at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening at the L. O. O. F. hall.

MID-WEEK BIBLE CLASS TO MEET ON THURSDAY

The Mid-Week Bible Class of St. Paul's Lutheran Church will meet Thursday at a one o'clock potluck luncheon at the home of Mrs. W. A. Sylwester, 1170 Military street, with Mrs. J. Leonard as co-hostess. Members and friends are most cordially invited to attend.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL HAS MARCH MEETING

The March meeting of the Women's Council of the First Christian Church was held in the church parlors Friday at one-thirty o'clock. Mrs. Edith S. Ackert conducted the business for the Ladies Aid in the absence of the president, Mrs. Beckley.

Mrs. Bertha Emmmons, president.

EASTERN STAR TO HOLD SOCIAL MEETING THURSDAY

Roseburg Chapter of Eastern Star will entertain Oakland and Drain Chapters as guests at a social affair Thursday evening at eight o'clock at the Masonic Temple, according to an announcement made by the worthy Matron, Mrs. G. W. Marshall. Refreshments will be served.

NAVY MOTHERS PLAN MEETING FOR WEDNESDAY

The Navy Mothers Club will meet Wednesday night at eight o'clock at the armory. Following the business session, a social hour will be enjoyed and refreshments will be served. Members and those eligible to membership are invited.

MRS. SPEIDEL ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT OF DAUGHTER

Mrs. A. Speidel of Glendale announces the engagement of her daughter, Billie Sue Rogers, to Charles Edward Forrest, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Forrest, of Roseburg. The wedding date has been set for the month of June.

COUNTRY CLUB LADIES TO MEET ON THURSDAY

The ladies of the Roseburg Country Club will meet Thursday morning at ten o'clock at the clubhouse for the weekly contract bridge play. Potluck luncheon will be served at twelve-thirty o'clock.

V. F. W. AUXILIARY TO MEET THURSDAY

The auxiliary to Patrick W. Kelley Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet Thursday evening at eight o'clock at the Eagles hall. Initiation will be held. All members are urged to be present.

GARDEN VALLEY WOMEN'S CLUB TO MEET THURSDAY

The Garden Valley Women's Club will meet Thursday afternoon at two o'clock at the clubhouse with Mrs. Peter Sinclair as hostess. All members are requested to be present.

Sanitary District Plan Voted by Sundale Village

Residents in the Sundale Village area last week unanimously approved the formation of a sanitary district, William D. Green, Jr., promoter of the plan, announced today. Nineteen houses of the 29 in Sundale Village have a connection with the city sewer system, Green said. The purpose of the sanitary district is to have an assessing body levy taxes to pay the city for the use of the sewer. Hereafter, taxes will be collected by the sheriff, Green said, and payment will be made to the city by him instead of by the contractor who built the houses.

Morse Welcomes Progressives To Republican Party

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(AP)—Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon says Senator LaFollette, Wisconsin Progressive, will be able to "carry" on his fight for the common men and women in the Republican party.

LaFollette and other Wisconsin Progressives voted on Sunday to abandon the Progressive standard and cast their strength with the Republicans.

"I said last July," Morse declared in a statement, "that the Republican party would welcome Bob LaFollette back into the party. The reaction of many Republicans on Capitol Hill today overwhelmingly supports that prediction."

"Sound liberalism as an administration policy is dead in the Democratic party. Political machine control, vote-catching expediency and playing both ends against the middle characterize the policies of the Democratic administration."

"In the Republican party we must guard against a coalition of Republican and Democratic reactionaries who believe that the private enterprise system is synonymous with a political license to the economic strong to exploit the economic weak."

"Bob LaFollette has always stood against that vicious principle and hence he can best carry on his fight for the common men and women of America in the Republican party."

News of 4-H CLUBS

Bill Matthews, state winner in the poultry achievement contest in 1945, will tell 4-H leaders of his trip to the National 4-H Club Congress at the district leaders' meeting in Klamath Falls March 18 and 19. Bill's expenses to the National Club Congress were paid by Swift and Company, sponsors of the National Poultry Achievement Contest.

The district leaders' meeting at Klamath Falls is the third of a series of leader training meetings sponsored by the state 4-H club staff and extension service. Mrs. Cleone Andrus, Mrs. E. T. Schosco and Mrs. Bessie Lounsbury will attend the meeting along with Bill Matthews. The two-day session will be devoted to training leaders of all types of agricultural clubs and all home economics clubs. Mr. H. C. Seymour, state club leader, will be in charge, assisted by Assistant State Club Leaders L. J. Allen, Miss Helen Cowgill and Miss Mary Olive Snarr.

A camp cookery club with 17 members has been organized in the fifth and sixth grades of the Yoncalla School. Mrs. Hazel Wright will be the adult leader for the group. Marvin Highley was elected club president, Donald Vest vice-president, and Bill Boucock secretary.

Helen Weist, Smith River Route, Reedsport, will serve as president of a marketing club organized in the Smith River grade school March 16. Betty Mae Pyritz will be the club's secretary and Mrs. Ruth Sullivan adult leader. Thirteen boys and girls have enrolled in the club.

4-H Club members enrolled for the marketing project are urged to complete their marketing essays and get them in to the county club agent's office by

April 1. Essays received after April 10 cannot be considered for marketing day. Over 200 boys and girls are enrolled in marketing, reports Kenneth C. Minnick, county club agent. Therefore, all essays must be in before April 10 to be graded and checked before Marketing Day, April 20.

Oregon Tax Rate Status Explained

SALEM, Ore., March 16.—(AP)—The state income tax rate this year, while higher than for the past two years, is back at the normal rate, the state tax commission advised in answering complaints about the increase.

Because of big surplus receipts, the 1943 legislature passed the Walker plan whereby the tax commission could reduce the rate 5 per cent for each \$1,000,000 of surplus.

This made the 1944 rate only 25 per cent of the normal rate, and the tax payable in 1945 70 per cent of the normal rate.

The 1945 legislature gave additional amounts to schools, and the people last June voted a

\$10,000,000 building program for state institutions and colleges and university. All of this money ate up the surpluses on hand, so that the tax rate now is the same as it was before the Walker plan was passed.

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